

MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF CORK CITY COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 24th SEPTEMBER 2018

PRESENT	Ard-Mhéara Comhairleoir M. Finn.
NORTH EAST	Comhairleoirí S. Cunningham, T. Tynan, T. Brosnan, J. Kavanagh.
NORTH CENTRAL	Comhairleoirí T. Gould, F. Ryan, 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, L. McGonigle, T. Shannon, N. O'Keeffe, S. O'Shea.
SOUTH CENTRAL	Comhairleoirí F. Kerins, P. Dineen, T. O'Driscoll, S. Martin.
SOUTH WEST	Comhairleoirí J. Buttimer, H. Cremin, M. Shields, F. Dennehy, P.J. Hourican, T. Moloney.
ALSO PRESENT	Ms. A. Doherty, Chief Executive Mr. J. G. O'Riordan, Meetings Administrator, Corporate & External Affairs. Ms. U. Ramsell, Staff Officer, Corporate & External Affairs. Mr. B. Geaney, Director of Services, Housing & Community Directorate. Mr. G. O'Beirne, Director of Services, Roads & Transportation. Mr. J. Hallahan, Head of Finance. Mr. T. Watt, Senior Executive Planner. Mr. K. O'Connor, Senior Planner.

An tArd-Mhéara recited the opening prayer.

1. **VOTES OF SYMPATHY**

- The O'Reilly Family on the death of Ann O'Reilly.
- The Smithers Family on the death of Ritchie Smithers.
- The Barrett Family on the death of John Barrett.
- The Healy Family on the death of Derry Healy.
- The Fox Family on the death of Deirdre Fox.
- The Murray Family on the death of Dorothy Murray.
- The O'Shea Family on the death of Ted O'Shea.

2. **VOTES OF CONGRATULATIONS/BEST WISHES**

- An tArd-Mhéara and the Chief Executive led the congratulations for Mr. John Ger O'Riordan, Meetings Administrator on his final meeting of An Chomhairle before his retirement on 5th October 2018 after 44 years service with Cork City Council. A number of other Elected Members contributed also, following which Mr. John Ger O'Riordan responded in kind to the congratulatory comments made.
- Mr. Denis O'Connor and Mr. Tim Murphy for their part in foiling a robbery.

- Cork Airport on winning the 2018 World Routes Marketing Award.

3. **LORD MAYOR'S ITEMS**

3.1 **HEALTH CITIES CONFERENCE**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the attendance of Comhairleoir T. Fitzgerald as Deputy Lord Mayor at the Healthy Cities Conference to be held in Belfast from the 1st to the 4th October 2018.

3.2 **LORD MAYORS COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNING**

An tArd-Mhéara thanked all those involved in the very successful Lord Mayor's Community Coffee Morning which was held on 20th September 2018 in the Council Chamber, City Hall. All proceeds from the Coffee Morning will go to the Marymount Hospice Cork.

4. **CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S ITEMS**

4.1 **MATERIAL CONTRAVENTION OF THE CORK CITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2015-2021**

An Chomhairle considered the report of the Director of Services dated 20th September 2018 on the Material Contravention of the Cork City Development Plan 2015-2021 in respect of the construction of 135 residential units at Bessboro Road, Mahon, Cork under Planning Reference No. TP18/37820. A vote was called for the approval of the Material Contravention where there appeared as follows:-

FOR: Comhairleoirí S. Cunningham, T. Brosnan, J. Kavanagh, T. Gould, J. Sheehan, M. Nugent, T. Fitzgerald, K. Collins, C. O'Leary, D. Cahill, L. McGonigle, N. O'Keeffe, S. O'Shea, M. Finn, F. Kerins, P. Dineen, T. O'Driscoll, S. Martin, J. Buttimer, H. Cremin, M. Shields, F. Dennehy, P.J. Hourican, T. Moloney. (24)

AGAINST: Comhairleoirí T. Tynan, L. O'Donnell, K. McCarthy, T. Shannon. (4)

ABSTAIN: Comhairleoirí F. Ryan, M. O'Sullivan. (2)

It was noted that those voting in favour was in excess of the 23 votes required in accordance with Section 34 (6) (b) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended). On the proposal of Comhairleoir L. McGonigle, seconded by Comhairleoir S. O'Shea, An Chomhairle approved the Material Contravention and also agreed to adopt the following Resolution:-

"Having considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning and Economic Development, it is hereby RESOLVED under Section 34(6)(a)(iv) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) to approve the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning and Economic Development that permission be granted to Bessboro Warehouse Holdings Ltd., c/o Andrea McAuliffe, McCutcheon Halley, Planning Consultants, 6 Joyce House, Barrack Square, Ballincollig, Co. Cork for the demolition and removal of the existing building and associated structures and the construction of 135 no. residential units comprising 24 no. dwelling houses, 64 no. duplex apartments and a three

storey apartment block (comprising 20 no. apartments) and a four storey apartment block (comprising 27 no. apartments). 1 no. crèche, provision for the relocation of 2 no. utility buildings (gas and electricity) and all associated ancillary site development works including vehicular access, parking, footpaths, landscaping, drainage and amenity areas all at Bessboro Road, Mahon, Cork.”

4.2 **REGIONAL SPATIAL AND ECONOMIC STRATEGY**

An Chomhairle considered and noted that a response has been submitted by the Elected Members on the Southern Regional Assembly to the Draft Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy.

4.3 **WE ARE CORK**

The Chief Executive updated An Chomhairle on the recent Launch of “We Are Cork”.

5. **MINUTES**

On the proposal of Comhairleoir N. O’Keeffe, seconded by Comhairleoir S. Martin, An Chomhairle considered and approved the minutes of:-

- Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held 10th September 2018.

6. **QUESTION TIME**

6.1 **FIRE SERVICE**

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir K. O’Flynn, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

- a) Could the CE please confirm how many times the fire services have been called out to Ellis’s Yard to quench fire at the illegal dump there in 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 & 2018?
- b) How many Garda escorts have been required to gain access? In this time.
- c) How many assaults that have been inflicted upon our fire fighter and support staff have been reported?
- d) How much has been spent on the cleanup of the site since 2008?
- e) How much has it cost to clean up this yard in 2018?
- f) Has the CE consulted with the environmental health services and carried out a risk analysis of carcinogenic chemicals that may have been dumped?
- g) Is CE aware of any dangers to fire services in dealing with such chemicals?
- h) Has there been a chemical and environmental inspection of the site?

