

MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF CORK CITY COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 10TH NOVEMBER 2014

PRESENT	An t-Ardmhéara Comhairleoir M. Shields
NORTH EAST	Comhairleoirí S. Cunningham, T. Tynan, T. Brosnan, J. Kavanagh.
NORTH CENTRAL	Comhairleoirí T. Gould, M. Barry, K. O’Flynn, L. O’Donnell, J. Sheehan.
NORTH WEST	Comhairleoirí M. Nugent, T. Fitzgerald, K. Collins. M. O’Sullivan.
SOUTH EAST	Comhairleoirí K. McCarthy, C. O’Leary, D. Cahill, T. Shannon, N. O’Keeffe, S. O’Shea.
SOUTH CENTRAL	Comhairleoirí M. Finn, F. Kerins, P. Dinneen, T. O’Driscoll, S. Martin.
SOUTH WEST	Comhairleoirí J. Buttimer, H. Cremin, F. Dennehy, P.J. Hourican, T. Moloney.
ALSO PRESENT	Ms. A. Doherty, Chief Executive. Mr. T. Keating, Meetings Administrator, Corporate & External Affairs. Ms. N. Carroll, Staff Officer, Corporate & External Affairs. Mr. G. O’Beirne, Director of Services, Roads & Transportation. Mr. D. Buggy, Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community. Mr. P. Ledwidge, Director of Services, Strategic Planning & Economic Development & Enterprise. Mr. J. O’Donovan, Director of Services, Environment & Recreation. Mr. D. O’Mahony, Director of Services, Human Resources Management & Organisational Reform. Ms. V. O’Sullivan, Director of Service, Corporate & External Affairs. Mr. T. Duggan, City Architect, Architects.

An tArd-Mhéara recited the opening prayer.

1.1 **VOTES OF SYMPATHY**

A vote of sympathy was passed unanimously with An Chomhairle standing in silence to

- The McCarthy Family on the death of Patrick McCarthy.
- Jerry Buttimer, on the death of Des Kelleher.
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1.2 **VOTES OF CONGRATULATIONS / BEST WISHES**

An Chomhairle extended a vote of congratulations to the following:-

- St. Coleman’s Church, Douglas, Pastoral Team on its Bicentenary activities and celebrations.

- Cork City Football Club on their achievement in getting to the final of the Irish League and also their achievement of now entering the European Competition in 2014/2015.
- Jazz Festival Committee on the success of the recent Jazz Festival.
- Catriona Casey on the U.S Open Handball title.
- Blackrock GAA Club U21 Hurling Team, County Champions 2014 for Under 21 Hurling Championship.
- Cork Drugs Taskforce on organising the“Hello Sunday Morning” 4 mile run

1.4 **CHIEF EXECUTIVE’S ITEMS**

1.4.1 **GLOW – A CORK CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION**

To consider the report of the Chief Executive on the Proposed Holding of an event by Cork City Council – GLOW A Cork Christmas Celebration. (To be tabled)

1.4.2 **BRANDING**

To consider the report of the Chief Executive regarding Branding.

2. **MINUTES**

To consider, and if so decided to approve as correct record and sign Minutes of:-

- Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held on the 28th October 2014.

3. **QUESTION TIME**

Questions submitted enclosed.

4. **PARTY WHIPS – 3rd NOVEMBER 2014**

To note the minutes of the Party Whips, from its meeting held on the 3rd November 2014.

5. **ROADS & TRANSPORTATION FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 3rd NOVEMBER 2014**

To note the minutes of the Roads & Transportation Functional Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held on the 3rd November 2014.

5.1 **ROADWORKS PROGRAMME**

Members considered Report of the Director of Services, dated 30th October, 2014 on the progress of the ongoing Roadworks Programme for the month ended October, 2014.

Committee Decision

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services Report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

5.2 **NAMING OF A EXISTING ROAD AFTER THE LATE NOEL CANTWELL**

Members considered Report of the Director of Services, dated 30th October, 2014 regarding the naming of an existing road after the late Noel Cantwell.

