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A Meeting of the General Purposes Committee of the Council was held in the Council Chamber, Arus na Cathrach, Rutland Street, on Monday the 25th February, 1963, at 7.30 p.m.

The following members were in attendance:-

In the Chair: Rgt. Worshipful Cllr. Mrs. Frances Condell, Mayor.

Aldermen: S. Coughlan, T.D., and G. E. Russell.

Councillors: W. Brazier; J. Danagher; V. Feeney; F. Glasgow; J. Keane; P. Kelly; P. Kiely; T. Lawlor; F. Leddin; J. P. Liddy; M. Lipper; P. O'Sullivan;

Officers present included the City Manager and Town Clerk; The Asst. Town Clerk; Housing Officer; City Solicitor; City Accountant; Architect, and Chief Fire Officer; Also, Mr. M. Greene, Acting City Engineer.

Item No. 1:

At the meeting of the Limerick City Council held on the 1st October, 1962, a motion in the names of five members of the Council, - Ald. Coughlan, Cllrs, J. Danagher, M. Lipper, F. Leddin, and P. Kelly, - "that a complete overhaul of the present Differential Rent System be undertaken", was considered.

During the discussion, a number of suggested modifications of the scheme for Differential Rents were made by members of the Council. Submitted now report of the City Manager dated 11th February, 1963, covering these modifications and making an appraisal of the financial adjustments which would result from their implementation.

Ald. Coughlan referred to the operation of the differential system in Dublin, Cork and Waterford and to the schemes adopted by these authorities. He referred also to the grading of rents in these areas, and said that they were much more favourable than in Limerick. He was not in favour of the City Manager's proposal whereby the earnings of a second or other child would not be reckoned for a period of six months after commencing employment. He said he could not see the sense in a variation in maximum rents in schemes where a differential rent system applied. He referred to the system of a transfer of tenancies from a fixed rent house to a scheme where differential system applied. In several such cases, the tenant was put on the maximum rent which applied to that particular scheme. This invariably resulted in a big increase in rent and a consequent hardship on the tenant. This system, he said, was most unfair.

Cllr. Danagher said that when this system was first introduced, it seemed a fair one. However, experience has revealed several causes of hardship. With regard to allowances for children the Councillor said these at present were inadequate. The burden on parents was heaviest when children reached secondary school standard. He suggested that school fees should be allowed in rent assessment. With regard to children earning in the household, Cllr. Danagher said that the present reckoning of £4. 10s. 0d. for a second earner, was excessive. He said that the principal bread winner, who was invariably the father and also tenant should continue to be regarded as the principal bread-winner of the household irrespective of his earnings. With regard to transfers, he agreed with Ald. Coughlan, that rent assessment in these cases was unfair. In conclusion, Cllr. Danagher stated that it appeared that Limerick did not compare favourably with other areas in making the appropriate allowances under the Differential system.

Cllr. Kelly stated that the particulars of allowances put before the meeting by Ald. Coughlan as applied in Dublin, Cork and Waterford, were most informative. He considered the present 5/- allowance for dependants totally inadequate. He said that it was time for an adjustment.

Clr. Liddy referred also to the system of fixing rents in transfer cases which he felt was also unfair.

Clr. Leddin did not agree with the allowances. He suggested that the one sixth of reckonable income was excessive, and that the allowances for single persons should be increased at least 50%.

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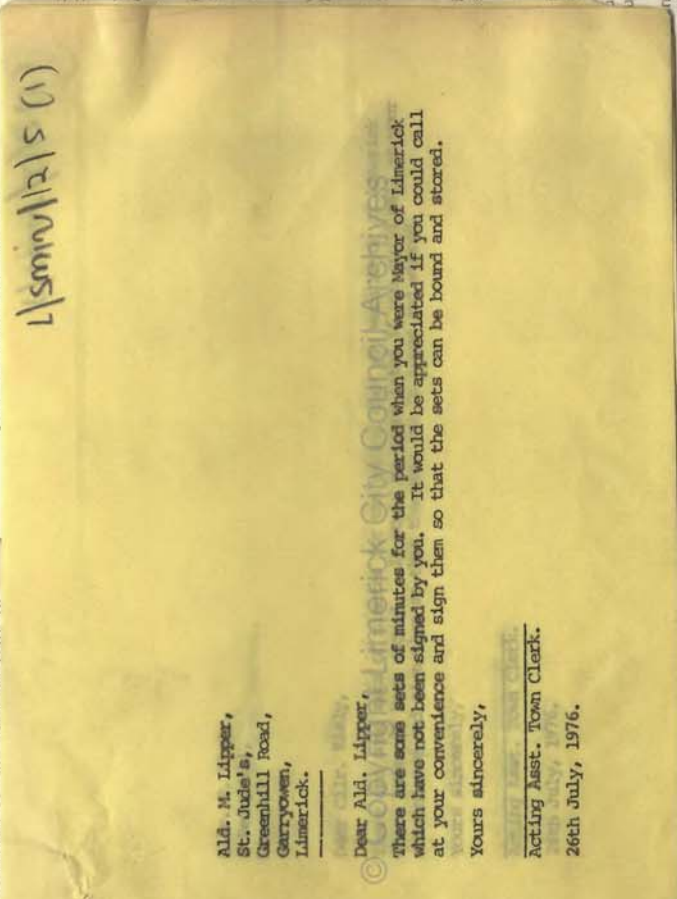
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Cllr. Liddy agreed with other members in as much that he felt that the system needed overhauling. He agreed with Ald. Russell that cases of hardship should get preference. Fixing of rents in transfer cases was unfair. He suggested that the allowance to earners in the household was inadequate and that a figure of £3. 0s. 0d. seemed a more reasonable figure to reckon. He had no sympathy with the assessment on boarders, and in the case of tenants who were prepared to pay higher rents for their choice of house, he felt that these people should be accommodated.

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Cllr. Feeney agreed that a review was overdue, but he said the Council must keep in mind the increase in rates which would result in such modifications suggested.

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In reply to Cllr. Keane in regard to the fixing of a rent in excess of the economic rent, the City Manager said he wished to remind the Council that rent must also include rates, and he was not aware of any assessment in excess of the economic rent.

The Manager stated that persons on whom maximum rent is assessed are usually well off and can afford to pay such rent. They are invariably in the salary bracket £1,100 to £1,200 a year.

Ald. Coughlan gave notice that he would move or cause to be moved at the next meeting of the Council, the following motion:-

- (a) The present one-sixth of reckonable income to be replaced by the fraction of one-seventh.
- (b) The present reckonable income of £4. 10s. 0d. on second and other earners be reduced to £3. 10s. 0d.

(c) Maximum rents to be fixed all round, with the maxima in Killeely and St. Mary's Park, to stand.

(d) No alteration in the minima.

When the City Manager pointed out that it would take some time to assess the cost of these changes, it was agreed that the motion would be put down formally at the meeting of the Council to be held on the 11th march.

The Mayor said that she wished to make her views on the proposals quite clear. She said that while the object to relieve hardship was highly commendable, she did not agree that in cases where a son or daughter who did not contribute adequately to the household, that in such cases, the rent should be subsidised.

Ald. Russell agreed and said he could not subscribe to the proposal to reduce maximum rents from £3. to £2. 10s. 0d. He could not, he said, see why those who should be subsidised by the Council should be poorer.

Item 2

The City Manager pointed out that the new Parking Bye-Laws for Limerick City had been submitted by the Commissioner of the Garda to the Minister for approval. Only two changes of any significance had been made and these referred to parking in New Street and Nicholas Street. The City Manager stated that if the Council had any suggestions to make, they could be passed on to the Minister.

Ald. Russell said that the Council should do everything in their power to expedite the introduction of the Bye-Laws. Referring to the parking arrangements which would obtain in William Street, he pointed out that there would be greater demand as a result, for car-parking facilities. He was anxious to know if there was adequate provision to

to deal with this.

Ald. Coughlan suggested that the removal of the traffic lights at William Street would relieve congestion. He suggested that a guard on point duty could cope with the flow of traffic more effectively.

The City Manager said it was difficult to assess the problems of the new bye-laws in advance. However, work on a new car park at Mangret Street would begin shortly.

Standing Orders:

Cllr. Leddin proposed the suspension of Standing Order No. 11 for one half-hour.

Item No. 3:

Submitted report of the City Manager dated 21st February, on Road Traffic (speed limits) Regulations, 1963, made under the Road Traffic Act, 1961, noted.

Item No. 4:

Submitted Circular Letter L.3/63 dated 2nd February, 1963, from the Department of Local Government re Burial Grounds.

The City Manager pointed out that in the light of this Circular, no action was necessary regarding burial grounds under the jurisdiction of the Corporation (all of which were closed) as he had recently carried out an inspection of these with the City Engineer and any action that was necessary has been taken. Noted.

Item No. 5:

Submitted report of the Chief Officer of the City Fire Brigade for the year ended the 31st March, 1962.

Ald. Russell said he would like to express the appreciation of the Council and of the citizens generally to the staff of the Fire Brigade. He said they could be proud of this service. Referring to the increase in the number of fires in the year 1961/62, he suggested that a publicity campaign warning people of the dangers of chimney fires might be considered during the winter months especially. He also referred to the danger of oil heaters. He said an increased contribution should be sought from the County Council.

Cllr. Donagher said he was pleased to note that there was satisfaction within the brigade. He said that the staff was held in high esteem. The Councillor asked if respiratory apparatus was part of the equipment of ambulances.

The City Manager pointed out that this was not a standard fitting but such apparatus would be available if required.

Ald. Coughlan said he would like to be associated with the thanks to the Fire Brigade Staff. He suggested that the installation of radio communication in ambulances and fire vehicles was desirable.

Item No. 6:

Submitted report dated the 25th February by the City Manager, requesting the approval of the City Council to excess expenditure in accordance with Section 11 of the City and County Management Amendment Act, 1955.

In reply to Ald. Russell, the City Manager pointed out that the increase under the heading of Sanitary was attributable to the breaks in the water supply during the winter months. Due to an increased level of consumption, pumping charges were also much higher.

"That in accordance with the provisions of Section 11 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, approval is hereby given to excess expenditure as follows:-"

Sanitary:

Water Street and Domestic scavenging .. .. . £5,000 800

Housing:

Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts .. .. . £2,000

General Purposes:

Materials expense .. .. . £1,800

Item No. 7:

Houses under Construction:

In reply to Cllr. Liddy, the City Manager stated that the number of houses now under construction was 241.

Edward Street:

Ald. Coughlan referred to derelict sites in Edward Street.

The City Manager said it was hoped to include a number of these sites in the making of an extension to the Peoples Park.

Clancy Strand Housing:

In reply to Ald. Coughlan, the Architect pointed out that this was not first priority in the housing programme.

Ald. Coughlan said it was about time that the centre of the city was built up. He referred in particular to the Abbey area.

The Manager pointed out that the Corporation's programme had already been set out. 254 houses were approved for the Roxboro Road and the Architect and his staff were fully occupied on these. The alternative scheme would then follow. It was hoped that there would then be a breathing space when consideration could be given to developments in central city areas.

Watergate:

Cllr. Donagher expressed disappointment that the Watergate scheme was being pushed back as it were.

The City Manager pointed out that this scheme would be next on the Corporation's list after Roxboro Road. Its priority had not been disturbed.

Ignant Purchase Scheme:

In reply to Ald. Russell, the City Manager said that the scheme had now been applied to Sarsfield Avenue.

The Housing Officer pointed out that schemes such as Rossa Avenue, Donnellan's buildings, O'Dwyer Villas, etc. would come next.

Ballynanty East:

A number of members complained of the arrangement in Ballynanty Beg, where there was only one entrance to six or seven houses.

The Minutes agree with the minutes of the meeting held on 10th March 1963.

The Housing Officer, referring to the remarks of Councillor Limerick with regard to Falls Buildings, indicated that Closing Orders had been made regarding a number of dwellings. Demolition Orders were not warranted in any case.

Item No. 8:

Glenview Avenue/Sheelbourne Avenue:

Cllr. Donagher complained of conditions in these areas.

Parks:

Cllr. Leddin complained of the cutting down of trees in the People's Park. He said far too many had been cut down.

The City Manager said that the cutting was necessary and that the matter had been carefully examined. It was proposed to plant ten times more trees this year.

The Acting City Engineer stated that there were too many trees in the park, a number of which had become dangerous.

Ald. Russell supported Cllr. Leddin's view

Rate of Estimates Meeting:

It was unanimously agreed that the Estimates Meeting of the Council be held on Tuesday the 19th March, 1963, at 7.30 p.m.

On the motion of Cllr. Kelly, seconded by Cllr. Keane, the affixing of the Corporate Seal to the following documents was authorised:

Limerick Corporation Stock 1964/72 - Stock Certs:

- No. 1766 Mrs. Thompson
- 1767 Prov. Bank (Irish Women's Ltd.)
- 1768 Ardelean Holdings, Ltd.
- 1769 M/s. Geary Sons & Co.
- 1770 Munster & Leinster Bank, Nominees Ltd.
- 1771 Andrus Investment Co.
- 1772 Mrs. M. E. O'Driscoll

Small Dwellings Acquisition Act - Advances - Mortgage:

- Mr. McGlynn
  - Derek Neville
  - Pk. Egan
  - Pk. Jos. Barry
- Small Dwellings Acquisition Act - Transfer
- W. H. Henn, 64 Mayorstone - Assignment and Mortgage to Royal Liver.
  - Street Trader Stall Licence - Mrs. Nora Ryan, 35 Hennessy Avenue.

Candidates:

Votes of sympathy were proposed and unanimously resolved in the following cases:

- Cremins Family, Tullyless, Co. Cork.
- Mrs. Ringrose, Greenfields, Ro Brian.
- Conroy family, W.C.R.
- Cusack family, "Carrig Rhue", Ravington Park
- Byrnes family, Glenworth Street.

A true record.

Confirmed in Council for 11th March 1963 J. Leddin T. P. MacBlairnaid

CHAIRMAN CATHAIR LUIMNIGH.

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TENDERS COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the above committee was held in Arus na Cathrach, Rutland Street, on Monday the 11th March, 1963, at 7.30 p.m. the following members being present:

In the Chair: Right Worshipful Mayor, Cllr. F. Condeall.

Aldermen: J. Carew; S. Coughlan, T.D., and G. E. Russell.

Councillors: F. Leddin; J. P. Liddy; J. Tanagher; J. Keane; P. Kiely; P. O'Sullivan; M. Brazier; F. Glasgow; I. Lawlor; M. D. Lippey; J. Heidy; P. Kelly.

Officers present: City Manager and the Asst. Town Clerk.

In accordance with the Regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialled by her and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action thereon.

TENDERS FOR SCHOOL MILK.

Milk

Limerick Lairies 3/6 gallon.  
Shannon Lairies 3/10 gallon.

Bread

Hotel Cecil 2/5 doz. portions.

Buns

Hotel Cecil 2/5 doz.

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TENDERS FOR SHOP SITES AT GARRYOWEN

NO.	Tenderer	Annual Rent Tendered	
		Site 1	Site 2
1	Mrs. Margaret Keane Island Road, Limerick.	£2. 10. 0.	£2. 10. 0.
2.	Phyllis Kennedy, 37, Kilmurry Avenue, Garryowen.	£20. 0. 0.	-----
3.	Patrick McInamara, 10, Singland Road East, Garryowen.	-----	£26. 0. 0.
4.	Patrick McInamara, 4, Singland Avenue, Garryowen.	-----	£52. 0. 0.
5.	Patrick O'Callaghan, 9, Claughan Road South, Garryowen.	£12. 0. 0.	-----

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A true record.  
Performed on 11th March 1963  
J. Leddin T. P. MacBlairnaid

COMHAIRLE CATHAIR LUIMNIGHE.

TENDERS COMMITTEE

A meeting of the above committee was held in Arus na Cathrach, Rutland Street, on Monday the 3th April, 1963, at 7.30 p.m. the following members being present:-

In the Chair: Ald G. E. Russell

Aldermen: J. Carew; and S. Coughlan, I.D.

Councillors: F. Leddin; J. P. Liddy; M. Brazier; J. Danagher; V. Feeney; F. Glasgow; J. Keane; P. Kelly; P. Kiely; T. Lawlor; P. O'Sullivan; J. Reidy.

Officers present included: The City Manager and Town Clerk; Asst. Town Clerk, etc.

In accordance with the Regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialled by him and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action thereon.

TENDER FOR FELLING OF TREES

No.	Tenderer	Price.
1.	Patrick O'Brien, White Hall, Parteen, Limerick.	£850
2.	Patrick J. Ryan, Mungret, Co. Limerick.	£795

TENDERS FOR VAN.

- (a) One 5 cwt. Van less trade in on II. 9035.
- (b) One 10 cwt. Van.

No.	Tenderer	Price.
1.	The Limerick Motor Works	(a) £399. 10s. nett.
2.	William P. Ryan, Dublin	(a) £446. 0s. nett.
3.	Limerick Motor Works (7 cwt.)	(b) £539. 10s. less 12% discount.
4.	do.	(b) £713. 10s. less 12% discount.
5.	William P. Ryan, Ltd., Dublin	(b) £610. 10s. 0d. Nett.

A True Record.

Thomas P. MacDiarmada  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Confirmed and added to file until then 27th  
day of May 1963  
P. Lendell.*

**Limerick City Council**

A meeting of the General Purposes Committee of the Limerick City Council was held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Rutland Street, Limerick, on Monday, 22nd April, 1963, at 7.30 p.m.

**PRESENT:**  
In the Chair: Her Worship the Mayor, Councillor Mrs. Frances Condell.

Aldermen: J. Carew, S. Coughlan, T.D., and G. E. Russell.

Councillors: W. Brazier, J. Danagher, V. Feeney, T. Lawlor, J. P. Liddy, M. D. Lipper, P. O'Sullivan.

Apologies for inability to attend were received from Cllrs. Glasgow and Kelly.  
Officers in attendance included the City Manager and Town Clerk, the City Accountant, City Solicitor, M. Greene, Acting City Engineer; and Architect.

**ITEM 1:**  
Abattoir. Due to the absence owing to illness of Mr. J. Dundon, Chief Veterinary Officer, discussion on the abattoir was deferred.

**ITEM 2:**  
Swimming Pool. The City Manager pointed out that when the project came up for consideration last February consideration was given to a number of sites which were deemed suitable. These were examined by the Architect and it was felt, however, that a proposal for a swimming pool should be confined to the redevelopment areas of the city in order to deal with redevelopment schemes.

The Manager said that no particular site was yet defined as certain difficulties in the way of acquiring property might arise. He pointed out that the cost of the pool excluding acquisition of a site would be £110,000.

A brief discussion followed on a number of possible sites and their suitability for siting a swimming pool. Among the sites mentioned were Watergate, St. John's Gate, People's Park, site of the old St. Maurice's College and the existing Garda Headquarters in William Street.

Finally it was proposed by Ald. Russell that the planning of the pool should be proceeded with. Outline plans with short list of sites should be prepared, the cost of the site to be included. Cllr. Lawlor seconded.

This was agreed to and the City Manager said he would report back to the Council in about three months.

**ITEM 3:**  
Housing. Amongst matters raised were development within the city; provision of houses for childless and old couples, and housing for newly weds.

The City Manager in reply to Ald. Coughlan said that when the housing programme as scheduled had been proceeded with consider-

ation would then be given to housing development in St. Mary's Parish and Thomondgate.

In reply to Ald. Russell the Manager said that fifty houses should be ready by June of this year and thereafter fifty houses, it was expected, would be available at three monthly intervals.

Submitted before the meeting were draft lay-out plans on the Water-gate scheme. The members generally expressed satisfaction at the progress made and hoped that no time would be lost in planning. It was suggested by Ald. Russell that parking space in the scheme might be inadequate, especially with the advent of the new Parking Bye-Laws. Councillors suggested, back-to-back type ranges and also the type of fire installed in the Princes Hill houses.

Summarising the position the Manager said that the schemes under construction and approved covered the erection of 750. He could not advise the Council to exceed this number. When these were constructed the position should be re-assessed. Planning would proceed meantime. He pointed out that there were not as many qualified applicants for housing as compared with the number of houses projected. It was undesirable, he said, to give the people notice years in advance of the likelihood of building in any particular area.

**Other Business.** Ald. Coughlan referred to the chaotic congestion of traffic on Sarsfield Bridge. He said the time had come when serious consideration should be given to the erection of a third bridge over the Shannon at a point from Lr. Cecil Street to St. Michael's Boat Club. He asked the City Manager if a survey could be undertaken on the feasibility of such a project together with the cost, and report back to the Council.

The Council suggested that the traffic congestion related to peak hours only, and that this could hardly justify the expenditure of just half a million pounds. It was agreed, however, that the City Manager would arrange a preliminary investigation into the matter.

**Roads : Poles on Sarsfield Bridge.** Ald. Russell complained that the poles erected on Sarsfield Bridge in conjunction with the implementation of the Parking Bye-Laws spoiled the appearance of the bridge.

The City Manager pointed out that the spacing of these poles was determined by regulations. However, in consideration of the fact that these were on a bridge he would make further enquiries.

**Junction of Shelbourne Road and Clannorris Avenue.** The Mayor enquired if a danger sign could be erected at this junction.

The City Manager agreed to examine.

It was also suggested that warning signs were desirable at St. Camillus' Hospital ; at the junction of Fort Mary Park and North Circular Road.

The City Manager agreed that he would arrange a survey of this area. **Proceeding with the proposed visit to President Kennedy.** A brief discussion took place on the proposed visit of President Kennedy to the City. It was suggested that consideration be given to conferring the Freedom of the City on him. It was suggested that he would be confined to a tight schedule, and this may not be feasible. However, the Council agreed that they should do him full honour on the occasion of his visit and it was agreed to write to the Department of External Affairs conveying the wishes of the Council.

**Barrow Stands at Ellen Street.** The Mayor complained of the

appalling condition of the Ellen Street/Patrick Street corner due to papers and other litter being scattered around the place.  
The City Manager said he would arrange to have the matter examined.

**CORRESPONDENCE :**

Submitted letter from Fr. Lyons, Administrator, St. Michael's, inviting the Mayor and members of the Council to attend at St. Joseph's Church on Wednesday, 1st May, 1963, at 8 p.m., for High Mass in connection with the feast of St. Joseph the Workman.

On the motion of Ald. Coughlan, seconded by Cllr. Liddy, it was agreed that the Council would attend at Mass and also robe for the occasion.

Submitted letter from Maurice F. Hewson, Askaton, expressing his desire to meet the members of the City Council in council in his capacity as Hon. Secretary of the Limerick Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

On the motion of Ald. Coughlan, seconded by Cllr. Liddy, it was agreed to hear Mr. Hewson at the meeting of the Council to be held on Monday, 13th May, and that he be notified accordingly.

**CONDOLENCES :**

Votes of sympathy were passed as follows : To the Plunkett family, 29 Upper William Street, on the death of Mrs. Mary Plunkett ; to the Wallace family, Catherine Street, on the death of Mr. D. Wallace ; and to the McNeill family, Delgany, Greystones, Co. Wicklow, on the death of Mr. Hugo O'Neill.

The meeting then adjourned.

**A TRUE RECORD.**

T. P. MACDIARMADA,

City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Confirmed in Council*

*This 27th May 1963*

*J. Lendell*  
*Chairman*

COMHAIRLE CATHAIR LUIMNIGHE.

TENDERS COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the above committee was held in Arus na Cathrach, Rutland Street on Monday the 27th May, 1963, at 7.30 p.m. the following members being present:

- In the Chair: Right Worshipful Cllr. F. Condell, Mayor.
- Aldermen: J. Carew; S. Coughlan, T.D., and G. E. Russell.
- Councillors: W. Brazier; J. Danagher; V. Feeney; F. Glasgow; J. Keane; P. Kelly; P. Kiely; T. Lawlor; J. P. Liddy; J. P. Liddy; M. Lippin; P. O'Sullivan; J. Reidy.

Officers present included: The City Manager and Town Clerk; Asst. Town Clerk, and  
In accordance with the Regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialled by her and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action thereon.

TENDER FOR ONE GANG MOWER WITH EXTRAS FOR PARKS

No.	Tenderer	Price
1.	Cahir House Garage, Cahir, Co. Tipperary.	£354. 10s.

TENDER FOR LETTING OF SITE IN GARRYOWEN HOUSING ESTATE.

No.	Tenderer	Price
1.	Patrick O'Callaghan, 9 Claughan Road South.	£12 per annum.

A True Record.

Tomas P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Completed and accepted by Council on 21<sup>st</sup> June 1963.*

*Francis Lendell*  
*Chairman*

COMHAIRLE CATHAIR LUIMNIGHE.

TENDERS COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the above committee was held in Arus na Cathrach, Rutland Street on Friday the 21st June 1963, at 7.30 p.m., the following members being present:

- In the Chair: Right Worshipful Cllr. F. Condell, Mayor.
- Aldermen: J. Carew and G. E. Russell.
- Councillors: W. Brazier, J. Danagher, V. Feeney, F. Glasgow, J. Keane, P. Kiely, T. Lawlor, F. Leddin, J. P. Liddy, M. Lippin, P. O'Sullivan, J. Reidy.

Officers present included: City Manager and Town Clerk; City Accountant; Architect; Acting City Engineer; Staff Officer Gas Department; Mr. P. D'Arcy, Rent Department.

In accordance with the Regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialled by her and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action thereon.

TENDERS FOR LETTING OF SHOP AT CORREALLY SWIMMING POOL.

No.	Tenderer	Price.
1.	P. J. Murphy, 12 Sycamore Ave., Rathbane.	£1. 17. 0d p.w.
2.	Mr. Francis Moran, 2 St. Senan St., St. Mary's Park.	£1. 10. 0d p.w.
3.	Richard Coughlan, Treaty Cafe, 13 Nicholas St.	£2. 10. 0d p.w.
4.	Mrs. M. Ryan, 32 Colmcille St., St. Mary's Pk.	£1 to £1.00d. p.w.

TENDER FOR CLOTHING, 1963/1964.

No.	Tenderer	Price.
1.	Cannock & Co. Ltd., O'Connell St., Limerick.	£102. 16. 8d.

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A True Record.

Tomas P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Accepted on Council 11<sup>th</sup> July 1963.*  
*Francis Lendell*  
*Chairman*

COMHAIRLE CATHAIR LUIMNIGHE

TENDERS COMMITTEE

A meeting of the above committee was held in Arus na Cathrach, Rutland Street on Monday the 9th September, 1963, at 7.30 p.m. the following members being present:

In the Chair: Right worshipful Cllr. F. Condell, Mayor.

Aldermen: J. Carew; S. Coughlan, I.D., and G. E. Russell.

Councillors: W. Brazier; J. Lanagher; V. Feeney; F. Glasgow; P. Kelly; P. Kelly; P. Kiely; T. Lawlor; F. Leddin; J. P. Liddy.

Officers present included the City Manager and Town Clerk; Assistant Town Clerk; City Solicitor, Staff Officer, Housing; etc.

In accordance with the Regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tender was opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialled by her and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action thereon.

TENDER FOR PRINTING 1963/64.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Tenderer</u>	<u>Price</u>
1.	Messrs. McKerns, Glentworth Street.	£1,650.

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A true record.

Tomas P. MacUarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.  
*Approved by Council 1963*  
*by J.P.L.*

*Approved by Council the 14<sup>th</sup>*  
*by J.P.L.*  
*Chairman*

COMHAIRLE CATHAIR LUIMNIGHE.

TENDERS COMMITTEE

A meeting of the above committee was held in Arus na Cathrach, Rutland Street on Monday the 28th October, 1963, at 7.30 p.m. the following members being present:

In the Chair: Cllr. J. P. Liddy.

Aldermen: J. Carew; S. Coughlan, I.D.

Councillors: W. Brazier; J. Lanagher; V. Feeney; F. Glasgow; J. Keane; P. Kelly; P. Kiely; T. Lawlor; F. Leddin; M. Lipper; P. O'Sullivan.

Officers present included the City Manager and Town Clerk; Assistant Town Clerk; City Solicitor; Staff Officer, Housing; etc.

In accordance with the Regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialled by him and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action thereon.

TENDERS FOR FELLING OF TREES.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Tenderer</u>	<u>Price.</u>
1.	Mr. Patrick J. Ryan, Contractor, Mungret, Co. Limerick.	£795.
2.	Mr. Patrick O'Brien, White Hall, Parteen, Limerick. £595.	

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A true record.

Tomas P. MacUarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.  
*Approved by Council the 11<sup>th</sup> day of*  
*November 1963*  
*Chairman*

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A meeting of the above Committee was held in Arus na Cathrach, Rutland Street on Monday the 4th November, 1963, at 7.30 p.m. the following members being present:

In the Chair: Cllr. J. P. Liddy.  
Aldermen: S. Coughlan and J. Carew.  
Councillors: J. Danagher; P. O'Sullivan; P. Kiely; W. Brazier; P. Kelly; F. Leddin; I. Lawlor; *M. Liffel*

Officers present included the City Manager and Town Clerk; Assistant Town Clerk; City Accountant; Housing Officer and Mr. P. Darcy, Clerical Officer, Housing Department.

In accordance with the regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialled by him and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action thereon.

TENDERS FOR THE SUPPLY OF ONE PORTABLE AIR COMPRESSOR.

No.	Tenderer	Price
1.	Messrs. Chas. Warren & Co., Ltd., 122 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin 2.	(a) £1,095. (b) £1,076. (c) £1,234.
2.	Messrs. Hendron Bros., Little Denmark Street, Dublin	(a) £1,068. (b) £1,097.
3.	H. R. Holfeld Ltd., 2-4 Merville Road, Stillorgan, Dublin.	(a) £938. (b) £832.
4.	Atlas Copco (Great Britain) Ltd., The Crescent, Donnybrook, Dublin 4.	£1,095. £835.
5.	Cromac Ltd., Palmerstown, Co. Dublin.	(a) £350. (b) £375. (c) £395.
6.	Messrs. Renolds Ltd., 43 Parnell Street, Limerick.	
7.	Municipal & General Supply Co., Cian Park, Drumcondra, Dublin, 9.	£985.

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A true record.

T. P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.  
*Compromised in Council the 9th of Dec 63*  
*done Nov. 1963*  
*S. O'Riordan*  
*Chairman*

A meeting of the above Committee was held in Arus na Cathrach, Rutland Street on Monday the 14th October, 1963, at 7.30 p.m. the following members being present:

In the Chair: Ald. G. E. Russell.  
Aldermen: J. Carew and S. Coughlan, I.D.,  
Councillors: F. Leddin; P. O'Sullivan; M. Lipper; J. Danagher; V. Feeney; J. Keane; P. Kiely; W. Brazier; I. Lawlor; F. Glasgow and P. Kelly.

Officers present included the Deputy City Manager and Town Clerk; the Assistant Town Clerk; City Solicitor; Mr. M. Greene, Asst. City Engineer; Chief Veterinary Officer; City Librarian etc.

In accordance with the Regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialled by him and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action thereon.

TENDERS FOR THE ERECTION OF 231 HOUSES BULLFIELD HOUSING SCHEME

No.	Tenderer	Price.
1.	Messrs. P. J. Walls & Bros. (I) Ltd., Glendore Road, Dublin.	£793,163. 16s. 0d.
2.	Mr. Michael McNamara, "Dellville", Lisdoonvarna, Co. Clare.	£545,357. 13s. 9d.
3.	Messrs. Thos. McInerney & Sons Ltd., Bluebell, Inchicore, Dublin.	£542,495. 16s. 3d.
4.	Messrs. J. & G. Murphy (Cork) Ltd., Monaghan Road, Cork.	£570,950. 0s. 0d.
5.	Messrs. Malachy Burke (Contractors) Ltd., Renmore, Galway.	£627,051. 4s. 0d.

A true record.

I. Colley,  
Deputy City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Compromised in Council the 9th of Dec 63*  
*S. O'Riordan*  
*Chairman*



A meeting of the General Purposes Committee was held on Monday 27th January, 1964 in the Council Chamber, Arus na Cathrach, Rutland Street, at 7.30 p.m. the following members being present:

In the Chair: Ald. G. E. Russell, Deputy Mayor.

Aldermen: J. Carew and S. Coughlan, T.D.,

Councillors: J. Danagher; V. Feeney; F. Glasgow; T. Lawlor; F. Leddin; J. P. Liddy; M. D. Lipper; P. O'Sullivan; J. Kirby;

Officers in attendance included the City Manager and Town Clerk; the Assistant Town Clerk; M. Greene, Acting City Engineer; Architect; Mr. P. Gleason, Asst. City Engineer; City Accountant; City Solicitor; Housing Officer; and Mr. P. Darcy, Housing Section.

At the outset Ald. Russell, Deputy Mayor, welcomed Cllr. Kirby, the newly elected Councillor to his first meeting.

Cllrs. Danagher, Liddy, Glasgow and Lawlor, also welcomed Cllr. Kirby, as did the City Manager on his own behalf and on behalf of the officials.

Cllr. Kirby suitably replied.

#### Item 1:

##### Filling of Arthur's Quay

Submitted report of the 10th January by the City Manager requesting the Council's approval in principle to the idea of filling the Arthur's Quay area. This question was re-opened on the recommendation of the Road Traffic Study Committee which consists of Officers of the Corporation and Officers of the Garda, the intention being to provide off-street parking lots. The initial cost of reclamation was estimated at £70,000.

It was proposed by Ald. Carew, seconded by Cllr. Glasgow, and unanimously resolved: "That we hereby approve in principle of the proposal to reclaim the foreshore at Arthur's Quay at an initial cost of £70,000, the City Manager to take steps to advance the planning and costing of the project, and report back to the Council in due course."

The Council generally were in agreement on this proposal and advocated an early start on the work.

Cllr. Feeney suggested that a two tier car park might be considered.

Cllr. Danagher did not agree with this idea, as he said such a structure would obscure the beautiful landscape.

#### Item 2:

##### Speed Limits.

Submitted report of the 9th January by the City Manager setting out amendments in the speed limits which were recommended by the local Technical Committee. The Assistant Town Clerk explained to the Council the implications as set out in the schedules attached to the City Manager's report.

The Council agreed generally with the suggested alterations with the exception of the Ennis Road on which it was recommended that the existing 30 mile limit should stand.

#### LIMERICK CITY COUNCIL

A meeting of the General Purposes Committee of the Limerick City Council was held in the Council Chamber, Arus na Cathrach, Rutland Street, on Monday 24th February, 1964, at 7.30 o'clock p.m. the following members being present:

In the Chair: Cllr. J. Danagher.

Aldermen: J. Carew; S. Coughlan T.D., and G.E. Russell.

Councillors: V. Feeney; F. Glasgow; P. Kiely; F. Leddin T. Lawlor; J. Kirby; J. Keane; J. P. Liddy; P. O'Sullivan.

Apologies for unavoidable absence were received from Cllr. Kelly and Cllr. Lipper.

Officers present included the City Manager and Town Clerk, the Assistant Town Clerk; City Accountant; City Solicitor; Housing Officer; Architect; Acting City Engineer; and Assistant City Engineers.

#### Sympathy to Fire Victims:

At the outset it was proposed by the Chairman and unanimously resolved that the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to the families of the late Mr. Tuohy and the late Mr. Ryan who lost their lives in a fire in a Galway hotel, both of whom worked for Cannon & Co., the Limerick Firm.

#### Item 1:

It was proposed by Ald. Coughlan, seconded by Cllr. Leddin "That further consideration of the report on the differential rent scheme be adjourned to the General Purposes Committee Meeting following the Estimates Meeting".

#### Item 2: - Housing Construction

##### Arrangements for taking of complaints at Strand Barracks Depot

The City Manager undertook to investigate a specific complaint made by Ald. Coughlan that he was treated discourteously when making a complaint at the Strand Barracks depot.

Some members of the Council said that while they had not experienced discourtesy as such at the Strand Barracks a good lot of the complaints were not being attended to.

The City Manager said that at the present time the reorganisation of the offices of the Assistant City Engineers which were at present situated in the Strand Barracks was under consideration. In conjunction with the examination of this problem an examination would be made to ensure that adequate administrative assistance was provided at the Strand Barracks depot to ensure that complaints were received properly and dealt with expeditiously.

##### Roadways in certain Corporation Housing Schemes:

Cllr. Leddin supported by Cllr. Lawlor and the Chairman spoke of the narrow streets in Corporation Housing Schemes. Special reference was made to the roadways at Raheen Square, Downey Street and Sycamore Avenue which was stated to be so narrow that two cars could not pass.

The City Manager, at the request of the Council, undertook to have a report for the next General Purposes Committee meeting on this matter.

Arising out of the foregoing the architect informed the Council that he was against any reduction in the amount of public open space left in Corporation housing estates. It was agreed that the condition of the open spaces might leave something to be desired, but they were being improved and it would be a retrograde step not to continue the policy of the past number of years to provide the maximum open space consistent with economic development.

#### Watergate:

Ald. Coughlan queried the necessity of appointing a Consultant for this scheme.

Watergate cont'd:

Ald. Carew said he would like to have a full statement from the Manager on the present position regarding the scheme.

Ald. Russel asked if the Corporation had received approval to the scheme.

The City Manager said the employment of a Consultant was necessary in order that the Corporation should be advised not only with regard to foundations but with regard to the structural design of buildings of the order proposed for Watergate viz. flats of up to five storeys high. It would be foolish of the Corporation to contemplate embarking on schemes of this nature without securing the best qualified specialist advice available. If present position with regard to the scheme was that the Corporation was about to appoint a Consulting Engineer. The Department of Local Government had approved of the outline plan submitted in May, 1963, and subject to the observations of the Consultant on the type of structures proposed, work on the detailed plans and working drawings could be advanced.

Bullfield Housing Scheme:

Submitted report dated 20th February, 1964 from the City Manager on the Bullfield Housing Scheme, enclosing for the information of the Council report of the 10th February received from the Architect in which acceptance of an negotiated tender in the sum of £568,737 for the erection of 254 houses in the Bullfield Scheme was recommended. The number of houses was 23 more than originally proposed for this scheme. The Manager's report stated that the recommendation of the Architect had been accepted subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government. The Council on the motion of Ald. Russell seconded by Cllr. Glasgow approved of the Manager's decision in this matter.

Railway Bridges, Roxboro Road:

Arising out of the foregoing Cllr. Liddin referred to the Railway Bridge at Roxboro' Road on the approaches to the Bullfield Scheme. The bridge was humpy and without footpath and constituted, in his opinion, a serious traffic hazard.

Ald. Russell, Ald. Coughlan, Cllr. Lawlor agreed.

The City Manager said that this problem was raised previously and had received some consideration. However, there was no evident solution and the question of financing the improvement of the Bridge would have to be examined. In his opinion there were roads in the City bearing a heavy weight of traffic in need of more urgent attention.

Tenant Purchase Scheme:

Submitted report dated 21st February, 1964, from the City Manager setting out the present position regarding the Tenant Purchase Schemes.

The Manager said that progress on the Schemes had been slow. The reason was that the examination and repair of the houses was unable to keep pace with the demand. The Engineering Section was unable to provide lease maps as quickly as was desired and the Legal Section was unable to deal with matters referred for completion without some delay.

The Chairman asked if cases where people were satisfied with the houses as they stood without repairs could not proceed. The Housing Officer explained that the procedure was that lease maps were prepared for all the houses in a scheme and if maps had to be prepared for individual cases it would multiply the work considerably and thus slow up the overall progress on the schemes.

Ald. Russell suggested that repairs might be put up for tender.

Cllr. Keane asked if repairs could not be financed by way of borrowing, and completed quickly without the present hold-ups due to efforts to keep expenditure within the estimates.

The City Manager said he would consider these suggestions. He took it to be the wish of the Council that these schemes should be completed as quickly as possible. He would have an assessment made of the programme for the coming financial year on the question of costs etc., and would report again to the Council.

On the motion of Cllr. Kiely it was agreed that houses in Gratvan Street and Davitt Street should be included in the Tenant Purchase Scheme.

It was decided on the motion of Cllr. Liddin, seconded by Cllr. Glasgow "That the alterations in the speed limits set out in the Manager's report of the 9th January, 1964, be approved with the recommendation that the 30 mile per hour limit on the Annis Road should commence at the Borough Boundary."

Item 3:

New Swimming Pool:

Submitted report by the City Manager dated 9th January suggesting a site of approximately three acres on the north side of the Canal and which was owned by the Corporation as the most suitable site for the erection of an indoor swimming pool. This site was recommended by the Architect and it was stated that Mr. M. Greene, Acting City Engineer, and Dr. Hayes, Chief Medical Officer, found the site to be suitable. A map showing the proposed site was before the Council for inspection by the members.

The Architect put forward three reasons why the site was considered suitable -- firstly the Corporation owned the site; secondly the location was central, and thirdly the area must be developed in the future. He said a swimming pool would help to open up this area.

Generally the Council were in agreement with the proposal but Cllrs. Liddy and Liddin felt that the site was somewhat out of the way, being far removed from the larger housing schemes and schools.

The Architect explained the difficulty regarding the other sites which came before the Council previously for this project. There were difficulties regarding size, acquisition, location, value of the site etc.

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On the motion of Cllr. Glasgow, seconded by Cllr. Lawlor, the proposal was approved in principle with the recommendation that the local swimming clubs be invited to submit their observations on the new site.

Item 4:

Housing:

The Architect outlining the position on housing construction stated that on the Tankfield/Greenhill scheme there was a speed up in work, as also was the case with the St. John's Housing Scheme. With regard to the Bullfield Scheme he was negotiating with the lowest tenderer and he would report to the City Manager in due course.

Watergate - In accordance with the recommendation of the Department of Local Government that the soil in this area should be tested, the Corporation had advertised for a Consultant Engineer.

Kelly's Range - A scheme of 19 houses was gone to the Department for approval.

Convent Hill, Janeshoro - 65 houses - scheme was drafted but not yet finalised.

Work on the smaller schemes was continuing. In all 679 houses were covered.

Watergate - Several of the members expressed disappointment at the delay on this scheme, especially in view of the soil analysis which the Department had now recommended should be carried out.

The City Manager explained to the members that in consideration of the erection of multiple storey buildings as against the two storey type the Department had asked what conveying approval in principle

that foundations be excavated and tested. The advertisement for the employment of Consultant had been inserted and an appointment would be made early next month.

Cllr. Liddy suggested that a deputation should be sent to the Minister for Local Government.

The Chairman agreed, but said that there would be little point unless the Corporation had concrete proposals to put before the Minister.

The Manager said he would advise the Council of the Housing programme and progress and the members could then decide if any purpose would be served.

Greenfields estate:

Ald. Coughlan complained of a dangerous quarry, incomplete footpaths broken down boundary walls, and a polluted stream which ran close by this Estate. He stated that the quarry and the stream presented a serious health hazard and asked that immediate action be taken.

In reply to Ald. Coughlan about these complaints the Acting City Engineer said that the question of the quarry would be attended to without delay. Regarding the footpaths he explained the difficulty being experienced by the Contractor who was laying the new main in that area, as a result of which the roads had not yet been re-instated and as a result it was not possible to complete the footpaths. He explained that the foul odour in the area emanated from the pump house which was too small and was over-taxed. It was hoped to have the new pump house which was in the course of construction completed within a short time when he felt the matter would be remedied.

Land at Clare Street:

Ald. Coughlan complained that people who were anxious to build factories in the Clare Street area had been informed by the Corporation that such land was being reserved for future development. The Alderman asked for an explanation.

The City Manager in reply stated that Clare Street was a very important part of the City, any proposals for the area would require close scrutiny. The area should be planned as an entire area. This would now be possible under regulations to be made by the Minister under the new Planning Act.

Cllr. Liddy also complained that industrial proposals for this area were turned down for the reasons mentioned. He said he felt that sites should be acquired for letting in this area. However, the City Manager stated that the local authority had not power to acquire such sites, but as explained earlier under regulations to be made by the Minister it would be possible to make such acquisition.

Ald. Coughlan complained that industrialists were not being encouraged to set up in the City.

The City Manager in reply pointed out that any worth-while industry in the city had been established on Corporation property. At times the law was strained to permit such facilities.

The Architect outlined the type of proposal which the Corporation had received for the area under discussion. Such proposals, he said, were not suitable on the main road into the City.

Item 51

Liffershallia Bene-Schama:

On the proposal of Cllr. Lipper, seconded by Cllr. Glasgow, it was decided to adjourn discussion on this matter to the next G.F. Meeting.

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*Planners*  
*Tenders*

It was stated that Cllr. Kelly and Brazier, who were unavoidably absent, were anxious to be present when the differential scheme was being considered.

Cllr. Lipper asked the City Manager if he would estimate the effect of the 12% or 9th round general wage increase on Corporation revenue by way of rents.

The City Manager agreed to have this report before the Council when the matter was being further considered.

Item 6:

Private roads:

Submitted report of the 24th January by Mr. M. Greene, Acting City Engineer together with reports of the 7th November and the 8th November.

In the course of his report the Acting City Engineer stated that on enquiry with the Limerick County Council it appeared that the roads in question which were in the County area prior to the extension of the Borough Boundary in 1950, were not then maintained by the Limerick County Council.

Ald. Coughlan stated that such work was done previously and he felt that the Council should do so now. He suggested putting the matter on the agenda again to allow for a thorough investigation into the matter.

On the motion of Ald. Coughlan, seconded by Cllr. Lawlor, it was agreed to defer this matter to a further C.F. Meeting for further investigation and consideration.

Miscellaneous matters:

Submitted letter from the Tourist Council asking that a Sub-Committee be appointed to meet - the Tourist Council to discuss an important development project.

It was proposed by Cllr. Liddy, seconded by Cllr. Lipper "That the following sub-Committee be appointed to discuss with the Limerick Tourist Council the matter referred to in letter of 10th January, 1964. The Mayor; Ald. Coughlan; Ald. Carew; Ald. Russell; Cllrs. Liddy and O'Sullivan."

Submitted report re street names in the Greenhill/Tankfield Housing Scheme.

It was proposed by Ald. Coughlan, seconded by Cllr. Feeney "that having considered report of the Street Naming Sub-Committee we approve of the naming of streets in the Greenhill/Tankfield Housing Scheme as follows:

- (1) St. Lawrence Park (Pairc Lorcaín) for the Tankfield Section of the Scheme.
- (2) Pike Avenue (Ascal an Phice) for the road linking the existing Greenhill with Corran Saingil, and
- (3) Greenhill Road (Bothar an Ghlis-Gnóic) for the road fronting the new Scheme."

Increase to Gas workers:

The Council was asked to approve of increase in wages for workers in the Gas Department. It was indicated that the matter would be put before the Council for formal approval at the next ordinary meeting.

No. on map deposited at the offices of the Housing Authority	Quantity, description and situation of the land	Owners or Reputed Owners	Lesses or Reputed Lessees	Occupiers (except tenants for a month or less period than a month)
1	2 sq. perches, 15 sq. yards, site of former house and yard (Formerly 9 Kelly's Range (Formerly 12 Back Lane) Vizes Fields	Most Rev. Henry Murphy, Bishop of Limerick	Most Rev. Henry Murphy	None
2	3 sq. perches, 17 sq. yards, site of former house and yard, Number 8 Kelly's Range (Formerly 11 Back Lane) Vizes Fields	do	do	None
3.	1 sq. perch 15 sq. yards, site of former house and yard, Number 7 Kelly's Range (Formerly 13 Back Lane) Vizes Fields.	do	do	None
4	22 sq. yards site of former house Number 6 Kelly Range (Formerly 14 Back Lane, Vizes Fields	do	do	None
5	32. sq. perches, 20 sq. yards open space at Back Lane, Vizes Fields	do	do	None
6	2 sq. perches site of former house and yard, Number 5 Back Kelly's Range (Formerly 5 Back	do	Dr. Jeremiah Dowling Kildare	None

Land, other than land consisting of a house or houses unfit for human habitation and not capable of being rendered fit for human habitation at reasonable expense

On the motion of Cllr. Leddin, seconded by Ald. Coughlan the Council approved of the increases as recommended by the City Manager.

Condolences:

The following votes of sympathy were passed:

- To Mrs. Devans and family on the death of Dr. John Devane.
- To the O'Malley family, Denmark Street, on the death of Mr. Denis O'Malley.

To the Crowe family, Glentworth Street, on the death of Mr. Con

Crowe.

To the Bedford family; the Parker family of O'Dwyer Villas;

the McLamara family of Punches Row; to Mr. C. Quin on the

death of his mother; to the Hayes family, Ballinacorra, and the

Flaherty family, Mayorstone.

A true record.

T. P. MacBainmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Confirmed in Council this 10th day of February 1964*

*[Signature]*  
Chairman.

Private Roads:

Again submitted report dated 24th January, 1964, from the Acting City Engineer on private roads in the city. The report was accompanied by the previous report of the 7th November and City Manager's report of the 8th November, 1963.

The Acting City Engineer, in his report, was of opinion that none of the roads listed could be regarded as a public road and advised that the Corporation should not take them over.

Ald. Coughlan said he could not accept the view that none of the roads were public roads. He referred to the practice of the Corporation in the past in taking over roadways in the city, and asked why this had been discontinued. After a brief discussion the City Manager said he would re-examine the question and report again to the Council at the next General Purposes Committee Meeting.

Item 5:

Submitted report on unprotected quarries. The report was dated the 5th February and was accompanied by the Department's circular letter L.1/64 of the 3rd January, 1964, on the subject.

After a brief discussion it was proposed by Ald. Russell, seconded by Cllr. Keane, and resolved: "That the Corporation carry out the works proposed by the Acting City Engineer in his report of the 5th February on Mayorstone Quarry, Cough's Quarry, Rosbrien, Ryan's Quarry, Ballinacorra and Carey's Road Quarry."

The Council agreed to defer consideration to a proposal regarding Hall's Quarry.

Arising out of the foregoing it was agreed on the proposal of Ald. Coughlan, seconded by Cllr. Kiely that the Corporation request the Department of Local Government to increase the maximum grant available in respect of works carried out under the terms of circular L.1/64 of the 3rd January, 1964.

Item 6: - University Scholarship Scheme:

It was decided on the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Ald. Russell to defer consideration of this scheme to the Scholarships Sub-Committee.

Item 7:

The City Manager said that the report on cleansing was not available for this meeting. He undertook to have it available for the next meeting of the Council.

Item 8:

The Council, on the motion of Cllr. Leddin, seconded by Cllr. Keane, agreed that the Estimates Meeting of the Council would be held on the 23rd March, 1964.

Item 9:

It was proposed by Cllr. Liddy, seconded by Cllr. Keane and unanimously resolved: "That the Corporate Seal be affixed to the following documents presented for sealing:

- Gardener's House, People's Park, - Contract.
- Small Dwellings Transfer: Mulcahy to Galvin - Premises Plassy Avenue, Corbally.
- Small Dwellings Advances - Mortgages: Eamon P. J. O'Neill, Sunville.
- N. Burke; D. Loughran; G. Waters; Eric Fochford; Oliver Deane; Pat. McGuire; Cyril Ryan; Eric Lynch; A. D. Lynch; Patrick Courtney; Timothy Keogh;

Upr. Carey's Road C.P.O. 1956 - Assignment - Honora Mulcahy to Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of Limerick.

Condolences:

It was proposed by Ald. Russell, and unanimously resolved: "That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to the relatives of the late Mrs. ~~Ma~~ <sup>Ma</sup> ~~Ma~~ <sup>Ma</sup> of Ballinacorra. *Leave*"

Condolence: Cont'd:

It was proposed by Cllr. Keane, and unanimously resolved: "That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to the relatives of the late Mr. Dymon of Mill Road, Corbally, and to Mr. F. Benson of 201, Hyde Road on the death of his wife.

It was proposed by Cllr. Lawlor and unanimously resolved: "That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to Martin Flynn of St. Jude's, S.C. Patrick's Road on the death of his wife.

S true record.

J. P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Confirmed and adopted  
in Council the 16th March 1964*

*Frances Lendell  
Chairman*

COMHAIRLE CATHAIR LUIMNIGHE

TENDERS COMMITTEE

A meeting of the above Committee was held in Arus na Cathrach, Rutland Street, on Monday the 16th March, 1964 at 7.30 p.m. the following members being present:

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful, the Mayor.

Aldermen: Carew, Coughlan and Ruaonáin.

Councillors: Danagher, Feeney, Glasgow, Kelly, Kiely, Lawlor, Leddin, Liddy, Kirby, Lipper and O'Sullivan.

Officers present included the Deputy City Manager and Town Clerk; the Assistant Town Clerk; City Solicitor; Mr. M. Greene, Asst. City Engineer; Chief Veterinary Officer; City Librarian etc.

In accordance with the Regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialled by him, and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action thereon.

TENDERS FOR SCHOOL MEALS 1964/65

1. Messrs Limerick Daries - Milk in 3 pt. Bottles - 4/8 gal.
2. Myles Breen, Hotel Cecil  
Buns per doz. 2/7  
Bread per doz. portions. 2/7

A true record.

T. Colliery  
Deputy City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Confirmed in Council the 13th day of April 1964*

*S. O'Riordan*

COMHAIRLE CAIBHÉIR LUIMNIGHE

TENDERS COMMITTEE

A meeting of the above Committee was held in Arus na Cathrach, Rutland Street, on Monday the 13th April, 1964 at 7.30 p.m. the following members being present:

In the Chair: Ald. G. E. Russell.

Aldermen: Carew and Ceughlan.

Councillors: Danagher, Feeney, Glasgow, Kelly, Kiely, Lawlor, Leddin, Liddy, Lipper and O'Sullivan.

Officers present included the City Manager and Town Clerk; the Assistant Town Clerk etc.

In accordance with the Regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialled by him and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action thereon.

TENDERS FOR CLOTHING 1964/165

1. Messrs. Cannocks & Co. for shirts, shoes, ties etc. £177. 10. 6. s. d.
2. Messrs. Limerick Clothing Co. Ltd for uniforms etc. £692. 11. 6.

A true record.

T. P. Mac Diarmada  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Confirmed in Council the 12th day of May 1964*  
*T. Carew*  
*Chairman*

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A Meeting of the General Purposes Committee of the Limerick City Council, was held in the Council Chamber, Arus na Cathrach, on Tuesday, 28th April, at 7.30 o'clock, p.m. - the following members being present:

Right Worshipful, Cllr. Mrs. F. Concell, Mayor,  
J. Carew,  
Alderman: J. Danagher; V. Feeney; F. Glasgow; P. Kelly; P. Kiely;  
Councillors: T. Lawlor; J.P. Liddy; M. Lipper; P. O'Sullivan and J. Kirby.

Officers present included Deputy City Manager, Asst. Town Clerk; City Solicitors; Architect; Mr. M. Lynch, Asst. City Engineer, Housing Officer, etc..

CONDOLENCE:

It was proposed by The Mayor and unanimously resolved that the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to Mr. Brendan O'Regan, Chairman of the Shannon Airport Development Co., and Chairman of Irish Tourist Board on the death of his father.

It was proposed by The Mayor and unanimously resolved that the congratulations of the Council be extended to the Christian Brothers Boy's Hurling Team on their success in winning the All-Ireland Schools Championship; to St. Mary's Band on the success in the recent Band Competition; and to the Bell Ringers of St. Mary's Cathedral on their recent success.

ITEM 1.

Housing:

Under this heading there was discussion on Itinerants. The action of the Corporation in moving by force a tinkler encampment in the Janesboro' district was applauded by the Council. The Council asked that similar action be taken where itinerants encamped on Corporation property. It was noted that the tinkler encampment had left the Redgate area.

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SYSTEM BUILDING:

In reply to Cllr. Danagher the Deputy City Manager said the Architect was going to Dublin in the coming week and would investigate the present position in Dublin with regard to System Building and would report his findings to the Council. In reply to Cllr. Liddy the Deputy City Manager said that at the present time the Corporation had 394 houses under construction. In reply to Ald. Carew the Asst. Town Clerk said the Corporation was satisfied with the roads and footpaths in the Southville Estate and would take over the roads. The Entrance to this Estate would be improved by the Corporation. The Corporation was not satisfied with regard to the roadway at Ballinacurra and steps will be taken to have this properly repaired.

GREENFIELDS:

The Deputy City Manager in reply to Cllr. Liddy and Ald. Carew explained the difficulty in arranging for reinstatement in the Greenfields area was that the Contractors had failed to get a test on the main. The Asst. Town Clerk informed the Council that the Minister for Local Government had sanctioned the compulsory acquisition of Gough's Quarry. As soon as the Quarry had been vested in the Corporation, the Corporation would enter and fill and level.

CLEANSING:

There was a brief discussion on the Cleansing Section. Cllr. Danagher asked if the Cleansing Staff had been increased to cope with the expansion of the city. The Deputy City Manager said there had been some increase in the Staff. In addition the No. of vehicles available had been increased.

ITEM 2.

Submitted the Scheme Regulations 1964;

The Asst. Town Clerk said the matter was submitted to the Council for their information. No action was necessary. The Council noted the contents of the documents submitted.

ITEM 3.

Miscellaneous.

Cllr. Liddy referred to the Bus Services in the Ballinacorra area and was supported by Ald. Carew. Cllr. O'Sullivan spoke about the service in the Ennis Road area and Cllr. Lawlor about the Shannon Services, and Cllr. Danagher about the School Buses. The Mayor asked that the comments of the Council be conveyed to the Area Manager, C.I.E., and that he be invited to attend the next meeting of the General Purposes Committee. The Council agreed with this suggestion.

Submitted report regarding the roadway at Rhebogwe which had been the subject of a deputation at the previous meeting of the Council. The Council asked to have this matter deferred to the next meeting of the General Purposes Committee.

MARKETS:

Cllr. Lawlor said he would ask at the next meeting what powers the Corporation had over the markets.

SEALING:

It was proposed by Cllr. Kelly, seconded by Cllr. Danagher and unanimously resolved that the Corporate Seal be affixed to the following documents submitted for sealing:-

- S.D.A.
- William Foley - Discharge
- James Clancy - Discharge
- Gallagher to McMahon - Transfer
- Finucane to Cussen - Transfer

Undertaking re repayment of Loan of £30,000. for Grants under the Housing Acts.

Market Field Ice Tenant Purchase Scheme. Lease and counterpart - Mrs. Bridget Ryan.

Sewer at Krups' Factory at Rathbane:

The Council was informed that it was necessary for the Corporation to extend the main sewer from the Bullfield Housing Scheme to the Roxboro' Road to provide sewerage facilities for the Krups Factory. The extra cost for this would be £4,000 making a total cost for the sewer from the pumping station to Krups of approximately £9,500. The Corporation proposed to borrow, and the borrowing would be subject to 5% recoupment. The Council were asked to approve of the proposal. The Council, on the motion of Cllr. Kelly, seconded by Cllr. Danagher, unanimously gave approval to the proposed sewerage scheme at Rathbane as outlined.

CONDOLENCE:

It was proposed by Cllr. Lawlor and unanimously resolved that the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to Mr. ~~Keogh~~ <sup>Keogh</sup> ~~McGee~~ <sup>McGee</sup> Stores, 'Jan-sboro' on the death of his father. It was proposed by Cllr. Kiely and unanimously resolved that the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to Mrs. Grimes, of 38, Downey Street, Killylee on the death of her father.

A true record.

I. P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Confirmed in Council the 12th April 1964  
I. P. MacDiarmada*

COMMISSABLE CATHAIR LUINNIGH

TENDERS COMMITTEE

A meeting of the above Committee was held in Arus na Cathrach, Rutland Street, on Tuesday the 12th May, 1964 at 7.30 p.m. the following members being present:

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful, the Mayor.

Aldermen: Carew, Caughlan and Russell.

Councillors: Danagher, Feeney, Glasgow, Kelly, Kiely, Lawlor, Leddin, Liddy, Kirby and O'Sullivan.

Officers present included the City Manager and Town Clerk, the Assistant Town Clerk.

In accordance with the regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialled by him and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action thereon.

TENDERS FOR SCRAP METAL AT GAS WORKS.

1. Stuart Clein, - £8. 0s. 0d. per ton-scrap metal  
9, Little Gerald Griffin Street, - £4. 15s. 0d. per ton-scrap steel.
2. Patrick O'Brien, - £10. 0s. 0d. per ton-scrap metal  
White Hall,  
Parteen.
3. The Hammond Lane,  
Metal Co. Ltd. - £511. 0s. 0d. the lot.

A true record.

I. P. MacDiarmada  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Confirmed in Council the 15th May 1964  
I. P. MacDiarmada*

*Approved in Council the 21st May 1964  
I. P. MacDiarmada  
Chairman*



COMPAIRLE CATHAIR LUIMNIGHE.

Oifig Cleirigh na Cathrach,  
Anus na Cathrach,  
LUIMNIGHE.

8th October, 1964.

TENDERS COMMITTEE.

A Meeting of the above Committee was held in the County Courthouse (by kind permission of the County Registrar) on 8th September, 1964.

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful, The Mayor.

Alderman: J. Carew; S. Coughlan, T.D.; G.E. Russell;

Councillors: W. Brazier; V. Feeney; F. Glacgow; P. Kelly; P. Kiely;  
J. Kirby; T. Lawlor; J.P. Liddy and P. O'Sullivan.