(Cllr. Kenneth O’Flynn)

REPLY

- a) When mobilised to an incident in this area we are usually mobilised to the Spring Lane area. These calls can be either to the Halting Site or Ellis's yard. If you require which site it is in then we would have to examine each fire report for those details. We introduced our new Incident Recording system in 2014 and can provide you with the following data on calls attended in the Spring Lane area.
- 2014-18
- 2018-25
- 2016-17
- 2017-40
- 2018-77 (up to 15/08/2018)
- b) During the period in question no Garda escort were required by the Environment and Recreation Directorate to gain access to the site. We did carry out a number of covert operations and we have also monitored the site from a distance. The Fire Department does not record this information on our incident recording system.
- c) No assaults have been reported.
- d) €183,965 has been spent since 2008.
- e) No public funds have been expended to date this year to clean up the yard.
- f) The Environmental and Recreation Directorate has not consulted with the Health services and is not aware of a risk analysis having been carried out.
- g) The fire service has in place a number of control measures to manage the risks of responding to incidents of this type. Standard Operating Guidelines would include Cork City Fire Brigade Incident Command System, safe systems of work, use of breathing apparatus and standard hygiene precautions. Our Brigade also operates hygiene stations on operational appliances, an option to place dirty fire kit in bags thus not bringing potential contamination into the appliance cab, a post incident cab cleaning protocol, a second set of complete fire kit with more available if necessary for all personnel attending an incident.
- h) From surveys carried out by the Environment & Recreation Directorate over the years we have found waste on site including, metal, plastics, tyres, furniture, domestic waste, electrical goods, timber and rubble.

Michael Burke,
A/Director of Services,
HR Management & Organisational Reform.

6.2 **ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, SUMMERHILL NORTH**

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir L. McGonigle, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

To ask the Chief Executive to outline the terms of the agreement with the entertainment operators of St. Luke's Church, Summerhill North?

(Cllr. Laura McGonigle)

REPLY

St. Luke's is currently under the management of Cork City Council. The Council makes it available to groups free of charge for cultural use. It has been used in the last year by a number of groups including the following:

The Good Room – Live at St. Lukes
Music Generation Cork City
Sample Studios
Cork Orchestral Society
Midsummer Festival

The Good Room – Live at St. Luke's
The Good Room – Live at St. Luke's have been using the venue since 2015 when the Council's Tourism Office agreed to fund a pilot summer and winter scheme of concerts in St. Luke's. This funding was continued in 2016, but not into 2017.

In 2017 The Good Room approached the Arts Office with a proposal for the management of St. Luke's on a full time basis. This included a large financial cost to the Council, and the Arts Office refused this option, but agreed that they could continue to use the venue for cultural use on the same basis as any other organisation.

The Arts Office indicated that they would consider a request from The Good Room for a pilot proposal to manage the building for an 18 month period, with a view to seeing if it is possible for the building to become a sustainable hub for cultural activity for the area.

The Arts Office is currently awaiting this submission.

Currently, The Good Room – Live at St. Luke's, do not have an agreement to use St. Luke's outside of the usual processes that other groups also comply with.

John Ger O'Riordan,
A/Director of Services,
Corporate & External Affairs.

6.3 **DISABLED TOILETS IN CORK CITY**

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir K. O'Flynn, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

How many public disabled toilets with wheelchair accessibility are there in Cork City and how many of them are capable of taking motorized wheelchairs?

(Cllr. Kenneth O'Flynn)

REPLY

Environment & Recreation Directorate provides two public conveniences, one at Grand Parade Public Toilets, where there is 1 no. disabled access toilet and another at Fitzgerald’s Park, there is 1 no. disabled access toilets.

These public conveniences are fully accessible for wheelchairs whether motorised or not.

Valerie O’Sullivan,
Director of Services,
Environment & Recreation.

6.4 **RESIDENTIALLY ZONED PUBLIC LANDS**

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir F. Ryan, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

Can Cork City Council provide a list of all residentially zoned public lands available to Cork City Council as well as a breakdown of the size of each land available for development?

(Cllr. Fiona Ryan)

REPLY

Below is a list of all residentially zoned lands in City Council ownership in excess of 0.2ha available for development. The table also provides an update for each of the sites identified.

Location	Site Area (ha) >0.2ha	Zoned for Residential	Housing Development being progressed	Comments
City Centre:				
White Street Car Park	0.5	Y	Y	Social Housing development under construction
Works deport, Old Station Rd	0.3	Y	N	Site currently occupied by other Council service
5&6 Shandon Street	0.2	Y	Y	Part 8 report going before Council on the 24/9/18. Tenders to be invited in September, 2018.
Grand Parade	0.3	Y	N	Site feasibility report being prepared.
North East:				
Springlane (Blackpool site)	2.0	Y	Y	Social Housing development being progressed.

Rear of Ardbhaile, Old Youghal Rd (Terry Path)	1.0	Y	Y	Feasibility study to provide infill housing is being prepared.
Boherboy Road Site	4.98	Y	Y	Planning permission granted for 147 units by ABP. Application made to the DHPLG under the Serviced Sites Fund to develop a social & affordably housing development.
<i>North West:</i>				
Nash's Boreen	2.7	Y	N	Site feasibility report prepared
85-87 Gerald Griffin St / 1 Burke's Ave.	0.4	Y	Y	Enabling works contract delivered. Tenders to be invited for main housing contract.
Whitechurch Road Lands	21.9	Y	Y	Part 8 being advertised in September, 2018 for the development of site infrastructure.
North Ring Road site	3	Y	N	Site investigation report to be prepared.
<i>South East:</i>				
Site off Skehard Rd	1.3	Y	Y	Site feasibility report being prepared
Avenue de Rennes	0.3	Y	Y	Masterplan for site being prepared.
<i>South West:</i>				
Deanrock	2.37	Y	Y	Social Housing development under construction
Total	41.25			

Mr. Paul Moynihan,
Director of Services,
Corporate & External Affairs.

Mr. Pat Ledwidge,
Director of Services,
Strategic Planning, Economic Development
& Enterprise.

