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 Harford, Monica Purcell, Brian
 Larkin, Jack, P.C.,M.C.C. Tuite, Bredge
 Lawless, Stephen

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

The Chairman, Commissioner Purcell, presided.

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Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Davis seconded by Commissioners McKeon and agreed that the contents of the letter would be noted.

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Re: Expenses was read.

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4. Circular from the Department of the Environment Re Expenses of Local Authority Members.

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5. Commissioners Consent to Overexpenditure in 1994.

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7. Seminars/Conferences.

(1) A.M.A.I. Conference 11/12 February 1994 - Bundoran.

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(ii) Letter dated 28th January, 1994 from Skerries Twinning Association re: Twinning was read and noted.

4. Application Under the Gaming and Lotteries Act 1956

An application under the Gaming and Lotteries Act 1956 by Mr. Aidan Bissett of Quay Street was noted by the Commissioners.

5. Traffic Report Comparison

Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Chairman and agreed that a special meeting would be held on Tuesday 15th February, 1994 at 8.00 p.m. to discuss the traffic report. It was further proposed to invite the Garda Superintendent to attend the meeting at 9.00 p.m. if he was available. Following further discussion it was proposed to invite Mr. Oliver Doyle of Iarnrod Eireann to a meeting on 22nd February, 1994 at 8.30 p.m.

6. Report on Dublin Tourism Organisation

The Chairman gave a report on the proceedings of Dublin Tourism to date. Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Tuite seconded by Commissioner Lawless and agreed to write to An Post expressing the Commissioners and local people's disappointment in relation to the postal service. It was further agreed to ask An Post the reason for reverting back to evening deliveries in the town.

7. Report on Dublin Transportation Initiative

Commissioner Davis gave a report on Dublin Transportation Initiative up to date.

8. Other Business

(i) Letter from the Minister of Environment in relation to the extension of Balbriggan Town Boundary was read. Following discussion it was proposed by the chairman seconded by Commissioner Gallen and agreed to recommend that the boundary be as submitted to the Minister for the Environment in 1988 with the inclusion of the town lands of Glebe North, Castleland and Kilsough South. Mr. Carey informed the Commissioners that the matter would be considered by the Fingal Council on 14th February, 1994 and he would then report back to the Commissioners.

(ii) Letter dated 7/2/94 from Community Department of Fingal County Council concerning the proposed building of a community centre was read. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Chairman and agreed to send a copy of the letter to the Community Leisure Centre committee for their meeting on the following night.

(iii) Proposed meeting with Fingal County Council. Following discussion on the matter the following agenda was agreed:-

- 1. Cleaning of Bracken River

- 2. Public Lighting
 - (i) Discussion on the repair service in relation to public lighting in Balbriggan
 - (ii) Provision of Public Light on existing pole outside the nursing home in Church St.
- 3. Discussion on the present position in relation to Halting Site Programme for Fingal
- 4. Provision of barriers at Bridge St. outside the entrance from Balbriggan Shopping Centre
- 5. Provision of Balbriggan Inner Relief Road
- 6. Discussion on Fingal County Council 's proposals for the halting of coastal erosion in the Balbriggan area.
- 7. Discussion on the future plans for Housing in Balbriggan.
 - (iv) St. Patrick's Day Parade

It was proposed by commissioner Gallen and seconded by the Chairman and agreed that the Parade would take place in accordance with the same criteria as in 1993. It was agreed that a discussion on the matter would be held at the special meeting on 15th February, 1994.

 - (v) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to contact the County Council Community Department in relation to a caravan which is parked at Pinewood Green Avenue since December 1993.
 - (iv) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by the chairman it was agreed to contact the County Council in relation to the provision of a water lorry at Pinewood Estate in the event of water shortages in the future.
 - (vii) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to contact the County Council to ask them for their proposals in relation to the boundary wall between SuperValu and Lambeecheer Estate.
 - (viii) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by he Chairman it was agreed to contact the Management of SuperValu in relation to overflows of washing machines on the flats over the supermarket.
 - (ix) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite it was agreed to contact the County Council in relation to replacement of seats on the strand.
 - (x) On the proposal of Commissioner Davis seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to contact the Council in relation to a light which is out of order at the back of Pinewood Green Avenue.
 - (xi) On the proposal of Commissioner Harford seconded by the chairman it was agreed to ask the Council to investigate a position in relation to the installation of ramps on the laneway behind Dublin St.
 - (xii) On the proposal of Commissioner Lawless seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to ask the County Council to clean the paths and remove the shelters down to seat level at the Seabanks Park.
 - (xiii) On the proposal of Commissioner Lawless seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to contact the County Council in relation to the condition of the roads in the main.

(xiv) In reply to Commissioner Gallen the Town Clerk informed the members that the traffic study group would not be involved in discussing the route of the Inner Relief Road. Their only function would be in relation to traffic management measures if these were warranted.

(xv) In response to Commissioner Gallen the Town Clerk informed the members that the Fingal County Council hope to have a traffic study group meeting held within the following three weeks and that the matter of disabled parking bays would be discussed at it.

(xvi) In response to Commissioner Gallen the Town Clerk informed the members that the litter warden had been particularly vigilant in relation to enforcing the litter act concerning shopping trolleys and he had reported favourably in the matter. He further reported that Quinnsworth hoped to have a deposit system in operation within the following two to three weeks and that both SuperValu and Quinnsworth collected every second day.

(xvii) In response to Commissioner Gallen Mr. Carey informed the meeting of the situation in relation to the listing of premises for revaluation.

(xviii) In reply to Commissioner Gallen the Town Clerk stated that no reply had been received as yet in relation to the Bracken River. It had been previously agreed to include this matter on the agenda for the next meeting with Fingal County council.

(xix) In reply to Commissioner Gallen the Town Clerk informed the members that he had requested a report in relation to the permission for 200 houses at the Chantries in relation to road access. In relation to Castlelands it was a bit previous because there was no indication as to the layout of the proposed houses.

(xx) In reply to Commissioner Gallen the Town Clerk informed the meeting that the provision of by laws in Public Parks was a matter for Fingal County Council.

The meeting concluded at 10.10 p.m.

Quinnsworth
8/3/94

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF BALBRIGGAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON 15/2/94.

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Larkin, Jack, P.C.M.C.C. Tuite, Bredge
Lawless, Stephen

OFFICIALS PRESENT P.A. Gibbons, Town Clerk

1. Traffic Report

The comparison traffic report as between the Balbriggan Town Commissioners original report and the report drawn up by the Ad Hoc Committee in the town was discussed. Following discussion on the matter a number of recommendations were made and it was agreed to discuss these with the Garda Superintendent at another meeting.

2. St. Patrick's Day Parade

Following discussion on the 1994 St. Patrick's Day Parade the following matters were agreed

- (i) The Parade would take place as last year that is commencing at 3.00 p.m.
- (ii) The invitation list was agreed.
- (iii) Only the Chairman of the Commissioners would make a speech.
- (iv) Tea, coffee and biscuits would be served to the invited guests.
- (v) Shop windows competition in conjunction with Conradh na nGaeilge would be held again and a condition of entry would be that the shop windows would be left on display for the weekend on either side of St. Patrick's Day. It was agreed that Commissioners Lawless, Harford, and Tuite with Trevor Sargent, T.D. would be the judges and judging would take place on Saturday 12th March, 1994 in the morning. Following further discussion a list of items which had to be tended to was drawn up and various Commissioners and the Town Clerk undertook to organise certain aspects of this list.

Following further discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Tuite and agreed that following this years St. Patrick's Day Parade that Balbriggan Chamber of Commerce would be requested to take over the running of the parade. This was agreed

The meeting then concluded.

Brian Purcell
8/3/94

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF BALBRIGGAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON 22/2/94.

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1. MEETING WITH GARDAI

GARDAI PRESENT

- Supt. Brian Kenny
- Sgt. Brian Carthy

A full discussion was held between the Commissioners and the Gardai in relation to the various traffic proposals. Various matters in relation to the proposals were agreed and the Gardai made certain suggestions in relation to other ones. It was also agreed that the Gardai would look at the whole aspect of parking and parking restrictions and would come back to the Commissioners in relation to these and other items as soon as possible. The Chairman thanked the superintendent and sergeant for attending for the full discussion which had taken place and he said that the Commissioners looked forward to receiving their further proposals in relation to the traffic situation.

2. MEETING WITH MR. OLIVER DOYLE, IARNROD EIREANN

The Chairman thanked Mr. Doyle for attending the meeting and outlined to him the general nature of the items which they wished to discuss. Commissioner Davis then informed Mr. Doyle of the various matters of complaint which the Commissioners were receiving in relation to the operation of the Balbriggan service. Mr. Doyle answered each of the particular complaints and assured the Commissioners that efforts were being constantly made to improve the service. He stated that they were receiving £275,000,000 from the European Union for the upgrading of the line from Dublin to Belfast. £88,000,000 is being spent jointly with Northern Ireland Railways on the renewal of the line and two new locomotives had been ordered. The track being renewed would allow speeds of up to 90 m.p.h. if necessary. This year it was intended that 25% of the tracks from Howth to the Border a total of 27 miles would be replaced. A new signalling system between Malahide and Drogheda would come into operation on 12th May, 1994 and further improvements to the signalling North of Malahide was been undertaken. He also stated that bridges were being widened along the route to incorporate the new trains which would be in service shortly. He also agreed to have the tarmac on

Balbriggan station renewed. The chairman again thanked Mr. Doyle for his attendance at the meeting and thanked him for his full and open discussion of the matters relating to the operation of the train service.

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James J. [unclear]
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2. Applications for Hire of Hall

The following applications were noted by the Commissioners

- (i) Application from Balbriggan Chamber of Commerce to held an open community day on 27th March, 1994.
- (ii) Application from local congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses to hold religious meetings on Fridays and Sundays.
- (iii) An application from Mr. Karl Moore to hold a market in the Town Hall on the second and last Sundays of each month was discussed by the Commissioners. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Lawless seconded by Commissioner Gallen and agreed that the Commissioners would recommend that the Manager reject the application .

3. Correspondence

- (i) Letter dated 5/3/94 signed by A. Cashell on behalf of the Traders of Balbriggan re: hire of hall for casual trading was read. Commissioners Harford, Gallen, and Tuite stated that they had checked with a number of the signatories and they stated that they were totally unaware of the contents of the letter. Commissioner Tuite stated that some traders thought that the Chamber of Commerce were involved in the petition. Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Lawless seconded by Commissioner Gallen and agreed that the Commissioners would write to ms. Cashell demanding a public apology for the contents of the letter. It was further proposed by the Chairman seconded by

Commissioner Lawless to ring the president of the Chamber of Commerce to make him aware of the contents of the letter.

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- (i) Letter dated 21/2/94 from an Taoiseach re: Abortion Referendum was noted.
- (ii) Letter dated 7/2/94 from Minister for Justice re: Garda Manpower was read. Following discussion on the matter it was agreed to write to the local superintendent asking for clarification of the station numbers as stated in the Ministers letter.
- (iii) Letter dated 7/2/94 from Minister for the Environment re: Grant was read and noted.
- (iv) Letter dated 21/2/94 from Minister for the Environment and letter dated 3/3/94 from Minister for Transport, Energy and Communications re: Thorp was read. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Murray seconded by Commissioner Davis and agreed that the Commissioners write to Minister Brian Cowan asking him to pursue the matter to the European Court. It was further agreed the letter would not be sent until necessary information had been supplied by Commissioner Murray.

B: Correspondence from Fingal County Council

- (i) Letter dated 17/2/94 from Secretariat Department re: Boundary Extension was read. Following discussion it was proposed by the chairman seconded by the Vice-Chairman and agreed that the Commissioners would except the Managers recommendation which included all the Commissioners recommendations except the area to the North of the town.
- (ii) Letter dated 17/2/94 from Roads Department re: Roads matters was read and noted. Following discussion it was agreed to ask the Gardai to examine the problem of illegal parking in Chapel St.
- (iii) Letter dated 23/2/94 from Development Dept re: Derelict Site was read. Following discussion on the matter it was agreed to write back to the development department seeking clarification on a number of matters.

C: Correspondence from Other Local Authorities and Public Bodies

- (i) Letter dated 14/2/94 from I.D.A. re: Factory was read and noted.
- (ii) Letter dated 18/2/94 from Naas U.D.C. re: property tax was read. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Tuite and agreed the Commissioners would draw up their own motion on the matter and they will note the motion from Naas U.D.C.
- (iii) Letter dated 22/2/94 from Listowel U.D.C. re: 1994 exams and expenses was read and noted.
- (iv) Letter dated 23/2/94 from An Post re: deliveries was read. Following discussion on the matter it was agreed to write to the survey branch of An Post asking that the postal deliveries in Balbriggan be monitored on an ongoing basis.

(v) Letter from Irish Public Bodies re: General meeting was read. It was proposed by the Chairman seconded by Commissioner Murray and agreed that Commissioner Gallen would continue to be the Commissioners nominee to attend the general meeting.

D: Other Correspondence

(i) Letter dated 8/2/94 from residents of seapoint and adjacent areas and letter dated 5/3/94 from East Town Centre and Seapoint Residents Association re: meeting was read. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Murray and agreed that the Commissioners would meet with the residents association on Monday 21st March, 1994 at 8.00 p.m.

(ii) Letter dated 28/2/94 from Lancashire County Council re: Thorp Plant was read and noted.

4. St. Patrick's Day Parade 1994

The Town Clerk informed the members that preparations were going ahead for the parade although very few entries had been received as yet. He also informed that no entries had been received for the window competition.

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. Other Business

(i) It was proposed by Commissioner Harford seconded by Commissioner Davis that the Balbriggan Town Commissioners call on the Minister for Finance to rescind taxation on social welfare payments and also call on our T.D.'s to discuss this in the Dail. Following discussion on the matter the resolution was adopted.

(ii) On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to ask the Parks Department for a breakdown in chemicals used in recent spraying of parks areas in the town.

(iii) On the proposal of Commissioner Lawless seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to again contact Dublin County Council concerning box hard seats for the beach.

(iv) On the proposal of Commissioner McKeon seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to ask Fingal County Council how much money was in the estimates for the renovation of Bremore Site and to ask for a full report from the Office of Public Works on the site.

(v) On the proposal of Commissioner Davis seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to write to Fingal County Council concerning the method of dealing with people who are in arrears with their

rent or mortgage and ask them to take a more sensitive approach such as sending out someone to talk to the tenants instead of an initial letter in order to find out their circumstances.

(vi) Commissioner Murray proposed asking banks and major businesses in the town to fund the Inner Relief Road by means of low interest rate loans and it was proposed that the Fingal County Council be asked if they would take such short term finance. Following discussion on the matter it was agreed that Commissioner Murray would do a submission on the matter.

(vii) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to write to the employment exchange in Gardiner St. asking if facilities could be made available for processing and giving information on claims of the local Balbriggan office.

(viii) On the proposal of Commissioner Purcell seconded by the Vice-Chairman it was agreed to follow up the matter of legislation with disabled parking bays.

(ix) On the proposal of Commissioner Purcell seconded by the Vice-Chairman it was agreed to write to the Minister for the Environment concerning the criteria used to issue disabled passes.

(x) Commissioner Gallen informed the meeting that when the County Bridge was demolished on 27th March, 1994 that Noel Dillon local roads engineer had agreed to retain the stone taken from the bridge in the yard. It was agreed to contact Mr. Oliver Doyle of Iarnrod Eireann in this regard.

The meeting concluded at 10.10 p.m.

Brian Purcell
12/4/94

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**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF BALBRIGGAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD
ON 21ST MARCH 1994**

Special meeting held on Monday 21st March, 1994 at 8.00 p.m. between Balbriggan Town commissioners and residents from Seapoint, Quay Street and Mill Street.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

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

APOLOGIES

Murray, David
McKeon, May
Gibbons, Patrick A

RESIDENTS

John Gallen
Colm Gamble
Eithne Nally

APOLOGIES

Willie Reilly

Colm Gamble confirmed that the group present were not representing the Residents Association for the area and thanked the Commissioners for meeting with them.

Item 1

A discussion commenced on the increased traffic in the Quay Street area and Commissioner Davis suggested that this matter and item 4 be taken together, as much of the traffic problems are related to the Cardy Marina.

It was agreed that the Commissioners would contact the Gardai - for the Traffic Study Group - and request that "Experimental Lines" be placed in Quay Street and contact Fingal Council to re-paint the 'No Entry' sign on the road at the junction of Quay Street/High Street. also at the junction of Seapoint Road and Seapoint Lane "Experimental Lines" be put in place.

Commissioner Larkin was anxious to know where the coaches park when the club is open and how many there are in the area each weekend. He was advised a number of approximately 8 and most park on the double yellow lines at the Quay side.

Commissioner Davis requested that the Commissioners contact the Gardai asking them to monitor this situation at week-ends. Commissioner Harford stated that it is important for safety reasons for the Gardai to keep an eye on this situation and advise the Commissioners.

Item 2

The Commissioners agreed to await the outcome of the new bill and keep monitoring the situation.

Item 3

This will be passed to the Gardai requesting them to monitor the One Way System more carefully as, for sometime now, there appears to be disregard for this system, in certain areas.

Item 4

The current position regarding the Enforcement Notice issued by Fingal Council was read and Commissioner Davis requested that the Commissioners write to the Planning Department asking them to move on this Order.

It was also requested that the Commissioners request the Chief Fire Officer requesting inspection of the premises on a regular basis, bearing in mind that the planning conditions have not been fulfilled, during the hours of 1.00 p.m. to 2.00 p.m.

Commissioner Tuite asked that we ascertain from the Fire Officer the numbers allowed in the Nite Club.

Item 5

It was agreed that there are no plans to have a Taxi Rank in the Town Centre Park, that the area most suitable is on the Square. It was decided by the Commissioners to follow up the possibility of having such a service in the Town.

The meeting concluded at 9.10 p.m.

Brian L. ...
12/4/94

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	Harford, Monica	Tuite, Bredge
	Larkin, Jack, P.C. M.C.C.	

