

Miss B Matheson & Mrs V.E. Greer,
"Seacroft",
Church Street,
Dornoch.

To Dornoch Town Council,
Council Offices,
Dornoch.

"Seacroft", Church Street

River Street and Church Street Road Widening

I/We hereby authorise Dornoch Town Council, or their representatives to enter the above subjects in order to carry out the road widening of River Street and Church Street on the understanding that this authorisation does not in any way prejudice the negotiations between myself/ourselves and the District Valuer in respect of the sale to the Town Council of that strip of ground forming part of the above subjects required for the said road widening.

B. Matheson,.....
(Mrs.) V. E. Greer

Example of standard authorisation
letter sent/received from all affected
homeholders.

Copy.

Ref: 11L

4 Carnaig Street,
DORNOCH.
18th May, 1966.

W.C. Wright, Esq.,
Town Clerk,
Council Chambers,
High Street,
DORNOCH.

RECEIVED - 1 MAY 1970

ACKNOWLED - 1 MAY 1970

Dear Sir,

I am writing this letter on behalf of my mother, Mrs Colina McCulloch, who resides at the above address, in the hope that your Town Council will favourably consider doing something about the way the land pertaining to her feu, where it borders with River Street, has been left.

During January, 1965, Burgh workmen, as previously agreed upon, commenced to knock down the wall at the bottom of her garden and removed a gate which gave her access on to River Street. They also removed about three feet of ground from the bottom of the garden. This was quite in order as my late father agreed to this work being carried out when he bought the feu. The work finished in March, 1965, and later that year the new piece of roadway was tarred.

However, since then, nothing has been done about replacing the wall or the gate, but a very large meshed wire fence was erected on a few posts. This fence is neither attractive nor stock proof and dogs, etc., can enter the garden ad lib. Prior to the removal of the wall we had trees and shrubs at the bottom of the garden which afforded a certain amount of privacy, but I am afraid that this is now gone.

I am sure that your Council are a reasonable body of people and will understand that it is quite beyond my mother's means to replace what has been removed as all she has for an income is her widows pension. I therefore request that this matter be brought before the Town Council in/

in order that something be done to remedy what can only be described as an eye-sore and a worry to my mother.

J.M. McCulloch

Yours faithfully,

W. Wright

4 Carnaig Street,
DORNOCH.
30/4/70.

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J. Nolan, Esq.,
Town Clerk,
Council Chambers,
High Street,
DORNOCH.

RECEIVED 1 MAY 1970
ACKNOWLED - 1 MAY 1970

Dear Sir,

The enclosed is the Copy of a letter which I wrote on 18th May, 1966, to W.C. Wright, Esq., then Town Clerk of Dornoch, on behalf of my mother, Mrs Colina McCulloch, who resides at the above address.

My people have resided at this address for the past 38 years and were always under the impression that the land to the front of the house belonged to them, but when my late father attended a public roup in the Council Chambers in 1963 to bid for the house and land, it was pointed out to him that the land to the front of the house did not belong to him. However, Mr Wright stated that the Town felt disposed to include this land in his feu if my father agreed to them annexing a part of the front garden for road widening. He agreed to this on condition that the existing wall etc., was replaced and he was assured that this would be done.

I am afraid that so far, apart from the erection of a wire mesh fence, nothing has been replaced and we now have a considerable source of weeds to contend with, coming from the grass bank outside the fence.

I may add that on the day of the roup I was present with my father, who was in poor health then, and was a witness.

Yours faithfully
J.M. McCulloch

24th June, 1970.

Dear

I write to let you know that the Town Council have been considering the widening of River Street for this purpose have not been drawn up and these are available for inspection at this office on Week-days except Saturdays at any time between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Before proceeding with the project my Town Council would appreciate your views and as the work will involve part of your ground. I would be most grateful if you could let me have these as soon as you conveniently can.

A plan indicating the area of your ground involved is enclosed and I to add that all garden walls affected will be made good. ^{have}

I await your comments,

I am,

Yours truly,

TOWN CLERK.