6.5 **PARK AND RIDE SERVICE**

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir T. Fitzgerald, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

To the Chief Executive, what existing proposals are available for a Park and Ride service for the Northside and if there are no proposals to begin the feasibility of such a service for the people of the Northside integrated to the City Centre Movement Strategy?

(Cllr. Tony Fitzgerald)

REPLY

The City Centre Movement Strategy is focused on the movement of traffic and reallocation of road space within the city centre area and the project does not cover the provision of Park and Rides.

The Cork Metropolitan Area Transport Strategy is currently being prepared by the National Transport Authority and once draft document is completed, a public consultation process will be undertaken. This Strategy will provide for a number of Park and Ride facilities to be provided once supporting public transport infrastructure is in place.

Gerry O'Beirne,
Director of Services,
Roads & Transportation.

6.6 **BARRACK STREET UG DUCTING PROJECT**

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir S. Martin, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

What action was taken by Cork City Council to correct the shortcomings of the above project:

- a) Ducts not following ESBN maps?
- b) Depth of cable ducts not to standard?
- c) Separation of ESB ducts from other ducts not to standard?
- d) Warning tape not installed at 300 m below ground?
- e) ESB heavy duty warning strips not present anywhere on site?
- f) Ducts not encased in concrete where required?
- g) ESBN earth not laid to standard?
- h) Bale filling not to standard?
- i) No mechanical protection around ducts where separation is not achieved?

(Cllr. Sean Martin)

REPLY

The undergrounding of ESB network cables on Barrack Street was very difficult due to the confined nature of the site and the multiple layers of existing utility networks. A final close-out meeting between representatives of the City Council and ESB is scheduled for the last week in September. It is expected that all outstanding areas of concern including some of the items listed above will be addressed to the satisfaction of both parties and the remaining overhead network cables will be removed thereafter.

Gerry O’Beirne,
Director of Services,
Roads & Transportation.

6.7 **TRAFFIC LIGHTS ON TOGHER ROAD**

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir F. Dennehy, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

Cork City Council some time ago adjusted the lights sequence at the traffic lights on Togher Road to allow additional time for motorists turning right off of the Clashdub Road and onto Togher Road. Has this sequence change been reversed and it is possible to put in place a permanent filter light at this location?

(Cllr. Fergal Dennehy)

REPLY

The traffic signal controller will be inspected with a view to checking the detection equipment on approaches and settings as adjustments or modifications to the operation have not been undertaken at Clashdub Road – Togher Road.

In the interim it is to be noted that this location is being assessed repeatedly and a detailed design of the junction layout and upgrade to the traffic signals is being undertaken by the Roads Directorate with a view to issuing tenders for a works programme. It is only in the context of the proposed upgrade of the junction that significant changes to the phasing and right-turn filters can be implemented. A revised junction layout with the necessary dedicated lane assignments will facilitate the type of improvements proposed.

Gerry O’Beirne,
Director of Services,
Roads & Transportation.

6.8 **DERELICT SITES REGISTER**

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir T. Brosnan, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

Can the Manager please circulate Councillors with the entire list of sites on the Derelict Sites Register and also identify sites awaiting for inclusion on the Register. Can Manager put value in each property. In addition, can the Manager also identify all properties entered on the Vacant Sites Register and those which are in line to be included?

(Cllr. Tim Brosnan)

REPLY

Please see attached a list of properties on the Derelict Sites Register. There are a number of properties outstanding to be placed on the Register. Notices have been served on the owners and time remains for submissions to be made by the owners to the Notice issued. It is hoped approximately 5 more sites could be placed on the register by year end, pending the legal process and potential representations made by property owners. 19 sites have been placed on the Derelict Sites Register in 2018 to date and 3 have been removed. The total on the Derelict Sites Register is 91.

You will also see attached a copy of the sites on the Vacant Sites Register. The process of placing sites on the Vacant Sites Register allows for a number of appeals, this adds to the length of time involved before placement of a property on the Vacant Sites Register. The legislation does not set a time scale for valuations to be completed but it does allow for review every 3 years. We hope to have a number of properties valued over the coming months, these valuations will be added to the Vacant Sites Registers and land owners have the option to appeal same. We are currently working on a number of sites for inclusion onto the Register.

Adrienne Rodgers,
A/Director of Services,
Strategic Planning, Economic Development & Enterprise.

6.9 EUROPEAN FUNDING OFFICER

The following question submitted by Comhairleoir K. McCarthy was withdrawn:-

To ask the CE for an update and progress report on the timescale and recruitment of the new European Funding Officer?

(Cllr. Kieran McCarthy)

7. CORPORATE POLICY GROUP – 17th SEPTEMBER 2018

An Chomhairle considered and noted the minutes of the Corporate Policy Group from its meeting held 17th September 2018.

7.1 FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO 31st AUGUST 2018

An Chomhairle considered and noted the Financial Statement to 31st August 2018.

7.2 LCDC ANNUAL REPORT 2017

An Chomhairle considered and noted the Local Community Development Committee Annual Report 2017.

7.3 MOTIONS

7.3.1 EXTENSION TO CITY BOUNDARY

An Chomhairle considered the Report of the Director of Services dated 17th September 2018 and agreed to refer this Motion back to the Corporate Policy Group for further consideration:-

‘That Cork City Council would commence a series of public workshops, meetings and public consultation for the new areas due to join under the extension to the city boundary to explore and understand local issues and how best to deliver public services in those areas.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 18/213)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that in the first instance it is important to note that the services that will be provided to the new communities and businesses in the transition area by Cork City Council in the time period immediately after the transition date will be equivalent to the present service delivered in the area by the County Council at present. The resources available to the City Council will only equal those which are presently available to the County. As such the delivery mechanisms and in particular the level of service will not change. Over time, as the City develops towards our Ireland 2040 goals, additional resources will become available which will allow the City Council to review and improve service levels in the transition area.

The Local Government Bill 2018 was published on the 28th of July. It is anticipated that this Bill will be prioritised for adoption once the Dáil resumes from its summer recess on the 18th of September. Until this Bill is enacted the ability of Cork City Council to fully engage with communities and businesses in the new expanded City area is somewhat curtailed.