APOLOGIES	Murray, David
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RESIDENTS	John Gallen
	Colm Gamble
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APOLOGIES	Willie Reilly
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MINUTES OF MEETING OF BALBRIGGAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON 12/4/94

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

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

The Chairman, Commissioner Purcell, presided

1. Confirmation of Minutes

- (i) Minutes of Meeting held on 8/3//94 were read and confirmed
- (ii) Minutes of Special Meeting held on 21/3/94 were read and confirmed

2. Applications for Hire of Hall

An application from the Balbriggan Drop In Home Alone Centre for use of the Hamilton Hall Room for seven weeks commencing 20th April, 1994 was noted by the Commissioners

3. Correspondence

A: Correspondence from Government Departments and Ministers

- (i) Letter dated 14/3/94 from Office of An Tanaiste RE: Thorp was read and noted
- (ii) Letter dated 21/3/94 from Minister for Finance RE: Lottery Funding for Crohn's Disease was read. Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner McKeon seconded by Commissioner Gallen and agreed that the Commissioners would write to the Minister for Health on the matter.

B: Correspondence from Fingal County Council and Councillors

- (i) Letter dated 28/3/94 from Secretariat Department RE: Meeting was read and a discussion was held as to which Commissioners would speak on the various matters.
- (ii) Letter dated 16/3/94 from Parks Department RE: Bremore site was read. It was agreed to follow up the matter with the Council concerning the start date and the office of public works report.

C: Correspondence from Other Local Authorities and Public Bodies

- (i) Letter dated 16/3/94 from Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council RE: Sellafield was read and noted.

- (ii) Letter dated 24/3/94 from Garda Siochana Re: Manpower was read. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Harford seconded by the Chairman and agreed to write to the Minister for Justice asking her to increase garda strength in the Balbriggan district.
- (iii) Letter dated 29/3/94 from Monaghan U.D.C. RE: Age Cards was read and noted.
- (iv) Letter dated 30/3/94 from Athy U.D.C. RE: Book of support for Peace was read and noted.

D: Other Correspondence

- (i) Letter dated 24/3/94 from Angela Cashell RE: Casual trading was read. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by commissioner Harford seconded by Commissioner Lawless and agreed that the Commissioners would again demand a public apology.
- (ii) Letter dated 31/3/94 from Minister for Finance RE: Taxation on social Welfare Payments was read and noted.
- (iii) Letter dated 8th April, 1994 from An Post RE: Postal Service in balbriggan was read. Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Chairman and agreed that the Commissioners would write back on the matter stating that it was not a rare occurrence for post to be late.
- (iv) Notification from Greystones Town Commissioners RE: 1994 La Touche Legacy Seminar was read and noted.

4. Report of Local Government Auditor for 1992

The report of the Local Government Auditor 1992 was discussed and noted by the Commissioners.

5. Report on Dublin Tourism Organisation

There was no report under this heading.

6. Other Business

- (i) It was proposed by Commissioner Davis seconded by commissioner Hartford and agreed "That the Balbriggan Town Commissioners call on the Minister for Transport and communications and the Minister for Enterprise and Employment to intervene in the Iarnrod Eireann industrial dispute and they further call on Iarnrod Eireann to rescind the recent suspensions of employees to facilitate discussions."
- (ii) Following a report from the town Clerk in relation to the sale of 56 Hampton Street, Balbriggan it was proposed by Commissioner Davis seconded by Commissioner Harford and agreed that the sale would be approved.
- (iii) In response to Commissioner Tuite the Town Clerk informed the members that he had as yet no word from the employment Exchange in Gardiner Street concerning Balbriggan Employment Office.

- (iv) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to again contact the County Council concerning potholes on the verge area on the road opposite St. Molagas School.
- (v) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to contact the Traffic Department of Fingal County Council concerning ramps at the Mill Pond Road.
- (vi) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to contact the Gardai asking them to investigate the parking of articulated lorries at the entrance to Tara Cove housing estate.
- (vii) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to contact Telecom Eireann asking them to rate all phone calls from public offices as they were previously.
- (viii) Commissioner Tuite asked if there was anything further on the Skerries Road Bridge. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Tuite and agreed to write to Iarnrod Eireann to reinstate the two parts of the bridge in their previous natural state.
- (ix) On the proposal of Commissioner Davis seconded by Commissioner Gallen it was agreed to contact Fingal County Council concerning the spraying of weed killer to ascertain what type was used.
- (x) On the proposal of Commissioner McKeon seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to invite the members of Fingal County Council and officials to a walking tour of Balbriggan to see the problems at first hand.
- (xi) On the proposal of Commissioner Murray it was agreed to ask the Council to carry out repairs on the main road.
- (xii) In response to Commissioner Lawless Mr. Carey stated that there was no change in the time scale of the Balbriggan By-Pass.
- (xiii) On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to again contact Irish Lights concerning the top of the light house which had been removed previously.
- (xiv) In response to Commissioner Gallen the town Clerk informed the members that discussions were being held with the architects department of Fingal County Council concerning the Town Hall.
- (xv) On the proposal of Commissioner Purcell it was agreed to follow up the matter of disabled parking bays with the county council and the gardai.

The meeting concluded at 9.55 p.m.



MINUTES OF MEETING OF BALBRIGGAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON 10/5/94

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

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

OFFICIALS PRESENT

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

The Chairman, Commissioner Purcell, presided

1. Confirmation of Minutes

- (i) Minutes of Meeting held on 12/4//94 were read and confirmed.

2. Applications for Hire of Hall

The Commissioners noted the application for hire of the hall by the Balbriggan Breakaway Festival.

3. Correspondence

A: Correspondence from Government Departments and Ministers

- (i) Letter dated 15/4/94 from Nora Owen , T.D. , M.C.C. RE: Inner Relief Road was read and noted.
- (ii) Letter dated 15/4/94 from Nora Owen, T.D., M.C.C. RE: Factory was read and noted.
- (iii) Letter dated 29/4/94 from Ray Burke, T.D. RE: Taxation was read and noted.
- (iv) Letter dated 29/4/94 from Nora Owen, T.D.,M.C.C. RE: Taxation was read and noted.

B: Correspondence from Fingal County Council and Councillors

- (i) Letter dated 11/4/94 from Housing Dept RE: Arrears was read and noted.

C: Correspondence from Other Local Authorities and Public Bodies

- (i) Letter dated 14/4/94 from Office of Public Works RE: Bremore Site was read. Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Mckeon seconded by Commissioner Lawless and agreed to request Fingal County Council to ask the Office of Public Works to carry out a survey on the site.
- (ii) Letter dated April 94 from Employment Exchange Gardiner St. RE: Balbriggan Employment Exchange was read and noted.
- (iii) Letter dated 28/4/94 from Monaghan U.D.C. RE: Expenses was read and noted.

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D: Other Correspondence

- (i) Letter dated 5/5/94 from Iarnrod Eireann RE: Industrial Action was read and noted.
- (ii) Letter dated 6/5/94 from Parks Dept RE: Weed Killer was read and noted.

4. Report on Meeting with Fingal County Council

The Commissioners who were present at the meeting with Fingal County Council gave a report on the proceedings.

5. Issuing of Polling Cards to Local Government Electorate with consent of Balbriggan Town Commissioners under section 2 Electoral (Amendments) No 2 Act 1986.

Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Lawless and agreed that polling cards would be issued to local government electors who were only eligible to vote in the election for Balbriggan Town Commissioners.

6. Report on Dublin Tourism Organisation

The Chairman gave a report on these proceedings

7. Report on Dublin Transportation Initiative

Commissioner Davis gave a report on these proceedings

8. Other Business

- (i) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite it was agreed to contact Iarnrod Eireann and the Gardai concerning congregating and lighting of fires in the railway subway. It was also agreed to request Iarnrod Eireann to put up no loitering signs.
- (ii) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite it was agreed to ask Fingal County Council to put signs on the beach in relation to fouling of footpaths by dogs.
- (iii) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite it was agreed to ask Fingal County Council to erect signs on the public toilets.
- (iv) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by Commissioner Lawless and agreed to ask the Minister for the Environment to adequately fund Fingal County Council instead of imposition of service charges.
- (v) On the proposal of Commissioner Davis it was agreed to ask the Council to check numbers 1 to 10 Seapoint in relation to complaints concerning low water pressure.
- (vi) On the proposal of Commissioner Davis it was agreed to ask Fingal County Council to cut the banks on the strand and also to request to request Iarnrod Eireann to carry out the work on their own part.
- (vii) On the proposal of Commissioner Harford seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to request a full time ambulance service for North Fingal.
- (viii) On the proposal of Commissioner Harford seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to ask the owners of SuperValu supermarket to have a pedestrian crossing installed on Brick Lane.

- (ix) On the proposal of Commissioner Mckeen seconded by Commissioner Lawless it was agreed to ask Fingal County Council to link waiver limits to minimum old age pension rates.
- (x) On the proposal of Commissioner Lawless it was agreed to ask Fingal County Council to replace the seats on the sea front.
- (xi) On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen it was agreed to contact Iarnrod Eireann concerning the bus stop outside SuperValu as it was felt it was too near the pedestrian lights.
- (xii) In response to Commissioner Gallen Mr. Carey stated that a number of sources had been used to compile the list for services charges.

The meeting ended at 9.15 p.m.

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF BALBRIGGAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON 18TH JULY, 1994 WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF FAS

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT	Davis, Joe	Shields, Gertie
	Gallen, Patricia	Timmins, Colm
	Harford, Monica	Tuite, Bredge
	Mckeen, May	Young, Tom
	Pyne, Ned	

OFFICIALS PRESENT P.A. Gibbons, Town Clerk

FAS REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT Patricia Curtain
Brendan Kennedy

Patricia Curtain gave a review of the FAS situation in Dublin North and stated that they had a success rate of up to 65% of placement after people finishing courses. They provided an employment services office which was a one stop shop and they encouraged and supported community employment. Recent additions to this was that people would retain all their secondary benefits and that included a development module.

The Cathaoirleach Commissioner Shields welcomed the representatives of FAS and explained to them that they were concerned at the situation in relation to the one day a week clinic they were running. Mr. Kennedy stated that the office was not been used by employers and community groups. Commissioner Gallen asked was it the location or advertising that was the problem. Following discussion on the matter it was agreed that FAS in conjunction with the Commissioners would arrange to have the matter advertised following the summer break. The FAS members were also asked about Youthreach Programme and Patricia Curtain suggested that the matter be discussed with the V.E.C. as they were the body concerning this programme. The Cathaoirleach again thanked the members from FAS for attending and the meeting then concluded.

Bredge Tuite
13 Sep '94

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF BALBRIGGAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON 18TH JULY, 1994 WITH BREMORE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT	Davis, Joe	Shields, Gertie
	Gallen, Patricia	Timmins, Colm
	Harford, Monica	Tuite, Bredge
	McKeon, May	Young, Tom
	Pyne, Ned	

OFFICIALS PRESENT P.A. Gibbons, Town Clerk

BREMORE RESIDENTS Martin Timmins

ASSOC. REPS. PRESENT Pat Garvey
Robert Kenny

The Cathaoirleach welcomed the deputation and Robert Kenny thanked the members for seeing them. He then gave an outline background to the situation and stated the 3 main areas concerning them were 1) the playarea, 2) the condition of the estate which included the road leading into the estate, the lights in Covestown and the roads in the estate which have deteriorated, and 3) the Inner relief Road. Following discussion on the matter it was agreed to write to Griffwell asking them to complete the works. It was also agreed to write to Fingal County Council regarding recent applications for changes in planning and to check this situation under the current Griffwell applications. The deputation then thanked the Commissioners for meeting them and the meeting then ended.

Bredge Tuite
13/Sep/94

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF BALBRIGGAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD
ON 23/8/94**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

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| Davis, Joe | Shields, Gertie |
| Gallen, Patricia | Timmins, Colm |
| Harford, Monica | Tuite, Bredge |
| McKeon, May | Young, Tom |
| Pyne, Ned | |

OFFICIALS PRESENT

P. A. Gibbons

Commissioner Harford stated that she had asked for the meeting to be called because she was unhappy with the way the petition was organised. She wanted to know when the petition was launched and who decided which Commissioners and traders were to be included. The Cathaoirleach stated that she had gone to Commissioner Harford's door and both Commissioner Harford and her husband had signed. Commissioner Harford stated that she hadn't realised at the time the layout of the petition. Commissioner Young stated that the motion had been presented at the July meeting in good faith. He hadn't been allowed to read the motion and he had been shocked at the approach he had received at the meeting. Commissioner McKeon stated that she agreed with the motion in general but not with the gathering of a petition. Commissioner Gallen stated that a lot of words had been said in relation to the petition and she did not consider the gathering of the petition demeaning in any way. The result was five/four in favour of organising the petition and she could not honestly go out with nine names when four were not in favour of it. Commissioner Pyne stated that he had made a phone call to the Cathaoirleach because he had been asked on the street whether he was no longer a Commissioner as his name had not appeared on the petition. He felt that all documentation coming out of the Commissioners office should be on headed paper. The Cathaoirleach stated that she didn't mind receiving phone calls but she would insist on respect for the office of the Cathaoirleach. Commissioner Tuite stated that her reason for coming to the meeting was to state that she went around with the petition with another four Commissioners. Commissioner Harford reiterated her original question as to who decided which traders and publicans would be included. Commissioner Young replied that no one decided specifically. At that point Commissioner Tuite asked to be excused. Commissioner Davis stated that he had no problem with the petition but that he would not be signing it. He felt that the document was a con job on the people. He also found it hard to believe how people knew that he had not signed it. He felt that people going around with the petition had told others that. He felt that once the motion had been passed it should be from all the Commissioners as a body. Commissioner McKeon asked that when a motion was passed should it officially come from the Commissioners and should it be launched from the Town Hall. The Town Clerk stated that when a resolution for action on an issue was decided a meeting was normally held to

decide on a course of action by the Commissioners. Commissioner Harford asked Commissioner Young was it his intention to have the petition from the Balbriggan Town Commissioners he replied that it was. Commissioner Pyne asked was it not worth his while to put it to all the Commissioners to sign. Commissioner Harford stated that other Commissioners couldn't refuse to sign when it was democratically agreed and she wanted to establish here and now that if any resolution is passed that it becomes part of the Commissioners policy and should be initiated from the Town Hall. The Cathaoirleach asked Commissioner Harford whether her signature should be on it or not if she was not going to work at it. Commissioner Harford stated that she would work at it, she was perfectly willing to stand up and be counted and she would go along with the majority. She felt it was all done underhanded and she wanted to know by amending the petition would it be in order. Commissioner Gallen felt it would not. The night the motion was presented the petition was on the table. Commissioner Davis wanted to know if it was true what was been said around the town that there was five signatures only because the other four had been left out to show them up. The Cathaoirleach stated that it had not come from her. Commissioner Pyne wanted to know did five signatures not look odd. Commissioner Gallen stated that the original nine couldn't go on it because she felt it would have been hypocritical. Commissioner Pyne stated that he had not seen the petition on the night and he would have signed it and he would have organised signatures. Commissioner Harford stated that the petition was not sent down the table on the night of the meeting. Commissioner Davis felt that people were playing politics with the petition and was giving a false perception to the people. Commissioner Young stated that he now realised that the petition should have been on Commissioners headed paper and he apologised to the Commissioners. He was sorry that the Cathaoirleach had to take the flak. Five Commissioners had been out to date getting the signatures, the petition could be brought back and revamped. Commissioner Harford stated that she was not asking to undo what was already done and she proposed that the petition as it was now be stopped. Commissioner McKeon also felt that it should be withdrawn. The Town Clerk then suggested that a press release be issued to explain that all the Commissioners were in favour of the building of the inner relief road, that the signatures already collected be accepted and that the petition be redrafted with a covering letter from the Commissioners and blank sheets for people to sign. Following a discussion on this it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Young and agreed that the Town Clerks suggestion be adopted. Commissioner Gallen then stated that she wanted noted for the record that everything must go through the Cathaoirleach. The meeting then ended.

*Justie Shields
11.10.94*

MINUTES OF MEETING OF BALBRIGGAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON 13/9/94

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT	Davis, Joe	Shields, Gertie
	Gallen, Patricia	Timmins, Colm
	Harford, Monica	Tuite, Bredge
	McKeon, May	Young, Tom
	Pyne, Ned	

OFFICIALS PRESENT P.A. Gibbons, Town Clerk

An apology for non attendance was received from S. Carey , Principal Officer.

An Cathaoirleach, Commissioner Gertie Shields, presided.

1. Confirmation of Minutes

- (a) Minutes of Meeting held on 12/7/94 were read and confirmed.
- (b) Minutes of Special Meeting held on 18/7/94 with Fas were read and confirmed.
- (c) Minutes of Special Meeting held on 18/7/94 with Bremore Residents Association were read and confirmed.

2. Applications for Hire of Hall

The following list of applications for the year commencing September 1994 were noted by the Commissioners

3. Correspondence

- (1) Letter dated 2/8/94 from People of the Year Awards Re: Nominations was read. Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Tuite that Eric Nolan be nominated for People of the Year Award.
- (2) Letter dated 26/8/94 from Balbriggan Combined Clubs Re: Meeting. It was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Tuite and agreed that the Commissioners would meet with the Combined Clubs on a date to be arranged.
- (3) Letter dated 5/9/94 from Bremore Estate Residents Association Re: Meeting was read. It was proposed by Commissioner Davis seconded by Commissioner Harford and agreed that the Commissioners would meet with the residents on the same date as the Combined Clubs meeting once the necessary information was obtained by the Commissioners.

- (4) Letter received 13/9/94 from Irish National Congress Re: Peace Walk was read. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Tuite seconded by Commissioner Davis and agreed that the Commissioners would officially launch the walk from Balbriggan.
- (5) Letter dated 8/9/94 from Dublin Corporation Re: Peace Resolutions was read and noted.
- (6) Letter dated 21/7/94 from Patrick O'Neill, Lambreecher Estate Re: Fireplaces was read. Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Harford and agreed to arrange a meeting with Mr. O'Neill on the same date as the other meetings provided all the necessary information was available.