Copies sent to the following:-

Mrs W. Matheson,
Cafe, Church Street, Dornoch.

Highland Omnibuses Ltd.,
Farraline Park,
Inverness.

Mrs M. Munro,
"Carnaig Cottage", Carnaig Street,
DORNOCH.

Mrs C. McCulloch,
4, Carnaig Street, Dornoch

Mr H. Grant,
5, Carnaig Street, Dornoch

Mrs J.R. Mackay,
7, Carnaig Street,
Dornoch

R. McCulloch,
The Sheiling,
8, Carnaig Street
DORNOCH.

H. & J. McCulloch,
Carnaig Street,
DORNOCH.

Simon Bain,
Carnaig Street,
DORNOCH.

Miss B. Matheson & Mrs V.E. Greer
~~"KERRISDALE"~~ Kerrisdale Church Street, Dornoch

Mrs A.H. Lewis, Carlingbank, Dornoch.

Reps of W.C. Bremner, "Roseburn" River Street, ~~Dor~~noch

Mrs Nolan
The Town Clerk
Dornoch.

'Rowanlea'
of Carnraig St.
Dornoch
July 20th '70

RECEIVED 20 JUL 1970

Dear Sir,

ANSWERED 20 JUL 1970
In reference to our
recent conversation, regarding the
aquisition of part of my garden,
I wish to confirm that I have
no objections providing the Stone
dyke and hedge are replaced.

Yours Truly,
Joan L. Mackay
(Mrs)

RECEIVED 3 JUL 1970

J. Nolan F.I.A.C. Seacroft.
Town Clerk 1 Church Street
and Chamberlain. Dornoch

July 2, 1970
Dear Sir:

We write to let you know,
that we have no objection to
our garden wall being removed,
also the widening of our ground
on Church Street.

Signed
Barbara Matheson, + Victoria E. Greer

Ref:1A

20th July, 1970.

Mrs J. Mackay,
Rowanlon,
7, Carnegie Street,
DORNOCH.

Dear Mrs Mackay,

Proposed River Street Widening

I write to thank you for your letter of 20th July, 1970 confirming that you have no objections to the acquisition of part of your garden for the purpose of the above works. Your reservations regarding the replacement of the Stone dyke and hedge have been noted.

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]

1/4
The District Valuer,
River House,
Young Street,
Inverness.

August 6th.1970.

Ref.1A.

Dear Sir,

River Street Widening - DORNOCH.

For some time my Town Council has been considering the possibility of the widening of River Street, which is the main access to the Burgh Caravan Site, and is now a matter of urgency.

The County Roads Department has prepared plans of the proposed "lay out" and as it involves the acquisition of private property, the question of compensation and the possibility of compulsory purchase arises.

I enclose a copy of the Plans, which indicate the areas and location of the 15 properties involved, and it would be greatly appreciated if you could provide an assessment of the several values involved, in order to complete and estimate of the final capital cost.

I would appreciate your comments.

I am,
Yours faithfully,

TOWN CLERK.

HIGHLAND OMNIBUSES LTD

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N. R. SUTHERLAND

Telephone: 33371

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Our Ref. NRS/ES.
Your Ref. 1A.

3rd August, 1970.

RECEIVED 4 AUG 1970

James Nolan Esq.,
Town Clerk,
Town Clerk's Chambers,
High Street,
Dornoch.

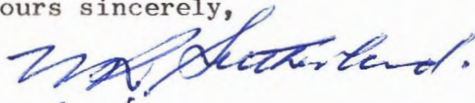
Dear Mr Nolan,

River Street Widening

In answer to your letter of the 31st ult., firstly I have to apologise for not writing you earlier on this subject, the reason being our Estate people were having a look at the position. I have had word back from them and it seems that the Council proposal is to take a strip of our ground varying in depth from about 5' to about 8' so as to improve the road. I understand this would then give us a straight boundary to the road in lieu of the existing curved boundary.