In preparation for the enactment of the Bill, the City Council have been engaging on a Directorate by Directorate level with the County Council over the past two months. This exercise involves the exchange of information and data pertaining to the level of service presently offered, the existing resources utilised in the area and details of the assets/infrastructure within the expansion area. This process is ongoing and it is expected to complete during October.

The City Council’s Transition team is putting together a Communications Plan which will be rolled out once the legislation is in place and the data has been gathered from the County. This plan will include information prominently positioned on the new City Council website, the use of Facebook and Twitter, public information dissemination regarding the boundary extension and organisational reorganisation in the media, continued liaison with Councillors regarding the change process, communications with staff and their representative bodies in both Local Authorities, meetings and business and community representative organisations, a newsletter/mail drop to all households in the newly extended area as well as “Town Hall” Meetings held in the new communities.

8. **STRATEGIC PLANNING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & ENTERPRISE STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE – 10th SEPTEMBER 2018**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the minutes of the Strategic Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise Strategic Policy Committee from its meeting held 10th September 2018.

8.1 **CASP POLICY COMMITTEE REPORTS – JUNE 2018**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the report on the CASP Policy Committee Report of June 2018.

8.2 **LOCAL AREA PLANS – SUMMARY**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the summary of the current Local Area Plans for Docklands and Tivoli.

9. **FINANCE & ESTIMATES FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 5th SEPTEMBER 2018**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the minutes of the Finance and Estimates Functional Committee from its meeting held 5th September 2018.

10. **FINANCE & ESTIMATES FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 6th SEPTEMBER 2018**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the minutes of the Finance and Estimates Functional Committee from its meeting held 6th September 2018.

11. **HOUSING & COMMUNITY FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 17th SEPTEMBER 2018**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the minutes of the Housing and Community Functional Committee from its meeting held 17th September 2018.

11.1 **MONTHLY REPORT**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services on Housing for June to August 2018.

11.2 **CARBERY HOUSING ASSOCIATION – ACCOMMODATION AT AVONMORE CLOSE, MAYFIELD, CORK**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 13th September, 2018 in relation to loan facility for Carbery Housing Association in respect of the provision of 1 unit of accommodation at Avonmore Close, Mayfield, Cork.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir K. McCarthy, seconded by Comhairleoir P. Dineen, An Chomhairle further agreed to adopt the following Resolution:-

“Resolved that, pursuant to the provision of Section 6 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1992, a loan facility not exceeding €54,250 be granted to Carbery Housing Association CLG for the provision of 1 unit of accommodation at No. 4, Avonmore Close, Mayfield, Cork, subject to the terms of the Capital Advance Leasing Facility Scheme.”

11.3 **RESPOND! HOUSING ASSOCIATION – ACCOMMODATION AT MILLERD STREET, CORK**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 13th September, 2018 in relation to local facility for Respond! Housing Association in respect of the provision of 25 unites of accommodation at Millerd Street, Cork.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir D. Cahill, seconded by Comhairleoir S. O'Shea, An Chomhairle further agreed to adopt the following Resolution:-

“Resolved that, pursuant to the provision of Section 6 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1992, a loan facility not exceeding €2,060,221 be granted to Respond! CLG, subject to the terms of the Capital Advance Leasing Facility Scheme, for the provision of a total of 25 units of accommodation at Millerd Street, Cork.”

11.4 **THRESHOLD CLG – ACCOMMODATION AT THOMAS DAVIS STREET, CORK**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 13th September, 2018 in relation to loan facility for Threshold CLG in respect of the provision of 1 unit of accommodation at 44, Thomas Davis Street, Blackpool, Cork.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir F. Ryan, seconded by Comhairleoir K. McCarthy, An Chomhairle further agreed to adopt the following Resolution:-

“Resolved that, pursuant to the provision of Section 6 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1992, a loan facility not exceeding €55,194 be granted to Threshold CLG, subject to the terms of the Capital Advance Leasing Facility Scheme, for the provision of a total of 1 unit of accommodation at 44 Thomas Davis Street, Blackpool, Cork.”

11.5 **THRESHOLD CLG – ACCOMMODATION AT THOMAS DAVIS STREET, CORK**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 13th September, 2018 in relation to loan facility for Threshold CLG in respect of the provision of 1 unit of accommodation at 49, Thomas Davis Street, Blackpool, Cork.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir P. Dineen, seconded by Comhairleoir D. Cahill, An Chomhairle further agreed to adopt the following Resolution:-

“Resolved that, pursuant to the provision of Section 6 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1992, a loan facility not exceeding €111,000 be granted to Threshold CLG, subject to the terms of the Capital Advance Leasing Facility Scheme, for the provision of a total of 3 units of accommodation at 49, Thomas Davis Street, Blackpool, Cork.”

11.6 **RESPOND! HOUSING ASSOCIATION – ACCOMMODATION AT NORTH ABBEY STREET, CORK**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 13th September, 2018 in relation to loan facility for Respond! Housing Association in respect of the provision of 6 units of accommodation at 11, North Abbey Street, Sunday's Well, Cork.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir K. McCarthy, seconded by Comhairleoir J. Kavanagh, An Chomhairle further agreed to adopt the following Resolution:-

“Resolved that, pursuant to the provision of Section 6 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1992, a loan facility not exceeding €347,200 (Previous Loan being €327,000) be granted to Respond! CLG for the acquisition of 6 units of accommodation at 11 North Abbey Street, Sunday’s Well, Cork subject to the terms of the Capital Advance Leasing Facility Scheme.”

11.7 **FOCUS HOUSING ASSOCIATION CLG – ACCOMMODATION AT ST. MARY’S TERRACE, CORK**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 13th September, 2018 in relation to loan facility for Focus Housing Association in respect of the provision of 1 unit of accommodation at 2, St. Mary’s Terrace, Wolfe Tone Street, Cork.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir M. Nugent, seconded by Comhairleoir S. O’Shea, An Chomhairle further agreed to adopt the following Resolution:-

“Resolved that, pursuant to the provision of Section 6 of Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1992, a loan facility not exceeding €229,280 be granted to Focus Housing Association CLG, subject to the terms of the Capital Assistance Scheme for the provision of one unit of accommodation at 2, St. Mary’s Terrace, Wolfe tone Street, Cork.”