(7) Report from Tidy Districts & Sports Awards Committee

Minutes of meeting on 5/9/94 was read. It was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Cathaoirleach and agreed to write to Shell Chemicals thanking them for their past sponsorship. It was agreed to postpone the presentation date to 6th October, 1994 provided necessary sponsorship was in place.

- (8) Letter dated 13/9/94 from East Town Centre and Seapoint Residents Association was read. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Young that the letter would be sent to the Fingal County Manager concerning the associations concerns in relation to the development at the Balbriggan Trade Centre.

EXITS AT THE PROPOSED
11/10/94

4. Meeting with Fingal County Council Re: Consideration of Agenda

Following discussion on the matter the following agenda was agreed.

- (1) Discussion on the alleviation of the danger at the footpath outside Quinnsnorth in Drogheda St.
- (2) A proper maintenance programme be drawn up for the cleaning of Balbriggan Beach and Streets and the cutting of verges on approach roads and the cleaning of the Bracken River.
- (3) Housing Maintenance Programme and the responsibility of the Fingal County Council in this regard.
- (4) Bremore Historical Site.
- (5) Sewerage Treatment Plant and existing arrangements.
- (6) Public Lighting North and South of the Town.
- (7) Development of Harbour.
- (8) Progress Report on Motor way and Inner Relief Road.

5. Association of Municipal Authorities Annual Conference.

The Town Clerk stated that this item was on the agenda in order to remind those that had proposed the motions that submissions would be required before the weekend for the delegates going to the conference.

6. Motion Submitted by Commissioner Ned Pyne

It was proposed by commissioner Pyne seconded by Commissioner Harford that Fingal County Council be requested to erect a barrier at the laneway between SuperValu and Lambeccher Estate in order to prevent cars using it as a short cut to the supermarket. Following a discussion on the matter Commissioner Pyne agreed to remove the word barrier and add to replace wall and leave pedestrian exit. The resolution was then adopted.

7. Motion Submitted by Commissioner Ned Pyne

It was proposed by Commissioner Pyne seconded by Commissioner McKeon and resolved that Fingal County Council be requested to investigate a strong smell of sewerage at the round about at Derham Park affecting houses nos. 13 to 22 which was investigated before but was not rectified.

8. Motion Submitted by Commissioner Ned Pyne

It was proposed by Commissioner Pyne seconded by Commissioner Timmins that Fas be requested to supply information on how many full time and part time jobs it has filled in the area in the last year and to report on the future development potential for jobs in the Balbriggan area. Following discussion on the matter the motion was adopted and it was agreed to seek clarification on the motion department

9. Motion Submitted by Commissioner Patricia Gallen

It was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Young and resolved that the Balbriggan Town Commissioners consider the possibility of inviting members of the public to the statutory monthly meeting of the Commissioners and that a report on the feasibility of this be presented to the October meeting. It was further agreed that written submissions on the matter would be submitted to the Town Clerk by 30/9/94 in order to facilitate the drawing up of the report.

10. Motion Submitted by Commissioner Patricia Gallen

It was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by commissioner Harford and resolved to ask the Manager to arrange a meeting with the County Architect to draw plans to consider the feasibility of upgrading the Town Hall facilities for use as a Community Centre. It was further agreed that prior to this meeting that a meeting would take place between the Commissioners and the Community Centre Committee to agree on what facilities would be required in the Town Hall.

11. Motion Submitted by Commissioner Patricia Gallen

It was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Young and agreed to ask the Garda Superintendent for an up to date report on the current situation regarding the traffic study report submitted in February 1994.

12. Motion Submitted by Commissioner May McKeon

It was proposed by Commissioner McKeon seconded by Commissioner Gallen and agreed that a full report be requested from the Office of Public Works and Fingal County Council concerning Bremore Historical Site.

13. Motion submitted by Commissioner Gertie Shields

It was proposed by Commissioner Shields seconded by Commissioner Harford that the Balbriggan Town Commissioners request that barriers be erected by Fingal County Council past the Bath Road car park on the access road to the beach to prevent mobile homes and caravans parking overlooking the foreshore near the Black Rock and Kings Strand and that traffic calming measures be introduced on the entrance road to the Beach at Lambeccher Estate. Following discussion on the matter Commissioner Shields agreed to change her motion to request Fingal County Council to consider other measures other than a barrier and following this change the motion was agreed.

14. Motion Submitted by Commissioner Gertie Shields

It was proposed by Commissioner Shields seconded by Commissioner Harford and resolved that the Balbriggan Town Commissioners recognise the major achievement of the Balbriggan Junior Choir in winning the National Community Games Final by honouring them with a civic reception.

15. Motion Submitted by Commissioner Tom Young

It was proposed by commissioner Young seconded by Commissioner Davis and resolved that the Balbriggan Town Commissioners request that the practice of raw sewerage being pumped into Balbriggan Harbour be ceased immediately.

16. Motion Submitted by Commissioner Tom Young

It was proposed by Commissioner Young seconded by Commissioner Gallen and resolved that the Balbriggan Town Commissioners request a report from the Gardai on the practice of turning off the pedestrian lights on match days.

17. Motion Submitted by Commissioner Monica Harford

It was proposed by Commissioner Harford seconded by Commissioner Davis and resolved that the Balbriggan Town Commissioners call on Dublin Port and Docks Board for an update on Balbriggan Harbour and its present commercial activity and potential and that we request a special meeting with the Dublin Port and Docks Board and local interests to ascertain their views concerning the future potential of Balbriggan Harbour with a view to job creation.

18. Other Business

- (1) In reply to Commissioner Harford the Town Clerk stated that legal advise on the matter concerning letters sent to Commissioners was not available just yet.
- (2) On the proposal of Commissioner Harford seconded by the Cathaoirleach it was agreed to follow up the situation concerning the Derelict Site at Drogheda St/Lambeccher Estate.
- (3) On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Cathaoirleach it was agreed to write to the Minister for the Environment concerning the matter of disabled parking.
- (4) On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Cathaoirleach it was agreed to again ask Irish Lights to return the Light House Dome to its original position.
- (5) On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Timmins it was agreed to ask Telecom Eireann to re-site telephone kiosks outside the old Garda Barrack due to the re-development or to replace them with ones more in keeping with the development.

The meeting ended at 10.25 p.m.

*Gertrude Shulett
11-10-94.*

MINUTES OF MEETING OF BALBRIGGAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON 11/10/94

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT	Davis, Joe	Shields, Gertie
	Gallen, Patricia	Timmins, Colm
	Harford, Monica	Tuite, Bredge
	McKeon, May	Young, Tom
	Pyne, Ned	

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

An Cathaoirleach, Commissioner Gertie Shields, presided.

At the outset on the proposal of An Cathaoirleach seconded by An Leas Cathaoirleach a vote of sympathy was passed to Commissioner Ned Pyne and his family on the death of his father in law.

1. Confirmation of Minutes

- (a) Minutes of Meeting held on 13/9/94 were read and following a correction requested by Commissioner Gallen they were confirmed.
- (b) Minutes of Special Meeting held on 23/8/94 were read and confirmed.

2. Applications for Hire of Hall

There was no new business under this heading.

3. Correspondence

- (1) Letter dated 5/10/94 from commissioners of Irish Lights re: Dome of Balbriggan Lighthouse was read. Following discussion it was agreed to write back to the Commissioners of Irish Lights and also to Dublin Port & Docks Board on the matter.
- (2) Letter dated 28/9/94 from Corporation of Sligo re: Conference Urban 2000 was read. Following discussion it was agreed to discuss the matter at the November meeting.
- (3) Letter dated 11/10/94 from Fingal County council re: Bremore historical site was read and following clarification by Mr. Carey the letter was noted.
- (4) Letter dated 28/9/94 from Balbriggan and District Historical Society was read. It was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by An Cathaoirleach that the Commissioners meet with the society. It was further proposed by Commissioner Young seconded by Commissioner Tuite that the Commissioners do not meet with them and that they should write back offering help to the society if they wanted it. Following further discussion Commissioner Gallen withdrew her proposal and Commissioner Young's proposal was accepted. Commissioner McKeon asked

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that it be put on record that she did not make a statement to the Fingal Independent as was mentioned in the letter.

(5) Letter dated 6/10/94 from Superintendent, Garda Siochana re: Pedestrian Lights was read. Following discussion on the matter it was agreed to meet with the superintendent to discuss the matter with him.

(6) Letter dated 6/10/94 from Superintendent, Garda Siochana re: Traffic Proposals was read. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Timmins and agreed that the Commissioners would meet with the Superintendent.

(7) Letter dated 6/10/94 re: Disabled Parking Bays was read. The commissioners welcomed the contents of the letter and it was noted.

(8) Letter dated 14/7/94 addressed to An Cathaoirleach re: Local Authority meetings was read. Following discussion on the matter it was agreed to circulate it to all members and include it on the agenda for the November meeting.

(9) Letter dated 11/10/94 from Balbriggan Dramatic Society re: Hall Booking was read. Following discussion on the matter it was reaffirmed by the officials and the Commissioners that no price reductions could be allowed for the hall. Following further discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Davis seconded by Commissioner Tuite and agreed that the Commissioners would give a grant under the Arts Act of £200 to the Dramatic Society towards the staging of their 3 act play.

4. Report on Civic Reception for Balbriggan Community Games Junior Choir

The Town Clerk gave a report on the progress to date. On the proposal of Commissioner Young seconded by Commissioner Shields and agreed that the Tidy Districts and Sports Awards Committee would give whatever help was necessary to the Town Clerk in respect of this matter.

5. Report on Association of Municipal Authorities Annual Conference.

The members who attended the conference gave a report to the Commissioners on the proceedings and the outcome of the conference.

6. Report on Inviting Members of the Public to the Monthly Statutory Meeting of the Commissioners

The following report was circulated to the members .

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**ITEM 6: REPORT ON INVITING MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO
THE STATUTORY MONTHLY MEETING OF THE
BALBRIGGAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS**

The following submissions were received from members of the Commissioners:

1. Commissioner Gallen:

- a) Invitations should only be issued for the statutory meeting.
- b) Each Commissioner would be entitled to invite only one member of the public to the meeting.
- c) Invited guests names must be sent to the Town Clerk by the Tuesday (mid-day) prior to the meeting.
- d) The guests should not be permitted to the meeting after 7.25pm and must be signed in by the Commissioner who gave the invitation.
- e) Each guest must be made aware that they cannot comment, interfere or intervene with the meeting.
- f) Each Commissioner must inform their guest that they cannot give any interview to the press on the meeting or any aspect thereof.

2. Commissioner Young:

Four invitations to be issued each month to include one to a tenants/residents association.

3. Commissioner Tuite:

- a) There would be no room for nine more people and three press-total twenty-three.
- b) Each three Commissioners would be entitled to one invitation between them.

4. Commissioner Shields:

- a) Each three Commissioners would be entitled to one invitation between them.
- b) One further invitation to be issued to residents/tenants association, club or some other party with an interest on the agenda that month.

TOWN CLERKS REPORT

Arrangements are being made to remove all filing cabinets etc. from the office. This will have the effect of making sufficient space available to allow up to nine additional people to attend the meeting. The adoption of a policy in relation to allowing members of the public to attend meetings is a matter for the elected members of the Commissioners.

Following a discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Harford seconded by Commissioner Gallen and agreed that the Commissioners would have a special meeting on the matter.

7. Motion Submitted by Commissioner Timmins

It was proposed by Commissioner Timmins seconded by Commissioner Davis and agreed that the Balbriggan Town Commissioners call on Fingal County Council to immediately erect junction warning signs in Chapel St., Balbriggan to alleviate the danger to pedestrians and residents.

8. Other Business

- (1) On the proposal of Commissioner Davis seconded by An Cathaoirleach it was agreed to contact Fingal County Council requesting them to correctly place signs for Fullam Terrace and Street.
- (2) On the proposal of Commissioner Davis seconded by An Cathaoirleach it was agreed to ask Iarnrod Eireann to resurface the south bound platform at Balbriggan station due to flooding problems.
- (3) On the proposal of Commissioner Davis seconded by Commissioner Young it was agreed to call on Fingal County Council to make available in their estimates sufficient funds to complete the Inner Relief Road. it was further agreed a copy of the letter to the council would be circulated to all Fingal Councillors.
- (4) In reply to Commissioner McKeon the Town Clerk stated that a letter in reply to the Combined Clubs had been drafted and that they would receive it shortly.
- (5) In reply to Commissioner Harford the Town Clerk stated that he would hope to have the solicitors advise on certain letters shortly.
- (6) In response to Commissioner Harford the Town Clerk agreed to have acknowledgement letters available to Commissioners if they wished. These would not be circulated as had been previously agreed.
- (7) It was proposed by Commissioner Harford that the Commissioners call on Fingal County Council to declare all senior citizens and recipients of disability pensions exempt for water charges, seconded by An Cathaoirleach and agreed.
- (8) On the proposal of An Cathaoirleach seconded by An Leas Cathaoirleach and agreed to ask the Chamber of Commerce to appeal to traders not to give rubbish to children for bonfires.
- (9) Commissioner Timmins asked permission of the Commissioners to use the Commissioners Crest on his own headed paper. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Timmins and agreed to defer the matter to the November meeting.

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(10) On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen seconded by An Cathaoirleach it was agreed to write to Fingal County Council in connection with the right of way at the Bower which she felt was in danger of being eroded and also to ask for the stile to be repaired because it was dangerous.

(11) Commissioner Gallen requested that the Estimates be fully defined in order to give further details to the Commissioners.

(12) Commissioner Gallen requested two items a picture and a quilt which were presented to the Commissioners be present at the November meeting.

(13) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by An Cathaoirleach it was agreed to ask Fingal County Council to repair the road on the east side of Curran Park.

(14) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by An Cathaoirleach it was agreed to ask Fingal County Council to repair the road at the bottom of Pinewood Housing Estate past St. Molagas School.

(15) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by Commissioner Young it was agreed to ask Mr. Cosgrove of Balbriggan Trade Centre to a meeting to discuss his plans with them. Commissioner Tuite also stated that due to a delay in replying to Mr. Cosgrove a potential development was lost to Balbriggan.

The meeting concluded at 10.15 p.m.

Patrick Sheehy 2/11/94

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**MINUTES OF ESTIMATES MEETING OF BALBRIGGAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS
HELD ON 28/10/94**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Gallen, Patricia

Shields, Gertie

Harford, Moinica

Timmins, Colm

McKeon, May

Tuite, Bredge

Apologies for non attendance were received from Commissioners, Davis, Pyne and Young.

OFFICIALS PRESENT

P. A. Gibbons

S. Carey, Principal Officer

Following discussion on the Estimates as circulated it was proposed by Commissioner Timmins seconded by an Cathaoirleach and agreed that the meeting be adjourned to Friday 11th November at 8.00 p.m.

The meeting then ended.

*Gertie Shields -
13.12.94*

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**MINUTES OF MEETING OF BALBRIGGAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD
ON 8/11/94**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Davis, Joe	Shields, Gertie
Gallen, Patricia	Timmins, Colm
Harford, Monica	Tuite, Bredge
McKeon, May	Young, Tom
Pyne, Ned	

OFFICIALS PRESENT

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

An Cathaoirleach, Commissioner Gertie Shields, presided.

1. Confirmation of Minutes

(a) Minutes of Meeting held on 11/10/94 were read. In relation to item 8 (15) Commissioner Tuite stated that she did not say "that due to a delay in replying to Mr. Cosgrove a potential development was lost to Balbriggan". Commissioners Gallen, Harford and the Cathaoirleach stated that the minutes were a true record of the meeting held on 11/10/94 and of Commissioner Tuites comments in relation to the matter in question. Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by an Cathaoirleach and resolved that the minutes be adopted as circulated. It was noted that Commissioner Tuite did not concur with the adoption of the minutes as circulated.

2. Applications for Hire of Hall

An application from Balbriggan Dramatic Society for use of the Hamilton Hall from November 27th to December 4th was noted by the Commissioners.

3. Correspondence

A: Correspondence from Government Departments and Ministers

(i) Letter from Minister for the Environment Re: Local Authority Meeting was read. Following discussion it was proposed by An Cathaoirleach seconded by An Leas Cathaoirleach and agreed that a special meeting would be held to discuss the matter.

B: Correspondence from Fingal County Council and Councillors

(i) Letter dated 11/10/94 from Housing Department Re: Laneway between Lambeccher Estate and SuperValu was read. Following discussion it was agreed to follow up the matter with the Parks Department. Following further discussion it was proposed by Commissioner McKeon seconded by An Cathaoirleach an agreed to write to Fingal County Council asking what monies

were available for Balbriggan in 1995 and what work would be carried out for the funds available.

(ii) Letter dated 18/10/94 from Development Department Re: Site at Lambeccher Estate was read. Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Harford seconded by An Cathaoirleach and agreed to ask the Development Department to arrange for the owner to have the overgrowth along the path cut as soon as possible.

(iii) Letters (4) from Fingal County Councillors Re: Inner Relief Road were read and noted. Following discussions it was proposed by An Cathaoirleach seconded by An Leas-Cathaoirleach and agreed to call on Fingal County Council to complete the road in sections over a number of years.

C: Correspondence from Other Local Authorities and Public Bodies

(i) Letter dated 28/9/94 from Sligo Corporation Re: Conference was read. Following discussion it was agreed that the matter of sending a delegate would be considered when the full agenda was received.

(ii) Letter dated 11/10/94 from office of Public Works Re: Bremore Site was read and noted.

(iii) Letter dated 30/10/94 from Fas Re: Jobs was read and noted. On the proposal of Commissioner Davis seconded by an Cathaoirleach it was agreed to ascertain from Fas why people are sent from the Balbriggan office to Finglas Training Centre to apply for work on the Bremore Project.

(iv) Letter dated 25/10/94 from Commissioners of Irish Lights Re: Lighthouse was read. Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by an Cathaoirleach and agreed to write back to Irish Lights and ask them if they could arrange for a replica to be made.

D Other Correspondence

(i) Invitation from Access for Commissioners to attend a meeting was noted.

