24th February, 1981

TO: EACH MEMBER OF THE BOARD

Dear Member,

I desire to inform you that the next Meeting of the Board will be held in the Boardroom, Merlin Park Regional Hospital, Galway, on Monday, 2nd March, 1981 at 3.00 p.m. Agenda is as set out hereunder.

You are hereby requested to attend.

Yours sincerely,

E. Harmon
Chief Executive Officer.

AGENDA

1. Urnai Tosaighe.
2. Verification of Minutes of Monthly Meeting of the Board held on 2nd February, 1981. (Copy herewith)
3. To authorize Overdraft Accommodation in the sum of £1,000,000 (one million pounds) for quarter ending 30th June, 1981.
4. County Hospital, Roscommon - Provision of Consultant Maternity and Paediatric Services - Deputation to Minister for Health on 6th February, 1981. (Report herewith)
5. Appointment of Nominee to attend and vote at General Meetings of Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Limited.
6. To consider Minutes of Meeting of General Hospital Care Standing Committee held on 24th October, 1980. (Copy herewith)
7. Chief Executive Officer's Progress Report:
   (a) Request from Western Care Association for lease of former Dispensary Residence at Kilkelly, County Mayo.
8. Notice of Motion - Mrs. C. Fallon:
   (a) "That the Western Health Board requests an immediate increase in the housing grants payable to Disabled Persons."
Present: Mr. P. J. Morley, M.C.C., T.D., Chairman, who presided.


Apologies: Mr. J. P. O'Donnell, M. P. S. I., and Mr. P. Flynn, M.C.C., T.D., Minister of State at the Department of Transport.

In Attendance: Messrs. E. Hannan, Chief Executive Officer; P. McDaid, S. O'Donoghue and C. Crowley, Programme Managers; and J. O'Leary, Secretary.

An Urnai Tosaighe: On the proposal of Mr. P. J. Morley, T.D., Chairman, seconded by Mrs. C. Fallon, resolutions of sympathy were passed with the following:

(a) Mrs. Mary Neary, Blackfort, Castlebar, Co. Mayo, on the death of her husband, Mr. John Neary, former member of the Nursing Staff at St. Mary's Hospital, Castlebar;

(b) Miss Angela Kelly, Superintendent Radiographer, Merlin Park Regional Hospital, on the death of her mother;

(c) Mr. Joseph Foy, Chief Ambulance Officer, on the death of his father;

(d) Mr. Peter McGough, Psychiatric Nurse, St. Mary's Hospital Castlebar, on the death of his father;

(e) Mr. John Waldron, former Board Member, on the death of his daughter.

The Chief Executive Officer, on behalf of all sections of Staff, and on his own behalf, associated himself with the Board's resolutions of sympathy.

On the proposal of Councillor F. Devaney, seconded by Mr. P. J. Morley, Chairman, the Board congratulated Mr. James Brett, R.P.N., Community Psychiatric Nurse, St. Mary's Hospital, Castlebar, on his selection as Mayo Man of the Year for 1980.

On the proposal of Mr. P. J. Morley, Chairman, seconded by Alderman F. Coogan, the Board extended its good wishes for a speedy recovery to Mr. E. C. Chater, Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon, Merlin Park Regional Hospital, and to Father Michael...
Verification of Minutes:

Special Meeting to consider Revenue and Capital Budgets for year ending 31st December, 1981;

Mulkerrins, Director, Galway Social Service Council, for a speedy recovery from their recent illnesses.

Minutes of Monthly Meeting of the Board, held on 5th January, 1981, copies of which were circulated with the Agenda to each Member on 27th January, 1981, were adopted, on the proposal of Dr. J. J. Tobin, seconded by Miss M. Byrne, and then signed by the Chairman.

On the recommendation of the Chief Executive Officer, it was agreed to hold a Special Meeting of the Board at 3 p.m. on Monday, 30th March, 1981, to consider Revenue and Capital Budgets for year ending 31st December, 1981.

Following discussion, a resolution proposed by Councillor L. Naughton, seconded by Alderman F. Coogan, that the Press should be invited to attend the Special Meeting, and an amendment proposed by Miss M. Byrne, seconded by Dr. J. J. Tobin that the Special Meeting be held in committee in accordance with existing practice, were withdrawn by their proposers and seconders, and the following resolution, proposed by Councillor P. Concannon, Vice-Chairman, and seconded by Councillor T. McGarry, was adopted unanimously:

“That time be given at the monthly meeting subsequent to the Special Meeting to consider Revenue and Capital Budgets to discuss budgetary matters.”

