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Local & Munl. (1898) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS.

G.O., No. 2087M

DATED 7-12-98

[Despatch Abstract.]

Road

Informing with remarks the Munl. Council of Ootacamund that if it will carry out the diversion of the Westbury Sign road before March 1899, the Govt. will be prepared to contribute from Provincial Funds Rs 2400 being a moiety of the estimated cost of the work.

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Diversion of the Westbury and Sigur road. Ootacamund

Misc

Order. No. 2087 Misc. 7-12-98

The Municipal Council is informed that if it will carry out the diversion of the road in question before March 1899, the Government will be prepared to contribute from Provl. funds Rs 2400, being a moiety of the estimated cost of the work.

2. It is however requested to consider and report whether the steep ascent and descent in the road referred to could not be avoided by deflecting the road (to Sigur) to the left, soon after it crosses the bridge, as shown in red pencil on the plan – a measure which besides being far cheaper than the one proposed by the Council, wd ~~will~~ have the advantage of not cutting off Blackwood and Byon Cottages from the road.

(From orders)

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To The Chairman, The Ootacamund Mu.
with a plan (to be returned) ~~& enclosures~~
thro' the Collr. of the Nilgiris.

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LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Again G.O., dated 189 , No.
Current No. 1958 A-P of 1898, dated 8-9-1898 from the Chairman, M.C. Ootacam
Current No. 2136 P of 1898, dated 29-9-1898 from the DO

P.A.
v. u. please
H.T.
5-12-98

SUBJECT.

FOR ORDERS.

H.M.
H.E. the Gov. (by H.E.'s request)
Thro' Fin.

I forward this through the Fin. Dept., in order that it may say whether there is any possibility of a grant being made.

2. The ~~two~~ descent from Longwood & the ascent to Kandal Crossing are not of equal steepness. I know of no particular objection in this respect to the descent; but the ascent is very trying. This could be avoided by a far cheaper scheme, by deflecting the road (to Sigur) to the left, soon after it crosses the bridge, as shown in red pencil on the plan. Besides being infinitely cheaper, this would not have the effect of

It is far too steep
H.T.

Yes.
A.G.H.

2 Cutting off Blackwood & Bijou Cottages from the road, & leaving them as it were in the air.

3. I admit the improvement of this part of the Sigur Road is to be desired, but a less sum than that now asked for would effect a greater improvement in the drives of Ootacd. - viz. to convert into a driving road the bridle path now running from under the residence of the Chitrali chiefs to the Toda mund at Marlimund - about a mile & a quarter - estimate (as I remember) Rs. 3500. I could not suggest such expenditure at this financial crisis; I only say that if money were spent, it would be better spent here than on the proposal submitted.

An excellent proposal, which I have much at heart. But, I think it ranks after this. E.G.H

H. T.
11.10.98.

I do not hold that the finances are at present bankrupt: but to take the most hopeful view I must hold that our resources are now very low and that they is in all probability before us a period ~~f~~ of strain and trouble which we should be wise to try and meet. We can only do this by husbanding our resources at every point. I do not think we should be justified in making a grant as sought but we might obtain for the Municipality a loan for the purpose. I must say I think the purpose in question highly desirable —

13/10/98.

There is no doubt that this is a very good scheme. But I don't think that Govt. can at present aid it & that the Muny. ought to raise a loan to carry it out. The next object on which money should be spent in Ooty (whether Govt. grant or ~~l~~ loans raised by the Muny.) should unquestionably be the provision of filtering works to purify as far as possible the Marlimund water — A file about that matter is in circn. — The filtering project is an urgent one & essential for the public health. This road improvement is but a luxury, which can be done without.

HS

20/10/98

I agree with the

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Hon. Sir H. Bliss that this scheme is an excellent one. I have urged it on the Ootacamund Municipality for the last two years. It appears to me to be of ~~[illegible]~~ greater public interest and importance than Sir H. Bliss admits. This portion of road is at present almost dangerous for driving. It forms a part of the main road from Ootacamund to Mysore, via Segoor, and in this way is of concern to Government. From the purely local point of view, ~~it~~ ~~is~~ an improvement would be of considerable advantage. This hill is a nuisance to all who live on the Segoor side of it, and to all whom business or pleasure may take ~~[illegible]~~ to any point beyond it. It appears that the Municipality have not funds to carry out the improvement, but I think they should at any rate contribute to the cost. I should tell them that if they will carry out the work before March 1899, ~~that~~ the diversion will be sanctioned and that the Govt. will pay

pay Rs. 2400 (half the estimate).

I am unable to express an opinion as to whether Mr. Tremenheere's alternative line would answer the purpose. The M.C. might be asked to consider this.

There is a handsome P.W.D. reserve from which the small sum of Rs. 2400 could be easily spared.

A.G.H
2.12.98

Local & Munl. (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 1958 A.P.

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SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
27. SEP. 1898
LOCAL & MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT

From The Chairman
Municipal Council
Ootacamund.

No. 2910

Dated despatched. 8th September 1898
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Order Returned to The Chairman for submission of a plan showing the proposed diversion & the land which would require to be taken up.

H. Tremenheere
Secy to Govt.
27.9.98

SUBJECT.

Westbury and Seegur road

Bringing to notice the necessity for the diversion of the ______ and soliciting the sanction of His Excellency the Governor in Council not only for the diversion but also for a grant of Rs 4800 from the Provincial Funds towards the project.