Committee Decision

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services Report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval. It was also agreed on the proposal of Comhairleoir Mick Finn, seconded by Comhairleoir Sean Martin, to recommend the following Resolution to Council:-

“Pursuant to the provisions of Section 139 of the Cork Improvement Act 1868 (which applies in circumstances such as this i.e. where Council wants to name any street which is without a name), it is hereby resolved that the road between Mardyke Walk and Western Road be hereby named as ‘Noel Cantwell Walk’.

5.3 **UPDATE ON PUBLIC BIKE SCHEME**

Members considered Report of the Director of Services, dated 30th October, 2014 regarding update on public bike scheme.

Committee Decision

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services Report and refer it to An Chomhairle for information.

5.4 **TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING MOTIONS WHICH WERE REFERRED BY COUNCIL TO THE COMMITTEE**

5.4.1 **ROAD RESURFACING PROGRAMME**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council include:-

1. O’Connell Crescent
2. Friar’s Road
3. Father Mathew Road
4. Douglas Road
5. Derrynane Road
6. Upper Derrynane Road
7. St. Ann’s Park and Beaufort Park.

in a programme of entire resurfacing.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 14/248)

Committee Decision

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services Report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

5.4.2 **ROAD RESURFACING PROGRAMME**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council include:-

1. Green Street
2. Bonaventure Place
3. Townsend Place
4. Presentation Place
5. Mount Carmel Road
6. Friars Walk.

in a programme of entire resurfacing.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 14/249)

Committee Decision

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services Report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

5.4.3 **COMPLETE THE RENOVATION OF NANO NAGLE BRIDGE**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That the City Council honours a commitment to complete the renovation of Nano Nagle Bridge which is one of the most used, yet grubbiest, access points into the city.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M, Finn 14/284)

Committee Decision

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services Report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

5.4.4 **INSTALL A WELL LIT WEIGHT RESTRICTION SIGN AT THE JUNCTION OF SHANAKIEL ROAD AND BLARNEY ROAD**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘Can a large well lit sign be installed at the junction of Shanakiel Road and Blarney Road to notify HGV & Tour buses that Blarney Street is unsuitable & a weight restriction is in place.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 14/315)

Committee Decision

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services Report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval

5.4.5 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES AT PARKLAND DRIVE, FAIRHIL**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘Can traffic calming measures be installed on Parkland Drive Fair Hill to reduce the speed of vehicles using the road.’

(Proposer: Cllr K. Collins 14/316)

Committee Decision

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services Report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

5.4.6 **RESURFACE DOUGLAS SWIMMING POOL CARPARK AND ROAD**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Douglas Swimming Pool Carpark and Road be resurfaced as per the capital money put aside for it at last December’s budget.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 14/322)

Committee Decision

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services Report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

5.4.7 **JUNCTION AT SKEHARD ROAD BLACKROCK**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council immediately assesses the urgent need for improvements at the Junction of Skehard Road, the CSO office & Eden & implements appropriate measures. This is a significant safety concern for drivers who are unable to make the turn into Eden safely because of approaching traffic. The lack of a filter lane and/or appropriate traffic light sequencing also creates significant traffic congestion in the area. Also that these improvements would involve the upgrading/painting of road markings; particularly pedestrian markings; as this junction has become treacherous for both pedestrians & vehicle users.

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Keeffe 14/328)

Committee Decision

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services Report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

5.4.8 **METHODS OF PAYMENT FOR ON-STREET PAID PARKING**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council would develop new methods of payment for on-street paid parking.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 14/331)

Committee Decision

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services Report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

5.4.9 **LAMP NO. 42 IN KENLEY AVENUE MODEL FARM ROADS NOT FUNCTIONING**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That City Council would inquire from Airtricity why Lamp No. 42 in Kenley Avenue Model Farm Road is not functioning since last December, this particular public light has been reported numerous times to all the relevant bodies by residents of this area but they are still awaiting a successful result.