11.8 **FOCUS HOUSING ASSOCIATION CLG – ACCOMMODATION AT COMMONS ROAD, CORK**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 13th September, 2018 in relation to loan facility for Focus Housing Association in respect of the provision of 1 unit of accommodation at 305, Brideholm Apartments, Commons Road, Cork.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir C. O’Leary, seconded by Comhairleoir K. McCarthy, An Chomhairle further agreed to adopt the following Resolution:-

“Resolved that, pursuant to the provision of Section 6 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1992, a loan facility not exceeding €223,900 be granted to Focus Housing Association CLG, subject to the terms of the Capital Assistance Scheme for the provision of one unit of accommodation at 305 Brideholm Apartments, Commons Road, Cork.”

11.9 **CO-OPERATIVE HOUSING IRELAND SOCIETY LTD – ACCOMMODATION AT SHANAKIEL, CORK**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 13th September, 2018 in relation to loan facility for Co-operative Housing Ireland Society Ltd. In respect of the provision of 50 units of accommodation at Milestream, Shanakiel, Cork.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir T. Fitzgerald, seconded by Comhairleoir M. Nugent, An Chomhairle further agreed to adopt the following Resolution:-

“Resolved that, pursuant to the provision of Section 6 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1992, a loan facility not exceeding €3,009,576 be granted to Co-operative

Housing Ireland Society Limited for the acquisition of 50 no. units of accommodation at Milestream, Shanakiel, Cork subject to the terms of the Capital Advance Leasing Facility Scheme.”

11.10 **DEVELOPMENT AT KILMORE ROAD LOWER, KNOCKNAHEENY, CORK**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 13th September, 2018 as required under Section 179 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 as amended in relation to development at Kilmore Road Lower, Knocknaheeny, Cork.

11.11 **DEVELOPMENT AT THOMAS DAVIS STREET, BLACKPOOL, CORK**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 13th September, 2018 as required under Section 179 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 as amended in relation to development at Thomas Davis Street, Blackpool, Cork.

11.12 **DEVELOPMENT AT SHANDON STREET/JOHN PHILPOTT CURRAN STREET/CATHEDRAL AVENUE, CORK**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 13th September, 2018 as required under Section 179 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 as amended in relation to development at No.'s 5 & 6 Shandon Street and John Philpott Curran Street, Blackpool, Cork.

11.13 **EMERGENCY HOUSING MAINTENANCE REQUESTS**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 13th September, 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council have a contractor on standby to fix emergency housing maintenance requests (as well as, *urgent* or *routine housing maintenance* requests like replacing a cracked leaking roof tile, leaks, etc. as depot staff are already overloaded with the volume of housing maintenance requested. Funding also needs to be in place to sign off on these jobs very quickly.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Moloney 18/162)

The Report stated that the Council has resources and staff available to cater for emergency repairs on its built housing assets; this comprises a direct labour team and panels of term maintenance service providers. These panels are currently being added to by a further panel for ‘Roofline Term Maintenance and Repair’. Funding is allocated annually for these necessary works by the Council.

12. **ROADS & TRANSPORTATION FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 17th SEPTEMBER 2018**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the minutes of the Roads and Transportation Functional Committee from its meeting held 17th September 2018.

12.1 **ROADWORKS PROGRAMME**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, dated 13th September 2018 on the progress of the ongoing Roadworks Programme for the month ending July 2018.

12.2 **HANOVER PLACE SECTION 38**

On the proposal of Comhairleoir K. McCarthy, seconded by Comhairleoir C. O’Leary, An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, dated 13th September 2018 regarding Hanover Place Section 38.

12.3 **EXTINGUISHMENT OF PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY AT THE LANEWAY FROM MEELICK PARK TO CHAPEL GATE, BALLYVOLANE, CORK**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services dated 13th September 2018 regarding the proposed Extinguishment of the public right of way at the laneway from Meelick Park to Chapel Gate, Ballyvolane, Cork.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir M. Shields, seconded by Comhairleoir D. Cahill, An Chomhairle further agreed to adopt the following Resolution:-

“Now Council hereby RESOLVES THAT

One written submission having been received and considered within the prescribed statutory period setout in section 73 (1) (a) of the Roads Act 1993, it is now hereby Ordered that the Public Right of Way which runs from Meelick Park for a distance of approximately 130 metres in a westerly direction to the entrance gate to Leeds United bordering Chapel Gate, Ballyvolane, Cork, be extinguished forthwith.”

12.4 **INCENTIVISED PARKING 2018**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, dated the 13th September 2018, on Incentivised Park 2018.

12.5 **SURVEY BEAUFORT PARK AND ST. ANNE’S PARK**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, dated the 13th September 2018, on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council would survey Beaufort Park and St. Anne’s Park with a view to reinstatement and resurfacing, Damage has been caused to these estates because of heavy vehicular traffic associated with redevelopment of Cork City F.C.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 18/069)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that this area had been assessed but was not included in the 2018 road resurfacing programme. Extensive work is required and the area will be considered again for the 2019 road resurfacing programme.

12.6 **PUBLIC LIGHTING IN ROSELAWN, TOGHER ROAD**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, dated the 13th September 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That additional public lighting be installed in Roselawn, Togher Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 18/129)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that there are 4 public lights installed at Roselawn, Togher Road. DeadSure indicates that all lights are operational at the present time.

The location has been listed for a site inspection.

12.7 **REDUCE SIZE OF T JUNCTION BETWEEN KNOCKPOGUE AVENUE AND FAIRFIELD ROAD**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, dated the 13th September 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council reduces the size of the T junction between Knockpogue Avenue and Fairfield Road as traffic calming measures.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 18/185)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that the T junction between Knockpogue Avenue and Fairfield Road will be assessed to determine the extent of the problems that exist in order to identify any possible mitigation measures that can be provided there. Any identified solutions will be put forward for consideration to be included in the Roads Programme, in accordance with the available budgetary allocation.

12.8 **RESURFACE HOLLYMOUNT ESTATE**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, dated the 13th September 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council will resurface Hollymount Estate and install traffic calming measures.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 18/187)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that Hollymount Estate had been assessed but was not included in the 2018 road resurfacing programme. The area will be considered again for the 2019 road resurfacing programme.

Hollymount Estate will be added to the list of areas where a request for traffic calming has been received. The area will be assessed to determine the extent of the problems that exist

in order to identify any possible mitigation measures that can be provided there. Any identified traffic calming solutions will be put forward for consideration by Ward Members in accordance with the available budgetary allocation.