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No.

Extract from the Proceedings of a Meeting of the Ootacamund Municipal Council held on Saturday the 3rd September 1898.

~~SUBJECT No.~~

Present.

The Chairman
A. Butterworth Esqre Collector of the Nilgiris
W. F. Donaghue Esqre
J. Browne Esqre
Col: J. F. Garwood R.E.
Col: N. F. Stevenson

Subject No. XVIII (b)

Estimate for making a deviation on the Westbury & Seegur road above Blackwood Cottage —— Rs4800/.

RESOLUTION:—

"Proposed by Col. Garwood R.E. and Seconded by the Chairman

That the estimate amounting to Rs4800/. for making a deviation on the Westbury & Seegur road above Blackwood Cottage be sanctioned at once and funds allotted when available; and that the Chairman be requested to bring the matter before the Collector with a view to early preliminary steps being taken for the acquisition of the land required, and to apply to Government for a grant to cover the proposed expenditure".

"Carried"

(True Extract)

Chairman.

MUNICIPAL OFFICE,
Ootacamund, 3rd September 1898

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Ootacamund Municipal Office,
3rd September 1898.

FROM
THE CHAIRMAN,
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL,
OOTACAMUND.

To
The Secretary to the Government
Local and Municipal Department
Fort Saint George.
Through the Collector of the Nilgiris, Ootacamund.

Enclosures 3

Sir,

I have the honor to submit for the favorable consideration of the Government a copy of the resolution passed by the Municipal Council at the meeting held this day for the diversion of a portion of the Westbury and Seegur road, to avoid a very steep and dangerous bit of the road a little past Blackwood Cottage. The necessity for the diversion has been frequently brought to the notice of the Municipal Council.

2. On Col: Garwood R.E. joining the Municipal Council, I drew his attention to the matter. He at once took it up and has kindly directed and supervised the preparation of the accompanying survey and estimate amounting to Rs 4,800/.

3. The dangerous bit of road is on the direct route to the Downs and to Cockey's Course, and it is much used by

Cockerill

by equestrians both Ladies and gentlemen.

24. Under the circumstances, I am desired to solicit the Sanction of His Excellency the Governor in Council not only for the making of the diversion of the road, but also for a grant of Rs 4800/- to enable the Municipality to carry it out, as it is at present quite unable to provide any money for this most necessary and desirable purpose.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,

G. W. Hamnett
Chairman O. M. C.

Wilson Cur No 1331 d/ 17-9-98
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Submitted to Government. The diversion in question will improve greatly a dangerous bit of road along which ome houses have recently been built. Unless Govt. is prepared to ssist, I am afraid the matter ill have to be postponed for several ears as plague Expenditure is likely t absorb all spare municipal unds. The notification for the cquisition of the land required as been retained in order to obtain ome further particulars. If Govt. grees to allot funds, the Notifn. ill be submitted for approval. fear there is no chance of getting e requisite land free but, by ving the owner of Blackwood the nd now occupied by the road, some

How is this possible, unless the cottage at the bottom is to be cut off from any road? — H. 10.10.98

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26/9/98

Local & Munl. (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 2137 P.

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
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Order

From The Chairman
Municipal Council
Ootacamund
No. 3251

Dated 29th September 1898
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SUBJECT.

Westbury and Seegoor road

Enclosing a tracing of the Survey plan showing the proposed diversion of the —

Called for in endorsement.

W.P. to be sent to Madras

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No. 3251

Ootacamund Municipal Office,
29th September 1898.

From
THE CHAIRMAN,
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL,
OOTACAMUND.

To
The Secretary to the Government
Local and Municipal Department
Stone-house hill

Enclosures

Sir,

Referring to the order dated the 27th instant, on my letter No. 2910 dated the 8th idem (returned), I have the honor to enclose a tracing of the Survey plan showing the proposed diversion of the Westbury and Seegoor road, and the land which will be required to be taken up. The original of the tracing was sent to the Collector of the Nilgiris.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,

G. W. Hamnett
Chairman O. M. C.

A.M.

D.O. No. 95-P.D/30-9-98

Dated 30-9-98

My Dear Butterworth,

The C.M.C on a reference sends a plan showing the extent of land to be taken up for the Blackwood ~~division~~ diversion as 65. cents. But I make the length of the ~~division~~ diversion 400 yards and the breadth of the road will be 8 yards So 3200 Sq. yards would have to be taken up. Kindly let me have the Correct figures.

Yours sincerely.

(Sd) H. Tremenheere.

Desd 30-9-98

Local & Munl. (1898) Department.

D. O.
~~CURRENT~~ No. 190

From
The Private Secretary
to H. E. the Governor.

Order

No.

Dated 26. 9. 98

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SUBJECT.

Stating that H. E. wishes to see, during its disposal, the proposal of the Ootacamund Municipality to divert the road near Longwood Hotel so as to avoid the present up-and-down hill there.

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Asst. Secy. Please see. H.E's wishes [illegible] 8/9

My dear Tremenheere

His Excellency hears that a proposal has come up from the municipality to divert the road near Longwood Hotel so as to avoid the present up-&-down hill there. If so, His Excellency wishes me to ask you to let him see the paper during its disposal.

Yours sincerely

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