Deputy P. J. Morley, Chairman, stated that it was open to any Member to raise by way of notice of motion at a monthly Meeting any matter arising from a meeting held in committee.

The Chief Executive Officer stated that on 16th January, 1981, the Supreme Court had heard the Board’s Appeal against the decision of the High Court of 19th May, 1980, granting an Order of Mandamus requiring production to the Local Government Auditor of specified recommendations of Interview Boards for the appointment of designated staff whose remuneration was under audit. The Appeal was dismissed and the decision of the High Court upheld. No order as to costs was made. He had circulated to each Member with the Agenda on 27th January, 1981, copy of letter dated 20th January, 1981, from Mr. Matthew Purcell, the Board’s Solicitor, describing the outcome of the Appeal, for the Board’s information. The Principal Local Government Auditor, who had instituted the proceedings for the production of the documents, had since retired, but he had indicated that he would continue, in a temporary capacity in order to complete the Audit of the Board’s accounts for the year in question,
and also to audit the Board's accounts up to date, i.e. including the year ended 31st December, 1980. The Supreme Court gave its decision after a short adjournment, on the grounds of reasonableness but gave no ruling on the wider issue of the powers, duties and functions of Local Government Auditors in general, nor on the important question of confidentiality. It did not uphold the auditor's claim to be entitled to see any document he deemed necessary without restriction for his audit nor the view of the Attorney General that the Local Government Auditor was "at large". In the event of any future dispute as to the reasonableness of a Local Government Auditor's request the matter could be resolved only by a Court of competent jurisdiction.

In reply to questions raised by Members, the Chief Executive Officer gave an outline of developments since the documents were first requested by the Local Government Auditor on 9th January, 1978. The position was still unsatisfactory and when he had examined the question further, in consultation with the Board's legal advisors, he would make a submission to the Board, as requested, with a view to having the law amended. The very important principle of confidentiality which was not recognised, must be upheld. Reports on means of applicants for services and clinical reports on patients could not be open to inspection at audit. The whole system of selecting candidates for appointments to the Board's staff would be undermined. At the monthly meeting of the Board, held on 3rd June, 1980, he had sought and obtained the Board's concurrence for the Appeal to the Supreme Court, though many Members had pointed out, correctly, that it was not necessary for the Chief Executive Officer to seek the Board's approval, but he consulted with the Board as its accounts were under audit.

The Chief Executive Officer stated that the Minister for Health had agreed to meet the Deputation appointed at monthly meeting of 5th January, 1981, to discuss the additional Consultant Staffing required at Roscommon County Hospital, for the Maternity and Paediatric Departments. A tentative date had been set for the meeting by the Minister and he requested the Members of the Deputation to remain on after the Board Meeting in order to finalise matters.

In reply to Councillor M. Ryan, who enquired why no Galway representative was appointed to the Deputation, Mr. P. J. Morley, Chairman, stated there was no deliberate exclusion of Galway representatives, and that the purpose of the Deputation was to discuss the Consultant Staffing at
Arrangements for Park Regional Hospital:

Roscommon County Hospital and not the federation of that hospital with Portiuncula Hospital, Ballinasloe, directly.

Chief Executive Officer's report dated 27th January, 1981 outlining the arrangements for admission to Long-Stay Geriatric accommodation at Unit 10, Merlin Park Regional Hospital, Galway, was noted.

During a discussion, Members stated that severe hardship was imposed on patients and their relatives from west and north Galway, caused by the absence of an adequate public transport service. The Chief Executive Officer replied that accommodation in the Board's Long Stay Homes was limited. However, since the establishment of the Board in April 1971, forty beds had been provided in a Home for the Aged in Clifden; forty at Newcastle in Galway city; forty at Carraroe; and twenty-two at Tuam. Day care was also available for twenty patients daily at St. Francis Home, Newcastle. A second Home for the Aged was proposed for Galway city, and an extension of forty places at Tuam. Any immediate expansion in the accommodation for geriatric patients would have to be at the expense of other services, unless specific funds were allocated as requested for the geriatric side. These homes were not restricted solely to ambulant persons over 65 years of age, as some mobile physically handicapped persons are also accommodated in them.