Officers present included, City Manager and Town Clerk; Assistant Town Clerk and City Accountant.

In accordance with the Regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialled by him and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action taken.

TENDERS FOR PRINTING CONTRACT 1964/65.

North Wexford Printing, & Publishing Company Ltd., The Echo Offices, Enniscorthy.	.....	£2,034. 1. 6
Messrs McKern's Printing works, Glenworth Street, Limerick.	.....	£1,884. -- --

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T. P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Expended in tenders this 13th day*

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obtain full driving licences. He quoted the case of persons who were the holders of full English driving licences and were in his opinion competent drivers. He was surprised to note that notwithstanding the fact that this had passed the test in England they still had to pass a further test in this country before they could obtain a driving licence. The Mayor supported the Council's view that they wished the Minister to consider the issue of some arrangement whereby competent drivers who were seeking public service vehicle licences could obtain facilities for the issue of full driving licences in other countries. He suggested that the Council should approach the Irish and British Authorities whereby the holders of full driving licences in other countries could obtain facilities for the issue of full licences quickly in either England or Ireland as the case may be. The Manager said he would convey the Council's views to the Department of Local Government.

Secondary Scholarships Scheme : It was proposed by Cllr. Liddy, seconded by Cllr. Lawlor and unanimously resolved : "That subject to the amendments requested by the Department of Education in the Department's letter of the 14th September, 1964, the scheme for Scholarships in Secondary, Vocational and other approved schools for 1965 as submitted be carried into execution.

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T. P. MACDORMAID,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

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A Meeting of the General Purposes Committee of the Limerick City Council was held in the County Courthouse on Tuesday, 27th October, 1964, at 7.30 o'clock p.m., the following members being present:

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful Cllr. J. Danagher, Mayor,

Councillors: Mrs. F. Condell; V. Feevey; F. Glasgow; P. Kelly; P. Kiely; J. Kirby; T. Lawlor; J.P. Liddy; and F.O. Sullivan.

Officers present included the Deputy City Manager and Town Clerk; Asst. Town Clerk; City Engineer; Mr. M. Greene, Asst. City Engineer; Housing Officer; and Chief Veterinary Officer.

It was proposed by His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Cllr. Liddy and unanimously resolved "That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to His Lordship Most Rev. Dr. Murphy, Bishop of Limerick, on the tragic death of Monsignor M. Moloney, F.P.V.D."

It was proposed by His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Cllr. Liddy and unanimously resolved "That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to Mrs. McGuire and family on the death of the late Mr. Martin McGuire - former member of the Council, and Chairman of the Limerick Harbour Commissioners for many years."

The Mayor paid tribute to the late Monsignor Moloney as a great Church man, as a leader of public opinion and as a scholar. His tragic death as a result of a road accident was a very great loss.

Referring to the unexpected death of Mr. Martin McGuire the Mayor said the late Mr. McGuire was one of the best-known, best-loved characters in Limerick. He served on the Council for a number of years and had been for many years past Chairman of the Limerick Harbour Commissioners. His interest in the advancement of the City was well known.

Cllr. Liddy; Cllr. Condell; Cllr. Lawlor; Cllr. Glasgow and Cllr. Kirby associated themselves with the Mayor's tributes and the resolution of sympathy. The Deputy City Manager on behalf of the City Manager and the Corporation staff said he wished to be associated with the Council's messages of condolence.

Adjournment:

It was proposed by His Worship the Mayor and unanimously resolved "That the meeting stand adjourned as a mark of respect on the death of Monsignor Moloney and Mr. Martin McGuire to 7.30 o'clock p.m. on Monday 9th November, 1964. Before the adjournment the following resolution was passed on the motion of Cllr. Kelly, seconded by Cllr. Glasgow, "That the Corporate Seal be affixed to the following documents presented for sealing".

S. D. TRANSFERS:

Donal O'Carroll, 101, Mayorstone Park, - Dischaig'.  
William Cussen, 4, Greenfields, North Circular Road.

S. D. ADVANCES:

John Joseph Bourke - Mortgage.  
*Ferguson & Another* to Limerick Corporation

Transfer: Margaret Daunt, Edenburn, Corbally - John McEnnis - Folio 621, Co. Limerick.

Release: Pinbar O'Sullivan, 3, Hazeldene Drive, Ennis Road, Limerick.

QUINS COTTAGES TENANT PURCHASE SCHEME:

Lease and Mortgage: Catherine Neilan, 32 Quins Cottages.

A true record.

Tomas Mac Diarmada,  
City Manager & Town Clerk.

*Confirmed in Council etc. 9th day of November 1964*

*John Danagher*

A meeting of the Planning Committee (Whole House) was held in the County Courthouse (by kind permission of the County Registrar) on Monday 1st December, 1964, at 7.30 O'clock p.m. when the following members were present:

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful Cllr. J. Danagher, Mayor,  
Aldermen: S. Coughlan, T.D., and G.E. Russell,  
COUNCILLORS: F. Glasgow; P. Kelly; P. Kiely; J. Kirby; T. Lawlor; J.P. Liddy; M.D. Lipper.

An apology for unavoidable absence was

received from Ald. Carew and Cllr. Mrs. Condel.

Officers present included the City Manager and Town Clerk; Assistant Town Clerk; City Engineer; City Accountant; City Solicitor; Staff Officers-Engineer's, Town Clerk's and Rates Departments.

ITEM 1. - Appointment of Vice Chairman;

It was proposed by Cllr. Kelly, seconded by Cllr. Lipper "That Alderman Coughlan be appointed Vice Chairman of the Planning Committee (Whole House)."  
It was proposed by Cllr. Kiely, seconded by Cllr. Liddy be appointed Vice Chairman of the Planning Committee (Whole House).  
A poll was taken and the voting resulted as follows:

For Ald. Coughlan: The Mayor, Ald. Coughlan, Ald. Russell, Cllr. Kelly, Cllr. Kirby, Cllr. Lipper, (6).  
For Cllr. Liddy: Cllr. Glasgow, Cllr. Kiely, Cllr. Lawlor, Cllr. Liddy. (4)

The Mayor accordingly declared Ald. Coughlan to be Vice Chairman of the Planning Committee.

ITEM 2. - Definition of Procedures for the Committee;

The Mayor said the question to be discussed was how often the Committee wished to meet and whether they wished to meet in public or in Committee. Ald. Coughlan said he was not in favour of meeting in Committee. It was a healthy thing for a local authority to discuss matters in public. Cllr. Liddy and Ald. Russell said they would not disagree with this view but, nevertheless, pointed out that meeting in committee had advantages when certain matters were being discussed. After a further brief discussion it was proposed by Ald. Coughlan, seconded by Cllr. Lipper and unanimously agreed that meetings of the Committee be open to the public. The Committee agreed with the suggestion of Ald. Russell that the Committee should meet on the first Tuesday of every month. The Committee was not in favour of forming itself into further sub-committees.

ITEM 3. - Objectives to be included in the Development Plan

The City Manager said the Development Plan must indicate the development objectives.  
(1) for the use of particular areas for particular purposes, that is, zoning, either for residential, commercial,

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TENDERS COMMITTEE

Fluoridation of City Water Supply Tenders.

A meeting of the above Committee was held in Arus na Cathrach, Rutland Street, on Tuesday the 17th November, 1964 at 7.30 p.m. the following members being present:

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful, the Mayor.  
Aldermen: Carew, Coughlan and Russell.  
Councillors: Feeney, Glasgow, Kelly, Lawlor, Leddin, Liddy, Kirby, O'Sullivan, and Lipper.  
Deputy  
Officers present included the/City Manager and Town Clerk, the Assistant Town Clerk.

In accordance with the Regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialled by him and delivered to the Deputy City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action thereon:

	Firm	Amount
(1)	M/s. Wallace & Tiernan Ltd. Priory Works, Tonbridge, Kent, England.	£1,761. 12s. 0d.
(2)	M/s Bran & Luebbe (G.B.) Ltd., 62, Coventry Road, Market Harborough, Leics.	£2,904. 0s. 0d.
(3)	M/s. Celtic Engineering Co., 25, Great Strand Street, Dublin, 1.	£1,174. 4s. 0d.

*Approved on behalf of the Mayor*  
18th Nov 1964  
TOMAS MACDIARMADA,  
City Manager & Town Clerk.

*Steph O'Leary*

industrial, agricultural, etc.  
 (2) for the convenience and safety of road users and pedestrians, by the provision of car parks, road improvements, etc.

(3) for development and removal of obsolete areas,  
 (4) for preserving, improving and extending amenities.  
 The development plan would be a statement of the policy of the Corporation in regard to the compulsory matters which must be included in it, and would also include a plan. Ald. Russell said that whilst the Council have a duty to make the development plan none-theless they must be guided by the officials in the matter. He felt the committee would merely set out guide lines along which the plan should progress. He spoke of the City as an expanding one and felt that the plan should allow for an increase in population, better circulation of traffic new public buildings, etc. It is a matter for the planning officials to come before the committee with the proposals, at each meeting if necessary, to secure the Council's approval.

Ald. Coughlan said that there had been no progress made in Limerick over the past 50 years. The Corporation adopted the Town and Regional Planning Acts but had nothing to show for this. Any plan already in existence should be dropped. Work should be started from scratch. He agreed with Ald. Russell that it was a matter for the officials to submit plans to the Council for the views of the Committee.

Cllr. Liddy said that his idea of the development plan was that it would be a general outline of the way the city would develop within the next 20 years - roads would be vitally important. He also asked that attention should be given at this stage to house-building especially layout of houses and house types.

The City Manager said that he wished to point out that there was continuity between interim control under the 1934/39 Acts and the control now being exercised by the Corporation. Anything which had been approved under the repealed Acts was approved for the purposes of the 1963 Act, and it committed the Corporation to some degree with regard to future planning. In reply to Ald. Coughlan the City Manager said that the planning staff had been agreed by the Council and approved by the Minister, namely, Chief Planning Assistant and Planning Assistant. The officers would work under the supervision of the City Engineer and they would have, if required, the assistance of the Planning Consultant, Mr. Desmond Fitzgerald. This consultant would be in the same position as any other consultant engaged by the Corporation.

ITEM 4.

Submitted report from the City Engineer dated 12th November, 1964, re the preparation of the development plan. The report set out in general terms provisions of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1963, the matters to be included in the development plan and suggested that certain preliminary steps be taken:

(1) That an aerial survey of the city be carried out for the purpose of bringing the Ordnance Survey Sheets up to date. The City Engineer said the cost of this survey would be £2,600. The City Manager said that the Department of Local Government had been asked if any grant would be available from the Road Fund in respect of this, in view of its importance from the point of view of the roads programme, and the Limerick County Council had also been asked if they would be interested, subject to a

contribution, in view of the responsibility of the Council for the area outside the Boro' Boundary. It was proposed by Ald. Russell, seconded, by Cllr. Lawlor "That an aerial survey of the city be carried out as recommended".  
 (2) Traffic Survey - The City Engineer said that a traffic survey has already been carried out. This is being examined,

(3) That a survey be made and a plan be prepared showing existing uses of land.  
 (4) That a survey be made and a plan be prepared showing existing conditions of buildings under classification of (a) derelict, (b) structurally unsound, (c) fair, (d) good. Agreed.

(5) That a survey be made and plans be prepared showing existing services: 1.d.  
 (a) Natural watercourses, streams, etc.,  
 (b) Sewerage system,  
 (c) Waterworks,  
 (d) Artificial means of disposal of surface water, Services provided by other authorities, (if important), Agreed.

(6) That a survey be made and plans be prepared showing existing community facilities:  
 1.e. (a) Places of worship,  
 (b) Schools, Libraries, etc.,  
 (c) Shopping centres,  
 (d) Cultural and Recreational Facilities,  
 (e) Hotels,  
 (f) Hospitals, Dispensaries, Surgeries.

7. That a survey be made and a plan be prepared showing existing Tourist and Holiday Facilities, Ancient Monuments, Places of Historic Interest.

8. That an assessment be made of the Industrial needs of the City.  
 9. That an assessment be made of the agricultural or horticultural position within the city and the necessity for preserving it.

10. That the employment position be assessed as regards location, nature, possibility of re-location, manner of re-location, manner of re-location.

11. That an assessment be made of the natural resources in or adjoining the city.

12. That a plan be prepared showing population density.

13. That a plan be prepared showing property owned by the Corporation and other statutory bodies. All agreed.

Arising out of the foregoing, Ald. Russell asked if plans for approval being submitted at the present time would come before the Committee for their observations. He felt that there could be a conflict between what might be approved and what would be included in the development

plan. The City Manager said the function was an executive one. He saw no danger of a conflict on the Corporation in considering plans had to have regard to what was intended to include in the development plan. The making of the development plan was a reserved function of the Council and it could be taken therefore, that any executive decision would be in conformity with the wishes of the Council, in relation to what was to be included in the development plan.

ITEM 5 Consider the zoning of land suitable for industry, and in particular to consider what action, if any, the Corporation should take pursuant to its powers under the Act to assist in the provision of sites for industrial purposes. A Copy of Section 7 of the Act has been circulated to the members. The Committee, on the suggestion of Ald. Russell, agreed that the first step was to get the surveys as outlined by the City Engineer underway. At that stage the matter would be resubmitted to the Committee for their observations.

ITEM 6 - Urban renewal - Arthur's Quay.

Submitted outline plan prepared by the City Engineer showing the tentative development proposed for the Patrick Street/Arthur's Quay, Rutland Street, area including the reclamation of Arthur's Quay. The City Manager suggested to the Committee that the first step was to submit to the Arthur's Quay to the Department of Local Government with a query regarding the availability of grant from the road fund for the work of this order. The City Engineer estimated that the cost of filling and building a retaining wall would be £80,000. The details of the plan could be modified later on closer examination. The Committee agreed to this suggestion. Submitted report of the 27th November, 1964, from the City Engineer dealing with car parking facilities for the central city area. The report stated that car parking facilities were required at present for 1,800 cars. The report outlined the number of cars which could be parked on the existing accommodation available and stated that additional provision was at present required for 390 cars. The report noted that within the next 15 years the demand for car parking facilities would increase from 1,800 to 3,800 cars, and that it would be necessary to provide within the next 15 years off-street car parking for at least 2,000. The City Engineer made the following recommendations:

- (1) That reclamation work be carried out at Arthur's Quay to provide car parking space for approximately 400 at an estimated cost of £80,000. The Committee agreed to this recommendation.
- (2) That the vacant site at Mr. Cecil Street be acquired to provide car parking space for approximately 120 cars at an estimated cost of £15,000 provisional. The Committee noted that this site was at the rear of the Health Authority Offices and information was that it had already been purchased at a public auction. The Committee was not in favour of the Corporation using its compulsory powers to acquire this site for car-parking.
- (3) That a block of old buildings in Taylor Street be acquired to provide car parking space for approximately 80 cars at an estimated cost of £5,000. Some members of the

Committee maintained that this property was in the process of being acquired by the Dominican Fathers as it was adjacent to the Dominican Church. It was agreed that further enquiries be made on this aspect of the matter.

(4) That a block of old buildings at Pike Bow be acquired to accommodate approximately 100 cars at an estimated cost of approximately £6,000 provisional. The Committee expressed some doubts about the suitability of this site. The Engineer said some issues did not present difficulties. The Committee's view was that it would be in order for the Corporation to proceed with investigations preliminary to acquisition.

Ald. Coughlan said that he was in favour of extending the Quay over the river and covering in the Lie-By. This would give car parking facilities in a crucial area. He discussed the matter with the Harbour Engineer who could see no objection. He asked the City Engineer to examine and report. The City Engineer undertook to do this.

Parnell Street:

The Assistant Town Clerk explained that the proposal for the widening of Parnell Street had been considered at a previous meeting of the Council and had been set back to enable the officers of the Corporation to discuss the matter with the local interests concerned. This discussion had taken place. The local interests were resigned to the fact that the street needed to be widened, that some of the old property was in a very dangerous condition. They did not, however, favour the setting back of the shops as shown on the plan which had been put before them. They also said that they would wish to be consulted further, individually if necessary, on their wishes with regard to future accommodation, in the area when re-developed. Ald. Russell who was present at the meeting with other members of the Council said the development plan as submitted was not acceptable to the residents, but the idea of the road widening was accepted. Further consultation would be necessary. The Committee noted the position and agreed that the Corporation go ahead with the making of a compulsory purchase order in respect of property needed for the widening of Parnell Street.

City Hall:

The Manager said that the siting of the City Hall was a matter of the highest importance. His advice was that the matter was one for consideration in connection with the preparation of the development plan. Submitted communication from the Manager of the Health Authority stating that the Limerick Health Authority was engaged at present in the provision of office accommodation, through the reconstruction of premises in Perry Square. The Health Authority was nonetheless interested in any proposal in the long term for the provision of office accommodation by the Corporation as it was evident that the demand for office space had been steadily increasing for all public authorities. The Health Authority agreed in principle with the proposal for the establishment of new municipal buildings and would on the proposal being further advanced by the Corporation define the extent of its interest in office space. The Committee noted the interest of the Health Authority in the matter and also the Manager's statement that the matter was one for consideration under the Development Plan. The Committee asked that the matter be resubmitted with an indication of site as soon as possible.

Miscellaneous: - Cutting of trees in People's Park.

Alderman Russell said that trees in the People's Park were being cut by the Corporation. He felt that the Council should have been consulted in this matter. The City Manager said that the cutting of trees was necessary. He pointed out that the Corporation was planting many more trees each year than it was obliged to remove.

Lighting of Garryowen.

Alderman Coughlan congratulated the Architect for his planning of the lighting of Garryowen/Tankfield Housing Scheme along the main Garryowen road and he asked that a development of this type of lighting throughout the scheme should be considered.

The City Manager said the question was what standard of lighting did the Council require for the City, and also raised the question of improved lighting on the main traffic roads. The Committee asked that a scheme be submitted for a general improvement of the lighting in the city, taking traffic routes first.

Increase in Rents: Ald. Coughlan with the permission of the Mayor raised the question of the increase in rents which had come into operation on the 30th November. The increase was on account of Rates. He said this increase had been notified despite the resolution of the Council that the rent, should not be increased. He felt it was a high-handed action. Cllr. Lipper said the action of the Manager in this matter was unfortunate. Cllr. Liddy objected to the fact that there had been no consultation with the Council. The City Manager said his view as expressed in reports to the Council on the Differential Rents Scheme over a number of years had been that it was the duty of the Corporation to assess for variation in rates on houses which came under the Differential Rent Scheme. The City Solicitor had confirmed this view and there was a legal obligation on him as Manager to enforce the law. He had submitted proposals for modifications of the Differential Rent Scheme to the Council which had been considered of and on over a long period. No progress had been made. Accordingly, he had felt obliged to act in accordance with the legal advice given him. Ald. Coughlan said the matter would be raised at the first available meeting.

The Asst. Town Clerk pointed out that the monthly meeting of the Council was due to be held on the 8th December. This was a Holy Day, Standing Orders did not permit meetings on Holy Days. The Committee agreed that the meeting be held on the 15th December, 1964.

A true record.

Thomas MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Approved in Council 13th Dec 1964*  
*S. J. Liddy*  
*Chairman*

A meeting of the General Purposes Committee of the Limerick City Council was held at the County Council Chamber, County Council Offices, O'Connell Street, Limerick, at 12 noon on Tuesday 26th January, 1963.

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful Cllr. J. Danagher, Mayor,

Aldermen: G. E. Russell; J. Carew and S. Coughlan, T.D.,

Councillors: J. P. Liddy; P. Kiely; F. Glasgow; J. Keane; W. Brazier; F. Leddin; M. D. Lipper and P. O'Sullivan.

Officers in attendance: City Manager and Town Clerk; Asst. Town Clerk; City Engineer; Chief Medical Officer; City Accountant; The Architect; City Solicitor and Housing Officer.

Also present at the meeting were: Mr. Neil T. Blaney, T.D., Minister for Local Government; Mr. D. B. O'Malley, T.D., Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance; Mr. M. Lawless, Assistant Secretary to the Department of Local Government; Mr. D. J. Kelly, Acting Principal Officer, Department of Local Government.

The Mayor welcomed the Minister and the Parliamentary Secretary and the officers of the Department to the meeting. Before the discussion on matters before the meeting the Parliamentary Secretary addressed the meeting. Referring to housing conditions in Limerick he said there was acute overcrowding in many houses and sections of the community were living in near-slim conditions. He had seen the Corporation's programme, but did not think the projected figure of 200 per annum would be reached. All going well it would take some people who are now in need of houses seven years before they could be rehoused. Moreover, he did not accept the figure of 1,400 as the housing needs. In his view a truer figure would be 3,000 houses. He trusted that the Council would leave the Minister under no illusions about the position in Limerick and that the Minister would take steps to speed up the building of houses in the city.

Item 1.

Corporation Housing Programme with particular reference to the manner in which building of houses can be expedited:

Ald. Russell said the housing situation in Limerick was critical, but the problem was also common to other areas. He felt one of the reasons for the delay in house building was the length of time it took in having plans processed through the Department of Local Government. He suggested to the Minister that he would consider granting a general approval to the Corporation to build a certain number of houses of an approved design.

The question of subsidy should be reviewed. The £3rds subsidy to a limit of £1,650 on houses now costing over £2,000 was no longer realistic. Government Departments, such as the Department of Defence, could assist the local building effort by building houses for their members in Limerick.

Ald. Coughlan said that the building rate in Ireland was the lowest in Europe. The problem was a national one. He felt the Corporation's technical advisors were competent to design and plan housing schemes, and failed to see why such schemes would have to be approved by other technical personnel attached to the Department of Local Government. He quoted time and date of the submission of documents to the Department of Local Government, and of date of sanction by the Department, in the case of a number of schemes. He enquired if the technical staff attached to the Department which was dealing with the problems of the Limerick Corporation was adequate. Referring to system building of the building of pre fabricated houses Ald. Coughlan said that the members of his party on the Council would oppose the introduction of any such systems by the Corporation.



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and the officers of the Corporation to consider the question of reducing the overall cost per flat. The Minister said it was pointless to consider system building for a scheme the size of Watergate, for this manner of building 2,000 dwellings was a minimum, and if they could be found within a 50 mile radius a system building project might be feasible in this region.

**Differential Rents:**

18d. Coughlan referred to the action of the City Manager in increasing the maximum rents. This had never been done in Limerick, and he failed to see why the Manager should not have held his hand (until the Council had heard from the Minister in the matter). His view was that the question of differential rents should be dealt with on a national basis. He saw no reason why the maximum rent in Dublin should be 44s. Od. whereas the maximum in Limerick in some of the more recent schemes was over 70s. Od.

18d. Russell said there were inequities in the Limerick Scheme. He asked if a discussion between officials of the Department and officials of the Corporation could be arranged to see if the differences which existed between the Limerick Scheme and schemes in other areas could be examined and a more rational scheme introduced by the Corporation. The Minister said the object of differential rents system was to ensure that the poorer section of the community who were unable to pay the rents which would have been demanded as fixed rents were nonetheless provided with houses. It would not be possible to frame a differential rent scheme on a national basis, as the charge on the rate of the different local authorities for houses was not uniform, neither was the capital cost of housing. There would be, in the new housing legislation, an obligation on each housing authority to treat its housing stock as one unit and to prepare a rational scheme of renting? The difficulty he saw in relation to Limerick was that there were several renting schemes. It should be possible to introduce a differential renting scheme for houses with different monies giving an allowance on the rent for say the omission of a bathroom. Continuing the Minister said that those who could afford to pay an economic rent should pay it; those who could afford to build their own houses should be encouraged to do so. He reminded the Council that the Corporation made no profit on its houses. Each house the Corporation own cost the Rate payers 216, in the last financial year. Realistic rent policy would, however help to increase the revenue on the housing account. The Minister said that whilst a complete re-appraisal of the system was necessary, he did not think that they should be carried out until after the forthcoming local election. Referring to the action of the City Manager, he said he Law obliged the City Manager to act as he did. The Minister also referred to his sanction, the Maximum rents of a number of schemes. He drew attention to the fact that the cost of this resolution if put into effect in the current financial year would be £3,500 and ultimately could be as high as £36,000 over the years if the needs of the tenants increased as it was hoped.

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18d. Russell said that the Council had been informed that there were applications from 150 sub tenants in need of rehusing in Corporation Estates. Members of the Council, however, felt that there must be at least double that number. The worst cases of overcrowding in the city were in Corporation houses. The present position as that sub tenants could not be rehoused in new houses without loss of subsidy to the Corporation. He suggested that this provision be modified. He quoted from the White Paper on Housing and asked if the statement about sub tenants in the Paper could be illustrated.

18d. Coughlan outlined the causes of sub tenancy in Corporation Housing Schemes. He said the problem was a pressing one in Limerick, as there seemed to be no alternative for young married couples but to go and reside with one or other of the parents. Private landlords had no accommodation in Limerick for such cases.

18c. Liddy supported and referred to the last paragraph of the Manager's memorandum on sub tenants, in which the action of the Department in disallowing subsidy in the case of rehusing of sub tenants in the Grounhill Tankfield Housing scheme was referred to.

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the members some time ago. The City Manager said that the report prepared by Mr. Gleeson dealt with the weight of traffic on different streets and gave the results of a number of surveys with regard to traffic flows and parking which had been carried out. The report was to the City Engineer and must be examined by him and any suggestions in it, if considered desirable by the City Engineer, would be put forward to the City Council in due course. The proposal for the extension of Henry Street through to Homan's Quay would, as the City Engineer pointed out in his report, allow for much freer traffic circulation in this area.

Cllr. Feeney supported the proposal. He thought anything which could ease traffic in this area should be welcomed. The new street would open up new frontages and the cost might not be as great as anticipated.

Ald. Russell agreed with Cllr. Feeney and asked if consideration might be given to a ramp from the lock road on the western side of Sarsfield Bridge to Sarsfield Bridge allowing traffic approaching the bridge from the west to turn left towards Clara. The City Engineer said this was a good idea. It could be complimentary to the proposal at present being considered by the Council.

After a further brief discussion the City Manager said that it might not be reasonable to press for a decision on a major matter at this meeting. He would be submitting at a future date. In the meantime he would ask the Committee to agree that further enquiries be made including enquiries from property owners. The Committee accepted this suggestion.

Item 5.  
Submitted the City Engineer's report of the 31st December, 1964, on the following matters for inclusion in the Development Plan: Car parking; road widths; Tree planting by the Corporation. The reports had been circulated to the members prior to the meeting, and are incorporated in the official minutes. The Council took the following decisions on the questions raised in the City Engineer's report:

- Car Parking**
- Query (1) Does the Committee agree in principle that the Development Plan should reserve land close to the City Centre to provide adequate car parking space for the future? **ANSWER: Yes**
- Query (2) Does the Committee agree in principle that where there is a choice that the order of selection of sites for car parks should be as follows:  
(a) suitable land not already built on,  
(b) derelict areas,  
(c) other properties. **Yes.**
- Query (3) Does the Committee agree that the Plan should require persons carrying out new developments in the City Centre to reserve a percentage (to be determined later) of the site area for car parking  
(a) in connection with owners business, (where practicable)  
(b) for public parking. **Yes**
- Query (4) If the answer to Query (1) (a) or (b) is yes, does the Committee agree that the private firms should be required to reserve this space where there may be no vehicular access immediately but where such access can become available by the imposition of like requirements in adjoining properties and where all the areas can become integrated to form a combined car park. **Yes**
- Query (5) Does the Committee agree that the width of carriageway on New Streets (roads) on new developments should be increased? **Yes.**
- Query (6) If the answer to Query (5) is yes, does the Committee agree with the following:  
(a) that where a street is a short cul de sac exceeding 100 ft. that the width of carriageway should be not less than 16 ft. **Yes.**

- Query (6) (b) that where a street is a cul de sac exceeding 100 ft. in length but not exceeding 300 ft. in length that the width of carriageway should be not less than 20 ft. **ANSWER: Yes**
- (c) that for other streets the width of carriageway should be not less than 24 ft. **Yes**
- (d) That a turning circle be provided at the end of each cul de sac of diameter not less than 30 ft. between kerbs. **Yes**
- (e) that where a street (road) is to become a major road that the developer should in addition to providing the width of carriageway required above, also provide such extra land as the planning authority may require for future widening of the carriageway. **Yes**
- (f) that all streets be provided with a footpath on either side of the carriageway and adjacent thereto of a width of not less than 6 ft; provided that where it would be in the interests of good planning, the Planning Authority may modify this requirement in special circumstances. **Yes**
- (g) that all road end-street junctions be laid out so as to facilitate the flow of traffic and give adequate vision to road users and pedestrians of approaching traffic. **Yes.**

Section 19(2) & (ii) Section 19(3) Third Schedule Part 1. 7(b).  
that where a developer proposes to construct a street he shall, if required to do so by the Planning Authority construct a service road so that the vehicles coming from the individual exits shall not come directly on to the heavily trafficked road or street.

Section 19(3) Third Schedule Part 1. 7. also Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878.  
(1) that where a person converts an existing public road into a street that he shall with the consent of the road authority bring such road up to the standard required for new streets, or in the case where the road authority is not willing to give the consent, he shall pay to the road authority the cost of bringing the road up to the standard required for new streets and the road authority will have a contractual obligation to bring such road up to the required standard as soon as may be after the payment to it of the full cost of the work provided that where a person builds houses on one side only of the existing public road, he shall be liable only for the completion of one half of the street between its final planned centre line and the front boundaries of the properties constructed.

(ANSWER) Ald. Russell and Cllr. Lawlor said they would not be in agreement with this proposal. After a brief discussion the Committee agreed on the suggestion of the manager that the answer to this query be 'yes' provided the Corporation treat each case on its merits.

Section 19(3) Third Schedule Part 1. 8.  
(1) that where a person lays out a new street or road so that there are unpaved areas on or adjoining such street or road, he shall level, grade such areas, plant and protect grass, trees and shrubs on or

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Query (6) Court's. adjoining such road in accordance with the approved plans or in the absence of details on plans, in accordance with specifications attached as conditions to permissions.

(k) that where a person lays out a new street or road he shall provide artificial lighting on or adjoining such street or road of a standard approved by the Road Authority or Sanitary Authority for similar classes of streets or roads in its area.

Section 19(-) Part 1. 7(a) (1) that where a person lays out a new road or street he shall lay out the line to conform with lines on the Development Plan or in the absence of lines on the Development Plan he shall lay out such roads or streets to conform with conditions attached to permissions.

(m) that where a person lays out a new road or street he shall lay out the levels to conform with levels shown on the Development Plan or in the absence of such levels on the Development Plan he shall lay out such roads or streets to conform with conditions attached to permissions.

(n) that where a person constructs a new street or road he shall pave such street or road in accordance with the Bye Laws or in the absence of Bye Laws, he shall construct the street in accordance with specification attached as conditions to permission.

Query (7) does the Committee agree in principle that off street car parking spaces should be provided in new housing developments so as to reduce the number of cars parking on the public carriageways.

Query (8) If the answer to Query (7) is yes, does the Committee agree with the following: (a) that each new dwelling should be provided with a 9 ft. wide gateway or means of access.

(b) that each new dwelling should be provided with a paved area beyond the line of the public street or road of sufficient size to accommodate one car.

(c) that the footpath in front of each gateway or means of access to each new dwelling should be so constructed as to permit a car being driven off the carriageway.

(d) that gateways and exits to be so designed as to give a view of approaching traffic to drivers of vehicles emerging from exits.

(Answer) The City engineer agreed that the wording of the questions might require re drafting. The omission of 'each' in queries (b) (a) and (b) was suggested. Subject to the re drafting the Committee agreed to answer yes to these queries.

Query (9) Does the Committee agree that the standards laid down for private developments should apply also to Housing Authorities and all other public authorities (other than those which are exempted by law).

Query (10) Does the Committee agree in principle that in addition to the car parks of one car per house mentioned above, that private developers should be required to provide an area for off street car parking for miscellaneous vehicles such as visiting cars, second car in house, etc. in private developments.

Query (11) If the answer to Query (k) is yes, does the Committee agree that the developer should provide car parks at, say, one per ten houses.

(Answer) The City engineer explained that what was in mind was a public car park for every ten houses. The Committee replied yes, if feasible.

Query (12) Does the Committee agree that Schools, Hospitals, Public Institutions, Sports Clubs or other places where large number of people visit should be required to provide exits and entrances to and from public roads so as to facilitate the flow of traffic and avoid obstruction of the public road. Yes.

Item 6: To consider the extent to which the Corporation should exercise its powers to provide facilities for the establishment of industry in the City. Cllr. Lacey said the Corporation had a number of sites in the City. He suggested that it would be a good idea if sites could be found near all the large housing estates. Cllr. Russell agreed but said that the modern idea was to have an industrial estate. In any event the Corporation should have sufficient lands to aid the demands of industrialists. It was agreed that surveys be got under way to zone areas for industry.

Item 7: To consider the extent to which the Corporation should exercise its powers to provide facilities for the provision of sites for private housing development. The City Manager said that there were a number of central city areas ripe for development. The question would like the Committee to answer was whether a selection should be made of one or more of these areas for private housing. The Committee felt that this suggestion should be taken up and examined and agreed on having this done. Cllr. Russell said that where land acquired for housing by the Corporation is sold the Corporation should ensure that the land was used for housing purposes only and not sold for other purposes.

The Visit of Mr. Lichfield. Uninterrupted communication from the National Building Agency saying that Mr. Lichfield proposed to visit Limerick on the 12th February, 1966. He would like to meet the members of the Committee at 10 a.m. that morning and to continue his discussions in the course of the day with officers of the Corporation. The Committee was of opinion that very few members could attend at 10 a.m. They suggested that they would be willing to meet at a special session on the evening of the 12th, suggested time 7.30 p.m. for discussion with Mr. Lichfield.

Confirmed in Council this 9th Feb 1965

I. P. MacLearney, City Manager and Town Clerk.

LIMERICK CITY COUNCIL  
PLANNING COMMITTEE

A Meeting of the Planning Committee (Johle House) was held in the County Courthouse on Friday, 12th February, 1965 at 7.30 o'clock P.M., when the following members were present

In the Chair : The Right Worshipful, the Mayor,

Altermeh : J. Carew; S. Coughlan, T.D., and G.E. Russell.

Councillors : P. Kiely; J.P. Liddy; T. Lawlor and P. O'Sullivan.

An apology was received from Councillor Condell for unavoidable absence.

Officers present included the City Manager and Town Clerk; Assistant Town Clerk; City Engineer; Architect; City Accountant; City Solicitor; Mr. T. McNamara, Chief Planning Assistant; Mr. J. Costelloe, Staff Officer.

Dr. Nathaniel Lichfield, Advisor to the Minister on the planning of the region consisting of Limerick City, County Limerick, County Clare and Tipperary (North Riding), accompanied by his associate Mr. Stephenson and Mr. Curtin and Mr. Bourke of the Institute of Planning and Physical Research, were also present at the Meeting.

The Mayor welcomed Dr. Lichfield, Mr. Stephenson, Mr. Bourke and Mr. Curtin. He referred to Dr. Lichfield's work in Dublin which had received publicity in recent times. The Mayor said that Limerick was the Capital of the region in respect of which Dr. Lichfield would advise the Minister, and the Corporation as the Planning Authority for the capital of the region, would have to provide all the social and economic facilities necessary in a Capital. Dr. Lichfield's task was not an easy one, especially in view of the short time which had been allowed to him to complete his programme.

Dr. Lichfield thanked the Mayor and members for Meeting to discuss planning of the region with him. He explained that he had 15 months to prepare a report to the Minister on economic and physical planning in the region as described by the Mayor, and three months within which to prepare a report on planning problems in a sub region consisting of Limerick, Shannon and Ennis. He had set up headquarters in Limerick City and his Associate Mr. Stephenson, was living in Limerick and in charge of the local office, Mr. Bourke and Mr. Curtin were on loan from the Institute of Physical Planning and Research for the purposes of his survey, and report. His first duty was to consult with the officials of the different Planning Authorities and with the members of the Councils. He had already discussed the position with officers and members in Limerick County, and County Clare, Ennis Urban District Council, and he proposed to visit Tipperary within a short time. His Plan would, he explained, be a bridge between the economic expansion, and the development of the country as expressed in the second programme for economic expansion, and the development plans which the planning authorities were statutorily bound to make within three years from the 1st October, 1964. The Minister would, of course, be concerned to see that the plans for the different regions were related and formed one ultimate plan for the entire country. With regard to the region, it would be necessary for him to study the resources, how they were being used and in regard to Limerick, factors governing growth of the city, to say what was the potential growth. Limerick City in its planning programme must have regard to its function as the Capital of the region. Thus in planning the centre of the city regard must be had to factors outside Limerick. The same would apply to roads. He would like to hear the views of the members on what they considered to be the problems of Limerick, or what they would like to see happen to the City, in other words, the matters that concern the members of the Council. The questions he put might be considered as

- (a) the possibility of Limerick as a tourist city,
- (b) the contribution that Limerick could make as a social centre for the region,
- (c) the contribution that Limerick could make in creating employment opportunities for the people of the region,
- (d) the problems involved in these matters.

Ald. Russell said that in planning it was important that the planning authority should have the good-will and support of the community. Human problems which were met with in planning must be kept in mind. It would be necessary to plan for Limerick to contain the amenities befitting a city of its importance and strategic location. To do this would involve a colossal capital investment. The Government should give an indication of the proportion of the capital cost which it would be prepared to contribute. He pointed out that Limerick had lacked any substantial capital investment in public buildings for centuries. With regard to tourism, he suggested that there should be a reappraisal of what can be offered tourists by the City and the region. In this connection liaison should be maintained with Shannon Airport. To create more employment opportunities it would be necessary to have a pool of skilled labour and higher technological education would be needed. The question of a University for the City was also one which would require an early decision. The importance of Limerick as a centre for road and rail transport was apparent. The future of the port was also a matter which must be considered in any overall regional planning. He assured Dr. Lichfield that the Council would be pleased to be of assistance to him in his work in the region.

Ald. Carew referred to the extension of the Borough Boundary in 1950 which had enabled the Corporation to build large housing estates in the added area to clear slum areas in city. These areas were now derelict and this was one of the big problems facing the Corporation. Apart from the difficulties of acquisition the future development of these areas was one which would cost a large sum. The traffic problem was growing daily. The need for parking space was especially evident. Limerick needed a new Town Hall, a theatre, more industries, recreation amenities, such as, indoor swimming pools.

The City was an important distribution centre. It had many attractions and was in the centre of a region which abounded in natural beauty. It could serve as a tourist centre with proper organisation and good planning. The progress in planning, would, he felt, largely depend on the assistance the Government could give towards the cost of the schemes.

Ald. Coughlan referred to the difficulties before the Corporation in trying to achieve any worthwhile progress. It took a long time before relatively simple matters such as housing schemes could be got under way. The problem as he saw it was finance. Since 1938 when the Corporation had adopted the Town and Regional Planning Acts the Corporation had, from time to time, concerned itself with the planning of the City. Many schemes had been put before the Council. Some had been approved by the Council but no concrete planning proposal had yet come into being. It was difficult to expect members of planning authorities to consider this matter seriously unless they were assured that the proposals put forward would be carried out. He said the Council should be practical in its approach to the planning of the City. He was hopeful the Corporation would realise the objects set by its technical advisors and advised by the Council as would be contained in the development plan. But again the question of finance was a big obstacle. Cllr. Liddy said he was happy Dr. Lichfield, a consultant of international repute had been retained by the Minister, and also that the Minister has assigned to him this area. On the question of finance he said money was being found for number of major undertakings, if realistic plans were put forward he had no doubt that money would be available. The problems of the City as he saw them concerned roads, traffic, housing, zoning for industrial purposes, the derelict areas, the reclaiming of Arthur's Quay and the other matters which had been mentioned by other members. He would like Dr. Lichfield to attend a meeting of the Limerick Industrial Committee of which he was Chairman, to discuss ways and means of attracting more industrialists to this area.

The Mayor summarising the discussion said it was important that Limerick should provide educational facilities. There was a need for a University in this City and for a School of Technology. He was hopeful that with the use of modern methods the Harbour on its existing site would be adequate to meet the economic demands of the City and the region. With regard to tourism the lack of proper publicity with regard to places of scenic interest was a drawback. He agreed with other speakers that it was important that the Corporation should be assured that any plans which were put forward would not be set aside owing to financial reasons.

Dr. Lichfield thanked members of the Council for their contributions. He made it clear that his function was to advise the Minister, but he did agree that it was frustrating to planning authorities to deal in plans which did not come to fruition. However, he was a realist and was approaching his brief on a realistic basis. He thought the Government was approaching the matter of Planning in a practical fashion.

This concluded the Meeting.

A True Record,

Thomas MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

26th February, 1965.

*Completed as to 9th Feb March 1965*

*John Danagher*  
*Chairman*

### Limerick City Council

A meeting of the General Purposes Committee of the Limerick City Council was held on the 22nd February, 1965, in the County Courthouse at 7.30 o'clock p.m., when the following members were present:

Aldermen: S. Coughlan, T.D., and J. Carew.

Councillors: J. Kirby, V. Feeney, M. D. Lipper, J. P. Liddy, P. Kieby, T. Lawlor, F. Glasgow, F. Leddin and W. Brazier.

Officers present included the City Manager and Town Clerk; Assistant Town Clerk; City Solicitor; City Engineer; City Accountant; Housing officer.

Apologies for unavoidable absence were received from Ald. G. E. Russell, Cllr. P. O'Sullivan, Cllr. Mrs. F. Condel, Cllr. P. Kelly. It was proposed by Cllr. Lipper, seconded by Cllr. Kirby, that Ald. Coughlan be moved to the Chair.

#### ITEM 1. Private Roads:

Submitted a report from the City Manager regarding private roads, stating that he had considered the City Engineer's recommendation that the roadway at Greer's known as the Race Course Road and at Ennis Road known as Coolmaine Road be declared public roads. The City Manager explained that the City Engineer was satisfied that these roads met the definition of public roads as laid down by the City Solicitor. There was a brief discussion about the other private roads, especially Omega Avenue, Ballinacurra, and Rose Avenue, Ballysimon Road. The Council finally agreed on the suggestion of the City Manager to proceed with the declaration as public roads of the two roads as recommended, the matter to be brought back again for further consideration within six months.

#### ITEM 2. Experimental Changes in Parking and Traffic Bye-Laws:

The Assistant Town Clerk informed the meeting that after discussions with the Gardaí the Road Traffic Study Committee had recommended a number of experimental changes in parking and traffic bye-laws. It was proposed that the Corporation was bound to erect traffic signs which were requested by the Corporation. The Committee be prepared to make a formal request to the Corporation to give effect to the recommendations of the Traffic Study Committee carried into effect. These were, prohibit parking on the quayside from the junction of Honan's Quay with Arthur's Quay along the quays to the junction of Harvey's Quay with Cecil Street; prohibit parking on Lower Henry Street from its junction with Sarsfield Street to its junction with Bedford Row, on the Church side; prohibit parking in Wickham Street on the side opposite the Town Hall; prohibit parking in Wickham Street from its junction with Thomas Street to its junction with Roches Street on the southern side; prohibit parking in Parnell Street from its junction with Roches Street for a distance of 60 feet. Permit parking on both sides of the one-way street in Wickham and Little Catherine Street. The members considered each proposal separately and were generally in agreement with the proposal on the understanding that they were experimental. The Committee said that two-sided parking in the

one-way streets would interfere with delivery vehicles in those streets and suggest that this matter be further considered. Further recommendations of the Traffic Study Committee was that the 'yield right of way' signs be reviewed in relation to their position and that where signs were erected white stop lines be put on the roadway, also that road markings be put down at the junction of Henry Street and Sarsfield Street. The Committee had no objection to these proposals.

#### ITEM 3. Housing (Construction):

Submitted communication dated 18th February, 1965, from the Department of Local Government, stating that the Minister had approved of the Corporation's proposals in regard to the Convent Field Scheme and awarded submission of the Corporation's recommendation on the acceptance of a tender. Noted.

#### Watergate:

Submitted communication dated 18th February, 1965, from the Department of Local Government with regard to the West Watergate Redevelopment Scheme. The Department's letter drew attention to the fact that there was a high proportion of 4 and 5 roomed flats included in this scheme and to the probable high cost of providing such flats. The letter suggested that the Corporation might consider omitting the five roomed flats, reducing the number of four roomed flats and the substitution thereof of flats with a smaller number of rooms. The letter contained 14 items dealing with technical items of the plans submitted. The City Manager said that in substance the Department's letter meant that the Watergate Scheme as submitted would have to be redesigned. The Southhill Scheme had been advanced and plans were at present with the Department. This course was preferred in order to maintain the Corporation's present position. The three steps now proposed for the Corporation to carry out were the submission of plans for Convent Field, the advancement of Southhill, and progress on Watergate. The Chairman observed that the matters raised in the Department's letter should have been brought to the notice of the Corporation much earlier. Valuable time had been wasted. Ald. Carew said the price would be high for flats in Watergate. The reason for this was the long delay in getting the scheme under way. Cllr. Feeney suggested that the items in the Department's letter be considered by the Council and that the Architect be invited to comment. Each item in the Department's letter was considered and the Architect commented. Generally speaking the Architect said the Department's advice drew attention to certain matters which may not have been clearly indicated in the draft plans submitted. It would be possible to meet the Department's wishes on almost all the items. He had made certain modifications to the design of the plans and proposed that the Corporation should submit the revised plans within a short time. He could not give a date as to when work would start on this scheme but he was hopeful the difficulties would be resolved within a short time and that further progress would be made.

#### System Building:

The City Manager said he had prepared a report for the Council which had not been circulated regarding the visit of officers of the Corporation to the Department on the question of system building. Cllr. Liddy, supported by Cllr. Leddin, said the matter was important and

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that the report should be circulated to the members prior to discussion. It was agreed that the matter should be considered at the next meeting.

ITEM 4. Proposed by Cllr. Glasgow, seconded by Cllr. Kieley, and unanimously resolved: That the Corporate Seal be affixed to the following documents presented for sealing: S.D. Advances—Mortgage: John Christopher O'Brien, College Park, Quins Cottage Tenant Purchase Scheme: Mrs. Monica Whelan, No. 20—Lease and Mortgage. S.D. Transfers—Residential: Miss Elizabeth O'Driscoll, 9 Priory Park; in Coopsy, 34 Greystones. Watergate C.F.O.—Memorial of Conveyance: Reprs. Jameson to Corporation.

ITEM 5. Pound: Cllr. Lawlor raised the matter of horses wandering throughout the city and asked what steps the Corporation could take to put a stop to this. Cllr. Liddy supported and referred to the depredation of animals in housing schemes especially. Ald. Carew, the Chairman, and Cllr. Glasgow also spoke on this matter. The City Manager said that the Corporation had a Pound in Watergate but it was not satisfactory. The Corporation was in the process of securing a site in Lelia Street which was suitable for a Pound and he had to be in a position to put a full report before the Council at an early meeting on this matter. Cllr. Liddy stated that he had an objection from the residents to a Pound in Lelia Street. The Mayor had stated this objection had been noted. He understood the basis of the objection was that itinerants were likely to congregate near a Pound to recover animals. The Corporation's information was that most of the animals wandering through the City were not the property of itinerants. He felt there was no reasonable objection. Cllr. Lawlor suggested that a suitable site for a Pound would be the low-lying land in Garryowen. The City Manager in reply stated that the site in Lelia Street was ideally suitable for a Pound. It had been used as stables for many years and could be converted at a reasonable cost. Cllr. Feeney suggested that the Corporation should consider further the objections regarding the location of a Pound in Lelia Street.

A TRUE RECORD.

T. P. MACDIARMADA,  
City Manager & Town Clerk.

*Confidential Council Minutes*  
*9th March 1965*

*John Stanger*  
*Chairman*

A meeting of the Planning Committee (whole House) was held in the County Courthouse, by kind permission of the County Registrar, on Tuesday 2nd March, 1965, at 7.30 p.m. o'clock, the following members being present.

- In the Chair: Ald. S. Coughlan, I.D.,
- Alderman: G. E. Russell,
- Councillors: W. Brzler; Mrs. S. Condeley; F. Glasgow; F. Kieley; J. Kirby; I. Lawlor; J. P. Liddy; M. D. Liper and P. O'Sullivan.

Officers present included the City Manager and Town Clerk; assistant Town Clerk; City Engineer; City Solicitor; City Accountant; M. T. McKinnare, Chief Planning Assistant; M. J. Costelloe, Staff Officer, Town Clerk's Department.

Item 1:

Consideration of the minutes of the meetings of the Planning Committee held on the 1st February and the 12th February, 1965. The minutes were considered page by page.

Matters arising:

Development at Lanhronne: The Chairman referred to development at Lanhronne, Corbally, Co. Clare, which had been approved by the Clare County Council, having been refused by the Corporation when the Corporation was Planning authority for this area. He said there was an obvious clash of opinion between the two local authorities and asked who would now adjudicate. The City Manager said that the proposal referred to had been considered by the Corporation when it was the Planning Authority for Limerick City and a contiguous area which included portion of County Clare. The Corporation had refused to grant the permission sought in respect of this scheme. From the 1st October, 1964, Clare County Council was the Planning Authority for County Clare, and Limerick Corporation had no jurisdiction beyond its boundaries. The application had been re-submitted to Clare County Council and that Council had decided to grant a permit. The Corporation were informed of the conditions which attached to the permission and had not been requested by the Clare County Council to provide any services in connection with this scheme.

The Chairman said he understood the sewage from the scheme was to be discharged into the river Shannon. This was a serious matter as far as the health of the people of Limerick City was concerned. The question of preserving the amenities which had been enjoyed by the citizens on the Clare side of the river was also a matter of the highest importance.

Alderman Russell said the matter was one, in his view, for consideration by the Minister. He suggested the Council write to the Minister informing him of their concern in the matter from the point of view of health and the interference with amenity. The City Solicitor, at the request of the Chairman, said that in his opinion the Corporation could take action if sewage from any source polluted the waters of the Shannon. It would be necessary to prove such pollution, and the action could not be taken until such proof was available. The Corporation could appeal against the decision of the Planning Authority if the term allowed for such an appeal had not expired. After a further brief discussion the Council adopted the suggestion made by Ald. Russell that the matter be referred to the Minister and that he be acquainted of their views on the subject.

Item 2:

Submitted progress report on the preparation of the Development Plan. The report is incorporated in the official minute.

Matters arising:

Aerial survey: In reply to Ald. Russell the City Manager said that the Department of Local Government had not so far replied to the Corporation's request for a grant for an aerial survey. However, the Corporation had decided to proceed with a modified survey and an order had been placed in connection with this. Items 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 of the City Engineer's report were noted. Item 7 related to pieces of historic interest in the City. The Chairman said there were many places of historic interest in the City



Steps should be taken to have these sign-posted so that the citizens and visitors could locate them easily. The Corporation should take every step necessary to ensure the preservation of such places.

Ald. Russell referred to King John's Castle. He proposed that the Corporation take up with the Board of Works the question of repairing King John's Castle. The Corporation themselves could assist in the work by the demolition of the remaining portions of the Castle Baileys which stand in the courtyard of the Castle. The Castle, if developed properly, was an object of tremendous tourist potentiality. The Council agreed with the suggestion that the matter be taken up with the Board of Works.

Item 8 - Assessment of Industrial Needs of the City. Arising out of this matter there was a brief discussion about the need for sites for industry. Cllr. Liddy said that the Committee of which he was Chairman had recently sought an area of from 20 to 30 acres from the Corporation to be developed for industrial purposes. The Corporation were unable to make an area available at the present time. The Assistant Town Clerk said the Corporation had, until recently, lands available in Rathbane for letting for industrial purposes. They also had lands available at Long Pavement. The latter, however, required to be filled. For the small sites were available throughout the City. In recent times, however, due to a stepping-up in the Corporation's housing drive the area in Rathbane which was suitable for development had been allocated to housing. O'Halloran's lands in this location would not be ready for development for some years as it required drainage. Ald. Russell suggested that the Corporation should acquire land for industrial purposes. The City Manager asked the Committee's advice as to whether the Corporation should combine housing and industry on land which it might be necessary to acquire. Cllr. Liddy suggested that an industrial estate be developed, and that forty to fifty acres be acquired for this purpose. The City Manager said this matter would be looked into without delay and a report would be furnished in due course.

Development Plan - Residential Purposes:

Submitted report from the City Engineer referring to the term residential purposes which would be used in the Development Plan. The Committee were asked if they considered that the term 'residential' should be defined, and the reply to this was 'yes'. A further query was put as follows: "If the answer is 'Yes' which of the following does the Committee consider should be excluded from the areas reserved either solely or primarily for residential purposes, existing properties would not be affected".

- Bowling alleys - exclude
- Dance Halls - exclude
- Cinemas - exclude
- Fun-fairs - exclude
- Amusement Halls - exclude, unless regarded as community centres.
- Taverns - no objection,
- Hotels - no objection,
- Shops - no objection,
- Car repair garages - no objection
- Car service station - no objection
- Outdoor games pitches - no objection
- warehouses - exclude
- Storage Yards - it was agreed this term might be re-examined with a view to a finer definition.

Development Plan - specific items:

Submitted report dated 26th February, 1965, from the City Engineer, seeking the advice of the Committee on the following specific items:

Site for University - Query:

On the assumption that Limerick will have a University, does the Committee agree that the University should be located as near as possible to the City Centre?

The Committee noted that the University Project Committee had a site in mind for a University. The Committee felt that it would be impossible to find a site near the City centre and said that the query could be answered by saying that the site should be as near as possible.

Query 2 - Bus Centres:

Does the Committee consider that Limerick should have a road transport bus centre?

The Committee's view was that there was a bus centre in the city already.

Recreation Centres:

Does the Committee consider that provision should be made for recreation Centre for the region, such as indoor athletic sports etc.?

The Committee's view was that every facility should be made available for the recreation of the youth of the City, and the Corporation should take all the necessary steps to provide outdoor recreation centres.

At this stage the Mayor joined the Council. As the meeting was drawing to a close he did not take the Chair.

Itinerants:

Arising out of a statement by Cllr. O'Sullivan that itinerants were present in Sycamore Avenue, there was a brief discussion on this problem. Cllr. Mrs. Connell said that the Council could no longer shrink from its responsibility with regard to itinerants. The plight of the children of itinerant families was particularly worthy of immediate attention. The Mayor said the itinerants who might be regarded as natives of the City were incorrigible. He agreed that the children were deserving of attention but he said that schools were available to them and were not availed of by them. He saw little hope of being able to make any improvement in the condition of these people unless they were willing to help themselves. The Chairman said the position was that itinerants must conform with the ordinary rules and regulations of society. Ald. Russell reminded the Council of the steps which had been taken to discuss the problem with other Councils in the region.

Layout of houses in Garryowen:

Cllr. Lippert referred to the layout of ten houses in Garryowen, which had not been provided with separate front gates. The present position was unsatisfactory, and he asked that it be changed. The architect said this layout was an endeavour to introduce something new, and he felt it should be given a trial. He would discuss the matter with the tenants concerned. Cllr. Connell said that it was important that the Council be consulted with regard to the layout of houses. The Mayor supported this view and said that every housewife desired her own front gate. He paid tribute to the architect in his endeavour to introduce new features into the schemes. However, it was necessary to have the support of the tenants of the houses in his endeavours.

The Chairman proposed that the Council convey good wishes to Mr. T. O'Donnell and Mr. P. O'Grady, artists, who were leaving Limerick on the 14th March on a concert tour to the United States of America. Cllr. Lippert supported. He said the artists in question were very well known and had given generously of their time to a charitable nature. He was sure the Council would wish them every success in their tour of America. It was regrettable that more of them was not seen from Televis cinema.

Sympathy:

It was proposed by Ald. Russell, and unanimously resolved.

"That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to the relatives of the late Mrs. Horrigan of Barrack Street."

It was proposed by Cllr. Liddy, and unanimously resolved.

"That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to the relatives of the late Mrs. O'Driscoll, 2, Bongsall Terrace."

It was proposed by Cllr. Lawlor, and unanimously resolved:

"That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to the Lawlor family of Killelee on their bereavement."

A true record.

T. P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager & Town Clerk.

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9th Feb. 1965  
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LIMERICK CITY COUNCIL  
TENDERS COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the Tenders Committee (whole house) was held in the County Court-house on Tuesday 2nd March, 1965, at 9 p.m., the following members being present:-

- In the Chair: Ald. S. Coughlan, T.D.
- Alderman: G. E. Russell.
- Councillors: M. Brazier; Mrs. F. Condeall; F. Glasgow; P. Kiely; J. Kirby; I. Lawlor; J. P. Liddy; M. Lipper; and P. O'Sullivan.
- Apology: Ald. J. Carew.

Officers present included the City Manager and Town Clerk; the Assistant Town Clerk; City Engineer; City Accountant; City Solicitor, etc.

In accordance with the regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialed by him and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action thereon:-

<u>Tenders for Chlorination Plant.</u>	
1. Chlorination Equipment Ltd., Tonbridge, Kent.	£413. 0. 0.
2. Wallace & Tiernan Ltd., Tonbridge, Kent.	£406. 0. 0.
<u>Tenders for Refuse Truck.</u>	
1. Commercial Road Vehicles Ltd., Dublin	£6050. 0. 0.
2. Wm. P. Ryan, Ltd., Dublin.	(a) £5600. 0. 0.
	(b) £5400. 0. 0.
<u>Tenders for purchase of Old Refuse Vehicles.</u>	
1. Swastika Laundry Ltd., Dublin	£100. 0. 0.
2. J. J. O'Sullivan, Hospital Co. Limerick.	£86. 0. 0.
3. Batteries & Electrical Ltd., Cork.	£72. 0. 0.

A true Record.

Confirmed as true 15th  
9th March 1965

Thomas MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*John D. MacDiarmada*

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CONCHAIRLE CATHAIR LUIMNIGHE.

TENDERS COMMITTEE.

Ballycimin Road Reconstruction.

A meeting of the above Committee was held at the County Court House, Merchant's Quay on Tuesday 27th April, 1965 at 7.30 p.m., the following Members being present:-

- In the Chair: The Right Worshipful, the Mayor.
- Aldermen: S. Coughlan, T.D.
- Councillors: F. Glasgow; P. Kiely; V. Pooney; T. Lawlor; F. Loddin; J. P. Liddy; P. O'Sullivan; and M. D. Lipper.

Officers present included the Deputy City Manager, and Town Clerk, and the Assistant Town Clerk.

In accordance with the regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialed by him and delivered to the Deputy City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action thereon:-

<u>Firm</u>	<u>Amount.</u>
(1) John Whelan Ltd., Wolfe Tone Street, Limerick.	£22,261. 2. 8.
(2) P. J. Walls & Brothers (D) Ltd. Glendore Rd. Dublin.	£22,004. 11. 4.
(3) South of Ireland Asphalt Co. Ltd., Victoria Road, Cork.	£17,800. 9. 4.
(4) Messrs. Roadstone Ltd., Dublin.	£14,538. 15. 9.

Confirmed as true 11th May 1965

John D. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

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Conference attended the 11<sup>th</sup> May

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Chasman

Meeting of the Planning Committee (whole-house) of the Limerick City Council was held on Tuesday, 4th May, 1965, in the County Courthouse, (by kind permission of the County Registrar) at 7.30 p.m. the following Members being present.

In the Chair: Right Worshipful Councillor J. Danagher, Mayor.

Aldermen: S. Coughlan, I.D.

Councillors: W. Brazier; V. Fenney; F. Glasgow; P. Kelly; P. Kiely; I. Lawlor; F. Leddin; M.D. Lipper; P. O'Sullivan;

Officers Present: City Manager and Town Clerk; City Accountant; City Solicitor; Mr. Greene, Acting City Engineer; Mr. I. McNamara, Chief Planning Officer; Mr. K. Quilligan, Housing Officer and Mr. J. Costelloe, Staff Officer;

#### B U S I N E S S

- The Mayor proposed that Item No. 3 on the Agenda be taken for first discussion in view of the attendance of the three Deputations to discuss the question of System Building in the light of the Corporation's Housing programme. He extended a welcome to the representatives. He knew they were as perturbed as the Corporation on the question of the current shortage of houses. As far as Limerick was concerned, a target of 200 houses per year had been set but the Council felt that this figure must be considerably increased and in this connection concrete proposals were wanted. The building operatives in Limerick had done a very good job and he felt personally that the housing figure could be increased by traditional methods. He then sought the view of the Deputations.

Mr. Vincent Moran, I.T.G.W.U. in a prepared statement said that is Union representing semi-skilled and unskilled workers in the building industry re-affirmed its adherence to the principles of increased productivity, as long as there was security of employment. He outlined a number of methods to formulate a policy to guarantee full employment in this industry.

Mr. Kemmy, Limerick Building Trades Group, in a prepared statement said the Limerick Building Trades Group was not opposed to System Building but were concerned on its impact on building workers in this area. A decision of the Minister was clearly called for setting out the proposals for system building for Local Authorities. When these proposals for System Building were available the Group would welcome an early meeting between the Minister for Local Government, Officials of the National Building Agency; The Corporation; The Builders Federation and the Trades Group to help reach a decision on future housebuilding policy in this area.