(ii) Letter dated 4/11/94 from Fingal County Council Roads & Traffic Department Re: Nameplates was read. Following discussion it was agreed the matter would be followed up with the local Roads Engineer. it was further agreed on the proposal of Commissioner Pyne seconded by an Cathaoirleach to follow up the matter on the name plate at Derham Park.

(iii) Letter dated 14/10/94 from Balbriggan & District Historical Society Re: Bremore Park was read and noted.

(iv) Request for use of Balbriggan Crest

A request for use of the Balbriggan Crest on party note paper had been received from Commissioner Colm Timmins at the October meeting and had been deferred until the November meeting. Mr. Carey stated his total opposition to the request from a legal point of view. The crest was the property of Balbriggan Town Commissioners and it should be guarded to its ultimate. He suggested that special note paper from members of the Balbriggan Town

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Commissioners for official business could be made available. The report of Mr. Carey was noted by the members.

5. Motion Submitted by an Cathaoirleach Commissioner G. Shields

It was proposed by Commissioner Shields seconded by Commissioner Harford and agreed that the Balbriggan Town Commissioners call on the Parks Department of Fingal County Council to address a long-standing problem in High Street where roots from a tree planted by them are breaking up a footpath and extending under the Weldon and Doherty houses (nos. 29 & 31 High Street).

6. Motion Submitted by an Cathaoirleach Commissioner G. Shields

It was proposed by Commissioner Shields seconded by Commissioner Tuite and agreed that the Balbriggan Town Commissioners request that no E.C. Funding be allocated for the proposed Tunnel bring heavy traffic from Whithall to the Dublin Docks until our own section of the E1 is completed.

7. Motion Submitted by Commissioner Ned Pyne

It was proposed by Commissioner Pyne seconded by Commissioner Young and agreed to ask the Garda Superintendent to allow a 20 or 30 minute off loading period outside the Mall Shopping Centre, Quay Street. Following further discussion it was agreed that this would be brought up at the forthcoming meeting with the Superintendent.

8. Motion Submitted by Commissioner Ned Pyne

It was proposed by Commissioner Pyne seconded by Commissioner Harford and agreed to ask the Commissioners to write to the developer of Chapel Gate to refrain from using the name Chapel in further developments because at the moment there is a proliferation of streets using the name chapel.

9. Any Other Business

(i) Motion submitted by Commissioner P. Gallen

It was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Tuite and agreed that the following submission of the Balbriggan Town Commissioners to the Municipal Authorities Conference in 1993 regarding reduction on vat in clothing, footwear and tourism, that we the Balbriggan Town Commissioners again call on the Minister for Finance to reduce the vat levels to the rates that apply prior to the 1993 budget and circulate to all local authorities for them to pursue it with their own local T.D.'s and Senators.

(ii) The Town Clerk informed the members that Dublin Port & Docks Board had agreed to meet with them. Following discussion on the matter it was agreed to meet with Dublin Port & Docks

Board at 2.00 p.m. on Tuesday 22nd November, 1994. It was further agreed that a deputation would be made up with members of the Commissioners and local fishermen's organisation. It was proposed by Commissioner Davis that a meeting of boat owners and skippers be held to decide who would represent them. This was agreed and this meeting would be called for Tuesday 15th November, 1994 at 12.00 noon.

(iii) A report by the Tidy District and Sports Awards Committee on the recent sports awards was noted by the Commissioners.

(iv) On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen seconded by an Cathaoirleach a vote of sympathy was passed to the family of the late Bill Horrigan of the E.S.B., Skerries. The Town Clerk informed the members that he had attended the funeral on behalf of the Commissioners and he had sent a mass card from the Commissioners.

(v) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by an Cathaoirleach it was agreed to ask the Manager to ask the Housing Department to allocate houses as soon as they are available. at present one particular house had been vacant for five weeks.

(vi) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by an Cathaoirleach it was agreed to contact the Arts Council and the relevant Minister in order to acquire funds to display the Balbriggan Quilt properly.

(vii) On the [proposal of Commissioner Davis seconded by an Cathaoirleach it was agreed to again write to Iarnrod Eireann requesting them to resurface the southbound platform of the station.

(viii) On the proposal of Commissioner Davis seconded by an Cathaoirleach it was agreed to ask the Parks Department to check out the playing fields at the back of Curran Park houses and repair the damage caused to the hedging at the back of the houses.

(ix) On the proposal of Commissioner McKeon seconded by an Cathaoirleach it was agreed to send a letter of appreciation to Ev's Florist concerning the work done on the flowerbed at the Courthouse.

(x) In reply to Commissioner McKeon in relation to an enquiry concerning a right of way from the Community College to McLoughlins Garage the Town Clerk informed the members that Fingal County Council nor the Balbriggan Town Commissioners had any function in relation to right of ways and that right of ways were a matter for civil proceedings in the court if necessary.

(xi) On the proposal of Commissioner Pyne seconded by an Cathaoirleach it was agreed to ask Fingal County Council to level the bank beside one of the new bus stops at Balrothery to make it safe for passengers alighting from buses.

(xii) On the proposal of Commissioner Pyne seconded by an Cathaoirleach it was agreed to send a letter of congratulations to Skerries Tidy Towns Committee on their recent success in the Tidy Towns Competition.

- (xiii) In reply to Commissioner Harford the Town Clerk stated that he had received a letter from the solicitors in connection with traders letters and he would circulate it to the members following the meeting.
- (xiv) In reply to Commissioner Harford the Town Clerk stated that as he had not got the relevant information it was not possible to arrange meetings with Bremore Residents Association and Mr. O'Neill.
- (xv) It was proposed by Commissioner Harford seconded by Commissioner Timmins that while the new Easter Health Board Ambulance being located in Swords was very welcome another one should be located in Balbriggan to provide an adequate ambulance service for Fingal area. It was agreed to write to the Eastern Health Board in this regard.
- (xvi) On the proposal of Commissioner Timmins seconded by an Cathaoirleach it was agreed to hold the adjourned estimates meeting on Friday 11th November, 1994 at 8.00 p.m.
- (xvii) On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen seconded by an Cathaoirleach it was agreed to ask Fingal County Council to erect a sign at the County Bridge stating the height of the bridge under the railway line.
- (xviii) on the proposal of Commissioner Gallen seconded by an Cathaoirleach it was agreed to ask the Parks Department to investigate the problems occurring in the Town Centre Park. it was also proposed by Commissioner McKeon seconded by Commissioner Harford and agreed that the Commissioners would meet with the residents of Seapoint.
- (xix) Commissioner Gallen asked if there was any word concerning the architect coming down to investigate the use of the Town Hall. Mr. Carey replied that there would be a meetings locally in the next week to two weeks to address the matter.
- (xx) In reply to Commissioner McKeon the Town Clerk stated that he had received no written reply to the Commissioners representations concerning the Combined Clubs. It was agreed to ask for a reply.
- (xxi) In reply to Commissioner Young the Town Clerk outlined the position in relation to the right of way at the Bower, Balbriggan.
- (xxii) In reply to Commissioner Young the Town Clerk stated that he had been in touch with Fingal County Council concerning the lights that were out at Mill Pond but he would continue to follow the matter up.
- (xxiii) Commissioner Young stated that the office of Cathaoirleach should be respected by all bodies in the town and he gave a recent incident of where this had not happened.
- (xxiv) Commissioner Young stated that he felt now was the time for reconciliation with the traders in the town and the Commissioners should work towards that.
- (xxv) Commissioner Shields asked for the present position in relation to the sale of local authority houses to entrepreneurs. The Manager replied on the legal position relating to this.

The meeting ended at 10.20 p.m.

Gertie Shields
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**MINUTES OF ADJOURNED ESTIMATES MEETING OF BALBRIGGAN TOWN
COMMISSIONERS HELD ON 11/11/94**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

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| Davis, Joe | Shields, Gertie |
| Gallen, Patricia | Timmins, Colm |
| Harford, Monica | Tuite, Bredge |
| McKeon, May | Young, Tom |
| Pyne, Ned | |

OFFICIALS PRESENT

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

Following discussion of the Estimates and report of the Estimates committee it was proposed by Commissioner McKeon seconded by Commissioner Gallen and agreed that the Estimates as circulated be adopted and that the appropriate Demand be made on Fingal County Council.

The meeting then ended.

*Gertie Shields
13.12.94*

MINUTES OF MEETING OF BALBRIGGAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON 13/12/94

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT Davis, Joe Shields, Gertie
Gallen, Patricia Timmins, Colm
Harford, Monica Tuite, Bredge
McKeon, May Young, Tom
Pyne, Ned

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

An Cathaoirleach, Commissioner Gertie Shields, presided.

1. **Confirmation of Minutes**
 - (a) Minutes of Meeting held on 8/11/94 were read and confirmed.
 - (b) Minutes of Estimates Meeting held on 28/10/94 were read and confirmed.
 - (c) Minutes of Adjourned Estimates Meeting held on 11/11/94 were read and confirmed.

2. **Applications for Hire of Hall**
There was no new business under this heading.

3. **Correspondence**

A: **Correspondence from Fingal County Council and Public Representatives**

 - (i) Letters (5) from Public Representatives Re: VAT on clothing were read and noted.
 - (ii) Letter dated 30/11/94 from Secretariat Department Re: Proposed Name Change of Fingal County Council was read. Mr. Carey explained the situation and following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner McKeon seconded by Commissioner Gallen that the Commissioners recommend to Fingal County Council that the name of the County Council remain as Fingal County Council. Following a vote this proposal was adopted by eight votes to one.
 - (iii) Letter dated 19/11/94 from Roads Department Re: Inner Relief Road was read. Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner McKeon seconded by Commissioner Davis and agreed to ask Fingal County Council to start negotiations for the remaining portions of land for the road. It was further proposed by Commissioner Davis seconded by an Cathaoirleach that Fingal County Council be asked to commence building the road in stages where land had been required. It was further proposed by Commissioner Tuite seconded by Commissioner Young and agreed to ask the new Minister for the Environment to meet with the Commissioners to discuss the provision of the funds for the inner relief road.

B: Correspondence from Other Local Authorities and Public Bodies

- (i) Letter dated 30/11/94 from Iarnrod Eireann Re: Platform was read and noted.
- (ii) Letter dated 30/11/94 from Commissioners of Irish Lights Re: Lighthouse Dome was read and noted.
- (iii) Letter dated 24/11/94 from

C: Correspondence from Other Local Authorities and Public Bodies

- (i) Letter dated 28/9/94 from Sligo Corporation Re: Conference was read. Following discussion it was agreed that the matter of sending a delegate would be considered when the full agenda was received.
- (ii) Letter dated 11/10/94 from office of Public Works Re: Bremore Site was read and noted.
- (iii) Letter dated 30/10/94 from Fas Re: Jobs was read and noted. On the proposal of Commissioner Davis seconded by an Cathaoirleach it was agreed to ascertain from Fas why people are sent from the Balbriggan office to Finglas Training Centre to apply for work on the Bremore Project.
- (iv) Letter dated 25/10/94 from Commissioners of Irish Lights Re: Lighthouse was read. Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by an Cathaoirleach and agreed to write back to Irish Lights and ask them if they could arrange for a replica to be made.
- (v) Letter dated 24/11/94 from Carlow U.D.C. Re: Tax relief was read and noted.
- (vi) Letter dated 23/11/94 from Wexford Corporation Re: Law Review was read and noted.
- (vii) Letter dated 21/11/94 from Association of Municipal Authorities Re: Coat of Arms was read. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Harford seconded by Commissioner Tuite and agreed to give permission to the Association of Municipal Authorities to use the Balbriggan Crest in their forthcoming publication.

D Other Correspondence

- (i) Letter dated 19/11/94 from Balbriggan Chamber of Commerce Re: Traffic Matters was read. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by an Cathaoirleach seconded by an Leas-Cathaoirleach and agreed to contact the Garda Superintendent to arrange a meeting to discuss the traffic report.
- (ii) Letter dated 13/12/94 from Fingal County Council Parks Department Re: Balbriggan Town Park was read and noted.
- (iii) Letter dated 13/12/94 from Fingal County Council Environmental Services Department Re: Trees on High Street was read and noted.
- (iv) Letter dated 5/12/94 from Environmental Services Department Re: Town Centre Park was read and noted.
- (v) Letter dated 13/12/94 from Environmental Services Department Re: Boundary between Lambeecher Housing Estate and SuperValu supermarket was read and noted.
- (vi) Letter dated 13/12/94 from Parks Department Re: services during 1994 and 1995 was read and noted. It was agreed to circulate the letter to the Commissioners.

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- (vii) Letter dated 7/12/94 from Housing Department Re: Fireplaces at Lambeeher Estate was read and noted.
 - (viii) Letter dated 8/12/94 from Development Department Re: Derelict Site Drogheda St/Lambeeher estate was read and noted.
 - (ix) Letter dated 12/12/94 from Housing Department Re: Council Lettings was read and noted. It was agreed that the list of housing allocations would be updated every two weeks.
 - (x) Letter dated 7/12/94 from Planning Department Re: Nameplate at Pineridge was read. Following discussion it was agreed to follow the matter up with the Planning Department.
 - (xi) Letter dated 12/12/94 from Housing Department Re: Level of Services Provided in 1994 and 1995 was read and noted.
 - (xii) Letter dated 6/12/94 from Iarnrod Eireann Re: Platform at Balbriggan Station was read and noted.
 - (xiii) Letter dated 7/12/94 from Garda Superintendent Re: Parking was read. Following discussion it was agreed to write back to the Superintendent seeking further clarification on the matter.
 - (xiv) Letter dated 8/12/94 from FAS Re: Community Youth Training Programme was read and noted.
 - (xv) Letter dated 1/12/94 from Eastern Health Board Re: Ambulance Service was read and noted.
 - (xix) Letters (4) from Public representatives Re: VAT on clothing were read and noted.

4. Conference in Sligo

Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Timmins and agreed that An Cathaoirleach Gertie Shields would attend the conference.

5. Special Meetings

The Town Clerk stated there were a number of special meetings to be arranged and these would be arranged as soon as possible.

6. Motion Submitted by An Cathaoirleach Commissioner G. Shields

It was proposed by Commissioner Shields seconded by Commissioner Davis and agreed that the Balbriggan Town Commissioners call on our local T.D.'s to request the Minister for the Marine to initiate a Harbours policy on behalf of Balbriggan Harbour and other Harbours along the east coast. Following further discussion it was agreed to write to the fishermen to thank them for their support at the recent meeting with the Port & Docks Board.

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7. It was proposed by An Cathaoirleach seconded by Commissioner Young and resolved that the Balbriggan Town Commissioners meet with the Balbriggan Chamber of Commerce as a matter of urgency to discuss ways in which we can get together to promote Balbriggan.
 8. **Motion Submitted by Commissioner B. Tuite**
Commissioner Tuite said that she would bring the matter up again at the January meeting.
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It was proposed by Commissioner Tuite seconded by Commissioner Young and resolved that the Balbriggan Town Commissioners write to the Department of the Marine and other relevant departments/organisations seeking funding to pursue a study on Balbriggan Harbour such survey to be carried out through an organisation such as Fas, Chamber of Commerce, etc.
 10. **Other Business**
 - (i) The Commissioners who were present at a recent meeting with Fingal County Council gave a report on the proceedings. The Town Clerk stated that Mr. McDonald would be down to meet the Commissioners on Friday 16th December to discuss the Bracken River.
 - (ii) Letter received from Badminton Club was read. Following discussion it was proposed by an Cathaoirleach seconded by an leas-Cathaoirleach and agreed that the Commissioners would meet with them.
 - (iii) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by An Cathaoirleach it was agreed to ask Fingal County Council to put appropriate markings on the roadsides at the corner of High Street for safety reasons.
 - (iv) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by an Cathaoirleach it was agreed to again contact Fingal County Council concerning an area where the school warden is opposite St. Molagas School.
 - (v) On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen seconded by An Cathaoirleach it was agreed to ask Fingal County Council to make a bus bay outside the Cinema.
 - (vi) On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen seconded by an Cathaoirleach it was agreed to ask Fingal County Council when would Balbriggan Library be open six days a week.
 - (vii) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by Cathaoirleach it was agreed to again ask Fingal County Council when the light would be going up outside the nursing home.
 - (viii) In reply to Commissioner Young the Town Clerk read out an acknowledgement which he had received from Fingal County Council in connection with the Combined Clubs application.
 - (ix) In response to Commissioner Harford Mr. Carey explained the situation in regard to housing transfers.

The meeting concluded at 10.05 p.m.

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Minutes of Estimates Meeting held on 14/12/93 were read and confirmed.
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2. Applications for Hire of Hall

An application from Balbriggan Fees Committee for hire of the Town Hall Ballroom on 19th and 20th February, 1994 from 9.00 a.m. to 10.00 p.m. each day was noted by the Commissioners.

3. Correspondence

A: Correspondence from Other Local Authorities and Public Bodies

(i) Letter dated 22/12/93 from Listowel U.D.C.

Re: Emigrant voting was read.

Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Davis seconded by Commissioners McKeon and agreed that the contents of the letter would be noted.

(ii) Letter dated 8/12/93 from Bantry Town Commissioners

Re: Expenses was read.

Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Chairman and agreed that the matter would be noted.

B: Other Correspondence

(i) Letter dated 4/1/94 from Roads and Traffic Department

Re: Barriers and Footpaths Repairs was read.

Following discussion it was agreed to write back to the County Council asking them to re-assess the decision relating to the barriers and to have the cost of the footpath repairs listed for consideration with the estimates. It was further agreed that the situation in relation to the barriers would be included in the next meeting with

Dublin County council.

(ii) Letter dated 9/12/93 from Guth na mBan was read and noted.

4. Circular from the Department of the Environment Re Expenses of Local Authority Members.

Following discussion on the matter the contents were noted by the Commissioners.

5. Commissioners Consent to Overexpenditure in 1994.

The Town Clerk informed the members that in view of the new expenses which the Commissioners would be intitled to would mean that the estimates in relation to the expenses had been understated to the extent of £5,500 for 1994. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Lawless seconded by Commissioner McKeon and resolved that the Commissioners authorise over expenditure for 1994 in the sum of £5,500 and the authorise the raising of an overdraft facility to cover this amount.