Department of Social Welfare's letter dated 16th January, 1981, in reply to resolution of the Board calling for the decentralisation of the Benefits Sections of the Department of Social Welfare, adopted at meeting of 5th January, 1981, copies of which were circulated to each Member with the Agenda on 27th January, 1981, was noted.

In a lengthy discussion which ensued, a statement in the Department of Social Welfare's letter that payment to short term claimants are usually issued within two working days of the date of receipt of certificates was disputed by many Members. It was also stated that delays sometimes up to eighteen months are common in the case of payment of long term benefits.

The Chief Executive Officer pointed out that delays in payment imposed a burden on the local rate payers, as supplementary welfare had to be paid to persons awaiting social welfare benefits. Local Authorities were obliged by law to meet forty per cent of the cost of supplementary welfare expenditure. Recoupment of supplementary welfare
paid by the Board to persons awaiting social welfare benefits amounted to only about forty per cent, which left quite a sum of money to be met, unjustly, locally, which should in fact be a central charge.

On the proposal of Councillor T. McGarry, seconded by Councillor L. Naughton, it was resolved:

"That we hereby call on the Minister for Social Welfare to set up regional offices of the Benefits Section of his Department."

On the proposal of Councillor L. Naughton, seconded by Councillor T. McGarry, it was resolved:

"That we hereby call on the Minister for Social Welfare to recoup the full cost of supplementary welfare paid by Health Boards to persons awaiting social welfare benefits from his Department."

The recommendation from Swinford District Care Team that the authorities of R.T.E. be requested to discontinue the advertising of alcoholic drinks was adopted.

The Chief Executive Officer stated that similar requests had been made previously to R.T.E. and the advertising of alcoholic drink was now being phased out by that authority.

Mr. P. McDaid, Programme Manager, Community Care, stated that when the Community Care Standing Committee held its meeting on 5th December, 1980, planning for the proposed hostel was proceeding satisfactorily, and pointed out that in other areas, progress had been made towards the provision
of a premises for battered wives and a nursery for children awaiting fosterage/adoption.

The Chief Executive Officer stated that the solution in the context of present difficulties might be found through the activities of a voluntary body, i.e. Galway Social Service Council.

Recommendation from Establishment of Dental School in Galway: The following recommendation from meeting of Roscommon Local Health Committee held on 23rd October, 1980, was considered:

"That the committee recommends that the Western Health Board would investigate the possibility of establishing a Dental School in Galway."

The Chief Executive Officer stated that part of the Dental Course was formerly held in University College Galway and the Board had expressed disquiet when it was discontinued. The number of Dentists being qualified from the existing Dental Schools in Dublin and in Cork was inadequate to make up a shortfall of 538 Dentists required to practise in the country. The Minister for Health had a responsibility for the provision of an adequate dental service and the Minister for Education was responsible for third level education.

On the proposal of Councillor L. Naughton, seconded by Alderman F. Coogan, a resolution was adopted calling on the Minister for Health and the Minister for Education to establish a Dental School in Galway, and provide the necessary resources.

(a) Department of Health - Statistical Information relevant to the Health Services 1980: He had circulated with the Agenda on 27th January, 1981, the Department of Health publication entitled "Statistical Information relevant to the Health Services 1980" with press release issued by the Government Information Service dated 30th December, 1980, for the information of the Members. Statistics in relation to the Board's own services would be submitted during the coming months and the Department's publication could be used as a basis for comparison, as appropriate.

Alderman M. D. Higgins remarked that the statistics showed that over 31% of the population was under fourteen years of age in 1971, and this would indicate an increasingly expanding population at the end of the century. There was no evidence that policy and expenditure was linked to demographic projections. He felt it would be useful to consider the statistics in more detail in a few months time.
when the 1981 Census was available.

In reply to Councillor J. Burke, who asked if the Board was making sufficient use of minibuses having regard to the number being used by the Eastern Health Board, the Chief Executive Officer stated that the position in the west differed from that of the Eastern Health Board, as most of the journeys were short haul in the East, i.e. Dublin city and locality. The Board did in fact, own a small number of minibuses and also hired them. He was satisfied that good return was being obtained from the Board's own and hired transport service.

The Chief Executive Officer at the request of Councillor P. Concannon, agreed to write to the patients placed on the Waiting List for orthopaedic surgery explaining that while there would be a delay, they would be called for operation in due course.