12.9 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES IN MCSWEENEYS VILLAS**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, dated the 13th September 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That traffic calming measures should be installed in McSweeneys Villas as a matter of urgency.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O’Flynn 18/196)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that McSweeneys Villas will be added to the list of areas where a request for traffic calming has been received. The area will be assessed to determine the extent of the problems that exist in order to identify any possible mitigation measures that can be provided there. Any identified traffic calming solutions will be put forward to Members at Ward level for consideration by Ward Members in accordance with the available budgetary allocation.

12.10 **RESURFACE FOOTPATH ON LOWER KENT ROAD**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services dated 13th September 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That the footpaths at the eastern side of Lower Kent Road be resurfaced as they are in very poor condition.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O’Driscoll 18/197)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that the footpaths at this location will be inspected and assessed to determine the extents of works required.

12.11 **PREVENT PARKING ON BOTH SIDES OF ROAD IN ARBHAILE ESTATE, MAYFIELD**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services dated the 13th September 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That measures will be taken to prevent parking on both sides of the road at Ardbhaile Estate, Mayfield following a recent incident in which an ambulance was unable to enter part of the estate due to badly parked cars, and a seriously ill person had to be stretchered from their home to the ambulance parked some distance away. Safety measures are required to control parking within the estate including a significant number of non-residents who are parking cars there and taking the bus into the city centre. Other measures required include the installation of speed ramps to slow down traffic in the estate, noting that a special needs school will be moving into the estate later this year.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Tynan 18/200)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that Cork City Council assessed Ardbhaile Estate as a result of a request from residents within the area to combat illegal parking.

The Transportation Depot renewed existing double yellow lines in Ardbhaile Estate on 4th July 2018 in response to that request. A further request was received by the Transportation Depot from residents in the area for additional double yellow lines to be installed namely outside the perimeter of No. 2 Ardbhaile on approach to the school entrance. This will be completed as soon as resources are available.

If any further lining is required at Ardbhaile Estate, Mayfield, it will be added to the Roads Painting programme and undertaken subject to suitable weather conditions, funding and resources being available.

12.12 **MAINTENANCE AND UPKEEP OF THE BANDON ROAD ROUNDABOUT**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of Director of Services dated the 13th September 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council would outline the parameters of the contract for the maintenance and upkeep of the Bandon Road Roundabout and approach roads to same and when the works will be undertaken and that Roads would meet with local residents who have serious concerns about the ongoing upkeep of the public realm.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 18/205)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that TII’s maintenance contractor (Egis Lagan) is now fully responsible for the maintenance of the entire N40 excluding some remediation areas at Sarsfield Road roundabout. The remediation areas will be included in the maintenance contact later this year following completion of work by SIAC construction Ltd. The maintenance contractor is responsible for the following items of work:

- Routine & ongoing maintenance including barrier strikes, potholes, lighting, landscape maintenance, litter collection, drainage etc.
- Winter maintenance
- Emergency and incident response
- Asset inventory
- Data collection & management
- Works programme development
- Pavement rehabilitation work
- Routine maintenance and rehabilitation of structures

There are different response intervals and trigger points for each activity, for example: grass is to be cut when it reaches 150mm in height. Typically full litter collections takes place every February with follow up collections every 13 weeks or sooner depending on the needs of the particular site.

12.13 **MULTI-STOREY PARKING PACKAGE**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services dated 13th September 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council immediately invite other car park owners into discussion with a view to presenting a vibrant multi-storey parking package compatible with enticing people back into the city centre.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 18/154)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that this request can be considered through the Core Strategy group as part of the overall marketing strategy for the city centre. However, private car park operators do currently offer incentives for parking in Cork City Centre which falls under their overall corporate offering e.g. Q park.

12.14 **FOOTPATHS ON VICARS ROAD**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services dated 13th September 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That City Council would inspect the footpaths on Vicars Road particularly near its own depot and outside houses 1 to 13 plus at the Junction with Togher Rd. (Lough side).’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 18/192)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that extensive footpath works have been completed along Vicars Road and Vicars Court by Road Maintenance in July/August. The area around the Togher Road Junction will be assessed for future works.

12.15 **SULKY RACING THROUGH THE CITY**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services dated 13th September 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council introduce Bye-Laws to combat sulky racing through the city.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O’Flynn 18/222)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that this is a matter requiring national legislation and therefore will be forwarded to the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport for their attention.

12.16 **PUBLIC LIGHTS ON AISLEIGH GARDENS TO SKEHARD ROAD**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services dated 13th September 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That the City Council work with Airtricity so that the two public lights on a laneway from Aisleigh Gardens to Skehard Road be fixed.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 18/228)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that since the Motion was submitted fault Nr 9928 PL1 Aisleigh Gardens to Skehard Road has been rectified and is operational. An update on Fault Nr 9929 PL2 at the same location has been requested from SSE Airtricity.

12.17 **ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR ON ROCKBORO ROAD**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services dated 13th September 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council along with other responsible agencies take all necessary steps to alleviate and resolve the ongoing anti social behaviour, which includes drinking in public, drug distribution and drug taking on Rockboro Road. One of the measures that must be considered is the closure of the pedestrian bridge from Rockboro Road over to Anglesea Street.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Shannon 18/098)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that the proposed measure to close the pedestrian bridge from Rockboro Road to Anglesea Street will be added to the agenda for the next South East & South Central Ward Meetings. Anti social issues are a matter for An Garda Síochána.

12.18 **HERITAGE PIECES UNDER CORK CITY COUNCIL CONTROL**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services dated 13th September 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council would present Councillors with a written report on heritage pieces under control of the City Council. Per my Motion 13/380 which called for an annual audit of such pieces I have only heard reports of such pieces “going missing”, cast aside in Kinsale Road and Mahon Dept (Limestone), cast aside in Fitzgerald’s Park (Fireman’s Hut and Horse Trough). It is certain that much other valuable heritage of the City has come to be neglected and shamefully cast aside. A group of interested Councillors must visit these sites asap.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 18/189)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that this Motion has been referred to Strategic Planning, Economic Development & Enterprise Strategic Policy Committee.