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The Town Clerk informed the members that overexpenditure had occured in 1992 in the sum of £10,740. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Harford seconded by Commissioner Tuite and resolved that the Commissioners approve the overexpenditure in the sum of £10,740 and for their consent for the necessary overdraft facilities in relation to this over-expenditure.

7. Seminars/Conferences.

(i) A.M.A.I. Conference 11/12 February 1994 - Bundoran.

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The current housing list from Fingal County Council was presented to the Commissioners and this was discussed by the members.

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The details of the new tenant purchase scheme were circulated to the members. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Harford and seconded by Commissioner Tuite and agreed that the Commissioners would write to the Minister for the Environment asking him to replace the existing scheme with a more suitable tenant purchase scheme which would be suitable to

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The chairman who is the Commissioners delegate on Dublin Tourism reported that there had been no meetings since the Commissioners December meeting.

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(ii) Letter dated 28th January, 1994 from Skerries Twinning Association re: Twinning was read and noted.

4. Application Under the Gaming and Lotteries Act 1956

An application under the Gaming and Lotteries Act 1956 by Mr. Aidan Bissett of Quay Street was noted by the Commissioners.

5. Traffic Report Comparison

Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Chairman and agreed that a special meeting would be held on Tuesday 15th February, 1994 at 8.00 p.m. to discuss the traffic report. It was further proposed to invite the Garda Superintendent to attend the meeting at 9.00 p.m. if he was available. Following further discussion it was proposed to invite Mr. Oliver Doyle of Iarnrod Eireann to a meeting on 22nd February, 1994 at 8.30 p.m.

6. Report on Dublin Tourism Organisation

The Chairman gave a report on the proceedings of Dublin Tourism to date. Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Tuite seconded by Commissioner Lawless and agreed to write to An Post expressing the Commissioners and local people's disappointment in relation to the postal service. It was further agreed to ask An Post the reason for reverting back to evening deliveries in the town.

7. Report on Dublin Transportation Initiative

Commissioner Davis gave a report on Dublin Transportation Initiative up to date.

8. Other Business

(i) Letter from the Minister of Environment in relation to the extension of Balbriggan Town Boundary was read. Following discussion it was proposed by the chairman seconded by Commissioner Gallen and agreed to recommend that the boundary be as submitted to the Minister for the Environment in 1988 with the inclusion of the town lands of Glebe North, Castleland and Kilsough South. Mr. Carey informed the Commissioners that the matter would be considered by the Fingal Council on 14th February, 1994 and he would then report back to the Commissioners.

(ii) Letter dated 7/2/94 from Community Department of Fingal County Council concerning the proposed building of a community centre was read. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Chairman and agreed to send a copy of the letter to the Community Leisure Centre committee for their meeting on the following night.

(iii) Proposed meeting with Fingal County Council. Following discussion on the matter the following agenda was agreed:-

1. Cleaning of Bracken River

2. Public Lighting
 - (i) Discussion on the repair service in relation to public lighting in Balbriggan
 - (ii) Provision of Public Light on existing pole outside the nursing home in Church St.
3. Discussion on the present position in relation to Halting Site Programme for Fingal
4. Provision of barriers at Bridge St. outside the entrance from Balbriggan Shopping Centre
5. Provision of Balbriggan Inner Relief Road
6. Discussion on Fingal County Council 's proposals for the halting of coastal erosion in the Balbriggan area.
7. Discussion on the future plans for Housing in Balbriggan.
 - (iv) St. Patrick's Day Parade

It was proposed by commissioner Gallen and seconded by the Chairman and agreed that the Parade would take place in accordance with the same criteria as in 1993. It was agreed that a discussion on the matter would be held at the special meeting on 15th February, 1994.

 - (v) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to contact the County Council Community Department in relation to a caravan which is parked at Pinewood Green Avenue since December 1993.
 - (iv) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by the chairman it was agreed to contact the County Council in relation to the provision of a water lorry at Pinewood Estate in the event of water shortages in the future.
 - (vii) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to contact the County Council to ask them for their proposals in relation to the boundary wall between SuperValu and Lambeeher Estate.
 - (viii) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by he Chairman it was agreed to contact the Management of SuperValu in relation to overflows of washing machines on the flats over the supermarket.
 - (ix) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite it was agreed to contact the County Council in relation to replacement of seats on the strand.
 - (x) On the proposal of Commissioner Davis seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to contact the Council in relation to a light which is out of order at the back of Pinewood Green Avenue.
 - (xi) On the proposal of Commissioner Harford seconded by the chairman it was agreed to ask the Council to investigate a position in relation to the installation of ramps on the laneway behind Dublin St.
 - (xii) On the proposal of Commissioner Lawless seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to ask the County Council to clean the paths and remove the shelters down to seat level at the Seabanks Park.
 - (xiii) On the proposal of Commissioner Lawless seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to contact the County Council in relation to the condition of the roads in the main.

(xiv) In reply to Commissioner Gallen the Town Clerk informed the members that the traffic study group would not be involved in discussing the route of the Inner Relief Road. Their only function would be in relation to traffic management measures if these were warranted.

(xv) In response to Commissioner Gallen the Town Clerk informed the members that the Fingal County Council hope to have a traffic study group meeting held within the following three weeks and that the matter of disabled parking bays would be discussed at it.

(xvi) In response to Commissioner Gallen the Town Clerk informed the members that the litter warden had been particularly vigilant in relation to enforcing the litter act concerning shopping trolleys and he had reported favourably in the matter. He further reported that Quinnsworth hoped to have a deposit system in operation within the following two to three weeks and that both SuperValu and Quinnsworth collected every second day.

(xvii) In response to Commissioner Gallen Mr. Carey informed the meeting of the situation in relation to the listing of premises for revaluation.

(xviii) In reply to Commissioner Gallen the Town Clerk stated that no reply had been received as yet in relation to the Bracken River. It had been previously agreed to include this matter on the agenda for the next meeting with Fingal County council.

(xix) In reply to Commissioner Gallen the Town Clerk informed the members that he had requested a report in relation to the permission for 200 houses at the Chantries in relation to road access. In relation to Castlelands it was a bit previous because there was no indication as to the layout of the proposed houses.

(xx) In reply to Commissioner Gallen the Town Clerk informed the meeting that the provision of by laws in Public Parks was a matter for Fingal County Council.

The meeting concluded at 10.10 p.m.

Quinnsworth
8/3/94

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF BALBRIGGAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON 15/2/94.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT Gallen, Patricia McKeon, May
Harford, Monica Purcell, Brian
Larkin, Jack, P.C.M.C.C. Tuite, Bredge
Lawless, Stephen

OFFICIALS PRESENT P.A. Gibbons, Town Clerk

1. Traffic Report

The comparison traffic report as between the Balbriggan Town Commissioners original report and the report drawn up by the Ad Hoc Committee in the town was discussed. Following discussion on the matter a number of recommendations were made and it was agreed to discuss these with the Garda Superintendent at another meeting.

2. St. Patrick's Day Parade

Following discussion on the 1994 St. Patrick's Day Parade the following matters were agreed

- (i) The Parade would take place as last year that is commencing at 3.00 p.m.
- (ii) The invitation list was agreed.
- (iii) Only the Chairman of the Commissioners would make a speech.
- (iv) Tea, coffee and biscuits would be served to the invited guests.
- (v) Shop windows competition in conjunction with Conradh na nGaeilge would be held again and a condition of entry would be that the shop windows would be left on display for the weekend on either side of St. Patrick's Day. It was agreed that Commissioners Lawless, Harford, and Tuite with Trevor Sargent, T.D. would be the judges and judging would take place on Saturday 12th March, 1994 in the morning. Following further discussion a list of items which had to be tended to was drawn up and various Commissioners and the Town Clerk undertook to organise certain aspects of this list. Following further discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Tuite and agreed that following this years St. Patrick's Day Parade that Balbriggan Chamber of Commerce would be requested to take over the running of the parade. This was agreed

The meeting then concluded.

Brian Purcell
8/3/94

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF BALBRIGGAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON 22/2/94.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

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| Gallen, Patricia | Murray, David |
| Harford, Monica | Tuite, Bredge |
| Lawless, Stephen | |

OFFICIALS PRESENT

P.A. Gibbons, Town Clerk

1. MEETING WITH GARDAI

GARDAI PRESENT

- Supt. Brian Kenny
- Sgt. Brian Carthy

A full discussion was held between the Commissioners and the Gardai in relation to the various traffic proposals. Various matters in relation to the proposals were agreed and the Gardai made certain suggestions in relation to other ones. It was also agreed that the Gardai would look at the whole aspect of parking and parking restrictions and would come back to the Commissioners in relation to these and other items as soon as possible. The Chairman thanked the superintendent and sergeant for attending for the full discussion which had taken place and he said that the Commissioners looked forward to receiving their further proposals in relation to the traffic situation.

2. MEETING WITH MR. OLIVER DOYLE, IARNROD EIREANN

The Chairman thanked Mr. Doyle for attending the meeting and outlined to him the general nature of the items which they wished to discuss. Commissioner Davis then informed Mr. Doyle of the various matters of complaint which the Commissioners were receiving in relation to the operation of the Balbriggan service. Mr. Doyle answered each of the particular complaints and assured the Commissioners that efforts were being constantly made to improve the service. He stated that they were receiving £275,000,000 from the European Union for the upgrading of the line from Dublin to Belfast. £88,000,000 is being spent jointly with Northern Ireland Railways on the renewal of the line and two new locomotives had been ordered. The track being renewed would allow speeds of up to 90 m.p.h. if necessary. This year it was intended that 25% of the tracks from Howth to the Border a total of 27 miles would be replaced. A new signalling system between Malahide and Drogheda would come into operation on 12th May, 1994 and further improvements to the signalling North of Malahide was been undertaken. He also stated that bridges were being widened along the route to incorporate the new trains which would be in service shortly. He also agreed to have the tarmac on

Balbriggan station renewed. The chairman again thanked Mr. Doyle for his attendance at the meeting and thanked him for his full and open discussion of the matters relating to the operation of the train service.

The meeting then concluded.

James J. [unclear]
8/3/94

MINUTES OF MEETING OF BALBRIGGAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON 8/3/94

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT Davis, Joe McKeon, May
Gallen, Patricia Murray, David
Harford, Monica Purcell, Brian
Larkin, Jack P.C.MCC Tuite, Bredge
Lawless, Stephen

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

1. Confirmation of Minutes

- (i) Minutes of Meeting held on 8/2/94 were read and confirmed.
- (ii) Minutes of Special Meeting held on 15/2/94 were read and confirmed.
- (iii) Minutes of Special Meeting held on 22/2/94 were read and confirmed.

2. Applications for Hire of Hall

The following applications were noted by the Commissioners

- (i) Application from Balbriggan Chamber of Commerce to held an open community day on 27th March, 1994.
- (ii) Application from local congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses to hold religious meetings on Fridays and Sundays.
- (iii) An application from Mr. Karl Moore to hold a market in the Town Hall on the second and last Sundays of each month was discussed by the Commissioners. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Lawless seconded by Commissioner Gallen and agreed that the Commissioners would recommend that the Manager reject the application .

3. Correspondence

- (i) Letter dated 5/3/94 signed by A. Cashell on behalf of the Traders of Balbriggan re: hire of hall for casual trading was read. Commissioners Harford, Gallen, and Tuite stated that they had checked with a number of the signatories and they stated that they were totally unaware of the contents of the letter. Commissioner Tuite stated that some traders thought that the Chamber of Commerce were involved in the petition. Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Lawless seconded by Commissioner Gallen and agreed that the Commissioners would write to ms. Cashell demanding a public apology for the contents of the letter. It was further proposed by the Chairman seconded by

Commissioner Lawless to ring the president of the Chamber of Commerce to make him aware of the contents of the letter.

A: Correspondence from Government Departments and Ministers

- (i) Letter dated 21/2/94 from an Taoiseach re: Abortion Referendum was noted.
- (ii) Letter dated 7/2/94 from Minister for Justice re: Garda Manpower was read. Following discussion on the matter it was agreed to write to the local superintendent asking for clarification of the station numbers as stated in the Ministers letter.
- (iii) Letter dated 7/2/94 from Minister for the Environment re: Grant was read and noted.
- (iv) Letter dated 21/2/94 from Minister for the Environment and letter dated 3/3/94 from Minister for Transport, Energy and Communications re: Thorp was read. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Murray seconded by Commissioner Davis and agreed that the Commissioners write to Minister Brian Cowan asking him to pursue the matter to the European Court. It was further agreed the letter would not be sent until necessary information had been supplied by Commissioner Murray.

B: Correspondence from Fingal County Council

- (i) Letter dated 17/2/94 from Secretariat Department re: Boundary Extension was read. Following discussion it was proposed by the chairman seconded by the Vice-Chairman and agreed that the Commissioners would except the Managers recommendation which included all the Commissioners recommendations except the area to the North of the town.
- (ii) Letter dated 17/2/94 from Roads Department re: Roads matters was read and noted. Following discussion it was agreed to ask the Gardai to examine the problem of illegal parking in Chapel St.
- (iii) Letter dated 23/2/94 from Development Dept re: Derelict Site was read. Following discussion on the matter it was agreed to write back to the development department seeking clarification on a number of matters.

C: Correspondence from Other Local Authorities and Public Bodies

- (i) Letter dated 14/2/94 from I.D.A. re; Factory was read and noted.
- (ii) Letter dated 18/2/94 from Naas U.D.C. re: property tax was read . Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Tuite and agreed the Commissioners would draw up their own motion on the matter and they will note the motion from Naas U.D.C.
- (iii) Letter dated 22/2/94 from Listowel U.D.C. re: 1994 exams and expenses was read and noted.
- (iv) Letter dated 23/2/94 from An Post re: deliveries was read. Following discussion on the matter it was agreed to write to the survey branch of An Post asking that the postal deliveries in Balbriggan be monitored on an ongoing basis.

(v) Letter from Irish Public Bodies re: General meeting was read. It was proposed by the Chairman seconded by Commissioner Murray and agreed that Commissioner Gallen would continue to be the Commissioners nominee to attend the general meeting.

D: Other Correspondence

(i) Letter dated 8/2/94 from residents of seapoint and adjacent areas and letter dated 5/3/94 from East Town Centre and Seapoint Residents Association re: meeting was read. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Murray and agreed that the Commissioners would meet with the residents association on Monday 21st March, 1994 at 8.00 p.m.

(ii) Letter dated 28/2/94 from Lancashire County Council re: Thorp Plant was read and noted.

4. St. Patrick's Day Parade 1994

The Town Clerk informed the members that preparations were going ahead for the parade although very few entries had been received as yet. He also informed that no entries had been received for the window competition.

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. Other Business

(i) It was proposed by Commissioner Harford seconded by Commissioner Davis that the Balbriggan Town Commissioners call on the Minister for Finance to rescind taxation on social welfare payments and also call on our T.D.'s to discuss this in the Dail. Following discussion on the matter the resolution was adopted.

(ii) On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to ask the Parks Department for a breakdown in chemicals used in recent spraying of parks areas in the town.

(iii) On the proposal of Commissioner Lawless seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to again contact Dublin County Council concerning box hard seats for the beach.

(iv) On the proposal of Commissioner McKeon seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to ask Fingal County Council how much money was in the estimates for the renovation of Bremore Site and to ask for a full report from the Office of Public Works on the site.

(v) On the proposal of Commissioner Davis seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to write to Fingal County Council concerning the method of dealing with people who are in arrears with their

rent or mortgage and ask them to take a more sensitive approach such as sending out someone to talk to the tenants instead of an initial letter in order to find out their circumstances.

(vi) Commissioner Murray proposed asking banks and major businesses in the town to fund the Inner Relief Road by means of low interest rate loans and it was proposed that the Fingal County Council be asked if they would take such short term finance. Following discussion on the matter it was agreed that Commissioner Murray would do a submission on the matter.

(vii) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to write to the employment exchange in Gardiner St. asking if facilities could be made available for processing and giving information on claims of the local Balbriggan office.

(viii) On the proposal of Commissioner Purcell seconded by the Vice-Chairman it was agreed to follow up the matter of legislation with disabled parking bays.

(ix) On the proposal of Commissioner Purcell seconded by the Vice-Chairman it was agreed to write to the Minister for the Environment concerning the criteria used to issue disabled passes.

(x) Commissioner Gallen informed the meeting that when the County Bridge was demolished on 27th March, 1994 that Noel Dillon local roads engineer had agreed to retain the stone taken from the bridge in the yard. It was agreed to contact Mr. Oliver Doyle of Iarnrod Eireann in this regard.

The meeting concluded at 10.10 p.m.

Brian Purcell
12/4/94

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**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF BALBRIGGAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD
ON 21ST MARCH 1994**

Special meeting held on Monday 21st March, 1994 at 8.00 p.m. between Balbriggan Town commissioners and residents from Seapoint, Quay Street and Mill Street.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

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

APOLOGIES

Murray, David
McKeon, May
Gibbons, Patrick A

RESIDENTS

John Gallen
Colm Gamble
Eithne Nally

APOLOGIES

Willie Reilly

Colm Gamble confirmed that the group present were not representing the Residents Association for the area and thanked the Commissioners for meeting with them.

Item 1

A discussion commenced on the increased traffic in the Quay Street area and Commissioner Davis suggested that this matter and item 4 be taken together, as much of the traffic problems are related to the Cardy Marina.

It was agreed that the Commissioners would contact the Gardai - for the Traffic Study Group - and request that "Experimental Lines" be placed in Quay Street and contact Fingal Council to re-paint the 'No Entry' sign on the road at the junction of Quay Street/High Street. also at the junction of Seapoint Road and Seapoint Lane "Experimental Lines" be put in place.

Commissioner Larkin was anxious to know where the coaches park when the club is open and how many there are in the area each weekend. He was advised a number of approximately 8 and most park on the double yellow lines at the Quay side.

Commissioner Davis requested that the Commissioners contact the Gardai asking them to monitor this situation at week-ends. Commissioner Harford stated that it is important for safety reasons for the Gardai to keep an eye on this situation and advise the Commissioners.