Mr. J. Whelan, Chairman, Builders Federation gave his views as follows:

The whole matter was best taken on a co-operative basis and accordingly a Meeting with the Corporation officials was desirable. At that Meeting the Corporation could formulate its requirements in terms of the number of houses, the time factor and location of available sites. He had no definite ideas on System Building and while they did not disagree they had certain reservations. This type of building was very popular in England some time ago and about 400 systems had been in operation. There are now only about 60 systems. They were also aware that London County Council's annual figure of 30,000 houses built contains only about 1% System Built houses. These figures clearly pointed out that the traditional systems were again re-introduced as people discovered they were cheaper and just as fast.

The Mayor thanked the speakers and called on the Council Members for their views:

Alderman Coughlan said the occasion was a memorable one from the point of view that representatives of management and employees could come together with the Corporation to discuss amicably the progress and future of the City. He personally was opposed to System Building and he was glad to see others sharing/view. System Building would wipe out the old traditional trades and his Party was naturally opposed to this. He referred to delays in sanctions from the Department to the Corporation Housing Schemes and said that this factor and also lack of planning had been adverse factors in the housing programme. System Building was not the answer but he was glad to see they were all facing up to the problem and a future combination of ideas including a future meeting with officers of the Corporation would considerably help progress. Limerick County Council were also interested and there would be some immediate progress on the Fairgreen question.

Councillor V. Fenney apologised for Councillor Liddy's absence. He thanked the Deputation and said they had put the case very clearly. System Building he thought was not feasible or necessary. It was too stereotyped. The builders could supply the demand by the old method if guarantees were given. The Minister could not be blamed for present Housing shortage but planning at local level could be improved. He had no doubt if there was continuity in building traditional methods would cater for demand.

Councillor Lawlor stated System Building would defeat its own ends and said it would have an adverse effect on Local Labour by the importation of outside labour.

Councillor P. Kelly congratulated the speakers and said they should avail of the proposal for a meeting with the Minister and the National Building Agency - the Meeting to be representative of all Groups.

Councillor Leddin also congratulated the speakers and said the new system of building should be investigated in the interest of progress but there should be no danger to employment or standard of building.

The City Manager joined with the Mayor and Members in thanking the deputation for their helpful remarks. The Members were all aware of the problem. In recent years a programme had evolved showing 1,350 houses as an immediate housing objective of the Corporation. Of these approximately 500 were nearly completed. There were new indications that a re-assessment of the whole housing position should be carried out, and accordingly an immediate examination would be made and a report submitted in due course. In the light of this, an extension of the current programme would be made or if necessary a complete second programme formulated. Formerly the programmes were based on need but now there were other factors. The City population was changing upwards and the number of persons per house was falling. The new programme would have to be related to the Regional Planning survey which should be completed within the next nine to ten months. The Manager then stated they would have to be realistic in their approach to System Building. There were adaptations in the industry of which they would have to take notice. His interest was if there was any movement of National importance they should be fully alive to it. He welcomed the suggestion that further discussions should take place and he undertook to contact all parties.

Finally the Manager gave details of progress of the present housing programme, for which he stated there was sufficient land to complete. Further investigations were being made for the acquisition of additional land.

The Mayor in conclusion thanked the Deputations and said it was good to know that they could call on them at any time for their help and advice. He commented on the prevailing harmony between all parties in their efforts to create their future city.

The Mayor referred to other historic monuments in Limerick which he said were badly neglected.

Councillor Feeney also spoke on King John's Castle and he said he hoped the Manager would look into the position.

Alderman Coughlan raised a question re condition of Widows Alms House which needed very urgent repairs and the Manager undertook to look into the matter.

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I. P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager & Town Clerk.

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1. (a) Consideration of report from City Engineer on amenities (open spaces) Section 19 (3) Third Schedule Part IV amenities.

Councillor Glasgow enquired regarding the cost. The City Manager explained that the intention of putting this report before them was to get approval for its insertion in the plan for the city.

Alderman Coughlan enquired as to the function of the Council in the whole field of Town Planning and in relation to decisions regarding applications for permission. The City Manager explained the legal position in the matter that the formulation of the Development plan was a matter in which the City Council would exercise their reserved power and this plan would influence decisions on individual Planning applications which would be made by the City Manager.

Councillor Lipper enquired as to what an Outline Permission was and was informed by the Manager.

Councillor Leddin queried a decision by the Manager to grant a Permission for a sign and a decision to refuse Permission for another sign in the list of Planning decisions, taken during the Month of April, 1965. The Chief Planning Assistant, Mr. I. McNamara, explained the circumstances in each case.

Councillor Leddin stated that in addition to the list of decisions taken each month the relevant Manager's Orders should also be submitted at each Meeting. The Manager undertook to do this.

The Council then went on to examine the contents of the report and on the proposition of Councillor Glasgow seconded by Councillor Lawlor this report was adopted.

1. (b) General Clauses for inclusion in the Development Plan Section 19 (3) - Third Schedule - Part II.

This was considered and agreed.

Alderman Coughlan commented on schemes formerly approved by Corporation which were open to criticism because of density etc..

The Mayor stated the advice of the Council would be of big help because of their local knowledge.

The City Manager stated that before a decision was taken in any case the proposal was subjected to a very critical and exhaustive examination and the members could feel sure their general policy was being implemented.

1. (c) Progress report on preparation of Development Plan and Provisional Development Plan.

This was considered by the Members. Alderman Coughlan referred to the report on places of historic interest and queried as to what its provisions were in relation to King John's Castle. He stated that a caretaker had been employed there at a very low wage, but at the present time there was nobody caretaking or showing the visitors around. The caretaker had been a very courteous man and took a deep interest in the Castle. There were no sanitary conveniences and he had received complaints from people in the adjoining area of tourists calling to their houses for toilet facilities.

The City Manager informed the Council that the Castle was in charge of the Board of Works. The question of sanitary arrangements would have to be considered by the Corporation and he would expedite a report. Alderman Coughlan requested this report for the next Meeting.

CORPORATION OF LIMERICK.

Housing Dept.,  
Town Hall.

7th May, 1955.

A meeting of the Street Naming Sub-Committee was held in the Mayor's Office, Town Hall on the 5th May, 1955 at 5. p.m.

PRESENT AT THE MEETING WERE:

His Right Worshipful, the Mayor, Councillor J. Danagher.  
Councillors F. Glasgow and P. O'Sullivan.  
The Housing Officer was also in attendance.

It was decided to submit the following recommendations for the approval of the Council re the Ballfield Housing Scheme.

1. Names of entire scheme - Kennedy Park.
2. Names of three roadways:
  - (a) Roadway leading from entrance to scheme adjoining Block AL. to extreme of site, adjoining Block AL7. - Galvone Road.
  - (b) Roadway running from Block G1. to Block L5. - Rathward Road.
  - (c) Roadway running from Block L5. to entrance to site adjoining Church property - Eamonn's Road.

3. Names of 9 Squares (or units):

- Unit B. Linden Court.
- " C. Cedar "
- " D. Rowin "
- " E. Maple "
- " F. Chestnut "
- " G. Willow "
- " H. Hawthorn "
- " J. Larch "
- " L. Walnut "

4. Bi-lingual name plates to be erected.
5. Each dwelling to be numbered on the front door and on the rear entrance gate.
6. Layout map of scheme, showing the naming and numbering to be displayed at each entrance to the scheme.
7. Layout map showing numbering to be displayed on a suitable gable of each unit.

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Greystones Housing Estate.

It was decided to recommend to the Council the names of Streets in Greystones as follows:

- Avondale Drive,
- Oakland Drive,
- Hillcrest Drive,
- Park View Drive,
- Birchwood Drive.

These Street Names are as recommended by the Residents Association with the exception of Birchwood Drive in substitution for Beechwood Drive.

K. Quilligan.  
Secretary to Committee.

TO the Mayor and to Each Member of the City Council.

*Approved by Council 11th May 1955.* AS

COMHAIRLE CATHAIR LUIMNIGHE

TENDERS COMMITTEE

Convent Field Housing Scheme (65 Houses)

A meeting of the above Committee was held at the Court House, Limerick on Tuesday the 11th May, 1965 at 7.30 p.m. The following members being present:

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful, the Mayor.

Alderman: J. Carew;

Councillors: P. Kelly, J. P. Liddy; P. Kiely; F. Leddin; M. Lipper; J. Kirby; V. Feaney; P. O'Sullivan and T. Lawlor;

Apologies for unavoidable absence were received from Ald. G. E. Russell; Ald. S. Coughlan T.D.; Cllr. Mrs. F. Condell.

Officers present included the City Manager and Town Clerk, the Assistant Town Clerk.

In accordance with the Regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialled by him and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action thereon:

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| 1. Messrs. Malachy Burke (Contractors) Ltd.,<br>Romney,<br>GALLWAY. . . . .                                     | £137,107. 17s. 3d.  |
| 2. Messrs. T. McInerney & Sons Ltd.,<br>Building Contractors,<br>Bluebell,<br>Inchicore,<br>DUBLIN 12. . . . .  | £147,970. 16s. 10d. |
| 3. Messrs. Michael McNameara Ltd.,<br>Building Contractors,<br>Stradbrock,<br>Blackrock,<br>CO. DUBLIN. . . . . | £155,499. 4s. 10d.  |

TOMAS MACDILLIEM, D.A.,

City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Confirms in law*  
*John Joseph*  
*John*

LIMERICK CITY COUNCIL

A meeting of the General Purposes of the Limerick City Council was held in the County Courthouse (by kind permission of the County Registrar), on Tuesday 23th May, 1965, at 7.30 o'clock p.m. when the following members were present:

- In the Chair: The Right Worshipful Cllr. J. Donagher, M.P., Mayor;
  - Aldermen: S. Coughlan, I.D.;
  - Councillors: Mrs. F. Condell; V. Feeney; J. P. Liddy; P. Kiely; I. Lavelor; F. Glasgow; P. O'Sullivan; J. Kirby;
- Apologies for unavoidable absence were received from Ald. Russell and Ald. Carew.
- Officers present included: City Manager and Town Clerk; City Engineer; City Accountant; Assistant Town Clerk; Housing Officer; Chief Planning Officer; City Solicitor.

Postponement of Local Elections

Submitted communication dated 20th May, 1965, from the Department of Local Government stating that the Elections of members of Local Authorities would not take place in 1965, and that proposals for legislation to give statutory effect to the postponement would be submitted shortly to the Oireachtas for approval. The communication stated that each local Authority should arrange forthwith for the holding of an annual or quarterly meeting during the period from the 23rd June to the 1st July next, inclusive. The City Manager said the matter would appear on the Agenda for the June meeting. Noted.

Swimming Pools

Submitted communication from the Greystones and district Residents Association referring to the Corporation's proposal for a municipal indoor swimming pool and suggesting that the Corporation might consider in lieu of this a number of regional pools and applying for such a pool in the Mayorstone area. The Assistant Town Clerk said the position was that the Department of Local Government had asked for a soil survey on the site for the proposed pool, consultant advice had been obtained and tenders received for the carrying out of the survey. The matter is at present under consideration by the Department of Local Government. The Council had decided to proceed with the erection of the pool and had accepted the recommendation that the pool be situated on the Corporation site at the Canal off Clare Street.

There was a full discussion on the matter. The members generally felt that there was a need for a number of smaller pools throughout the city, either of the indoor or outdoor type. The Mayor, supported by Cllr. Condell and Cllr. Glasgow, was of opinion that the Council should proceed with the large municipal indoor pool as already decided, but should investigate further the idea of smaller pools in different parts of the City. Cllr. Feeney was of opinion that the cost of the larger pool was too great having regard to the level of rates at the present time. He felt a number of smaller pools could be built for the price of one large one. The matter merited further investigation.

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Ald. Coughlan said it was a good idea to have a number of pools throughout the City. It would be difficult to cater for all in one pool. He suggested the site at the People's Park as suitable and a further site in the Coalrairie area. Carrially outdoor pool might also be further developed. The question of securing a larger grant than 50% of the subsidy on lean charges might be pressed with the Department.

The City Manager said that the Council had accepted the view that the City needed one large indoor swimming pool. He suggested that the Council might consider further the question of outdoor pools in other areas, and the matter could be further considered when further information on the planning of the municipal pool came before the Council. On the question of the cost it was estimated that the municipal pool allowing for subsidy and receipts would cost in the region of £7,000 per annum. The Council decided to allow matters to proceed. In the meantime the City Engineer to examine the question of the provision of smaller pools in different parts of the City. It was suggested that the City Engineer might inspect the pool in Mangret College and might also obtain information from the Department of Local Government on the pool being promoted by the Department said to cost £16,000.

Housing

The Mayor referred to a recent statement by the Minister for Health, Mr. D. B. O'Malley, T.D., in which he suggested that the City Council pass a resolution asking the Minister for Local Government to assist the Corporation in reaching a solution to its housing problem. The Minister had suggested that the Council should consider this matter. The Mayor had suggested of the Council on the holding of a special meeting. The Council agreed that a special meeting to discuss housing generally should be held. It was agreed that the fixing of a date for the meeting would be put on the agenda for the meeting of the Planning Committee to be held on the 1st June.

Tenant Purchase Scheme

Cllr. Liddy said that there were a number of people living in Corporation houses who wished to purchase their houses but it seemed that unless a Tenant Purchase Scheme for the particular housing estate was formulated this could not be done. He had in mind a particular case in the Jonesboro Scheme. The City Manager said a scheme had been prepared for the Jonesboro Estate, and the case referred to by Cllr. Liddy would be reached in due course. Referring to Tenant Purchase generally the Manager said that the rate at which Tenant Purchase was proceeding was not satisfactory. He was having the matter examined and would try to speed up the rate. Ald. Coughlan asked where the reason for the delay in progress lay. The City Manager said that the Council had decided on a number of Tenant Purchase Schemes and had placed them in certain priority. A 100 houses had been vested last year. He was hopeful of more progress in the current year. He reminded the Council that the process was new and there had been understandable delays in dealing with the first schemes. Procedures were established now and progress should be accelerated. Ald. Coughlan said that there seemed to be two aspects of the matter: 1. the repair of houses, 2. the local work involved. It was for the Manager to say which section was responsible for the delays. If it was a question of insufficient monies being voted for repairs the Council should be informed. The City Solicitor said there was no deliberate delay in dealing with Tenant Purchase cases. He was not aware of any appreciable delay in dealing with Tenant Purchase cases. He would check the Council the number of orders he had in hands on this date. The procedure was long and involved. Each lease had to be signed by the Minister individually and it sometimes took some months before a document sent to the Minister for completion by him was returned. This would not operate against the person purchasing the house over a period of years, but in the case of a person wishing to

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purchase outright, a delay in having the document sealed by the Minister was an embarrassment. The City Engineer said the repair work was done by the regular staff attached to Maintenance. There was no separate item in the Estimate for repairs for tenant purchase. Repairs for house purchase were given priority and at least twelve cases per month were attended to. The City Manager said a further report on the matter would be issued to the Council.

Wandering Horses:

Ald. Coughlan referred to the nuisance caused by horses wandering, especially in the Jamesboro' district; an encouragement to this nuisance was the fact that the Corporation's property in this area was unfenced and free grazing was being allowed to animals. The City Manager said this matter had been examined. The Corporation proposed to get the letting value of the property in the area. The question of horses wandering in the public roads had been referred to the Gardaí who had replied that the matter was receiving attention. In reply to Cllr. Liddy, the City Manager said that he would examine the powers of the Corporation to pass a Bye-Law prohibiting animals being allowed to wander unattended on the public streets. The Corporation would have to consider how effective in operation such a Bye-Law would be.

Flooding in Lella Street:

In reply to Ald. Coughlan the City Engineer said that the location of the pumps in Clare Street was no longer suitable. A new scheme was being prepared which would take into account the need for an alternative site for the pumps.

Flooding due to heavy rain:

In reply to Ald. Coughlan the City Engineer said that local flooding due to heavy rain seemed to have been due to blocked gullies. It was proposed to change the system of street sweeping and it was hoped that this would result in gullies being kept clear at all times.

Fr. Russell Square:

Ald. Coughlan suggested that Fr. Russell Square be turned into a car-park. The City Engineer in reply said that he would not favour this proposal. The Manager suggested that the matter be raised at the meeting of the Planning Committee.

Rates on unfit houses:

Ald. Coughlan asked the position about the payment of rates on property which was condemned by the Corporation as unfit. The City Manager said that when an Order was made by the Corporation condemning residential property this property was listed for revision of valuation, and the valuation was invariably reduced to a nominal sum. When property was condemned in the course of the year the valuation could not be revised until the following year. Where the owner was not collecting rents from the property, the Corporation would not press for rates in respect of such property. Such rates at the end of the year would be written off.

Planning:

Cllr. Liddy referred to the Corporation's decision to grant permission for the erection of a bowling alley at Clareview Estate, Ennis Road. The Residents' Association had appealed to the Minister for Local Government against this decision. The matter had not come before the Council, but subsequent to the making of the Corporation's decision the Council had indicated generally that it was not in favour

of a bowling alley in this area. He thought it might be helpful if the Council passed a resolution supporting the appeal of the Residents' Association. Copy of this resolution to be sent to the Minister. The City Manager said that he had no objection to the Council passing this resolution, if the Council wished he would give a full report to the planning committee on the considerations on which the Corporation reached its decision to grant permission for the erection of this bowling alley. After a further brief discussion, it was proposed by Cllr. Liddy, seconded by Cllr. O'Sullivan, and unanimously resolved:

"That we ask the Minister for Local Government to accede to the appeal of the Clareview Estate Residents' Association with regard to the erection of a bowling alley at Clareview, Ennis Road, Limerick"

Item 4:

Submitted report dated 21st May, 1963, from the City Manager and Town Clerk setting out the present position with regard to the Corporation's proposal to reclaim portion of the foreshore of the River Shannon at Arthur's Quay. Attached to the Manager's report was copy of communication dated 19th May, from the Department of Transport and Power setting out the procedures to be adopted by the Corporation in connection with the advertising of the proposal subject to the grant of permission by the Minister of Transport and Power to reclaim the foreshore. The Department of Local Government had also written saying the matter was also receiving consideration. Meted.

Item 5: Council Archives

Submitted reports from the City Manager and Town Clerk: Chief Medical Officer; City Engineer; the Architect, with regard to the closing of the Island Bank Baths. The technical officers recommended the closing of the Baths. The Chief Medical Officer states in his report that he considered bathing in portion of the river downstream from sewerage inflow was a definite hazard. Cllr. Feeney said he would not agree with the closing of the Baths unless the Corporation undertook to provide an alternative bathing place for the people of St. Mary's Park. Cllr. Condell said in the face of the Chief Medical Officer's report the Corporation had no alternative but to close the Baths. Cllr. Glasgow supported this view. Cllrs. Liddy and Kirby said that there seemed to be no alternative to the closing of the baths, but the Corporation should give consideration to providing an alternative bathing place in the St. Mary's Park area without delay. The Council decided to close the Island Bank Baths, and that in consideration of the question of regional swimming pools this area would have priority.

King John's Castle:

In reply to Ald. Coughlan, the City Manager said that the Corporation had given consideration to the provision of a public convenience in or near King John's Castle. The matter had been deferred pending discussions with the Inspector of Monuments from the office of the Commissioners of Public Works who had advised that he would have discussions with officers of the Corporation with regard to the improvement of the amenities of the Castle and would visit Limerick shortly for this purpose.

A meeting of the Planning Committee (Whole House) was held in the County Courthouse, by kind permission of the County Registrar, on Tuesday 1st June, 1965, at 7.30 o'clock p.m., the following members being present:

- In the Chair: Ald. S. Coughlan, T.D.,
- Alderman: J. Carew; G. E. Russell;
- Councillors: F. Glasgow; I. Lawlor; V. Feeney; P. Kieley; J.P. Liddy; W. Brazier; F. Leddin and P. O'Sullivan.

Officers present: City Manager and Town Clerk; Assistant Town Clerk; City Engineer; City Accountant.

ITEM 1: Submitted progress report from the City Engineer re development plan. Noted.

ITEM 2: Submitted report from the City Engineer on development and land use. (Copy of this report is included in the official minute). The Chairman congratulated the City Engineer on the report which he had prepared. He was satisfied, having regard to the contents of this report, that the Corporation was making satisfactory progress on planning and also in regard to the acquisition of land for housing. The planning staff of the Corporation could be assured of the help of the Council. The Council proceeded to examine each page of the report and the following matters arose in the course of the discussions:

Developed Industrial Sites: In reply to Ald. Russell, the City Manager said the City Engineer had preserved in his report the idea of developed industrial sites.

Land subject to Flooding: Cllr. Glasgow advocated the planting of Italian poplar trees in lands subject to flooding. These trees consumed large quantities of water and would be ideal for land of this nature. The Chairman drew attention to the estimated rate of filling lands subject to flooding which was given in the report of 4 to 5 acres per annum. At this rate it would take 24 years to fill 120 acres. The City Engineer said the land in question, Monabrahur, was scheduled for filling by the controlled tip method of dumping. The rate of filling by this method was possibly 5 acres per annum. The City Manager pointed out that the Corporation had filled some lands in this area which was now valuable and was in demand for industrial needs.

Lands for Private Housing: In reply to the Chairman the City Engineer said that Corbally was included on the miscellaneous 20 acres in the schedule of lands for private housing.

Lands for Corporation Housing: Ald. Russell said it was time for the Corporation to be actively engaged in the acquisition of other lands for housing. He asked if 330 acres as shown in the schedule was adequate and enquired as to what steps the Corporation proposed to take to acquire these lands.

The City Manager said that a total of 830 acres had been provided for private and public housing, and as the City Engineer pointed out in his report this could accommodate a population of approximately 20,000 to 25,000 persons. Apart from land for housing, the Corporation own the lands referred to in Southhill east and west and also the Bullfield additional 10 acres, a total of 125 acres. The Corporation had already taken steps to acquire lands at Ballynantymore and in the Clonlong area by agreement, if possible. The area shown under 'urban renewal' 30 acres included all the in-city derelict areas such as John's Gate, the Abbey, Thomondgate. Compulsory Purchase Orders would be necessary in all these areas and steps were being taken to advance these Orders. On the general question of the adequacy of lands for housing, the Manager said that they should be sufficient lands for a long number of years in the city for both public and private housing.

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Commission on Itinerants - Local Joint Committee:

Cllr. Condell said she understood she was one of the representatives of the Council selected to act on this Committee. The Assistant Town Clerk said that Cllr. Condell's name did not appear in the minutes of the meeting as one of those selected to act on this Committee. The Council could, if they wished, add Cllr. Condell's name to the list of representatives. The Council agreed to this.

Submitted communication from the Minister for Health with regard to the request of the City Council to the Minister to receive a deputation to discuss the question of a State contribution towards the cost of health services. The Minister said he saw no purpose at this stage in meeting the deputation as suggested since the whole question of local taxation was under consideration by the Government. If, however, the Council did wish to meet him he would be happy to arrange the meeting in Limerick. He was sure the Council would look at the matter in the light of what he had said and would be prepared to await developments. The Council agreed to wait for further developments in the matter as suggested by the Minister.

Contributions to Fairview Rangers:

On the motion of the Mayor, it was unanimously agreed that the congratulations of the Council be tendered to Fairview Rangers on their success in winning the F.V.I. Junior Cup.

Condolence:

Proposed by Cllr. Liddy, and unanimously resolved: "That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to the Relatives of the late Mr. Martin Lawlor of Catherine Street."

A true record

Thomas MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Copy sent to Council this 8<sup>th</sup> June 1965*

*John Donaghy*

**Urban Renewal:**

Arising out of a discussion on lands for urban renewal the Assistant Town Clerk in reply to the Chairman said the Corporation had disposed of approximately one acre of land in the Palmerstown area to Messrs. Musgrave Bros. of Cork for industrial/commercial purposes. Ald. Russell, supported by Cllr. Feeney, said, that it would have been better if the Corporation had retained these lands for housing. The Assistant Town Clerk said the Corporation had no housing plans for the site in question. It had been advertised and no applications received and negotiations had commenced with the Cork firm some years ago and had been concluded when the matter had been brought to the notice of the Council and approved by the Council and was at present before the Minister for Local Government for approval. It was clear that the Corporation would require lands in central city areas to enable commercial interests to erect ware houses etc. in these areas.

**Markets:**

Submitted communication from the Market Trustees asking for the Council's views on the proposal made by Cllr. Lawlor at a recent meeting of the Market Trustees that the fowl and potatoe markets be removed from their present location to the calf market site in Michael Street. Cllr. Lawlor said he had made this proposal. He had in mind moving the calf market to the hay market and allowing the existing potatoe and fowl market to occupy the space, at present used by the calf market at Mulgrave Street. The present fowl market could be converted into a car park. The Chairman said many people were dependent on the fowl market in the Robert Street area. He did not think the idea of moving this market would be welcome. The City Manager said the markets were a problem. The markets were in receivership and were administered by a Board of Trustees consisting of members of the City Council, the County Council and Chamber of Commerce. The Manager said that in his view the first step that should be taken was for the Market Trustees to put forward their proposals on the future of the markets in Limerick. The Corporation would then be in a position to decide on these proposals on planning grounds. Ald. Russell supported this view. The Council agreed that the suggestion made by the Manager be conveyed to the Market Trustees and if necessary discussions could be held between the Planning Committee and representatives of the Market Trustees as considered desirable.

**Resolution:**

It was proposed by Ald. Russell, seconded by Cllr. Glasgow, and unanimously resolved: "That having considered report of the City Engineer on land use, dated 28th May, 1965, we hereby adopt the contents of this report for inclusion in the development plan".

**Deputation from the Combined Residents' Association:**

On the motion of Ald. Russell, seconded by Cllr. Kiely, a deputation from the Combined Residents' Association was heard by the Committee. Mr. Scanlon said the Association advocated the erection of a number of small swimming pools throughout the city instead of one large pool. There was a need for a swimming pool in the Coolraine/Mayorstone area. Mr. Finnan of the Clareview Residents' Association referred to the Corporation's decision to grant a permission for the erection of a bowling alley in the Clareview area. His Association had objected to this proposal but the objection had not been successful. He asked the City Manager to revoke his Order granting the permission. The Council had a long discussion on the question of the swimming pool. Ald. Russell and Cllr. Feeney said the Corporation should examine the idea of a number of small pools in the City in lieu of the large municipal pool proposed. Cllr. Liddy, supported by Cllr. Lawlor, advocated the erection of the large municipal pool as had been decided by the Council. The Corporation would eventually be able to erect a number of small pools as well. Ald. Carew felt the Council should take the advice of its technical staff on this matter. Advertising to the cost of running swimming pools he doubted whether a number of small pools would in the long run be less costly than one large -angle pool. The Chairman congratulated the Residents' Association on coming before the meeting to put forward their views on this matter. With regard to the swimming pool he was of opinion that there was no proper swimming facilities in Limerick at the present time. The Corporation had closed the pool at the Island Bank and the pool at Corbally was, in his opinion, inadequate. He was in favour of encouraging local committees to look after regional pools.

He advocated the erection of three small pools; one in the Coolraine area, one in the People's Park district and one in St. Mary's Park area. With regard to the representations about the bowling alley on the decision of the Corporation in the matter he said the Council was not in favour of the alley, the decision had been made by the Corporation, there was no power to revoke this decision. He understood that the matter was on appeal. Ald. Russell said the Council had passed a resolution asking the Minister to accede to the appeal of the Residents. He felt the local deputies might also use their influence to see that this appeal was allowed.

The City Manager said the Council could expect to hear shortly from the Department of Local Government on the smaller pool which was being promoted by the Department of Local Government and said to cost £16,000. The Council might like to defer any decisions until consideration had been given to this matter. Referring to the bowling alley, two submissions had been made, one had been refused, one granted. The locations were different and the considerations in each case differed. The Corporation was bound to deal with planning applications on planning grounds only; the views of the residents had been taken into consideration. However, the Corporation could find no planning reason to refuse the alley in Clareview. The matter was on appeal to the Minister at the present time. He had no power to rescind his Order.

**Advertising signs:**

Ald. Russell said that a number of large advertising signs had been erected in the city in recent months and that the Council had not been consulted in the matter. The City Manager said that all planning applications were dealt with by him acting for the Corporation. Arrangements had been made to bring to the notice of the Planning Committee each month the decisions of the Corporation and also particulars of planning applications on hands.

**3. Monthly Report:**

Submitted second applications from persons for planning permission received by the Corporation during the month of May, thus the decisions taken in relation to the planning applications during the same month. Noted.

**Civic Service:**

The Council accepted the invitation of the Dean and Chapter of St. Mary's Cathedral to the Annual Civic Service in St. Mary's Cathedral, on Sunday 13th June, 1965.

**Conference of the Libraries Association in Limerick**

Proposed by Cllr. Glasgow, seconded by the Chairman and unanimously resolved:

"That the Library Association of Ireland be invited to hold the Annual Conference of the Association in Limerick City in 1966".

The Council agreed on the representations of Cllr. Lawlor that a traffic direction sign should be erected at the O'Grady monument.

**4. HOUSING MEETING:**

The Committee agreed that a special meeting re housing be held on June 15th at the usual time and venue.

**Candellance:**

It was proposed by the Chairman and unanimously resolved:

"That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to the relatives of the late Mr. Gavin".

Proposed by Ald. Russell, and unanimously resolved:

"That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to the relatives of the late Mrs. Webb, Sarsfield Street, and to the relatives of the late Mr. Cusack of Rutland Street"

*Confirms to Council the copy of the letter from John Dwyer*

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## LIMERICK CITY COUNCIL PLANNING COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Planning Committee (Whole House) of the Limerick City Council was held in the County Courthouse (by kind permission of the County Registrar) on Tuesday, 6th July, 1965, at 7.30 o'clock p.m., the following members being present:—

In the Chair : The Right Worshipful Cllr. F. Leddin, Mayor.

Aldermen : S. Coughlan, T.D., G. E. Russell, and J. Carew.

Councillors : P. Kiely, J. P. Liddy, W. Brazier, T. Lawlor, V. Feeney, P. O'Sullivan, M. D. Lipper, J. Kirby.

Officers present included the City Manager and Town Clerk ; Assistant Town Clerk ; City Engineer ; Mr. P. Gleeson, Assistant City Engineer (Design).

### Shannon Airport :

Ald. Coughlan, with the permission of the Mayor, referred to the recent statement of the American Ambassador regarding the request of the American Air Companies to fly direct from the United States to Dublin. He noted that the Taoiseach would be at Shannon Airport on Friday next; his Party wished to put before him the fact that Shannon could not, under any circumstances, be overflowed. He trusted that the Taoiseach would make a statement during his visit to Shannon about the Airport and its future.

The Mayor said all members of the Council and the citizens at large were perturbed about the future of Shannon following the statement of the American Ambassador. He personally could not see any threats to the future of the Airport and he felt that the Taoiseach would give a firm indication as to the future of Shannon during his visit to the Airport on Friday next.

Cllr. Liddy said that the Minister for External Affairs had stated in the Dail that the interests of Shannon would be protected. He felt the Council would be advised to wait for a statement which he was sure the Taoiseach would make on his visit to Shannon. He had every confidence the Government would ensure the future prosperity of the Airport.

Ald. Russell said the statement of the American Ambassador should not be accepted lightly. Such statements were only made in the full knowledge of their consequences. He felt it should go forth from the meeting that the Taoiseach and the Government had the support of the City Council and the Corporation in any steps the Government felt necessary to resist pressure to have Shannon overflowed and to protect the interest of Shannon Airport. There was no further discussion.

1. Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee held on 1st June :  
The Committee considered the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 1st June, 1965, which had been adopted at the meeting of the Council held on the 8th idem.

Matters Arising from the Minutes :

**Bowling Alley at the Emis Road :**  
Ald. Coughlan said he had discussed this matter with the Minister for Local Government. The Minister proposed that the Inspector would visit Limerick to consider the appeal, and would give an opportunity to those who had appealed to make their case verbally to him.

**Markets - Pound :**  
Ald. Coughlan said he wished to refer to the proposal of the Corporation to create a pound at a site in Lelia Street. He thought this site would not be suitable for use as a pound and was prepared to propose that it would not be used for this purpose. The City Manager said the property was acquired by the Corporation for use as a pound. He referred to the representations of the Department of Justice, the Gardai and the County Registrar on the need for a proper pound. The proposal to use this site which was acceptable to all three parties as a pound was put forward to remedy this position. The Committee was of the opinion that the matter would be on the Agenda for the next meeting of the General Purposes Committee. Ald. Russell asked if during the meantime efforts might be made to obtain suitable alternative sites. The Manager said this would be done.

**Passageway to Krups Factory, Toppin's Linn, Janeshoro' :**  
Ald. Coughlan asked if any progress had been made in the transfer of lands between Mr. Toppin, 'Janeshoro', and the Corporation. This transfer would facilitate the workers of the Krups Factory by allowing a right-of-way through the lands of Mr. Toppin to be transferred to the Corporation. The Assistant Town Clerk said the matter was still with the Department of Local Government. The representations of the Council to have the matter approved had been conveyed to the Department. The City Manager said that the Department had been in touch with the Department developments had changed and that it might be preferable to have the future planning of this portion of the Corporation's holdings in Ruanishahill be settled. However, Krups in the meantime had a right-of-way through the Corporation's lands, formerly Cussens, onto the property of the Factory. Ald. Coughlan again asked that the matter be expedited. The Manager said he would see if the matter could be settled within the next month.

**Swimming Pool :**  
Cllr. Lipper referred to the condition of the railing on the approach to Corbally Swimming Pool. He said it was in a dangerous and deplorable condition. It had been allowed to rust through lack of paint. Ald. Coughlan supported. The City Engineer undertook to have this matter examined.

2. Submitted Progress Report from the City Engineer re development plan. Noted.

Aerial Survey :

In reply to Ald. Russell, the Manager said that the Department had not replied to the Corporation's request for a grant for an aerial survey. Press reports indicated that the Minister wished to have a national survey carried out which would be available to planning authorities. Ald. Russell deplored the action of the Department in failing to deal with the application for a grant.

Condition of Building Survey :

Ald. Russell referred to St. John's Square. He said areas had been left without protective walls and were dangerous. The Square in which a number of houses had been vacated was in a dangerous condition. The City Engineer said the areas were being cleared out and it was the intention to close them in.  
The City Manager said the Corporation proposed to reconstruct two houses in St. John's Square which had been purchased recently. Apart from the decision of the Council that this Square should be preserved the Corporation had no decision to do any other works by the Corporation. Ald. Russell referred to the two houses that the Corporation had purchased. He said the work had not yet been paid for these. He asked if payment could be expedited. Ald. Coughlan supported. He understood the matter was with the Department of Local Government. The Manager said he would look into the cause of the delay.

Rutland Street Area :

In reply to Ald. Coughlan the City Manager said the Council had agreed that the planning of Rutland Street area would be taken in conjunction with the planning of Arthur's Quay/Patrick's Quay as one unit. The houses on the Custom House side of Rutland Street had been partially acquired by the Corporation. They were not in good condition but there was no immediate danger to the public. The buildings however were liable to deteriorate and become dangerous.

Ald. Russell said that certain portions of the Georgian city should be preserved in the replanning of Limerick. He referred particularly to the Crescent and Pery Square. The City Engineer said he would be the subject of a separate report.

King John's Castle :

Ald. Coughlan asked if the Corporation could do anything to clean the title wall of the Castle on the riverside facing Clancy Street. The City Engineer said that this was a matter for the Board of Works. The City Manager said the question of the preservation and the control of historic monuments within the city was one which had received the attention of the Council during a number of meetings in the past few months. He suggested that the Council had appointed a committee under the National Monuments Act. This Committee should be called together and the matter placed before them for consideration and advice. The Council agreed to this suggestion.

3. Submitted Report from the City Engineer on Development Plan, New Roads and Streets (Copy of the report is incorporated in the official minute) :



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TENDERS COMMITTEE

A meeting of the above Committee was held in Arus na C. thrach, Rutland Street, on Tuesday the 7th September, 1965 at 11 a.m. the following members being present:

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful, the Mayor, Councillors: J. Keane and J. Kirby. Officers present: the Deputy City Manager and Town Clerk, the Assistant Town Clerk.

In accordance with the Regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialled by him and delivered to the Deputy City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action thereon:

No.	Firm	Tenders for Trucks. 3.	Amount.
1.	Begford Motor Company Limerick	...	£3825 0. 0.
2.	Ormond Garage, Nenagh	...	£2627 10. 0.
3.	Elm Motors Limerick	...	£3965 0. 0.
4.	Limerick Motor Works	...	£2820 0. 0.

Tenders for House for Head Gardener and ancillary buildings in Peoples Park

No.	Firm	Amount.
1.	Patrick O'Brien Parteen	£7750 0. 0.
2.	Robert Roche Knockalisheen	£5659 0. 0.
3.	Michael McDonnell Croom	£4960 0. 0.
4.	B. O'Connor Castleconnell	£6200 0. 0.
5.	P. Hoare, Limerick	£5595 0. 0.

T. COLLERY, Deputy City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Amie Liddin*  
*Chairman*

LIMERICK CITY COUNCIL

A meeting of the General Purposes Committee of the Limerick City Council was held in the County Courthouse, by kind permission of the County Registrar, on Tuesday, 28th September, 1965, at 7.30 o'clock p.m., the following members being present:

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful Cllr. F. Liddin, Mayor. Aldermen: J. Carew, S. Coughlan, G. E. Russell. Councillors: W. Brazier, F. Glasgow, J. Keane, P. Kieley, T. Lawlor, J. P. Liddy. Apologies for unavoidable absence were received from Cllr. Mrs. Condeall, Cllr. Lupper, Cllr. Kirby.

Officers present included the City Manager and Town Clerk; Assistant Town Clerk; City Solicitor; City Engineer; City Accountant; Architect; Mr. Greene, Acting City Engineer; Housing Officer; Staff Officers in City Engineer's Office and Town Clerk's Office.

ITEM 1:

Housing—(a) Construction: In reply to Ald. Russell, the City Manager outlined the position on housing construction as set out in the Departmental Report for the month of August, 1965. Watergate Housing Scheme: There was a brief discussion with regard to the Watergate Housing Scheme. The Architect said that the works drawings had been submitted two months and that the Corporation would be in a position to invite tenders by the end of November. He referred to the shortage of staff in his Department. In reply to Ald. Russell, Cllr. Liddy and Ald. Carew, the City Manager said that the Corporation was continually trying to get technical staff for the Architect's Department. It appeared that temporary posts were not attractive. The Manager said that the Corporation's programme was being advanced according to plan.

Bridge at Roxboro' Road: In reply to the Mayor, the City Engineer said that preliminary discussions had taken place with C.I.E. regarding the railway bridge at Roxboro' Road. He said it would be necessary to consider any improvement of the bridge as part of the general improvement for the whole Roxboro' Road. Such a scheme was in course of preparation.

Building: In reply to Ald. Russell, the City Manager said that the decision would be made in a matter of days to the Department giving the Corporation's brief for the development of lands at Galvone for upwards of 800 houses, by the National Building Agency.

Public Lighting: Cllr. Liddy asked at what stage did the E.S.B. instal public lighting in Corporation schemes. Ald. Coughlan said there was no lighting in Kennedy Park. Reference was also made to the absence of lighting in College Park, Corbally, a private scheme. The City Manager said that public lighting normally proceeded concurrently with the building, and in the case of private schemes, public lighting was provided when the roads were handed over. Members of the Council were critical of the delay in having public lighting installed in schemes in which some of the houses were occupied. They asked that the matter be taken up with the E.S.B.

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**Revision of Housing Rents :** Submitted report from the City Manager dated 24th September, 1965. Referring to the decision of the Council at the Estimates meeting to include a figure of £170,150 for rents, the report said that recent reviews indicated that the maximum sum which would be received under this heading in the current financial year was £155,000. In order to reduce the deficiency of the rent income it was proposed to raise rents on 100 tenanted properties and to reduce rents on 100 tenanted properties. The former category and 522 in the latter. A schedule was attached to the report giving details of the rents in the various schemes. The rents varied from 1/4d. and 1/9d. in St. Mary's Park to 10/0d. in Janesboro', with the exception of two small schemes, Cherry Place and Newgate Place. The rents were originally fixed on completion of the schemes, and there had been only one alteration made in the weekly rent charge which was an increase of 1/0d. per week in April, 1958. A revision of the rents was overdue and it was proposed to make an order increasing all rents by an amount of 6s. 0d. per week with effect from the week commencing 18th October, 1965. The tenants to be given an option of accepting as an alternative the differential renting system if the conditions of this scheme were met according to the terms of the scheme. The additional amount to be received from this adjustment was estimated at £9,000. The report directed attention of the members of the Corporation to the serious debit balance which had arisen on the Corporation's housing account. The accounts for the year ended 31st March, 1965, showed a deficit of £84,725 on this account. The report concluded that it was imperative that the Corporation take the appropriate steps to substantially reduce this debit balance.

Clr. Liddy said the increase of 6s. 0d. was too great. Some people paying fixed rents could afford to pay more, but he was concerned about persons in receipt of Social Welfare Benefits.

Ald. Russell said the Corporation's policy should be to lighten the burden as far as possible on the aged, those who were ill, those with families in so far as it was possible. He was concerned that the increase would be taken into consideration the ability of the persons to pay. He asked the City Manager to have another look at his proposal and to re-submit.

Ald. Coughlan said no information had been given as to how the figure of 6s. 0d. had been reached. The increase was too great having regard to the standard and condition of the houses in the schemes concerned.

Clr. Keane said he was opposed to any increase in rents. The City Manager said the alternative to go on the differential rent was being allowed in his proposal. This should cover any case where the increase in the fixed rent was likely to result in hardship. It must be evident that rents fixed in the 1930's could no longer be considered equitable. The question of the reduction in money values which had taken place. The City Manager said the increase in rents in the schemes were placed on the differential rent. He was in favour of high economic rent. In the circumstances it was not equitable to ask those paying fixed rents to bear an increased share of the rent income to the Corporation.

After some further discussion it was proposed by Clr. Keane, seconded by Clr. Kieby, "That no increase be applied to fixed or graded rents."

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 The City Manager said that the Corporation could not allow the deficit on the housing account to continue. Steps must be taken to clear it. After some further discussion the Council decided to defer consideration of the matter until the next monthly meeting. The City Manager agreed to the Council's request. The motion was not put to the meeting.

ITEM 2 :  
 Again submitted report from the City Manager and City Engineer regarding Swimming Pools. The Council decided to adjourn further consideration of this matter.

ITEM 3 :  
 Vacancies on the National Monuments Committee : After a brief discussion the City Council decided that the term of office of members of the National Monuments Committee appointed in 1960 be terminated and the following committee be elected to hold office until the appointment of the new members :  
 Archaeological Society,  
 A nominee of the Shannonside Mid-Western Tourism Organisation,  
 Clr. Mrs. F. Condeh,  
 Clr. F. Glasgow,  
 P. O. S. O Ceallaighain, Uias, Architect,  
 Miss Murphy, St. Margaret's, O'Callaghan Strand,  
 Mr. S. Downey, O'Curry Street,  
 Mr. Joseph O'Malley, Solicitor, Glastoworth Street,  
 Mr. John Cuddy, Quantity Surveyor, O'Connell Street.

ITEM 4 :  
 Again submitted circular letter L11/66 from the Department of Local Government regarding the problem of itinerancy. Noted.

It was stated that a meeting of the Working Committees of representatives of local councils in this region would be held shortly to further consider the problem and how it affects local authorities in the Limerick area.

ITEM 5 :  
 Submitted report re Pound. The report said that in September, 1963, the Council had approved of the purchase from C.I.E. of a site in Leila Street for the sum of £1,500. The site to be converted for use as a general pound subject to the completion of the Leila Street site which would be disturbed in the development of the site. The site was suitable for use as a general pound subject to the completion of repairs and modifications at an estimated cost of £1,200. Alternatively a proposal that two separate pounds be established was acceptable to the County Registrar. (a) a goods pound in Leila Street subject to repairs and modifications at an estimated cost of £850, and (b) an animal pound sited at Corcahee near the proposed abattoir site. An estimated cost would be in the order of £4,000. Ald. Russell, Ald. Carew, Ald Coughlan suggested that the alternative of having a goods pound in Leila Street and an animal pound in Corcahee was the more attractive of the two suggestions put forward. Clr. Lawlor asked why not provide for the lot in Corcahee. The City Manager said that it might take some time before a pound was provided in Corcahee. It could be provided

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 It was proposed by Ald. Coughlan, seconded by Ald. Russell, and unanimously resolved:  
 "That the Corporation pay to Shannonside (Mid-Western Tourism Organisation) a grant of £400 towards the cost of a tourism survey of the Shannon estuary; the liability to pay the grant to fall within the next financial year."

ITEM 11:  
 It was proposed by Cllr. Kieley, seconded by Ald. Carew, and unanimously resolved:  
 "That the Corporate seal be affixed to the following documents submitted for sealing:  
 "Jamesboro' Sporting and Athletic Club—Lease.  
 S.D. Transfer—Form of Consent: O'Neill to Wallace, 8 Corporation Cottages.  
 S.D. Transfers—Release of charge with Memorial: O'Brien to Baines, re Limerick Corporation to Denis O'Brien, 3 Greenfields, N.C. Road.  
 Agreement: South Hill East Building Scheme—Thomas McInerney & Sons Ltd., File No. 374.  
 S.D. Advances—Mortgage: Timothy Danagher, 24, Advances—Mortgage: Circular Road (4 Orders).  
 Draft Building Orders: 7 Little Davis Street; 21 Hallis Range; 20 Lelia Place; 17 Lelia Place; 9 Lelia Place; 4 Lelia Place.  
 Limerick Corporation 3 1/2% Redeemable Stock, 1956/72: Stock Certs. 1882-1887.  
 Undersaking to Repay Loan £145,200—erection of 65 houses under Housing of the Working Classes Acts.

ITEM 12:  
 1916 Commemoration: The Mayor, in reply to Ald. Coughlan, said he proposed to hold an early meeting of the Aldermen and Cllr. Liddy to consider steps which might be taken to organise an appropriate commemoration of 1916 in Limerick City.  
 Planning Meeting: The Mayor reported that the City Engineer and the Chief Planning Officer would be absent on the 5th October, the date of the ordinary monthly planning meeting. It was decided to postpone this meeting to Tuesday, the 19th October.

CONDOLENCE:  
 Proposed by Cllr. Lawlor, and unanimously resolved:  
 "That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to Mr. C. Davis, of Alpine Villas, O'Connell Avenue, on the death of his father."  
 To Michael Hynes, of 71 Fairgreen, on the death of his wife.  
 To Christopher Carey, of 38 Fairgreen, on the death of his mother.  
 To Richard McNamara, 10 Downey Street, Killalee, on the death of his brother.  
 To Mr. Roehford, of 31 Kilmurry Road, Killalee, on the death of his father.

A TRUE RECORD.  
 TOMAS MACDIARMADA,  
 City Manager and Town Clerk.

*performed in hall the 12<sup>th</sup> day*  
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*Handwritten signature*  
*Chairman*

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 quickly in Lelia Street at comparatively low expense. After a further brief discussion, it was proposed by Ald. Russell, seconded by Ald. Carew, and unanimously resolved:  
 "That the Corporation proceed with the provision of a goods pound on part of the site near Lelia Street and an animal pound on the site at Corcaurea near the abattoir site."

ITEM 6:  
 Submitted report of the Scholarships Sub-Committee, stating that the Sub-Committee had considered the Secondary Scholarships Scheme for 1966. It was proposed to the Council that the Scheme be adopted without change from the 1965 Scheme except changes in dates as required. On the motion of Cllr. Keane, seconded by Cllr. Lawlor, it was unanimously resolved:  
 "That the Scholarship Scheme for 1966 be and is hereby adopted as recommended by the Scholarships Sub-Committee."

ITEM 7:  
 Submitted Street Service Vehicles Bye-Laws as put forward by the Commissioner of the City. The draft Bye-Laws, together with a copy of a report setting out the reasons proposed, had been circulated prior to the meeting. The Council were informed that amendments to the amendments but suggested that the number of cars in the street be reduced from 6 to 3. It was decided on the suggestion of Ald. Coughlan to defer the matter to the Secretary of the Limerick Taxi Owners Association for its views and to re-submit the matter to the next meeting of the Council.  
 Submitted report dated 9th September, 1965, on the Traffic Warden Scheme. The report stated that one of the difficulties which had been experienced in the operation of the Scheme had arisen owing to the changes on the Corporation's staff of persons competent to supervise the Wardens. It had been agreed with the Safety First Association that the Association would, acting as agent for the Corporation, undertake the operation of the Scheme and would be responsible for the recruitment, placing and supervision and payment of Traffic Wardens in Limerick. The Corporation would reimburse the Association its outlay in the payment of wages and for the cost of any clothing, etc., supplied and would also, subject to the approval of the Council, pay an annual grant to the Association of £250. After a brief discussion, it was resolved:  
 "That having considered report dated 9th September, 1965, from the City Manager, we hereby approve of the proposed arrangement whereby the Safety First Association will act as the agent for the Corporation in the recruitment, training, placing and supervision of traffic wardens. We approve of the payment of a grant of £250 per annum to the Association in respect of this work."

ITEM 9:  
 Submitted request from the Shannonside Mid-Western Tourism Organisation for a grant towards the cost of a tourism survey of the Shannon estuary, copy of communication dated 13th July from the Company and copy of report with regard to the scope of the survey were circulated prior to the meeting.

ITEM 10:  
 Submitted report of the Safety First Association, dated 13th July, regarding the proposed arrangement for the recruitment, training, placing and supervision of traffic wardens. The report stated that the Association had agreed to act as agent for the Corporation in the recruitment, training, placing and supervision of traffic wardens. It was proposed to the Council that the Association be granted an annual grant of £250 per annum. After a brief discussion, it was resolved:  
 "That having considered report dated 13th July, 1965, from the City Manager, we hereby approve of the proposed arrangement whereby the Safety First Association will act as the agent for the Corporation in the recruitment, training, placing and supervision of traffic wardens. We approve of the payment of a grant of £250 per annum to the Association in respect of this work."

ITEM 11:  
 Submitted report of the Safety First Association, dated 13th July, regarding the proposed arrangement for the recruitment, training, placing and supervision of traffic wardens. The report stated that the Association had agreed to act as agent for the Corporation in the recruitment, training, placing and supervision of traffic wardens. It was proposed to the Council that the Association be granted an annual grant of £250 per annum. After a brief discussion, it was resolved:  
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ITEM 12:  
 Submitted report of the Safety First Association, dated 13th July, regarding the proposed arrangement for the recruitment, training, placing and supervision of traffic wardens. The report stated that the Association had agreed to act as agent for the Corporation in the recruitment, training, placing and supervision of traffic wardens. It was proposed to the Council that the Association be granted an annual grant of £250 per annum. After a brief discussion, it was resolved:  
 "That having considered report dated 13th July, 1965, from the City Manager, we hereby approve of the proposed arrangement whereby the Safety First Association will act as the agent for the Corporation in the recruitment, training, placing and supervision of traffic wardens. We approve of the payment of a grant of £250 per annum to the Association in respect of this work."

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## Limerick City Council

A meeting of the Planning Committee of the Limerick City Council was held in the County Courthouse (by kind permission of the County Registrar) on Tuesday, 19th October, 1965, at 7.30 o'clock, p.m., the following members being present:

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful Cllr. F. Leddin, Mayor.

Aldermen: J. Carew, S. Coughlan, T.D., and G. E. Russell.

Councillors: J. Kirby, J. P. Liddy, V. Feeney, W. Brazier, T. Lawlor.

Officers present included the Deputy City Manager; Assistant Town Clerk; City Engineer; Mr. T. McNamara, Chief Planning Assistant; Mr. K. Quilligan, Housing Officer.

On the proposition of the Chairman the Council unanimously agreed to receive a deputation from the Limerick Lawn Tennis Association. Mr. R. Quinn, a spokesman for the deputation, said the Association had been asked to request the Corporation to provide hard court tennis grounds in Limerick City. Such courts would benefit the youth of the City. He suggested the People's Park as a suitable location. The Mayor said the matter was worthy of consideration. Ald. Russell supported as did Cllr. Lawlor, Cllr. Liddy, Cllr. Glasgow, and Ald. Carew. The Council agreed to refer the matter to the City Manager for attention.

### RENTS (FIXED) ON HOUSES:

The Mayor proposed that a deputation from the tenants of St. Mary's Park, Killeely, which was present at the meeting, be heard. The spokesman for the deputation from St. Mary's Park said they failed to understand the figures which had been circulated to the members of the Council giving the cost of St. Mary's Park Housing Scheme and the deficit. The houses had been built for £300. The tenants had paid rent since the houses were occupied and in his view the houses had been paid for many times over. He appealed to the Mayor and members of the Council not to agree to the proposed increase in rents under any circumstances and it was necessary to ask for a sworn inquiry into the matter. The spokesman for the Killeely Tenants Association said money was being paid by the tenants to the Corporation. The Deputy City Manager said he wished to apologise for the absence of the City Manager who was in Dublin on official business.

The Mayor submitted a report from the Manager to the members of the Council in which the Manager stated that he had considered carefully the representations made by the members of the Council at the meeting of the Council held on the 15th October. He had, however, reached the conclusion that he had no alternative having regard to the financial circumstances of the Corporation but to make an order (which he had done on the 18th October, 1965) applying the increases which had been set out in his report to the Council on the 15th October; the reason the Manager had been forced to act as he had was the fact that sufficient money was not being provided to the Corporation to enable the Corporation to carry on its business. He reiterated the views he had previously expressed regarding statements made by the Taoiseach,

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the Minister for Health, and the Minister for Local Government on the question of relief from central funds to Local Authorities. The fact that rents were being increased was due to the action of the Government, and his Party wished to be divorced entirely from this action.

Cllr. Liddy said the matter should be divorced from politics. What was important was the Minister for Local Government's attitude. Local Government had said in relation to relief to Local Authorities on rents on health matters, or on the question of rents, had been published and were there for everybody to read. He regretted the absence of the Manager from the meeting. His view was that the increase was far too steep. The fact that there had been no increase other than the increase of 1s. 0d. since the houses were first occupied indicated that successive Managers had failed to do their duty and the result was that a very steep increase was now called for. His Party did not agree with the increase proposed. He suggested the matter be deferred to the Rates meeting when the Council would have an opportunity of reviewing the entire financial position of the Corporation.

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He proposed to any increase in rents, for the reason that the houses were not in a good state of repair. The answer was to put the houses into a proper state of repair. The answer was of an increase in rents could be taken up.

Cllr. Feeney congratulated the deputation on the case they had made. He deplored the absence of the City Manager from the meeting. He appealed to the Manager not to enforce the increase. Ald. Russell said the City Manager had made his Order and it appeared to him there was nothing the Council could do to have the Manager retract the Order which he had made. The Council could, however, hold the City Manager to the promise he had made to repair the houses in St. Mary's Park, Killeely and Prospect, and there was an obligation on the Council to ensure that the promise was kept. Secondly, he suggested that in cases of hardship which came to the notice of members of the Council representations could be made for special consideration. The Deputy City Manager said the City Manager had made the Order, increasing the rents and the increase would be operative from the 20th October, 1965. The financial position of the Corporation had been under review for the half year and from this it would be obvious to anybody that there could be no relief expected next March when the Council come to consider the Estimate of Expenses. With regard to the repair of the Schemes the Deputy City Manager agreed that overall schemes for the improvement of houses which were owned by the Corporation could be prepared and submitted to the Department of Housing. The Corporation could be allowed in respect of such repairs. The Deputy City Manager read the details of the cost to date of the St. Mary's Park, Killeely and Prospect Housing Schemes, copy of which had been circulated to the members prior to the meeting. The statement showed that deficit on the combined schemes in 1965 was £35,976.

The discussion then closed and the Council moved on to consider the business of the meeting, planning.

### ITEM 1:

Submitted the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on the 6th July, 1965, copy of which had been circulated to the members prior to the meeting. Noted.

**ITEM 2:** Submitted circular P.D.6 of the 12th July, 1965, from the Department of Local Government, Planning and Public Works, Dublin, to the Corporation of Limerick, in relation to the preparation of a Provisional Plan for the City of Limerick. The Corporation had no objection to the Provisional Plan which was well advanced in its preparation. It was pointed out that the Corporation should put its plans into effect. Ald. Russell said the target set by the Corporation was the preparation of a Plan by the 1st January, 1966. He asked if this target would be met. The City Engineer said the Provisional Plan would be ready by January, 1966. The Development Plan would take a little longer.

**Lichfield Report on the Limerick/Shannon/Ennis District:** Ald. Coughlan said that he had seen press reports of the Lichfield report on the Limerick/Shannon/Ennis district. From what he had seen the report was no more than a general statement of fact. It appeared to him to refer to matters which had been attended to by the City Council such as the provision of industrial sites which were being provided at Rathbane and Coramane. The Mayor pointed out that the full report was in the hands of the Minister and it had not been made available as yet to the Corporation. Ald. Russell said that it was surprising the Minister should issue to the press the report which concerned the Limerick/Shannon/Ennis district without first sending a copy for the information of the Council. After a further brief discussion it was proposed by Ald. Russell, seconded by Ald. Coughlan, and resolved:

"That we protest to the Minister for Local Government at the lack of courtesy shown in sending to the Corporation for consideration a copy of the Lichfield report on the Limerick/Shannon/Ennis district; and that we request the Minister to furnish a copy of the report for consideration without delay."

**ITEM 3:** Submitted report from the City Engineer on progress and preparation of the Development Plan, copy of the report had been circulated to the members prior to the meeting. Noted.

**ITEM 4:** Submitted report from the City Engineer on the selection of an area in which a site for a new Town Hall could be included. The City Engineer said his report suggested that an area on the City Street to Merchans Quay across the Abbey River to include the Custom House and Treaty Stone Park should be designated as an area to be reserved for civic and public buildings, with associated lawns, car parks, etc., as well as public parks, walks, recreational and entertainment facilities including boating clubs, angling clubs, etc. Ald. Russell welcomed the proposals and said the area was associated with the history of the City and constituted the historic centre of Limerick. He proposed that the proposal to designate the area described by the City Engineer for the purposes set out in the Engineer's report of the 27th September, 1965, be adopted. Cllr. Lawlor seconded. The proposal was put to the Committee and adopted.

**ITEM 5:** Submitted report from the City Engineer on the preservation of buildings, landmarks, etc., of historical, archaeological and geological interest.

interest. Copy of the City Engineer's report of the 27th September, 1965, had been circulated to the members prior to the meeting. Cllr. Lawlor suggested that the Fountain in John's Square should be included in the Third Schedule Part IV, Item 6. The City Engineer said he had no objection to this. The Council adopted the report.

Arising out of the foregoing, Ald. Coughlan referred to the condition of Anbharclann na Feile. He said the exterior of the premises was most unkept and did not reflect credit on the Committee. He also referred to the manner in which the Theatre was being let to dramatic groups in the city as unreasonably high. A representative of the Council on the executive committee of the Feile said the premises did not look well from the interior. However, extensive decorations had been carried out in the interior, but the Committee had not got sufficient money to complete the work. The charges to groups for the use of the Theatre were reasonable. The Committee would like to see the Theatre open for the full twelve months but this did not seem to be practicable.

Ald. Russell said it was a regrettable fact that cultural activities did not pay their way. The Committee must cover its outgoings and beyond this they were happy to make no money out of Anbharclann na Feile. He thought the theatre was being let at a high price. He also mentioned the fact that the City of Glasgow referred to the use of the theatre by Feile Lúirinn. There were no difficulties in connection with the Anbharclann except financial difficulties.

**ITEM 6:** Submitted report on decisions made under the Planning and Development Act, 1963, together with notices of applications under consideration at the 30th September, 1965. Noted.

**ITEM 7:** Submitted communication dated 31st July, 1965, from the Limerick Market Trustees regarding the Limerick Markets. There was a brief discussion on this matter. Cllr. Lawlor suggested that arrangements be made for the Planning Committee to meet members of the Market Trustees to discuss the Market Trustees' suggestion that the Market be moved from Corr Street to Mulgrave Street. Ald. Russell said the difficulty was that the traders in the area had objections to any proposals to shift the markets. The Mayor said the matter would have to be resolved one way or the other. The present state of the markets in Corr Street was not good. After a further brief discussion the Committee agreed that the members of the Council on a proposal of the Market Trustees should discuss the position with Mr. Herriott and report back.

**ITEM 8:** It was decided to adjourn consideration of this matter except for proposals 1 and 2 in the report of the Chief Superintendent relating to parking at one side of Honan's Quay only. This proposal was adopted on the motion of Ald. Coughlan, seconded by Cllr. Liddy. There was no further discussion. The meeting adjourned.

