

May 1991

THE LONDON IRISH CENTRE.

MINUTES OF ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING.

PRESENT: Mary Allen, Acting Chairperson. Fr. D. Cormican, Director. Jim Reynolds, M. McCormack, M. Kenny, C. O Connell, M. Fitzsimons, P. Finnucane.

IN ATTENDANCE: Paul Murphy, M. Neenan, Denis Murfitt, Camden Residents Association.

APOLOGIES: T. Dunne, Chairman, Jim Myers V.C. E. McCormack, Declan Curley.

1. NEIGHBOURHOOD/RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION - Representative Denis Murfitt, stated that 4 nights in March were noisy, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th. Early Monday a.m. 12th May, 1991 also gave cause for concern - Greek Function. Collection of bins 5a.m. - 6a.m. considered unreasonable. M. Murfitt will be writing to Camden Council to lodge complaint. Outside noise, not within the control of the Irish Centre Management. Representative thanked for his attendance with an assurance that all efforts would be made to allay concern, regarding noise or unreasonable hour.

2. Two Social Advice Workers have been appointed. Missing Person - Project producing effective results. Federation Annual Congress Watford - at the weekend Paul Murphy will represent the Irish Centre, Paul was thanked by Mary Allen for his comprehensive report, and good wishes were extended to new members of staff.

3. Minutes of previous meetings were taken as read adopted on the proposal of Mary Kenny seconded by Chris O Connell.

4. MATTERS ARISING: Fr. Cormican reported that Health & Safety free course on Thursday nights was minimally attended and due to lack of interest was abandoned.

5. WELFARE REPORT - Presented by Paul Murphy, copies circulated, details outlined. Workload increase. New people down. Repeat increase.

6. FINANCE REPORTS: Presented by Jim Reynolds. Due to Lily Malone being on compassionate leave, his time was devoted to the pay roll. Her services given voluntarily to Irish Centre and Hostels which should be recognised as she is invaluable. A note of thanks - to be forwarded to her.

12. Date of next Meeting - 15th June 1991 at 2p.m.

*Jim Reynolds*  
*JR*  
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7. HOSTELS REPORT: Fr. Cormican in the absence of Fr. Carolan who had a Sub Committee Meeting prior to an office visit by Housing Corporation they reported that the Hostels were working satisfactorily. An informal visit by the Housing Corporation recently - the outcome - they were deeply impressed.

An Caislean full, One inmate from the street who was very ill, is now happy and recovered. Girls Hostel full 100% employed. Thirteen vacancies at Conway House, Police had visited recently wondering why so little trouble. Pleased with stabilisation. Vacancies have arisen due to people being asked to leave, a disruptive element.

Emigration Law: Few referrals from the Irish Centre, as people interviewed would be no asset to Conway House, may be a disruptive influence.

8. DIRECTORS REPORT: Considerable improvements, Bar business recovering, revival of Sunday Lunch-time in Douglas Hyde. Recession affecting business numbers at functions down, Fr Cormican noted the need to raise money, being aware of shortfall from L.I.F. and L.I.S.

Festival Raffle tickets, support needed. Bridie Murphy's efforts appreciated, and should be acknowledged.

Serious effort in ticket selling needed.

Lift for disabled due to be commissioned on Wednesday. Handicapped toilet opposite. Insurance inspection, prior to use.

9. SOCIAL CLUB REPORT: A new committee to be formed at A.G.M. on the 30th May 1991. A monthly report breakdown, requested for presentation to Administrative Committee, Mary Kenny and P. Finucane will see to this.

Fr. Cormican reported that seats in Kennedy Hall were damaged - A fire hazard. One hundred seats being recovered.

#### 10. APPOINTMENT OF SEVEN MEMBERS TO SOCIAL CLUB COMMITTEE.

M. McHale.	Proposer: M. Kenny.	Seconder: P. Finucane.
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P. O'Brien.	Proposer: M. Kenny.	Seconder: J. Reynolds.
M. O'Brien.	Proposer: M. Kenny.	Seconder: P. Finucane.
J. Gavin.	Proposer: M. Kenny.	Seconder: Fr. Cormican.
M. McCormack.	Proposer: M. Kenny.	Seconder: J. Reynolds.

Seven from the floor at A.G.M. on the 30th May at 8p.m.

Fr. Denis Cormican automatically elected Treasurers. Members of Administrative Committee encouraged to attend.

11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS. Chris O Connell - requested notices at Reception, for direction. M. Kenny said events were displayed and indicator signs on the door. Fr. Cormican said it was important, and encouraging to have people around the Centre. T. Dunne had a specialist Appointment on Wednesday. His dedication and loyalty despite his illness are worthy of recognition. Members extended good wishes for his recovery, and return to full health. There being no further relevant business Chairman thanked members.

12. Date of next Meeting - 11th June 1991 at 8p.m.

*Denis Cormican*  
*JMK*  
11/6/91