

BURGH.BURGH SEWERAGE, DRAINAGE, AND WATER SUPPLY
(SCOTLAND) ACT, 1901.

(1 Edw. VII., Cap. 24.)

Application by the Town Council of the Burgh of Dornoch
for the recommendation of the Department of Health for
Scotland to a Loan of £ 1500 for * Water
works

* Insert water works
or drainage works as the
case may be.

(Date) Nov 1937

SIR,

IN terms of Section 142 of the Public Health (Scotland) Act, 1897,
I am directed by the Town Council of the Burgh of Dornoch
to apply for the recommendation of the Department of Health for Scotland
to a Loan from the Public Works Loan Board for the purpose specified in
the Schedule attached hereto, which I have signed as duly authorised on
behalf of the Town Council.

The Schedule contains copies of (1) Minute of Town Council resolving to
execute the works, (2) Minute of Town Council proposing to borrow, and (3)
Minute of Town Council disposing of proposal to borrow three weeks after public
notice had been given in terms of Section 374 of the Burgh Police (Scotland)
Act, 1892, as amended by Section 104 (2) (v.) of the Burgh Police (Scotland)
Act, 1903, with date of Minute in each case. A copy of the newspaper
containing the above public notice is enclosed. The resolution to borrow was
agreed to by not less than two-thirds of the members of the Council present and
voting at the meeting at which it was passed.

I am,

SIR,

Your obedient Servant,

Wm J. Robertson
Town Clerk.

To the Secretary

Department of Health for Scotland,

Edinburgh.

Amount of Loan.	District to be of	Population of District to be Assessed.	Number of Years over which Repayment to extend.	Probable duration of Works after completion.
£ 1590	11.	750	30 Years. [Not to exceed thirty years.]	40 Years.
	Occupiers £ 5933.			

State whether any prior Loan or Lien exists, and whether it is intended to apply the Loan now asked in repayment thereof

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(1) Present Rate of Sewer and Water Assessment. [Not to include rate referred to in (2).]	(2) Rate of Assessment to be levied to meet Loan now applied for. [Not to include rate referred to in (1).]
(a) Sewer Assessment* _____ per £	<i>Provision made in the current year's Budget to meet the Loan charge, is estimated that 4s of the rate levied will cover the Loan charge.</i>
(b) Water Assessment <u>4s</u> per £	
* If the Burgh is divided into Drainage Districts give rate in each District.	

Nature of Works

The work consists of laying 2,750 ft. of yards of 6" dia Corrugated Asbestos, to class 10 pipes from the Reservoir at Rehvan to a point on the existing 7" dia main pipe at Culler, all as per copy Specification enclosed herewith.

Locality. [If the Loan is for Drainage Works for a separate Drainage District, give name of such District.]

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Act and Section thereof under which Works undertaken

Burgh Police Amendment Act 1892 Sec 201.

Take No (1) overleaf on this page.

MINUTES REFERRED TO IN APPLICATION.

(2) Proposal to Borrow: Vol XII p. 319. (12th Oct 1937.)

xxx Having conferred with the Burgh Surveyor and having considered the Tender accepted for the laying of a new 6" dia water main, and other probable expenses pertaining thereto, amounting in all, it was estimated, to £1500, public notice ordered to be given ~~in~~ by way of advertisement, in The Scotsman newspaper, in terms of the Statute, of proposal to borrow this sum for the purpose of said scheme, - Estimate and Proposal to be disposed of at a meeting of Council to be held on a date not less than three weeks after date of such advertisement. xxx.

(3) Disposal of Proposal to Borrow: Vol XII p. 326. (5th Nov 1937.)

xxx The Town Clerk laid on the table copy of the Scotsman newspaper of 15th ulto, containing public notice of proposal to borrow, and stated that the proposal fell to be disposed of at the present meeting. Consideration of Estimate resumed, Resolved to borrow from the Public Works Loan Board, for the purpose of laying a 6" dia water main from the Reservoir to Cullin, the sum of £1500. Ag, and that the Town Clerk be authorised to make application for the consent of the Department of Health for Scotland to a loan of said amount, and to take all steps needful and necessary in the matter. xxx.