Consequently, I have no objection to selling this ground to the Council and no doubt you will instruct the District Valuer accordingly so that the necessary negotiations can be completed.

Yours sincerely,



Executive Director.

Our Ref: 14
(River Street)

31st July, 1970.

The Secretary,
Highland Councils Bd.,
Farraline Park,
ELVENHILL.

Dear Sir,

River Street Widening

In my letter of 24th June, 1970 I mentioned that my Town Council was been considering the possibility of having the road at River Street widened and as part of your land would be involved it would be helpful to have your views.

A plan showing the area of your land which would be affected by the proposed widening was also forwarded to you and for the information of the Council's Public Committee I would appreciate your comment.

Yours truly,



Ref: 14

5th March, 1972.

W.C. Wright, Esq.,
Solicitor,
Cathedral Square,
Dornoch.

Dear Mr. Wright,

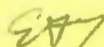
Road Widening at River Street/Church Street

The Town Council have recently had under consideration the question of the above road widening.

This operation will entail the acquisition of various strips of ground to enable the work to be completed satisfactorily. Accordingly I have to enquire whether you would be prepared to undertake the legal work involved on behalf of the Town Council.

The District Valuer is at present negotiating with the various owners.

Yours sincerely,



Town Clerk.

ARTHUR & CARMICHAEL

Solicitors

Francis G. Carmichael, N.P.

CATHEDRAL SQUARE,
DORNOCH, SUTHERLAND
P.O. Box No. 1

Our Reference: W/NM/77/

William C. Wright, B.L.

Telephone: 202 (2 lines)

Your Reference: 1 L

10th March, 1972.

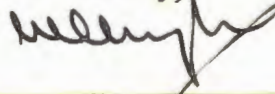
G.F. Trowbridge, Esq.,
Town Clerk,
DORNOCH.

Dear Mr. Trowbridge,

Road widening at River Street/Church Street

Thank you for your letter of 8th instant. I will be happy to act for your Authority in connection with the conveyance of the parcels of land to be acquired in connection with the road widening scheme.

Yours sincerely,



River/Church Street Widening

<u>Plot No.</u>	<u>Area</u> <u>Sq.yds</u>	<u>Owner</u>	<u>Description of land to be acquired or/</u> <u>and affected by widening</u>
1. ✓	152 ¹³⁰	Mrs. W. Matheson, Cafe, Church Street	- rough ground and wall
2. ✓	92	Dornoch Town Council	- rough ground
3.	100	Mrs. M. Munro, Carnaig Cottage, Carnaig Street	- garden
4. ✓	62	Mrs. A. R. Mackay R. Mackay 6/7, Carnaig Street (Rowanlea)	- garden and wall - garden and wall
5. ✓	86 ¹³⁰	R.M. McCulloch, 8, Carnaig Str	- garden and wall
6. ✓	56 ¹²⁰	H. & J. McCulloch, 9, Carnaig Street	- do.
7. ✓	64 ¹²⁰	Simon Bain, 10, Carnaig Street	- do.
8. ✓	104 ¹²⁵	Sutherland County Council	- do.
9. ✓	53	Miss A. Ross 'Gordon' 125 Carnaig Street	- do.
10. ✓	89 ¹³⁰	Miss B. Matheson & Mrs. Greer - Seacroft, Church St.	- do.
11. ✓	148	Reps of A.H. Lewis per Arthur & - Carmichael - Carlingbank, Church Street	- rough ground
12. ✓	68	do. Do.	garden and wall
13. ✓	12	do. do.	do.
14. ✓	42	Reps. of W.C. Bremner 'Roseburn' River Street	garden
15.	12 ¹¹⁹	Town Council	do.
16. ✓	54 ²³⁰	R.D. Golf Club (H. Donaldson-occupier) Carnaig Street	do.

Ref: 1L

Town Clerk's Office,
High Street,
Dornoch.

7th March, 1972.