(b) Sale of Plot of Land at Oughterard, Co. Galway to Dr. P. R. Cotter: The Chief Executive Officer stated that the Board, at its meeting held on 3rd November, 1980, authorised the sale of a plot of land containing one rood and twenty-eight and a half perches adjoining the former Dispensary Residence at Oughterard, Co. Galway, to Dr. P. R. Cotter, Oughterard, Co. Galway, for the sum of one thousand pounds. Since then, the Minister for Health had indicated that the Valuation Office had placed a value on the plot of three thousand pounds, and enquired if the prospective purchaser would be prepared to increase his offer. Dr. Cotter had increased his offer to two thousand pounds and he recommended acceptance. It was proposed by Councillor M. Ryan, seconded by Miss M. Byrne, and resolved:

"That we hereby authorise the acceptance of the offer of two thousand pounds made by Dr. P. R. Cotter, Oughterard, Co. Galway, for the purchase of a plot of land containing one rood twenty-eight and a half perches adjoining the former Dispensary Residence at Oughterard, Co. Galway, the purchaser to be responsible for all legal costs incurred in connection with the transaction, which shall be subject to the sanction of the Minister for Health."

Deputy P. J. Morley, Chairman, referred to the Notice of Motion on the Agenda —
"That this Board ensure that any legitimate proposal from a Meeting be taken by the Chairman."

notice of which he had been given by Councillor J. Burke, and stated that he regretted its submission, which he felt was due to a misunderstanding from a situation which arose after the end of the last Board meeting. The practice had become established over the years, whereby questions were allowed and answered by the Chief Executive Officer or his Staff, if the information was available, after the ordinary business of the meeting had been transacted, and it was his intention to continue this practice. On the particular occasion in question, Councillor Burke had asked a question after the meeting had concluded concerning the procedure for discharging patients from Merlin Park Regional Hospital, which was answered. He then proceeded to make allegations and charges concerning a particular case concerning which no information was available at the meeting. He felt it would be more useful to discuss such matters with the responsible officer after the meeting. All legitimate proposals, are, in fact, accepted by the Chairman. Councillor J. Burke stated he regretted the need for submitting the motion, but considered that the Chairman had exceeded his authority on the occasion in question. He had the right to propose suspension of Standing Orders which he could not give up and of which the Chairman could not deprive him. He accepted the Chairman's assurance that his ruling was not politically motivated and withdrew the motion.

The meeting then concluded.

SIGNED: E. Hannan,
Chief Executive Officer.

Confirmed and adopted at Meeting of the Western Health Board, held on Monday, 2nd March, 1981, at 3.00 p.m. at Headquarters, Merlin Park Regional Hospital, Galway.

SIGNED: CHAIRMAN.
Dear Member,

The Minister for Health, Dr. Michael Woods, T.D., received the Board's deputation herein, on Friday, 6th February, 1981. The following were in attendance:-

From Western Health Board:

(a) Deputation:
   Mr. P.J. Morley, T.D., M.C.C., Chairman;
   Mr. P. Concannon, M.C.C., Vice-Chairman;
   Mrs. C. Fallon, Chairman, General Hospital Care Standing Committee;
   Mr. D. Bruen, M.C.C.; Mr. L. Naughton, M.C.C.; Dr. M. Clarke;
   Professor J. Flynn; Dr. J.J. Tobin; Dr. H.M. Weir.

(b) Officers:
   Mr. E. Hannan, Chief Executive Officer;
   Mr. C.M. Crowley, Programme Manager, General Hospital Care;
   Mr. P. O'Meara, Planning & Evaluation Officer;
   Dr. S. Long, Consultant Obstetrician/Gynaecologist, Galway Regional Hospital;
   Dr. D. Donovan, Consultant Paediatrician, Galway Regional Hospital;
   Mr. M. Relihan, Consultant Surgeon, County Hospital, Roscommon.

From Department of Health:

Dr. Michael Woods, T.D., Minister for Health;
Dr. B. Hensey, Secretary, Department of Health;
Mr. G.A. Enright, Principal Officer, Department of Health;
Dr. N. Tierney, Senior Medical Officer, Department of Health.