A TRUE RECORD.  
TOMAS MAC DIARMADA,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Confirmed in Council  
the 9th November 1965  
by Frank Hedderley  
Chairman*

### Limerick City Council

A meeting of the General Purposes Committee was held in the County Courthouse (by kind permission of the County Registrar) on Tuesday 26th October, 1965, at 7.30 p.m. when the following members were present :

Aldermen : S. Coughlan, T.D.

Councillors : J. Kirby, J. P. Liddy, J. Keane, F. Glasgow, T. Lawlor, W. Brazier, and P. Kiely.

Apologies for unavoidable absence were received from His Worship the Mayor, Ald. Russell, Ald. Carew, Cllrs. Condehl, O'Sullivan, Feeney, Kelly, Lipper and Donaghy.

Officers present included the City Manager and Town Clerk, Assistant Town Clerk, The Accountant, City Engineer, Housing Officer.

#### ITEM 1 :

**Housing Construction :** Cllr. Liddy asked if the plan showing the derelict and other sites in the city which might be available for small industries or as sites for private houses had been prepared. The Assistant Town Clerk said this was being prepared in connection with the Provisional Plan and with other matters which will come before the Planning Committee in due course. Cllr. Brazier asked that a wall at St. Lawrence Park which was partially demolished be repaired. It was stated that this matter was being looked into.

#### ITEM 2 :

Again submitted report from the Gardail together with report from the Assistant Town Clerk relating to the proposed amendments to the Parking Bye-Laws and other traffic alterations which the Gardail wished to introduce. The Council had already approved of the amendments in relation to Hovan's Quay.

**Harvey's Quay :** No parking in Harvey's Quay between swivel bridge and junction with Lower Ceel Street. Approved.  
**Lower Ferry Street :** The proposal was for no parking in the west end of the street, and parking in the east end. The Council recommended that no parking be allowed in the east end.

**Rutland Street :** The proposal was for parking on the Town Hall side, no parking on the opposite side. The Committee was of opinion that there should be no change in the existing arrangements which permitted alternate day parking on either side.

**Bus Services :** With regard to the routes for out of town bus services Cllr. Keane said that the proposal to route some buses through Parnell Street was unwise in view of the fact that Parnell Street was narrow, and with parking on both sides, was liable to congestion. He suggested that until Parnell Street was widened the routes be changed to Carey's Road, Upper Carey's Road, Roxboro' Road. The Council also asked that it be made clear that incoming buses use the same routes.

#### ITEM 3 :

Submitted report on procedures relating to the construction of a bridge, copy of the report had been circulated to the members prior to the meeting. The report set out in detail the procedures outlined in part IV of the Local Government Act, 1946 and the last paragraph suggested that having regard to the manner in which an additional

bridge over the Shannon would improve road communications in the City, County Limerick and County Clare, that the Corporation should obtain the views of these two Authorities relating to the increase in road traffic in their areas and the Limerick Harbour Commissioners should also be consulted. After some discussion the Committee on the proposed bridge was asked to report to the Council. The report was presented as suggested by the City Manager in the last paragraph of his report dated 22nd October, 1965.

#### ITEM 4 :

**Public Conveniences :** Submitted report from the City Engineer with regard to public conveniences in the City, and the condition of the public conveniences at present. After a brief discussion it was proposed by Cllr. Lawlor, seconded by Cllr. Glasgow, that the report as presented by the City Engineer be adopted. Cllr. Lawlor asked that an approach be made to the authority in control of the routes to the City Engineer. The City Manager said that this request would be conveyed to the Trustees. Cllr. Kiely suggested that steps be taken to have the public convenience attached to Clare Street Park open to 10.30 p.m. The Manager said this matter would be examined.

Ald. Coughlan said that no steps had been taken so far to provide public conveniences near King John's Castle. The City Manager said this was included in the City Engineer's report which had been referred by the Council to a special committee with outside representation. Replies were awaited from a number of authorities who were asked to further consider the matter. It was proposed that the City Engineer should be invited to attend the Council as a meeting of this Committee could be arranged. The Council asked that the matter might be brought for attention to the meeting of the Planning Committee to be held on the first Tuesday in November.

#### ITEM 6 :

**Miscellaneous :** Cllr. Keane asked that the roadway opposite the shops in Hyde Road be widened. Cllr. Liddy supported. The City Manager said a report would be obtained from the City Engineer in the matter.

#### SEALING :

It was proposed by Cllr. Kiely, seconded by Cllr. Keane, and resolved: "That the Corporate Seal be affixed to the following documents presented for sealing :  
S.D. Advance—Deed of Assignment and Release : Thomas Moore and Another to Eileen Rice.  
Closing Order : 6 Sarsfield Street.  
Garryowen No. 3 C.P.O. Map No. 95—Transfer : Mrs. Catherine Fleming.

#### CONDOLENCE :

It was proposed by Cllr. Kiely, and unanimously resolved: "That the sympathy and condolences of the Council be tendered to the relatives of the late Mr. Anslow, 3 Pennywell."

#### A TRUE RECORD.

TOMAS MAC DIARMADA,

City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Confidential until this  
9th November 1965  
of St. Helen  
Moreman*

LIMERICK CITY COUNCIL.

A Meeting of the Planning Committee (Whole-House) of the Limerick City Council was held in the County Courthouse, Merchant's Quay, by kind permission of the County Registrar, on Tuesday, 2nd November, 1965, at 7.30 o'clock, the following members being present :

- Aldermen : J. Carew; S. Coughlan, T.D., and G.E. Russell.
- Councillors : J. Kirby; W. Brazier; J.P. Liddy; P. Kiely; T. Ewlori; F. Glasgow.

Officers present included the City Manager and Town Clerk; Assistant Town Clerk; City Accountant; City Engineer; Mr. McNamara, Chief Planning Assistant.

The Mayor had indicated that it would not be possible for him to attend the Meeting. On the motion of Ald. Russell, seconded by Ald. Carew, and Coughlan was voted to the Chair.

New Industry for Limerick: Ald. Russell referred to the announcement of a new industry for Limerick. The industry was referred to as a timber processing plant which would give employment on a large scale. He paid tribute to the work of the Minister for Health, Mr. D.B. O'Malley, T.D., the Chairman of the Industrial Council, Councillor J.P. Liddy; Mr. J. O'Connell, C.E.O., of the City of Limerick Vocational Committee for their efforts to secure this industry for Limerick. He hoped it would be possible to commence work on the erection of the new factory at an early date. Alderman Carew, Councillor Kiely associated themselves with Ald. Russell's remarks. The Chairman said it was gratifying for the city to have secured a project of the magnitude of a new timber factory. Employment, he understood, would be in securing this industry for Limerick. Councillor Liddy thanked the members for their kind remarks. He wished to refer in particular to the efforts of late Mr. Martin McGuire, former Chairman of the Limerick Harbour Board, in negotiations which had now culminated with the announcement that the industry would be established in Limerick.

Item 1: Development Plan : At this stage with the leave of the Mayor, Ald. Russell raised the following matters :

Water supply at the Greystones Estate: Ald. Russell said the inadequate water supply in the Greystones area was a cause of concern to the residents. Immediate steps should be taken to put the matter right.

Mayorstone Quarry : There was still water in this Quarry, and he wished the Corporation should complete the work so that the water could be removed entirely. Cllr. Liddy supported. The Chairman said it would be a tragedy if the work was not completed.

The City Engineer said that as a result of works he had directed he understood that the water supply in the Greystones area had improved. Tests were being continued and he expected a further improvement. With regard to the water holes had been filled but the water in the quarry now was rainwater would naturally flow into the partially filled quarry from the surrounding area. He had given instructions to have the quarry pumped out at least once after any heavy rainfall.

Item 1:

Submitted report from the City Engineer recommending that an area in Thomondgate be reserved in the Development Plan as a site for the proposed

School of Technology. The reservation to be maintained for a period of three years. If this site was not required for this purpose it should be reserved for housing and ancillary purposes. The City Engineer submitted a plan showing the area referred to in his report. Cllr. Liddy said the location of the Regional Technical College must be decided within months. It seemed to him that it would take considerable time to clear the area in Thomondgate defined by the City Engineer. The Vocational Education Committee had a site in Henry Street and if it was decided that this was not suitable it was open for the Committee to consider the proposal before the meeting as an alternative. Ald. Russell suggested that further consideration of the matter be adjourned to give the Vocational Education Committee an opportunity to examine the proposal. After some further discussion it was agreed that the proposal be sent to the Vocational Committee for consideration.

Item 2: King John's Castle :

Ald. Russell submitted report dated 23rd July, 1965 from the City Manager, together with report of the 16th July, 1965, from the City Engineer, with regard to the improvement of the amenities of the Castle. The City Manager explained that the matter was before the Planning Committee at the request of the City Council to enable the Committee to consider the provision of a public convenience in this area. The Council after a brief discussion on the motion of Ald. Russell, seconded by Cllr. Glasgow, adopted the recommendation contained in the report regarding the provision of public convenience. Further consideration of the report proper was deferred to a meeting of the Planning Committee at which representatives of outside bodies would attend.

Item 3: Pound:

Submitted report dated 29th October, 1965, from the City Manager and Town Clerk with regard to the provision of a Pound, together with a report from the City Engineer recommending one Pound for both animals and goods at Corcanree at an estimated cost of £4,760. After a brief discussion it was proposed by Ald. Russell, seconded by Cllr. Liddy, and resolved :

"That the City Engineer's report with regard to the provision of one Pound in Corcanree be adopted".

Item 4 :

Submitted statement setting out the decisions of the Corporation from the 1st to the 29th October, 1965, and also giving details of the planning proposals under consideration at the end of October. Circulated to the Council was a copy of the Minister's decision on the appeal in relation to the Bowling Alley at Greystones, Ennis Road. Ald. Russell said the Minister had made a wise decision and deserved the thanks of the Council. The Chairman agreed.

Item 5 : Correspondence :

Submitted communication dated 14th October, 1965, from the Department of Local Government, copy of which had been circulated to the members prior to the meeting, relating to the resolution of the Council calling for the identification of Limerick as a development centre with an industrial estate. The letter from the Department referred to the planning of the Limerick region and stated that the examination of the planning problems and the need of the Limerick/Shannon/Ennis District would be dealt with in the first part of the Consultants assignment. This report had been received by the Minister and would be the subject of a further communication from the Department in a short time. Ald. Russell said the Corporation should acquire further lands for industrial development especially near the Harbour. This was very necessary now in view of the fact that the Harbour Board's land in this area would be used for the proposed new ship plant. The City Manager said that the Corporation had an industrial estate of 40 acres, approx., in Rathbane. This area was ready for any developer who wished to commence.

The City Manager went on to say that Limerick County Council would be considering the reservation of lands for industrial purposes and the Corporation would consult with the County Council and report back on the possibility of lands in the harbour area outside the City boundary being reserved for this purpose. This was agreed.

Markets :

Alderman Russell submitted a memorial presented by traders in the area surrounding the Milk Market, Carr Street. He suggested that a copy of the memorial be sent to the members of the Council on the Board of Market Trustees. He went on to refer to the need for a proper produce market in Limerick. Cllr. Lawlor said the substitution of a car park for the market in Carr Street would be equally beneficial to the traders in the area. There was no further discussion on the matter, and the meeting adjourned.

... true record.

Tomas Mac Diarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Confirmed in the 14<sup>th</sup> Dec 1965*  
*Tom Mac Diarmada*

COMMITTEE CATHAIR LUIMNIGHE

TENDERS COMMITTEE

A meeting of the above Committee was held in the County Courthouse on Monday, 29th November, 1965 at 7.30 p.m. the following members being present:

IN THE CHAIR: Alderman S. Coughlan, T.D.

ALDERMEN: J. Carew.

COUNCILLORS: J. Keane, P. Kelly, V. Feeney, W. Brazier, J. P. Liddy, P. Kieley, T. Lawlor and F. Glasgow.

OFFICERS PRESENT: City Manager and Town Clerk, City Solicitor, City Engineer, Housing Officer, Staff Officer, Town Clerk's Department.

In accordance with the Regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialled by him and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action thereon:

<u>Tenders for Van</u>		Gross amount	Less allowance on old van	Nett amount
<u>No.</u>	<u>Firm.</u>			
1.	Bedford Motor Company, Limerick	£743	£150	£593
2.	Limerick Motor Works	£844	£175	£669

TOMAS MACDIARMADA,  
CITY MANAGER AND TOWN CLERK.

*Confirmed in the 14<sup>th</sup> Dec 1965*  
*Tom Mac Diarmada*



A meeting of the Planning Committee was held in the County Courthouse (by kind permission of the County Registrar) on Tuesday 7th December, 1965, at 7.30 P.m., the following members being present:

In the Chair: Right Worshipful Cllr. F. Leddin, Mayor,

Aldermen: J. Carew; S. Coughlan, T.D., G.E. Russell,

Councillors: J. Kirby; P. Kealy; T. Lawlor; F. Glasgow; J. P. Liddy.

Officers present included the City Manager and Town Clerk; Assistant Town Clerk; City Accountant; City Engineer; Mr. T. McNamara, Chief Planning Assistant.

Also present were the following: Mr. P. S. Carney, Director of the National Monuments Section of the Office of Public Works; Mr. J. Lynch of The Shannon Development Company; Mr. T. Morrow, Secretary of Shannonside (Mid Western Regional Tourism Organisation).

Amourment:

It was proposed by Ald. Coughlan and agreed that the meeting, having considered Item 2 on the agenda, namely, report on King John's Castle, stand adjourned to enable the members to hear a lecture on planning by Dr. N. Lichfield, Regional Planning Consultant.

ITEM 2:

Again submitted the City Manager's report of the 23rd July, 1965, together with City Engineer's report of the 16th idem regarding King John's Castle, copy of report had been circulated to the members prior to the meeting, copy of the report had also been sent to the representatives of the extern organisations present at the meeting. Mr. Carney of the Board of Works said the function of the Board in connection with National Monuments within their care was in the repair and maintenance of such monuments. His Office had no power to undertake restoration of monuments. Reference had been made to the work at Bunratty Castle. This had cost £23,000 of which a contribution of £6,000 was made by the State. This represented the amount the Office of Public Works would have had to spend in order to repair and maintain the Castle. The balance of the monies were provided by Bord Fáilte and by the Owner, Lord Gort. Referring to King John's Castle Mr. Carney said the demolition of a number of old buildings as recommended by the City Engineer seemed to be most desirable. The block of flats opposite the entrance gates, the rear of which was only a few feet from the gates, was a great impediment to the improvement of the amenities. He agreed with the City Engineer with regard to the proposed location of the toilets and also suggested that the railings surrounding the Castle might be removed. In the long term the Corporation might consider removing entirely the houses within the courtyard of the Castle. With regard to the use which might be made of the building he suggested that the City Museum which was housed in the Library at the present time and appeared to need extra space might be transferred to the Castle. In his view no major repairs were needed. It was said he did not understand the difference between preserving and restoring. It was obviously a very thin line. He suggested that the Castle walls should be cleared of growth and the walls should be pointed where necessary. The Castle should be restored and steps should be taken to make it a tourist attraction. He had no doubt from the number of visitors visiting Bunratty Castle annually that this could be an economic proposition. In his opinion the responsibility was the Board of Works.

Mr. Carney said it was not the responsibility of the Board of Works to restore ancient monuments. He wished to make this clear. In reply to Ald. Russell, Mr. Carney said the Board of Works was satisfied the structural condition of the Castle was sound and the Board would maintain it in its present position for as long as possible.

The Board would stretch their commitments to the limit in order to assist the Corporation should a decision be taken to improve or restore the Castle.

Alderman Russell said there were two Clubs housed in one of the buildings which was listed in the City Engineer's report for demolition. These Clubs were performing a very useful function and steps should not be taken to demolish the premises which they occupy at present unless alternative premises was provided for them.

Mr. J. Lynch, Shannon Development Company, said the Development Company was concerned with the growth of tourism in this area and was prepared to back its concern in financial terms by the expenditure of say up to £5,000 in a financial year. His Company's view was that King John's Castle was an asset which was not fully developed. His Company would welcome any proposals to develop the Castle as an amenity.

Mr. T. Morrow, Shannonside, said that his Company was keen to see the Castle developed. He could not commit the Company to the expenditure of any specific sum towards the development but he was sure that any such request would receive sympathetic consideration. His Company could also assist in arranging for conducted tours of the Castle.

After some further discussion the Committee adopted a suggestion by the Mayor that a working committee be created and on the motion of Ald. Coughlan, seconded by Ald. Russell, the following committee was selected:

A representative of Shannon Development Company,

A representative of Shannonside,

Representatives selected by Limerick Co. Council consisting of the Chairman, the Vice Chairman, the County Engineer, and the Co. Manager,

Representatives of the Corporation consisting of the Mayor, the three Aldermen and Councillor Liddy,

A representative of the Board of Works;

the Committee to prepare plans for the improvement of King John's Castle to be carried out in stages, if necessary, and to report back to the City Council, in due course, with an estimate of the cost of the works and the various contributions.

The meeting then adjourned.

A true record.

Tomas MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Enhanced version of 14th Dec 1965*  
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*Tom Leddin*  
*Chairman*

A meeting of the Planning Committee was held in the County Courthouse on Tuesday, 4th January, 1966, at 7.30 o'clock p.m..

Present:

Aldermen: S. Coughlan, I.D.; G. E. Russell; J. Carew;  
Councillors: V. Feeney; W. Brazier; J. P. Liddy; T. Lawlor.

Apologies for unavoidable absence were received from Cllr. Mrs. Condell and Cllr. O'Sullivan.

Officers present: City Manager and Town Clerk; Assistant Town Clerk; City Engineer; Chief Planning Assistant; City Solicitor.

Chairman:

Proposed by Ald. Russell, seconded by Cllr. Liddy, "That in the absence of His Worship the Mayor, Ald. Coughlan take the Chair."

The motion was passed and Ald. Coughlan took the Chair.

Dates of Planning Meetings:

Cllr. Feeney suggested that meetings of the Planning Committee should be held on Monday instead of Tuesday.

Cllr. Liddy suggested that meetings of the Planning Committee should be held on the same night as meetings of the General Purposes Committee.

The Chairman said both these matters would require notice of motion and might be incorporated in the one notice of motion.

ITEM 1:

Submitted minutes of the meetings of the Planning Committee held on the 19th October, 2nd November and 7th December, 1965, copies of which had been circulated to the members prior to the meeting. Noted.

ITEM 2:

Again submitted copy of the Lichfield report on the Limerick/Shannon/Ennis district. Copy of the report had already been circulated to the members, together with copy of circular letter from the Department of Local Government, inviting the comments of the local authority on the report.

Cllr. Liddy said the report was an excellent one which had made proposals along the lines the Planning Committee were already thinking.

The Chairman said the document was an informative one. He referred to a number of matters raised in the report, namely, the question of a regional School of Technology, the benefits of tourism to the area and the danger of competition of Limerick/Shannon/Ennis for the labour force available in the industrial field.

The Chairman suggested the formation of a Committee of the City Council, Limerick County Council, Ennis Urban District Council and Shannon Development Company to meet periodically to consider matters of common interest.

After a further brief discussion the Chairman summarised the views of the Committee by saying that the report was welcomed by the Council and the final report on the region was awaited with interest.

Sites for Industry:

Arising out of the foregoing matter Ald. Russell asked if the Corporation had consulted with Limerick County Council on the provision of sites for industry in the Dock area. The City Manager said that Limerick County Council had informed him that they intended to make provision in the Development Plan for the provision of an industrial estate in the Dock Road area. The Corporation was providing an estate in Rathbane area depending on the demand for land for housing purposes could extend this area beyond 30 to 40 acres which was originally envisaged.

ITEM 3:

Submitted report dated 3rd January, 1966, from the City Engineer on progress on the Development Plan. The report quoted that the work on the preparation of the provisional plan was nearing completion and it was hoped to have the plan ready for consideration at the next meeting of the Planning Committee.

Car Park at Arthur's Quay:

Submitted communication dated 4th January, 1966, from the City Manager stating that portion of the reclaimed land at Arthur's Quay could be used for Car Park from a current date. The Corporation considered that it was necessary to control car parking in the area and proposed to bring before the Council as soon as possible Draft Bye Laws which, amongst other things, would specify the charge to be made for use of the Park, the type of vehicles which would be allowed, and the hours of opening of the Car Park. The City Manager said the matter was one for the Council to decide at this stage. The property was very valuable and the principle to be decided was whether free access would be allowed to it or whether a charge should be made. Ald. Russell said Limerick City must be competitive with other large urban areas with regard to the amenities it offered. Subject to that consideration he could see no objection to a reasonable charge.

He suggested that consideration might be given to the transfer of some of the bus termini to Arthur's Quay.

Cllr. Liddy noted that it was not proposed to allow caravans in this site. He thought caravans might be allowed during the tourist season.

Cllr. Feeney congratulated the City Engineer and the staff for having the Car Park completed before Christmas. He was in favour of the use of the entire area for cars. Ald. Carew welcomed the idea of controlled car parking in this area.

The Chairman said the members were pleased to note that the Car Park was unofficially opened before Christmas. He thought a reasonable charge would not present a problem. A collection office for parcels was, he felt, an essential. The creation of a bus terminus in the area would, however, be difficult in view of the limited access.

The City Manager said that the Committee generally seemed of opinion that some bus services might be transferred to this area. This might be workable when Henry Street had been produced to Arthur's Quay.

On the question of a parcel collecting office he would examine the Corporation's power to provide such a service. It might be more practicable if the traders themselves or the Chamber of Commerce were to operate such a Scheme.

Caravans were temporary dwellings and the Council had asked that temporary dwellings be excluded from this area.

The City Manager said the Corporation would make rules governing the Car Park and fix charge pending the making of the Bye Laws.

ITEM 4:

Submitted circular P. D. 9 dated 21st December, 1965, from the Department of Local Government on amenity plan, copy had been circulated to the members prior to the meeting, together with a report from the City Manager stating that the Council had authorised a contribution of £400 in respect of a tourist survey of the Shannon estuary. The Council noted the contents of the circular letter and the action which the Corporation had already taken in the matter.

ITEM 5:

Submitted communication dated 20th December, 1965, from the Department of Local Government stating that the Minister had decided to grant permission to Messrs Caltex Ltd. for the construction of a petrol filling and service station at Corbally, Limerick. Noted.

ITEM 6:

Submitted statement of decisions under the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1963, for November and December, 1965, and details of proposals under consideration at the end of each month. Noted.

LOANS:

At the request of Ald. Russell, the City Manager said he would give a detailed report to the City Council at the next meeting, of the present position regarding finance for loans under the Housing (Loans and Grants) Act.

CONDOLENCE:

Proposed by Cllr. Liddy, and unanimously resolved:

"That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to Mrs. Sheahan, South Circular Road, Limerick, on the death of her husband."

Proposed by Ald. Russell, and unanimously resolved:

"That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to the relatives of the late Mr. Garret O'Hanlon, Kilalee."

A true record.

Tomas Mac Diarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Approved & handed this 11th Jan. 1966*

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*John P. Liddy*  
Chairman

A meeting of the General Purposes Committee was held in the County Courthouse (by kind permission of the County Registrar) on Tuesday, 25th January, 1966, following the conclusion of the Special Meeting, regarding the Health Estimate, at approximately 8.30 p.m. the following members being present:

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful, Cllr. F. Laddin, Mayor,

Aldermen: S. Coughlan, I.D.; J. Carew, and G.E. Russell;

Councillors: J. Kirby; P. Kelly; Mrs. F. Condeall; W. Brazier; J. P. Liddy; P. Kiely; T. Lawlor and F. Glasgow;

Officers present included the City Manager and Town Clerk; Assistant Town Clerk; City Solicitor; City Engineer; Architect; City Accountant;

ITEM 1:

Again submitted report on valuation for rating purposes; copy of the report had already been circulated to the members prior to the meeting. The Council asked that this matter be deferred to the next meeting of the General Purposes Committee.

ITEM 2:

Again submitted interim report of Shannon (Mid Western Regional Tourism Organisation) copy circulated prior to the meeting. The Council decided to adjourn consideration of this matter pending the receipt of report on the Shannon estuary being prepared by Dr. Litchfield.

ITEM 3: Housing:

Ald. Coughlan said there was a housing crisis in the City. The building trade which was depending largely on house construction for employment was in a precarious position, 25 plasterers, 25 carpenters, 12 painters had been laid off in recent weeks. He asked that the City Manager and Corporation Officials should receive a deputation from the building trades group to discuss the present situation and any efforts which the Corporation might make to improve the position. He went on to refer to the tight money policy of the Government, and in particular to the hold-up in monies to the Corporation which had resulted in delaying the issue of advances to persons erecting houses for their own occupation.

The City Manager informed the Council that sums amounting to \$68,000 had been received on the date of the meeting on the Capital Account. Application had been made on foot of the loan of £150,000 for an instalment. In view of this position he would be able to review immediately small dwellings applications for loans on hand. The number of applications was showing a tendency to slow down.

Ald. Russell said that there did not seem to be any improvement in cash position regarding the availability of money for house loans since the last meeting. The position with regard to money for grants according to his information was that the Corporation had applied for a loan in September last which had not been sanctioned to date. He suggested that if the Council could be assured by the Minister that a certain proportion of monies would be forthcoming periodically the public would be reassured, likewise the building contractors, who could then proceed with building operations in anticipation of future finance.

It was important for the welfare of the City and the economy as a whole that the building industry should be kept in operation. Cllr. Liddy supported this suggestion which was agreed to by the Council. Cllr. Liddy also supported the suggestion of Ald. Coughlan that the City Manager meet representatives of the building trades group and this was also agreed to by the Council.

Chairman: At this stage, the Mayor, informed the Council that he was obliged to leave as he had another function to attend. The Council unanimously voted that Cllr. ~~Liddy~~ take the Chair, Cllr. Liddy then took the Chair.

Tenant Purchase - Davis Street, Mitchell Street, Grattan Street:

Ald. Coughlan asked the position with regard to these tenant purchase schemes. The City Manager said he was in a position to give a decision without delay.

Watergate:

Ald. Russell asked the position regarding Watergate. The Architect said progress was being maintained. He expected to be in a position to invite tenders very shortly.

Miscellaneous:

Representations regarding the condition of roads were made by the following:

- Ald. Russell - Footpath at Emis Road from private building estate to the bridge,
- Cllr. Liddy - Footpath, Plassy Avenue.
- Ald. Russell - Traffic lights at Upper William Street.
- Cllr. Condeall - Traffic signs at Salesian Convent

The City Manager said these matters would be looked into.

Swimming Pool:

Again submitted report from the City Manager and the City Engineer and City Accountant regarding the proposed new Swimming Pool. Cllr. Liddy said the Swimming Clubs were keen on a larger pool. He suggested that the Council have further consultations with representatives of the swimming clubs and the Combined Residents Association. Cllr. Condeall seconded this proposal. After a further brief discussion it was decided that representatives of the Schools, including the teachers in Primary Schools, Secondary and Vocational Schools and also representatives of the Rate Payers Association who showed an interest in this matter, be invited to the next meeting of the General Purposes Committee to discuss this matter fully with the members.

ITEM - 5:

It was proposed by Cllr. Glasgow, seconded by Ald. Russell, and unanimously resolved:

"That the Corporate Seal be affixed to the following documents presented for Sealing:

- Agreements: Joseph Coughlan with Limerick Corporation
- Patrick Kelly " "
- Watermains at Rosbrien Estate.

- Demolition Orders: 1, Little Ellen Street,
- 2, Little Ellen Street,

Closing Orders: 37, Patrick Street (3 Closing Orders).

Janesboro' Tenant Purchase Scheme: Lease and Mortgage: Thomas Hehir, 2, Pearse Avenue

Janesboro' Tenant Purchase Scheme: Lease: Matthew Connerly, 32, Pearse Avenue.

Limerick Corporation Stock Certs: T. Mulcahy, Miss Margaret M. McKeown, Miss Mary T. McKeown.

S.D. Transfers: Lease: C. McCloskey, 133, Mayorstone Park.

S.D. Transfers: Release and Memorial: Donal Hanley, Southville Gardens,

S.D. Advances: Mortgage: G.E. Reeves.

John Lyons, Greystones, Coolrains, Deed of Release.

Condolence: Proposed by Ald. Russell, and unanimously resolved:

"That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to the relatives of the late Mr. D. Holland,"

"That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to his Lordship the Bishop on the death of Dr. Casey."

Proposed by Ald. Coughlan, and unanimously resolved:

"That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to relatives of the late Mr. O'Hanrahan, South Circular Road, and the O'Flaherty family, Fairgreen."

A true record

T. P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Confirmed in Council this  
8<sup>th</sup> day of February 1966*

*Steph [Signature]*  
*Chairman*

A meeting of the Planning Committee (Whole House) was held in the County Limerick Courthouse, Merchant's Quay, (by kind permission of the County Registrar) on Tuesday, 1st February, 1966, at 7.30 o'clock, the following members being present:

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful, Cllr. F. Leddin, Mayor,  
Aldermen: S. Coughlan, T.D., and G. E. Russell;  
Councillors: M. Lipper; P. Kelly; W. Brazier; J. P. Liddy; T. Lawlor;  
 F. Glasgow;

Officers present included the City Manager and Town Clerk; Assistant Town Clerk; City Accountant;

Deputation from College Park:

A deputation from College Park was received on the motion of Cllr. Kiely, seconded by the Mayor. A spokesman for the deputation said the lighting of the area was inadequate, the condition of the roads surrounding the estate was very poor, the road was too narrow and should be widened, it was also subject to flooding in certain places, once weekly collection of refuse was being made in the estate.

The City Engineer said that the E.S.B. had been asked to give a quotation for lighting and had provided a quotation for the ordinary type of lighting. He has asked them to give a further quotation for mercury lighting. This was awaited. The Corporation had prepared a scheme for road improvement but had no funds to carry out this scheme in the current financial year. The casual flooding of the roads would be examined. The once weekly collection was normal for new estates. When the Corporation obtained new trucks the refuse collection schedule would be revised and this matter would be rectified.

ITEM 1: Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on the 4th January, 1966: Submitted the minutes of the Planning Committee held on the 4th January, 1966, for consideration.

Matters arising: Car Park:

Ald. Coughlan asked if a parcel depot was being provided in the Car Park. He also suggested that the Corporation should consider increasing the fees with a view to obtaining more revenue from the Park. The City Manager said that the question of providing a parcel depot was being examined. The fee at present charged was 6d. without a time limit on the use of the Car Park. The Park was for the benefit of the City and it was important that any charge which might be fixed should not be prohibitive. It was being tried on an experimental basis at the moment and could be re-examined when the Bye-Laws which would be necessary came before the City Council for consideration.

ITEM 2: Report re Provisional Plan:

Ald. Coughlan asked if the Corporation had been consulted as planning authority about the division of the City into Wards for local elections. The Mayor said he had been in touch with the Department of Local Government and would have a copy of the proposed plan to divide the City on the 12th February, 1966. Ald. Coughlan said he wished to protest strongly against the manner in which this matter had been handled by the Department. Cllr. Liddy said his party had not seen any plan of the proposed division of the City and he understood the matter was one entirely for the Minister for Local Government who could divide the City without consultation with the Council. Ald. Coughlan said he thought the Council should have the first opportunity of seeing the proposed division of the City.

Submitted reports from the City Engineer on the Provisional Plan of the City, coloured maps showing the proposals contained in the report with regard to zoning, land use, etc. were on display and examined by the members of the Council.

Ald. Coughlan congratulated the City Engineer on the preparation of the Plan. He said the third bridge was a necessity and a matter of urgency and suggested that plans be prepared immediately with a view to having work commenced at an early date. He strongly advocated early steps for the redevelopment of the Abbey area, and he also asked that an assurance be given that the old Walls of Limerick would be preserved.

The City Engineer said that the Council had already decided that the Walls of Limerick were of historic importance and would be preserved.

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 The Council examined in detail the principle features of the plan as set out in page 4 and 5 of the City Engineer's Report. Part (a) which stated that the plan envisaged the Curraghour Falls as a central feature of the City was approved without comment. Likewise Part (b) and Part (c).

Part (d) related to the industrial estate. The City Engineer in reply to Cllr. Liddy said this estate would be extended by the acquisition of further lands adjoining. Road access would be improved by the widening of Roxboro' Road. A scheme had been prepared for this, but it would be necessary to provide for major improvements at the Railway Bridge which crossed this road. The Mayor said this work is becoming urgent.

Paragraph (e) dealt with the transportation. With regard to the Ring Road, Ald. Coughlan asked that road signs be put up to direct traffic along the existing portion of this road at Ballinscurra Weston. The City Engineer said this matter would be examined.

Para 5: Noted.

Para 6: Noted. Provision of Car Parks: It was decided, after a brief discussion, that the reference to Taylor Street be amended by inserting car park to be provided in the VICINITY of Taylor Street.

Paragraph (f) related to additional parks in recreational areas.

Para 7: related to Park in St. Mary's Park. Ald. Coughlan suggested that the Manager might have discussions with the local committee regarding the handing over of this Park when ready and the old baths to the local committee. The City Manager said he would be pleased to do so but suggested that the work on the preparation of the park being carried out under this year's Relief Scheme Grant might be allowed to proceed.

Para 8: The City Engineer, in reply to Ald. Russell, explained his proposals regarding the provision of recreational areas at the Canal Bank including an artificial lake,

Para 11: New Park at Fiddresen around the reservoir. In reply to Ald. Coughlan the City Engineer said he had prepared a scheme for roofing the existing reservoir at Garryowen.

Ald. Russell said he noticed that artificial lakes were provided in a number of the recreational areas. He asked if the lakes would be safe for children. The City Engineer said the lakes shown on the plan were diagrammatical, actual size would depend on the developments in the area. Kennedy Park proposal was special and would come before the Council at the next meeting. The other lakes were not designed yet. The water level could be controlled.

It was proposed by Ald. Coughlan, seconded by Cllr. Liddy, and unanimously resolved: "That having considered report dated the 28th January, 1966, from the City Engineer on the Provisional Plan and having examined the map in relation thereto, we hereby approve of the plan submitted subject to the minor amendment in relation to the provision of a car park in Taylor Street".

1916 Commemoration:

Ald. Coughlan said that it was regrettable that it was not possible to find unity amongst all sections of the community in this matter. It now transpired that two committees were organising the event for Easter Week of this year to commemorate the events of 50 years ago. He thought the citizens should know the position.

The Mayor said the position was as stated by Ald. Coughlan. It was regrettable that the entire community could not be united in this matter. Cllr. Liddy said he was sure the Mayor's committee would have the full co-operation of all sections.

Item 4:

Submitted statement of decisions taken by the Corporation under the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1963, for January, 1966, and details of proposals under consideration at the end of the month. Noted.

Traffic conditions in the City: Ald. Russell referred to traffic conditions in the City at peak hours, which he said were chaotic. He thought Limerick was suited to the introduction of a one-way traffic system and the Corporation might consider appointing

a qualified expert to survey traffic in the city with a view to having such a system introduced. The City Engineer said he would draw up schemes, consult with the Gardai in the matter and report back to the Council.

Ald. Russell referred to parking changes which had been submitted to the Council some time ago. He asked if there was any prospect of having these introduced shortly. The Asst. Town Clerk said the matter had been taken up with the Gardai and the Corporation awaited the making of the necessary changes in the Bye-Laws by the Commissioner of the Gardai.

Condolence: It was proposed by Ald. Russell, and unanimously resolved:

"That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to the relatives of the late Mr. John Noonan".

It was proposed by Ald. Coughlan and unanimously resolved:

"That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to the family of the late Mr. O'Grady, formally of O'Connell Street, Limerick".

A true record.

T. P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Confirmed - built 11th  
25 day of Feb. 1966*

*Stephen Forster  
Chairman*

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A meeting of the General Purposes Committee of the Limerick City Council was held in the County Courthouse, Merchant's Quay, by kind permission of the County Registrar, on Tuesday, 22nd February, 1966, at 7.30 o'clock p.m., the following members being present:

In the Chair: Right Worshipful Cllr. F. Leddin, Mayor,

Aldermen: S. Coughlan, T.D.; J. Carew; G. E. Russell;

Councillors: W. Brazier; F. Glasgow; J. Keane; P. Kiely; J. Kirby;  
T. Lawlor; J. P. Liddy; M. D. Lipper;

Officers present included: City Manager and Town Clerk; Assistant Town Clerk;  
City Accountant; City Engineer; Architect; Housing Officer.

SWIMMING POOL:

The Council had invited representatives of the Swimming Clubs in the City, the Combined Residents Association, Secondary Teachers, Primary Teachers and Vocational Teachers and the Ratepayers Associations to be present at the meeting. Representatives of all the Associations with the exception of the Vocational Teachers were present and had been provided with a copy of the Engineer's report and an outline of developments to date regarding the provision of an indoor swimming pool in Limerick City.

Mr. J. Cronin, the representative of Thomond Swimming Club, felt it would be just as cheap to build a pool of international standards as a number of smaller pools throughout the City. He asked what money was available for the pool.

Miss M. Clancy, the representative of the Shannon Swimming Club, said that her club was not satisfied with the proposals contained in the City Engineer's report. Limerick deserved a pool of international standard and it would be unwise for the Council to settle for anything less.

Mr. Healy, the representative of the Residents Association, said his Association advocated pools in the different sectors of the City. The creation of electoral areas might give impetus to this suggestion that a pool might be necessary and provided in each electoral area. A citizens advisory committee might be set up to manage the pools in each area.

Mr. Smith, the representative of the Secondary Teacher's Association, said that his Association had no official policy in the matter. It seemed to him, however, that the considerations primarily were (1) the availability of money, and (2) it was obvious that some day a large pool would be needed for a city such as Limerick. He would favour the provision of the larger pool now.

Mr. Barry, the representative of the I.N.T.O. said his Association was concerned that whatever pool was provided had adequate facilities for children. A teaching pool in addition to the ordinary pool was desirable.

Mr. Kennedy, Chairman of the Ratepayer Association, said it appeared to him that a sum of £40,000 to £50,000 was available for swimming pool development in Limerick. He proposed an L shaped adult pool with a diving area at one end, and a separate pool for juveniles. 60% of those attending the swimming pool would be children. He thought that a separate teaching pool for children was essential. In the Minister's plan the dressing-room changing facilities for ladies was not adequate. With regard to the demand for regional pools, his information was that it was now possible to construct outdoor pools for £5,000 to £6,000. He suggested that the Corporation should examine the possibility of providing such pools in disused quarries in the different regions of the City.

Lawlor, and agreed:

"That a deputation consisting of the Mayor, the three Aldermen, Cllr. Liddy, the Manager and the Minister for Health, should wait on the Minister and convey to him the views of the Council and ask for clarification on the matter of funds being available for the large pool and the amount of subsidy the Minister would allow in respect of such pool."

Ald. Russell said he felt it was pointless for him to go on such a deputation in view of what the Minister had already stated.

Ald. Coughlan, who moved the motion, said the full question could be explored with the Minister and in particular the question of increasing the amount of subsidy beyond 50%.

Ald. Russell said in such a case he would accompany the deputation.

CHAIRMAN

At this stage the Mayor apologised to the meeting and asked leave to vacate the Chair as he had another function to attend. The Council granted leave.

Proposed by Cllr. Glasgow, seconded by Cllr. Kiely, "That Ald. Russell take the Chair". Ald. Russell then took the Chair.

ITEM 2: Housing Maintenance:

Ald. Coughlan asked what progress had been made to date with regard to the repair of houses in St. Mary's Park. He referred to the promise given to the tenants of this Scheme, together with Killeely and Prospect Schemes, to have the houses brought up to standard. He asked if the Corporation had provided sufficient monies for the proper maintenance of houses.

The City Manager said he would have a report prepared on this matter for the next meeting of the Council. A sum of £52,000 had been provided in the current estimate and this would be overexpended by approximately 10%. He reminded the Council that the Corporation would never be able to satisfy fully the demands of tenants for the repair of houses despite what provision was made. The only thing the Corporation could do was to make reasonable provision as had been done in the light of what the Corporation could afford. The Chairman said there should be a report for the next meeting of the City Council of the number of houses in St. Mary's Park brought up to standard; the number requiring to be brought up to standard and the cost.

LOANS AND GRANTS:

Ald. Coughlan said that some months ago the Council had passed a scheme increasing the income limits for supplementary grants in accordance with the new Housing Bill. He asked if this scheme had come into operation.

The Asst. Town Clerk said the Corporation had been advised by the City Solicitor that the scheme should not be brought into operation until the Housing Bill became Law. There was a retrospective clause in the Scheme covering houses in respect of which the first instalment of Government Grant was not paid before the 1st July, 1965. The Corporation were unable to pay Supplementary Grants at the present time as the loan applied for had not been approved.

The Council asked that the strongest possible representations be made to the Minister to approve of the loan sought in September last to enable the payment of supplementary grants to be made.

In reply to Ald. Coughlan the City Manager said that the position with regard to loans under the Housing (Loans and Grants) Act, 1962, had eased somewhat. Since November the Corporation had received the sum of £210,000 on foot of applications for loans from the Department. Recently a sum of £90,000 had been received. There remained outstanding £60,000 on the loan of £150,000 and the loan application of £150,000 which has still to be sanctioned. Applicants for loans were being cleared up to the end of December.

WATERGATE

The Chairman referred to the Architect's report, copy of which had been circulated to the members, with regard to progress on the Watergate Scheme; the Council had been told that it was proposed to advertise this scheme in January. It now appeared that

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Ald. Russell thanked the representatives for coming to the meeting and conveying to the Council the views of their Associations. He asked what grants were available for a pool and recalled that the Minister had clearly indicated that he would not approve of any swimming pools which would cost more than the prototype pool he was advocating.

The City Manager said the Minister had written to the local authority in June last, in the course of the letter it was stated that the Minister was not prepared to approve of the construction of swimming pools the cost of which would exceed the cost of the prototype pool which the Minister had succeeded in making available to sanitary authorities which was estimated to cost £16,000.

Ald. Russell said it was quite clear, therefore, that the Minister wished local authorities to proceed with the erection of the cheaper pool. The Council had considered the letter of June and had asked the City Engineer to report in the light of this decision. He thought the Council would be waiting its time in considering the large pool in view of the Minister's statement and suggested that a start be made on the provision of a prototype pool as suggested by the City Engineer.

Ald. Coughlan said the financial situation of the country at the present time must be taken into account. It appeared that no money was available for projects of this nature at the present time. In his view the Corporation must decide either to accept the Minister's pool now or if they wished to have the larger pool to pay the full cost of it. The proposals in the City Engineer's report might need adjustment. He was sure that the City Engineer was open to suggestions and advice. He thought the Council should go ahead with the City Engineer's proposals now. When the financial situation improved the question of providing a larger pool could again be examined.

Cllr. Liddy said he did not believe a small pool would be adequate for a city the size of Limerick. He felt the Corporation should build a large municipal pool where the youth of the city could be trained and could take part in international events. He would prefer to wait until the Corporation was in a position to build such a pool rather than to proceed now with something which would not satisfy. He referred to the need of the city to have a proper pool to cater for visitors as well as the population. The City Engineer in his report stated that provision was not made for children, and such provision was very necessary. The Council had accepted the idea of a large pool and should stick to this. He suggested that a deputation might wait on the Minister and obtain his views on the amount of grant which would be available for the building of the larger pool which he thought need not necessarily cost £110,000 which had been mentioned.

Ald. Carew said it appeared to him that the Minister would not approve of subsidy in excess of anything he might give for the prototype pool. It seemed to him that the Corporation, therefore, would be limited in terms of expenditure, portion of which would be recoupable to about £40,000. He asked if anything could be done by way of voluntary effort to raise funds in excess of this amount which would enable the Corporation to proceed with the larger pool. The deputation to the Minister might help to clarify the position.

Cllr. Glasgow was in favour of the larger pool.

Ald. Russell said he did not think the cost could be reduced. In 1962 when a special committee of the Council had reported on the matter the cost was then stated at £110,000. Costs had increased since then and it was wishful thinking to hope that a pool of the dimensions proposed at that time could be built for a lesser sum. In the light of the present situation the Council either had to decide to proceed with the prototype pool or to drop the idea until the financial situation of the country improved. He thought a joint committee of the Council and outside representatives might be set up to see if improvements could be made on the Engineer's proposals within the ambit of the Minister's scheme.

The Mayor suggested that a resume of the discussion be sent to the Minister and that he be asked to clarify for the information of the Council questions raised regarding the subsidy which might be made available for one pool against the other. After some further discussion, it was proposed by Ald. Coughlan, seconded by Cllr.

the Corporation was not in a position to advertise this scheme. The Architect said the scheme was difficult. All design work had been completed but the structural engineering drawings would take another six weeks. He would prefer to iron out all difficulties at this stage rather than have difficulties crop up in the course of the work. In reply to the Chairman the Architect explained the paragraph in his report relating to discussions with An Foras Forbartha with regard to standardising measurements and modular co-ordination of design.

The City Manager said that it was essential that the Corporation push on with the design of its own schemes and this would be done.

The Chairman paid tribute to the Architect for his work on this scheme and remarked that the difficulty of procuring adequate staff for his department had been referred to at previous meetings.

Ald. Coughlan said he was left with the impression that the Department was holding up the Watergate Scheme. He felt there was no money available for this Scheme. The City Manager said the Corporation had received all the money it asked for on the capital housing programme.

Arising out of the foregoing, in reply to Ald. Coughlan, the Asst. Town Clerk said that the planning of the new abattoir was proceeding and the stage had now been reached where advice on the structural design had been sought.

CAR PARK AT ARTHUR'S QUAY.

Ald. Coughlan suggested that the roadway at Arthur's Quay should be made a prohibited area for parking. Drivers would thus be obliged to use the Corporation's car park at Arthurs Quay. The City Manager said it would be unreasonable to judge the car park on the use being made of it at the present time. During the summer months the car park would be fully used and in addition the roadway would be required for car park.

Cllr. Keane suggested that if the Parking Bye-Laws were enforced by the Gardai the Park would be quickly filled. The matter was not further discussed.

GENERAL:

Representations were made by Cllr. Lawlor to have a public telephone erected in the Parke Estate, off Ballysimon Road, and by Cllr. Glasgow to have a ten minute bus service provided in the Rathbane area. It was agreed that both these matters would be taken up with the respective authorities.

Ald. Coughlan referred to a bad bend on the road at Crossagalla where a number of fatal accidents had occurred in recent years. The City Engineer said that a scheme was being prepared for this bend.

Cllr. Keane referred to the entrance to Garryowen from the Kilalee Scheme which was too narrow for buses. The City Engineer undertook to examine this.

SEALING:

Proposed by Cllr. Kirby, seconded by Cllr. Lawlor, and unanimously resolved:

"That the Corporate Seal be affixed to the following documents presented for sealing:

TENANT PURCHASE TRANSFERS: Deed of Assignment:  
John Moran, Dec'd. 25, Quin's Cottages.

Housing Loans - Mortgages:  
Patrick Fitzgerald, Park  
Patrick Ryan, Park,  
Patrick Morrissey, Park,  
Patrick Supple, Singland.

S. D. TRANSFER:  
Sheahan to Flanagan, Premises, Westfields, N.C.Road. File No. 17.  
Keane to Martin, Premises, 35, Mayorstone Park (Mortgage).  
Lane to Ring, Premises, 12, Oaklands Drive, (Assignment and Release).  
Lynch to O'Keefe, Premises, 91, Clareview Estate, (Assignment). P.I.O.

DEMOLITION ORDERS:

10, Lelia Place,  
13, Garvey's Range,  
3, Summer Street."

CONDOLENCE:

Proposed by Ald. Coughlan, and unanimously resolved:

"That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to Mr. & Mrs. Noonan, St. John's Square, on the tragic death of their son".

A true record.

T. P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager & Town Clerk.

Completed in Limerick on 8th March 1966

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Ald. Coughlan



COMPTONABLE CATHAIR LUIMNIGHE  
TENDERS COMMITTEE

A meeting of the above Committee was held in the County Courthouse on Tuesday 25th January, 1966 at 7.30 p.m. the following members being present:

- IN THE CHAIR : The Right Worshipful Cllr. F. Leddin Mayor.
- ALDEMEN : S. Coughlan T.D., J. Carew, G.E. Russell.
- COUNCILLORS : J. Kirby, P. Kelly, Mrs. F. Condell, W. Brazier, J. P. Liddy, P. Kiely, I. Lawlor and F. Glasgow.

OFFICERS PRESENT : City Manager and Town Clerk, Assistant Town Clerk, City Solicitor, City Engineer, Architect, City Accountant.

In accordance with the Regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialled by him and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action thereon:

TENDERS FOR AIR COMPRESSOR

<u>NO.</u>	<u>FIRM</u>	<u>PRICE QUOTED.</u>
1	George Birbeck,	£140. Os. Od.
2	S. McCormack	£ 95.10s. Od.
3	Joyce and Brady	£153. 9s. Od.
4	Chas Warren	£265.10s. Od.
5	H.R. Holfield	£183. Os. Od.
6	Atlas Copco	£335. Os. Od.

A true record.

*Confirmed and initialled on 8th March 1966*

*Stahn*  
*Chairman*

Thomas MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

COMPTONABLE CATHAIR LUIMNIGHE  
TENDERS COMMITTEE

A meeting of the above Committee was held in the County Courthouse on Tuesday, 8th February, 1966 at 7.30 p.m. the following members being present:

- IN THE CHAIR : Ald. S. Coughlan T.D.
- COUNCILLORS : J. P. Liddy, V. Feeney, J. Danagher, M. Lipper, W. Brazier, I. Lawlor and P. Kelly.
- OFFICERS PRESENT : Deputy City Manager and Town Clerk, City Engineer, architect, City Solicitor, Assistant Town Clerk.

In accordance with the Regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialled by him and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action thereon:

TENDERS FOR VAN (G.S. DEPARTMENT)

<u>NO.</u>	<u>FIRM</u>	<u>PRICE QUOTED</u>
1	Standard Garage	£431
2	Bedford Motor Co.	£540
3	A. White & Co.)	£503
4	A. White & Co.)	£455
	W.P. Ryan	£515

A true record.

*Confirmed and initialled on 8th March 1966*

*S. Leach*  
*Chairman*

Thomas MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

COMMITTEE CHAIR LUMMICHE  
TENDERS COMMITTEE

A meeting of the above Committee was held in the County Courthouse on Tuesday, 22nd February, 1966 at 7.30 p.m. the following members being present:

- IN THE CHAIR :** The Right Worshipful Clr. F. Loddin, Mayor.
- ALDERMEN :** S. Coughlan T.D., J. Carow, G.E. Russell.
- COUNCILLORS :** W. Brazier, F. Glasgow, J. Keane, P. Kiely, J. Kirby, T. Lawlor, J.P. Liddy, M.D. Lipper.
- OFFICERS PRESENT :** City Manager and Town Clerk, Assistant Town Clerk, City Accountant, City Engineer, architect, Housing Officer.

In accordance with the Regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialled by him and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action thereon:

Tenders for Milk		
No.	Firm	Price Quoted.
1	MS. Limerick Dairies Limited.	5/2d. per gallon.
Tenders for Buns		
No.	Firm	Price Quoted
1.	MS. Hotel Cecil Limited.	2/6gd per dozen.

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*S. Loddin*  
*Chairman*

Thomas MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

LIMERICK CITY COUNCIL

A meeting of the General Purposes Committee (Whole House) was held in the County Courthouse on Monday, March 23th, 1966.

**Present :** In the Chair : The Right Worshipful Clr. F. Loddin, Mayor.

Aldermen : S. Coughlan, T.D., G. E. Russell and J. Carow.

Councillors : J. Kirby, M. D. Lipper, J. Dunagher, P. Kelly, W. Brazier, T. Lawlor and F. Glasgow.

Apologies for non-attendance were received from Clr. P. Kiely, V. Finney and J. P. Liddy.

**Officers present :** The City Manager and Town Clerk, The City Accountant, City Engineer, Staff Officer City Manager's Office, etc.

**Item 1 : Housing (Construction) :**

Submitted circular letter from Department of Local Government dated 27th March, 1966, showing proposed capital money allocations to Limerick Corporation for supplementary grants, loans for house purchase, and Local Authority housing for year 1966/67. The City Manager said that in view of the important nature of this circular, he considered that a special report to Council should be made. This was agreed. In reply to the Mayor the City Manager said that the present rate of loan applications was an average of 6 per month.

**Item 2 : Speed Limits :**

Submitted report on proposed amendments to the Road Traffic (Speed Limit) Regulations, 1963, by the Minister for Local Government. Ald. Carow said he wished to protest that no cognisance had been taken of request that speed limit at Ballinacrum be altered.

**Item 3 : Representative to Annual General Meeting of the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Ltd. :** It was proposed by Clr. Lawlor and seconded by Clr. Lipper : " That Clr. P. O'Sullivan be again appointed to attend." This was agreed.

**Refuse Collection, Mulgrave Street :**

Clr. Lipper asked if anything could be done to have an earlier refuse collection on this area. Ald. Carow said that the evening when the collection was made. The City Engineer undertook to examine the matter.

**Flooding :** Ald. Russell said that a " lake " had formed at Kennedy Park Housing Scheme, and was dangerous to children. The City Engineer said he would look into this matter. Alderman Coughlan enquired re flooding at Greenhills and asked the City Manager to examine same with the City Engineer. It was proposed by Ald. Russell and agreed that Standing Orders be suspended for 15 minutes.

Ald. Coughlan asked the position with regard to E.S.B. Transformer Station at Mulgrave Street. This was an obstruction. Had the Corporation power to compel E.S.B. to remove it? The City Manager said that the E.S.B. can require the cost of removal from the Corporation. He would not agree to this unless it was an expense not met by the Corporation. Ald. Russell enquired if Corporation had any development proposal

LIMERICK CITY COUNCIL.

Meeting of the Planning Committee was held in the County Courthouse on Monday, March 28th 1966.

Present:

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful, Cllr. F. Leddin, Mayor.

Udermen: S. Coughlan, T.D., G.E. Russell and J. Carew;

Councillors: J. Kirby; M.D. Lipper; J. Danagher; P. Kelly; W. Brazier; T. Lawlor; and F. Glasgow.

Apologies for non-attendance were received from Councillors P. Kieiy and J.P. Liddy.

Officers present included: The City Manager and Town Clerk; City accountant; City Engineer; Staff Officer, City Manager's Office, etc..

ITEM 1:

Submitted Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee held on the 1st February, 1966, copies of which had been circulated to the Members prior to the Meeting. Noted.

ITEM 2:

Submitted copy of report of Special Committee of the Chamber of Commerce on development centres and industrial estates. It was agreed to defer consideration of this report, until the final report of Dr. Lichfield was available for consideration.

ITEM 3: - Correspondence:

The Minister's decision in relation to planning appeals was read. It was noted that the Minister upheld decision of planning authority in each instance.

ITEM 4: Submitted statement of decisions taken by the Corporation under the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1963, for months of February and March, 1966, and details of proposals under consideration at the end of the month. Noted.

A true record.

I.P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Confirmed in Council 15 to 25th April 1966*

*T. P. MacDiarmada*  
*Chairman*

in regard to Hall's Range. The City Manager said property here was privately owned but no development proposal had been submitted to the Corporation by any private group. Ald. Russell asked that two parking signs at St. Michael's Church in Denmark Street be moved. This would facilitate future Gardaí and Mass going motorists. The City Manager said the Gardaí would have to be consulted here. Ald. Coughlan asked that City Engineer prepare a scheme for Quarry or more suggestions regarding use of pedestrian crossings be examined. He also drew attention to stop signs on the main streets which were now practically obliterated. Cllr. Lawlor was informed that traffic signs for O'Grady Monument, Mulgrave Street, were now on order.

Item 4: Condolence: "That the Mayor and Council be tendered the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to the late Mrs. Bradshaw and condolence of the Council be tendered to the relatives of the late Mrs. Kieiy, 3, Exchange Street."

It was proposed by Ald. Russell and unanimously resolved: "That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to the late Mrs. Collins, 28, Highfield, Ennis Road."

Proposed by Mrs. V. Collins, 28, Highfield, Ennis Road. It was resolved: "That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to the relatives of the late Mrs. O'Neill of 6, St. John's Villas, Mulgrave Street."

Proposed by Ald. Coughlan and unanimously resolved: "That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to the late Mrs. Lyons of 21 Bengal Terrace."

Proposed by Cllr. Lawlor, and unanimously resolved: "That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to the late Michael Fitzgibbon of Shenavooch, Dublin Road, Limerick."

A TRUE RECORD,

T. P. MacDiarmada  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Confirmed in Council 15 to 25th April 1966*  
*T. P. MacDiarmada*  
*Chairman*

A meeting of the General Purposes Committee of the Limerick City Council was held in the County Courthouse (by kind permission of the County Registrar) on Monday, 23rd May, 1966, at 7.30 o'clock p.m., the following members being present:

In the Chair: Alderman S. Coughlan, I.D., Deputy Mayor,

Alderman: J. Carrow;

Councillors: W. Brazier; J. P. Liddy; T. Lawlor; V. Feeney;

Officers present included: City Manager and Town Clerk; Assistant Town Clerk; City Engineer; Mr. M. O'Sullivan, Acting City Accountant; Messrs. Quilligan and Fitzpatrick, Staff Officers, etc.

Apologies for unavoidable absences were received from Ald. Russell; Cllrs. Lipper; Kelly; Kirby; Danagher.

CONFERENCE:

It was proposed by the Chairman and unanimously resolved:

"That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to the wife and family of the late Mr. Michael Redden who died as a result of an accident, and was a member of the Limerick City Fire Brigade".

All members of the Council present, together with the City Manager, associated themselves with the resolution of sympathy.

ITEM 1: - Housing, Construction:

Copy of letter dated 10th May, 1966, from the Department of Local Government had been circulated to the members prior to the meeting. The letter referred to the request of the Council that the Minister receive a deputation to discuss the housing capital requirements of the Corporation, and stated that it would not be possible for the Minister to receive a formal deputation but he would be prepared to discuss the matter in the normal way with Dail Deputies or Senators in Leinster House as the occasion may arise.

Cllr. Liddy suggested that the Deputies should meet the Minister as had been suggested in the letter and press him to receive the deputation consisting of members of the Council, Labour and employer interests.

The Chairman said officials of the Department had received a deputation from the Builders Federation, as an account of this a deputation had appeared in the local paper. Employment of approximately 800 people in Limerick was threatened by the shortage of capital monies for new houses and he wondered if the matter was being taken seriously enough by the Department. The Chairman went on to refer to a recent question-time in the Dail when the Minister was questioned on the capital allocation generally, and had stated that inaccurate accounts had been furnished to him by local authorities. The Chairman said that the Minister should have said what authorities had furnished incorrect figures. He was not satisfied with the letter from the Department.

Alderman Carrow said that the Chairman of the Builders Federation seemed to have information of which the Council were not aware as he implied that the Corporation had not asked for enough money for purposes of loans and grants.

The City Manager said all information required by the Department of Local Government was given. He had furnished advice to the Department that the Corporation would require £400,000 for the purposes of making loans under the Housing (Loans and Grants) Act. This was based on a figure of 200 applications at an average loan of £2,000. Of this the sum of £300,000 was allocated. On the public sector the sum of £400,000 had been allowed to cover schemes in progress. The question was if

a further allowance would be made by the Department for works sanctioned during the course of the year. The City Manager went on to say that the Corporation had not modified its estimate as submitted to the Department nor did it appear to him that it was necessary to modify them. In reply to a number of queries regarding the present position re applications for loans, the City Manager said that applications generally were being dealt with up to the end of April.

Cllr. Feeney said the Minister should receive the deputation. Whilst the allocation for housing this year was greater than last year on a national level, to the Corporation it would not seem thus.

In reply to Ald. Carrow, the City Manager said the figures he had supplied to the Department were based on the estimated annual rate of building. In the case of private houses he took the rate of 200 houses which was a generous rate having regard to the experience of the Corporation over the last few years. The estimates submitted by the Corporation at any time to the Department were proper estimates.

After a further brief discussion the Chairman said that he would arrange that the Dail Deputies and Senators from East Limerick would meet the Minister during the week and the Council agreed to meet in special session on Friday 27th May, to discuss the matter further.

ITEM 2:

Again submitted circular H. 3/66 from the Department of Local Government regarding review of rents. The circular asked the Housing Authority to make a comprehensive review of rents. The City Manager in his report to the meeting said the matter was still under consideration and that it would not be possible to put before the Council a full report until the June meeting. The Council agreed to defer further consideration of this matter to the June meeting.