Item 2

The Commissioners agreed to await the outcome of the new bill and keep monitoring the situation.

Item 3

This will be passed to the Gardai requesting them to monitor the One Way System more carefully as, for sometime now, there appears to be disregard for this system, in certain areas.

Item 4

The current position regarding the Enforcement Notice issued by Fingal Council was read and Commissioner Davis requested that the Commissioners write to the Planning Department asking them to move on this Order.

It was also requested that the Commissioners request the Chief Fire Officer requesting inspection of the premises on a regular basis, bearing in mind that the planning conditions have not been fulfilled, during the hours of 1.00 p.m. to 2.00 p.m.

Commissioner Tuite asked that we ascertain from the Fire Officer the numbers allowed in the Nite Club.

Item 5

It was agreed that there are no plans to have a Taxi Rank in the Town Centre Park, that the area most suitable is on the Square. It was decided by the Commissioners to follow up the possibility of having such a service in the Town.

The meeting concluded at 9.10 p.m.

Brian Linnell
12/4/96

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF BALBRIGGAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON 21ST MARCH 1994

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	Gallen, Patricia	Purcell, Brian
	Harford, Monica	Tuite, Bredge
	Larkin, Jack, P.C. M.C.C.	

APOLOGIES	Murray, David
	McKeon, May
	Gibbons, Patrick A

RESIDENTS	John Gallen
	Colm Gamble
	Eithne Nally

APOLOGIES	Willie Reilly
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Commissioner Davis requested that the Commissioners contact the Gardai asking them to monitor this situation at week-ends. Commissioner Harford stated that it is important for safety reasons for the Gardai to keep an eye on this situation and advise the Commissioners.

Item 2

The Commissioners agreed to await the outcome of the new bill and keep monitoring the situation.

Item 3

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The meeting concluded at 9.10 p.m.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF BALBRIGGAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON 12/4/94

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

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

The Chairman, Commissioner Purcell, presided

1. Confirmation of Minutes

- (i) Minutes of Meeting held on 8/3//94 were read and confirmed
- (ii) Minutes of Special Meeting held on 21/3/94 were read and confirmed

2. Applications for Hire of Hall

An application from the Balbriggan Drop In Home Alone Centre for use of the Hamilton Hall Room for seven weeks commencing 20th April, 1994 was noted by the Commissioners

3. Correspondence

A: Correspondence from Government Departments and Ministers

- (i) Letter dated 14/3/94 from Office of An Tanaiste RE: Thorp was read and noted
- (ii) Letter dated 21/3/94 from Minister for Finance RE: Lottery Funding for Crohn's Disease was read. Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner McKeon seconded by Commissioner Gallen and agreed that the Commissioners would write to the Minister for Health on the matter.

B: Correspondence from Fingal County Council and Councillors

- (i) Letter dated 28/3/94 from Secretariat Department RE: Meeting was read and a discussion was held as to which Commissioners would speak on the various matters.
- (ii) Letter dated 16/3/94 from Parks Department RE: Bremore site was read. It was agreed to follow up the matter with the Council concerning the start date and the office of public works report.

C: Correspondence from Other Local Authorities and Public Bodies

- (i) Letter dated 16/3/94 from Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council RE: Sellafeld was read and noted.

- (ii) Letter dated 24/3/94 from Garda Siochana Re: Manpower was read. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Harford seconded by the Chairman and agreed to write to the Minister for Justice asking her to increase garda strength in the Balbriggan district.
- (iii) Letter dated 29/3/94 from Monaghan U.D.C. RE: Age Cards was read and noted.
- (iv) Letter dated 30/3/94 from Athy U.D.C. RE: Book of support for Peace was read and noted.

D: Other Correspondence

- (i) Letter dated 24/3/94 from Angela Cashell RE: Casual trading was read. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by commissioner Harford seconded by Commissioner Lawless and agreed that the Commissioners would again demand a public apology.
- (ii) Letter dated 31/3/94 from Mínistear for Finance RE: Taxation on social Welfare Payments was read and noted.
- (iii) Letter dated 8th April, 1994 from An Post RE: Postal Service in balbriggan was read. Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Chairman and agreed that the Commissioners would write back on the matter stating that it was not a rare occurrence for post to be late.
- (iv) Notification from Greystones Town Commissioners RE: 1994 La Touche Legacy Seminar was read an noted.

4. Report of Local Government Auditor for 1992

The report of the Local Government Auditor 1992 was discussed and noted by the Commissioners.

5. Report on Dublin Tourism Organisation

There was no report under this heading.

6. Other Business

- (i) It was proposed by Commissioner Davis seconded by commissioner Hartford and agreed "That the Balbriggan Town Commissioners call on the Minister for Transport and communications and the Minister for Enterprise and Employment to intervene in the Iarnrod Eireann industrial dispute and they further call on Iarnrod Eireann to rescind the recent suspensions of employees to facilitate discussions."
- (ii) Following a report from the town Clerk in relation to the sale of 56 Hampton Street, Balbriggan it was proposed by Commissioner Davis seconded by Commissioner Harford and agreed that the sale would be approved.
- (iii) In response to Commissioner Tuite the Town Clerk informed the members that he had as yet no word from the employment Exchange in Gardiner Street concerning Balbriggan Employment Office.

- (iv) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to again contact the County Council concerning potholes on the verge area on the road opposite St. Molagas School.
- (v) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to contact the Traffic Department of Fingal County Council concerning ramps at the Mill Pond Road.
- (vi) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to contact the Gardai asking them to investigate the parking of articulated lorries at the entrance to Tara Cove housing estate.
- (vii) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to contact Telecom Eireann asking them to rate all phone calls from public offices as they were previously.
- (viii) Commissioner Tuite asked if there was anything further on the Skerries Road Bridge. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Tuite and agreed to write to Iarnrod Eireann to reinstate the two parts of the bridge in their previous natural state.
- (ix) On the proposal of Commissioner Davis seconded by Commissioner Gallen it was agreed to contact Fingal County Council concerning the spraying of weed killer to ascertain what type was used.
- (x) On the proposal of Commissioner McKeon seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to invite the members of Fingal County Council and officials to a walking tour of Balbriggan to see the problems at first hand.
- (xi) On the proposal of Commissioner Murray it was agreed to ask the Council to carry out repairs on the main road.
- (xii) In response to Commissioner Lawless Mr. Carey stated that there was no change in the time scale of the Balbriggan By-Pass.
- (xiii) On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to again contact Irish Lights concerning the top of the light house which had been removed previously.
- (xiv) In response to Commissioner Gallen the town Clerk informed the members that discussions were being held with the architects department of Fingal County Council concerning the Town Hall.
- (xv) On the proposal of Commissioner Purcell it was agreed to follow up the matter of disabled parking bays with the county council and the gardai.

The meeting concluded at 9.55 p.m.



MINUTES OF MEETING OF BALBRIGGAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON 10/5/94

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

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

OFFICIALS PRESENT

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

The Chairman, Commissioner Purcell, presided

1. Confirmation of Minutes

- (i) Minutes of Meeting held on 12/4//94 were read and confirmed.

2. Applications for Hire of Hall

The Commissioners noted the application for hire of the hall by the Balbriggan Breakaway Festival.

3. Correspondence

A: Correspondence from Government Departments and Ministers

- (i) Letter dated 15/4/94 from Nora Owen , T.D. , M.C.C. RE: Inner Relief Road was read and noted.
- (ii) Letter dated 15/4/94 from Nora Owen, T.D., M.C.C. RE: Factory was read and noted.
- (iii) Letter dated 29/4/94 from Ray Burke, T.D. RE: Taxation was read and noted.
- (iv) Letter dated 29/4/94 from Nora Owen, T.D.,M.C.C. RE: Taxation was read and noted.

B: Correspondence from Fingal County Council and Councillors

- (i) Letter dated 11/4/94 from Housing Dept RE: Arrears was read and noted.

C: Correspondence from Other Local Authorities and Public Bodies

- (i) Letter dated 14/4/94 from Office of Public Works RE: Bremore Site was read. Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Mckeon seconded by Commissioner Lawless and agreed to request Fingal County Council to ask the Office of Public Works to carry out a survey on the site.
- (ii) Letter dated April 94 from Employment Exchange Gardiner St. RE: Balbriggan Employment Exchange was read and noted.
- (iii) Letter dated 28/4/94 from Monaghan U.D.C. RE: Expenses was read and noted.

D: Other Correspondence

- (i) Letter dated 5/5/94 from Iarnrod Eireann RE: Industrial Action was read and noted.
- (ii) Letter dated 6/5/94 from Parks Dept RE: Weed Killer was read and noted.

4. Report on Meeting with Fingal County Council

The Commissioners who were present at the meeting with Fingal County Council gave a report on the proceedings.

5. Issuing of Polling Cards to Local Government Electorate with consent of Balbriggan Town Commissioners under section 2 Electoral (Amendments) No 2 Act 1986.

Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Lawless and agreed that polling cards would be issued to local government electors who were only eligible to vote in the election for Balbriggan Town Commissioners.

6. Report on Dublin Tourism Organisation

The Chairman gave a report on these proceedings

7. Report on Dublin Transportation Initiative

Commissioner Davis gave a report on these proceedings

8. Other Business

- (i) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite it was agreed to contact Iarnrod Eireann and the Gardai concerning congregating and lighting of fires in the railway subway. It was also agreed to request Iarnrod Eireann to put up no loitering signs.
- (ii) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite it was agreed to ask Fingal County Council to put signs on the beach in relation to fouling of footpaths by dogs.
- (iii) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite it was agreed to ask Fingal County Council to erect signs on the public toilets.
- (iv) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by Commissioner Lawless and agreed to ask the Minister for the Environment to adequately fund Fingal County Council instead of imposition of service charges.
- (v) On the proposal of Commissioner Davis it was agreed to ask the Council to check numbers 1 to 10 Seapoint in relation to complaints concerning low water pressure.
- (vi) On the proposal of Commissioner Davis it was agreed to ask Fingal County Council to cut the banks on the strand and also to request to request Iarnrod Eireann to carry out the work on their own part.
- (vii) On the proposal of Commissioner Harford seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to request a full time ambulance service for North Fingal.
- (viii) On the proposal of Commissioner Harford seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to ask the owners of SuperValu supermarket to have a pedestrian crossing installed on Brick Lane.

- (ix) On the proposal of Commissioner Mckeon seconded by Commissioner Lawless it was agreed to ask Fingal County Council to link waiver limits to minimum old age pension rates.
- (x) On the proposal of Commissioner Lawless it was agreed to ask Fingal County Council to replace the seats on the sea front.
- (xi) On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen it was agreed to contact Iarnrod Eireann concerning the bus stop outside SuperValu as it was felt it was too near the pedestrian lights.
- (xii) In response to Commissioner Gallen Mr. Carey stated that a number of sources had been used to compile the list for services charges.

The meeting ended at 9.15 p.m.

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF BALBRIGGAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON 18TH JULY, 1994 WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF FAS

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT	Davis, Joe	Shields, Gertie
	Gallen, Patricia	Timmins, Colm
	Harford, Monica	Tuite, Bredge
	Mckeen, May	Young, Tom
	Pyne, Ned	

OFFICIALS PRESENT P.A. Gibbons, Town Clerk

FAS REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT Patricia Curtain
Brendan Kennedy

Patricia Curtain gave a review of the FAS situation in Dublin North and stated that they had a success rate of up to 65% of placement after people finishing courses. They provided an employment services office which was a one stop shop and they encouraged and supported community employment. Recent additions to this was that people would retain all their secondary benefits and that included a development module.

The Cathaoirleach Commissioner Shields welcomed the representatives of FAS and explained to them that they were concerned at the situation in relation to the one day a week clinic they were running. Mr. Kennedy stated that the office was not been used by employers and community groups. Commissioner Gallen asked was it the location or advertising that was the problem. Following discussion on the matter it was agreed that FAS in conjunction with the Commissioners would arrange to have the matter advertised following the summer break. The FAS members were also asked about Youthreach Programme and Patricia Curtain suggested that the matter be discussed with the V.E.C. as they were the body concerning this programme. The Cathaoirleach again thanked the members from FAS for attending and the meeting then concluded.

Bredge Tuite

18 Sep '94

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF BALBRIGGAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON 18TH JULY, 1994 WITH BREMORE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT	Davis, Joe	Shields, Gertie
	Gallen, Patricia	Timmins, Colm
	Harford, Monica	Tuite, Bredge
	McKeon, May	Young, Tom
	Pyne, Ned	

OFFICIALS PRESENT P.A. Gibbons, Town Clerk

BREMORE RESIDENTS Martin Timmins

ASSOC. REPS. PRESENT Pat Garvey
Robert Kenny

The Cathaoirleach welcomed the deputation and Robert Kenny thanked the members for seeing them. He then gave an outline background to the situation and stated the 3 main areas concerning them were 1) the playarea, 2) the condition of the estate which included the road leading into the estate, the lights in Covestown and the roads in the estate which have deteriorated, and 3) the Inner relief Road. Following discussion on the matter it was agreed to write to Griffwell asking them to complete the works. It was also agreed to write to Fingal County Council regarding recent applications for changes in planning and to check this situation under the current Griffwell applications. The deputation then thanked the Commissioners for meeting them and the meeting then ended.

Bredge Tuite
13/Sep/94

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF BALBRIGGAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD
ON 23/8/94**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

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| Davis, Joe | Shields, Gertie |
| Gallen, Patricia | Timmins, Colm |
| Harford, Monica | Tuite, Bredge |
| McKeon, May | Young, Tom |
| Pyne, Ned | |

OFFICIALS PRESENT

- P. A. Gibbons

Commissioner Harford stated that she had asked for the meeting to be called because she was unhappy with the way the petition was organised. She wanted to know when the petition was launched and who decided which Commissioners and traders were to be included. The Cathaoirleach stated that she had gone to Commissioner Harford's door and both Commissioner Harford and her husband had signed. Commissioner Harford stated that she hadn't realised at the time the layout of the petition. Commissioner Young stated that the motion had been presented at the July meeting in good faith. He hadn't been allowed to read the motion and he had been shocked at the approach he had received at the meeting. Commissioner McKeon stated that she agreed with the motion in general but not with the gathering of a petition. Commissioner Gallen stated that a lot of words had been said in relation to the petition and she did not consider the gathering of the petition demeaning in any way. The result was five/four in favour of organising the petition and she could not honestly go out with nine names when four were not in favour of it. Commissioner Pyne stated that he had made a phone call to the Cathaoirleach because he had been asked on the street whether he was no longer a Commissioner as his name had not appeared on the petition. He felt that all documentation coming out of the Commissioners office should be on headed paper. The Cathaoirleach stated that she didn't mind receiving phone calls but she would insist on respect for the office of the Cathaoirleach. Commissioner Tuite stated that her reason for coming to the meeting was to state that she went around with the petition with another four Commissioners. Commissioner Harford reiterated her original question as to who decided which traders and publicans would be included. Commissioner Young replied that no one decided specifically. At that point Commissioner Tuite asked to be excused. Commissioner Davis stated that he had no problem with the petition but that he would not be signing it. He felt that the document was a con job on the people. He also found it hard to believe how people knew that he had not signed it. He felt that people going around with the petition had told others that. He felt that once the motion had been passed it should be from all the Commissioners as a body. Commissioner McKeon asked that when a motion was passed should it officially come from the Commissioners and should it be launched from the Town Hall. The Town Clerk stated that when a resolution for action on an issue was decided a meeting was normally held to

decide on a course of action by the Commissioners. Commissioner Harford asked Commissioner Young was it his intention to have the petition from the Balbriggan Town Commissioners he replied that it was. Commissioner Pyne asked was it not worth his while to put it to all the Commissioners to sign. Commissioner Harford stated that other Commissioners couldn't refuse to sign when it was democratically agreed and she wanted to establish here and now that if any resolution is passed that it becomes part of the Commissioners policy and should be initiated from the Town Hall. The Cathaoirleach asked Commissioner Harford whether her signature should be on it or not if she was not going to work at it. Commissioner Harford stated that she would work at it, she was perfectly willing to stand up and be counted and she would go along with the majority. She felt it was all done underhanded and she wanted to know by amending the petition would it be in order. Commissioner Gallen felt it would not. The night the motion was presented the petition was on the table. Commissioner Davis wanted to know if it was true what was been said around the town that there was five signatures only because the other four had been left out to show them up. The Cathaoirleach stated that it had not come from her. Commissioner Pyne wanted to know did five signatures not look odd. Commissioner Gallen stated that the original nine couldn't go on it because she felt it would have been hypocritical. Commissioner Pyne stated that he had not seen the petition on the night and he would have signed it and he would have organised signatures. Commissioner Harford stated that the petition was not sent down the table on the night of the meeting. Commissioner Davis felt that people were playing politics with the petition and was giving a false perception to the people. Commissioner Young stated that he now realised that the petition should have been on Commissioners headed paper and he apologised to the Commissioners. He was sorry that the Cathaoirleach had to take the flak. Five Commissioners had been out to date getting the signatures, the petition could be brought back and revamped. Commissioner Harford stated that she was not asking to undo what was already done and she proposed that the petition as it was now be stopped. Commissioner McKeon also felt that it should be withdrawn. The Town Clerk then suggested that a press release be issued to explain that all the Commissioners were in favour of the building of the inner relief road, that the signatures already collected be accepted and that the petition be redrafted with a covering letter from the Commissioners and blank sheets for people to sign. Following a discussion on this it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Young and agreed that the Town Clerks suggestion be adopted. Commissioner Gallen then stated that she wanted noted for the record that everything must go through the Cathaoirleach. The meeting then ended.

*Justie Shields
11.10.94*

MINUTES OF MEETING OF BALBRIGGAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON 13/9/94

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT	Davis, Joe	Shields, Gertie
	Gallen, Patricia	Timmins, Colm
	Harford, Monica	Tuite, Bredge
	McKeon, May	Young, Tom
	Pyne, Ned	

OFFICIALS PRESENT P.A. Gibbons, Town Clerk

An apology for non attendance was received from S. Carey , Principal Officer.