These residents would like to have this problem sorted immediately for security and safety reasons.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 14/335)

Committee Decision

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services Report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

5.4.10 **TRAFFIC PLAN FOR BALLYHOOLEY ROAD**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That a full traffic plan be put in place for Ballyhooly Road to protect the residents and to slow down the traffic outside Mervue, Meelick, Meadow Park and Ashgrove Estates.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O’Flynn 14/289)

Committee Decision

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services Report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

5.4.11 **TRAFFIC PLAN FOR OLD MALLOW ROAD**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That a full traffic plan be put in place to slow down traffic on the old Mallow Road and in particular outside the Westlink Industrial Estate owing to the amount of car accidents that have occurred over the past year in that particular black spot.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O’Flynn 14/290)

Committee Decision

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services Report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

5.4.12 **YELLOW BOX AT THE EXIT OF SILVERCOURT, NORTH RING ROAD**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That City Council would put in place a Yellow Box at the exit of Silvercourt on the North Ring Road to ensure the safety of residents from this estate and of residents from neighbouring estates onto what is a very busy road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Cunningham 14/340)

Committee Decision

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services Report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

5.4.13 **ROAD RESURFACING TO THE KENLEY ESTATE, MODEL FARM ROAD, CORK**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council carry out road resurfacing to the Kenley Estate, Model Farm Road, Cork.

The state of the roads in Kenley Estate, Model Farm Road are shocking.

I have being sent a letter from the resident with photo's of the state of the roads and also drove around the area to witness it myself. In particular they refer to the junction of Kenley Road & Kenley Close and also the road up to, and including, Kenley Circle. These section of roads undergo a high rate of daily traffic and have undergone remedial

repairs (i.e. filling of potholes) periodically over the past number of years. However, these remedial repairs don't last long, especially in wet weather.

In 2011 resurfacing work took place from Kenley Avenue to the ramp on Kenley road, and this still looks like new today. The remainder of the estate roads were laid over 30 yrs ago, they now need immediate action on this section of the road. Many parts of this road is unsafe due to the number of pot holes. A complete resurfacing of this section is whats needed.'

(Proposer: T. Moloney 14/341)

Committee Decision

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services Report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

5.4.14 **TRAFFIC SURVEY FROM THE NORTH GATE BRIDGE TO WELLINGTON BRIDGE SUNDAY'S WELL**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

'Given the increase of traffic on Sundays Well Road particularly from 7.00 am to mid morning that City Council carry out a detailed traffic survey from the North Gate Bridge to Wellington Bridge Sunday's Well to examine the usage of vehicles in this area and take the appropriate steps to solve ongoing traffic congestion.'

(Proposer: T. Fitzgerald 14/342)

Committee Decision

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services Report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

5.4.15 **HANDRAIL BE PUT IN PLACE ON THE STEPS LINKING FORT STREET AND FRENCHES QUAY**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

'That a handrail be put in place on the Steps linking Fort Street and Frenches Quay as a support for those who find it difficult them.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O'Driscoll 14/343)

Committee Decision

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services Report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

5.4.16 **INCLUDE DERRYNANE ROAD IN THE 2015 ROAD RESURFACING PROGRAM**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Upper Derrynane Road be included in the 2015 Roads Resurfacing Programme.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O’Driscoll 14/344)

Committee Decision

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services Report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

5.4.17 **INCLUDE KENLEY ESTATE IN THE ESTATE RESURFACING PROGRAMME FOR 2015**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That City Council would include Kenley Estate in the Estate Resurfacing programme for 2015.

Photographic evidence of the condition of this estate has been forwarded to the Roads Dept from the Residents Association, so I would ask that remedial work be carried out here in the meantime as the road surface is presently in a very poor condition.

