

HIDDEN GEMS AND FORGOTTEN PEOPLE

NAAS LOCAL HISTORY GROUP



WELL LANE – NEW ROW

The water supply by the local authority in Naas in the 1940's and the 1950's was cut off at night until early morning. This was assuming that one had a water supply at all, as many houses did not have a direct supply to them. Along with this there were interruptions of supply, so householders made use of the fountains which were positioned in various parts of the town. These were well designed lion-head fountains.

When these also failed to supply one fell back to the southern end of the town and the crystal clear water of the well at Well Lane on the New Row. For many years it was carefully tended to by all local residents so that as a last resort it was always available with a never-ending supply

There were a few houses on Well Lane and the names of some of the occupiers were Keogh, Byrne and Donoghue. These houses are clearly visible on the aerial photo dated from the 1950's.