Introduction:

Mr. P.J. Morley, T.D., M.C.C., Chairman thanked the Minister for receiving the Deputation and introduced it to the Minister. He i.e. Mr. Morley, Chairman, pointed out, that this was the first occasion that a deputation from the Western Health Board had been received by a Minister for Health, and this in itself was indicative of the importance which the Board attached to seeing this long standing problem, resolved, without further delay.

submitted to the Members, as already arranged.
Presentation of Case:
Every Member of the Deputation, and each of the Board's Officers, spoke and impressed on the Minister the urgent necessity to have Maternity and Paediatric Services at Consultant level, provided at the County Hospital, Roscommon, without further delay, as all efforts, stretching back to 1973, to have the services provided by way of federation with Portiuncula Hospital, Ballinasloe, had failed, including the efforts made by the Minister himself. The Board's case for these services had been accepted by Comhairle na n-Ospideal as far back as 8th January, 1980. The Board could not wait any further to have the matter resolved and the Minister was requested to ask Comhairle na n-Ospideal to approve of the creation of the necessary Consultant posts, to fund them, and also the required support staff and other non-pay expenditure, together with the funding of the posts of Consultant Anaesthetist and Consultant Radiologist, which have already been approved by An Comhairle for Roscommon County Hospital.

Response from Minister for Health:
The Minister stated that he had been impressed by the case made for Maternity and Paediatric Services for the County Hospital at Roscommon. He was prepared to get in touch with An Comhairle as requested. He i.e. the Minister had a number of meetings with the Authorities of Portiuncula Hospital, Ballinasloe, all to no avail. Following discussion it was agreed that the Chief Executive Officer would submit applications to Comhairle na n-Ospideal, for the necessary posts, copies of the submissions to be sent to the Minister for Health.

Conclusion:
The Chairman (Mr. P.J. Morley, T.D., M.C.C.,) thanked the Minister for his response and the meeting ended at 4.20 p.m.

Signed: [Signature]
E. Hannan,
Chief Executive Officer.

24th February, 1981.
Minutes of Meeting of the General Institutional Care Standing Committee, held at General Hospital, Castlebar on Friday, 24th October, 1980 at 3.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Mrs. C. Fallon, Chairman, who presided.

Other Members:

Dr. M. Clarke, Mr. Martin Finn, M.C.C., Mr. P. Concannon, M.C.C.

Sr. M. Byrne, Mr. D. Bruen, M.C.C., Mr. B. Murphy, F.R.C.S., Mr. J. P. O'Donnell, M.P.S.I., Mr. P. J. Morley, T.D., M.C.C.

Mr. C. M. Crowley, Programme Manager, Mr. C. Conlon, Assistant Staff Officer.

On the proposal of Dr. M. Clarke, seconded by Councillor P. Concannon, the minutes of the last meeting of the Committee, held on 19th June, 1980, copies of which were already circulated to the members on 17th October, 1980, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

The Members felt that many people attended the Casualty Departments of Acute Hospitals, throughout the Board's area, who should be treated by General Practitioners. It was agreed that the Public should be informed as to why the Casualty Departments are provided, and, it should be stressed that it is primarily an Accident and Emergency Department, where emergency cases only, should be treated. The Members recommended that this could be done by displaying notices in the Accident and Emergency Departments, and, in addition, publishing notices in the local Newspapers.

The Programme Manager stated that it is expected that a further small allocation of funds may be made to the Board, and the details would be submitted to the Members, as already arranged.
at a Special Board Meeting on Friday, 31st October, 1900. If the additional funds are provided, the following improvements and equipment are urgently required:

1. **Regional Hospital, Galway**
   - **Improvements**
     - (a). Conversion of Store into a temporary Operating Theatre.
     - (b). Extension to Bacteriology Department of approximately 1,600 sq. ft.
     - (c). Extension to X-Ray Department of 2,800 sq. ft.
     - (d). Extension to Public Analyst Laboratory of approximately 800 sq. ft.
   - **Equipment**
     - Scanning, Screening and Ultra-Sound Equipment - Radiology Department.

2. **Merlin Park Regional Hospital, Galway**
   - Extension to Haemodialysis Department of approximately 3,500 sq. ft.

3. **Castlebar General Hospital**
   - (a). Temporary Operating Theatre and Equipment.
   - (b). Sterilizer.
   - (c). Laboratory Equipment

4. **County Hospital, Roscommon**
   - (a). New Medical Records Department.
   - (b). Theatre Equipment.