An Cathaoirleach, Commissioner Gertie Shields, presided.

1. Confirmation of Minutes

- (a) Minutes of Meeting held on 12/7/94 were read and confirmed.
- (b) Minutes of Special Meeting held on 18/7/94 with Fas were read and confirmed.
- (c) Minutes of Special Meeting held on 18/7/94 with Bremore Residents Association were read and confirmed.

2. Applications for Hire of Hall

The following list of applications for the year commencing September 1994 were noted by the Commissioners

3. Correspondence

- (1) Letter dated 2/8/94 from People of the Year Awards Re: Nominations was read. Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Tuite that Eric Nolan be nominated for People of the Year Award.
- (2) Letter dated 26/8/94 from Balbriggan Combined Clubs Re: Meeting. It was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Tuite and agreed that the Commissioners would meet with the Combined Clubs on a date to be arranged.
- (3) Letter dated 5/9/94 from Bremore Estate Residents Association Re: Meeting was read. It was proposed by Commissioner Davis seconded by Commissioner Harford and agreed that the Commissioners would meet with the residents on the same date as the Combined Clubs meeting once the necessary information was obtained by the Commissioners.

- (4) Letter received 13/9/94 from Irish National Congress Re: Peace Walk was read. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Tuite seconded by Commissioner Davis and agreed that the Commissioners would officially launch the walk from Balbriggan.
- (5) Letter dated 8/9/94 from Dublin Corporation Re: Peace Resolutions was read and noted.
- (6) Letter dated 21/7/94 from Patrick O'Neill, Lambeccher Estate Re: Fireplaces was read. Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Harford and agreed to arrange a meeting with Mr. O'Neill on the same date as the other meetings provided all the necessary information was available.

(7) Report from Tidy Districts & Sports Awards Committee

Minutes of meeting on 5/9/94 was read. It was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Cathaoirleach and agreed to write to Shell Chemicals thanking them for their past sponsorship. It was agreed to postpone the presentation date to 6th October, 1994 provided necessary sponsorship was in place.

- (8) Letter dated 13/9/94 from East Town Centre and Seapoint Residents Association was read. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Young that the letter would be sent to the Fingal County Manager concerning the associations concerns in relation to the development at the Balbriggan Trade Centre.

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4. Meeting with Fingal County Council Re: Consideration of Agenda

Following discussion on the matter the following agenda was agreed.

- (1) Discussion on the alleviation of the danger at the footpath outside Quinnsnorth in Drogheda St.
- (2) A proper maintenance programme be drawn up for the cleaning of Balbriggan Beach and Streets and the cutting of verges on approach roads and the cleaning of the Bracken River.
- (3) Housing Maintenance Programme and the responsibility of the Fingal County Council in this regard.
- (4) Bremore Historical Site.
- (5) Sewerage Treatment Plant and existing arrangements.
- (6) Public Lighting North and South of the Town.
- (7) Development of Harbour.
- (8) Progress Report on Motor way and Inner Relief Road.

5. Association of Municipal Authorities Annual Conference.

The Town Clerk stated that this item was on the agenda in order to remind those that had proposed the motions that submissions would be required before the weekend for the delegates going to the conference.

6. Motion Submitted by Commissioner Ned Pyne

It was proposed by commissioner Pyne seconded by Commissioner Harford that Fingal County Council be requested to erect a barrier at the laneway between SuperValu and Lambeecher Estate in order to prevent cars using it as a short cut to the supermarket. Following a discussion on the matter Commissioner Pyne agreed to remove the word barrier and add to replace wall and leave pedestrian exit. The resolution was then adopted.

7. Motion Submitted by Commissioner Ned Pyne

It was proposed by Commissioner Pyne seconded by Commissioner McKeon and resolved that Fingal County Council be requested to investigate a strong smell of sewerage at the round about at Derham Park affecting houses nos. 13 to 22 which was investigated before but was not rectified.

8. Motion Submitted by Commissioner Ned Pyne

It was proposed by Commissioner Pyne seconded by Commissioner Timmins that Fas be requested to supply information on how many full time and part time jobs it has filled in the area in the last year and to report on the future development potential for jobs in the Balbriggan area. Following discussion on the matter the motion was adopted and it was agreed to seek clarification on the motion department

9. Motion Submitted by Commissioner Patricia Gallen

It was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Young and resolved that the Balbriggan Town Commissioners consider the possibility of inviting members of the public to the statutory monthly meeting of the Commissioners and that a report on the feasibility of this be presented to the October meeting. It was further agreed that written submissions on the matter would be submitted to the Town Clerk by 30/9/94 in order to facilitate the drawing up of the report.

10. Motion Submitted by Commissioner Patricia Gallen

It was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by commissioner Harford and resolved to ask the Manager to arrange a meeting with the County Architect to draw plans to consider the feasibility of upgrading the Town Hall facilities for use as a Community Centre. It was further agreed that prior to this meeting that a meeting would take place between the Commissioners and the Community Centre Committee to agree on what facilities would be required in the Town Hall.

11. Motion Submitted by Commissioner Patricia Gallen

It was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Young and agreed to ask the Garda Superintendent for an up to date report on the current situation regarding the traffic study report submitted in February 1994.

12. Motion Submitted by Commissioner May McKeon

It was proposed by Commissioner McKeon seconded by Commissioner Gallen and agreed that a full report be requested from the Office of Public Works and Fingal County Council concerning Bremore Historical Site.

13. Motion submitted by Commissioner Gertie Shields

It was proposed by Commissioner Shields seconded by Commissioner Harford that the Balbriggan Town Commissioners request that barriers be erected by Fingal County Council past the Bath Road car park on the access road to the beach to prevent mobile homes and caravans parking overlooking the foreshore near the Black Rock and Kings Strand and that traffic calming measures be introduced on the entrance road to the Beach at Lambeeher Estate. Following discussion on the matter Commissioner Shields agreed to change her motion to request Fingal County Council to consider other measures other than a barrier and following this change the motion was agreed.

14. Motion Submitted by Commissioner Gertie Shields

It was proposed by Commissioner Shields seconded by Commissioner Harford and resolved that the Balbriggan Town Commissioners recognise the major achievement of the Balbriggan Junior Choir in winning the National Community Games Final by honouring them with a civic reception.

15. Motion Submitted by Commissioner Tom Young

It was proposed by commissioner Young seconded by Commissioner Davis and resolved that the Balbriggan Town Commissioners request that the practice of raw sewerage being pumped into Balbriggan Harbour be ceased immediately.

16. Motion Submitted by Commissioner Tom Young

It was proposed by Commissioner Young seconded by Commissioner Gallen and resolved that the Balbriggan Town Commissioners request a report from the Gardai on the practice of turning off the pedestrian lights on match days.

17. Motion Submitted by Commissioner Monica Harford

It was proposed by Commissioner Harford seconded by Commissioner Davis and resolved that the Balbriggan Town Commissioners call on Dublin Port and Docks Board for an update on Balbriggan Harbour and its present commercial activity and potential and that we request a special meeting with the Dublin Port and Docks Board and local interests to ascertain their views concerning the future potential of Balbriggan Harbour with a view to job creation.

18. Other Business

- (1) In reply to Commissioner Harford the Town Clerk stated that legal advise on the matter concerning letters sent to Commissioners was not available just yet.
- (2) On the proposal of Commissioner Harford seconded by the Cathaoirleach it was agreed to follow up the situation concerning the Derelict Site at Drogheda St/Lambeccher Estate.
- (3) On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Cathaoirleach it was agreed to write to the Minister for the Environment concerning the matter of disabled parking.
- (4) On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Cathaoirleach it was agreed to again ask Irish Lights to return the Light House Dome to its original position.
- (5) On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Timmins it was agreed to ask Telecom Eireann to re-site telephone kiosks outside the old Garda Barrack due to the re-development or to replace them with ones more in keeping with the development.

The meeting ended at 10.25 p.m.

*Gerie Shulett
11-10-94*

MINUTES OF MEETING OF BALBRIGGAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON 11/10/94

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT	Davis, Joe	Shields, Gertie
	Gallen, Patricia	Timmins, Colm
	Harford, Monica	Tuite, Bredge
	McKeon, May	Young, Tom
	Pyne, Ned	

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

An Cathaoirleach, Commissioner Gertie Shields, presided.

At the outset on the proposal of An Cathaoirleach seconded by An Leas Cathaoirleach a vote of sympathy was passed to Commissioner Ned Pyne and his family on the death of his father in law.

1. Confirmation of Minutes

- (a) Minutes of Meeting held on 13/9/94 were read and following a correction requested by Commissioner Gallen they were confirmed.
- (b) Minutes of Special Meeting held on 23/8/94 were read and confirmed.

2. Applications for Hire of Hall

There was no new business under this heading.

3. Correspondence

- (1) Letter dated 5/10/94 from commissioners of Irish Lights re: Dome of Balbriggan Lighthouse was read. Following discussion it was agreed to write back to the Commissioners of Irish Lights and also to Dublin Port & Docks Board on the matter.
- (2) Letter dated 28/9/94 from Corporation of Sligo re: Conference Urban 2000 was read. Following discussion it was agreed to discuss the matter at the November meeting.
- (3) Letter dated 11/10/94 from Fingal County council re: Bremore historical site was read and following clarification by Mr. Carey the letter was noted.
- (4) Letter dated 28/9/94 from Balbriggan and District Historical Society was read. It was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by An Cathaoirleach that the Commissioners meet with the society. It was further proposed by Commissioner Young seconded by Commissioner Tuite that the Commissioners do not meet with them and that they should write back offering help to the society if they wanted it. Following further discussion Commissioner Gallen withdrew her proposal and Commissioner Young's proposal was accepted. Commissioner McKeon asked

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that it be put on record that she did not make a statement to the Fingal Independent as was mentioned in the letter.

(5) Letter dated 6/10/94 from Superintendent, Garda Siochana re: Pedestrian Lights was read. Following discussion on the matter it was agreed to meet with the superintendent to discuss the matter with him.

(6) Letter dated 6/10/94 from Superintendent, Garda Siochana re: Traffic Proposals was read. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Timmins and agreed that the Commissioners would meet with the Superintendent.

(7) Letter dated 6/10/94 re: Disabled Parking Bays was read. The commissioners welcomed the contents of the letter and it was noted.

(8) Letter dated 14/7/94 addressed to An Cathaoirleach re: Local Authority meetings was read. Following discussion on the matter it was agreed to circulate it to all members and include it on the agenda for the November meeting.

(9) Letter dated 11/10/94 from Balbriggan Dramatic Society re: Hall Booking was read. Following discussion on the matter it was reaffirmed by the officials and the Commissioners that no price reductions could be allowed for the hall. Following further discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Davis seconded by Commissioner Tuite and agreed that the Commissioners would give a grant under the Arts Act of £200 to the Dramatic Society towards the staging of their 3 act play.

4. Report on Civic Reception for Balbriggan Community Games Junior Choir

The Town Clerk gave a report on the progress to date. On the proposal of Commissioner Young seconded by Commissioner Shields and agreed that the Tidy Districts and Sports Awards Committee would give whatever help was necessary to the Town Clerk in respect of this matter.

5. Report on Association of Municipal Authorities Annual Conference.

The members who attended the conference gave a report to the Commissioners on the proceedings and the outcome of the conference.

6. Report on Inviting Members of the Public to the Monthly Statutory Meeting of the Commissioners

The following report was circulated to the members .

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**ITEM 6: REPORT ON INVITING MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO
THE STATUTORY MONTHLY MEETING OF THE
BALBRIGGAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS**

The following submissions were received from members of the Commissioners:

1. Commissioner Gallen:

- a) Invitations should only be issued for the statutory meeting.
- b) Each Commissioner would be entitled to invite only one member of the public to the meeting.
- c) Invited guests names must be sent to the Town Clerk by the Tuesday (mid-day) prior to the meeting.
- d) The guests should not be permitted to the meeting after 7.25pm and must be signed in by the Commissioner who gave the invitation.
- e) Each guest must be made aware that they cannot comment, interfere or intervene with the meeting.
- f) Each Commissioner must inform their guest that they cannot give any interview to the press on the meeting or any aspect thereof.

2. Commissioner Young:

Four invitations to be issued each month to include one to a tenants/residents association.

3. Commissioner Tuite:

- a) There would be no room for nine more people and three press-total twenty-three.
- b) Each three Commissioners would be entitled to one invitation between them.

4. Commissioner Shields:

- a) Each three Commissioners would be entitled to one invitation between them.
- b) One further invitation to be issued to residents/tenants association, club or some other party with an interest on the agenda that month.

TOWN CLERKS REPORT

Arrangements are being made to remove all filing cabinets etc. from the office. This will have the effect of making sufficient space available to allow up to nine additional people to attend the meeting. The adoption of a policy in relation to allowing members of the public to attend meetings is a matter for the elected members of the Commissioners.

Following a discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Harford seconded by Commissioner Gallen and agreed that the Commissioners would have a special meeting on the matter.

7. Motion Submitted by Commissioner Timmins

It was proposed by Commissioner Timmins seconded by Commissioner Davis and agreed that the Balbriggan Town Commissioners call on Fingal County Council to immediately erect junction warning signs in Chapel St., Balbriggan to alleviate the danger to pedestrians and residents.

8. Other Business

- (1) On the proposal of Commissioner Davis seconded by An Cathaoirleach it was agreed to contact Fingal County Council requesting them to correctly place signs for Fullam Terrace and Street.
- (2) On the proposal of Commissioner Davis seconded by An Cathaoirleach it was agreed to ask Iarnrod Eireann to resurface the south bound platform at Balbriggan station due to flooding problems.
- (3) On the proposal of Commissioner Davis seconded by Commissioner Young it was agreed to call on Fingal County Council to make available in their estimates sufficient funds to complete the Inner Relief Road. it was further agreed a copy of the letter to the council would be circulated to all Fingal Councillors.
- (4) In reply to Commissioner McKeon the Town Clerk stated that a letter in reply to the Combined Clubs had been drafted and that they would receive it shortly.
- (5) In reply to Commissioner Harford the Town Clerk stated that he would hope to have the solicitors advise on certain letters shortly.
- (6) In response to Commissioner Harford the Town Clerk agreed to have acknowledgement letters available to Commissioners if they wished. These would not be circulated as had been previously agreed.
- (7) It was proposed by Commissioner Harford that the Commissioners call on Fingal County Council to declare all senior citizens and recipients of disability pensions exempt for water charges, seconded by An Cathaoirleach and agreed.
- (8) On the proposal of An Cathaoirleach seconded by An Leas Cathaoirleach and agreed to ask the Chamber of Commerce to appeal to traders not to give rubbish to children for bonfires.
- (9) Commissioner Timmins asked permission of the Commissioners to use the Commissioners Crest on his own headed paper. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Timmins and agreed to defer the matter to the November meeting.

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(10) On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen seconded by An Cathaoirleach it was agreed to write to Fingal County Council in connection with the right of way at the Bower which she felt was in danger of being eroded and also to ask for the stile to be repaired because it was dangerous.

(11) Commissioner Gallen requested that the Estimates be fully defined in order to give further details to the Commissioners.

(12) Commissioner Gallen requested two items a picture and a quilt which were presented to the Commissioners be present at the November meeting.

(13) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by An Cathaoirleach it was agreed to ask Fingal County Council to repair the road on the east side of Curran Park.

(14) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by An Cathaoirleach it was agreed to ask Fingal County Council to repair the road at the bottom of Pinewood Housing Estate past St. Molagas School.

(15) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by Commissioner Young it was agreed to ask Mr. Cosgrove of Balbriggan Trade Centre to a meeting to discuss his plans with them. Commissioner Tuite also stated that due to a delay in replying to Mr. Cosgrove a potential development was lost to Balbriggan.

The meeting concluded at 10.15 p.m.

Marie Shueless 2/11/94

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**MINUTES OF ESTIMATES MEETING OF BALBRIGGAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS
HELD ON 28/10/94**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Gallen, Patricia

Shields, Gertie

Harford, Moinica

Timmins, Colm

McKeon, May

Tuite, Bredge

Apologies for non attendance were received from Commissioners, Davis, Pyne and Young.

OFFICIALS PRESENT

P. A. Gibbons

S. Carey, Principal Officer

Following discussion on the Estimates as circulated it was proposed by Commissioner Timmins seconded by an Cathaoirleach and agreed that the meeting be adjourned to Friday 11th November at 8.00 p.m.

The meeting then ended.

*Gertie Shields
13.12.94*

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**MINUTES OF MEETING OF BALBRIGGAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD
ON 8/11/94**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Davis, Joe	Shields, Gertie
Gallen, Patricia	Timmins, Colm
Harford, Monica	Tuite, Bredge
McKeon, May	Young, Tom
Pyne, Ned	

OFFICIALS PRESENT

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

An Cathaoirleach, Commissioner Gertie Shields, presided.

1. Confirmation of Minutes

(a) Minutes of Meeting held on 11/10/94 were read. In relation to item 8 (15) Commissioner Tuite stated that she did not say "that due to a delay in replying to Mr. Cosgrove a potential development was lost to Balbriggan". Commissioners Gallen, Harford and the Cathaoirleach stated that the minutes were a true record of the meeting held on 11/10/94 and of Commissioner Tuites comments in relation to the matter in question. Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by an Cathaoirleach and resolved that the minutes be adopted as circulated. It was noted that Commissioner Tuite did not concur with the adoption of the minutes as circulated.

2. Applications for Hire of Hall

An application from Balbriggan Dramatic Society for use of the Hamilton Hall from November 27th to December 4th was noted by the Commissioners.

3. Correspondence

A: Correspondence from Government Departments and Ministers

(i) Letter from Minister for the Environment Re: Local Authority Meeting was read. Following discussion it was proposed by An Cathaoirleach seconded by An Leas Cathaoirleach and agreed that a special meeting would be held to discuss the matter.

B: Correspondence from Fingal County Council and Councillors

(i) Letter dated 11/10/94 from Housing Department Re: Laneway between Lambeecher Estate and SuperValu was read. Following discussion it was agreed to follow up the matter with the Parks Department. Following further discussion it was proposed by Commissioner McKeon seconded by An Cathaoirleach an agreed to write to Fingal County Council asking what monies

were available for Balbriggan in 1995 and what work would be carried out for the funds available.