I would also ask that this remedial work be monitored frequently as these potholes seem to reappear after any heavy downpour of rain.

This estate includes the following areas:-

[Kenley Circle/Kenley Drive/Kenley Heights/Kenley Close/Kenley Road /Mount Eden]’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 14/347)

Committee Decision

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services Report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

5.4.18 **APPROVES THE USE OF CYCLE LANES BY WHEELCHAIR USERS**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council approves the use of cycle lanes by wheelchair users.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 14/349)

Committee Decision

It was agreed to recommend that An Chomhairle approve the motion and recommend accordingly to the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport.

5.4.19 **CONSTRUCTION OF NORTH RING ROAD**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That construction of the long overdue North Ring Road be prioritised by Government in 2015 as it will open up lands for industry and housing and also relieve traffic dangerous flows across Cork's northside.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 14/350)

Committee Decision

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services Report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

5.4.20 **PUBLIC LIGHTING REPAIRS AT KILLALA GARDENS KNOCKNAHEENY**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council carry out urgent public lighting repairs at Killala Gardens Knocknaheeny as the lower end of the estate is in complete darkness for a number of months now.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Fitzgerald 14/351)

Committee Decision

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services Report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

5.4.21 **A TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PLAN**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council would develop a traffic management plan for the residential area adjacent to UCC from Glasheen Road to Western Road and from Dennehy's Cross to St Finbarr's Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 14/353)

Committee Decision

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services Report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

5.4.22 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES ON BLACKROCK ROAD**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That the Council review traffic calming measures on Blackrock Road; There is a point in the road where the cars get a good run to build up speed around Rochelle apartments, and then it narrows suddenly heading to Blackrock, just at the 4 white Victorian houses.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 14/355)

Committee Decision

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services Report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

5.4.23 **TRAFFIC CALMING ON OLD BLACKROCK ROAD**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘We propose that due to significant safety concerns caused by speeding vehicles Cork City Council would carry out a traffic count/survey along the Old Blackrock Road to ascertain the dangers posed as result of both the volume of traffic and speed of vehicles in this area. In the short term we call on City Council to erect traffic signs; 'Children at Play' & 'Speed Limit' signs for the safety of all pedestrians, cyclists and residents in the area with a view to providing traffic calming measures in consultation with local residents.’

(Proposer: Cllr. Nicholas O' Keeffe & Cllr. Terry Shannon 14/358)

Committee Decision

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services Report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

5.5 **TO RECONSIDER THE FOLLOWING MOTIONS WHICH WERE HELD IN COMMITTEE**

5.5.1 **BARRIERS ON THE FOOTPATHS BEYOND 56 MARKET GARDENS, TOGHER ROAD, CORK**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That City Council would put in place some barriers on the footpaths to prevent motorists from parking on these footpaths on both sides of the road just beyond No. 56 Market Gardens Togher Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 14/309)

Committee Decision

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services Report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

6. **HOUSING & COMMUNITY FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 3rd NOVEMBER 2014**

To note the minutes of the Housing & Community Functional Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held on the 3rd November 2014.

6.1 **DISPOSAL**

Members considered the report of the Chief Executive dated 30th October, 2014 in relation to the following property disposal:

- a. Disposal of six individual dwellings situated at and known as Numbers 3, 4, 8, 23, 29, and 30, Kilbrack Grove, Skehard Road, Blackrock, Cork to Túath Housing Association Limited, c/o William J. Brennan & Co., Solicitors, No. 33, Upper Merrion Street, Dublin 2, by way of lease for a term of five years, subject to a rent of €10.00 per annum (plus VAT if applicable).

Decision of Committee

As the majority of members voted that no arrangement should be entered into with Túath Housing Association Ltd. for the management of the properties, the Committee recommended to An Chomhairle that the disposal shall not be carried out.

6.2 **MONTHLY REPORT**

Members considered the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services on Housing for October 2014.