12.19 **INSPECT DANGEROUS BEND AT ROSSBROOK, MODEL FARM ROAD**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services dated 13th September 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That City Council would inspect the very dangerous bend at Rossbrook Model Farm Road. With the new development nearby, this road has been widened and there’s an urgent need to erect proper signage at this bad bend to inform drivers of the severity of it, as there are always people standing close by at the new bus stop.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 18/170)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that the area in the vicinity of Rossbrook, Model Farm Road can be assessed to determine the extent of the problems that exist in order to identify any possible mitigation measures that could be provided there.

If deemed appropriate, the measures will be put forward for consideration to be included in the Roads Programme and will be undertaken, subject to funding being available.

12.20 **BOLARDS NEAR E.S.B. SUBSTATION AT WOODHAVEN, BISHOPSTOWN**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services dated 13th September 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That City Council/County Council or the N.R.A. would erect bollards near the E.S.B. substation at Woodhaven Bishopstown to prevent this beautiful walkway being used by vehicular traffic as has happened recently which resulted in a burnt out car blocking the walkway for a week.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 18/191)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that Woodhaven is outside the City boundary.

12.21 **SUSPENSION OF PATRICK STREET ROAD CLOSURE**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services dated 13th September 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council extend the suspension of the Patrick Street road closure till 31st January, until full report is brought before Council including insight from; the Hotel Federation, Restaurant Association, Chamber of Commerce Cork, Cork Business Association, Bus Drivers Union, Cork Taxi Council, Cork City & County Business Federation and all other city trading groups.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O’Flynn)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that as agreed by Council, the bus priority measures were introduced on St. Patrick St on 9th August 2018. This was preceded by extensive consultation and undertaken in parallel with a range of supporting measures. Meetings will continue to be held and updates on the bus priority measures given to all Elected Members and the Core group.

12.22 **DOUBLE YELLOW LINES AT RINGMAHON ROAD**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services dated 13th September 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council paints double yellow lines along the Ringmahon Road, to the junction of Skehard Road to alleviate parking issues experienced during sports matches, in particular at the entrance to Ringcroft Avenue.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Keeffe 18/218)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that Cork City Council will assess the road painting request along the Ringmahon Road, to the junction of Skehard Road, in particular at the entrance to Ringcroft Avenue. If deemed appropriate it will be inputted into the road painting programme and will be undertaken subject to suitable weather conditions and funding being available.

In addition the Traffic Warden Service will be requested to pay additional attention to Ringmahon Road in order to deter any illegal parking incidents.

12.23 **TRAFFIC LIGHTS ON UPPER FAIRHILL**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services dated 13th September 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council will ensure that traffic lights on Upper Fairhill are in working order.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 18/219)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that the traffic signal installation at this location has been listed for inspection with a view to ratification of any faults or malfunction.

12.24 **ERECTION OF SIGNS AT CASTLE CRESCENT AND RINGCROFT AVENUE**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services dated 13th September 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council erect estate signs for

1. ‘Castle Crescent’ outside Castle Close on Ferney Road, Mahon. Castle Crescent was built behind the original estate (Castle Close) and the park is not directly visible from the road.
2. Ringcroft Avenue on Ringmahon Road. Both these estates do not have signage and this can cause confusion for emergency service personnel & other looking for the estate. Can the directorate outline the costs involved in the provision of these signs and the expected timeframe on their delivery.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Keeffe 18/220)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that Cork City Council has a small annual allocation to fund the erection of road and street nameplate signs within the city administrative area. This fund covers the costs for replacing old, damaged or stolen signs as well as the erection of new signs.

The appropriateness of signage for both Castle Crescent and Ringcroft Avenue will be assessed. If deemed suitable, it will be added to the list of requests for nameplates to be provided, subject to funding being available.

13. **CORRESPONDENCE**

An Chomhairle noted correspondence received.

14. **CONFERENCE/SEMINAR SUMMARIES**

None received.

15. **CONFERENCES/ SEMINARS**

None received.

16. **TRAINING**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the attendance at the following Training:-

- Comhairleoirí M. Shields, S. Martin, T. Shannon and T. O’Driscoll at the Autumn Training Seminar held in River Island Hotel, Castleisland, Co. Kerry on 28th-29th September 2018.

17. **CHIEF EXECUTIVE’S MONTHLY MANAGEMENT REPORT**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the Chief Executive’s Monthly Management Report for July 2018.

18. **MOTIONS**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the referral to the relevant Committee of the following motions, due notice of which has been given:

18.1 **LITTER BINS AT THE LEE FIELDS**

‘That City Council would empty the litter bins along the Lee Fields on a more regular basis particularly in the Summer season as these are overflowing with litter and are a complete eyesore to the public who use this amenity and this does not sell our city to the tourists who frequent this walkway.

Also that City Council would cut back or remove completely the overgrowth / hedge along the river between the pedestrian bridge and the rear of the Kingsley Hotel as this is blocking the walkway of this beautiful amenity for the past few months.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 18/236)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

18.2 **MARINA PARK AND THE URBAN REGENERATION GRANT SCHEME**

‘That Cork City Council submits the strongest possible application for the ‘Marina Park’ to be funded through the recently announced Urban Regeneration Grant Scheme. The Marina Park Project is more than qualified to be successful in round one of the grant scheme.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Cahill 18/244)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

18.3 **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT THE FLOWER SHOP ON TRAMORE ROAD**

‘That City Council would seriously consider moving the pedestrian crossing at the Flower shop on Tramore Road back a few meters from the roundabout as its too close to the roundabout and pedestrians are in huge danger of being knocked down from drivers who only get sight of this crossing at the last minute when turning onto Tramore Road from Togher Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 18/245)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

18.4 **IMPROVEMENTS AT PALACEANNE LAWN**

‘(I) That Cork City Council repaint the double yellow lines at the entrance of Palaceanne.
(II) That we C.P.O the lands as previously agreed to improve the sight lines and install a footpath.
(III) Ensure Traffic Wardens maintain clearways to facilitate bus collections.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 18/249)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

18.5 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES AT O’MAHONY’S AVENUE, ST. LUKE’S**

‘That Cork City Council put in place suitable Traffic Calming measures in O’Mahony’s Avenue off St. Luke’s Cross. There is an ongoing problem with traffic speeding up and down this narrow hill which also has a primary school located halfway up the hill not to mention the local residents who have had their cars damaged by speeding traffic on this narrow hill.