ITEM 3: - Tenant Purchase Schemes:

- Submitted report on Tenant Purchase, copy of the report dated 19th May, 1966, had been circulated to the members prior to the meeting. The report recommended:
- (1) modification and simplification of the application form - agreed;
  - (2) preparation of these maps - agreed;
  - (3) the Janesboro' Housing Maintenance Section to deal exclusively with the tenant purchase repairs for a period of three months and following that period half the Section to engage on this work. The arrangement should clear the Janesboro' Scheme in twelve months - agreed.
  - (4) the Corporation should not carry out any special repairs to Post War Tenant Purchase houses. The City Manager in reply to Cllr. Liddy said that cases which were in need of special repairs could be excluded from this provision. In reply to Ald. Carrow, the City Manager said he would not recommend the granting of a financial consideration to persons to allow them to do their own repairs. The Council had no objection to the adoption of this recommendation provided the City Manager undertook to consider cases brought to his attention.
  - (5) with regard to Tenant Purchase in Schemes now subject to increased rents, that no concession be made to tenants who had failed to avail of the option to purchase at prices which had in the meantime been increased. The Chairman said this clause was not just. He felt the tenant should get credit for the rent he had paid and suggested the adjournment of consideration on this question to a further meeting of the Council. The City Manager said the position was that tenant purchase Schemes generally were based on the rent payable in respect of the houses. Rents must be reviewed from time to time and consequently purchase prices of houses must be reviewed. It was agreed that the consideration of this item would be deferred.
  - (6) that the purchase price of houses be reviewed annually. There was no objection to the adoption of this recommendation.

ITEM 4:

Submitted report on revised Traffic By-Laws, One Way Streets. It was agreed that the report be considered at the next meeting of the General Purposes Committee.

A true record.

Thomas MacDiarmada.

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LIMERICK CITY COUNCIL.

(Planning Committee Meeting)

A Meeting of the Planning Committee of the Limerick City Council was held in the County Courthouse (by kind permission of the County Registrar) on Monday, 23rd May, 1966, at 8.30 o'clock p.m., the following Members being present:

In the Chair: Alderman S. Coughlan, Deputy Mayor.

Aldermen: J. Carew;

Councillors: W. Brazier; J.P. Liddy; T. Lawlor; V. Feeney.

Apologies for unavoidable absence were received from Ald. Russell; Cllr. Lipper; Cllr. Kelly; Cllr. Danagher; Councillor J. Kirby.

Officers present included the City Manager and Town Clerk; Asst. Town Clerk; City Engineer, Staff Officer, Housing, Acting City Accountant; etc.

ITEM 1:

Submitted the Minutes of the Planning Committee held on the 28th March, 1966, copy of which had been circulated to the Members prior to the Meeting. The Minutes were considered and noted.

ITEM 2: Correspondence:

Submitted report dated 19th May, 1966, from the City Manager, advising the Council that officers of the Corporation had had discussions in general terms on the prospects of urban renewal in Limerick City with a number of firms, and in particular with Messrs Arndale Development Co. of Charles Street, Bedford. The Company was anxious to meet members of the Planning Committee for a discussion on their proposals for central area re-development. The Committee agreed to meet the Company representatives at an early Meeting.

ITEM 3:

Submitted circular P.D. 10 of the 29th March, 1966, from the Department of Local Government re the preservation and extension of amenities, copy of which had been circulated to the Members prior to the Meeting. The Asst. Town Clerk said the circular applied particularly to planning authorities with coastal areas. It dealt with interference with established facilities for access to and use of beaches and other seaside amenities. It drew attention to the powers of planning authorities to deal with such interference.

Noted.

ITEM 4:

Submitted report on decisions taken since the meeting of the planning committee held on the 28th March, 1966, and of the applications on hands. The Council were advised that the Minister for Local Government had refused to grant permission on appeal to Messrs Pickford of Clare Street who wished to erect a premises at Clare Street. The Chairman asked that the Corporation should further consider this application.

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Resignation of the City Engineer:

The City Manager informed the Committee that the City Engineer had tendered his resignation effective from the 1st July as he proposed to take up appointment on that date as Borough Engineer to Dun Laoghaire Corporation. The Chairman paid tribute to the City Engineer for the services he had rendered the Corporation during his term of office and for the courtesy he had shown Members of the Council. Cllr. Liddy, Ald. Carew, Cllr. Feeney, Cllr. Brazier, Cllr. Lawlor associated themselves with the Chairman's remarks, and extended good wishes to the City Engineer in his new appointment. The City Manager said the Corporation was sorry to lose the services of Mr. Brennan who had shown during his brief service with the Corporation ability and dedication to his work which proved him to be an exceptional officer.

A true record.

Tomas MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Confirmed and signed in hand. 14<sup>th</sup> day of June 1966*

*J.P. Liddy*  
Chairman

A meeting of the Tenders Committee (Whole House) was held in the Mercants Quay, on Tuesday, 14th June, 1966, at 7.30 p.m.

- Present:**  
**Chairman:** Councillor J. P. Liddy.  
**Aldermen:** G. E. Russell, and J. Carew;  
**Councillors:** F. Condell; V. Feeney; P. Kiely; T. Lawlor; J. Kirby; F. Glasgow;
- Officers present included: The City Manager and Town Clerk; Assistant Town Clerk; City Solicitor; City Engineer; Acting City Accountant; Mr. M. Lynch and Mr. M. Greene, Assistant City Engineers; Staff Officers in Engineers and Housing Departments.
- Apologies for non-attendance were received from Ald. S. Coughlan, I.D., and Cllrs. M. Lipper; P. Kelly and P. O'Sullivan.

In accordance with the regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialled by him, and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action thereon.

Tenders for Road Works.

NO.	FIRM.	PRICE QUOTED.
1.	P. Hoare, 1, The Crescent, Limerick.	£60,008. 3s. 0d.
2.	P. J. Walls & Bros., Glendore Road, Griffith Ave., Dublin.	£53,381. 4s. 1d.
3.	South of Ireland Asphalt Co., Victoria Road, Cork.	£53,418. 2s. 1d.
4.	Roadstone Ltd., Naas Road, Dublin.	£60,944. 18s. 10d.
5.	Malachy Burke, Rermore, Galway.	£78,814. 3s. 3d.

Clothing Tenders 1966/67.

<b>Limerick Clothing Factory:</b>	<b>Uniforms</b>	from £16. 7s. 0d. to £19. 10s. 0d.
	<b>Overcoats</b>	from £10. 2s. 6d. to £14. 5s. 0d.
<b>Cannock &amp; Co., O'Connell Street, Limerick.</b>	<b>Shirts</b>	£1. 12s. 6d. to 19s. 11d.
	<b>Neckties</b>	6s. 11d. to 4s. 11d.
	<b>Socks</b>	7s. 3d.
	<b>Shoes</b>	£2. 12s. 6d. per pair.

*Confidential Item 30*  
 true record.  
 T. P. MacDiarmada,  
 City Manager and Town Clerk.  
 T. P. MacDiarmada,  
 Chairman

A meeting of the General Purposes Committee (Whole House) was held in the County Courthouse, Merchant's Quay, (by kind permission of the County Registrar), on Monday, 24th October, 1966, at 7.30 o'clock, p.m., the following members being present:

- In the Chair:** Alderman G. E. Russell,  
**Aldermen:** J. Carew and S. Coughlan, I.D.,  
**Councillors:** W. Brazier; P. Kiely; J. Kirby; P. Kelly; F. Glasgow;  
 F. Leddin and J. P. Liddy,
- An apology for unavoidable absence was received from Cllr. Lipper.
- Officers present included: The City Manager and Town Clerk; Assistant Town Clerk; City Solicitor; City Accountant; Mr. M. Greene, Acting City Engineer; Mr. O'Callaghan, architect; etc.

**CHAIRMAN:**  
The apologies of the Mayor for unavoidable absence were conveyed by Ald. Carew. It was proposed by Ald. Carew, seconded by Cllr. Liddy, and resolved: "That Ald. Russell be appointed Chairman".

Ald. Russell then took the Chair.

DEPUTATION FROM RESIDENTS OF GREENHILLS, GARRYOWEN:

Proposed by Cllr. Brazier, seconded by Cllr. Leddin, and agreed: "That a deputation from the residents of Greenhills, Garryowen, be heard".

Mr. J. Kemmy, Spokesman for the Deputation, said that there were 17 families residing in Corporation houses at Greenhills, where, due to the failure of the Corporation to complete the development, there was no road to the houses and an open area in front of the houses was subject to flooding and was in a most unsightly condition. He called on the Corporation to develop this area and to complete the scheme. He understood there were certain difficulties with regard to the re-settlement of shop-keepers residing along the frontage of Garryowen.

DEPUTATION FROM THE RESIDENTS OF KENNEDY PARK:

The Chairman moved that a deputation from the residents of Linden Court, Kennedy Park, be heard. The Committee agreed.

Mr. Quinn, Spokesman for the Deputation, said that there were 27 houses at Linden Court. The residents had complained since they occupied the houses about the quality of the finish. There were number of matters which required attention and despite their complaints nothing was being done. He asked that the Corporation arrange to have an immediate inspection made.

A second speaker supported the Spokesman and said it was surprising that such complaints should arise in the case of newly completed houses. A list of the complaints was handed to the City Manager.

The Chairman said matters arising from the representations of both Deputations could be taken under Item 1.

ITEM 1: (Housing):

Ald. Coughlan referring to the Deputation from the Greenhills area said that the complaint made was correct. The area was wretched. He had brought the matter to official notice twelve months ago and nothing had been done. Development had Cllr. Brazier said he was living in one of the houses in question. The area should not been completed and the condition of the open area was very bad. The area should

be developed as an open space and not for a car park.

The architect said delay in clearing the houses on the front was the biggest problem as the Corporation was not able to complete the plan development without clearing along the road frontage.

The City Manager said that steps would be taken immediately to solve the problem of flooding in the open space. The future use of this area was a matter which the Council might like to consider more fully. Its use, partly as a car park and partly as an open space, might be possible. He would have for the next meeting of the Committee a report on the question of future development.

RE: KENNEDY PARK DEPUTATION:

In reply to the Chairman the architect said he would have an immediate check made on the complaints handed in by the residents. The question of the responsibility of the builder having regard to the maintenance period would also be determined.

Other matters relating to Kennedy Park were as follows:

Ald. Coughlan commented on the use of one entrance to two houses. This he said, was a source of friction, and its inclusion in future schemes should be avoided.

Cllr. Kiely said the Streets in this scheme did not bear proper name-plates.

The City Manager said this would be looked into.

HOUSING MAINTENANCE:

There was a long discussion on housing maintenance; in the course of which the following points were made:

Cllr. Leddin - generally speaking the repair work was not being carried out to the satisfaction of the tenants. In some areas work was commenced, the men were then withdrawn and the work was not completed for a considerable time.

Ald. Coughlan asked if the Corporation had sufficient staff. Alternatively, was the supervision adequate? In the operation of this section there seemed to him to be negligence and delay. In particular there was no satisfaction from complaints to the Strand Barracks Depot. He understood that there was only one machine in the section and was lead to believe that it took days to make simple items common in the repair of a house which could be made by a contractor in a matter of hours. It seemed to him that the Corporation or the tenant was not getting a return for the money spent on housing maintenance. He asked the City Manager to make a thorough investigation into the working of the Housing Maintenance Department of the Corporation.

Cllr. Liddy said complaints about this section were continuous. He was of opinion that the Corporation would never be able to satisfy fully the demands of tenants for repairs. He felt that the funds voted for housing maintenance were not adequate and consequently the staff was not adequate. He suggested that there might be a special meeting to investigate the whole question.

Ald. C new welcomed the discussion. He felt the Corporation should carry stocks of standard items of repair rather than have them manufactured for specific repairs.

The Chairman said that in common with the members of the Council he received continuous complaints regarding failure of the Corporation to do essential repairs. He thought a special investigation into this section would be helpful and he also asked that the report regarding the cost of repairs and the number of houses in need of repair should be available for the meeting.

The City Manager in replying to the debate said the system of organisation in this area was thought to be good and had been the subject of favourable comment from independent sources. The introduction of more machinery had been considered and approved. However, in view of the financial position of the Corporation it would have to be taken in stages. He wished to make the point that the Corporation did in fact carry out a substantial number of repairs each month as would be seen from the monthly departmental report but as had been said in the debate the Corporation

was not in a position to meet fully the demands of tenants for repairs. He also advised the Council that since the last meeting he had met, at their request, a deputation from the Building Trades Group, Corporation employees section, and the deputation made very strong representations about the condition, other than structural condition, of a number of houses in which the men were required to work. He would have a report for the next meeting of the Committee covering the matters raised in the discussion.

VISIT OF INSPECTOR APPOINTED BY THE MINISTER TO LIMERICK:

After a brief discussion it was proposed by Ald. Coughlan, seconded by Cllr. Leddin, and unanimously resolved:

"That we ask the Minister for Local Government to make available to the Corporation, and the members of the Council, as soon as possible, the report of the officer of his Department who visited Limerick some time ago to investigate matters pertaining to the rent and repair of certain Corporation houses."

HOUSING REMIS:

It was proposed by Cllr. Leddin, seconded by Cllr. Kelly, and agreed:

"That further consideration of reports re rents be deferred to the next meeting of the General Purposes Committee".

MISCELLANEOUS:

Matters raised:

Ald. Coughlan - Public Lighting at Keyes Park Housing Scheme; Fosbrien and Lansdowne Gardens,  
Bus service to South Hill.

Cllr. Lawlor; Bus service to Parke Estate,  
Flooding at Ballysimon Road;

Cllr. Kiely; Lighting system at Dublin Road;

Cllr. Kirby; Lighting at Cathedral Place.

The City Manager said these matters had been noted and would be investigated.

ITEM 2: Purchase of Lands at Galvonei

Proposed by Cllr. Glasgow, seconded by Cllr. Lawlor, and unanimously resolved:

"That the Corporation agree to purchase from the Limerick Health Authority 58 acres of lands at Galvonei with piggery and buildings thereon, for the sum of £34,000".

ITEM 3:

Submitted report of Scholarship Sub-Committee. The report recommended that the income limit be raised to £1,000 with an allowance of £60 for dependant children in the case of Secondary Scholarships, and to £1,400 with an allowance for dependant children of £90 per child in the case of University Scholarships.

The report was adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Leddin and seconded by Cllr. Lawlor.

SPECIAL MEETINGS RE MILK:

The Council unanimously agreed that a special meeting of the City Council to further consider sports re milk be held on the 15th November, 1960, at the usual time and place.

Proposed by Cllr. Kiely, seconded by Cllr. Kirby,

"That the Corporate Seal be affixed to the following documents presented for sealing:

Housing Loans - Mortgage - Anthony Roche, Bllinacurra Weston.  
Judgment Mortgage - Slattery, Island Road, Release and Memorial,  
in favour of Bro. E.F.Clancy & Ors.

Deeds of Mortgage:  
P. McNamara, St. Patricks Road,  
M. McInerney, St. Patricks Road,  
M. Noonan, St. Patricks Road,  
Tenant Purchase Schemes:  
Mrs. Catherine Reynolds, 5, Mitchell Street,  
50, O'Dwyer Villas, (Release),  
Pk. J. Mulrooney, 9, McDermott Avenue,  
Hanna Fitzgerald, to Helena Griffin, 31, McDonagh Ave. (Assignment),  
John P. Reynolds, to Helena Griffin, 31, McDonagh Ave. (Assignment),  
Annie O'Callaghan, 15, Downey Street (Lease/mortgage),

MORTGAGES:  
Hugh Mulcahy, Clareview Estate,  
Timothy O'Connor, Clareview Estate,  
Christopher O'Connell, St. James Park,  
Patrick McWahon, St. James Park,  
Patrick Woodland, St. James Park,  
John C. Ryan, St. James Park,  
Gerard McNamara, St. James Park,

LEASE/MORTGAGES:  
James Carey, 7, McDonagh Avenue,  
Anthony Manning, 27, Quins Cottages,  
Geo. Moore, 4, Connolly Avenue,  
Patrick Daly, 11, O'Dwyer Villas,

Agreement Re Road Works: Upr. William Street, Roches Street,  
Lr. Cecil Street, O'Connell Avenue, M/s. P.J. Walls & Bros.  
(Dublin) Ltd.

DEED OF TRANSFER: Assignment:  
Limerick Corporation to County Council - Plot of Ground at  
Fairgreen - Folio 13146.

INDENTURE - Minister for Defence and Corporation - Civil Defence  
Range at Knockallsheen.

The Committee accepted the invitation of the Adm. St. Johns to a High  
Mass on Sunday, 30th October, the Feast of Christ the King.

*Confirmed*  
*W.P. Kelly*  
*1966*

A true record.

*Joe P. Liddy*  
Tomas MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

A meeting of the Planning Committee (Whole House) was held in the  
County Courthouse, (by kind permission of the County Registrar) on Monday,  
24th October, 1966, at 9-p.m., the following members being present:

IN THE CHAIR: Alderman G. E. Russell,  
ALDERMEN: Alderman J. Carow and Alderman S. Coughlan, T.D.,  
COUNCILLORS: J. Kirby; F. Leddin; M. Brazier; J.P.Liddy;  
P. Kiely; T. Lawlor; F. Glasgow and P. Kelly,

Apology for unavoidable absence was received from Cllr. M. Lipper.  
Also present included the City Manager and Town Clerk; Assistant Town Clerk;  
City Solicitor; City Accountant; Mr. M. Greene, Acting City Engineer;  
Mr. O'Callaghan, Architect, etc.

ITEM 1: The minutes of the Planning Committee held on the 23rd May, 1966, of  
which printed copies were circulated, were considered and noted.

ITEM 2: Submitted report from the Acting City Engineer on the progress being made  
towards the making of the Development Plan. Noted.

ITEM 3: Correspondence:  
The Council were informed of the Minister's decisions in relation  
to appeals in the following cases:

Block of flats at Rosbrien - the Minister decided to grant Outline Permission.  
Erection of 23 houses at South Circular Road, for the Crowley Estate - the  
Minister confirmed the Corporation's refusal of Outline Permission.

Erection of 47 houses on a site at Corbally for Messrs. Dineen & Co. - the  
Minister decided to grant Permission.

Advertisement hoarding at the Railway Station for Messrs. Robert Slaughter Ltd.  
the Minister decided to grant permission.

Advertisement hoarding at the junction of Nicholas Street and Convent Street -  
the Minister decided to grant permission.

Bowling Alley at Clareview, Ennis Road - the Minister confirmed the Corporation's  
decision that permission be granted subject to certain conditions which related  
to the parking of cars, road safety and advertisements.

The Chairman said he wished to protest in the strongest possible manner against  
the decision of the Minister to allow a Bowling Alley in a residential area at  
the Ennis Road.

Ald. Carow and Cllr. Leddin supported this view.  
Cllr. Liddy said that central areas were areas where Bowling Alleys might be  
erected. He suggested that the Council should take up again with the Minister  
this question and point out that members were unanimous in their opposition to  
having a Bowling Alley in this location and ask that the Minister should again  
consider the matter.  
The City Manager said the members views would be conveyed to the Minister.

SCHEME OF HOUSES AT CORBALL:  
The Council were advised that Clare County Council had informed the  
Corporation that permission had been granted for the erection of a housing scheme,  
total of 294 houses, at Knockallynameath, Co. Clare, near Limerick. The site  
was directly across the River on the Clare Side of the Shannon. The Corporation  
was satisfied with regard to the foul drainage of the scheme. Negotiations with  
Clare County Council for the supply of water by the Corporation were proceeding.



Ald. Carew said it was a pity that this site, which was an amenity to the citizens of Limerick, should be used for housing purposes.

Cllr. Leddin said he wished to place on record his Party's welcome for the proposal to erect a major scheme of houses on the outskirts of Limerick.

Cllr. Lawlor agreed with this view.

Ald. Coughlan said he hoped that whatever technical difficulties existed would be overcome and that the scheme would start soon and relieve unemployment in the building trade in Limerick.

REPORT ON DECISIONS:

Submitted the report on decisions of Corporation since the last meeting, and report on applications on hands.  
Cllr. Leddin referred to a case on hands with regard to an extension to a house at 1, Glenview Avenue, Farranashone. He said that approval had not been sought before the work commenced. He wished to place on record the fact that he was opposing the grant of permission in this case. Other neighbours in the area were also objecting.

The Council noted the information given in the statement issued to the members.

PUMPS AT CLARE STREET:

In reply to Ald. Coughlan, the City Engineer said that the pumps at Clare Street were being brought up to ground level. The work was proceeding and he thought it would take two months to finish. In the meantime he could give an assurance that there would be no flooding in low-lying areas off Clare Street.

SCHEME OF HOUSES AT CORBALLY:

Cllr. Liddy referred to an application before the Corporation for permission for a scheme of 66 houses at Corbally. He understood the application was being refused on the grounds that the roadway was too narrow. He felt the Corporation should consider this matter again.

The City Manager said the Corporation had asked for 24 ft. roadway and two 5ft. paths at the entrance to the scheme. He thought the Corporation should insist on this.

Ald. Coughlan said the road must be sufficiently wide, as in previous schemes insufficient width was allowed and difficulties were now arising owing to this.

The Chairman also referred to past decisions where roads of insufficient widths were being allowed. The Corporation should now increase their specification for roads to an adequate width.

In reply to Cllr. Liddy, the City Manager said the Corporation would discuss any outstanding matters with the builder concerned.

CONDOLENCE:

It was proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Cllr. Glasgow and unanimously resolved:  
"That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to the relatives of the victims of the tragedy in the coal-mining town of Aberfan in Wales."

Proposed by Cllr. Kiely, and unanimously resolved:  
"That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to the Quilligan family of Rheboque on the death of Mrs. Quilligan."

*Confirmed*  
*in Council*  
*11th 8th*  
*Nov. 1966*  
*W. 1966*  
*Chairman*  
A true record.  
I. P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

COMRAIRLE CATHAIR LUINNIGHE  
TENDERS COMMITTEE

A meeting of the above Committee was held in the County Courthouse, Merchant's Quay, on Monday, 10th October, 1966 at 7.30 p.m. the following members being present:

- In the Chair: The Right Worshipful Councillor V. Feeney, Mayor.  
Aldermen: J. Carew, S. Coughlan I.D., and G. E. Russell.  
Councillors: W. Brazier, F. Condell, F. Glasgow, J. Keane, P. Kelly, P. Kiely, J. Kirby, T. Lawlor, F. Leddin, J.P. Liddy and M.D. Lipper.

Officers present included the City Manager and Town Clerk, Assistant Town Clerk, Acting City Engineer, City Solicitor, City Accountant, Chief Veterinary Officer, Chief Medical Officer etc.

In accordance with the Regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialled by him and delivered to the Deputy City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action thereon:

Firm	Amount
1/3 Mr. Stuart Clein, 9, Little Gerald Griffin Street, Limerick.	Items 1 to 8 £70. 0. 0.
2/3 Richard Hegarty, 42, Mangret Street, Limerick.	£92. 0. 0.
3/3 Thomas Donlon, "Hill View", Wolfe Tone Street, Limerick.	Items 9, 11, 13 £26. 10. 0.

PRINTING

- 1/1 Messrs. McKerns Printing Works Ltd.,  
Glentworth Street,  
Limerick. £2,750. 0. 0.  
~~£2,750. 0. 0.~~

*£2,750. 0. 0. 8th Nov 1966.*

A true record.

*Joe. Phiddy*  
Tomas MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

A meeting of the above Committee was held in the County Courthouse, Quay, (by kind permission of the County Registrar) on Tuesday, 15th November, 1966, at the conclusion of a Special Meeting held to consider the milk supply to the City.

The following members were present:

- In the Chair: The Right Worshipful Cllr. V. Feeney, Mayor,  
 S. Coughlan, I.D.; G. E. Russell; J. Carew;  
 F. Leddin; P. O'Shea; W. Brazier; J. P. Liddy;  
 P. Kiely; T. Lawlor; F. Glasgow;  
 Officers in attendance: Deputy City Manager; Assistant Town Clerk;  
 Dr. T. Barnes; Dr. R. Hayes; M. O'Connor,

In accordance with the Regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialled by him and delivered to the Deputy City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action thereon:

1/8	Atlas, 3, Baldersgade, Copenhagen, Denmark.	Tender: Equipment for Abattoir FOB, Copenhagen Estimate: Stables, Slaughtering, Refrigeration, Hide & Skin storage, Welfare Rooms, Offices EXCHANGE RATE: 19.26875 D.Kr. to £1.	£123600. D.Kr. £2879000. D.Kr. £411000. D.Kr.	£64145. 6. 3.
2/8	Patk. O'Flynn, Mill St., Cork.	As per Drawings, Specification & Bill of Quantities		£247673. 0. 0.
3/8	Messrs. J. & G. Murphy (Cork) Ltd.	Lairage, Slaughter Hall, 4 Chill Rooms Offices, toilets. (a) Complete in accordance with Plans & Specifications, including refrig. and equipment. (b) As (a) but omitting insulation, refrigeration equipment and overhead rails in chillrooms 3 and 4. (c) As (a) but substituting flat bar runway for twin bar track. (d) As (b) but substituting flat bar runways for twin bar track.		£113525. 10. 0. £102471. 11. 11. £110737. 6. 3. £103876. 15. 11.
4/8	Messrs. John Whelan Ltd., Limerick.	Pens, Office, Laboratory, Dressing Room, Dressing Rooms and Chill Rooms.		£183187. 0. 0.
5/8	Messrs. E. & J. Dolan Ltd., Limerick.	Abattoir - in accordance with E.C. Regulations. Lairage, Slaughter Hall, Offices, Meat Refrigeration room.		£179630. 0. 0.
6/8	Michael McNamara, Dublin.	Lairage, Slaughter, Chill Rooms, Laboratory, Office.		£121175. 0. 0.
7/8	John Sisk & Son, Cork.	Lairage, Slaughter Hall, Holding Rooms - Excluding Office Block, Do. - Including Office Block,		£148900. 0. 0. £162900. 0. 0.
8/8	Mr. P. Hoare, Limerick.	Lairage, Killing and Dressing, Cooling Office.		£122400. 0. 0.

A true record.

Tomas MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Confirmed in Council  
15th Nov 1966  
Vernon Feeney*

A meeting of the above Committee was held in the County Courthouse, Merchant's Quay, (by kind permission of the County Registrar) on Tuesday, 28th November, 1966, at the conclusion of a Special Meeting held to consider the milk supply to the City.

The following members were present:

- In the Chair: The Right Worshipful Cllr. V. Feeney, Mayor,  
 G. E. Russell; J. Carew;  
 P. O'Shea; W. Brazier; P. Kiely; T. Lawlor;  
 F. Glasgow;

Officers in attendance: City Manager; Assistant Town Clerk;  
M. O'Connor, Staff Officer.

In accordance with the Regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialled by him and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action thereon:

Messrs. McInerney Contractors Ltd., Fluebell, Inchicore, Dublin.	£344,200. 10. 1.
Messrs. John Sisk & Son Ltd., Caswell Works, Douglas Street, Cork.	£708,000. 16. 2.
Messrs. John Whelan Ltd., Wolfe Tone Street, Limerick.	£447,688. 13. 2.
Mr. Patrick O'Flynn, Mill Street, Co. Cork.	£440,665. 9. 3.
Mr. Thomas Hayes, The Green, Killaloe, Co. Clare.	£353,105. 2. 3.
Messrs. Malachy Burke (Contractors) Ltd., Renmore, Galway.	£344,987. 13. 6.
Messrs. J & G Murphy Cork Ltd., Manahan Road, Cork.	£396,729. 6. 10.
Mr. Michael McNamara, Delville, Lisdoonvarna, Co. Clare.	£320,387. 1. 6.

A true record.

Tomas MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Confirmed in Council  
15th Nov 1966  
Vernon Feeney*

LIMERICK CITY COUNCIL

The General Purposes Committee Meeting and the Planning Meeting of the Limerick City Council were held in the County Courthouse, Merchant's Quay, (by kind permission of the County Registrar) on Monday, 28th November, 1966.

Roll Call: The Roll was called at 7.30 o'clock when the following members answered:

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful, Cllr. V. Feeney, Mayor,

Aldermen: J. Carew; G. E. Russell;

Councillors: T. Lawlor; P. O'Shea; P. Kiely; W. Brazier; F. Glasgow;

Officers present included the City Manager and Town Clerk; Assistant Town Clerk; Mr. M. O'Connor, Staff Officer, Town Clerk's Department.

It was proposed by The Right Worshipful, Cllr. V. Feeney, Mayor,

Seconded by: Alderman G. E. Russell,

And resolved:

"That this meeting of the Limerick City Council be adjourned as a mark of respect on the death of the late Scan I. O'Ceallaigh, President of Ireland 1945 to 1958, Freeman of Limerick City 1948. That deep and heartfelt sympathy be extended to Mrs. Sean I. O'Ceallaigh on the death of this great and noblehearted man who was a soldier, scholar and statesman and whose efforts on behalf of the people of Ireland brought honour and prestige to the Nation."

The meeting then adjourned. to December 13th, 1966.

A true record.

T. P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Confirmed to be true this 14th February 1967*  
*Vincent Feeney*  
*Alderman*

A meeting of the Planning Committee was held in the County Courthouse (by kind permission of the County Registrar) on Monday 23rd January, 1967, following a Special meeting to consider the Provisional Health Estimate. The following members were present :-

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful Cllr. Vincent Feeney, Mayor.

Aldermen: J. Carew, G.E. Russell.

Councillors: P. O'Shea, F. Leddin, W. Brazier, P. Kiely, I. Lawlor, F. Glasgow, W. D. Lipper.

Officers present included: The City Manager and Town Clerk, Assistant Town Clerk, Mr. M. O'Sullivan, Staff Officer, City Accountant's Department, Mr. M. O'Connor, Staff Officer, Asst. Town Clerk's Department.

Item 1. Minutes of Planning Committee meeting held on 24th October, 1966.

Submitted the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 24th October, 1966 for consideration. Noted.

Item 2.

Submitted circular P.D. 13 dated 9th November, 1966, from the Department of Local Government. Noted.

Councillor Leddin referred to condition of road leading to Roxboro area. There was heavy traffic on this road due to industrialisation and new housing. The railway bridge on this road was too narrow, badly lighted and was a traffic hazard. Councillor Leddin asked if the manager could arrange for the provision of a footpath on the bridge. The City Engineer said he would take the matter up again with C.I.E.

It was proposed by Cllr. Leddin, seconded by Cllr. Lawlor and agreed

"that provision be made in the Development Plan for the bringing of the Roxboro Road including the railway bridge up to proper standard".

Roads.

Item 3.

New Roads and Car Parks to be included in the Development Plan :

- (1) Widening of road from Inwood Bridge to Balls Bridge. - Agreed.
- (2) New road through buildings in Sarsfield Street to link Henry Street with Honan's Quay. - Agreed.
- (3) New Road from Charlotte Quay through Michael Street, Ellen Street, Denmark Street, to join Little Catherine Street. - Manager to bring back report on exact line of road showing its entry into William Street.
- (4) New road known as Ring Road from the Dublin Road to the Tipperary Road to the Kildallock Road to the Roxboro Road to the Ballinacura Weston Road to the Dock Road. - Agreed.
- (5) New road through Park Linking Park Road with the roadway from the Dublin Road to the Canal Bridge. - Agreed.

(6) The City Parameter Road: Decision to be withheld until confirmation is received from the County Council that they will include for

- (6) improvement the portion of the proposed road which runs through the County area.
- (7) New Street to connect Cathedral Place and Roxboro' Road running through lands to the west and the rear of S. John's Pavilion. - Agreed.
- (8) New Bridge across the Shannon from Lower Mallow Street and roadway to the south of the North Circular Road through Barrington's Pier. - Agreed.

Car Parks.

- (1) Reclamation of Arthur's Quay and use as a car park. - Agreed.
- (2) Provision of car park in area known as Pikes Bow off Upper Gerald Griffin Street. - Agreed. Area to be more generally described as between High Street and Gerald Griffin Street.
- (3) Additional Car parking facilities in the area to the west of Sarsfield Bridge. - Agreed.
- (4) Provision of car parking facilities in so far as possible in area bounded roughly by the line Farnell Street, Gerald Griffin Street, Upper William Street, Catherine Street. - Agreed.

Item 4.

Planning Decisions and Applications.

Councillor F. Leddin referred to planning application of Mrs. C. Hayes, 1, Glenview Avenue, and stated that he formally objected to any further development in this case.

The City Manager informed the members that there was no objection by the Corporation to the erection of a sub-way by Roches Stores. The Manager stated that the City Engineer had satisfied himself as to the construction. The City Solicitor was also consulted and there was nothing in law to prevent the erection of the tunnel. The Committee had no objection to the grant of a permission in this case.

Councillor Leddin referred to Kelly's Range and asked if there were any plans for the site. The City Manager said that there was no proposal for the site at the moment but he would look into the matter again.

Moved by Councillor Kiely and agreed

"that Standing Orders be suspended for 15 minutes".

Item 5.

Calculated report and further extract from Lichfield Report.

In connection with the rebuilding of the centre of the City, Alderman Russell stated that urgent attention should be given to rebuilding the older areas such as Innonadgate and St. Mary's Parish. He would like to see plans brought forward for development of these areas. He would support any proposal to employ further technical staff to prepare plans for the centre of the city.

The Mayor agreed with Alderman Russell and said that it was time to take a serious look at the development of the central areas. The Mayor also stated that there was need for the provision of a University, College of Technology, and reference Library.

The City Manager asked if a site should be reserved in the Development Plan for a University College and a College of Technology. This was agreed by the Committee.

Condolence.

Proposed by Councillor Casprow, Councillor Lawlor and Councillor O'Shea "that the sympathy and condolence of the Council be extended to the relatives of the following :

- Miss E. Burke, Pearse Avenue,
- Mr. Ryan, Ross Avenue, Carryowen.
- Miss Dillon, Geraldine Villas."

A true record.

T. P. MadDiaruada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

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*Caroline in hand this*  
*Monday 2 February 1967*  
*Vivient Feeney*  
*Chairman*

## Limerick City Council

A meeting of the General Purposes Committee of the Limerick City Council was held in the County Courthouse (by kind permission of the County Registrar), on Tuesday, 27th February, 1967, at 7.30 o'clock p.m., the following members being present:

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful Clr. V. Feeney, Mayor.

Aldermen: J. Carew, S. Coughlan, T.D., and G. E. Russell.

Councillors: W. Brazier, J. Keane, F. Glasgow, T. Lawlor, J. P. Liddy, and P. O'Shea.

Others present included the City Manager and Town Clerk; Assistant Town Clerk; City Engineer; Architect; City Solicitor; Mr. Quilligan, Staff Officer Housing Section; Mr. M. O'Connor, Staff Officer, Asst. Town Clerk's Office.

Apologies for unavoidable absence were received from Clr. Condeh, Clr. Kelly, and Clr. Lipper.

### ITEM 1: HOUSING CONSTRUCTION.

Submitted report setting out the position in relation to the construction of houses in Culbert Park, Watergate, Keyes Park, South Hill West (1) and Spital Land Housing Schemes. The City Manager asked the Council that the Department of Local Government be asked to be furnished with map showing the lands which the Corporation had available for housing in the Galvone area, the inside 800 houses in this area would be available for proposals in accordance with the resolution of the City Council, passed in June, 1965.

Ald. Coughlan commenting on the housing position in Limerick said that small houses were badly needed. He paid tribute to the work of St. Anne's Guild in providing a number of houses on a site off Bishop Street. He referred to a number of sites in the city which he thought might be suitable for such houses to be provided by the Corporation—Kelly's Range, Blackboy Pike, site in Lelia Street from the junction of the Long Car with Pennywell to the junction of Lelia Street with New Road Pennywell, site at Clancy Strand, site at Garryowen opposite the Wall Field. He asked that the position with regard to the housing schemes and this was something which should receive the immediate attention of the Corporation. The Corporation should expedite the building of schemes and redevelopment generally of central city areas.

Ald. O'Shea supported

Clr. Liddy said that the Council had been promised a report on Derelict Sites in the city. This report had not yet been submitted. Derelict sites were a blight on the city and he asked that positive action be taken to clean up and redevelop these sites. The possibility of cedarwood houses at Kelly's Range might be examined. He asked what was going to happen with regard to Hall's Range. The Corporation had a site at Clare Street, and he understood that formal application for the use of this site for industrial purposes had been refused. The price being asked by the Corporation was too high.

Ald. Russell said that the redevelopment of Thomondgate was

one of urgency, and despite this no programme for the redevelopment of the area had been put before the Council. He asked why the Corporation did not see the need to redevelop areas in the city and let the sites to local builders. He also asked if the Corporation would consider re-quired private houses to have front gardens. He would favour buildings on the edge of the footpath. Ald. Russell went on to say that it seemed to him that the Corporation would have no houses for at least twelve months.

Ald. Carew said that it was a mistake that the Corporation did not provide more small houses. He asked the position with regard to Vizes Field.

The Mayor said that the members of the Council and himself were perturbed about the lack of suitable housing for old people. He agreed with members that said about the derelict sites in the city. The numbers of houses being built were not sufficient to meet the demand by the Corporation, and he hoped that a programme for the development of houses would be put before the Council at an early date. Thomondgate was an area which should have priority.

The City Manager said that the discussion had been most helpful. It was obvious that there was a need for definite emphasis on building back into the city instead of suburban development. This was a point which would be borne in mind by the Corporation in the preparation of its development plan, and in the meantime, he would place before the Council at an early meeting a definite programme for house construction in inner city areas. A number of sites had been mentioned—Kelly's Range, Blackboy Pike, was the site of a scheme which the Corporation had submitted on the occasion of the meeting of the Local Government in this regard. The Corporation would be responsible to the Department. The proposal would be submitted again, and if it was not approved he would suggest to the Council that the site be taken into the adjoining Thomondgate area. The other sites referred to would be investigated. Private and local authority housing, and the Corporation would give urgent attention to the acquisition of land in the area. Clancy Strand; the proposal here was to dispose of this land to the Parish Priest who wished to erect a house on the site. Details would be submitted in due course to the Council.

With regard to Vizes Fields, the City Solicitor said that making of the Outer had been with him for some time and its completion by May was the preliminary work in connection with the Outer. He asked by May the Department of Local Government with regard to private housing specified a frontage 35 ft. back from the road centre. This standard applied to local authority houses generally, and not much could be done to bring houses near the roads. However, he had achieved some modification of this standard in the Kennedy Park Scheme, especially in relation to the houses for old people.

Ald. Coughlan asked if the staff attached to the Architect's Department was adequate.

The City Manager said that the staff in this Department was one Senior Architect, and one Architect Grade I, plus two draughtsmen. The Grade I Architect had been seconded to the Department to work on the planning section and was expected to return after joining the staff of the Corporation in about three months after an appointment with Dublin Corporation. The staff, therefore, in the Architect's Department had been upset and had been working under pressure in connection

with the Watergate and the South Hill Schemes. He thought that if the full content was available the staff in this section should be adequate. He advised the Council that the Local Appointments Commission had made a recommendation for the appointment of a Grade I Architect to the Corporation.

South Hill: Ald. Coughlan said that the Corporation should ensure that before houses were let in schemes, the schemes were properly finished, with roads, lighting, gas and all services. South Hill Scheme lacked a bus at present and as children from the area were still attending schools in their former residential areas the absence of a bus from the scheme was a great hardship.

The City Manager said that he had received a report with regard to tenants in South Hill who had occupied houses which were not fully serviced, and he would ensure that credits, which were not being accounted for, were paid. He would also arrange to see the Area Manager of C.I.F.E. with regard to the bus services generally in the South Hill area, and also in particular the provision of a school bus.

**ITEM 2: UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS SCHEME, 1967.**  
Submitted report dated 22nd February, 1967, from the City Manager asking for approval to the scheme for University Scholarships for 1967 with two amendments:

That the income limit be increased from £1,200 to £1,400 with an allowance for a dependant child as recommended by the Department of Education, and that Clause 12 be amended by the deletion of the restriction on the award of a Post Graduate Scholarship for the Higher Diploma in Education.

The Manager's report stated that the Corporation did not accept the proposition that 4th year award candidates should be considered for the Higher Diploma in Education, but that the removal of the bar on such awards would enable any such application to be treated on its particular merits.

Proposed by Cllr. Glasgow, seconded by Cllr. Liddy, and unanimously received: "That the University Scholarship Scheme for 1967 be adopted as recommended."

Airing out of the foregoing, the City Manager advised the Council that a strong recommendation had been made by the Academic Council of Galway University for a renewal of a scholarship for a fourth year in the case of a graduate, Patrick F. Ryan, who wished to read the course for the Diploma in Higher Education. In such circumstances, and subject to the approval of the Council, he was prepared to allow the fourth year award. The Council on the motion of Ald. Coughlan, seconded by Ald. Russell, unanimously agreed to the extension of the award in this case for a fourth year.

**ITEM 3:**  
It was proposed by Ald. Russell, seconded by Cllr. Keane, and unanimously received: "That the Corporate Seal be affixed to the following documents presented for sealing:  
**Housing Loans—Mortgages:** John Costelloe, Singland; Stephen C. Kearns, Singland; George Cunningham, Singland; John Morrison, Singland; John O'Reilly, Singland; James Cotter, Singland; James Ryan, Singland; Thomas Scully, Singland; Harold McEvoy, St. Patrick's Road; William E. Leahy, Clareview Estate; Thomas Slicedy, Ballinacura Weston; Thomas Chawke, Ballinacura Weston; John Collins, Singland.

with the Watergate C.P.O. Warrants; Covering Map Nos. 50, 108, 126, 127, 128, 160.  
Boys Club at Garryowen; Limerick Corporation v. His Lordship the Bishop of Exeter and the Corporation of Limerick; Certs. No. 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1949.  
Tenant Purchase Schemes—Lease and Mortgage: John Broderick, 44, Keane Street; George Ryan, 7, Grattan Street; Ellen LeGear, 35, Keane Street; Nora Windrim, 16, Rossa Avenue; Madeline Hickey, 32, Daly Avenue; Margaret McKee, 36, Downey Street.  
Small Dwelling Transfers—Deed of Release and Memorial: Michael Larkin, 12, Glenview Drive. Release: Mrs. Kathleen Eades, 1, Stand View Terrace. Assignment: Kenny to Nolan, 47, Mary St. Drive. Release: Tuohy to McMahon, 39, Greenfield Avenue. Transfer: Hayes to Lison, 158, Moyarone Park. Memorial: Alfred F. Goodwin, Sunville, S.D. Transfer: James Coughlan and Humphrey Coughlan, 28, Shelburne Road.  
Conveyance No. 3 C.P.O.—Deed of Conveyance: John F. Shewdy, Undertaking Re Payment of Supplementary Loan £12,800 for completion of erection of scheme of 330 houses at Garryowen.  
Patrick Molloy v. Limerick Corporation: 1 and 2 John Square—Deed of Assignment.  
Upper Carey's Road C.P.O. 1950: Premises: 71, Upper Carey's Road, C.I.F.E. to Limerick Corporation—Deed of Conveyance.  
Limerick Corporation to Dan Sweeney: Plot at Rossa Villas—Lease.  
Garryowen No. 1 Area C.P.O. 1957: Patrick Ryan to Limerick Corporation—Deed of Conveyance and Memorial.  
Garryowen Transfer: Noel and Sheila Ryan: Lease and Counterpart.  
Undertaking to Repay Loan £405,000: Erection of 100 dwellings at Watergate under Section 56 of the Housing Act, 1966.  
Watergate Area C.P.O. Warrant: John Collins, 55, Mungret Street.  
Housing Act, 1966—Demolition Orders: 53, Old Clare Street, 7, Lella Place; 59, Sexton Street North; 14, Dominick Street.

**ITEM 4: GENERAL.**  
Flooding a Sand Mill: Ald. Coughlan referred to flooding at Sand Mill, as a result of recent heavy rain. He stated that in June 1965 he had been promised that work would be done on repairs to the river wall. It was most disappointing to find that despite this undertaking nothing had been done.  
Ald. Russell supported and agreed with the views expressed. The City Manager said that there had been extensive flooding of the city in a number of places as a result of the very heavy rain during this past week. With regard to the Sand Mill area he said that the houses were below high tide level and there was always a danger of flooding in this area. The wall was a problem but he was not aware of the Corporation had undertaken to carry out any major slip work to construct a water-retaining wall. It would appear that in certain weather conditions, flooding was likely to occur in this area. The Mayor supported the view that the wall should be repaired. The City Manager said that an examination would enable a full report to be submitted to the Council in due course.  
A TRUE RECORD  
T. P. MAC DIARMADA,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

Confirmed - Council 11th 29th day of  
Week 1967  
V. Keane  
Chairman

### Planning Committee Meeting

A meeting of the Planning Committee (Whole House) was held in the County Courthouse (by kind permission of the County Registrar) on Monday, 27th February, 1967, following the conclusion of the General Purposes Committee Meeting, the following members being present:

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful Cllr. V. Feeney, Mayor.

Aldermen: J. Carew, S. Coughlan, T.D., G. E. Russell.  
Councillors: W. Brazier, J. Kenne, F. Glasgow, T. Lawlor, J. P. Liddy, P. O'Shea.

Officers present included the City Manager and Town Clerk; Assistant Town Clerk; City Engineer; Architect; City Solicitor; Mr. Quilligan, Staff Officer Housing Section; Mr. M. O'Connor, Staff Officer; Asst. Town Clerk's Office.

Apologies for unavoidable absence were received from Cllr. Condehl, Cllr. Kelly, and Cllr. Lippert.

**ITEM 1:** Submitted for the consideration of the Committee, minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on the 23rd January, 1967. Noted.

**ITEM 2: DEVELOPMENT PLAN:** Submitted report dated 24th February, 1967, from the City Manager with a report dated 24th February, 1967, from the City Engineer, listing objectives for roads under the heading of "Roads and Traffic" for inclusion in the Development Plan. The report set out the following objectives for roads:

1. New road from the Borough Boundary at Caberdavlin to a point on the old Ennis Road west of Tuominid Park.
  2. Portion of the Ring Road from the junction with Limerick-Cork road at Ballymacurra to its junction with the Robrien Road.
  3. New street opening off Henry Street to give access from Sarsfield Street to Arthur's Quay.
  4. Extension of the Ring Road from Ballymacurra Weston through Rathbane to the Roxboro' Road.
  5. New road through Lower Park linking Park Road with the road from the Dublin Road to Canal Bridge.
- Car Parks. Car park and retaining wall at Arthur's Quay, and car park off Little Gerald Griffin Street.
- Road Widening: Parnell Street, South Circular Road, Courtbeck Avenue, Sexton Street North, through Thomond Bridge, to the Metal Bridge to the South Hill. Housing Scheme, Lock Quay to Clare Street and to Roses Avenue.
- The total cost of the Works was estimated at £670,000. The Manager's report stated that the resources of the Corporation would be adequate

to enable the Corporation to take all necessary steps to complete the works or prepare for the commencement of the works within the period of the plan.

Ald. Coughlan referred to the need for the widening of the Farrinshone Road. After a brief discussion it was proposed by Ald. Coughlan, seconded by Cllr. Liddy, and unanimously resolved: "That provision be made in the Development Plan for the widening of the Farrinshone Road."

**Extension of the Ring Road from Rathbane to the Roxboro' Road:** In reply to Ald. Coughlan, the City Manager said that the Corporation had not yet acquired all the land necessary to enable the roadway to be extended. Negotiations were proceeding for the acquisition of a further small area. These negotiations were not successful; the Corporation would have to consider other proposals.

Ald. Russell said that while the Council approved of the inclusion of the objectives in the Development Plan, the Council did not want to force people affected by any of the proposals to disprove of their property to the Corporation without having full regard to their rights.

The City Manager said that whilst the statute imposed an obligation on the Corporation to pursue objectives stated in the statutory development plan, the Corporation could only have recourse in so doing to the powers as conveyed by Law.

In reply to Ald. Coughlan, the City Solicitor said that what the Council was now doing was giving approval to include certain objectives in the development plan. He said that the Corporation had a right in draft and individuals affected would have the right to object and the objection must be considered by the Council before the Plan was adopted. He felt that any action taken now by the Council would not prejudice the rights of individuals to object.

The Council unanimously approved of the inclusion of the objectives as stated in the City Engineer's report which accompanied the Manager's report in the draft Development Plan, on the motion of Ald. Russell, seconded by Ald. Coughlan.

**Sewerage:** Submitted report dated 24th February, 1967, from the City Manager with a report of the same date from the City Engineer, giving details of the Development Plan. (1) A sewer from South Hill to the Robrien Pumping Station; (2) a new main sewer at Ballynamybeg; (3) laying a new main sewer in Clare Street; (4) extension of three sewers on foreshore at Arthur's Quay. Total cost of the works was estimated at £84,000.

On the proposal of Ald. Coughlan, seconded by Ald. Russell, the Council unanimously agreed to give approval to the inclusion of these objectives in the draft development plan.

Reservation for special purposes: The City Manager said that the report on this matter was not prepared, but would be submitted to a later meeting.

**Zoning:** Submitted report dated 24th February, 1967, from the City Manager referring to the previous decision of the Council to define the term 'residential', and referring to certain structures which the Council felt should be excluded from areas reserved either solely or primarily for residential purposes. Amongst such structures were warehouses. The Manager asked that the Council should reconsider its attitude with regard to defining the term residential. It would be sufficient for the

**STANDING ORDERS:**  
At 9.30 p.m. the Council unanimously resolved that Standing Orders be suspended to enable the meeting to continue its session until 10 p.m. At 10 p.m. consideration of further business was adjourned.

**CONGRATULATIONS:**  
It was proposed by Cllr. O'Shea, and unanimously resolved: "That the congratulations of the Council be tendered to A. Finnacane, who had secured an Irish Cap on the Republic of Ireland National soccer team."

**CONDOLENCE:**  
Proposed by Ald. Russell, and unanimously resolved:  
"That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to the relatives of the late Dr. Tadhg Foley."  
"That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to the relatives of the late Mr. T. Purcell."  
It was proposed by Cllr. Lawlor, and unanimously resolved:  
"That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to the relatives of the late Mr. D. Clabsey on the death of his wife."

A TRUE RECORD,  
TOMAS MAC DIARMADA,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Confirmed in Council this 29th day of June 1967*  
*V. Jeanev*  
*Chairman*

Corporation to know the Council's views with regard to structures which should be allowed in residential areas, and such views would be kept in mind by the Corporation in considering any proposals for such cases. The matter arose with regard to the Dublin Road area, which was shown on the provisional plan as residential, and in respect of it the Corporation had received two applications for variation in conflict with the plan as planned in this residential area. It was proposed by Ald. Coughlan, seconded by Cllr. Liddy, and unanimously resolved: "That the report dated 24th February, 1967, regarding the variations be approved, more, that the Council express the view approved."  
The second part of this report related to the Fairgreen and referred to the fact that the Limerick Co. Council had asked for a price of £30,000 for the sale to the Corporation of approximately 15 acres of this area. The Council had asked that the Corporation obtain an independent valuation. Such a valuation had been obtained and was in the sum of £15,000. The report stated that consideration had been given to the future use of the lands in question, and it was desired to advise the Corporation in having regard to the need to make further provision for open spaces and playing fields in the development plan should be acquired in this area, it was not recommended that the lands should be acquired at this stage by the Corporation for housing or as an open space. The Council noted the contents of the Development Plan as an open space. Arrangements for the Corporation on zoning, Ald. Coughlan referred to a site at Merchants Quay where he said a local merchant wished to erect a showroom. An application had not been made to the Corporation but in discussion with the Manager he understood that the Corporation would not grant a re-emission. He asked that the Corporation should allow the proposal.

The City Manager said the property was in an area which had been reserved in the provisional plan and approved by the Council as a "special area" for civic buildings, open spaces, etc. This property was valuable, and it was important that the Corporation should ensure that no person should be able to appropriate such lands for their own use. For that reason the Corporation had taken steps to ensure that the property of this individual which had been placed on the site was removed from the site. Ald. Russell said that the Committee had given serious consideration to the proposal to purchase this particular area and it was in his opinion an area which had been left for special treatment. No new development should be allowed in it which would not be in keeping with an overall plan for the development of the area. The Mayor said he had been approached on behalf of the businessman concerned. However, having listened to the views of the City Manager and the views of the members of the Council he would be slow to recommend the proposal if it would be in any way with the proposal to create in this area a civic centre. Pressed by Ald. Coughlan, the City Manager said that no proposal was before the Corporation at the present time for the use of the site in question, but if such proposal were submitted he felt it should fall on planning grounds. Ald. Russell supported by Cllr. Keane said the Corporation should try and get an alternative suitable site for the person in question.



COMMITTEE CHAIR LUMMISHE.

TENDERS COMMITTEE

A meeting of the above Committee was held in the County Courthouse on Wednesday, 29th March, 1967 at 7.30 p.m. the following members being present:

IN THE CHAIR: The Right Worshipful Cllr. Vincent Feeney, Mayor.

ALDERMEN: S. Coughlan T.D., J. Carew, G. E. Russell.

COUNCILLORS: M. Brazier, F. Glasgow, P. Kelly, P. Kiely, J. Kirby, I. Lawlor, F. Leddin, M. D. Lipper P. O'Shea.

OFFICERS PRESENT: City Manager and Town Clerk, City Architect, City Solicitor, Acting City Engineer, Mr. K. Quilligan, Housing Officer, Mr. M. O'Sullivan, Staff Officer, Accounts Department, Mr. J. O'Donnell, Rates Inspector, Mr. M. O'Connor, Staff Officer, Assistant Town Clerk's Department.

In accordance with the Regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialled by him and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action thereon:

No.	Firm	Price Quoted
1.	MS. Limerick Dairies Limited.	5/4d. per gallon.

Tenders for Milk.

No.	Firm	Price Quoted
1.	MS. Hotel Cecil Limited.	2/9d. per dozen.

Tenders for Buns.

A true Record.

Thomas MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Confirmed in Council this 11th April 1967*

*W. J. O'Sullivan*

*Thames*

COMMITTEE CHAIR LUMMISHE.

TENDERS COMMITTEE

A meeting of the above Committee was held in the County Courthouse on Tuesday May 9th, 1967 at 7.30. p.m. the following members being present:

IN THE CHAIR: The Right Worshipful Cllr. Vincent Feeney, Mayor.

ALDERMEN: S. Coughlan T.D., G. E. Russell.

Councillors: Mrs. F. Cordell, F. Glasgow, P. Kelly, P. Kiely, J. Kirby, I. Lawlor, F. Leddin, J.P. Liddy, P. O'Shea, M.D. Lipper.

OFFICERS PRESENT: City Manager, Assistant Town Clerk, City Engineer, City Accountant, City Architect, Chief Veterinary Officer and M. O'Connor, Staff Officer.

In accordance with the Regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialled by him and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action thereon:

Appointment of Traffic Consultant.

A total of 21 tenders were received for the above.

No.	Firm
1.	M. O'Dwyer & Tippitts-Abbett-McCarthy-Stratton, New York.
2.	Polycon Group & Freeman, Fox Wilbur Smith & Associates.
3.	Scott Wilson Kirkpatrick & Partners,
4.	Colin Buchanan & Partners,
5.	Hennessy, Chadwick, O'Keocha & Partners, K.K.S.C.I.S. LTD.
7.	E. V. H. Gifford & Partners,
8.	Sir M. Halcrow & Partners,
9.	Ove Arup & Partners,
10.	M.S. Atkins & Partners & Hugh Molony, Howard, Humphries & Sons,
11.	Munce & Kennedy,
12.	Husband & Co.,
13.	Brimer, Martin, Maggs, Keeble & Partners,
14.	Scandiaconsult,
15.	R. Millburn & Associates,
16.	Management Sciences Ltd.,
17.	T.P. ...
18.	Viak,
19.	Miles - Kefcey Limited, Newburn House, Croydon England
20.	Alan Stratford & Associates, Nicholas House, High Street, Maidenhead, Berkshire England.
21.	G. Maunsell & Partners, Glen House, Stag Place, London S.W. 1.

A true record

Thomas MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Confirmed in Council this Day of July 1967*

*S. E. Russell*

*Thames*

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A meeting of the above Committee was held in the County Courthouse on Tuesday May 9th, 1967 at 7.30 p.m. the following members being present:

**IN THE CHAIR:** The Right Worshipful Cllr. Vincent Feeney, Mayor.  
**ALDERMEN:** S. Coughlan T.D., G.E. Russell.

**COUNCILLORS:** Mrs. F. Condell, F. Glasgow, P. Kelly, P. Kiely, J. Kirby, F. Lawlor, F. Leddin, J.P. Liddy, P. O'Shea, M.D. Lipper.

**OFFICERS PRESENT:** City Manager Assistant Town Clerk, City Engineer, City Accountant, City Architect, Chief Veterinary Officer and M. O'Connor, Staff Officer.

In accordance with the Regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialled by him and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action thereon:

Tenders for erection of 133 houses at South Hill West.

No.	Firm	Amount
1.	Messrs. Malachy Burke (Contractors) Ltd., Rennore, Galway.	28,883. 0s. 2d.
2.	Mr. C. Kelly & Sons Ltd., Bharranama, Thurles, Co. Tipperary.	342,940 10s. 9d.
3.	Messrs. T. McInerney & Sons Ltd., Building Contractors, Bluebell, Inchicore, Dublin.	364,062. 3s. 0d.
4.	Western Enterprises Limited, 65, Seafield Road, Clontarf, Dublin.	373,068 1s. 9d.
5.	Mr. Michael McEamara 4, Wellington Road, Ballsbridge, Dublin.	394,105. 7s. 8d.
6.	J. & G. Murphy (Cork) Ltd., Morahan Road, Cork.	

A true Record.

*Confirmed in Council*  
*11th day of July 1967*  
*K. J. P. Russell*  
Tomas MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

Oifig Clearigh na Catrach,  
arús na Catrach,  
Luminigheach.

TENDERS COMMITTEE

A meeting of the above Committee was held in the County Courthouse (by kind permission of the County Registrar) on Tuesday 13th June, 1967 at 7.30 p.m.

The following members being present:

**in the Chair:** The Right Worshipful Cllr. V. Feeney, Mayor,  
**Aldermen:** J. Carew, S. Coughlan, T.D. and G.E. Russell,  
**Councillors:** P. Kiely, F. Leddin, M. Lipper, F. Glasgow,  
J. P. Liddy and P. O'Shea,

Officers present included, City Manager and Town Clerk, Assistant Town Clerk, City Solicitor, City Accountant, City Engineer, and Chief Veterinary Officer.

In accordance with the Regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialled by him and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action thereon:

TENDERS FOR THE SUPPLY OF TRAFFIC CONEVIERS

1.	Messrs. Henry Spring & Company Ltd., 1100 House, 199, Pearse Street, Dublin, 2.	£421. 16. 0.
2.	Messrs. McCreath, Taylor & Co. Ltd., 1 and 2 Eden Quay, Dublin, 1.	£465. 0. 0.

TENDERS FOR THE SUPPLY OF VAN

1.	Messrs. Dennehy Cross Garage Ltd., Cork. - Austin A. 60	£750. 0. 0. less £130. trade in allowance.
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TENDERS FOR ERECTION OF GREENHOUSE

1.	Mr. John G. Oulsthoorn, Dublin Road, Limerick.	£675. 0. 0.
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A true record.

T. P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.  
*11th day of July 1967*  
*K. J. P. Russell*

### Tenders Committee Meeting

A meeting of the above Committee was held in the County Courthouse, on Tuesday, 19th September, 1967, at 7.30 p.m., the following members being present:

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful, Alderman G. E. Russell, Mayor.

Aldermen: P. Kennedy, S. Coughlan, T.D., and M. D. Lipper.

Councillors: J. N. Quinn, A. O'Driscoll, J. Carey, M. Earls, F. Liddin, P. Kieley, J. P. Liddy, A. Bromell, C. Casey, S. Fielding, J. Bourke.

Officers present included: City Manager and Town Clerk; Asst. Town Clerk; City Engineer; City Solicitor; Architect; City Accountant; Asst. City Engineer; Mr. M. O'Sullivan, Housing Officer, etc.

In accordance with the Regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialled by him and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action thereon:

#### Tenders for the Supply of Compressor to Gas Department:

1.	LMC (Engineering) Ltd., Naas Road, Clondalkin, Dublin.	...	£1,040 0 0
2.	D. J. Carroll (Machinery) Ltd., 8, Rathmore Ave., Lr. Kilmacud Road, Shillorgan, Co. Dublin.	...	£983 10 0
3.	Fleming and Co. (Dublin) Ltd., 19/20, Hanover St. East, Dublin, 2.	...	£976 10 0
4.	Atlas Copco (Ireland) Ltd., St. Teresa's Road, Crumlin, Dublin, 12.	...	£1,282 0 0
5.	Construction Supplies, G. Petters and Company Limited, 47, Rathgar Road, Dublin, 6.	...	£1,179 7 6
6.	J. H. Saville and Co. Ltd., Harvester Corner, Sundry, Dublin 9.	...	£1,249 0 0
7.	FMA POKORNY (Ireland) Ltd., 10, Grattan Crescent, Inchicore, Dublin, 8.	...	£1,020 0 0
8.	Chas. Warren and Co. Ltd., 122, St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, 2.	...	£1,280 0 0

### Limerick City Council

A meeting of the Planning Committee of the Limerick City Council was held in the County Courthouse, Merchant's Quay, on Wednesday, 20th September, 1967, at 7.30 o'clock, the following members being present:

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful, Ald. G. E. Russell, Mayor.

Aldermen: S. Coughlan, T.D., and P. Kennedy.