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to accept the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

6.3 **VACANT UNITS AT KILBRACK GROVE**

Members further considered the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services dated 2nd October, 2014 in relation to the vacant housing units at Kilbrack Grove.

Decision of Committee

Noting the recommendation of the Committee at No.2 above, on the proposal of Comhairleoir M. Nugent and seconded by Comhairleoir P. J Hourican a vote was taken and it was agreed to accept the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

6.4 **VACANT UNITS AT KILBRACK GROVE**

Members considered the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services dated 30th October, 2014 in relation to the vacant housing units at Kilbrack Grove.

Decision of Committee

Following discussions and subject to An Chomhairle agreeing not to dispose of the properties by way of lease to Túath Housing Association Ltd., the members, by a majority, agreed to accept the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

6.5 **LOCAL TRAVELLER ACCOMMODATION CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE**

Members considered the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the formation of the new Local Traveller Accommodation Consultative Committee.

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to accept the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

6.6 **TÚATH HOUSING ASSOCIATION LIMITED – HOLLYHILL LANE**

Members considered the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the provision of 1 unit of accommodation at No. 6, Hollyhill Lane by Túath Housing Association Limited.

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to accept the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

6.7 **FORMER COUNCIL DEPOT ON KNOCKNAHEENY AVENUE**

Members considered the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the following motion referred to the Committee by the Environment & Recreational Functional Committee:

‘That Cork City Council will ensure that the former council depot on Knocknaheeny Avenue is cleaned up and will also have weeds cleared and the grass cut at an adjacent green area which is behind the Ascension Heights Estate.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent14/333)

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to accept the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

6.8 **REGENERATION PROGRAMME FOR SOUTHSIDE INCLUDING NOONAN’S ROAD**

Members considered the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

That mindful of the huge investment in northside regeneration, future funding for council housing regeneration and refurbishment be invested on the southside, to include Noonan's Road.

(Proposer: Cllr. M Finn 14/220)

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to accept the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

6.9 **FLATS AT DESMOND SQUARE**

Members considered the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That Cork City Council include the flats in Desmond Square in the S.E.A.I. Warmer House Scheme.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 14/228)

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to accept the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

6.10 **FLATS FOR SEAI WARMER HOMES SCHEME**

Members considered the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That Cork City Council seek Government funding and include the following flats in the S.E.A.I Warmer House Scheme. These buildings are over 40 years old and require a maintenance programme to improve the quality of life.

137 to 157 Pearse Road
175 to 191 Pearse Road
156 to 178 Pearse Road
110 to 132 Pearse Road
205 to 221 Pearse Road
11 to 19 Perase Place
257 to 279 Connolly Road
15 to 29 Connolly Place
241 to 246 Pouladuff Road
62 to 78 Killeenreendowney
50 to 74 Father Dominic Road
14 to 24 Edward Walsh Road
25 to 41 Edward Walsh Road

This work has been carried out in Sarahville Place and Michael Fitzgerald and it enhances the quality of life and the appearance of the structure.

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 14/229)

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to accept the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

6.11 **HARBOUR VIEW ROAD**

Members considered the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That Cork City Council will return No's 25, 27, 29, 31, 33 & 35 Harbour View rd Knocknaheeny to its housing stock whose householders were previously decanted to allow the houses to be used as offices for the City North West Regeneration team, as the houses have not been used as offices & are currently partially shuttered Council should avail of recently announced Government funding to make these houses available to social housing applicants.’

(Proposer: Cllr Kenneth Collins 14/280)

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to accept the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

6.12 **PROGRAMME FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF CHUTES AND DRAINPIPES**

Members considered the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

That because of the perilous state of a large proportion of iron (asbestos) chutes and drainpipes in older council housing stock, a complete programme of replacement is rolled out, starting in the southside of the city’.

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 14/283)

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to accept the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

6.13 **ESTABLISHMENT OF A HOUSING TRUST**

Members considered the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

That Cork City Council establish a housing trust, an arms-length company, in Cork City Council.