Resolution to carry out works Vol XII p. 313 & 314. 7th Sept 1937

Submitted the following report by the Borough Surveyor dated 23rd ulto about the water supply:—

"The pressure of the supply for the Borough has been approximately 45 lb per square inch for the past two months. Every effort has been made to trace the leakage, but the result of investigation has not proved very successful. During the period the Dornoch Hotel pumps is in action, the pressure is further reduced, due to the inadequate carrying capacity of the main pipes. From the Reservoir to Buelha a 6" dia pipe feeds a 7" dia and a 4½" dia pipe, but for the purpose of calculation a 6" dia pipe supplies Dornoch. Owing to increase in consumption this is proving inadequate at certain periods. A 6" pipe is sufficient for 88-1" branch pipes, whereas in Dornoch there are over 200 branches from the main pipes. In addition the hotels have at least 300 taps. I suggest that the present 4½" pipe at Buelha be extended with a 6" dia pipe into the Reservoir. The probable cost of this work would be £1100. This work should be done immediately the crops are taken in and thus avoid compensation claims (Kyper) to W Bracken, Borough Surveyor."

After consideration Baille Butterland moved and Councillor Wickham seconded that the Council proceed with the installation of an entirely new system.

The Provost moved as an amendment, and Baille McIntyre seconded that the Surveyor's recommendations be carried out and that he be instructed to prepare a Specification and Schedule of Quantities and that competitive tenders be obtained for the work.

After discussion the Council divided when five voted for the amendment and two for the motion. Resolved accordingly. Councillor Mackintosh abstained from voting.

Signed on behalf of the Town Council of

Town Clerk.

Town Clerk's Office
Dornoch.

Official
Postal
Address.

MR.

Telegraphic Address—
"HEALTH, EDINBURGH."

Telephone No. 25043.

Any further communications should be addressed, not to any individual by name, but to—

"THE SECRETARY,
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND,
EDINBURGH 2."

Correspondents are requested:—

1. To quote the Number, Date, and Heading of each letter to which they reply; and
2. To let communications on different subjects form separate letters.



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND,

121A PRINCES STREET,

EDINBURGH 2.

29th September, 1937.

*Copy sent to
R.D. 30/9/37*

Reference No. P.H. 261,102.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of 17th September, I am directed to state that the Department are prepared to consider an application by your Town Council for their recommendation to a loan from the Public Works Loan Board in respect of the cost of augmenting the burgh water supply. I enclose copies of the form of application and have to ask you, in the event of the Town Council deciding to borrow from that Board for the purpose stated, to be good enough to complete and forward to the Department two copies of the form and relative minutes, together with the following:—

- ✓ 1. Plans and sections showing the whole proposals relative to the water supply scheme.
- ✓ 2. A full description of the proposed source and its gathering ground, and a report by the Medical Officer of Health on the sufficiency and quality of the water.
- ✓ 3. A full specification of all the materials to be employed and the methods of working.

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The Town Clerk,
Dornoch,
Sutherland.

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4. An estimate of cost, in detail, showing how the amount of proposed loan is made up.

The rate of interest charged at present by the Public Works Loan Board for water supply loans extending over a period not exceeding 30 years is $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.

~~I am to add that the Department's recommendation to loans for reconditioning roads is not required.~~

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,



SUTHERLAND COUNTY COUNCIL

Public Health Office,
BONAR-BRIDGE.

29th October, 1937.

John Sutherland Esq.,
Town Clerk,
DORNOCH.

Dear Sir,

Dornoch Water Supply.

With reference to letter received by you from the Department of Health for Scotland, dated 29th September, 1937, I have to make the following report:-

The source of the present water supply to the Burgh of Dornoch, namely Loch Lannsaidh, is a fairly large Loch situated in moorland country some seven miles north west of the Burgh, there being no agricultural land within a mile of it. The gathering ground being of a peaty nature, however imparts a peaty character to the water so that it contains a fairly large amount of dissolved vegetable matter. The quantity of water available at the source is in my opinion amply adequate for all possible requirements of the Burgh, and reports of analysis of samples of water taken in the Burgh indicate that the water is of fair quality. The proportion of free ammonia found was low while that of albuminoid ammonia just reached the limit usually prescribed for a potable water. This high proportion of albuminoid ammonia and the rather large amount of dissolved organic matter also found I consider to be due to vegetable matter at the source.

At certain times of the year the capacity of part of the present pipe line has proved inadequate in serving all consumers, and I consider the proposed works of enlarging the pipe line highly desirable.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

(Sgd.) K.A. Macrae,

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.