Councillors: A. Bromell, J. Bourke, J. Carew, C. Casey, F. Glasgow, P. Kieley, F. Leddin, J. P. Liddy, A. O'Driscoll.

Officers present included: City Manager and Town Clerk; Assistant Town Clerk; City Engineer; City Solicitor; City Accountant; Mr. M. Greene, Asst. City Engineer.

#### CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTIONS AND SUBMISSIONS TO THE DRAFT PLAN:

Submitted on 19th September, 1967, from the City Manager to which were attached two schedules:

Schedule 1 contained particulars of objections to the Draft Plan where an oral hearing was requested and given, together with a synopsis of the comments of the Planning Officer on each objection.

Schedule 2 contained similar particulars in respect of objections or submissions where an oral hearing was not sought.

Submitted with both schedules was copy of each written statement submitted by objectors, together with a copy of the report of the City Solicitor, the officer appointed by the Corporation to hear oral objections on the oral hearing in each appropriate case. A full copy of the report of the Planning Officer on each objection was also submitted.

City Manager then made a brief discussion on procedure. He stated that the Committee could not be expected to consider in the time available the objections made and the question of asking the Minister for an extension of time should be considered.

Ald. Coughlan said the policy of the Corporation should be to make a flexible plan. He did not want cases to arise in the future where the plan would be held up as an obstacle to development in any part of the city.

The Mayor said he agreed with this view, but at the same time the Corporation would also have to adopt a policy that the plan was a protection for the citizens in so far as it sought to control development and to guide particular development into the most suitable parts of the city for such development.

The City Manager said that the Corporation would be wise to consider making its plan before the 1st October. The plan was a framework within which the Corporation would operate. The intention was that it should be flexible and not restrictive. It was a matter for the Council, which had the obligation to make the plan, to suggest any amendments they wished.

In reply to Ald. Coughlan, the City Manager made it clear that after the adoption of the plan the Manager would continue to deal with individual planning applications. Ald. Casey further brief discussion the Council decided to consider the reports on objections.

The following discussion reports were taken:

- 1. Objection of Dr. T. M. Quinlan and Others to the reservation

9. Strangford Limited, 72, Francis Street, Dublin, 8. ....	£1,273 0 0
10. J. S. Lister Ltd., Dorset Street, Dublin, 1. ....	£1,240 0 0
11. A. H. Misser Limited, Precision Works, Kilmore Road, Dublin, 10. ....	£1,280 0 0
12. H. R. Holford Ltd., 2-4, Merrville Road, Sillorgan, Dublin. ....	£1,315 0 0

A true record,  
TOMAS MAC DIARMADA,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Confirmation by*  
*He not Oct 1967*  
*A. Russell*  
*Chairman*



**EMPLOYMENT AND EMERGENCY SCHEMES** VOTE 1967/68

Submitted report from the City Manager dated 8th September, 1967 together with reports from the City Engineer and the City Architect and the City Engineer's proposals for the inclusion of works to be carried out under the Employment and Emergency Schemes Grant. The total fund available to this cost was £18,100. The total estimated cost of the work proposed was £32,500. The Council having examined the list in detail made a final selection as follows:—

SCHEME	Estimated Cost	Work Approved
1. Improvements to existing open space at Greystones, Emis Road	£2,500	£2,500
2. Improvements to existing public open space at Barrington's Pier	£1,000	£500
3. Improvements to existing public open space at Mill Road, Corbally	£500	£500
4. Completion of Swimming Pool at Old Reservoir, Emis Road	£4,500	£4,500
5. Removal of railing at King John's Castle, re-laying of kerb, levelling off front, seeding and provision of footpath to Castle entrance	£800	£800
6. Reconstruction of footpaths at Lansdowne Park	£1,000	£1,000
7. Reconstruction of footpaths at Ballynanybeg	£1,000	£1,000
8. Continuation of cleaning of park and facing same at Corbally Baths, also provision of safe bathing place for learner swimmers	£2,000	£1,000
9. Lowering of wall at Upper Carey's Road above Railway Bridge, dressing embankment and planting with shrubs, provision of low wall above embankment along pathway	£1,100	1,100
10. New entrance and gateway to Caledonian Park	£700	£700
11. Reconstruction of road fronting College Park Housing Estate	£4,000	—
12. Construction of paths in Custom House Park	£500	—
13. Provision of paved areas and seating in various positions in Parks and open spaces	£1,000	£600
14. Construction of concrete roadway around square at Ballynanybeg	£2,000	£1,000

areas would meet the objections.

3. Objection by the Limerick University Project Committee (Miss M. Lyddy, Lifford Avenue, Limerick), to the proposed locations for a New College as shown in the plan.

Mr. Bromell said that it seemed to him that the objection was based on the idea that the Institutes for Higher Education would be obliged to accept the sites stated by the Corporation in the plan. This he thought was not the case. He advocated the inclusion of Thomondgate as an appropriate site.

The Mayor agreed and asked that Thomondgate should be added. The City Manager said the position was that the Corporation were merely indicating a general policy that institutes for Higher Education should be in-city and that in the Corporation's view the sites named in the plan were suitable sites.

6. Objection of Mr. William Cusack, 18, Rutland Street, Limerick. The City Manager explained that the amendment to Paragraph 20, Part II, which had already been agreed would also cover this particular objection.

9/10. Objection of Mrs. Liam Curtin, 21, Sarsfield Street, Limerick, and Mrs. Finola Ryan, The Nook, 20, Sarsfield Street, Limerick, to proposed road linking Henry Street and the City Engineer's proposal as proposed by that committee was recommended pending the receipt of the Traffic Consultant's report which would result in the preparation of a supplementary road plan to be incorporated as an amendment into the Development Plan.

The Committee accepted the views of the City Engineer and asked that these views be stated in the plan.

11. Objection by Messrs. Cian O'Carroll and R. J. Hickey, Moytura, North Circular Road, Limerick, to the zoning of an area at the rear of Westfields for residential purposes and also to a statement that a reservation be made in the area for a road to join with the proposed new bridge matter. It was explained that further consideration be given to this matter. It was explained that a planning application was before the Corporation for housing development in portion of the lands at Westfields not owned by the Corporation. This matter would come before the Committee at the next meeting.

12. A submission by the Junior Chamber of Commerce recommending a number of amendments to the Draft Plan. The Committee decided to defer consideration of this submission to its next meeting.

**Water Supply at Monacloine and Galvone:**

In reply to Ald. Coughlan, the City Engineer said that the plan made no provision for a water supply to Monacloine or to the National Building Agency site at Galvone. However, these were matters which would be considered by the Corporation. The water to the National Building Agency site could be provided concurrently with the building of the houses.

15.	Construction of concrete roadway at Shamabody	£1,100	—
16.	Provision of car parking area at Ballymany Beg	£1,000	—
17.	Construct concrete playground in People's Park	£1,000	—
18.	Construct concrete road at Hunts Lane and Lady's Lane	£900	£1,000
19.	Improvement to playing fields at St. Mary's Park	£500	£500
20.	Open space Kennedy Park	£1,000	£1,000
21.	Car Park at Clancy Strand	£900	—
22.	Further improvements at Gough's Quarry	£1,500	£1,500
23.	Preliminary site works at Rhebogue Waterworks for proposed swimming pool	£1,000	£1,000
24.	Mayorstone Quarry	£1,000	£1,000
		£32,500	£18,100

**CONDOLENCE:**  
 It was proposed by Cllr. Liddy and unanimously resolved:  
 "That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to the family of the late Mrs. Margaret Shanahan of County View Terrace, Ballymurduh."  
 A TRUE RECORD.

TOMAS MAC DIARMADA,  
 City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Copy forwarded to Council Clerk*  
*10th Oct - 1967 J. Russell*  
*Chairman*

LIMERICK CITY COUNCIL

Committee

A Meeting of the Planning / of the Limerick City Council was held in the County Courthouse, (by kind permission of the County Registrar) on Tuesday, 26th September, 1967, at 7.30 o'clock p.m.

In the Chair:

The Right Worshipful, Alderman G. E. Russell, Mayor,

Attendance:

P. Kennedy,

Guests:

J. Carey; F. Leddin; C. Casey; V. Feeney; A. Howell; J. Bourke; N. Quinn.

Officers present included: City Manager and Town Clerk; Assistant Town Clerk; City Engineer; City Solicitor; Mr. M. O'Connor, Staff Officer.

Apologies for unavoidable absence were received from: Ald. Coughlan, Cllrs. Fielding, Earls, Glasgow, Ald. Lipper.

The following amendments to the Draft Development Plan for Limerick City were approved by the Limerick City Council:

PART 1: - AMENDMENTS TO WRITTEN STATEMENT

AMENDMENTS

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Resolution: - Substitute the following for the resolution in the plan: That the Corporation of Limerick acting by the Limerick City Council in pursuance of its powers under the Development (Planning and Development) Act, 1962, hereby makes the Development Plan for the County Borough of Limerick consisting of a written statement and plans referred to therein dated this date and signed by the Mayor of Limerick and Limerick City Manager and Town Clerk".

Chapter 5 (3) Page 12:

For whole-selling, read whole-selling.

Chapter 7 Page 15:

Insert heading - Population.

Chapter 7 (3) Page 13:

Second last line - for 'of the plan' read 'if the plan'.

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DECISION OF PLANNING AUTHORITY.

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To clarify Corporation policy. Agreed.

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Part 1 - Cont'd.

The Savinas Bank, Glentworth Street: This small building dating from about 1800 is the only building in the Greek revival style of architecture in the City.

Trinity Church, Catherine Street: A fine example of Georgian town architecture.

The Town Hall:

The facade of the building is regarded as a very fine example of the early 19th century architectural treatment of public buildings.

The Court House, Merchant's Quay: Originally erected in 1732, completely renovated within the last 10 years, stands in the area reserved for a civic and cultural centre.

St. Michael's Church, Ferry Square:

stands at the western end of Ferry Square. Its preservation, apart from its architectural merit, is desirable in order to preserve the character and symmetry of this pleasant square, which is a feature of the City.

The Lax Weir at Corbally:

Stands at the point where the River Shannon is no longer tidal, its origin can be traced to year.

St. John's Temperance Hall:

The facade of this building is considered worthy of preservation. With the projected removal of the public convenience at Upper William Street, this building will suitably fill the end of the vista along the end of this street.

Elizabeth's Hospital:

It is desirable to preserve the distinctive stone frontage, but otherwise it is no way to inhibit the continued development of the Hospital.

Area of Georgian Character:

A town very as such might be said to be Georgian in character, but as has been stated in chapter 12 (17) portions of this part of the City are in urgent need of redevelopment and must be regarded as beyond preservation in present form. Moreover, much of the appearance of the central commercial area has radically altered within the past 50 years so that its Georgian

Area of Georgian Character - Cont'd:

character has been eroded. These remarks do not, however, apply with the same force to the area which lies within a line drawn from rear Street, through Mallow Street, to Ferry Square, to Barrington's Street, to Henry Street, to join the point where the line starts. Taking buildings on both sides of the streets on the perimeter, this area continues to retain something/special Georgian character and it is included in the second part of chapter 13 as an area of architectural interest, the preservation of which should be ensured in so far as possible.

Chapter 13 (10) Page 109:

with line - insert 'significant' before 'increase'.

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DECISION OF PLANNING AUTHORITY

Chapter 1 - 2(e): after 'educational' add 'and cultural'.

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Chapter 11 - Paragraph 1 - 2nd line: After 'conditions' insert 'if any'.

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- To clarify.
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- To meet the wishes of the Planning Committee.
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Part II - STATEMENT OF AMENDMENTS - OBJECTIVES

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To allow for greater degree of flexibility in implementation.

To clarify.

To meet the wishes of the Planning Committee.

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To correspond with the Policy stated in Part 1.

To meet the wishes of the Planning Committee.

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REVISIONS.

PART 11 - Cont'd.

Chapter 14 - (3):

omit first line to the word 'development'.  
insert first line to the word 'development'.  
and also provided that the Corporation may modify this requirement in any specific case where it appears to the Corporation that it will be in the interest of the proper planning and development of the area to do so.

Chapter 16 -

omit first line of Chapter - insert full stop after word 'area' and new paragraph (j) immediately following.  
insert (k) instead of (j). First line - insert after 'structure' included in (a) to (f) above and also.

Chapter 19 - 1:

Third line - omit 'which' insert 'as'.

Chapter 20 - Paragraph:

omit all the words after 'classes' in the third line.

Chapter 20 - 1:

omit after the word 'structures' provided that the Corporation may plan and development of contiguous areas.

omit description. Insert the following:

'Under Class of Structures - First Box:  
'Private and public buildings and other buildings (including existing buildings) which are in the opinion of the Corporation not inconsistent with the proper planning and development of the area, open spaces, car parks, public parks, walks, recreational, cultural and educational facilities'.

Chapter 21 - Paragraph 2:

omit Paragraph 2 entirely.

Chapter 21:

insert the word 'significant' in the 3rd line before the word 'increase'. Insert the word 'significantly' in the 5th line before the word 'exceed', in the 11th line before the word 'exceed'. In the 3rd line insert the following:

'The such that the resulting number of separate dwellings shall not significantly exceed three times the number as shown in respect of that area in the Plan'.

Chapter 23, Paragraph 1:

To dwellings, and insert after 'open space' in 4th line.  
Insert a new paragraph - Paragraph 5:

'Public lighting shall be provided by the developer as part of any development where such lighting is normally required and shall be to a standard acceptable to the Corporation.  
The Corporation will encourage developers and the E.S.B. to put electricity lines under ground and may insist on such a course in the interests of amenity.'

Chapter 27 - Paragraph 5:

Insert (3) Thomondgate.  
Paragraph 6:  
omit two, substitute three. Following 'Rheogue Area' insert 'and also the third area Thomondgate'.

Chapter 29 - Paragraph 1:

Add 'in so far as is practicable having regard to the overall development of the area and the up to date assessment of the need for the reservation of open space in the area'

Chapter 31:

omit the Chapter as shown. Insert the following:  
'The Corporation indicates the following development objectives for the preservation of buildings of artistic, architectural or historical interest. The Corporation will endeavour to secure, in so far as may be compatible with other objectives in the Plan, the preservation of buildings of artistic, architectural or historical interest in the city, and, in particular, will seek to secure in co-operation with the

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Chapter 33 - Paragraph 1 - Cont'd:

Commissioners of Public Works or the owners and/or the occupiers of the buildings as the case may be, the preservation of the following buildings of artistic, architectural or historic interest, subject to the proviso that in the case of buildings not in the care of the Commissioners of Public Works, or not listed as ancient monuments, detailed study of the condition of the buildings and of the implications of preservation are to be made:

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2. The Exchange, Nicholas Street,
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15. St. John's Church and graveyard.

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In regard to the buildings or structures listed hereunder any proposal to alter or demolish shall be the subject of an application for permission to the Corporation, in which event the Corporation will consider the preservation of the building or structure:

1. Buildings marked AB on plan FDP.21
2. St. Michael's Church, Ferry Square,
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5. The facade of Trinity Church, Catherine Street,
6. The Holy Rosary Church, Snels Head,

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Chapter 33 - Paragraph 2 - Cont'd:

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Ref. 3rd Sch. Part IV. - 5.

Paragraph 3:

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2. All substantial sections of the Walls of Limerick, English Town, Irishtown, including Citadel.

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Chapter 36 - Paragraph 4:

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AMENDMENTS.

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### Limerick City Council

A meeting of the General Purposes Committee (Whole House) was held in the County Courthouse, Merchant's Quay, (by kind permission of the County Registrar) on Tuesday, 24th October, 1967, following the conclusion of the Special Meeting.

**Present:**  
In the Chair: The Right Worshipful Ald. G. E. Russell, Mayor.  
Aldermen: P. Kennedy, J. Bourke, J. Carrow, F. Cihsgow, P. Kieley, J. P. Liddy, F. Liddin and A. O'Driscoll.  
*F. Cihsgow*

Apologies for non-attendance were received from: Ald. Coughlan, T.D., M. Lippert, Chrs. S. Fiddling and A. Bronnell.

**Officers present:** included: City Manager and Town Clerk; Assistant Town Clerk; City Solicitor; City Engineer; City Accountant; Housing Officer.  
At the start of the General Purposes Committee Meeting a deputation from the Limerick Chamber of Commerce was heard on the motion of the Mayor, seconded by Cllr. Carrow, Mr. B. G. O'Malley, President of the Chamber of Commerce, said that it was a source of concern to his members to see the city losing business as a result of the traffic situation. It was appreciated that a Traffic Consultant's report was being awaited but in the meantime four suggestions were put forward:-

- (1) No right turn at Henry Street/Sarsfield Street Junction.
  - (2) Restriction of loading, etc. of large trucks at busy intersections at peak periods.
  - (3) Pedestrian phase at traffic lights—all red for short period.
  - (4) Car park—Arthur's Quay—season tickets, discounts, etc. to encourage use of car park.
- Mr. O'Malley thanked the Mayor and Council for their attention and hoped an easing of the traffic problem would result.  
During the discussion on traffic generally the following suggestions were made:-  
Cllr. Burke—a guard on duty where traffic lights did not cater adequately at peak period.  
Cllr. Casey—No parking in central city streets on week days before 10 o'clock a.m.  
Cllr. Burke—Adequate sign posting to car park at Arthur's Quay.  
Cllr. Liddin—Shannon buses to detour through Henry Street.  
The Mayor in conclusion said that he had noted the various suggestions. It would be advisable to put a special item on the Agenda for a future meeting of the Council.  
This was agreed.

**Item 1: Housing:**  
Cllr. Liddin spoke regarding Kennedy Park Housing Scheme. He had

Tomas MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

a true record.

- (1) Recourse to be re-zoned as General Purposes;
- (2) Lands at Westfields to be re-zoned as open space;
- (3) Lands at Tipperary Road to be re-zoned as General Purposes;
- (4) Lands at Fairgreen to be re-zoned as General Purposes.

The following amendments were also approved by the members of the Limerick City Council:

Chapter 11:  
The objective will read:  
"The existing public rights of way to river banks and other places of amenity and of recreational utility to be preserved as shown on Plan PDP 2 marked R.C.M.".  
The following should be added: "or as may be discovered to exist during the currency of the Plan".  
April, 1967' should read 'September, 1967'.

*Conference Limerick City Council 11th  
to Arthur's Quay  
J. O'Malley*

DECISION OF PLANNING AUTHORITY.

PURPOSE.

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ment. The Asst. Town Clerk said the Corporation's concern was to secure the re-development of the area, either by way of housing or other development such as schools.

2. Pavilion in Playground, Garryglass Avenue: It was proposed by Cllr. Liddy, seconded by Cllr. Carew, and unanimously resolved: That the report on the erection of pavilion in playground at Garryglass Avenue, Ballinacura, be adopted and work on same is approved.

3. Conversion to Decimal Currency: Submitted communication from the Department of Finance on booklet 'Conversion to Decimal Currency'. Ald. Kennedy commenting on the proposals asked that a minor unit be specified to allow for price increases being kept to a minimum. The unit proposed of 1.2d. would be too great. Cllr. Glasgow felt a 10/- unit should be adopted. The Mayor felt that Ireland would of necessity follow England's lead in this matter. It was agreed that the views expressed be conveyed to the Department of Finance.

4. New Bridge: Submitted report dated 1st August, 1967, from the Department of Local Government re new bridge. It was agreed to defer consideration of this until report of Traffic Consultants was available.

5. Standing Orders: Cllr. Liddin moved the suspension of Standing Orders for 15 minutes to dispose of remainder of items on the Agenda. Agreed.

Cllr. Liddy asked that footpaths at Ashbourne Place be attended to. Referring to the roads in Rosbrien he said it was the intention to seek an interview with the Manager and officials regarding the Rosbrien Estate, and condition at Rosbrien Road. Ald. Kennedy asked if Omega Avenue could be surfaced. It was pointed out that this roadway had not yet been taken in charge.

A TRUE RECORD,

TOMAS MACDIARMADA,  
City Manager and Town Clerk

Confirmed and signed by  
of November 1967  
K. O'Riordan  
Chairman

visited 28 houses here. The fire places were a serious problem. Investigation should be carried out in conjunction with manufacturers to ensure that they were working properly. The following points were raised by Cllr. Liddin:—

(1) Trees at Cedar Court 4, should be removed; some in Roxborough Road should be pruned.

(2) Galvone Road to be repaired.

(3) Gates and separate entrance to each house to be re-examined. Cllr. Liddin asked that action be taken with regard to the matters he had mentioned. He said that not all the tenants were dissatisfied. Cllr. Bourke supported Cllr. Liddin. He was surprised to learn of defects in a Housing Estate within three years of completion. He noted from the Departmental Report that 564 complaints were taken at the Depot, for this area, which was relatively high. Ald. Kennedy spoke in support of Cllr. Liddin and Bourke. He enquired if system of the subcontracting led to a diminution of the responsibility of the Contractor. The City Manager indicated that the contractor here would be available for the new council premises. In the light of the complaints now raised, they were an extension of those previously reported, he would arrange to have a full report prepared. He pointed out, that the Contractor had the overall responsibility for the proper completion of the scheme.

In reply to Cllr. Liddin, the Manager promised to have the working of fireplaces investigated again.

1 (a) Housing: Considered report on survey and acquisition of derelict sites (copy circulated). Cllr. Liddy asked if Kelly's Range might be suitable for cedar-wood type houses. The City Manager felt that subsidy might not be available for this type of house. Cllrs. Casey and Bourke spoke in favour of open space-site, park benches, etc. The Committee was not in favour of coedding the site as suggested in the report to St. Joseph's Hospital. The general view was that it should be retained as an open space. Cllr. Burke asked re parking of cars in Muirgrave Street. The Asst. Town Clerk said the Gardai had investigated this matter. Apparently a car after had opened a premises and vehicles were parked on roadway there, the Gardai had not seen any obstruction caused as a result of this. Cllr. Liddy asked if City Manager would look into the question of Cllr. O'Riordan's staff houses at St. Joseph's Hospital to tenants. The City Manager said he would investigate this matter. He had not received an application from the tenants on this matter. (10/11/67) - 10/11/67

Halls Range: Cllr. Liddy asked if Kelly's Range, The Asst. Town Clerk said that he had information to the effect that a purchase of land here would eventually lead to a planning submission being made in respect of the area.

Cllr. Liddy raised the question of Vizes Field C.P.O. The City Solicitor promised to expedite the making of the C.P.O. Cllr. Quinn asked if Island Road was to have further housing develop-

Following the conclusion of the General Purposes Meeting, a Meeting of the Planning Committee (Whole House) was held.

PRESENT:

- In the Chair: The Right Worshipful Ald. G.E. Russell, Mayor.
- Aldermen: P. Kennedy.
- Councillors: J. Bourke, J. Carew, P. Glasgow, P. Kiely, J. Liddy, J.F. Liddy, F. Leddin and A.O'Driscoll.

Apologies for non-attendance were received from:

- Ald. Coughlan, T.D., M. Lipper,
- Cllrs. S. Fielding and A. Bromell.

Officers present included:

- City Manager and Town Clerk, Assistant Town Clerk, City Engineer, City Solicitor, City Accountant, Housing Officer.

Item 1:

Considered minutes of meetings of Planning Committee held on 20th and 26th September, 1967, - Noted.

Item 2:

Considered particulars of applications on hands and decisions made by Planning Authority. During a brief discussion on same it was noted that an application for filling station and scheme of houses had been made in respect of Dublin Road area. Cllr. Bourke felt that any extra filling stations in this region would constitute a traffic hazard.

Cllr. Leddin supported this view. The Assistant Town Clerk said a decision had been taken to refuse the proposal.

Item 3:

Submitted copy of Planning application in respect of proposed development at Park Bridge site in Corbally. The City Manager in a report circulated prior to the meeting said that the Development Plan showed the site in question as open space. It was recommended that this use be adhered to. Cllr. O'Driscoll strongly opposed development of the nature proposed. This was the only place in the area where youth could play. The Corporation should acquire, and preserve as an open space. Cllr. Liddy said applicant might submit another proposal for the area. The Committee's view was that the application, as presented, should be rejected, but that an open mind might be kept on the matter of any alternative submission.

Item 4:

Cllr. Bourke asked that a slip way might be provided near St. Michael's Boat Club. Cllr. Glasgow and Cllr. Casey supported. Cllr. Liddy asked that a traffic sign be provided near Fennessy's South Circular Road. The City Manager said that this was a busy junction for traffic. The City Manager said that the matter would be referred to the Gardai.

CONDOLENCE:

The following votes of sympathy were proposed and unanimously resolved:

"That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to the relatives of Mr. D. Byrne of O'Donoghue Avenue, F. nesboro",

"That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to the relatives of Mrs. C. Thompson of Roches Street".

"That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to the relatives of Mr. Galvin of Caledonian Place".

"That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to the relatives of Mr. Michael O' Connor of Fairgreen, Limerick".

"That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to the relatives of Mr. Gerard O' Connor of Wortmary Park".

"That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to the relatives of Miss Kitty O. Donovan".

"That the sympathy and condolence to the Council be tendered to the Cross Family of 13, Church Street, Limerick".

A true record.

Thomas MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Confirmed in Council on 14 day of November 1967*

*L. Russell*



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Following the Special Meeting of the Limerick City Council and the Meeting of the Planning Committee held on 28th November, 1967 in the County Courthouse a Meeting of the Special Purposes Committee was held. The following Members being present:

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful, Ald. G. B. Russell, Mayor.

Aldermen: S. Coughlan, T.D., and P. Kennedy.

Councillors: J. J. Cronin; S. Fielding; M. O'Driscoll; J. H. Quinn; P. Kiely; F. Leddin; J. Bourke; F. Glasgow; C. Casey; J. P. Liddy.

Officers Present: City Manager and Town Clerk; Asst. Town Clerk; City Engineer; City Solicitor; City Accountant; Mr. M. O'Connor; Staff Officer City Manager's Office; Mr. H. O'Sullivan; Staff Officer, Housing etc.

A U S I N E S S

TRAFFIC: Submitted report dated 10th November, 1967 from the City Manager on a proposed experimental traffic rules, including the introduction of clearways to the main traffic junction of O'Connell Street/William Street and Sarsfield Street. The City Manager's report also recommended that consideration be given to the prohibition of parking on both sides of Honan's Quay and Arthur's Quay to improve traffic flows on these routes. Attached to the Manager's report was a copy of the report of a Conference between Officers of the Corporation, the Garda and C.I.E. held on the 2nd November, 1967, giving details of the proposed clearways and recommendations.

Councillors Bourke and Casey spoke in support of the proposals contained in the report.

Ald. Coughlan said the introduction of clearways would be disastrous to the business community.

Following a brief discussion, it was proposed by Councillor Liddy, seconded by Councillor Cronin "That the recommendations put forward re the introduction of clearways and the consequential decisions regarding no right turn from Henry Street into Sarsfield Street, the removal of bus stops, and the pedestrian control at the Traffic Lights be put into effect, if agreed, by the Commissioner of the Garda on the 1st January, 1968. The following amendments to be made: The period of application for the clearways to be from 3.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. the extent of the clearway in William Street to be from Fox's Row to the junction of William Street/O'Connell Street". As an amendment it was proposed by Councillor O'Driscoll seconded by Councillor Kiely "that the matter be deferred until such time as the business community has been consulted". The Mayor put the amendment. A vote was taken on a show of hands and resulted - For 5 - Against 8. The Mayor accordingly declared the amendment lost. He put the motion and declared it carried by the same vote (in) no further poll having being demanded.

The Mayor said that the interests referred to by Councillor O'Driscoll would be consulted.

Also submitted report of Deputation to the Garda re Traffic problems in Limerick on the 19th October, 1967. The report had been circulated to the Members prior to the Meeting. Noted.

Submitted communication dated 2nd November, 1967, from the Department of Local Government regarding the introduction of a speed-limit of 20 m.p.h. in the Roxboro Road, as recommended by resolution of the City Council. The Minister's letter stated that the 30 m.p.h. speed limit operated for most of this road, and in the light of the fact that persons were bound by law not to drive faster than circumstances permitted, he considered that a speed limit of this order was adequate. With regard to the position of the 30 m.p.h. limit on the road, the Minister said that this was a matter which would receive attention when speed limits in Limerick were next being revised.

Councillor Bourke said that the Minister's letter was unsatisfactory, the Minister did not seem to be aware that there was only one footpath for most of this road, he asked if the Corporation could expedite work on the improvement of the roadway. The City Manager said this was a matter which was receiving attention.

Traffic Lights - O'Callaghan Strand/Ciency Strand, Ennis Road, Junctions:

Submitted report dated 10th November, 1967, from the City Engineer stating that this was one of twelve junctions for which detailed recommendations were to be submitted by the Traffic Consultant in his interim report. The report said there was no reason why a pedestrian island could not be erected at this junction, if it was properly marked and well lit, but recommended that the Corporation await the Consultant's interim report, so that any recommendations therein could be studied before a decision was taken. The Council agreed to accept this advice.

ITEM - 3 - SCHOLARSHIPS:

Submitted communication dated 24th October, 1967, from the Department of Education stating that it had been decided to discontinue the operation of schemes for the award of scholarships to post-primary schools. The letter stated that it was the intention to devote in the future, to University Scholarships, all monies heretofore devoted to post-primary and University Scholarships, and that financial provision to be made in the Council's Estimate for 1968/69 should be on the basis that would have obtained if the terms of the 1961 Local Authorities (Education - Scholarships) Amendment Act had continued to apply in full. The necessary legislation to give effect to the decision to discontinue schemes for post-primary Scholarships and to provide for the future position with regard to awards to students to enable them to undertake Courses of Higher Education would be introduced as soon as possible.

The City Accountant said it would be a matter for the City Council to decide, in considering the Estimate of Expenses for the next financial year, the provision to be made for University Scholarships and for the payment of existing secondary Scholarships. There was no question of discontinuing payment of an existing award.

The Council decided to defer consideration of Item 4 - Housing Construction, and Item 5 - Problem of Itinerancy.

CONDOLENCE:

It was proposed by Mr. Coughlan, The Mayor, and unanimously resolved that the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to the family of Mr. Macdonald of Elm Park.

It was proposed by Councillor O'Driscoll and unanimously resolved that the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to Mr. & Mrs. Tuive of Jancemount Park, Corbally, on the tragic death of their daughter, as a result of a road accident.

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Following the conclusion of a Special Meeting, a Meeting of the Planning Committee (whole house) was held on the 28th November, 1967.

Present:

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful Ald. G. E. Russell, Mayor.

Alderman: P. Kennedy; S. Coughlan, T.D.

Councillors: A. O'Driscoll; F. Leddin; F. Earls; J. Quinn; C. Casey; A. Bromell; J. Bourke; S. Fleiding; F. Glasgow; P. Kiely; J. P. Liddy.

Officers present included: City Manager and Town Clerk; Assistant Town Clerk; City Accountant; City Engineer; City Solicitor; M. O'Connor, Staff Officer.

Item 1. - Minutes:

Arising out of the Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee held on 24th October, 1967, Cllr. Bourke asked if there had been any development in regard to the provision of a slipway at St. Michael's Boat Club. The Mayor said he would undertake enquiries in this matter with a person who was conversant with the need.

Item 2.

Noted details of decisions taken in respect of planning applications up to 24th November, 1967 and also details of applications on hands.

Cllr. O'Driscoll in referring to a proposed housing scheme at Corbally for which planning Permission had been refused, stated that he did not wish to be understood as objecting to housing development in the area. His only wish was to ensure that when houses were provided, that they be properly planned and laid out to world class standards and that the particular open space known as Healy's Field was preserved as a playing field for the residents of the area.

Item 3.

Ald. Kersedy referred to the Circular P.A. 2/67 from the Department of Local Government headed "Flexibility in Planning Control". He disagreed with the statement in the Circular "that each appeal to the Minister against a planning decision represented a break down in public relations". It was difficult to understand this statement as appeals were often made to the Minister by third parties and the local authority could hardly be blamed for this.

The City Manager said that if the Council wished a note of the discussion could be sent to the Minister.

Ald. Coughlan stated that the City Council should be given details of any reasons for refusals of planning Permission. The City Manager said that reasons for refusals were sometimes lengthy and submission of full details would involve lengthy documentation.

Cllr. Liddy stated that the proportion of refusals was small. The City Manager stated that it would be possible to indicate the reasons for refusal in summary form and he would arrange also to supply details of any cases which had been appealed to the Minister.

Item 4.

Submitted circular dated 8th November, 1967 from the Department of Local Government together with statement from the Minister re improving amenities of planning areas. - - - Noted.

Miss John's Castle:

The Mayor stated that he wished to raise the matter of the development of King

It was proposed by Councillor Earls and unanimously resolved that the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to Mrs. McGrath of Ballynanty Road on the death of her husband, Richard.

A True Record.

Tomas MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Confidential*

*the 12 Dec 1967*

*H. Russell*  
*Chairman*

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TENDERS COMMITTEE MEETING.

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A meeting of the above Committee was held in the County Courthouse on Tuesday, 28th November, 1967, the following members being present.

in the Chair: The Right Worshipful, Alderman G.E. Russell, Mayor.

Alderman: S. Coughlan, I.D., F. Kennedy.

Councillors: J.A. Bromell, J. Bourke, J. Casey, M. Earls, S. Fielding, F. Glasgow, F. Leddin, J.P.R. Liddy, V. Feeney.

Officers present: City Manager and Town Clerk, Asst. Town Clerk, City Solicitor, Architect, Chief Veterinary Officer, Chief Fire Officer, Mr. M. Greene, Asst. City Engineer, Staff Officers - M. O'Connor & Mr. M. O'Sullivan.

In accordance with the regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialled by him and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action thereon.

Tenders for hire of plant and machinery.

Names and addresses of Contractors for hired Plant 1968.

1. Patrick Batewan,
2. Paddy Hoare,
3. Plant & Machinery, Ltd.,
4. Michael J. Doyle,
5. P. Paddy O'Hara,
6. John F. Ryan,
7. South of Ireland Asphalt Co. Ltd.,
8. Leo McGarley,
9. M. Boner,
10. Krocklysheen, Nr. Limerick.
11. The Crescent, Limerick
12. Dolphin Engineering Works, Kingsend, Dublin.
13. Roxboro Lodge, Ballysheedy, Limerick.
14. Main Street, Castleconnell, Co. Limerick.
15. Whitehall, Parteen, Co. Limerick.
16. 20, Garfield Street, Limerick.
17. Ballysheedy, Limerick
18. 70-9, Ballinacura Terrace, Ballinacura, Limerick.
19. Kildimo, Co. Limerick.
20. Powerstown, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary.
21. Krocklysheen, Nr. Limerick.
22. Bridge Street, Groom, Co. Limerick.
23. 90, Caberdavin Park, Ennis Road, Limerick.
24. 90, Caberdavin Park, Ennis Road, Limerick.
25. Hill Road, Old Falls, Co. Limerick.
26. Birdbill, Nr. Limerick.
27. Annaholy, Birdbill, Co. Tipperary.
28. Lloyd's Yard, Mulgrave Street, Limerick.
29. 9, Ballinacura Terrace, Ballinacura, Limerick.
30. College Park, Corbally, Limerick.
31. Thebog, Singland, Limerick.

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T. P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Referenced in Council*  
*This is the case*  
*H. Russell*

John's Castle as a Banqueting Hall. He said that the Shannonside Tourism Organisation was concerned with the long delay in bringing this matter to finality and if a decision was not taken the whole project might fall through with a consequent loss to the City of Limerick.

Ald. Coughlan stated that this proposal should receive every encouragement and the Office of Public Works should be asked to help.

After further discussion it was agreed that the matter be referred to the Committee which had been set up for this purpose in 1966.

Parnell Street:

The Mayor also made reference to the position of the Parnell Street Traders some of whom were worried in case there would be a long delay in drawing up plans and redeveloping the area.

The City Manager stated that the City Solicitor had been in touch with the individual traders and had sought particulars of title and compensation. The planning of the area could be done quickly as the architect had already drawn up draft plans for the redevelopment and when the requirements of the traders were known in regard to their resettlement etc., the plans can be drawn up speedily to meet these requirements.

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City Manager and Town Clerk.

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*Chairman*

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following the conclusion of a Special Meeting of Limerick City Council held on the 23rd January, 1968, a meeting of the GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE (whole house) was held.

In the Chair : The Right Worshipful, Ald. G.D. Russell, Mayor.

Aldermen : S. Coughlan, T.D., P. Kennedy,

Councillors : A. O'Driscoll, F. Leddin, M. Earls, J. Quinn, C. Casey,  
V. Feeney, J. Bourke, S. Fielding, A. Iromell,  
F. Glasgow, P. Fiely, J. Carey, J. Liddy,

Officers Present : City Manager and Town Clerk, Assistant Town Clerk,  
City Accountant, City Engineer, City Solicitor,  
M. O'Connor and M. O'Sullivan, Staff Officers.

Apology : Alderman M. Lipper.

The Members of the Council agreed to the hearing of a Deputation from the Cerryowen Killee and Pennywell Tenants Association.

Mr. Foley the spokesman for the Deputation then read a prepared memorandum which requested the following concessions in regard to rents :

- (1) The Council to sanction no more increases on maximum differential rents other than through the medium of rates.
- (2) The Council to sanction no more increases on Fixed Rents other than through the medium of rates.
- (3) The first £3. earned, other than that of the breadwinner, not be included when assessing differential rent.
- (4) The Joint Rent Committee to be kept in existence so that the Tenants Association could co-operate in solving the major problem of maintenance.
- (5) The Council to expedite the introduction of new Purchase Schemes for all Corporation houses and the speedy finalisation of the agreements already signed.

Mr. Foley also requested that the Council have the following Motion proposed, seconded and adopted :

"That there shall be no further increase in the Rent Element of maximum differential rents and fixed rents during the lifetime of the present Council."

The Mayor and the Members of the Council thanked the members of the Deputation and the Council agreed to discuss the matter under Housing listed as item 4 on the Agenda.

Item 1 - Price of Gas :

Submitted City Manager's report dated 12th January, 1968 stating that it was necessary to increase by 3d. per therm the price of gas, due to increased production costs.

Ald. Coughlan stated that very little could be done about the increase due to world conditions. He stated that special consideration should, however, be given to persons in receipt of Social Welfare benefits and asked that the Manager put before the Council, a scheme that would lessen the burden on Social Welfare recipients.

The City Manager stated that the request for such a scheme had been the subject of one of the motions listed for the last meeting and he would have a report before the Council for the next meeting.

See

The decision to increase the price of gas as proposed by the Manager was noted.

Item 2 - Vocational Education Demand 1968/69 :

Submitted annual Financial Scheme for the Limerick Vocational Education Committee in respect of the year 1968/69, for information of the Council.

Ald. Coughlan stated that as the Vocational Education Committee was no longer in being there was no one to question the compilation of the figures now before the Members of the City Council. He favoured the reconstitution of the Committee.

Proposed by Ald. Coughlan, seconded by Councillor Leddin and resolved :

"That we request the Minister for Education to reconstitute the City of Limerick Vocational Education Committee without delay."

Item 3 - Public Library :

Submitted report from Miss M. Lannigan, City Librarian, in connection with over-all planning for development of Library services. The report was noted by the Council

Ald. Kennedy stated that consideration should be given to the provision of a Mobile Library Unit which could be used to service outlying areas of the City.

Councillor Glasgow referred to the recommendation in the City Librarian's report that the Newsroom in the City Library be vacated. He said that every effort should be made to find alternative accommodation for the people who used the Newsroom. He also agreed that the provision of a Mobile Library Unit would be a good thing and would be preferable to building branch libraries which would be costly.

Councillor Leddin suggested that the Newsroom might be transferred to the Mechanics Institute which was near the Library. It was agreed that this was an excellent suggestion and the City Manager said he would take up the matter with the Committee of the Institute.

Item 4 - Housing :

Referring to the Deputation which had been heard at the start of the meeting, Ald. Coughlan congratulated the Tenants Association on the dignified manner in which they had handled their case. He said that the proposals as outlined in the memorandum read by the spokesman for the Deputation should be accepted.

The Mayor suggested that the Manager should be given an opportunity to put a report before the Council in view of the statements issued by the Minister for Local Government and the Tenants Association, and said that he also would like to congratulate the Tenants Association on the manner in which they had presented their case. After some further discussion the Council asked the City Manager to submit a full report on new rent proposals and tenant purchase.

The City Manager said the report would be available for the February meeting of the General Purposes Committee.

Housing Maintenance :

Submitted a report from the City Manager on various aspects of the Corporation's housing maintenance programme. (copy circulated to the members prior to the meeting.)

Councillor Quinn stated that the Tenants of St. Mary's Park were not satisfied with the present position in regard to housing maintenance, which, he felt, was most unsatisfactory. He also stated that the method of taking complaints in the Strand Barracks was very unsatisfactory and that people



CORPORATION OF LIMERICK.

Following the conclusion of the General Purposes meeting held on 23rd January, 1968, a meeting of the PLANNING COMMITTEE was held.

In the Chair:

The Right Worshipful Ald. G.E. Russell, Mayor.  
S. Coughlan, T.D., P. Kennedy.

Councillors:

A. O'Driscoll, F. Leddin, J. Quinn, M. Earls, C. Casey, V. Feeney, J. Bourke, S. Fielding, A. Bromell, F. Glasgow, P. Kiely, J. Carew, J. Liddy.

Officers Present:

City Manager and Town Clerk, Assistant Town Clerk, City Accountant, City Engineer, City Solicitor, M. O'Connor, M. O'Sullivan, Staff Officers.

Apology:

M. Lipper.

Item 1.

Submitted for consideration minutes of Planning Committee meeting held 28/11/67. Noted.

Item 2.

Submitted report dated 19th January, 1968 from the City Manager in connection with request of M/s Arndale Development Co. Ltd., Bradford, England, to put before the Planning Committee their views on matters relating to town centre development as it might affect Limerick. Agreed that the Committee should meet M/s Arndale as requested at a convenient meeting.

Item 3.

Submitted statements of planning decisions taken by the Corporation for Dec/Jan, 1968, and also list of applications on hands - Jan. 1968. Cllr. Liddy asked if planning permission had been given to M/s Hanley for the erection of houses in Southville Gardens as he was aware that residents in the area were interested in this proposal and did not wish that an existing wall separating their houses from the site on which the development was now proposed would be knocked.

The City Manager stated that outline permission for the erection of houses on the site had been given. When the detailed plans were submitted for approval they would be put before the members of the Council.

Condolences.

Proposed by Cllr. Carew, Seconded by Cllr. Glasgow and unanimously resolved

"That the condolence and sympathy of the Council be extended to Dr. Sarah O'Malley, Pery Square, Limerick on the death of her husband; and also to the motion of the Mayor to Mrs. Donagh McDonagh, 141 Strand Road, Sanymount, Dublin, on the death of her husband, the late Mr. Justice Donagh McDonagh.

A True Record.

T.P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Confirmed in Council on 13<sup>th</sup> Dec of FEB 1968*  
*T.P. MacDiarmada*  
*Chairman*

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CORPORATION OF LIMERICK.

TENDERS COMMITTEE MEETING.

A meeting of the above Committee was held in the County Courthouse on Tuesday, 23rd January, 1968, the following members being present.

IN THE CHAIR:

The Right Worshipful, Aldermen G.E. Russell, Mayor,

Aldermen:

S. Coughlan, T.D., P. Kennedy.

COUNCILLORS:

J.A. Bromell, J. Bourke, J. Carew, C. Casey, M. Earls, S. Fielding, F. Glasgow, F. Leddin, J.P.R. Liddy, V. Feeney, A. O'Driscoll, J.N. Quinn, P. Kiely.

Apology for non-attendance received from Ald. M. Lipper.

OFFICERS PRESENT

INCLUDED:

City Manager and Town Clerk, Asst. Town Clerk, City Solicitor, City Engineer, Staff Officers M.O'Connor, & Mr. M. O'Sullivan.

In accordance with the regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialled by him and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action.

Supply of Watermain and Fittings.

- (1) J. Blakeborough & Sons Ltd., Brighaise, Yorkshire.
- (2) T. & C. Martin Ltd., D'Olier Street, Dublin.
- (3) T.G. Aston & Co., 68/77 East Road Dublin.
- (4) Guest & Chimes, Rotterdam, England.
- (5) M. & G. Supply Co. Ltd., Cian Park, Drumcondra.
- (6) Asbestos Pipes Ltd., 19 Lt. Pembroke Street, Dublin 2.

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T.P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Confirmed in Council on 13<sup>th</sup> Dec of FEB 1968*  
*T.P. MacDiarmada*  
*Chairman*

A Meeting of the General Purposes Committee (whole house) of the Limerick City Council was held in the County Courthouse (by kind permission of the County Registrar) on Tuesday, 27th February, 1968 at 7.30 p.m.

Roll Call : The Roll was called at 7.30 o'clock p.m. when the following members were present.

In the Chair : The Right Worshipful, Ald. G. E. Russell, Mayor.

Aldermen : S. Coughlan, T.D., P. Kennedy, M. D. Lipper.

Councillors : J. Carew, F. Leddin, A. O'Driscoll, M. Paris, P. G. Kiely, J. N. Quinn, J. Bourke, C. Casey, V. Feeney, J. P. Liddy, F. Glasgow, J. A. Bromell.

An apology was received from Councillor S. Fielding.

Officers present included : the City Manager and Town Clerk, Assistant Town Clerk, City Solicitor, City Accountant, Mr. M. Greene, Acting City Engineer, Mr. W. Delaney, Architect Mr. M. O'Sullivan, Housing Officer, Mr. M. O'Connor, Staff Officer.

Item - 1 :

Submitted report of the Joint Committee of the City Council and the Limerick Health Authority members re joint offices. Copy of the report had been circulated to the members prior to the meeting. - Noted.

Item - 2 :

Submitted report of Special Committee re King John's Castle. In the course of a brief discussion Councillor Feeney suggested that the matter should be dealt with forthwith.

Alderman Coughlan suggested that it might be deferred until such time as a full Council had met in Committee with the representatives of the Shannon Free Airport Development Company, the Office of Public Works and Shannonside to consider the matter. It was finally agreed that a Special Meeting of the Council be held in Committee on Tuesday 5th March, to which other interested parties would be invited.

Item - 3 - Housing :

Housing Construction : - Submitted extract from the Departmental Reports for the month of January, 1968. - Noted.

The following matters were raised under this heading :

Water supply at Sunville - Councillor Glasgow.

Water supply at Parkes Estate - Alderman Lipper.

The City Manager said both these matters would be examined. The Sunville complaint only reached the Corporation on the date of the meeting, the Parkes Estate complaint had been raised at the last meeting. The Acting City Engineer said he would try and have a report ready for the meeting of the Council on the following Tuesday.

Housing - Report on progress in formulation of Tenant Purchase Schemes :

Submitted report on the present position regarding the formulation of Tenant Purchase Schemes for Corporation houses.

The City Manager in presenting the report said a full report would be

available for the next meeting of the Council. It was decided to defer discussion on the topic pending the report.

Submitted report on Housing Needs, Housing Programme, Housing Finance together with a report from the City Manager, dated 9th February, 1968, referring to the Housing Programme, making a modification of the Programme, and also a modification of the Financial Review as contained in the Report. Copy of the modified report, which had been prepared by an interdepartmental Committee, under the Chairmanship of Mr. W. Dundon, City Solicitor, together with copy of the City Manager's report had been circulated to the members prior to the meeting.

The printed Report was in five parts :

Part I - Housing Needs - Current and prospective.

Part II - Housing Programme.

Part III - Availability of land.

Part IV - Financial implications.

Part V - Appendices.

Councillor Leddin said he was glad to see that a full account had been taken of the number of sub-tenants in Corporation Estates in the assessment of housing needs. He congratulated the officers of the Corporation who had acted on the Committee which had prepared the report.

Alderman Coughlan said that he noted in the programme no mention was made of the Abbey Area.

Councillor Feeney supported the view that development in the Abbey should take place within the five year period covered by the programme.

After a further brief discussion it was unanimously agreed on the Motion of Councillor Leddin, seconded by Councillor Liddy :

"That the Report on Housing Needs, Housing Programme and Housing Finance modified in accordance with the City Manager's report of the 9th February, 1968, and enclosures thereto, be adopted subject to a recommendation that in the housing programme, the Abbey area be positioned for housing development at the earliest possible date."

Development in Thomondgate :

In reply to Councillor Bromell the City Manager said that the number of houses shown in the programme for Thomondgate was 60. It was, however, proposed to allow private housing development in other parts of the Thomondgate area.

Derelict Site - Denmark Street :

Councillor Bourke, Councillor Kiely and Alderman Lipper complained about the condition of a site at Denmark Street.

The Assistant Town Clerk said that this matter had been taken up with the owners of the site since the last meeting, and the owners were to have discussions with the Corporation regarding the proposed development of the site. If the site continued to be derelict the Corporation would exercise its powers.

Making Advances under the Housing Act, 1966 (S.D.A.).

Councillor O'Driscoll commented in the fall in the number of applicants for loans from the Corporation as shown in the report.

The Assistant Town Clerk said that the number in the year 1964/65 had been unusually high, and it was to be expected that there would be a fall in the following years. The average number being dealt with by the Corporation was 100 a year, and there had been no great reduction in this number in recent years. The Corporation was satisfied that private builders had sufficient serviced land in the City to meet demand in this sector for some years.



Derelict Sites - Dominic Street :

Councillor Leadin asked that the Corporation should interest itself in the re-development of derelict sites in Dominic Street at the rear of the Dominic Church.

The Assistant Town Clerk said the Corporation's information was that this site was held by the Church concerned. The Corporation had shown interest some time ago in acquiring the site for a car park, but had not pursued the matter. The Council agreed that the matter might be taken up with the owners even on the basis of a temporary car parking accommodation.

Alderman Kennedy referred to the condition of a laneway at the rear of Shop at Hyde Road, and also to the condition of premises in O'Connell Street, formerly known as the City Centre which were destroyed by fire a short time ago.

The City Manager said both these matters would be examined.

St. Mary's Park, Housing Scheme :

Councillor Quinn asked the position regarding the proposal he had made at the previous meeting of the Council advocating the borrowing of a loan for the repair of houses in St. Mary's Park.

The City Manager quoted from the Minute of the meeting in question a statement, in which he said that the Department of Local Government would not sanction a loan for the repair of houses. Such expenditure was normally regarded as revenue expenditure. The reconstruction of houses was totally a different matter.

Councillor Feeney supported the proposal that a loan be borrowed to put the St. Mary's Park Housing Scheme into proper repair.

Councillor Carew and Councillor Earis also spoke on the subject.

Councillor Bourke supported by Alderman Lipper said the only solution was to reconstruct the houses. The cost should be a capital cost.

It was proposed by Councillor Quinn, seconded by Councillor Feeney, and unanimously resolved :

"that a loan of such amount as is necessary be borrowed for the purpose of reconstruction including the addition of bathrooms to the houses in St. Mary's Park."

Pound :

In reply to Alderman Coughlan, Councillor Liddy, Councillor Carew, Councillor Glasgow, the Assistant Town Clerk said that the improvements to the existing City Pound were underway, and discussions were to be held with the Gardaí shortly regarding the use of these premises pending the provision of a new Pound. The site for the new Pound, which was proposed at Corcoran had no been found satisfactory. An alternative site had been suggested by the Chief Veterinary Officer and the City Engineer, and this was being examined at the present time.

Item - 4 :

Submitted report on the staffing of the City Engineer's Department. It was decided to defer consideration of this matter for the attendance of the City Engineer.

Item - 5 :

Submitted report on the reconstruction of the Old Age Pensions Sub-Committees. It was proposed by the Mayor, seconded by Alderman Coughlan, and unanimously resolved :

"That acting as the Local Old Age Pensions Committee we hereby dissolve

all existing Old Age Pensions Sub-Committees and in lieu thereof we create four sub-committees, one in each Electoral area and we appoint to these sub-committees the Members of the Council from each Electoral Area, together with the external Members who have indicated their willingness to act on sub-committees to the Committees appropriate to their place of residence; a full list of the new Committee Members to be submitted to us in due course for approval. Pending the reconstitution of the new sub-committees we resolve as the Local Old Age Pensions Committee to examine the claims submitted for consideration and direct that the advice of the Pensions Officer on each claim or each question raised be accepted in each case."

Item - 6 :

Submitted report on Public Lighting. The report suggested that the matter be referred back for further consideration and discussions between officers of the Corporation and the E.S.B. - Noted.

Item - 7 : - Report on Municipal Abattoir :

The Council was advised that since the report had been prepared the Contractor had advised the City Engineer on the matters referred for his attention. The loan had been recommended by the Minister for Local Government to the Commissioners of Public Works for a 25 year period. The Council had asked for 35 years. The Council unanimously decided that further representations be made to the Minister for Local Government to allow a 35 year period.

Alderman Kennedy referred to a proposal raised in the Council some time ago that the Chief Veterinary Officer might examine methods of milk production and distribution in Continental Countries, the cost to be borne by the Pasturing Firms in the City, and suggested that in the course of this visit Mr. Barnes might investigate the range of Bye Products from Abattoirs.

After a brief discussion it was decided that the question of a visit by the Veterinary Officer to Continental Countries to consider such matters might be deferred for consideration to the next meeting of the Council.

Item - 8 :

Submitted submission by the Corporation of Waterford to the Inter-Departmental Committee on Local Taxation and Finance, copy of which had been circulated to the members prior to the meeting. - Noted.

Item - 9 :

It was proposed by Councillor Leadin, seconded by Alderman Coughlan, and unanimously resolved :

"that the Corporate Seal be affixed to the following documents presented for sealing :

- Tenant Purchase Scheme - Assignment
- Mary T. Clancy to Kathleen Earlie - 9, Lelia Street.
- S. D. Transfer : - Deed of Release and Memorial
- Richard Nolan - Greystones.
- Deed of Assignment.
- Barry to Birrane - Deed of Assignment.
- 15, Glenview Gardens.
- Housing Loans - Deed of Assignment.
- McSweeney to Coady and Anor. - premises 3, Greystones."

Item - 10 - Other matters :

Alderman Coughlan referred to what he said was a <sup>Copyright Limerick</sup> ~~copy~~ of 200 workers in the C.I.E. freight Section in Limerick, arising from a statement made by the Minister for Transport and Power that he proposed to liberalise the law with regard to the carriage of freight in this Country.

The following Motion was proposed by Alderman Coughlan, seconded by Alderman Lipper, and unanimously resolved :

"That we call on the Minister for Transport and Power to resist, in the interest of the workers concerned, pressures to change the system with regard to the transport of freight in this Country, which changes would result in redundancy amongst workers employed in the freight sections of C.I.E."

Alderman Lipper in supporting the Motion said that any change in the freight Department of C.I.E., would seriously jeopardise the livelihood of workers in all branches of the rail and road transport industry.

The Motion was supported by Councillor Leddin and Councillor Liddy. Councillor Casey also supported, he said he thought the redundancy aspect was being over stressed.

Health Authority Deputation :

Councillor O'Driscoll asked if the Minister for Health had received a deputation from the Health Authority on the occasion of his visit to Limerick to open the Limerick Social Services Centre.

Alderman Coughlan said there had been a meeting which he had arranged with the Minister at which the Chairman and Secretary of the Limerick Health Authority, the Deputy County Manager and the Assistant Town Clerk were present.

They had a brief discussion on the matter of increased grants for Limerick and the special position of Limerick had been put before the Minister especially in relation to the Regional Hospitals, the Minister said he would have another look at the position.

Councillor O'Driscoll said he thought the matter should be kept before the Department. The City Manager said that officials of the Health Authority were preparing a case for the Limerick Health Authority based on the fact that the Authority had three regional institutions.

Unemployment in Limerick :

Councillor O'Driscoll referred to press reports which stated that the Minister for Industry and Commerce was receiving representatives of the Limerick Development Association with regard to the unemployment position in Limerick. At the same time the Minister had refused to meet the deputation appointed by the Limerick City Council. He deplored this action by the Minister in refusing the elected representatives, and in deciding to meet a body, the composition of which the Council knew very little about.

The Mayor said that at the last meeting of the Council it had been agreed that the deputation which the Minister had failed to receive would form an Action Committee. A meeting of the Committee had been held on Sunday last and the circulated the members a copy of the report of the meeting. The meeting had been advised that the Minister for Industry and Commerce had decided to meet the representatives of the Limerick Development Association. The Mayor wished the Association every success in the onerous task it had undertaken to co-ordinate the promotion of industrial development in Limerick.

Alderman Coughlan said the refusal of the Minister to meet the deputation appointed by the Council was a slight to the members of the Council and to the Mayor and Citizens. He went on to refer to the fact that the Minister for Education had not attended the meeting of the Action Committee on Sunday last and referred to a statement in the local press by the Minister in which

regard. He said this statement was not factual. He detected signs of intrigue and duplicity in the whole affair. Alderman Coughlan concluded by congratulating the Limerick Development Association and expressed hope that they would succeed in their efforts.

Councillor Bourke said he was sorry the matter had been raised. The deputation from the Limerick Development Association was to meet the Minister on Thursday, and it might have been better if the results of this meeting could be announced. He thought that the Development Association should be given an opportunity to prove itself.

Councillor Liddy said the best thing for the Council to do was to put their full weight behind the efforts of the Development Association in this matter. He made it clear that he had made several attempts to reach the Mayor prior to the meeting on Sunday Last. He asked to be excused for his inability to attend.

The Mayor said that methods were being used which he termed revolting that led to discredit the members of the City Council in their endeavours to solve the unemployment problem in Limerick, and to promote industry for Limerick. He again regretted that the Minister had not met the deputation appointed by the Council. He concluded by wishing the Limerick Development Association success in its efforts.

Invitations :

The Council accepted the invitation of the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee to attend in their robes of office the St. Patrick's Day Parade 1968. Members indicated that they will march in the Parade.

The Council accepted the invitation of Very Rev. Fr. Egan, C.S.S.R., to attend the evening ceremonies of the Confraternity Centenary celebrations which will take place on Sunday the 5th May, 1968.

Condolence :

It was proposed by Councillor Glasgow and unanimously resolved that the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to the relatives of the late Mrs. Madden, High Street, and to Mrs. Carroll of Gusset's Cottages Janesboro', on the death of her husband.

A true record.

Tomas MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Confirmed in Council on 16. May 1968*  
*of*  
*Henry Edmund*  
*Shannon*

LIMERICK CITY COUNCIL.

A Meeting of the Planning Committee (whole house) of the Limerick City Council was held in the County Courthouse (by kind permission of the County Registrar) on Tuesday, 27th February, 1968 at 9.00 p.m., the following members being present:

- In the Chair : The Right Worshipful, Ald. G. E. Russell, Mayor.
- Aldermen : S. Coughlan, T.D., P. Kennedy, M.D. Lipper.
- Councillors : J. Carew, F. Leddin, A. O'Driscoll, M. Earls, P. G. Kiely, J. N. Quinn, J. Bourke, C. Casey, V. Feeney, J. P. Liddy, F. Glasgow, J. A. Bromell.

An apology was received from Councillor S. Fielding.

Officers present included : the City Manager and Town Clerk, Assistant Town Clerk, City Solicitor, City Accountant, Mr. M. Greene, Acting City Engineer, Mr. W. Delaney, Architect, Mr. M. O'Sullivan, Housing Officer, Mr. M. O'Connor, Staff Officer.

Item - 1 :

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee held on 23rd January, 1968, copy of which had been circulated to members prior to the meeting were noted.

Item - 2 :

Submitted report on decisions taken during February, 1968, and report of planning applications at present under consideration. Copy of reports had been circulated to the members prior to the meeting.

A True record.

*Confirmed in Council on March 1968  
Done of P. MacDiarmid  
Chairman*

Tomas MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

CORPORATION OF LIMERICK.

Arus na Cathrach,  
Lujumeach.

TENDERS COMMITTEE MEETING.

A meeting of the above Committee was held in the County Courthouse on Friday, March 16th 1968, the following members being present:-

In The Chair

The Right Worshipful Alderman G.E. Russell, Mayor.

Aldermen

S. Coughlan, T.D., P. Kennedy.

Councillors

J. Carew, A. O'Driscoll, F. Leddin, J. Quinn,  
J. Bourke, C. Casey, V. Feeney, J.P. Liddy, S. Fielding,  
F. Glasgow, P. Kiely.

Apology for non-attendance received from Councillor A. Bromell.

Officers Present included: City Manager and Town Clerk, Asst. Town Clerk, City Solicitor, Mr. M. Greene, Acting City Engineer, City Accountant, Mr. M. Lynch, Asst. City Engineer and Mr. M. O'Sullivan, Housing Officer.

In accordance with the regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman numbered and initialled by him and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action.

SCHOOL MEALS SCHEME - 1968/69

Supply of Bread	3/- per doz. portions	Hotel Cecil, Limerick.
Supply of Buns	3/- per doz.	
Supply of Pasteurised milk (in 1pt. sealed bottled)	5/- per gallon	Limerick Dairies, Clare Street, Limerick.

A True Record

T.P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk

*Confirmed in Council  
the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of  
April 1968.  
P. MacDiarmid  
Chairman*

CORPORATION OF LIMERICK.