This company would then be able to borrow money from the Housing Finance Authority (HFA). The money would then be used to secure mortgages on which Cork City Council could build houses, which would then be rented to those on the housing lists.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O’Flynn 14/273)

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to accept the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

6.14 **ESTABLISHMENT OF A HOUSING TRUST**

Members considered the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle

‘That Cork City Council would build 1,300 houses on the land banks that the Council owns (information supplied by the City Manager following a question from me earlier this year). That Cork City Council would explore establishing a housing Trust which would have the ability to access funding from the Housing Finance Authority, the European Investment Bank or any other financial institution to fund this social housing building project. There are 8,540 families and individuals on the Cork City Housing waiting list while Cork City Council is currently paying 2 million Euros a year for these land banks to lie idle during the worse housing crisis in the City’s history.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Gould 14/313)

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to accept the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

6.15 **OFFICIAL RECEIPTS FOR RENT PAYMENTS ON CORK CITY COUNCIL OFFICIAL HALTING SITES**

Members considered the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services dated 30th October, 2014 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle

‘That City Council would provide official receipts for payments of rent to City Council received from the Travellers who reside in our official halting sites across the city. This would help in some way to alleviate a lot of problems that travellers are experiencing presently when trying to prove their place of residency.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 14/334)

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to accept the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

7. **CORRESPONDENCE**

To note correspondence, if any.

8. **CONFERENCE/ SEMINAR SUMMARIES**

An Chomhairle to note Summaries by Members of Conferences/Seminars attended.

9. **CONFERENCES/ SEMINARS**

To approve attendance at any conferences/seminars which may be tabled on the night.

10. **TRAINING**

To approve attendance the following L.A.M.A./A.I.L.G training courses, and any tabled on the night.

10.1 **LAMA AUTUMN TRAINING SEMINAR “PUTTING PEOPLE FIRST – IS IT A REALITY”**

An Chomhairle to approve the attendance of Comhairleoir T. Shannon at the LAMA Autumn Training Seminar “Putting People First – Is it a Reality” held in the Inishowen Gateway Hotel, Buncrana, Co. Donegal, 17th – 18th October 2014.

11. **MOTIONS**

To approve the referral to the relevant Committee of the following motions, due notice of which has been given:-

11.1 **FUNDING FROM THE ENERGY EFFICIENCY FABRIC UPGRADE SCHEME**

‘That Cork City Council seek funding from the Energy Efficiency Fabric Upgrade Scheme for the flats on Ballyphehane, Pouladuff and Noonan Road, Fort Street and St. Finbarr’s Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 14/318)

Housing & Community Functional Committee

11.2 **BASKETBALL COURT AREA ON STEPHEN STREET**

That a report be issued on the plan to turn the basketball court area on Stephen Street (now derelict) into a recreational area - for children or allotments - with controlled access for local residents adjoining the location only.

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 14/330)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

11.3 **CLOSURE OF THE LANEWAY LINKING DESMOND'S SQ AND BARRACK ST VIA GRIFFIN'S COURT**

‘That the process required by a previous motion regarding the closure of the laneway linking Desmond's Sq and Barrack St via Griffin's Court be instituted with a view to undertaking the work if wanted by residents.’

(Proposer: Cllr Mick Finn 14/348)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

11.4 **CORK JAZZ FESTIVAL**

‘That Cork City Council celebrates the iconic musical personalities that have helped to establish the Cork Jazz Festival as Ireland’s premier city centre music event.

The Cork Jazz Festival is a one week annual event but we as a city have an opportunity to highlight our outstanding festival for the other 51 weeks of the Calendar.