(ii) Letter dated 18/10/94 from Development Department Re: Site at Lambeecher Estate was read. Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Harford seconded by An Cathaoirleach and agreed to ask the Development Department to arrange for the owner to have the overgrowth along the path cut as soon as possible.

(iii) Letters (4) from Fingal County Councillors Re: Inner Relief Road were read and noted. Following discussions it was proposed by An Cathaoirleach seconded by An Leas-Cathaoirleach and agreed to call on Fingal County Council to complete the road in sections over a number of years.

C: Correspondence from Other Local Authorities and Public Bodies

(i) Letter dated 28/9/94 from Sligo Corporation Re: Conference was read. Following discussion it was agreed that the matter of sending a delegate would be considered when the full agenda was received.

(ii) Letter dated 11/10/94 from office of Public Works Re: Bremore Site was read and noted.

(iii) Letter dated 30/10/94 from Fas Re: Jobs was read and noted. On the proposal of Commissioner Davis seconded by an Cathaoirleach it was agreed to ascertain from Fas why people are sent from the Balbriggan office to Finglas Training Centre to apply for work on the Bremore Project.

(iv) Letter dated 25/10/94 from Commissioners of Irish Lights Re: Lighthouse was read. Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by an Cathaoirleach and agreed to write back to Irish Lights and ask them if they could arrange for a replica to be made.

D Other Correspondence

(i) Invitation from Access for Commissioners to attend a meeting was noted.

(ii) Letter dated 4/11/94 from Fingal County Council Roads & Traffic Department Re: Nameplates was read. Following discussion it was agreed the matter would be followed up with the local Roads Engineer. it was further agreed on the proposal of Commissioner Pyne seconded by an Cathaoirleach to follow up the matter on the name plate at Derham Park.

(iii) Letter dated 14/10/94 from Balbriggan & District Historical Society Re: Bremore Park was read and noted.

(iv) Request for use of Balbriggan Crest

A request for use of the Balbriggan Crest on party note paper had been received from Commissioner Colm Timmins at the October meeting and had been deferred until the November meeting. Mr. Carey stated his total opposition to the request from a legal point of view. The crest was the property of Balbriggan Town Commissioners and it should be guarded to its ultimate. He suggested that special note paper from members of the Balbriggan Town

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Commissioners for official business could be made available. The report of Mr. Carey was noted by the members.

5. Motion Submitted by an Cathaoirleach Commissioner G. Shields

It was proposed by Commissioner Shields seconded by Commissioner Harford and agreed that the Balbriggan Town Commissioners call on the Parks Department of Fingal County Council to address a long-standing problem in High Street where roots from a tree planted by them are breaking up a footpath and extending under the Weldon and Doherty houses (nos. 29 & 31 High Street).

6. Motion Submitted by an Cathaoirleach Commissioner G. Shields

It was proposed by Commissioner Shields seconded by Commissioner Tuite and agreed that the Balbriggan Town Commissioners request that no E.C. Funding be allocated for the proposed Tunnel bring heavy traffic from Whithall to the Dublin Docks until our own section of the E1 is completed.

7. Motion Submitted by Commissioner Ned Pyne

It was proposed by Commissioner Pyne seconded by Commissioner Young and agreed to ask the Garda Superintendent to allow a 20 or 30 minute off loading period outside the Mall Shopping Centre, Quay Street. Following further discussion it was agreed that this would be brought up at the forthcoming meeting with the Superintendent.

8. Motion Submitted by Commissioner Ned Pyne

It was proposed by Commissioner Pyne seconded by Commissioner Harford and agreed to ask the Commissioners to write to the developer of Chapel Gate to refrain from using the name Chapel in further developments because at the moment there is a proliferation of streets using the name chapel.

9. Any Other Business

(i) Motion submitted by Commissioner P. Gallen

It was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Tuite and agreed that the following submission of the Balbriggan Town Commissioners to the Municipal Authorities Conference in 1993 regarding reduction on vat in clothing, footwear and tourism, that we the Balbriggan Town Commissioners again call on the Minister for Finance to reduce the vat levels to the rates that apply prior to the 1993 budget and circulate to all local authorities for them to pursue it with their own local T.D.'s and Senators.

(ii) The Town Clerk informed the members that Dublin Port & Docks Board had agreed to meet with them. Following discussion on the matter it was agreed to meet with Dublin Port & Docks

Board at 2.00 p.m. on Tuesday 22nd November, 1994. It was further agreed that a deputation would be made up with members of the Commissioners and local fishermen's organisation. It was proposed by Commissioner Davis that a meeting of boat owners and skippers be held to decide who would represent them. This was agreed and this meeting would be called for Tuesday 15th November, 1994 at 12.00 noon.

(iii) A report by the Tidy District and Sports Awards Committee on the recent sports awards was noted by the Commissioners.

(iv) On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen seconded by an Cathaoirleach a vote of sympathy was passed to the family of the late Bill Horrigan of the E.S.B., Skerries. The Town Clerk informed the members that he had attended the funeral on behalf of the Commissioners and he had sent a mass card from the Commissioners.

(v) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by an Cathaoirleach it was agreed to ask the Manager to ask the Housing Department to allocate houses as soon as they are available. at present one particular house had been vacant for five weeks.

(vi) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by an Cathaoirleach it was agreed to contact the Arts Council and the relevant Minister in order to acquire funds to display the Balbriggan Quilt properly.

(vii) On the [proposal of Commissioner Davis seconded by an Cathaoirleach it was agreed to again write to Iarnrod Eireann requesting them to resurface the southbound platform of the station.

(viii) On the proposal of Commissioner Davis seconded by an Cathaoirleach it was agreed to ask the Parks Department to check out the playing fields at the back of Curran Park houses and repair the damage caused to the hedging at the back of the houses.

(ix) On the proposal of Commissioner McKeon seconded by an Cathaoirleach it was agreed to send a letter of appreciation to Ev's Florist concerning the work done on the flowerbed at the Courthouse.

(x) In reply to Commissioner McKeon in relation to an enquiry concerning a right of way from the Community College to McLoughlins Garage the Town Clerk informed the members that Fingal County Council nor the Balbriggan Town Commissioners had any function in relation to right of ways and that right of ways were a matter for civil proceedings in the court if necessary.

(xi) On the proposal of Commissioner Pyne seconded by an Cathaoirleach it was agreed to ask Fingal County Council to level the bank beside one of the new bus stops at Balrothery to make it safe for passengers alighting from buses.

(xii) On the proposal of Commissioner Pyne seconded by an Cathaoirleach it was agreed to send a letter of congratulations to Skerries Tidy Towns Committee on their recent success in the Tidy Towns Competition.

- (xiii) In reply to Commissioner Harford the Town Clerk stated that he had received a letter from the solicitors in connection with traders letters and he would circulate it to the members following the meeting.
- (xiv) In reply to Commissioner Harford the Town Clerk stated that as he had not got the relevant information it was not possible to arrange meetings with Bremore Residents Association and Mr. O'Neill.
- (xv) It was proposed by Commissioner Harford seconded by Commissioner Timmins that while the new Easter Health Board Ambulance being located in Swords was very welcome another one should be located in Balbriggan to provide an adequate ambulance service for Fingal area. It was agreed to write to the Eastern Health Board in this regard.
- (xvi) On the proposal of Commissioner Timmins seconded by an Cathaoirleach it was agreed to hold the adjourned estimates meeting on Friday 11th November, 1994 at 8.00 p.m.
- (xvii) On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen seconded by an Cathaoirleach it was agreed to ask Fingal County Council to erect a sign at the County Bridge stating the height of the bridge under the railway line.
- (xviii) on the proposal of Commissioner Gallen seconded by an Cathaoirleach it was agreed to ask the Parks Department to investigate the problems occurring in the Town Centre Park. it was also proposed by Commissioner McKeon seconded by Commissioner Harford and agreed that the Commissioners would meet with the residents of Seapoint.
- (xix) Commissioner Gallen asked if there was any word concerning the architect coming down to investigate the use of the Town Hall. Mr. Carey replied that there would be a meetings locally in the next week to two weeks to address the matter.
- (xx) In reply to Commissioner McKeon the Town Clerk stated that he had received no written reply to the Commissioners representations concerning the Combined Clubs. It was agreed to ask for a reply.
- (xxi) In reply to Commissioner Young the Town Clerk outlined the position in relation to the right of way at the Bower, Balbriggan.
- (xxii) In reply to Commissioner Young the Town Clerk stated that he had been in touch with Fingal County Council concerning the lights that were out at Mill Pond but he would continue to follow the matter up.
- (xxiii) Commissioner Young stated that the office of Cathaoirleach should be respected by all bodies in the town and he gave a recent incident of where this had not happened.
- (xxiv) Commissioner Young stated that he felt now was the time for reconciliation with the traders in the town and the Commissioners should work towards that.
- (xxv) Commissioner Shields asked for the present position in relation to the sale of local authority houses to entrepreneurs. The Manager replied on the legal position relating to this.

The meeting ended at 10.20 p.m.

Gertie Shields
13. 12. 94

**MINUTES OF ADJOURNED ESTIMATES MEETING OF BALBRIGGAN TOWN
COMMISSIONERS HELD ON 11/11/94**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

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| Davis, Joe | Shields, Gertie |
| Gallen, Patricia | Timmins, Colm |
| Harford, Monica | Tuite, Bredge |
| McKeon, May | Young, Tom |
| Pyne, Ned | |

OFFICIALS PRESENT

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

Following discussion of the Estimates and report of the Estimates committee it was proposed by Commissioner McKeon seconded by Commissioner Gallen and agreed that the Estimates as circulated be adopted and that the appropriate Demand be made on Fingal County Council.

The meeting then ended.

*Gertie Shields
13.12.94*

MINUTES OF MEETING OF BALBRIGGAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON 13/12/94

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT Davis, Joe Shields, Gertie
Gallen, Patricia Timmins, Colm
Harford, Monica Tuite, Bredge
McKeon, May Young, Tom
Pyne, Ned

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

An Cathaoirleach, Commissioner Gertie Shields, presided.

1. Confirmation of Minutes

- (a) Minutes of Meeting held on 8/11/94 were read and confirmed.
- (b) Minutes of Estimates Meeting held on 28/10/94 were read and confirmed.
- (c) Minutes of Adjourned Estimates Meeting held on 11/11/94 were read and confirmed.

2. Applications for Hire of Hall

There was no new business under this heading.

3. Correspondence

A: Correspondence from Fingal County Council and Public Representatives

- (i) Letters (5) from Public Representatives Re: VAT on clothing were read and noted.
- (ii) Letter dated 30/11/94 from Secretariat Department Re: Proposed Name Change of Fingal County Council was read. Mr. Carey explained the situation and following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner McKeon seconded by Commissioner Gallen that the Commissioners recommend to Fingal County Council that the name of the County Council remain as Fingal County Council. Following a vote this proposal was adopted by eight votes to one.
- (iii) Letter dated 19/11/94 from Roads Department Re: Inner Relief Road was read. Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner McKeon seconded by Commissioner Davis and agreed to ask Fingal County Council to start negotiations for the remaining portions of land for the road. It was further proposed by Commissioner Davis seconded by an Cathaoirleach that Fingal County Council be asked to commence building the road in stages where land had been required. It was further proposed by Commissioner Tuite seconded by Commissioner Young and agreed to ask the new Minister for the Environment to meet with the Commissioners to discuss the provision of the funds for the inner relief road.

B: Correspondence from Other Local Authorities and Public Bodies

- (i) Letter dated 30/11/94 from Iarnrod Eireann Re: Platform was read and noted.
- (ii) Letter dated 30/11/94 from Commissioners of Irish Lights Re: Lighthouse Dome was read and noted.
- (iii) Letter dated 24/11/94 from

C: Correspondence from Other Local Authorities and Public Bodies

- (i) Letter dated 28/9/94 from Sligo Corporation Re: Conference was read. Following discussion it was agreed that the matter of sending a delegate would be considered when the full agenda was received.
- (ii) Letter dated 11/10/94 from office of Public Works Re: Bremore Site was read and noted.
- (iii) Letter dated 30/10/94 from Fas Re: Jobs was read and noted. On the proposal of Commissioner Davis seconded by an Cathaoirleach it was agreed to ascertain from Fas why people are sent from the Balbriggan office to Finglas Training Centre to apply for work on the Bremore Project.
- (iv) Letter dated 25/10/94 from Commissioners of Irish Lights Re: Lighthouse was read. Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by an Cathaoirleach and agreed to write back to Irish Lights and ask them if they could arrange for a replica to be made.
- (v) Letter dated 24/11/94 from Carlow U.D.C. Re: Tax relief was read and noted.
- (vi) Letter dated 23/11/94 from Wexford Corporation Re: Law Review was read and noted.
- (vii) Letter dated 21/11/94 from Association of Municipal Authorities Re: Coat of Arms was read. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Harford seconded by Commissioner Tuite and agreed to give permission to the Association of Municipal Authorities to use the Balbriggan Crest in their forthcoming publication.

D Other Correspondence

- (i) Letter dated 19/11/94 from Balbriggan Chamber of Commerce Re: Traffic Matters was read. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by an Cathaoirleach seconded by an Leas-Cathaoirleach and agreed to contact the Garda Superintendent to arrange a meeting to discuss the traffic report.
- (ii) Letter dated 13/12/94 from Fingal County Council Parks Department Re: Balbriggan Town Park was read and noted.
- (iii) Letter dated 13/12/94 from Fingal County Council Environmental Services Department Re: Trees on High Street was read and noted.
- (iv) Letter dated 5/12/94 from Environmental Services Department Re: Town Centre Park was read and noted.
- (v) Letter dated 13/12/94 from Environmental Services Department Re: Boundary between Lambeecher Housing Estate and SuperValu supermarket was read and noted.
- (vi) Letter dated 13/12/94 from Parks Department Re: services during 1994 and 1995 was read and noted. It was agreed to circulate the letter to the Commissioners.

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- (vii) Letter dated 7/12/94 from Housing Department Re: Fireplaces at Lambeecher Estate was read and noted.
 - (viii) Letter dated 8/12/94 from Development Department Re: Derelict Site Drogheda St/Lambeecher estate was read and noted.
 - (ix) Letter dated 12/12/94 from Housing Department Re: Council Lettings was read and noted. It was agreed that the list of housing allocations would be updated every two weeks.
 - (x) Letter dated 7/12/94 from Planning Department Re: Nameplate at Pineridge was read. Following discussion it was agreed to follow the matter up with the Planning Department.
 - (xi) Letter dated 12/12/94 from Housing Department Re: Level of Services Provided in 1994 and 1995 was read and noted.
 - (xii) Letter dated 6/12/94 from Iarnrod Eireann Re: Platform at Balbriggan Station was read and noted.
 - (xiii) Letter dated 7/12/94 from Garda Superintendent Re: Parking was read. Following discussion it was agreed to write back to the Superintendent seeking further clarification on the matter.
 - (xiv) Letter dated 8/12/94 from FAS Re: Community Youth Training Programme was read and noted.
 - (xv) Letter dated 1/12/94 from Eastern Health Board Re: Ambulance Service was read and noted.
 - (xix) Letters (4) from Public representatives Re: VAT on clothing were read and noted.

4. Conference in Sligo

Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Timmins and agreed that An Cathaoirleach Gertie Shields would attend the conference.

5. Special Meetings

The Town Clerk stated there were a number of special meetings to be arranged and these would be arranged as soon as possible.

6. Motion Submitted by An Cathaoirleach Commissioner G. Shields

It was proposed by Commissioner Shields seconded by Commissioner Davis and agreed that the Balbriggan Town Commissioners call on our local T.D.'s to request the Minister for the Marine to initiate a Harbours policy on behalf of Balbriggan Harbour and other Harbours along the east coast. Following further discussion it was agreed to write to the fishermen to thank them for their support at the recent meeting with the Port & Docks Board.

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7. It was proposed by An Cathaoirleach seconded by Commissioner Young and resolved that the Balbriggan Town Commissioners meet with the Balbriggan Chamber of Commerce as a matter of urgency to discuss ways in which we can get together to promote Balbriggan.
 8. **Motion Submitted by Commissioner B. Tuite**
Commissioner Tuite said that she would bring the matter up again at the January meeting.
 9. **Motion Submitted by Commissioner B. Tuite**
It was proposed by Commissioner Tuite seconded by Commissioner Young and resolved that the Balbriggan Town Commissioners write to the Department of the Marine and other relevant departments/organisations seeking funding to pursue a study on Balbriggan Harbour such survey to be carried out through an organisation such as Fas, Chamber of Commerce, etc.
 10. **Other Business**
 - (i) The Commissioners who were present at a recent meeting with Fingal County Council gave a report on the proceedings. The Town Clerk stated that Mr. McDonald would be down to meet the Commissioners on Friday 16th December to discuss the Bracken River.
 - (ii) Letter received from Badminton Club was read. Following discussion it was proposed by an Cathaoirleach seconded by an leas-Cathaoirleach and agreed that the Commissioners would meet with them.
 - (iii) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by An Cathaoirleach it was agreed to ask Fingal County Council to put appropriate markings on the roadsides at the corner of High Street for safety reasons.
 - (iv) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by an Cathaoirleach it was agreed to again contact Fingal County Council concerning an area where the school warden is opposite St. Molagas School.
 - (v) On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen seconded by An Cathaoirleach it was agreed to ask Fingal County Council to make a bus bay outside the Cinema.
 - (vi) On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen seconded by an Cathaoirleach it was agreed to ask Fingal County Council when would Balbriggan Library be open six days a week .
 - (vii) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by Cathaoirleach it was agreed to again ask Fingal County Council when the light would be going up outside the nursing home.
 - (viii) In reply to Commissioner Young the Town Clerk read out an acknowledgement which he had received from Fingal County Council in connection with the Combined Clubs application.
 - (ix) In response to Commissioner Harford Mr. Carey explained the situation in regard to housing transfers.

The meeting concluded at 10.05 p.m.