Arus na Cathrach, Limerick.

TENDERS COMMITTEE MEETING.

A meeting of the above Committee was held in the County Courthouse on Friday, March 15th, 1968, the following members being present:-

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful Alderman G.E. Russell, Mayor.

Aldermen: S. Coughlan, T.D., P. Kennedy.

Councillors: J. Carew, A. O'Driscoll, F. Leddin, J. Quinn, H. Bourke, C. Casey, V. Feeney, J.P. Liddy, S. Fielding, F. Glasgow, P. Kiely.

Apology for non-attendance received from Councillor J.A. Bromell.

Officers Present: City Manager and Town Clerk, Asst. Town Clerk, City Solicitor, Mr. M. Greene, Acting City Engineer, City Accountant, Mr. M. Lynch, Asst. City Engineer, and Mr. M. O'Sullivan, Housing Officer.

In accordance with the regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman numbered and initialled by him and delivered to the City manager for further consideration and any necessary action.

- SUPPLY OF PETROL, OILS 1968/69.
  - Irish Shell & BP, 13/16 Fleet Street, Dublin - Quotations for 1 yr. contract, 2 yr. contract, 3 yr. contract.
  - Burmah Oil (Ireland) Hume House, Ballsbridge, Dublin - Quotations for 1 yr. contract.
  - McShullen Bros.Ltd., 1/2 Upper Connell St. Dublin - Quotations for 1 yr. contract, 2 yr. contract, 3 yr. contract.
  - Arrow Oil Division, 1/2 Poolbeg St. Dublin 2. - Quotations for 1 yr. contract.
  - I.L. McDonald, Clontarf Street, Cork - Quotations for 1 yr. contract, 2 yr. contract, 3 yr. contract.

*Confined in Council this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of April 1968*

I.P. MacDiarmada  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

LIMERICK CITY COUNCIL

Planning Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, 2nd April, 1968, a meeting of the GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE (Whole House) was held in the County Courthouse, Merchant's Quay, (by kind permission of the County Registrar):

PRESENT:

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful, Ald. G.E. Russell, Mayor.  
Aldermen: S. Coughlan, T.D., and P. Kennedy.  
Councillors: J. Carew, C. Casey, J. Bourke, J.A. Bromell, V. Feeney, F. Glasgow, P. Kiely, J.N. Quinn, J.P. Liddy, A. O'Driscoll.

Officers Present:

Included: The City Manager and Town Clerk, Asst. Town Clerk, City Accountant, City Engineer, Mr. O'Callachain, Architect, Mr. M. O'Sullivan, Housing Officer and Mr. M. O'Connor, Staff Officer.

ITEM - 1 (a) HOUSING CONSTRUCTION:

Alderman Coughlan asked if any houses had yet been completed and handed over in South Hill West 1.  
The City Manager stated that delivery of fifty houses was expected before the end of March. However, he was not in a position to say if, in fact, any keys had been handed over.

Councillor Bromell asked if, when houses were being allocated to tenants, a percentage could be given to newly married couples.

The Mayor stated that the Corporation had a problem of sub-tenants and he felt that these people should get priority.

The City Manager stated that houses for newly weds would require to be designed into a scheme and would require to be considered in the early planning stages.

The Mayor stated that the Council would be deciding its scheme of priorities in the near future and Councillor Bromell's proposal could be considered in this context.

MATTERS RAISED:

- Alderman Coughlan: Repairs required in Sycamore Avenue, also condition of roadway at Rathbane which was very dirty due to operations of builder in the area.
- Councillor Glasgow: referred to water collecting on roadway at Sarsfield Bridge.
- Councillor Feeney: Condition of roadway in front of shops at St. Mary's Park.
- Councillor Kiely: Requested that repairs be carried out to the Garryowen-Fennywell link road.
- Councillor Bourke: Referred to parking of vehicles at Mulgrave Street. The City Manager stated that the matter had again been taken up with the Council and the person involved.
- Alderman Coughlan: Asked if it was possible to have some of the top soil from the F.B.A. Building site dumped on the open space between Colbert Park and Colbert Avenue.

Submitted report on proposed prices for Corporation houses to be included

in Tenant Purchase Schemes. The City Manager advised that an examination of various house types in Corporation schemes had been made and a price for each type fixed, having regard to replacement cost, market value and balance of loan outstanding, and repayable by the Corporation. If the Council agreed with the prices fixed, the Scheme could then quickly be expanded to cover practically all of the Corporation housing estate.

Alderman Coughlan stated that he would not agree with the price charged for houses in St. Mary's Park or Ballynanty Beg. He felt the price was too high, having regard to the condition of the houses. The price should be determined having regard to the cost of providing these houses and while he was aware that it was the Minister for Local Government who had laid down the method of calculating the price he was not in agreement with the method.

The City Manager stated that surveys had been carried out and the scheme prepared and he felt that any further submission on different principles than those laid down by the Department would cause undue delay with the sanction of the Tenant Purchase Schemes.

Councillor Quinn stated that he also objected to the house prices in St. Mary's Park and felt that they were not value for money. The price should be related to the cost of providing the houses.

Councillor Bourke wished to know if an allowance would be given off the price of the house if tenants were prepared to carry out their own repairs before purchase. He suggested this because he felt there would be a long delay in carrying out these repairs if left to the Corporation.

Alderman Coughlan said he would disagree strongly with any such proposal. The Corporation employed skilled labour to carry out this work and the work should only be carried out by these tradesmen.

Councillor Feeney stated that the relation of the price of the house to the cost of providing it was, he felt, a good idea, and the houses should be sold as cheaply as possible.

The City Manager stated that the effective price to the tenant would be the annuity payable weekly and he suggested that he come back to the Council with a statement showing the weekly cost of purchase to the tenant, related to the existing rents. Agreed.

ITEM 2. - System of Refractory - Industrial Schools :

Submitted request from Committee on Refractory and Industrial Schools asking for any views the Council might have on the present system of Refractory and Industrial Schools and Boarding out of children. It was decided that the matter be left to any individual Councillor who wished to make submissions.

ITEM 3. - RESOLUTIONS :

Submitted resolutions from various Local Authorities :

- KINSALE - Resolution regarding the approval or negation of all Manager's Orders by elected Members - Marked read.
- KINSALE - Resolution re delay in payment of Disability Benefit - Adopted.
- BARDIS VILLAGE CLIFTON - Resolution re remission of rates - Adopted.
- Middleton U.D.C. - Resolution re compulsory use of crash helmets - Adopted.
- Buncrana U.D.C. - Resolution re fishing ~~at~~ landlords - Adopted.
- Corporation of Dun Laoisire - Resolution re change over to Metric system - Adopted.

Alderman Coughlan asked the City Manager to clarify the position in regard to fixed rents on houses as the tenants were aware that these rents were being further increased.

The City Manager stated that the increases in the fixed rents were included in the Estimate of Expenses for the coming year, and the purpose was to bring the fixed rents up to the level of the post 1958 differential rents by phases over a seven year period.

Alderman Coughlan stated he was not at all satisfied with the Manager's proposals and felt so strongly about this matter that he would introduce a Section 4 notice to prevent the Manager from increasing the fixed rents any further.

Councillor Liddy said he was disappointed also to note that these rents were being further increased.

The Mayor stated that the Manager would shortly be bringing specific and comprehensive proposals in regard to rents before the Council and any objection to the proposals could then be made in whatever manner desired.

Alderman Coughlan said he would agree to await the Manager's proposals and he would then object to any proposals to increase the fixed rents.

A true record.

*Confirmed in Council  
the 9th day of April 1968*  
T. P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*S. E. Linnell  
Clerk*

A Meeting of the Planning Committee (whole house) of the Limerick City Council was held in the County Courthouse (by kind permission of the County Registrar) on Tuesday 2nd April, 1968, at 8 o'clock p.m., the following members being present:

In the Chair:

The Right Worshipful, Ald. G.E. Russell, Mayor.

Aldermen:

S. Coughlan, T.D., and P. Kennedy.

Councillors:

J. Carey, C. Casey, J. Bourke, J. A. Bromell,  
V. Feeney, F. Glasgow, P. Kiely, J.N. Quinn,  
J. P. Liddy, A. O'Driscoll.

Officers present included: The City Manager and Town Clerk, Assistant Town Clerk, City Accountant, City Engineer, Mr. O'Cealleachain, Architect, Mr. M. O'Sullivan, Housing Officer and Mr. M. O'Connor, Staff Officer.

Item 1:

Submitted the Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee held on the 27th February, 1968. - Noted.

Item 2:

Submitted report dated 29th March, 1968 on Urban Renewal, and referring to discussion which the Planning Committee had with a representative of Messrs. Arndale property developers on this subject.

The City Manager said that the Corporation Officials has had discussions with this Company over a considerable time. A location in the city which might be planned by the Company had not been defined. The Corporation had, however, indicated Parnell Street, but the Company had indicated that this would not be suitable from their point of view.

Alderman Kennedy said that urban renewal should include rehabilitation and construction in addition to demolition and rebuilding. The Corporation should ask the Company to consider the present situation and a comprehensive plan for renewal of large areas in the city should be prepared.

The Mayor asked the Committee to agree to allow the City Manager to carry on discussions with the Company, who might be asked to state what area they had in mind, and if the Corporation had no objection, to be further asked to prepare a plan for the redevelopment of such area. The Committee agreed to this.

Item 3:

Submitted statement of decisions taken by the Corporation from 28th February - 7th March, 1968, and statement of applications on hands, on the 7th March, 1968. - Noted.

Item 4:

In reply to Alderman Coughlan the City Accountant said that discussions had been held in connection with the use of Caledonian Park by sports Organisations. The difficulties regarding the erection of a Pavilion in the Park had now been ironed out.

Item 5: - Site for School of Technology:-

On the Motion of Alderman Coughlan, which was unanimously adopted, that the Committee should ask the Minister for Education to expedite the selection of a site for the School of Technology in Limerick.

*Confirmed in Council on 10th April 1968*

T. P. MacDiarmáid, City Manager and Town Clerk.

CHAIRMAN

Following the conclusion of the Special Meeting of the Limerick City Council, held on the 23rd April, 1968, a meeting of the General Purposes Committee (whole house) was held, the following members being present:

In the Chair: Councillor J. P. Liddy,

Aldermen: M. Lipper.

Councillors:

F. Leddin, C. Casey, P. Kiely, J. Bourke, V. Feeney,  
F. Glasgow, A. Bromell, J. Carey and A. O'Driscoll.

Officers present included: the City Manager and Town Clerk, the Assistant Town Clerk, City Solicitor, City Engineer, City Accountant Mr. M. Lynch, B.E., Mr. M. Greene, B.E., Messrs. M. O'Sullivan and P. Ryan.

Notes:

It was agreed, on the suggestion of Ald. Lipper, that if possible visits of the Ministers for Finance and Local Government to Limerick City in connection with forthcoming Bye Election should be availed of to discuss with them the concern the members of Limerick City Council felt at the extent of the rates increases in Limerick city.

The City Engineer was welcomed on his return from sick leave by the Chairman Councillor J. P. Liddy.

Item 1 - Housing Construction:

Considered report on Housing construction. Councillor Leddin referred to fact that only 27 houses had been completed by the Corporation in the last financial year. He considered there was an excessive delay from time houses were completed until they were allocated, and said the Corporation should speed up the allocation of houses, so that people would know in advance their application for a house was successful.

The City Manager indicated that two months would elapse before the partition houses were occupied. This was due to the provision of services, road alignment and to setting up of an E.S.B. transformer station. He agreed that houses could be allocated, but key could not be handed out, as in the past complaints were received as housing construction was still going on, though houses in the estate were occupied. There would be no difficulty in allocation of houses as the priority scheme was drawn up. In reply to Councillors Liddy and Leddin, the City Manager indicated that a total of some 400 houses will be completed by March, 1969; 100 in Watergate; 200 by N.B.A. and 106 at South Hill West.

Councillor Feeney asked that the Manager investigate the dealing with complaints taken at the Strand Barracks Depot. The ratio seemed to be unsatisfactory in comparison with other housing depots in the city. The City Manager said that he would examine.

Item 2 - Report on Abattoir:

Submitted report dated 8th April, 1968 from the Chief Veterinary Officer and the Acting City Engineer also submitted letter from the Department of Local Government dated 27th March, 1968 advising that access to borrowing from the Local Loans Fund would not be allowed. The City Manager stated that inquiries were at present made to possible sources, on borrowing of money to finance the Abattoir. In reply to Councillor Bourke the Manager said that the charges for the use of the Abattoir would have to be realistic. Councillor Bourke stated that if there was to be a charge on the rates, it was not correct to describe the Abattoir as a commercial proposition, as in the letter from the Department of Local Government.

Councillor Feeney expressed his concern at the delay. It was not a wise move to decrease the area of the Abattoir in any way, as in coming years the need for the Abattoir would increase. He referred to the deplorable state of some of the present slaughterhouses in the city.

In reply to Councillor Casey, the City Manager stated that the Minister was not prepared to grant access to the Local Loans Fund, as it appeared to be the policy not to finance from the Local Loans Fund any commercial proposals, such as an Abattoir.

Councillor Carew supported Councillor Feeney, and agreed that the condition of some present slaughterhouses was very bad. He asked if the Chief Veterinary Officer might give his views on the matter.

Mr. Barnes outlined details of the Abattoir. He pointed out that the total area of the Abattoir would not be interfered with. The reason for changing the area of refrigeration was to facilitate some city butchers whose practice it was to take meat from the slaughterhouses and hang in their shops for some time, before putting the meat in refrigerators. The idea was to provide space for the butchers to continue this practice. With the changing trends, Supermarkets had now 20% of the trade, though the number of butchers had also increased. Mr. Barnes emphasised that the reductions as outlined would not interfere at all with the capacity, storage, and animal put-through of the Abattoir.

Ald. Lipper asked when building would commence, it appeared to him that in 2 or 3 years further alterations would become necessary. The City Manager said that the contract for the building of the Abattoir had been accepted and sanctioned by the Minister. It was now a question of the borrowing of money to finance the Abattoir. The Council would be kept advised.

Item 3 - Report on Water :

Considered report dated 18th April, 1968 from the Acting City Engineer setting out position on the augmentation of the City Water supply. Councillor Leddin welcomed the scheme, he pointed out that Lynwood Park Residents were still not satisfied with the water supply. Last year a booster pump was installed at Ennis Road to boost supplies, he hoped that the Lynwood Park Estate would not face another summer without an adequate water supply.

In reply to Councillor Bourke, the City Manager said that the report was a progress report relative to the original report on the City water supply system of June, 1967. There would be considered be no difficulty in obtaining loans to carry out the work, and a grant subsidy of 50% would be available. Tenders had been received for the Dublin Road to Corbally main, and work on the scheme should be well advanced by December. This would give relief to that side of the city. Other schemes would give similar relief to the other parts of the city.

Alderman Lipper said; that the Lynwood Park water supply situation was a very bad way. The City Engineer said he thought what had been done would have solved the difficulty. The pressure there had been increased 2 lbs., he would again try and increase pressure by drawing off water from other sources. Councillor Kiely supported Alderman Lipper and said several houses had no water at all.

Councillor Casey referred to Summerville Gardens, and Councillor Liddy to Southville Gardens. The City Engineer said he would have the position in these areas examined.

Item 4 - Cleansing Arrangements :

Submitted report from the Acting City Engineer on new cleansing arrangements which were in operation in the city for some time.

Councillor Leddin was pleased with the implementation of the arrangements especially with regard to the city centre. He felt that the cleansing of the Housing Estates was not adequate and in addition uncollected refuse and sweepings blocked road gullies and channels. There did not appear to be

cleaning of the city on bank-holiday week ends, and central parts had an untidy appearance on Sunday mornings.

Councillor Bourke said that some lock-up shop owners put out bins at 7 o'clock at night. This was especially so on Thursdays. By the following morning the contents were often scattered around the streets. He agreed that the central city streets should be cleaned during the week ends. Councillor Bourke thought that sweepers should be employed, as in the Garryoven area, to sweep the housing estates in the Rathbane - Roxboro area of the city.

Councillor Casey suggested that manufacturers of sweets and similiary commodities should supply litter bins to shopkeepers for outside their premises. The Chairman agreed and said that the public should be requested to make an effort to keep Limerick clean. There were bye-laws in Limerick prohibiting the throwing away of litter, and penalties or fines of £10. could be imposed for this offence. Councillor Carew remarked that it was unfair to shopkeepers to insinuate that they were all responsible for litter problem.

Mr. Lynch, B.E., in reply to Councillor Leddin said that the present strength of the cleansing section was 63 as against 56 some ten years ago. Councillors Bourke and Leddin felt that the numbers in the cleansing staff should be increased. Councillor Feeney agreed and said that the city centre on week ends was very untidy. He referred to the St. Mary's Park area. This area was too large for one sweeper only. Mr. Lynch in reply stated that the streets were cleaned at 7 o'clock each Sunday morning. The City Manager said that all suggestions made would be examined.

Item 5 - Loans and Market Values of Houses for Loan purposes :

It was agreed to defer consideration of this matter until the May monthly meeting.

*Confined in local this day of May 1968*  
*Chairman*

T. P. MacDiarmada,  
 City Manager and Town Clerk.

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A Meeting of the GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE (whole house) was held in the County Courthouse, (by kind permission of the County Registrar), on Tuesday 28th May, 1968.

The roll was called at 7.30 o'clock p.m. when the following members answered:

In the Chair: In the absence of the Mayor it was proposed by Alderman Coughlan, seconded by Councillor Liddin and resolved that Councillor Carew take the chair.

Aldermen: P. Kennedy, S. Coughlan, T.D.  
Councillors: F. Liddin, J. Quinn, C. Casey, J. Bourke, V. Feeney, A. Bromell, F. Glasgow.

Apology received on behalf of Councillor J. P. Liddy for inability to attend.  
Officers present included: The City Manager and Town Clerk, the Acting Assistant Town Clerk, City Solicitor, City Engineer, W. Delaney, Arch.

At the outset Councillor Carew stated that there was a deputation from residents in St. Mary's Park in connection with a recent tragic accident in the vicinity of St. Mary's Convent in which one boy lost his life and another was seriously injured. The situation in this area was a great cause of worry to parents and the deputation asked that the following be done in order to improve the situation and lessen the hazard to children:

1. Rere gate of school to be opened to form a safer exit for the children. The Muns were agreeable to have this done. It would be essential to provide a traffic warden at this point and to have that the Corporation would do this when the gate was opened.
2. Erect school signs to warn motorists of the danger.
3. Introduce a second speed limit.

Councillor Feeney proposed that the suggestions of the deputation be implemented immediately and he felt that a barrier should be put on the road at the junction of Peter Cell and Island Road to prevent children from rushing out. Councillors Quinn and O'Driscoll agreed with the suggestions of the deputation and said action should be taken immediately. Councillor Carew stated that it was a serious matter and a source of great worry to the mothers of the children in the area.

The City Engineer stated that No. 1, Island Road was an occupied house and it would improve the position if this house were demolished and a sweep made at the corner. Another proposal and the one which appealed most to him would be to close Peter Cell, and open the exit gate at the rear of the Convent. It would be essential to have a warden at the rear gate if opened. In regard to the speed limit the City Engineer was of the opinion that the road was so narrow that a driver has to drive very slowly to negotiate the road at this junction.

The City Manager stated that a man could be supplied immediately to act as traffic warden when the rere gate was opened. He explained that the warden would not have full status until the procedure of getting authority from the Garda had been gone through. The City Manager also confirmed that Peter Cell would be closed.

Councillor Carew also referred to a recent accident at Ballinacurra and asked if the speed limit on that road could be reduced from 40 m.p.h. if it was not possible to reduce the existing speed limit it should be strictly enforced.

Alderman Coughlan stated that the area lent itself to speed due to the incline on the road and he felt that the penalties for breaking the speed

A Meeting of the Planning Committee (whole house) of the Limerick City Council was held in the County Courthouse (by kind permission of the County Registrar) on Tuesday 23rd April, 1968, following the conclusion of the General Purposes (whole house) Committee meeting. The following members being present:

In the Chair: Councillor J. P. Liddy,  
M. Lipper.  
Aldermen: F. Liddin, C. Casey, P. Kiely, J. Bourke, V. Feeney,  
F. Glasgow, A. Bromell, J. Carew and A. O'Driscoll.

Officers present included: the City Manager and Town Clerk, the Assistant Town Clerk, City Solicitor, City Engineer, City Accountant, Mr. M. Lynch, B.E., Mr. M. Greene, B.E., Messrs. M. O'Sullivan and P. Ryan.

Item 1: Submitted the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on the 2nd April, 1968. - Noted.

Items 2 & 3: Submitted statement of decisions taken by the Corporation from 8th March, to 4th April, 1968 and statement of applications on hand, on the 4th April, 1968. - Noted.

Item 4 - Report on Development at Gurteen Ballinacurra: Submitted report of the Acting City Engineer relative to proposal to erect 14 houses at Gurteen Ballinacurra. The City Manager explained that the residents on the main Ballinacurra Road were anxious to have access to the rear of their premises for garaging of cars there. The Corporation had no direct function in the matter. It was considered, however, that they might use their good offices to bring together the developer, owner and interested parties to discuss the matter. This was agreed. In reply to the Chairman it was pointed out that the residents who had opposed the proposed development had made an oral submission on the matter during the week, and had pointed out that their main concern was the adequacy of water supply in the area. Councillor Carew agreed with the Chairman. He felt it would be in the interests of proper planning that the residents on the main Ballinacurra Road should have access to the rear of their houses for car parking.

Condolence: It was proposed by Councillor Glasgow, and unanimously resolved that the sympathy and condolence of the Council be extended to Mr. Jim O'Donnell, Rate Inspector on the death of his father.

It was proposed by Councillor Liddy and unanimously resolved that the sympathy and condolence of the Council be extended to Mr. E. O'Riordan, 8, Lifford Avenue, Ballinacurra, on the death of his wife.

A true record.  
T. P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

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limit should be far greater. Councillor Bourke supported the two previous speakers and stated that there should be more repeater signs to remind motorists that they were within a speed limit zone. He would recommend that all speed limits within the city limits should be 30 m.p.h. except on the Tipperary Road.

Alderman Coughlan referred to a report appearing in the evening edition of the Limerick Chronicle of a statement made by the Deputy City Manager to the effect that in future people living in the city would not be rehoused in the County. He rejected such a statement and requested the City Manager to comment on the statement and asked if strict lines were to be drawn between Local Authorities in the matter of housing people.

Councillor Bromell stated that it was unfair to ask the City Manager to comment on an article that had only appeared that evening and he felt that the City Manager should have an opportunity to consider the statement.

The City Manager stated that he could comment in so far as the obligations of a local Authority were concerned. A Local Authority was obliged to provide housing for those in need of it and referred to the regulations governing rehousing stating that the housing Authority had very little discretion in rehousing persons and had to do so in the order of the priorities laid down. The Council would appreciate that in view of the housing position in the city anyone applying for a house from the County area would be very far down on the list of priorities.

Item - 1 - Housing Construction:

Councillor Leddin referred to houses being erected at South Hill West and the M.B.A. Scheme at Rathbane and would like to know how many of the 131 men employed on these schemes were from the city. He felt that it should be specified in all contracts that contractors must employ local labour.

The City Manager stated that it was the experience of the contractors that did in fact employ local people in as far as possible and it might not be a good practice to exclude outsiders entirely by inserting such a restrictive clause in contracts.

Councillor Feeney referred to 27 houses in South Hill West Scheme which had been completed. He understood that the services had not yet been laid on to these houses and would not be for some time. In the meantime he suggested that the 27 houses be allocated so that people concerned would know they were getting a house within a period and could arrange for furniture etc. The City Manager stated that this course had been suggested to Dr. Hayes before but he had not been in favour because the priority of applicants change from time to time and Dr. Hayes felt that the houses should be let only when they were ready. The City Manager said that the services should soon be laid on to houses concerned and he would again take up the matter with Dr. Hayes.

Alderman Coughlan asked to know when Jamesboro and Rathbane housing Schemes would be painted. The City Manager stated that he would ask the City Engineer to report on the matter.

Councillor Bourke asked the present position regarding the provision of a slipway at St. Michaels Boat Club. The City Manager stated that there was a question of responsibility in this matter as to whether it lay with the Corporation or the Harbour Commissioners to carry out such work.

Councillor Casey asked that the houses at Bourke Avenue should be removed and the site cleared as at present they were very unsightly.

A true record.  
T. P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*removed in Council  
Jan 11<sup>th</sup> day of  
by J. J. Bourke  
Chairman*

At the conclusion of the General Purposes Committee meeting of the Limerick City Council held on Tuesday 28th May, 1968 a meeting of the PLANNING COMMITTEE (whole house) was held.

in the Chair: Councillor J. Carew.

Aldermen: P. Kennedy, S. Coughlan I.D.

Councillors: F. Leddin, J. Quinn, C. Casey, J. Bourke, V. Feeney, A. Bromell, F. Glasgow.

Officers present included: The City Manager and Town Clerk, The Acting Assistant Town Clerk, City Solicitor, City Engineer, W. Delaney, Architect.

Item 1:  
Submitted minutes of meeting of the planning Committee held on the 23rd April, 1968. - Noted.

Item 2:  
Submitted report on decisions taken by Planning Authority for the period 5th April, to 9th May, 1968. - Noted.

Referring to planning procedure Councillor Leddin stated that he felt that members of the City Council seemed to have no real say in the granting of planning permissions, and he felt that they were merely acting as a rubber stamp for the decision of the Corporation officials.

The City Manager explained that reports were submitted to the Council at each meeting setting out details of applications on hands. The purpose of this was to alert the Council and it was open to them to request that any file or details of a particular planning application could be sought by the members themselves, or indeed by any member of the public. The City Solicitor explained to the members of the council what their powers were under the Planning and Development Act, 1963.

Item 3:  
Submitted report on planning applications on hands at the 9th May, 1968 - Noted.

It was arranged to have a meeting of the Sub-Committee on Scholarships to be held on Thursday 6th June, 1968.

Proposed by Alderman Coughlan, seconded by Councillor Leddin that the congratulations of the Council be extended to Mr. I. J. McHugh, on his recent appointment of Acting Director of the Clare/Limerick and Tipperary (M.R.) Regional Development Organisation, and also that the Council extend congratulations to Mr. Frank Corr of Limerick Weekly Echo on his recent success in winning a press award.

Sealing:

Proposed by Councillor Leddin, seconded by Councillor Glasgow and unanimously resolved that the Corporate Seal be affixed to the following documents presented for sealing;

- S.D. Transfer
- John Jos. McSweeney - Deed of Surrender & Release with memorial
- Landens, Greenpark Avenue.
- Healy & Moloney - Assignment
- 23 Hillcrest Drive, Greystones.
- Mary Power & Co. Neane - Deed of Assignment
- Assumpta House, Island Road.



at the Conclusion of the General Purposes Committee Meeting of the Limerick City Council held on Tuesday June 25th 1968, a meeting of the Planning Committee (whole house) was held.

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful, Ald. G. E. Russell, Mayor.

Aldermen: S. Coughlan, I.D., P. Kennedy.

Councillors: J. Casew, F. Glasgow, S. Fielding, J. Bourke, A. Cronell, C. Casey, M. Earls, F. Leddin, P. Kiely and A. O'Driscoll.

Officers Present: Mr. P. Ryan, Staff Officer, the City Manager and Town Clerk, Assistant Town Clerk, City Engineer, Mr. P. Ryan, Staff Officer.

Item 1: Submitted minutes of the Planning Committee held on 28th May, 1968 - noted.

Item 2: Submitted report on decisions taken by planning authority for the period 1st May, 1968 to 17th June, 1968. - noted.

Item 3: Submitted report on Planning Applications on hand at 14th June, 1968. - noted.

Matters Arising

The Mayor said he wished to strongly register his objection to a misrepresentation of facts relative to himself personally and he felt to the City Council generally, which took place at an oral planning hearing of Messrs. Langan Bros. appeal against the decision of the Corporation to refuse Planning Permission for housing development at Westfields, orth Circular Road. The Mayor said that it had been reported to him that a Mr. Griffin S.C. who had appeared for the appellants had stated that the residents of Westfields had conveyed the Corporation and had criticised the residents, but stated that there seemed to him to be a conflict between this open space reservation and the Mayor's public statements about the need for housing in Limerick. Mr. Griffin he alleged was submitting that the local residents were attempting to provide themselves with a park mainly for the use of their own houses, but at public expense. The Mayor said that any remarks he had passed concerning extra houses had been in relation to the provision of more houses by Limerick Corporation. The Mayor expressed the view that insufficient open spaces remained in the city, and said that much private building had gone on without the provision of layrounds and playing fields. The Mayor added that his remarks in no way reflected on Messrs. Langan Bros. who were a firm of highest repute. Alderman Coughlan supported the Mayor, and suggested that in future the City Council should be given details of the oral hearings by the City Manager. Councillors Fielding, Glasgow and Alderman Kennedy also supported the Mayor and condemned the alleged remarks. The Mayor stated that he intended to dedicate a field to the Corporation, his property located adjacent to Arrington's Pier, in order to supplement the open spaces in this part of the city.

Alderman Coughlan asked if the City Manager would arrange for hireage of motor hover to Jamesboro sporting and athletic Club, at a nominal charge. The City Manager said he would discuss matter with the City Engineer.

Councillor Casey drew attention to the ladies toilets at Arthur's Quay and Dr. Cecil Street. The Mayor said he had received letter also on this subject. The City Manager said that a proposed garage development in this area will incorporate toilet arrangements, which would prove more satisfactory than the position which obtained at present.

Concluding

It was proposed and unanimously resolved that the sympathy of the Council be tendered to

Mr. Roche, 32, St. Munchin Street, St. Mary's Park, on the death of his husband.

Mr. O'Sullivan on death of Mr. Paul O'Sullivan, 13, County View Terrace, Ballincurra.

Representatives of the late Mr. Pat Conway, 10, Calcedonian Place.

Representatives of the late Mr. William Turner, 25, Mary Street.

Representatives of the late Mr. William Wright, Fatima Avenue, Dollysimon Road.

A true record,

I. P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Continued in Journal  
the 9th day of July  
P. B. Bourke  
Mayor.*

Following the conclusion of the Special Meeting, a Meeting of the General Purposes Committee (whole house) of the Limerick City Council was held on Tuesday, June 25th, 1968.

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful, Ald. G. E. Russell, Mayor.

Aldermen: S. Coughlan, T.D., P. Kennedy.

Councillors: J. Carew, F. Glasgow, S. Fielding, J. Bourke, A. Bromell, C. Casey, M. Earls, F. Leddin, P. Kiely and A. O'Driscoll.

Officers present included: the City Manager and Town Clerk, Assistant Town Clerk, City Engineer, Mr. P. Ryan, Staff Officer.

Housing Construction:

Submitted details of present position re Housing Construction. Alderman Coughlan enquired if the City Manager could state when the Watergate Scheme would be completed. The City Manager said that progress reports to hand indicated May, 1969 as the date of completion. However, some houses would be available for occupation before that date. In reply to Councillor Leddin the City Manager said that keys of vacant houses were not always handed up promptly to the Corporation, and also repairs were required in some instances before the houses were relet. The Chairman raised the question of the list of housing priorities drawn up under the Housing Act, 1966. No action had yet been taken by the Department of Local Government on the matter. The City Manager said that the Housing Officer of Limerick Corporation had been in touch with the Department of Local Government, and had official discussions on this subject. The question of sub-tenants and the list of priorities would be the subject of a detailed report to a later meeting of the City Council.

Councillor Bourke asked if more carpenters could be employed in Rathbane area. The City Manager said that Carpenters who were not engaged in work on Housing Construction were occupied with repairs to public buildings. It would not be possible without exceeding the Housing Maintenance estimate to employ more Carpenters.

In reply to Councillor Leddin who had raised the question of repairs to Kennedy Park, the Assistant Town Clerk said that such expenses incurred by the Corporation in carrying out of repairs were deducted by the Architect from payments to the Contractor for the housing scheme. The City Manager said he would examine the question raised by Councillor Bourke regarding keys to side entrance to houses in Southhill.

A True record.

*Bank med in Council  
this 9th day of July  
P. Bourke  
Mayor*

T. P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

A meeting of the General Purposes Committee (whole house) was held following the adjourned Special meeting of the Council held on the 23rd July, 1968, to further consider Immediate Action Programme as set out in report from Traffic Consultant.

Present:

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful Cllr. J. Bourke, Mayor.

Aldermen: G.E. Russell, P. Kennedy, M. Lipper, S. Coughlan I.F.

Councillors: A. O'Driscoll, F. Leddin, C. Casey, V. Faeney, S. Fielding, F. Glasgow, J. Quinn.

Officers present included: City Manager and Town Clerk, Acting Asst. Town Clerk, City Solicitor, City Engineer, Messrs. M. O'Sullivan, K. Quilligan and P. Ryan, Staff Officers.

Councillor O'Driscoll stated that he would like to raise the matter of the purchase of Healy's field, Corbally by the Corporation. He had expected that it would appear on the agenda for the meeting, and was disappointed to not that it had not. He said he considered the question of the purchase of Healy's Field an urgent one and no time should be lost in pursuing the matter. It was agreed that the matter could be raised at the Planning Committee meeting which would follow the present meeting.

Item 1 - Housing Construction:

Cllr. Leddin stated that he wished to pay tribute to the contractor and officials of the Corporation in connection with the Kincoora Park (South Hill) housing scheme. He also asked the present position in regard to the erection of name plates in Kennedy Park. The City Manager stated that he would pursue the matter of the erection of the name plates.

Alderman Lipner referred to houses from which people were rehoused by the Corporation and asked that where possible, such houses should be completely demolished and where not possible, that door and window opens be built up. He mentioned that the Corporation should seek to acquire such property. Ald. Russell referred to the derelict condition of property near the Ardu Ryan Hotel adjoining Roses Avenue. He stated that trees had been cut along this road and the trunks were badly overgrown and asked if the road could be cleaned up. The City Engineer stated that the question of the relocation of the E.S.B., Sub-Station had created a problem in this area. Arrangements for its removal were now practically complete and when it was moved, it would be a question of setting the priority for the widening of the road.

The City Manager stated that the matter could now be taken up more effectively with the removal of the sub-station. He would bring back a report on the matter and see if the road could be cleaned up in the meantime. Ald. Coughlan referred to the condition of the road at the junction of Tola Iona Street and O'Connell Avenue where work had been carried out. The City Engineer stated that work had been carried out here by the Department of Post and Telegraphs and stated that he would look after the matter.

Councillor Casey referred to ter barrel and scaffolding on footpath outside Messrs. Todds, O'Connell Street and asked that the pavement be restored.

Item 2 - St. Mary's Park Housing Scheme.

Submitted report dated 9th July, 1968 in connection with the proposal to provide bathrooms for the houses in St. Mary's Park. Cllr. Quinn asked for clarification as to what other repairs would be carried out



A meeting of the Planning Committee (whole house) was held following the meeting of the General Purposes Committee on Tuesday 23rd July, 1968.

In The Chair: The Right Worshipful Cllr. J. Bourke, Mayor.  
Aldermen: G.E. Russell, P. Kennedy, M. Lipper, S. Coughlan, T.M.  
Councillors: A. O'Driscoll, F. Leddin, C. Casey, V. Feaney, S. Fielding, F. Glasgow, J. Quinn.

Officers Present: City Manager and Town Clerk, Acting Asst. Town Clerk, City Solicitor, City Engineer, and Messrs. M. O'Sullivan, K. Quilligan and P. Ryan, Staff Officers.

Item 1.  
Submitted minutes of meeting of Planning Committee held on 25th June, 1968 - Noted.

Item 2 - Report on Planning Decisions.  
Submitted report on Planning decisions taken 1st June, 1968 to 5th July, 1968 - Noted.

Item 3 - Planning Applications on hands.  
Submitted report on Planning Applications on hands at 5th July, 1968 - Noted.

Item 4 - Town Centre Development - M/s. Ardale Developments Ltd.  
Submitted report dated 9th July, 1968 from City Manager together with report dated 15th July, 1968 from the City Engineer in connection with proposal from M/s. Ardale Developments Ltd. for City Centre development. Decided to adjourn discussion on this matter until the Traffic Consultants' report was received.  
Healey's field.

Cllr. O'Driscoll then raised the question of the purchase by the Corporation of Healey's Field, Corbally. He stated that it was essential that this field be maintained as an open space for the City and hoped that the Council would give authority to the manager to negotiate for the purchase of the field.  
Ald. Coughlan supported Cllr. O'Driscoll and stated that Healey's field should be preserved as a playing field and hoped that the Council would be unanimous in the matter.  
Cllrs. Quinn, Feaney, together with Ald. Kennedy and Ald. Russell also favoured retention of this area as an open space for the benefit of St. Mar's Parish and the City generally.

Proposed by Ald. Russell, seconded by Ald. Coughlan and unanimously resolved -  
"That the City Council hereby authorize the City Manager to negotiate for the acquisition of Healey's Field and that a fair price should be offered for the property."

It was agreed that the next meeting of the Council would be held on Tuesday, 10th September, 1968.

A true record.

*confirmed in Council 10th Sep 1968*  
*dec of sep 1968*  
City Manager and Town Clerk  
*F. O'Sullivan*

A meeting of the General Purposes Committee (whole house) was held in the County Courthouse (by kind permission of the County Registrar) on Tuesday 24th September, 1968 at 7.30 o'clock p.m.

Roll Call.  
The Roll was called at 7.30 o'clock when the following members were present.

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful Cllr. J. Bourke, Mayor.  
Aldermen: P. Kennedy.

Councillors: C. Casey, J. P. Liddy, A. Bromell, F. Glasgow, and J. Quinn.

Officers present. City Manager and Town Clerk, Mr. T. Colley Acting Asst. Town Clerk, Mr. W. Dundor, City Solicitor, Mr. O'Connor and M. O'Sullivan Staff Officers, Mr. M. Greene, Asst. City Engineer.

Item One - Housing Construction.  
Submitted details in regard to Housing Construction contained in Departmental Reports which have been deferred from monthly meetings for consideration at General Purposes meeting - Noted.

Item Two: Departmental Reports July and August.  
Cllr. Casey asked if any progress had been made in regard to Farnell St. C.P.O.

The Acting Asst. Town Clerk stated that a series of meetings had been arranged with occupants of the affected premises and satisfactory progress was being made in the negotiations.

The Mayor asked that the trees adjacent to Kennedy Park Housing Scheme be suitably lopped as they constituted a danger during high winds. The lopping branches also tempted children to climb. Mr. M. Greene, Asst. City Engineer stated that he would arrange to have the trees lopped at a suitable time.

Cllr. Leddin referred to the back meadow at the Peories Park. Children had previously been allowed to play here but were now prevented from doing so by obstacles which had been placed there. The City Manager stated that the City Engineer had examined this matter. It was felt that there was adequate room for small children to play in the back meadow. There were also shrubs growing in the area and it would not be advisable to allow older children to play there at present. The City Engineer would again examine the question in the late Autumn.

Cllr. J. Quinn stated that he was disturbed to notice that men had been taken away from maintenance work in St. Mar's Park. He felt that the maintenance staff should be increased rather than reduced. The City Manager stated that the amount of money provided in the estimate regulated the employment of maintenance. However, he did feel that work would have to be stepped up in order to complete repairs on houses being purchased under Tenant Purchase Schemes.

Cllr. Bromell referred to the possibility of making an allowance off the purchase price of the houses in lieu of repairs and the purchasing tenants could have the repairs carried out themselves. The City Manager stated that this might be considered but only in cases where the repairs were not of a major nature. He would arrange to have the whole question of repairs reviewed.

Cllr. A. O'Sullivan referred to the bad state of repair of the bandstand in the Peories Park, particularly the roof, and asked that steps be taken to have it repaired.

Cllr. Feeney referred to the swivel section of the bridge and asked that repairs be carried out where water was logging due to subsidence.

Cllr. Leddin referred to parking difficulties in Davia Street. Several trucks parked in front of the business premises in this street and interfered with business. He asked that the matter be brought to the attention of the Garda Authorities.

Item Three.

Submitted report on proposed work on Sewerage Pumps at Prospect and St. Mary's Park. - Noted.

Item Four.

Proposed Cllr. Liddy, seconded Cllr. Leddin and unanimously resolved:- "That the Corporate Seal of the Council be affixed to the following documents presented for sealing".

Tenant Purchase.

- Chas Quaid,
- Mary Cronin,
- Wm. Hayes,
- Gerard Hanrahan,
- Ft. White,
- Ft. McMahon,

Housing Loans

- E. O'Connor
- David D. Clifford

Deed of Discharge.

- James Harris
- T. R. Clear

Application for Registration.

- Old Crescent R.F.C.

Tenant Purchase Scheme.

- A. Broderick,

A True Record.

T. P. MacDIARMADA,

CITY MANAGER AND TOWN CLERK.

*confirmed in Council this 8<sup>th</sup> day of October 1968*

*T. P. MacDiarmada*

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City Council Archives

A meeting of the Planning Committee (whole house) was held following the meeting of the General Purposes Committee held on the 24th September, 1968.

Roll Call:

The roll was called at 7.30 o'clock when the following members were present.

In the Chair:

The Right Worshipful Cllr. J. Bourke, Mayor.

Aldermen:

P. Kennedy.

Councillors:

C. Casey, J. P. Liddy, A. Eromell, F. Glasgow, J. Quinn.

Officers present included:

City Manager and Town Clerk, T. Colleen, Acting Asst. Town Clerk, Mr. W. Dundon, City Solicitor, M. O'Connor and M. O'Sullivan, Staff Officers, Mr. M. Greene, Asst. City Engineer.

Item 1.

Submitted for consideration minutes of Planning Committee meeting held on the 23rd July, 1968 - Noted.

Item 2.

Submitted report on Planning decision taken - 8th July, 1968 to 4th September, 1968. Noted.

Item 3.

Submitted report on Planning applications on hands at 2nd September, 1968. -Noted.

Cllr. A. Eromell referred to a planning application on hands for the Thomondgate No. 5 area and asked if anything could be done in regard to the planning of this area so that private developers would be allowed to build.

The City Manager stated that in the case of obsolete areas it was necessary that the Corporation acquire the total area to plan it properly. The No. 4 area had been completely surveyed and he would discuss the question of surveying a further area with the City Engineer and Architect and come back to the Council in a matter of a couple of months.

Cllr. V. Feeney referred to the problem of wandering horses in the City and area. He said it was a disgrace to have animals wandering and heavier penalties should be imposed on owners.

Proposed by Cllr. Feeney, seconded by Cllr. Leddin and unanimously resolved: "That the Minister for Justice be requested to introduce legislation imposing heavier penalties on owners who allowed animals to wander on the public roads as the existing penalties are considered too small to be effective".

Cllr. O'Driscoll referred to parking on both sides of the street outside Barrington's Hospital and asked that the matter be taken up with the Garda Authorities. It was not desirable to have parking on both sides at this location.

Condolence.

Proposed by Cllr. Liddy, seconded by Cllr. Casey and unanimously resolved: "That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be extended to the following: Mrs. A. Fitzgibbon, Greenpark, Ballinacurre, on the death of her father. Cllr. J. Lane. Mrs. B. Hayes, O'Connell Ave., on the death of her son Rev. Fr. Hayes. Mrs. M. Buckley, Shelbourne Park on the death of her nephew.

A True Record.

T. P. MacDIARMADA,

CITY MANAGER AND TOWN CLERK.

*confirmed in Council this 8<sup>th</sup> day of October 1968*  
*T. P. MacDiarmada*

City Council Archives

City Manager's Office  
Town Hall,  
Limerick,  
4th October, 1968.

Tenders Committee Meeting

A meeting of the above Committee was held in the County Courthouse on Tuesday, September 24th, 1968, the following members being present.

In the Chair:

P. Kennedy.

Councillors:

C. Casey, J. P. Liddy, A. Bromell, F. Glasgow,  
and J. Quinn.

Officers present included:

City Manager and Town Clerk, T. Colliery,  
Acting Asst. Town Clerk, City Solicitor,  
H. Greene Asst. City Engineer, M. O'Connor,  
and M.O'Sullivan, Staff Officers.

In accordance with the regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tender was opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialled by him, and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action.

Supply of Ripper Lorry - Gas Department.

Templemore Motor Works - £3194.

A True Record.

T. P. MACDIARMADA  
CITY MANAGER AND TOWN CLERK.

*Confirmed in Council Bus  
8th of October 1968  
John Burke  
Chairman*

City Council Archives

LIMERICK CITY COUNCIL.

Following the holding of the adjourned Special Meeting, A Meeting of the Planning Committee (whole house) was held.

Present:

The Right Worshipful Cllr. J. Bourke, Mayor.

In the Chair:

S. Coughlan, T.D., G.E. Russell, M. Lipper,  
P. Kennedy.

Aldermen:

J. Quinn, F. Leddin, M. Earls, A. O'Driscoll,  
M. Kennedy, C. Casey, S. Fielding,  
F. Glasgow, P. Kiely, V. Feeney, J. P. Liddy,  
and A. Bromell.

Councillors:

City Manager and Town Clerk, Asst. Town Clerk,  
City Solicitor, City Engineer and Mr. P. Ryan,  
Staff Officer.

Ald. Russell moved standing orders for 15 minutes to allow meeting to be held.

Item 1.  
Special Committee King John's Castle.

Submitted report of Special Committee Meeting held on October 2nd, 1968. Noted.

Item 2.

Submitted Minutes of Planning Committee held on 24th September, 1968 - Noted.

Item 3 and 4.

Submitted list of Planning decisions and applications on hands - noted.

Matters Arising:

The City Manager said that a report on the Bus Shelters at eight city bus stops would be prepared and submitted for the next meeting of Council. Ald. Coughlan and Ald. Russell enquired re. present position on removal of bus shelter at Rathbane. The City Manager said that the matter was the responsibility of C.I.E.

Cllr. O'Driscoll proposed a resolution:

"that there be a co-ordination in planning between Limerick City and County, and Clare County Council".

Ald. Russell seconded. Cllr. Casey supported the resolution, and drew attention to the disused-type road lay-bys which Clare County Council had constructed on the main Ennis to Limerick Road. The resolution was passed unanimously.

In reply to Cllr. O'Driscoll, the City Manager, said that a report on the reconstruction of premises adjoining the Town Hall, would be submitted to the November Council Meeting.



LIMERICK CITY COUNCIL.

TENDERS COMMITTEE MEETING.

A meeting of the above Committee was held in the County Courthouse on Tuesday November, 19th, 1968, the following members being present:

in the Chair: The Right Worshipful Cllr. J. Bourke, Mayor.

Aldermen: P. Kennedy, G. E. Russell and S. Coughlan, T. D.

Councillors: C. Casey, A. Bromell, P. Kiely, J. P. Liddy, M. Kennedy, S. Fielding, G. Glasgow, F. Leddin and J. Quinn.

Officers present included: City Manager and Town Clerk, Asst. Town Clerk, City Solicitor, City Engineer, Chief Veterinary Officer, Chief Fire Officer, Mr. J. McLaughlin, Accts. Gas Department and M/s. P. Ryan and M. O'Sullivan.

In accordance with the regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman numbered and initialled by him and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action.

GAS DEPARTMENT - Purchase of Truck.

- (1) Elm Motors Ltd., Honans Quay, Limerick.
- (2) Limerick Motor Works, 14 Upper William Street, Limerick.
- (3) Bedford Motor Co., Henry Street, Limerick.
- (4) Johnson & Perrett Ltd., Emmett Place Cork.

A True Record.

T. P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

22nd November, 1968.

*Confirmed at Council this  
10<sup>th</sup> day of December  
T. P. MacDiarmada  
CHAIRMAN.*

Item 5.

Submitted report on public convenience at Bishop's Quay/Lr. Cecil Street. It was proposed by Cllr. Bromell, seconded by Cllr. Glasgow and unanimously resolved :-

"that offer of new public convenience be accepted, and approval granted to the arrangement as outlined in report.

Matters Raised.

Ald. Coughlan and Russell and Cllr. Liddy paid tribute to Mr. O'Callaghan, Architect, his resignation was a sad blow and a deep loss to the Corporation. The City Manager and the Chairman joined in the tributes to Mr. O'Callaghan. It was agreed that Mr. O'Callaghan be informed of the City Council's regards and that he be asked to reconsider his decision to resign.

Public Lighting.

Cllr. O'Driscoll asked the present position on the public lighting of the various housing estates. The Asst. Town Clerk said that on Foras Forbartha would shortly introduce standards of public lighting for the guidance of Local Authorities.

Condolence.

It was proposed by Ald. Russell and unanimously resolved that the sympathy and condolence of the Council be tendered to the relatives of the Late Mr. John Feely.

A True Record.

*Confirmed in Council Nov 19 1968  
T. P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk  
Chairman*

TENDERS COMMITTEE MEETING.

A meeting of the above committee was held in the County Courthouse on Tuesday November, 26th, 1966. The following members being present:

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful Cllr. J. Bourke, Mayor.

Aldermen: P. Kennedy.

Councillors: C. Casey, A. Bromell, P. Kiely, T. P. Liddy, V. Feeney, M. Kennedy, F. Glasgow, F. Leddin and A. O'Riiscoll.

Apology for non attendance was received from Ald. S. Coughlan T.D.

Officers present included: City Manager and Town Clerk, Asst. Town Clerk, City Solicitor, Mr. M. Greene Acting City Engineer and Mr. P. Ryan Staff Officer.

In accordance with the regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman numbered and initialled by him and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action.

PEOPLES PARK - Proposed Workshop & Store.

- { 1 } C. Sheehan & Sons, Ltd., Lord Edward Street, Limerick.
- { 2 } M/s Cedarlan Ltd., 7 Old Victoria Road, Cork.
- { 3 } Barna Buildings Ltd., Dublin Road, Ennisceorthy, Co. Wexford.

SWIMMING POOL - Filter-Plant.

- { 1 } M/s Fowler Duplay Ltd., 124 Ranelagh, Dublin 6.
- { 2 } The Fermatic Co. Ltd., Pemberton House, 632/552 London Rd. Icteworth, Middlesex, England.
- { 3 } H. R. Holfield Ltd., 24 Merville Rd., Stillorgan, Dublin.
- { 4 } M/s Ascon Ltd., Swimming Pool Dept., Neas Road, Clondalkin, Dublin.

REFUSE TRUCK.

- { 1 } M/s Cavanaghs of Charleville, Main St. Charleville, Co. Cork.
- { 2 } Progress Machinery Ltd., 4, Lt. Kevin Street, Dublin 8.
- { 3 } William P. Ryan Ltd., Coachbuilders, 52 Thornecastle St., Ringsend, Dublin.
- { 4 } Booth Poole & Co. Ltd., P.O. Box No 90, Liffeybank, Islandbridge, Dublin 8.
- { 5 } McCairns Motors Ltd., SENTRY and Tars Street Dublin.
- { 6 } M/s Gleeson Bros., Automobile Engineers, Ellen St. Limerick.
- { 7 } The Limerick Motor Works, 14 Upper William St., Limerick.

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT AT GIVNET.

- { 1 } J.V. Duffy Ltd., Civil Engineering Contractors, Shankill, Co. Dublin.
- { 2 } Mr. R.S. Morris, Manager Inchers Industrial Estate, Dunkettle, Co. Cork.
- { 3 } Mr. P. Hoare, Building Contractor, 1, The Crescent, Limerick.
- { 4 } M.F.N. Construction Co. Ltd., 4 Wellington Rd. Ballsbridge, Dublin.

- { 5 } Malachy Burke (Contractors) Ltd., Remore, Co. Galway.
- { 6 } P.J. Callaghan (Contractors) Ltd., Glendore Rd. Griffith Avenue, Dublin, 9
- { 7 } A. F. Hastings & Co. Ltd., Dundrum Road, Dublin.
- { 8 } Mr. Jeremiah Fitzpatrick, Building Contractor, Percival Street, Kanturk, Co. Cork.
- { 9 } M/s Henry Bros. Ltd., Achill Sound, Co. Mayo.
- { 10 } Mr. P. Breslin, Contractor, Kilminky, Portlaoise, Co. Laoise.
- { 11 } M/s Cairn Construction Co., 27 Salisbury Street Balton, Lancashire, England.
- { 12 } T.D. Mulesair & Co. Ltd., Civil Engineers & Contractors, "Adare", Holyhead Road, Menai Bridge, Anglesey, England.

PLANT HIRE.

- { 1 } Mr. William Dunworth, Contractor, Drehidarsna, Adare, Co. Limerick.
- { 2 } Mr. Joseph Kelly, Contractor, Hallow Road, Whitechurch, Co. Cork.
- { 3 } Mr. Robert Roche, Contractor, Knocklisheen, N.R. Limerick
- { 4 } Mr. Patrick Bateman, Contractor, Knocklisheen, N.R. Limerick.
- { 5 } Portarlington Eng. Products Ltd., Portarlington, Co. Laoise.
- { 6 } Mr. Denis Sweeney, Contractor, 4 Rossa Villas, Garryowen, Limerick.
- { 7 } Mr. P. J. Noonan, Contractor, Kilmee, Co. Limerick.
- { 8 } Mr. James N. Griffiths, Contractor, Ballytrasna, Tuum, Co. Galway.
- { 9 } Mr. John Cusack, Contractor, The Hill, Dublin, Rd., Limerick
- { 10 } Plant & Machinery Ltd., Dolphin Engineering Works, Kingsend, Dublin.
- { 11 } Mr. Michael Noonan, Contractor, 9, Ballinacurra Terrace, Ballinacurra, Limerick.
- { 12 } Mr. Michael Cross, Contractor, 45 Dublin Road, Limerick.
- { 13 } Mr. John McHanus, Contractor, Roxboro Lodge, Ballysheedy, Limerick.
- { 14 } Mr. Leo McGinley, Contractor, Ballysheedy, Co. Limerick.
- { 15 } Mr. James Clancy, Contractor, College Park, Corbally, Limerick.
- { 16 } Mr. Paddy O'Brien, Contractor, White Hall, Parteen, Limerick.
- { 17 } M/s Hamilton & Preston, Contractors, Sligo Road, Enniskillen, Co. Fermanagh.
- { 18 } Mr. E. Fitzgerald, Wm. O'Brien (Plant Hire) Ltd., Bishonestown, Co. Cork.
- { 19 } Mr. Michael Clancy, Contractor, Rhebogue, Singland, Limerick.
- { 20 } Mr. P. Morris, Contractor, Kildimo, Co. Limerick.
- { 21 } M/s Sheehy Bros. Ltd., Contractors, Kilmoran, Co. Limerick.
- { 22 } M/s Wheelan Bros. Plant Hire Ltd., Station House, Kilmush, Co. Clare.
- { 23 } Mr. Michael Walsh, Contractor, IVoyds Yard, Malgrave Street, Limerick.

A True Record.

3rd December, 1968

T. P. MacDermada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

Confirmed at Council  
this 10<sup>th</sup> day of  
December 1968  
Jack South  
CHAIRMAN.

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A Meeting of the General Purposes and Planning Committee (whole house) was held in the County Courthouse (by kind permission of the County Registrar), on Tuesday November 26th, at 7.30. o'clock p.m.

Present:

- In the Chair: The Right Worshipful, Councillor J. Bourke, Mayor.
- Aldermen: P. Kennedy.
- Councillors: A O'Driscoll, M. Kennedy, J. P. Liddy, P. Kiely, V. Feeney, A. Bromell, C. Casey, F. Leddin and F. Glasgow.
- Officers present: City Manager and Town Clerk, Asst. Town Clerk, City Solicitor, Mr. M. Greene, Deputy City Engineer and Mr. P. Ryan, Staff Officer.

It was proposed by Councillor Liddy, seconded by Councillor Kiely and agreed that a deputation representative of Limerick and District Leagues Football Association of Ireland, be allowed to address the meeting on playing pitches and dressing rooms. Mr. Jim Jackman on behalf of the Limerick and District Leagues acted as spokesman. He pointed out that Junior, Minor and Schoolboy soccer teams in addition to inter firm sides were active all the year round. Thus the shortage of grounds and playing fields was felt in winter when certain pitches were unplayable. He asked that the Council would make available sites in the Watch House Cross and Caledonian Park/Janeboro areas for development as playing pitches. The position of dressing room accommodation was also raised by Mr. Jackman who deplored damage of Shelbourne Park dressing rooms by vandals. In conclusion Mr. Jackman assured the Council of financial support from the District Leagues in developing the sites and dressing rooms.

Councillor Feeney supported and referred to the need for additional playing pitches. Alderman Kennedy said that the Development plan for the City referred to areas in Rathbane, St. Mary's, Park, Moylish and Watch House Cross and these areas would be suitable for development as playing fields. Councillor Casey appealed to Mr. Jackman to have a close season to give the pitches time to be resown. He said that with 146 teams now playing, newly acquired land should be examined on their suitability for playing fields. Councillor O'Driscoll said that Healy's Field should be availed of and this would relieve the situation. The lack of drainage in St. Mary's Park was depriving the residents there of an excellent playing field. Councillors Liddy and Glasgow supported Mr. Jackman. Councillor Kiely also spoke in favour of Healy's Field as a playing pitch. Councillor Leddin referred to greenspace in Rathbane, and said that football there at the moment was a source of annoyance to residents, and showed the need for additional pitches.

The Chairman said that the position was not peculiar to Limerick. He felt that young people should not be deterred from playing fields, as might occur in the case of a stadium, with wall etc. He would certainly support the acquisition of land for extra playing fields and assured the deputation of his support. The City Manager referred to Healy's Field and said the wish of the Council to retain this as a playing pitch was very evident. Some of the sites mentioned were already sought by other sporting groups. He assured the Council that the request would receive every consideration. The deputation then withdrew.

Item 1. Housing Construction

Councillor referred to progress in Watergate. He felt that the re-development of Edward Street, Halls Range, Taylor Street, Dominick Street, St. Josephs Street and filling of quarry at Carey's Road should be expedited. He hoped that the exploitation of married couples with high rents for single rooms, etc, by private landlords would cease and that the Corporation would investigate such cases when allocating houses. In reply to Councillor Liddy the City Manager said that the question of newly weds and housing allocation had been considered. It was not advisable to allocate any percentage of houses for newly weds at present. The stage was now reached where married couples with two children had been rehoused.

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Councillor Liddy asked if the question of erection of 200 houses by the N.B.A. could be pursued. If a site was not available in the region, perhaps another site might be made available. The City Manager said he would contact the N.B.A. on this matter. It was important that the Corporation's own building programme rate should also be maintained. The City Manager promised to review the position of the Corporation's Scheme for Small Dwellings Loans. He pointed out that income limits did not justify the giving of maximum loans in all cases. Councillor O'Driscoll referred to the John St./Garveys Range district and asked that it be redeveloped. Councillor Bromell referred to the Thomondgate No. 5. area and asked present position. The City Manager said that this area was partially surveyed. He would submit a report to the next General Purposes Committee Meeting. He felt that the time was now opportune to discuss the position of derelict sites generally and the Council might consider devoting wholly to this question a General Purposes Committee Meeting and fix priorities. The reports on areas Johnsgate, Garveys Range, Halls Buildings etc., could then be examined by the City Council. The City Manager told Councillor Liddy that it was expected that Watergate No. 1 would reach completion in March, 1969. The Chairman referred to the new Watergate flats which looked very well and were carefully designed. He felt that the St. Mary's Park Housing Scheme repairs work should be now tackled. Councillor O'Driscoll agreed and said that open sewage there caused grave annoyance, and the practice of discharge from the sewage pump there should cease. The City Manager said he would examine the matter. Councillor Feeney supported the Chairman and Councillor O'Driscoll.

Item 2 - Submitted Minute of Planning Committee held on 29th October, 1968.  
- Noted.

Matters Arising:

The City Engineer told Councillor O'Driscoll that the E.S.B. had been given order to erect public lighting in Janemount Park, Corbally. In reply to Councillors Liddy and Bromell the City Manager said that an Foras Forbartha were introducing standards of Public Lighting for the guidance of Local Authorities. It was agreed to depart from the procedure of invitation of quotations from the E.S.B. in respect of public lighting and that an official order be issued to the E.S.B. when the City Council approved the erection of Public Lighting subject to the estimate of Public Lighting not being exceeded. The City Manager said that the City Engineer would send official order to the E.S.B. for erection of lights in respect of the areas mentioned by the Chairman, Councillors Bromell and Leddin. Councillor O'Driscoll said that the Public Lighting estimate was inadequate and should be increased.

Items 3 & 4:

Submitted list of Planning decisions and applications on hands. - Noted.

Matters Arising:

Councillor Leddin referred to condition of Desmond Hotel. He asked if any planning proposal had been submitted. The City Manager said that the Desmond Hotel was private property. No current planning application had been submitted. Councillor Liddy referred to proposed Garda Station. He felt William Street was not a suitable location. The City Manager said that the Office of Public Works handled the affairs of the Garda Síochana in matters of construction and repairs. The Corporation had no function in the matter.

Condolence:

It was unanimously resolved that the sympathy of the City Council be extended to the relatives of the O'Callaghan Family, Upper Carey's Road on their sad bereavement.