I am proposing that Cork City Council engage with all partners in the Jazz Festival to explore the feasibility of a Musical Walk of Fame on Mac Curtin Street in the City Centre.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O’Flynn 14/382)

Tourism Arts & Culture Functional Committee

11.5 **DETAILED TRAFFIC SURVEY FROM THE NORTH GATE BRIDGE TO WELLINGTON BRIDGE SUNDAY’S WELL**

‘Given the increase of traffic on Sundays Well Road particularly from 7.00 am to mid morning that City Council carry out a detailed traffic survey from the North Gate Bridge to Wellington Bridge Sunday’s Well to examine the usage of vehicles in this area and take the appropriate steps to solve ongoing traffic congestion.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Fitzgerald 14/384)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

11.6 **INSTALL VERTICAL PARKING ON POPHAM’S ROAD FARRANREE**

‘Can vertical parking be installed on Popham’s Road, Farranree, outside the shops where the footpath is very wide. This would improve trade for the businesses and would allow traffic including the 203 bus to flow, as it stands road users cannot flow freely.’

(Proposer: Cllr K. Collins.14/386)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

11.7 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES IN COMMONS ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council assess the need for traffic calming measures in Commons Road’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Sheehan 14/387)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

11.8 **ADD ALDERWOOD ESTATE TO THE PATCH RESURFACING ROADS PROGRAMME**

‘That Alderwood Estate, on South Douglas Road be added to the patch resurfacing roads programme.’

(Proposer: Cllr K. McCarthy 14/388)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

11.9 **SKATEBOARD PARK IN TRAMORE VALLEY PARK**

‘That an elaborate skate board park be developed in Tramore Valley Park.’

(Proposer: Cllr K. McCarthy 14/389)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

11.10 **ROADS SURVEY OF WOODBROOK ROAD, BISHOPSTOWN**

‘That Cork City Council Roads Directorate would carry out a survey of Woodbrook Road, Bishopstown to establish what measures can be taken to eliminate indiscriminate parking at the entrance to the road which has the potential to restrict access to emergency vehicles and that this road be added to the estate resurfacing programme.’

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Dennehy 14/391)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

11.11 **HANDRAIL AT THE STEPS CONNECTING BENVOLRILICH ESTATE AND HALLDENE ESTATE ON THE CURRAHEEN ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council would put a handrail at the steps connecting Benvolrlich Estate and Halldene Estate on the Curraheen Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 14/392)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

11.12 **UNDERTAKE A REVIEW OF PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESSES**

‘That Cork City Council would undertake a review of public consultation processes (statutory and non-statutory) with a view to increasing public engagement and comment on public schemes.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 14/393)

Corporate Policy Group

11.13 **IRELAND HOSTING A STAGE OF THE TOUR DE FRANCE**

‘That Cork City Council's Tourism and Arts Functional Committee will write to the Minister of State for Sports and Tourism, Michael Ring TD, to request that he engage with the relevant sporting and tourism bodies to examine the possibility of Ireland hosting a stage of the Tour de France in the near future with the Cork region central to the event, the first since 1998.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 14/395)

Tourism, Arts & Culture Functional Committee

11.14 **DATABASE OF THE MAINTENANCE WORKS REQUIRED ON VACANT CITY COUNCIL STOCK**

‘That Cork City Council would keep a database of the maintenance works required in all houses that become vacant in order to readily ascertain the costs associated with renovation of each house in City Council stock. This database should also include the costs associated with standing utility charges, security & any miscellaneous charges on each property to fully estimate the ongoing costs to City Council of vacant houses.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Keeffe 14/396)

Housing & Community Functional Committee

11.15 **REPAIRS TO THE 5 GARAGES ON FARRANFERRIS AVE**

‘Can Cork City Council secure and carry out any necessary repairs to the 5 garages on Farranferris Ave and that Cork City Council facilitate the use of the garages to members of the community.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 14/397)

Housing & Community Functional Committee

11.16 **INCLUDE APARTMENTS ON TOGHER ROAD IN THE INSULATION / WARMER HOME SCHEME IN THE NEXT PROGRAMME**

‘That City Council would include the Council owned Flats / Apartments on Togher Road in the insulation / Warmer Home Scheme in the next programme if / when funding is allocated from the Dept. of Environment.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 14/398)

