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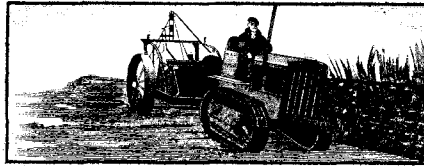
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Town Clerk,  
Town Hall,  
DORNOCH.

September 4th. 1933

Dear Sir,

We understand you have under consideration the construction of an aerodrome, and we are taking the liberty of writing to ask you if we may be allowed to submit a tender for the work.

As you may know we are one of the foremost firms of contractors in the this particular line in the North of England to-day, having completed thousands of pounds worth of contracts per annum during the last few years for numerous public authorities, industrial Welfares and private people. Any of these we should be delighted to refer you to.

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Yours faithfully,

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The Town Clerk,  
Town Clerk's Office,  
Thurso,  
SCOTLAND.

22, Richmond Road,  
Earle's Court,  
LONDON, E.C.4.

10th February, 1934.

Dear Sir,

I thank you for your letter of the 5th inst., and am very pleased to learn that your Town Council are considering the question of a Municipal Aerodrome.

There is no prospect of my visiting Scotland in the near future, but I would be prepared to undertake the survey of your several sites and reporting on them for a fee of fifty guineas, with, in addition, my travelling and out-of-pocket expenses.

For your information I would say that my work would entail a thorough examination of, not only the sites you have selected, but the country surrounding your town in order that - should you carry out your intention of establishing a Municipal Aerodrome - I could report to the Air Ministry that the site selected is the best possible aerodrome site within a reasonable distance of your town. My report would examine the merits and demerits of the various possible sites and be accompanied by Ordnance Sheets (Scale 6 in. = 1 mile) on which the various sites are shown in distinguishing colours.

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It occurs to me that other towns in the north of Scotland might care to avail themselves of my services on this occasion; and should a minimum of three towns, including your own, care to utilise my professional services, I would forgo my actual travelling expenses in your case.

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In this connection and from official information which reaches me from the Air Ministry, I find that there are four towns, Bickis, Darroch, Neutrose and Perth, which are in the last category in the Official List, namely, "towns which have displayed interest in Aerodromes", and I am wondering whether you would care to approach the Town Clerks of these towns with the suggestion that I might be of service to them. Unfortunately professional etiquette prevents me approaching them direct, as I would have done so long before this; but I am enclosing three copies of the lists of Approved Consultants which were until quite recently sent out by the Air Ministry, and in which you may care to note that mine is the only name appearing on both A and B lists.

My excuse for writing you at such length must be my enthusiasm, which is shared by so many others, that our Country should waste no more time in establishing air services, and this cannot be done until the Aerodromes are provided.

Yours faithfully,

(Signed) J. KINGTON ALLSOP.

W.S.

20th February

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D. Keith Murray Esq.,  
Town-Clerk,  
THURSO.

Dear Sir,

Municipal Aerodromes

I received your letter of 16th instant together with copy letter dated 10th instant from Major Allsop.

My Council have considered the provision of an Aerodrome but on going into the matter it was discovered that the cost of erecting an Aerodrome and the expenses attendant on such a venture would be too large a burden for this small, heavily rated community to <sup>fall</sup> bear in the meantime.

If, <sup>however</sup> aviation develops in the North to such an extent that a fair revenue would be derived from <sup>the small</sup> ~~an Aerodrome~~, my Council, I understand, are prepared to reconsider the matter.

At the moment only a landing place is provided on the Town Links, and my Council consider this sufficient to meet the present demands.

Yours faithfully,

Town-Clerk.

The Town Clerk,  
Dornoch,  
SUTHERLANDSHIRE.



Town Clerk's Office,

D. KEITH MURRAY,  
Town Clerk.

THURSO, 16th February 19 34.

Dear Sir,

My Council have had under consideration the provision of a Municipal Aerodrome, and I have been in correspondence with the Air Ministry on the subject.

I have also been supplied with a List of approved Aviation Consultants and approved Engineering Consultants, and, as instructed by my Council, wrote to Major J. Kidston Allsop, London, whose name appears in both lists, enquiring his fee for a Report on various sites proposed. For your information I beg to enclose copy of his letter to me of 10th inst. on the subject.

Possibly you would let me know whether there is the prospect of your Council proceeding at an early date with a Scheme which would require the services of a Consultant.

I may say that I know nothing of Major Allsop, but as his name is the only one appearing on both lists, I approached him on the subject to ascertain his fee for a Report.

Yours faithfully,

Town Clerk.

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