*Confirmed at Council this 10<sup>th</sup> day of Feb 1969*

T. P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

CHAIRMAN

CORPORATION OF LIMERICK.

TENDERS COMMITTEE MEETING.

A meeting of the above Committee was held in the County Courthouse on Tuesday January 14th 1969, the following being present:

In the Chair The Right Worshipful Cllr J. Bourke, Mayor.

Aldermen: P. Kennedy, G.E. Russell and S. Coughlan I.D.

Councillors: C. Casey, A. O'Driscoll, J.P. Liddy, V. Feeney, M. Kennedy, F. Leddin and P. Kiely.

Officers Present: City Manager and Town Clerk, Asst. Town Clerk, City Solicitor, City Engineer, Mr. Delaney Architect, and Mr. M. O'Connor, P. Darcy and P. Ryan Staff Officers.

In accordance with the regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialled by him, and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and necessary action.

Van Gess. Department.

- Bedford Motor Co. £710 and £740
- Lincoln Motors, Dublin. £710

True Record  
*Jack Burke*  
T. P. MacDiarmada,  
CITY MANAGER AND TOWN CLERK.

CORPORATION OF LIMERICK.

TENDERS COMMITTEE MEETING.

A meeting of the above committee was held in the County Courthouse on Tuesday 4th February, 1969, the following being present:

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful Cllr. J. G. Bourke, Mayor.

Aldermen: P. Kennedy, G.E. Russell.

Councillors: J. P. Liddy, F. Glasgow, M. Lipper and F. Leddin.

Apologies for inability to attend were received from Councillors V. Feeney, M. Kennedy, F. Kiely and S. Fielding.

Officers present included: City Manager and Town Clerk, Mr. T. Colliery, Asst. Town Clerk, Mr. M. MacCurtain, City Engineer, Mr. O'Sullivan, acting City Accountant and Mr. O'Connor, Staff Officer.

In accordance with the regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialled by him, and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and necessary action.

EMPIRE PLANT AT CLAREVILLE.

- 1. H.R. Helfeld Ltd. 24, Merville Rd., Stillorgan Dublin.
- 2. Ateliers de Constructions Electriques de Charleroi, B.P. 4 Charleroi, (Belgique)
- 3. Public Works Services (Ireland) Ltd., Blanchardstown, Dublin.
- 4. Maher and Platt (Contracting) Limited, Manchester 10
- 5. Roche & McConnell Ltd., 11 Lt. Mercer St. Dublin.

True Record  
*Jack Burke*  
T. P. MacDiarmada,  
CITY MANAGER AND TOWN CLERK.

A Meeting of the General Purposes and Planning Committee (whole house) was held in the County Courthouse, (by kind permission of the County Registrar), on Tuesday February 25th, 1969. The Roll was called at 7.30 P.M.

Present -

In the Chair : The Right Worshipful Councillor J. Bourke, Mayor.

Aldermen : S. Coughlan, T.D., P. Kennedy, and G.E. Russell.

Councillors : F. Leddin, M. Earls, J. Quinn, C. Casey, A. Bromell, P. Kiely, J. P. Liddy, F. Glasgow and A. O'Driscoll.

Officials : The City Manager and Town Clerk, Asst. Town Clerk, City Solicitor, City Engineer, Mr. W. Delaney, Architect, Mr. P. Ryan, Staff Officer.

Item 1 - To consider Notice of Motion:

"That the Limerick City Council alarmed at the threatened take-over by foreign combines of the retail trade in Ireland with its consequent damage to employment and industry, calls on the Minister for Industry and Commerce to take immediate steps to prevent such a catastrophe." Councillor A. Bromell.

Councillor A. Bromell proposing the adoption of the Motion spoke of the dangers to the family shops, manufacturers of Irish goods, economy of the Country. Councillor Bromell said he welcomed investment which provided capital for creation of new industries and employment, but the take-over of any facet of Irish economy should be guarded against. In conclusion Councillor Bromell said that the Minister for Industry and Commerce should at once assess the amount of the retain market already in foreign hands, and also the amount likely to be taken over in the future, together with the possible detrimental effects. He said that the Minister for Industry and Commerce should consider whether foreign combines should be instructed with regard to the origin of their marketing goods, and also with regard to unfair trade and discrimination, and the Minister should inform the public of the situation.

Alderman Russell seconding the resolution said that foreign combines constituted a grave threat to the livelihood of the small shopkeeper and the family trader who had served the local community in the past. There was an obligation on the Government to protect the interests of persons engaged in the distributive trade. Alderman Russell spoke in favour of some big firms, who were highly efficient, and give a good service to the small shopkeeper. The most serious aspect of the matter was the manufacture and processing of goods abroad which were then sold in this Country. It was up to the Government to guard against this situation.

Alderman Coughlan supported the previous speakers. He decried the disappearance of the family shopkeeper from the retail scene. He recalled that many years ago as Mayor of the City he had warned of the danger, and said that the wine and spirit trade might be forced to close down also as licences were being taken over by outside combines.

Alderman Coughlan said that certain city business people should have invested their money in the City instead of banking it. Such people had no time for the worker or his family. The time was coming when the people of Limerick might have no say in the running of their City and it was now time to move.

Councillor Leddin supporting referred to the number of people unemployed in the City, and referred to the weekly importing of £4,000 worth of meat into the City. Alderman Kennedy said that the matter should be referred to the Fair Trade Commission in addition to the Minister.

TENDERS COMMITTEE

A Meeting of the Tenders Committee was held in the County Courthouse, by kind permission of the County Registrar on Tuesday 11th February, 1969. The following members were present.

In the Chair : The Right Worshipful Councillor J.G. Bourke, Mayor.

Aldermen : P. Kennedy, G. E. Russell, S. Coughlan, T.D.

Councillors : A. O'Driscoll, P. Kiely, M. Earls, M. Lipper, C. Casey, J. Quinn, J. Bromell, M. Kennedy, J. P. Liddy, F. Glasgow and F. Leddin.

Apologies for inability to attend were received from Councillors V. Feeney and S. Fielding.

Officers Present included: City Manager and Town Clerk, Mr. T. Colliery, Asst. Town Clerk, P. Darcy and M.O'Connor, Staff Officer.

In accordance with the regulations adopted by the Council for the receipt and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, marked and initialled by him, and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and all necessary action.

TENDERS FOR LAMBER

- (1) Francis Spaight & Sons Ltd., Henry Street, Limerick.
- (2) James McMahon Ltd., St. Alphonsus Street, Limerick.
- (3) J. Duffy, c/o E.H. Harte Ltd., Clarke's Bridge, Cork.

17th February, 1969.

*Copy sent to Council  
Monday 11/3/69  
J.P. Liddy  
Mayor*

Councillor Liddy said that the small shopkeeper had in the past been the backbone of the trade in the City and should be fully supported. He said that the erection of a public abattoir would result in meat being processed in the City and this would reduce the amount of meat being imported. He said shop assistants should be encouraged by employers to sell Irish goods where possible, and this also applied to the licenced trade. The resolution should be circulated to all Local Authorities also.

Councillor Casey supported previous speakers, and said that the sale of a site in Mungret Street seemed to have sparked off the matter.

Councillor Kieley supported the Motion also, and congratulated the action of the Limerick Chronicle on their editorial in support of the traders. The Chairman said he fully supported the resolution, and agreed that small traders should be protected. People should be advised that Irish goods were comparable to foreign products. The Resolution was passed unanimously.

Site at Mungret Street :

The City Manager in reply to Councillor Casey said that the Corporation both bought and sold property. The price for the Mungret Street site was negotiated in 1964. There was no sale in this area at a greater figure than that offered to the Corporation by Messrs. Musgrave Brothers. The Corporation should have regard to the fact that there was still property for purchase in Mungret Street and prices should relate reasonably to property values. With regard to the Planning and Development Act, 1963, the Corporation in its capacity as Planning Authority could give a decision on planning grounds only. The power contained in this Act would not extend to the examination of the financial and ownership status of the developer. The City Council would in the near future have an opportunity of examining the design and details of the shopping centre in the N.B.A. Scheme in Rathbane, which was being erected to cater for the shopping needs of the area's residents.

Alderman Russell suggested that for the future, the Corporation should insist, when sites were offered to Industrialists for development, that building would start within 12 months and not years later when the site was more valuable.

The City Solicitor said it was the policy of the Corporation to encourage Industrialists to set up business in the City. He would not favour putting any obstacles in their way. However, if strict control was thought necessary, the Industrialist might be requested to sign an initial agreement that construction on the site would commence within a year. Failing this the Corporation would not grant the lease.

Item 2 - Housing Construction :

Councillor Leddin referred to flooding and condition of houses in Upper Carey's Road. He asked the City Engineer to look into this matter. Alderman Coughlan asked the City Engineer to investigate the spring which caused flooding in a Corporation house in this area. The City Engineer outlined details of the probable cause. He told Councillor Leddin that a wall would be erected soon in the Upper Carey's Road area.

Councillor Earls referred to the repairs of houses in Ballynanty Beg and Kileely areas. He asked that a duplicate receipt of a tenants complaint by the Housing Supervisor be issued. He said certain areas had one gate to four houses. The delay in doing repairs meant that replacement of fittings instead of a repair became necessary. Certain flats and dwellings were devoid of a good heating system, and old people had suffered hardship during the winter as a result. In reply to Councillor Earls, the City Engineer said that he would look into the matter. With regard to cleaning of Streets, Ballynanty Beg was treated in a similar manner to other housing estates in the City. Councillor Quinn said that a full meeting should be

devoted to the question of repairs to Corporation houses. Councillor O'Driscoll supported and said a set schedule of repairs should be drawn up. The City Manager said he would arrange to have a tabulation of repairs which was submitted in the past to the City Council updated and summary of repairs prepared for consideration at the next General Purposes Committee Meeting.

Water Supply Position - Reservoir :

Alderman Coughlan and Councillor Leddin asked the City Engineer to comment on the leakage which had occurred in the water mains. Alderman Kennedy asked if the standby pump was working at full capacity. The City Engineer said that the level of the reservoir had dropped during the recent cold spell. Recently, however, the level position had improved. It was not a suitable time of the year to execute repairs. He was keeping a close watch on the position.

Public Lighting :

The City Engineer said that the E.S.B. had been asked to erect public lighting in Kinvara Park, South Hill and Greenfields. He promised to look into provision of Kilmara Terrace, Wolfe Tone Street. In reply to Councillor Liddy the City Manager undertook to have report prepared on public lighting position for the next General Purposes Committee meeting.

Roads, Paths etc. :

Councillor Liddy asked that road gullies be cleared at Greenfields and Panches Cross, as constant flooding occurred in this region. He said that part of roadway in Greenfields was in need of repair. The City Engineer said work would be done in the next few months. The City Manager promised to investigate the Chairman's complaint that water pipes in Kennedy Park had burst due to not being laid deep enough in ground.

Itinerants :

Alderman Russell referred to report in Limerick Chronicle on Itinerants at Island Road. He said there was a moral obligation on the City Council to aid these people. Councillor Quinn said the Itinerants needed houses or a site, their problem was an immediate one, and they lived under disgraceful conditions. Councillor Liddy said there was a special Joint Committee on the Council to look after this question. Alderman Russell said that a site for Itinerants at Knockalishen Camp had been refused by the Department of De'ence. The City Manager said there was approximately 11 families of Itinerants settled in the City, he would prepare a report for a future Council Meeting in relation to Itinerants. The Chairman and Councillor Casey supported previous speakers. Alderman Kennedy said that the Itinerants Commission had recommended the setting up of an educational service for Itinerants. Councillor O'Driscoll said that wandering animals were the cause of a serious traffic hazard and they trespassed on private property in Corbally.

Councillor Quinn proposed suspension of Standing Orders for 15 minutes.

Housing 2 (b) :

Considered report of Street Naming Sub-Committee on naming of N.B.A. Housing Scheme. It was noted that scheme be named Donogh O'Malley Park. It was proposed by Councillor Liddy, seconded by Alderman Russell and unanimously resolved that recommendation of Street Naming Sub-Committee be accepted. Alderman Russell hoped that the Sub-Committee would bear the name of the late John Carey in mind when part 2 of the South-Hill West was being named.

Item 3 - Report on Derelict and Obsolete Areas :

Submitted report dated 3rd December, 1968 on Derelict and Obsolete Areas. Councillor Bromell said that the Corporation should tackle the

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Thomondgate area so that private development would not be impeded, as many people wished to develop property there but were precluded from doing so until the planning of the area was resolved. Alderman Russell supported and said that the Planning Assistant when appointed might be detailed to this task. The City Manager said that the Local Appointments Commission had not yet recommended a candidate for the Planning Assistant position. He felt that the Corporation should consider the appointment of a Consultant to advise on the redevelopment of derelict and obsolete areas. Councillor O'Driscoll supported this suggestion. He said areas such as the Old Abbey, Island Road, St. Mary's Park and Johnsgate should be tackled and more houses could then be erected there. Councillor Quinn supported Councillor O'Driscoll and felt that the redevelopment of central City areas also very necessary. Councillor Casey agreed with suggestion to appoint a Consultant. He felt attention should be given to Naughtons Place and Vizes Field. Alderman Kennedy spoke in favour of central City development. The City Manager said that the Vized Field Compulsory Acquisition Order was being prepared and when the Engineers condition survey was completed, it would be sent to the City Solicitor for attention. It was agreed to appoint a Consultant to report on Derelict and Obsolete Areas in the City.

Item (4) :

Submitted report dated 21st February 1969 ref: 13/69. It was proposed by Alderman Russell, seconded by Councillor O'Driscoll, and unanimously resolved :

"That approval be and the same is hereby granted to the purchase of -

- (1) Land at Crossgalla of 29 acres 1 rood and 13 perches in the sum of £30,450 from Mrs. May Kelly.
- (2) Land at Park Corbally of 6 acres 1 rood and 32 perches in the sum of £9,000 from Mr. Daniel Healy.

as detailed in report dated 21st February, 1969."

Item (5) :

Submitted report on decisions taken by the planning authority from 9th January, 1969 to 5th February, 1969. - Noted.

Item (6) :

Submitted report of planning applications on hands 5th February, 1969. - Noted.

In reply to Alderman Russell and Councillor Bromell the City Manager undertook to examine the planning application of Mr. Nicholas McGrath, Glenview Gardens for erection of store at Thomondgate.

Rents :

Councillor Liddy asked the City Manager to accept his proposition that tenants on fixed rents would not be asked to pay further increases on their rents in the life-time of the present Council. Alderman Russell seconded the proposal and called on the Manager to accept the resolution of the City Council to impose no more increases on fixed rents.

A vote of Sympathy was unanimously passed to the relatives of the late Mr. Patrick Hurley, "Snugboro", North Circular Road, on their sad bereavement.

A true record.

T. P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Comp used at Council meeting 11/3/69*  
*Fact Book*

LIMERICK CITY COUNCIL

A Meeting of the General Purposes and Planning Committees of the Limerick City Council was held in the County Courthouse, (by kind permission of the County Registrar), on Tuesday 25th March, 1969. The roll was called at 7.30 p.m., and the following members were present :-

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful, Councillor J. Bourke, Mayor.  
Aldermen:- P. Kennedy, S. Coughlan, I. D., G. E. Russell, M. Lipper.

Councillors: A. O'Driscoll, M. Earls, C. Casey, V. Feeney, P. Kely, R. Liddy, F. Glasgow, A. Eromell.

Officers present included: City Manager and Town Clerk, Mr. T. Colliery, Asst. Town Clerk, Mr. M. Greene, Deputy City Engineer, City Solicitor, Architect, M. O'Sullivan, Acting City Accountant, Messrs. P. Darcy and M. O'Connor, Staff Officers.

Following discussion it was agreed to adjourn consideration of the items listed on the Agenda for the Planning and General Purposes Meeting on Tuesday 1st April, 1969.

A True Record.

T. P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Approved in Council*  
*This 13 & May 1969*  
*Fact Book*  
*1/4/69*

Following the conclusion of the Adjourned Estimates Meeting of Limerick City Council, held on the 1st April, 1969, a Meeting of the Adjourned General Purposes and Planning Committees (whole house) was held.

Item 1 - Report of City Engineer on Roads :

Submitted for consideration report dated 24th January, 1969 from the City Engineer on roads in Limerick City. - Noted.

Alderman Kennedy referred to the heavy volume of traffic on South Circular Road which was a very narrow road and requested that consideration be given to the introduction of one-way traffic. The City Engineer stated that the question of one-way traffic on South Circular Road had been taken up with the Garda Authorities and a decision was awaited.

Alderman Coughlan referred to the lack of sign posts at junction, O'Curry Street, Clyde Road and Dock Road, and asked that the signposts be erected as soon as possible at these junctions.

Councillor Liddy referred to the signpost at the end of the Ballinacraura Road which indicated the City Centre. This sign had been missing for some time and he asked that arrangements be made for its replacement.

Councillor Ferris referred to Hennessy Avenue and Smith O'Brien Avenue where excavation had been carried out by the E.S.B., and asked that the road surface at this location be replaced as soon as possible. The City Engineer stated that a certain length of time had to be allowed for subsidence, and stated that the road restoration would be carried out as soon as possible.

Alderman Russell stated that excavations had also been carried out by the E.S.B., on the North Circular Road, and said that the surface there should be restored.

Item 2 - Housing Construction :

Alderman Coughlan referred to the erection of flats at Watergate, and said that he considered that the flats were not up to standard and objected to the layout and arrangements for refuse removal and the provision of coal bunkers.

Councillor Casey stated that the flats were not yet finished and he felt that they should await their completion before carrying out an inspection as it was difficult to judge standards before the flats were completed.

Item 3 - Circular Letter H. 7/67 from Department of Local Government:

Submitted copy of Circular dated 20th February, 1969 reference H. 7/69 from the Department of Local Government in connection with rents of Local Authority dwellings. It was agreed to defer consideration of the Circular to a later date.

The City Manager advised in regard to rents that he would in the meantime have to make arrangements for renting schemes on the basis of the Department's Circular.

Item 4 - Differential Rents Watergate Stage I and Donogh O'Malley Park :

Submitted report dated 7th March, 1969 reference 22/69 from the City Manager setting out the proposed differential rents in respect of Watergate Stage I and Donogh O'Malley Park. - Noted.

Item 5 - Scheme of Differential Renting for Watergate Stage I and Donogh O'Malley Park :

Submitted report setting out proposed scheme of differential renting in respect of Watergate Stage I and Donogh O'Malley Park.

The City Manager pointed out that the proposed scheme applied only to Watergate Stage I and Donogh O'Malley Park. He would like to see the scheme in operation in relation to these two housing schemes before applying it to all other Corporation housing schemes. - Noted.

Standing Orders :

Proposed by Councillor Glasgow, seconded by Councillor Casey and unanimously resolved :

"That standing Orders be suspended for 15 minutes".

Item 6 - Report from Limerick Vocational Education Committee :

Submitted report dated 26th March, 1969 from the Limerick City Vocational Education Committee in regard to proposals for extending schools in the City, and also the courses of study which would be provided. The Committee requested submission at an early date of any amendments or suggestions that the Council might wish to make on the proposals. - Noted.

Item 7 :

Submitted report on Planning decisions taken in respect of applications between 6th February, 1969 and 6th March, 1969. - Noted.

Item 8 :

Submitted report listing planning applications under consideration at the 6th March, 1969. - Noted.

Sympathy and Condolence :

Proposed by Councillor Glasgow, seconded by Councillor Liddy and unanimously resolved :

"That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be extended to Mrs. Brid O'Ceallaghan, Westview, Shelbourne Road, on the death of her Husband".

Proposed by Alderman Russell, seconded by Councillor Liddin, and unanimously resolved :

"That the sympathy and condolence of the Council be extended to the following :-

Samille Family, 59, Hyde Road, Prospect on the death of Mrs. Smalle.  
Byrne Family, Wolfe Tonn Street on the death of Mrs. Byrne.  
Gillan family, National Hotel, Limerick, on the death of Mr. Gillan."

A true record.

T. P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

*Resigned in Council*  
*This 13<sup>th</sup> May 1969*  
*City Clerk Donohue*  
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A Meeting of the Planning and General Purposes Committee (Whole House) of the Limerick City Council was held in the County Courthouse, (by kind permission of the County Registrar), on Tuesday 22nd April, 1969.

The Roll was called at 7.30 o'clock p.m., and the following members were present:

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful Councillor J. Bourke, Mayor.

Aldermen: G.E. Russell, S. Coughlan, T.D.

Councillors: A. O'Driscoll, C. Casey, A. Bromell, P. Kiely, J.P. Liddy, F. Liddy, F. Glasgow.

Officers present included: City Manager and Town Clerk, Mr. T. Collery, Asst. Town Clerk, City Engineer, City Solicitor, M. O'Sullivan, Acting City Accountant, W. Delaney, Architect, Messrs. P. Darcy and M. O'Connor, Staff Officers.

Item 1 - Application for Grant from Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish Council:

Submitted report dated 3rd April, 1969, from the City Manager advising of the request of Our Lady Queen of Peace Approved Local Council for assistance from the Corporation by way of grant for the following projects:

- (a) To build, on the site adjacent to the Church of Our Lady Queen of Peace, Jamesboro, a Community Centre at an estimated cost of £15,000.
- (b) To build on the same site an Indoor Heated Swimming Pool at an estimated cost of £53,000, and
- (c) To erect a Community Centre in Southhill to promote social, cultural and recreational interests of the people.

The City Manager recommended to the Council that the Department of Local Government be advised of the application made by the Approved Local Council for the erection of two Community Centres, and that the Department be asked to state if grant would be made available from departmental funds to assist in the establishment of Community Centres approved by the Corporation, and that the Department be further requested to state if the Minister for Local Government is prepared to accord sanction to loans provided by the Corporation to assist the approved Local Councils in the establishment of approved Community Centres.

The City Manager also recommended that the Minister for Local Government be requested to consider the allocation of capital funds to assist in the provision of an Indoor Heated Swimming Pool by the Approved Local Council, provided that -

- (a) The design and accommodation of the pool accords to the standards already prescribed by the Minister, and
- (b) that the Approved Local Council enters into an arrangement with the Corporation whereby the pool is made available at specified times to cater for the needs of other organised groups (including schools) as may be stipulated.
- (c) That satisfactory arrangements to meet the running costs be made.

Proposed by Alderman Russell, seconded by Alderman Coughlan and unanimously resolved:

"That the recommendation as contained in the Manager's report of the 3rd April, 1969 be adopted, and that the Minister for Local Government be written to in accordance with the City Manager's recommendations."

Item 2 - Housing:

Councillor Liddin enquired regarding the position of the flats in Watergate which they would be ready for letting.

Mr. Delaney, Architect, stated that there was a delay in regard to slight alteration which had to be carried out to accommodate refuse disposal units, and stated that some of the flats should be ready for letting within the next six weeks.

Alderman Coughlan referred to the employment of unskilled labour in the carrying out of housing repairs by the Corporation. He understood that a lot of juvenile labour was being employed in the carrying out of repairs to the Corporation's estates, and he would condemn this very strongly as adult labour should be employed in preference to juveniles. Alderman Coughlan also referred to the replacement of labourers when some men were out on sick leave.

The City Manager stated that when youths reached the age of 18 years they were required to be paid at the full rate. The City Manager also pointed out that a panel system for the employment of labourers had been in use by the Corporation and had been established after consultation with the Trade Unions.

Councillor Liddy stated that he felt that a certain percentage of juvenile must be employed, but at the same time married men with wives and families should get preference.

The City Manager stated that he would furnish a report to the Council in regard to the number of juveniles employed by the Corporation on housing repairs.

In reply to Alderman Coughlan's query re replacement during sick leave, the City Manager stated that when any long period of illness occurred, replacement was normally made. A lot, however, depended on the amount provided in the Estimate of Expenses, and when men were out sick, the sick pay scheme provided that they remained a charge on the Corporation.

Councillor Casey referred to objectional dumping by skin and hide merchants taking place in Watergate which he considered would be a health hazard particularly with the approach of warmer weather. The City Manager said that the matter would be taken up with the Limerick Health Authority.

Alderman Coughlan wished to know when a sewage scheme would be provided at Lower Park, as there was a problem of building now taking place in this area. The City Manager stated that he had met a deputation from the people in that area, and had agreed that a provisional sewerage would receive consideration by the Corporation. The City Engineer had the preparation of a scheme in hand.

The Mayor referred to the Parnell Street Compulsory Purchase Order and stated that he felt that the principal trouble was the question of the payment of compensation, and he considered that some of the traders were not being fairly treated.

Alderman Russell said he thought that the City Manager had met the traders fairly on the question of compensation and some were well satisfied that the price was fair.

Councillor O'Driscoll referred to an open space in St. Mary's Park which was becoming a dump. He asked if a railing could be erected. The City Engineer stated he would examine the matter and report at the next meeting.

Councillor Liddin referred to car dump at Foxboro Road which was very dangerous to children. The Asst. Town Clerk explained that negotiations were going on with the owner of the property to see if he would allow the Corporation to take away the cars. The Manager pointed out that the site was outside the Corporation area, and he suggested that the County Council could be asked to do something. He pointed out that even if the cars were removed from the quarry it would not be safer for the children.

Alderman Coughlan referred to dumping at the open space at Garryowen, and said that objectionable dumping was still taking place in this area.

The City Manager stated that the refuse Inspector had been instructed to endeavour to detect who was carrying out this dumping. It was difficult to find the culprits as this kind of dumping was usually carried out at night time.

Item 2 (b) :

Submitted letter dated 16th April, 1969 from the Minister for Local Government in reply to resolution sent to him on the 7th February, 1969 in connection with the price of tenant purchase houses in Limerick. After discussion it was proposed by Alderman Russell, seconded by Councillor Bromell and unanimously resolved :

"That the Corporation approve under protest of Tenant Purchase Schemes at the prices as determined by the Minister for Local Government. It was further resolved that an effort be made to have the first five years tenancy allowed for discount purposes, and that consideration be given to the making of allowances to tenants in lieu of the Corporation carrying out repairs."

Councillor Kiely referred to the possibility of having a tenant purchase scheme for shops.

The City Manager stated that it was necessary to have the standard of value on ordinary houses before values were placed on shops. These values had now been obtained and a tenant purchase scheme for shops would proceed at an early date.

Standing Orders :

Proposed by Councillor Leddin, seconded by Councillor Glasgow and resolved that Standing Order be suspended for twenty minutes.

Item 3 - Itinerants.

Submitted report dated 7th March, 1969 from Mr. P. Darcy, Housing Officer in connection with Itinerants.

Mr. Brian Kelly of the Itinerants Settlement Committee attended with a deputation, addressed the meeting, and also circulated report to the members of the Council setting out what his committee had been endeavouring to do for the Itinerants over the past couple of years. Mr. Kelly pointed out that the most important requirement was at least two services sites in the Limerick area to which the caravans of the itinerants could be directed. Councillor Bromell congratulated the Committee on the report which they had circulated to the Council and also on the very valuable civic work which they were doing for the itinerants. He referred to the survey carried out by the Committee in the Redgate area and the conclusion drawn that the residents in this area would accept a site for Itinerants there. While it was possible that people in the Redgate area might not object to the location of an itinerant site in the area he considered that there would possibly be many objections from people living in the adjacent housing estates.

Alderman Russell said that he had doubts about the location of a site at Redgate. He stated that people were annoyed with daily calls by itinerants to their houses and he felt that a number of sites accommodating five to six caravans would perhaps be a solution. Alderman Russell suggested that the question of the provision of a site be taken up with the Department of Defence again to see if they would allocate a small portion of the Knockalishen Camp as a parking site for itinerant caravans.

The Mayor stated that he did not agree with the location of an itinerant camp site at Knockalishen as he felt it would only establish a ghetto, and the site was also too far away from the city.

Councillor O'Driscoll stated that presently, Parish Councils were being set up in each Parish, and he suggested that each Parish Council might accept two caravans within their area, and under the aegis of the Parish Council. It was agreed that Parish Councils should be written to and requested for their views in regard to the adoption by each Parish Council of a small number of itinerants.

Submitted letter dated 17th April, 1969 from Messrs Nicholas ODwyer in connection with Limerick Traffic Report; the letter stated that it was hoped to furnish a draft of the report during the week ending 3rd May, 1969 - noted.

Submitted letter dated 21st April, 1969 from the Garryowen/Killaltee/Pennywell

Tenants' Association stating that the Association objected to the removal of the statue of Patrick Sarsfield from the vicinity of St. John's Church to a site in Pennywell as suggested by Dr. Sarah O'Malley. It was pointed out however, that the Association agreed that in its present site the statue was rather concealed and there would be no objection to having it moved to a site now occupied by the fountain in St. John's Square. The letter also pointed out that the Association hoped to meet and discuss the matter with Dr. Sarah O'Malley.

Vote of Congratulations :

Proposed by Alderman Russell, seconded by the Mayor and unanimously resolved that the congratulations of the Limerick City Council be extended to the Garryowen Club on winning the Munster Cup and also to Councillor J. Quinn who was a member of the victorious team.

Vote of Sympathy and Condolence :

Proposed by Alderman Russell, seconded by Councillor Glasgow and unanimously resolved :

"That the Sympathy and condolence of the Council be extended to the following

The McLoughlin family, Courthouse, Merchant's Quay on the death of Mrs. McLoughlin, mother of Mr. Teddy McLoughlin.

Mr. Jim Clancy and family of Prospect on the death of Mrs. Clancy.

A True Record.

I. P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

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*Re-approved in Council  
This 13<sup>th</sup> day of May 1969  
Jacob Souter  
Mayor*

TENDER'S COMMITTEE

A Meeting of the Tenders Committee was held in the County Courthouse, by kind permission of the County Registrar on Tuesday 8th April, 1969.

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful Cllr. J.G. Bourke, Mayor.  
Aldermen: G.E. Russell, M.D. Lipper, S. Coughlan, I.D., A. P. Kennedy.  
Councillors: Cllr. J.A. Bromell, V. Feeney, J. Quinn, P. Kiely, F. Glasgow, C. Casey, J.R. Liddy, M. Kennedy.

Officers present included: City Manager and Town Clerk, Mr. T. Colliery, Asst. Town Clerk, M. O'Sullivan, Act. City Accountant, City Engineer, City Solicitor, and M. O'Connor, Staff Officer.

In accordance with the regulations adopted by the Council for the receipt and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, marked and initialed by him, and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and all necessary action.

TENDERS FOR TRAFFIC SIGNALS

- (1) G.E.C. Road Signals Ltd., East Lane, Wembley, Middlesex, England.
  - (2) Plessey, Ireland Ltd., Mount Brown, Old Kilmahnam, Dublin 6.
- TENDERS FOR MOTOR VEHICLE
- (1) Limerick Motor Works Ltd., 14 Upper William Street, Limerick.
  - (2) Bedford Motor Company Ltd., Henry Street, Limerick.

10th April, 1969.

*Confirmed in Council this 13<sup>th</sup> Day of May 1969*  
Jack Burke  
MAYOR

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TENDERS COMMITTEE

A Meeting of the Tenders Committee was held in the County Courthouse (by kind permission of the County Registrar) on Tuesday 22nd April, 1969.

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful, Councillor J. Bourke, Mayor.  
Aldermen: G. E. Russell, S. Coughlan, I. D.  
Councillors: A. O'Driscoll, C. Casey, A. Bromell, P. Kiely, J. P. Liddy, F. Liddin, F. Glasgow.

Officers present included: City Manager and Town Clerk, Asst. Town Clerk, City Engineer, City Solicitor, P. Darcy, M. O'Sullivan, Acting City Accountant, W. Delaney, Architect, M. O'Connor, Staff Officer.

In accordance with the regulations adopted by the Council for the receipt and examination of tenders, the following tender was opened by the Chairman, marked and initialed by him and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and necessary action.

TENDER FOR SHOPPING CENTRE SITE - N. B. A. HOUSING SCHEME, ROXBORO ROAD, LIMERICK.

- (1) Malachy Burke (Contractors) Ltd., Renmore, Galway - A fixed sum of £100 plus an annual rent of £1,050.

*Confirmed in Council this 13<sup>th</sup> Day of May 1969*  
Jack Burke  
MAYOR

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TENDERS COMMITTEE.

A Meeting of the Tenders Committee was held in the County Courthouse, (by kind permission of the County Registrar) on Tuesday 10th June, 1969.

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful Cllr. J. Bourke, Mayor.  
Councillors: V. Feeney, A. O'Driscoll, J. N. Quinn, F. Glasgow, C. Casey.  
Officers present included: City Manager and Town Clerk, Mr. I. Collier, Asst. Town Clerk, Mr. M. MacCurraigh, City Engineer.

In accordance with the regulations adopted by the Council for the receipt and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, marked and initialled by him, and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and all necessary action.

TENDERS FOR WHITE AND YELLOW ROAD LINING.

- (1) M/s. MacLochlainn Ltd., 30 Dame Street, Dublin 2.
- (a) Supply and lay Reflectorised White Thermoplastic Line Markings. *1/99d. per lineal yard.*
- Supply and lay Reflectorised Yellow Thermoplastic Line Markings. *1/99d. per lineal yard.*
- (b) Supply and lay Unreflectorised White Thermoplastic Line Markings. *1/68d. per lineal yard.*
- Supply and lay Unreflectorised Yellow Thermoplastic Line Markings. *1/68d. per lineal yard.*
- (2) Road Surfaces and Markings Ltd., Clonmel, Co. Tipperary.

Supply and lay reflective Thermoplastic Lines white or yellow --  
White to have 10% titanium content - *1/99d. per lineal yard.*

As above except white to have 6% titanium content at *1/88d. per lineal yard.*

Extra charge of 2d. per lineal yard where line has to be laid on concrete roads.

*Approved by J. Bourke  
19th June 1969  
T.P. MacCurraigh  
City Manager and Town Clerk*

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A True Record.

19th June, 1969.

TENDERS COMMITTEE.

A Meeting of the Tenders Committee was held in the County Courthouse, (by kind permission of the County Registrar), on Tuesday 22nd July, 1969.

In the Chair: Councillor F. Leddin.

Aldermen: M. Lipper, P. Kennedy.

Councillors: M. Earls, S. Fielding, A. O'Driscoll, P. Kiely, J. Bourke, F. Glasgow, C. Casey.

Officers present included: City Manager and Town Clerk, M. O'Connor, Deputy A sst. Town Clerk, M. MacCurtain, City Engineer, W. Delaney, Senior Architect, M. O'Sullivan, Acting City Accountant.

In accordance with the regulations adopted by the Council for the receipt and examination of Tenders, the following Tenders were opened by the Chairman, marked and initialled by him, and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and all necessary action.

TENDERS FOR MOWERS.

- (1) P. F. Doggett, Grangegeeth, Slane, C. Meath.
- (2) M/s. Harrington Ltd., Fox's Bow, William Street, Limerick.
- (3) M/s. Gravely (Cahir) Ltd., Cahir, Co. Tipperary.
- (4) McKenzies Ltd., Camden Quay & Pine Street, Cork.
- (5) Sherrard Retail Cork, Ballintemple, Co. Cork.
- (6) Denis Coakley & Co., Ltd., Dock Road, Limerick.

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A True Record.

23rd July, 1969.  
T. F. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

Confirmed this 24th day of September 1969

*T. F. MacDiarmada*  
Mayor of Limerick

TENDERS COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the Tenders Committee was held in the County Courthouse (by kind permission of the County Registrar) on Tuesday, 9th September, 1969. The following were present:

- In the Chair: The Right Worshipful Ald. S. Coughlan, I.D., Mayor.
- Aldermen: G.E. Russell, Senator, P. Kennedy.
- Councillors: M. Kennedy, C. Casey, J. Bourke, A. Eronell, P. Kiely, S. Fielding, F. Glasgow, V. Feeney, F. Leddin, J.P. Liddy.

Officers present: City Manager and Town Clerk, Mr. T. Colleary, Asst. Town Clerk, Mr. M. MacCurtain, City Engineer, Mr. M. O'Sullivan, Deputy City Accountant, Mr. P. D'Arcy, Housing Officer, and Mr. P. Ryan, Staff Officer.

In accordance with the regulations adopted by the Council for the receipt and examination of tenders, the following tenders were opened by the Chairman, marked and initialled by him and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and all necessary action.

- Printing Contract:
- (1). M/S. McKerns, Glentworth Street, Limerick - £2,750 + wholesale and turnover 19%.
- Tender Supply Improvement Clareville Waterworks:
- (1). C. Sheehan & Sons Ltd., Edward Street, Limerick - £5,986-18-0.
- (2). M. Brian O'Connor, Goug, Castleconnell, Co. Limerick. - £4,920.

A True Record.

T. P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

Confined this 14th day of October 1969

~~Chairman of Meeting~~  
CHAIRMAN OF MEETING

A Meeting of the Planning and General Purposes Committees of Limerick City Council was held in the County Courthouse, (by kind permission of the County Registrar), on Tuesday 28th October, 1969. The Roll was called at 7.30 o'clock p.m., and the following were present :-

In the Chair: The Right Worshipful Alderman S. Coughlan, T.D. Mayor.

Aldermen: Senator G.E. Russell, P. Kennedy.

Councillors: A. O'Driscoll, F. Leddin, M. Earls, M. Casey, J. Bourke, V. Feeney, P. Kiely, J.P. Liddy, S. Fielding, F. Glasgow, M. Kennedy.

Officers present included: City Manager and Town Clerk, Mr. T. Colleary, Asst. Town Clerk, Mr. M. MacCurtain, City Engineer, Mr. W. Dundon, City Solicitor, Mr. M. O'Sullivan, City Accountant, Mr. M. O'Connor, Staff Officer.

Vote of Sympathy and Condolence:

Before the commencement of business the Mayor said he would like to extend a sincere Vote of Sympathy and Condolence to Mr. Thomas Carr, Ballynanty Road, Ballynanty, on the recent tragic death of his wife and one of his family in a car accident which had occurred on the Ennis Road. He said that the sympathy of the people of Limerick went out to Mr. Carr on the occasion of this tragic occurrence, and he hoped that God would give Mr. Carr the strength to bear his great loss.

Senator Russell seconded, and wished to be associated with the Vote of Condolence to Mr. Carr.

Councillors Liddy and Earls also associated themselves with the Vote of Sympathy.

The City Manager, on his own behalf, and on behalf of the Staff of Limerick Corporation, wished to be associated with the Vote.

Reception of Deputation:

Proposed by Senator Russell, seconded by Councillor Kiely, and unanimously resolved:

"That the Council agree to hear a deputation from Janesboro Residents' Association."

The Council was then addressed by a spokesman of the Association, who said that they had many problems in Janesboro, the principal one being flooding, and this had been going on for the past fifteen years. The spokesman stated that there were 300 families in the Association, and they in attending the Council to-night represented these families. There was heavy flooding when heavy rain fell occurred in this area, and he considered that the flooding caused would eventually damage and harm the houses, particularly the foundations. Reference was also made to the necessity for more thorough cleansing of the Streets in the area, and the removing of grass from the footpaths.

Councillor Glasgow supported the deputation, and said that steps should be taken by the Corporation to have the question of the flooding urgently attended to.

Councillors Bourke and Leddin also strongly supported the claims of the deputation.

The Mayor stated that flooding had been the cause of trouble in the Janesboro area for many years. The provision of a new surface water drainage system seemed to be the answer to the problem, and he felt that the work would have to be undertaken as a matter of urgency.

The City Manager agreed that the run off of water had caused trouble in the area. He stated that it was a question of design of the system, and the Engineers in the Corporation had been giving the matter attention.

The City Engineer said that it was possible that the pipes were too small to run off the water after heavy rain fell. He had given instructions for the pipes to be dragged, and hoped that this would give some relief as this operation had provided relief elsewhere in the City where flooding had been caused. He stated that he would follow up the problem, and if necessary formulate proposals for the long term solution of the problem by the provision of a new drainage surface water system in the area.

Proposed by Councillor Liddy, seconded by Councillor Bourke, and unanimously resolved:

"That the question of dealing with the flooding problem in Jamesboro be followed up immediately, and that the City Engineer report back to the Council, when dragging operations had been carried out."

Item 1 - Housing Construction:

Councillor Earls asked the position regarding the provision of separate entrances to houses in Ballynanty. He said that some of the houses had not got a separate entrance, and were using a common entrance. He considered that a separate entrance should be provided for each dwelling before the houses were purchased under any Tenant Purchase Scheme.

The City Manager stated that each purchaser should make a case when he was purchasing his house for the provision of a separate entrance, and adequate space would be allocated in the Lease Map for this purpose.

Senator Russell supported Councillor Earls, and asked that the City Manager consider providing entrance gates, thereby providing the same amenity for the houses in Ballynanty that other housing enjoyed.

The City Manager said that he would prefer to await application for the purchase of the houses and then define the area of land and entrances at that time. He agreed, however, to have an estimate of the cost of providing these separate entrances made.

Councillor O'Driscoll complimented the Corporation Staff on the very fine development in Watergate Stage I, and asked that the Corporation should press ahead immediately with Stage II of the Scheme.

The City Manager stated that the design for Watergate Stage II was ready. The Traffic Consultant had recommended car parking in the area, and this was being considered, but it is felt that the housing should proceed.

Councillor Bourke referred to Parnell Street, and asked what was the present position.

The City Manager stated that no further advances had been made since the last meeting. Negotiations were still going on with two particular Traders.

Item 2 - Report on Roads:

Submitted report dated 24th October, 1963, in connection with resurfacing of certain roads in the City.

Senator Russell stated that the report indicated a step in the right direction, and he was glad to see that certain roads in the City would be surfaced in a short time. He raised the question of Rosses Avenue, and wanted to know when this work would be completed. He also said that it was very necessary that a survey of the roads in the suburbs, and in the Housing Estates should be carried out, to see what improvement was necessary in certain areas.

The City Manager said that the City Engineer had selected Streets which would rank for 100% recoupment from the Road Fund Grant. Suburban roads he said were a separate problem, and the question of providing finance to carry out work on these roads would have to receive consideration.

Councillor Bourke referred to the Roxboro Road, which was in a bad condition, and he felt that this road should get priority.

In reply to various questions raised by the Councillors about certain roads in the City, the City Engineer stated that a more extensive programme had been prepared, and would shortly be put to the Council for consideration.

In regard to the South Circular Road, the City Engineer said that it would be a long job, and there probably would be difficulties in getting the required property to carry out road widening. Port Mary Park and the Jail Boreen would be done by the provision of surfacing within the next few weeks. The Island Road had been recommended by the Traffic Consultant as the route into the City from the Caherdavin diversion road, and if this was accepted the Island Road would become a major road, and would have to be widened in the near future. Rosses Avenue was being considered at the moment, and he would see when the work could be carried out.

Under Roads a number of other matters were raised as follows:-  
 Councillor Liddy stated that a Pedestrian Crossing should be provided at Ballinacurra at the crossing between the bus stop and Lifford Avenue. Agreed unanimously.

Councillor Liddy also stated that the Pedestrian Crossing at the Technical School in O'Connell Avenue should be moved up away from its present position to the bus stop.

Councillor Casey and Senator Russell agreed with Councillor Liddy, and stated that the Pedestrian Crossing at the Technical School was a hazard in its present location, and should be moved to another location.

Councillor Earls asked that crash barriers should be provided at the Boys School at Hassett's Cross. He also said that a Traffic Warden should be located at Hassett's Cross because it was a very busy crossing, and becoming more dangerous every day with the increasing traffic volume.

The Mayor referred to the Dublin Road crossing at schools in that area, and said that they were very dangerous and needed a Pedestrian Crossing also.

Councillor Fielding said that the bus stop at Union Cross should be moved away from the junction, as it created difficulties when large buses were trying to negotiate the junction from Shelbourne Road onto the Ennis Road. - Agreed.

Councillor Earls said that bus shelters should be provided in Killeely and Pallynanty, and stated that he did not consider the new shelters being erected in various parts of the City for advertising purposes provided good shelter.

The Assistant Town Clerk stated that eight bus shelters had been erected by a Private Company who were using them for advertising purposes. The Firm had selected certain areas, and obtained planning Permission for a number of locations. This was in the nature of an experiment, and they would possibly consider erecting further bus shelters at a later date.

Senator Russell stated that all the matters raised in relation to traffic should be brought to the attention of the Traffic Study Committee. - Agreed.

Item 3 - Planning Applications in Hands :

Submitted report on Planning Applications in Hands at the 9th October, 1969. - Noted.

Senator Russell asked where the proposed Ring Road would be located, and said that there seemed to be a certain amount of confusion in this regard at present.

The City Manager pointed out that the Development Plan had shown the location of proposed Ring Road. Since then the Traffic Consultant had advised modification to Roads. It would be necessary to modify the Development Plan to give effect to the Consultant's recommendations, if adopted. He stated that a report would come before the Planning Committee for consideration, and the recommendations from the Committee would go forward to a full meeting of the City Council to revise the Plan. He said he would ask the City Engineer to submit a report re road proposals as soon as possible.

Councillor O'Driscoll referred to the planning of roads in relation to Claughaun G.A.A. Pitch. He said that this Club had gone to a lot of trouble trying to develop their grounds. It would be a pity if the plans of the Club were interfered with by routing a new road through their pitch. He asked that when the Council was planning the road in this area that they should take steps to avoid interfering with the Pitch, and bring the road out at Croody, where it would not interfere unduly with any development.

The Mayor, Councillors Feeney and Liddy supported Councillor O'Driscoll and said it would be a pity to cause any disruption to the work being done by the G.A.A. on this particular pitch.

Proposed by Councillor O'Driscoll, seconded by Councillor Feeney, and unanimously resolved :

"That in planning the road network the Corporation should give consideration to routing the road in the Claughaun area so as to avoid interfering with the Claughaun G.A.A. Club Pitch."

Extension of City Boundary :

Senator Russell referred to the necessity to extend the City Boundary, and felt that early steps should be taken to have an extension carried out. He said that there was development going on on all sides of the City, and particularly in the Caherdavin area. He felt that it was essential to extend the City Boundary in order to co-ordinate the necessary services for these schemes. The City was expanding very rapidly and more expansion would take place in the near future, and he considered that it was necessary to take appropriate legal steps for a Borough Boundary extension immediately.

Councillor Bourke agreed with Senator Russell, he said that the building development going on in the County area would have difficulty getting the services needed if the Borough was not extended. He said that the Corporation when considering a Borough extension should extend the existing City Boundary on all sides.

The Mayor strongly supported the previous speakers and said that extension should be done on a large circular basis including Mangret. Developments were going on in the County area, the Corporation were providing the necessary services, and it was necessary to extend the boundary to take in these County developments. He said that the matter should be expedited.

Proposed by Senator Russell, seconded by Councillor Bourke, and unanimously resolved :

"That in view of the rapid developments taking place in the City of Limerick, early steps be taken to have an extension of the City Boundary carried out."

The City Manager stated that the question of the extension of the City

Boundary had, in fact, being under consideration for some time. At present the City Solicitor, and the City Engineer were considering the extend of an appropriate extension which might be sought. Consideration of the proposal should be completed before Easter next year, and he could bring back before Christmas a tentative line on extension of the City Boundary, for the information of the members of the City Council.

Item 4 :

Submitted report on Planning decisions taken in respect of applications between the 25th September, and the 9th October, 1969. - Noted.

Correspondence :

Submitted letter dated 17th October, 1969, from the Department of Local Government stating that no further grants would be allocated under the Employment and Emergency Schemes in Urban Areas.

The Mayor stated that he was very aggrieved at the contents of this letter. Last year employment had been given to 70 men, and the decision to discontinue these grants was a retrograde step.

Senator Russell supported the Mayor, and stated that something should be done to have these schemes continued. The decision to discontinue the Schemes was hitting at unfortunate people who needed this work for Christmas. Senator Russell suggested that the Mayor and public representatives go and see the Minister together with four Members of the Council to ask that he reconsider the decision, and provide money for the Employment and Emergency Schemes as before.

Councillors Liddy agreed with Senator Russell, and said that the removal of these Schemes was a great loss, and an all party deputation should go to the Minister from the Council and all the public representatives for the area in order to seek a reintroduction of the allocation of Relief Schemes.

Proposed by Senator Russell, seconded by Councillor Liddy, and unanimously resolved :

"That the Mayor, together with four members of the Council, and the public representatives for the area visit the Minister for Local Government on a deputation to seek for the reintroduction of the Employment and Emergency Schemes Vote."

A true record.

T. P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk.

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Confirmed this 11th day of November 1969

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Mayor of Limerick



City Manager's Office,  
Town Hall,  
Limerick.

5th December, 1949.

TO: The Mayor and Each Member of the Limerick City Council:

At the conclusion of the Adjourned Special Meeting to consider reports on Gas Undertaking, a Meeting of the Planning and General Purposes Committees was held on Tuesday 25th November, 1949.

In the Chair:

Aldermen:

Councillors:

A. Bromell, M. Earls, A. O'Driscoll, P. Kiely,  
J. Burske, F. Glascock, C. Casey, J. P. Liddy,  
M. Kennedy.

Officers present

included:  
City Manager and Town Clerk, Mr. T. Colliery,  
Asst. Town Clerk, Mr. J. Dundon, City Solicitor,  
Mr. M. MacCurtain, City Engineer, Mr. L. L. Sherin,  
Gas Engineer, Mr. J. McShane, accountant, Gas  
Department, Messrs. S. Rea, P. O'Neill, and  
M. O'Connor, Staff Officers.

Apologies:

Apologies for inability to attend were received  
from His Worship, The Mayor, Ald. S. Coughlan,  
T.D., Senator G. S. Rossey, Ald. W. P. Keenevick

Item 1 - Housing Construction:

Alderman Kennedy referred to Tormall Street, and asked what was the present position.

The Asst. Town Clerk stated that of the three outstanding cases which had yet to be dealt with, one had nearly reached settlement. In two other cases the persons involved had recently indicated that they wished to change their minds in regard to their original intention. They had intended to seek re-location and continue in business, but they were now considering altering this attitude. Ald. Kennedy wished to know how much of the site would be developed by the Corporation, and how much would be left to development by private owners.

The City Manager stated that it was difficult at this stage to determine how much of the site exactly would be developed by the Corporation, pending the final settlement of all outstanding cases.

Ald. Liddy referred to the erection of 501 houses by the National Building Agency at Droagh O'Malley Park. He pointed out that originally the scheme envisaged the provision of 800 houses, but this had been amended with the agreement of the Council because of planning and layout considerations, to 601 houses. Ald. Liddy wished to know if there was still a necessity for these additional 200 houses, and if the Corporation should now take steps to provide them.

The City Manager stated that he had no doubt, that the additional 200 houses would be needed. He stated that the South Hill West State II Scheme was ready to proceed, and it was considered that more favourable terms might be obtained by negotiating for the contract with the N.B.A. and if the Council wished, he would arrange for these negotiations to be

be opened. It was agreed that the City Manager should enter into negotiations with the N.B.A. to negotiate a contract for the erection of Stage II of the South Hill West Housing Scheme.

Ald. O'Driscoll referred to St. Mary's Parish and asked if there was any intention to go ahead with a further scheme on the lines of Assumption Park. He considered that such development was very essential in the Parish because people were being transferred out of the parish to other areas, and he felt that it was essential that the community should be kept together in that area. Ald. Casey stated that he was in agreement with Councillor O'Driscoll. There were at least 88 acres of obsolete areas in the City, and the Council should press ahead with development of small Schemes in these areas.

The City Manager stated that the Intergate Scheme was originally for 213 dwellings. In the field of providing in-city flats, the Corporation were breaking new ground, and it was decided at the time to proceed with half of the Intergate Scheme as an experiment. It was now evident that the provision of the flats in Wateregate had been very successful, and the next area for examination would be the Johns Gate area. Before proceeding with the second stage of the Wateregate development it was necessary to examine the road frontage at Charlotte Quay. In this connection the Joint Committee on the provision of Municipal Offices would consider this area. The City Manager also pointed out that in the recommendation of the Traffic Consultant, a portion of the area adjacent to Charlotte Quay had been designated for car parking. The City Manager said that at the time the traffic report was being prepared, the Consultant might not have been aware that housing was scheduled for the area.

Ald. Liddy referred to the problem of business loss in the City centre areas due to lack of development which was becoming a problem.

The City Manager stated that as the members of the Council were aware, discussions had been entered into with M/s. Arsdale in connection with the possibility of carrying out in-city business type development. These discussions would be pursued, and he would ask the City Engineer as Planning Officer to examine the procedure which should be followed in regard to development in conjunction with a private developer.

Ald. O'Driscoll referred to the houses belonging to the Corporation located at the Sand Hill and Long Lane, and wanted to know how long it would be before the tenants of these houses would be advised if they could purchase the houses under a Tenant Purchase scheme.

The City Manager pointed out that these houses were located in an obsolete area, which was scheduled for redevelopment by the Corporation. He felt that it should be possible even at this stage to make a decision as to the houses which would remain in the area in the event of re-planning, and he would ask the City Engineer to try and decide if the houses referred to by Ald. O'Driscoll could remain. If the houses in question were to remain it should be possible to proceed with the preparation of a Tenant Purchase Scheme for the houses.

Item 2 - Report on Cleansing:

Submitted report dated 31st November, 1949, from the City Engineer, in connection with the City Cleansing Services. The City Engineer's report contained the following recommendations:

1. The employment of a second Mechanic to enable preventative maintenance to be carried out on the fleet on a routine basis.
2. The giving of further consideration to the possible use of disposable paper or polythene sacks for refuse collection.
3. The provision of a mechanical sweeper or alternatively the employment of at least four extra sweepers and a truck.
4. The provision of concrete channels on all new roads.

5. The employment of two extra men who would be full time in lifting and cleaning road gullies.

6. The systematic repair of road gullies.

Provision had been made in the current year's estimate for this work, but the Traffic Management programme had required a temporary diversion of labour.

7. Provision of transport other than pick-up trucks for supervisory staff.

Cllr. Kennedy stated that he was aware of a firm in Ireland which was willing to undertake an experiment in regard to the use of polythene sacks for refuse collection. The firm would provide the sacks for a pilot area of approx. 100 houses for a period of a month or so, and would supply the sacks free provided the Corporation arranged distribution.

Cllr. Bromell felt that the polythene sacks were very suitable for commercial use, but did not think that they were suitable for ordinary house-holders.

The Council also heard Mr. Jordan a representative of C.B.C. Paper Company, Dublin, who outlined his proposals for the pilot scheme, and said that the sack would cost approx. 5d. each.

Cllr. Kennedy stated that the Corporation should co-operate and allow the trial period on a small pilot area.

Cllr. Bourke stated that he was not satisfied with the price of the sacks, and he also said that the price of the sacks would fall on the rate-payers, and he would not agree to this.

In regard to the Cleansing Service, Cllr. O'Driscoll said the Cleansing staff were working in primitive conditions. He considered that the trouble was that there was not sufficient money being provided, and the Council would have to provide more money and grant an increase allocation to provide more money for the Cleansing service. The existing allocation for Cleansing was £74,000, and he considered that it should be increased to at least £90,000.

Cllr. Liddy stated that he welcomed the City Engineer's report on Cleansing, and it should be adopted. He referred to the mechanical sweeper which he felt would probably be very effective and he would like to see it brought into operation.

Cllr. Liddy also suggested that the litter bins provided on the streets for advertising purposes by a private firm should be extended and units should be provided near all shops, where they would be of most benefit.

The City Manager stated that it was the policy of the Corporation to get away from the use of open trucks, and a further refuse leader was on order and should be in operation next year. He stated that the cost of the leaders was high, amounting to approx. £7,000 and it had only been possible to purchase one each year.

The City Manager stated that the question of the use of polythene sacks for refuse collection was one which had been receiving consideration and felt that the City Engineer, and the Housing Officer might pursue this question with the appropriate firms.

The City Manager pointed out that it would be necessary to increase the estimate for the Cleansing Service in the coming year to provide for the proposed improvements in the Service.

Proposed by Cllr. Liddy, seconded by Cllr. O'Driscoll and unanimously

resolved:

That the recommendations contained in the City Engineer's Report be adopted for the improvement of the City's cleansing service."

Item 3: Submitted report on planning decisions taken in respect of applications from 10th October, 1969 to 4th November, 1969 - Noted.

Item 4: Submitted report on planning proposals under consideration at 6th November, 1969. - Noted.

Item 5:

Submitted report dated 21st November, 1969 advising that the Cheap Fuel Scheme for 1969/70 would come into operation on the 1st December. Cllr. Bromell stated that the Cheap Fuel Scheme should be commenced in October, because there already had been a considerable amount of cold weather, and the people entitled to benefit from the Scheme should be able to obtain fuel from the 1st October. He further stated that if there was any cost over and above the allocation granted to the Corporation by the Dept. of Social Welfare, the additional cost should be borne by the Corporation. Cllr. Liddy also stated that the Cheap Fuel Scheme should commence on the 1st October and considered that the 1st December was much too late for the introduction of the scheme.

The Manager stated that if the Council wished the Scheme could be commenced in October in future years, but there would probably be a levy to be borne by the Corporation. It was the experience that if the Scheme commenced at an earlier date on the existing allocation the fuel would be used up possibly in mid-February long before the end of the real cold weather.

Proposed by Cllr. Bromell, seconded by Cllr. Liddy and unanimously resolved:

That the Corporation implement the Cheap Fuel Scheme commencing on the 1st October, in future years ending at the 31st March."

Item 6:

Submitted report dated 21st November, 1969 advising the members of the Council that the one Tenderer who had tendered for shopping site at Drooch O'Malley Park now wished to withdraw, and advising that the City Engineer had been asked to consider with the Architect the advisability of letting the area in individual sites. - Noted.

A true record.

*Continued this in Council this 9th December 1969*

T.P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk *of Noel Hession*

CHAIRMAN of MEETING

A Meeting of the Tenders Committee was held in the County Courthouse (by kind permission of the County Registrar) on Tuesday, 25th November, 1969 at 7.30 p.m. o'clock.

Present:

Cllr. F. Leddin.

P. Kennedy.

Councillors:

A. Bromell, M. Earls, A. O'Driscoll, P. Kely, J. Burke, F. Glasgow, C. Casey, J.P. Liddy, M. Kennedy.

Officers present included:

City Manager and Town Clerk, T. Colliery, asst. Town Clerk, City Engineer, City Solicitor, L. Sherin, Gas Engineer, Mr. J. McMahon, accountant, Gas Dept., M/s P. O'Neill, S. Neal and M. O'Connor, Staff Officers.

In accordance with the regulations adopted by the Council for the reception and examination of Tenders, the following Tenders were opened by the Chairman, numbered and initialled by him and delivered to the City Manager for further consideration and any necessary action by him:

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TENDERS FOR PLANT HIRE

1. James Clancy, Collega Park, Limerick.
2. Michael Clancy, Rhebogue, Singland, Limerick.
3. McNamara Bros., Plant Hirsers, Lenefira House, Ballvlea, Charlewille, Co. Cork.
4. Michael Noonan, 9 Ballinacurra Terrace, Limerick.
5. Paddy O'Brien, Whitehall, Parteen, Limerick.
6. Michael Walsh, Hayds Yard, Mulgrave Street, Limerick.
7. John McManus, Roxboro Lodge, Ballysheedy, Limerick.
8. Robert Roche, Knockalisheen, Limerick.
9. Patrick Bateman, Knockalisheen, Limerick.
10. Patrick Morris, Kildimo, Co. Limerick.
11. Denis McSweeney, 19 Pope's Quay, Cork.
12. Sean Ryan, 20 Sarsfield Street, Limerick.
13. Patrick Mulcair, Ballingarry, Co. Limerick.
14. John O'Neill, Sheares Street, Fimllock, Co. Limerick.
15. Leo McGinley, Ballysheedy, Limerick.
16. John Cusack, The Hill, Dublin Road, Limerick.
17. Denis Sweeney, 4 Rossa Villas, Garrycwan, Limerick.

*Completed in Committee this 9th December 1969*

T.P. MacDiarmada,  
City Manager and Town Clerk

CHAIRMAN of MEETING

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TENDERS FOR RESURFACING OF CITY STREETS:

Alternative A	Alternative B
Gravel proportions	S.S. Bitumen
Bitumen and Refined Lake Asphalt	
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1. Oliver Moran, 18 Shannon Street, Limerick.	£148,966. 15. 0.
2. Limer & Trinidad Co. Ltd., St. Margaret's Rd., Ballyman Dublin 11.	£115,684. 10. 4.
3. M/s Roadstone Ltd., Long Pavement, Limerick.	£129,037. 0. 0.
4. South of Irl. Asphalt Co. Ltd., 7 & 8 Lr. Abbey Street, Dublin 1.	£131,614. 14. 0.
5. Castlemore Plant Hire Ltd., Crockstown, Co. Cork.	£108,918. 6. 8.
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	£129,021. 4. 5.
	£102,336. 5. 4.
	£112,110. 0. 9.
	£146,554. 2. 6.
	£106,501. 15. 8.

TENDERS FOR STORE & CUPBOARD

1. M/s Bama Buildings Ltd., Dublin Road, Anniscorthy, Co. Wexford.