Dear Sir/Madam,

River Street and Church Street Road Widening

I refer to the Town Council's proposal to widen the roadway at River Street and Church Street and to your consent to sell to the Town Council that strip of ground forming part of the subjects known as above.


The District Valuer informs me that he intends to visit Dornoch tomorrow, the 8th March, 1972 and will be calling upon you to discuss the matter.

The Town Council's arrangements have now reached an advanced stage and it is hoped to carry out the work in the very near future.

It would help matters considerably if you would be kind enough to enable the Town Council to have early entry to the strip of ground to be acquired by them. Accordingly, I enclose a form which I shall be glad if you would kindly sign and hand to the District Valuer when he calls, or if more convenient, handed to me when I call upon you personally soon after the District Valuer has visited you.

The form will only authorise the Town Council to enter the ground in question and start the work at an early date and will in no sense prejudice the negotiations to be carried out between yourself and the District Valuer.

Yours sincerely,



Town Clerk.

Ref.1L
J.G.Edmond Esq.,
County Surveyor
County Offices
Brora
Sutherland.

13th March, 1972

Dear Mr. Edmond,

Church Street/River Street Road Widening

The District Valuer recently visited all those having property which will be affected by the proposed road widening at Church Street /River Street, Dornoch. He has asked for plans of each individual area of ground to be acquired by the Town Council. Messrs Arthur & Carmichael, Solicitors for the representatives of the late A.H.Lewis has also requested copies of the area of ground to be acquired from his clients. Accordingly it would be appreciated if you would let me have 2 copies of each individual property and the area of ground appropriate ^{to} each subjects in order that the matter might be proceeded with.

Most of the owners affected have already given me written approval to enter their property for the said work to continue, so there would not appear to be any delay in getting the work started when required.

Yours sincerely,

Town Clerk.

To Dornoch Town Council,
Council Offices,
Dornoch.

River Street and Church Street Road Widening

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COUNTY COUNCIL OF SUTHERLAND
ROADS DEPARTMENT

J. G. EDMOND, M.I.C.E.
County Surveyor
Telephones: Brora 301/302

Your Ref.:

Our Ref.: JGE/JCT/MB



County Surveyor's Office
Brora

21st April, 1972.

G.F. Trowbridge, Esq.,
Town Clerk,
High Street,
Dornoch.

Dear Sir,

River Street/Church Street Road Widening
Land Plans

I have now sent 3 copies of the Land Interest and Reference Plans for the above scheme to the District Valuer and I enclose a further 2 sets of plans for your future use. The District Valuer may also require a formal request to negotiate the acquisition of the necessary land and it would be useful if you would check the position with him in this matter.

Yours faithfully,

J. G. Edmond
County Surveyor.

Encs.



COUNTY COUNCIL OF SUTHERLAND

YOUR REF.

OUR REF. RM/EM

I. B. RODGER, M.A., LL.B.
COUNTY CLERK

COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE
GOLSPIE

SUTHERLAND

Telephone Nos. 392 & 393

5th May, 1972

G. F. Trowbridge, Esq.,
Town Clerk,
High Street,
DORNOCH.

Dear Sir,

River Street/Church Street Road Widening
'Easdale', Dornoch

I refer to your letters of 10th and 26th ultimo regarding the above project.

The house known as 'Easdale' is administered by the Education Committee and I have therefore addressed your inquiry to the Director



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11th May, 1972

G. F. Trowbridge, Esq.,
Town Clerk,
High Street,
DORNOCH.

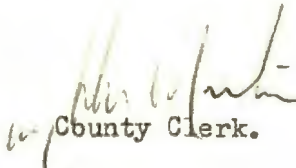
Dear Sir,

River Street/Church Street Road Widening

I refer to your letter of 10th ultimo regarding the above.

I have now heard from the Director of Education that he has no objection to the removal of the area of land from 'Easdale' for the purpose of road widening.

I am,
Yours faithfully,


County Clerk.