On the proposal of Councillor P. Concannon, seconded by Dr. M. Clarke, the Committee recommended that the above extensions be provided and the equipment purchased, as soon as funds become available.
The Programme Manager reported that there was no amendment in the current Year's Capital Budget.

The minutes of the following Meetings of the Hospitals' Executive Committees, copies of which had been circulated to each Member of the Committee, with the Agenda, on 17th October, 1980, were then considered:

(a). Galway and Merlin Park Regional Hospitals

(b). Castlebar General Hospital

(c). Roscommon County Hospital
   17th June, 1980.

The following points were noted:

CASTLEBAR GENERAL HOSPITAL

The Programme Manager informed the meeting that the P.A.B.X. System had been ordered; that a new Paging System was "on appro", and, would be purchased, if found suitable.

A Report, issued by Comhairle na nOspideal, dated 14th February, 1979, entitled "Development of Diagnostic Radiological Services at Consultant Level - Discussion Document", which had been circulated to the Members, with the Agenda, on 17th October, 1980, was discussed.

Dr. M. Clarke stated that the Discussion Document is the start of a much needed review of the Radiological services in this country, which to a great extent, has been influenced by the late entry of Radiologists into rural Ireland, and by the fact that all the Radiologists available were trained mostly in England.
United States, or Canada. The result of this is that this country has tended to follow the watertight compartments in which Radiology has failed into, in the United Kingdom, in sharp contrast to the Scandinavian countries. By this is meant that the Consultant Surgeons and Physicians have tended to dictate the line of investigation of a patient, and have not thought it necessary to consult the Radiologist, as to what would be the best procedure to follow. The Report of An Comhairle is also welcomed in that it highlights these points in Section 2.3 on page 3, where it says "Radiologists should play a major part in deciding how demand should best be met and services properly realised. A Radiologist should take positive action to maintain a two-way flow of information between his Department and his Clinical colleagues. This will involve conferences and direct consultation between Physicians and Radiologists, within the hospital itself, and, also, liaison with General Practitioners, having access to the Radiology Department". Dr. M. Clarke also referred to Section 2.4, which suggested that Non-Radiological Consultants should have access to facilities for diagnostic purposed, e.g. the use of Ultra-sound equipment by an Obstetrician, and, the investigation of the heart and its arteries by a Cardiologist. The Report says that such Consultants, however, should have the necessary training and expertise to use these facilities. He suggested that a Radiographer, with experience of Ultra-sound, should be present. The big difficulty in implementing this section is the training of Radiographers and the other Consultants in the use of the equipment concerned.
The Members agreed with the recommendations set out in the Report. It was noted that no hospital in Ireland is, as yet, accepted for training by the Royal College of Radiology for Part 1 of the D. R. D. It was felt that doctors wishing to follow this course, should be enabled to do so, in this country, similar to other disciplines.

The Report was noted.

A letter dated 13th October, 1980 from R.T.E., asking if the Board would be prepared to sell to the Authority, four acres of land on the Merlin Park Hospital site, for the purpose of erecting studios, was considered. The Programme Manager produced a map, showing the site marked in green.

In addition, a letter dated 16th October, 1980 was read, from a Valuer, appointed by the Board, in which the estimated value, per acre, was stated at £22,500.

The Programme Manager pointed out that the land in question was not required for Health Board purposes, and, that the sale was recommended by the Chief Executive Officer. The Members expressed the view that this application should be granted, subject to the negotiation of a suitable price by the Chief Executive Officer.

It was proposed by Dr. M. Clarke, seconded by Mrs. C. Fallon and resolved "that we recommend to the Western Health Board, the acceptance of Radio Telefís Éireann's request, to sell four acres of land, or thereabouts, at Merlin Park Regional Hospital, Galway, subject to the price to be negotiated by the Chief Executive Officer."
The next meeting was arranged for the District Hospital, Ballina, at 3.30 p.m. on Thursday, 15th January, 1981.

This concluded the business of the Meeting.

SIGNED: [Signature]

CONFIRMED AND ADOPTED AT A MEETING OF THE GENERAL INSTITUTIONAL CARE STANDING COMMITTEE, HELD AT DISTRICT HOSPITAL, BALLINA, ON THURSDAY, 15TH JANUARY, 1981.

SIGNED: [Signature]

CHAIRMAN

DATED: 31-1-81.