Housing & Community Functional Committee

11.17 **CORRESPONDENCE FROM IRISH WATER**

That this Council calls on management to produce a report including all correspondence, if any, received from and sent to Irish Water, relating to any request for information of Council tenants.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Cunningham 14/400)

Housing & Community Functional Committee

11.18 **DISABLED PARKING SPACE OUTSIDE NO. 12 MAGLIN GROVE, DEANROCK, TOGHER**

‘That City Council would facilitate the homeowner in No 12. Maglin Grove, Deanrock, Togher with a Disabled Parking Space outside their residence.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 14/401)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

11.19 **TRAFFIC SURVEY OF THE WESTGATE ROAD, AND SURROUNDING ROADS, LEADING ONTO THE BISHOPSTOWN AND CURRAHEEN ROADS**

‘That Cork City Council conduct a traffic survey of the Westgate Road, and surrounding roads, leading onto the Bishopstown and Curraheen Roads to establish traffic volumes in these locations and provide a traffic management plan and deterrents to vehicles travelling through these residential estates if the traffic volumes are deemed as being excessive.’

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Dennehy 14/403)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

11.20 **URGENT PUBLIC LIGHTING REPAIRS IN AVENUE DE RENNES**

‘That Cork City Council carries out urgent Public Lighting Repairs in Avenue De Rennes as it is frequently damaged, to both lamps and power supply cables which is a cause of danger to the public.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. O’Leary 14/405)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12 **MOTIONS**

12.1 **RESTORE FUNDING TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES FOR THE RESTORING OF D.P.G. GRANT ON SOCIAL HOUSING UNITS**

‘That Cork City Council calls on the Government to immediately restore funding to Local Authorities for the restoring of D.P.G. Grant on social housing units. The present Government procedure is socially exclusive and discriminate against Local Authority tenants suffering from various disabilities.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 14/254)

12.2 **RECOGNISE THE STATE OF PALESTINE**

‘That Cork City Council calls on the Government to recognise the state of Palestine’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Shannon, S. Martin, N. O’Keeffe, F. Dennehy, J. Sheehan, T. Fitzgerald. 14/381)

12.3 **CONSTITUTIONAL REFERENDUM TO RETAIN WATER SERVICES IN PUBLIC OWNERSHIP**

‘That Cork City Council calls on the Government to hold a constitutional referendum to retain water services in public ownership.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 14/394)

12.4 **GENDER IDENTITY SELF-DETERMINATION**

‘That this Council supports the right for citizens of Cork City and elsewhere to determine their own gender identity.

Therefore, Cork City Council calls on the Government to legislate to allow for self determination of one’s own gender identity, both legally and medically.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Cunningham 14/399)

12.5 **SUPPORT THE WORKERS AT TEXACCO BALLYVOLANE**

‘This council fully supports the workers at Texacco Ballyvolane who are sitting in for their entitlements, pay, holiday pay redundancy”

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Barry, J. Sheehan 14/402)

12.6 **PROVIDE SIGNAGE FOR PATIENTS AND VISITORS TRAVELLING TO THE SOUTH INFIRMARY- VICTORIA UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL**

That Cork City Council calls on the Health Service Executive and The South Infirmary-Victoria University Hospital to provide signage for patients and visitors travelling from outside Cork City and across Munster to the hospital.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. O’Leary 14/404)

13. **MOTIONS DEFERRED FROM MEETING OF THE 14th JULY, 8th SEPTEMBER, 22nd SEPTEMBER, 13th OCTOBER, AND 28th OCTOBER 2014.**

13.1 **TRADE UNION FEES**

‘That the large Trade Unions cut their affiliation fees by at least 50% for a period of 5 years for employees on salaries less than the average industrial wage and by 25% for employees on salaries above that level in order to help those employees from an economic perspective.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 14/261)

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