Can Cork City Council:-

1. Put in place a 30km/hr speed limit on this road.
2. Erect prominent signage asking motorists to slow down and highlight the fact that there are children at play in the local school.
3. Put in place at least two narrow speed ramps on the hill which would definitely help to slow down traffic. They would have to be narrow so as not to adversely affect the on street parking used by the residents.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 18/261)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

18.6 **RESURFACE WESTSIDE ESTATE, TOGHER**

‘That Cork City Council resurface the roads in Westside Estate, Togher, as a matter of urgency and that the estate be examined and any potholes should be filled in as a temporary measure until the full resurfacing is complete.’

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Dennehy 18/267)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

18.7 **RECREATIONAL PARK, BALLYVOLANE**

‘That Cork City Council carry out a full inspection of the recreational park in Ballyvolane, Cork and that an engineers and Health and safety risk analysis report is presented to Cork City Council forthwith.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O’Flynn 18/271)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

18.8 **DRAINS ON GREAT WILLIAM O’BRIEN STREET**

‘That Cork City Council would investigate and clear blocked and damaged drains on Great William O’Brien Street in light of the heavy rain forecast in the coming days.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Sheehan 18/272)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

18.9 **REMOVE OVERGROWTH OF IVY ON SUNDAY SCHOOL LANE, BLACKPOOL**

‘That Cork City Council would investigate, treat and remove the overgrowth of ivy on Sunday School Lane, Blackpool which is now growing on the wall at Seminary Villas and may potentially cause serious damage.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Sheehan 18/273)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

18.10 **TENT CAMP ON PATRICK’S QUAY**

‘That Cork City Council does not move to evict tenants at the homeless tent camp on Patrick’s Quay until long term accommodation can be sourced as per the “Housing First” model of addressing long term homelessness and the issues that come hand in hand with it.’

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Ryan 18/275)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

18.11 **30KM/H SPEED LIMIT ON MAHONY’S AVENUE**

‘That Cork City Council would introduce a 30km/h Speed limit on Mahony’s Avenue between Lower Glanmire Road and St. Luke’s Cross which is being used as a short cut by traffic on the one way Lower Road to return to the city centre while avoiding the quays. Noting that Mahony’s Avenue is the location of a popular primary school and is purely residential in character that the Council would give urgent consideration to introducing this reduced speed limit and institute whatever other measures are required to deter its use as a rat-run.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Tynan 18/277)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

18.12 **FOOTPATH/FOOTWAY SURVEY**

‘That Cork City Council would carry out footpath/footway survey, compile a report on the condition, standard include the health and safety for pedestrians and residents in the following streets; St. Michaels Lawn, St. Michaels Close, Ballinure Avenue, Ballinure Cottages, Ballinure Lawn, Ballinure Place, Ballinure Crescent, Ballinure Road, Delwood Grove, Ashwood, Mahon Drive, Mahon Crescent, Mahon Park, Loughmahon Road, Loughmahon Avenue, Loughmahon Court, Loughmahon Drive, Loughmahon Close, The Paddock, Lakeland Crescent, Lakeland Avenue, Ravensdale Road, Ravensdale Avenue, Ravensdale Close, Castle Park, Island View, Helm Close, Ringcroft the View, Ringmahon Road, Ringmahon Avenue, Ringmahon Close, Limes Avenue, Castle Close, Lake Lawn, Skehard Road, Castle Meadows, Rockwood, Ferney Road, Ferney Close, Ferney Grove, Beechwood Road, Beechwood Close, Beechwood Court, Nutley Road, Nutley Avenue, Gate Lodge, Meadow Grove Estate, Ballinsheen Court, Ballinsheen Mews, Convent Road, Rope Walk.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. O’Leary 18/280)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

19. **MOTION DEFERRED FROM THE MEETING OF AN CHOMHAIRLE HELD 10th SEPTEMBER 2018**

V.A.T. RELIEF TO CITY RETAILERS

An Chomhairle considered and approved the following Motion:-

‘That Cork City Council calls on the government to target city retail with the same V.A.T. relief as is being given to the hotel sector. VAT Relief should be used in a targeted fashion to take pressure off sectors who are finding it difficult.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 18/156)

20. **MOTIONS**

20.1 **LOWER VAT RATE**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the following Motion:-

‘That the lower VAT rate for the hospitality sector should become a moveable feast and the concept of targeted funding in this case rpp 500 million be used as tax incentives to achieve for example Inner City Centre Development in the large urban areas: investment in non national routes, investment in estate road resurfacing. It could be used to give retail a lift much as it did for the hospitality sector. Two to three year investment in a sector and then moved to something else.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 18/174)

20.2 **TAX RELIEF ON UNION SUBSCRIPTIONS**

An Chomhairle considered the following Motion:-

‘That Cork City Council would support the campaign by the trade union movement for the restoration of the tax relief on union subscriptions and the ending of the obvious discrimination against union members. Clearly Ireland is out of step on this issue with many of our friends and neighbours who recognise in very practical terms the important role that unions play in our societies. It is time for this discrimination to end and for tax relief on trade union membership to be restored.’

(Proposers: Cllr. F. Kerins, Cllr. S. O’Shea, Cllr. K. Collins 18/270)

A vote was called for by An tArd-Mhéara, where there appeared as follows:-

FOR: Comhairleoirí T. Tynan, L. O’Donnell, M. Nugent, K. McCarthy, C. O’Leary, T. Shannon, M. Finn, F. Kerins, H. Cremin. (9)

AGAINST: Comhairleoirí T. Brosnan, J. Kavanagh, P. Dineen, M. Shields. (4)

ABSTAIN: (0)

As those voting in favour of the Motion was greater than those voting against, An tArd-Mheara declared the Motion approved.

20.3 **BUILDING OCCUPATION, FREDERICK ST., DUBLIN**

An Chomhairle agreed to defer consideration of this Motion to the next meeting of An Chomhairle which would be held on 8th October 2018:-

‘That Cork City Council condemn the heavy handed tactics by An Garda Síochána at the Frederick St. Building Occupation evictions in Dublin, the use of balaclavas and the protection of unidentified private security using unmarked, untaxed vehicles.’

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Ryan 18/274)

20.4 **HOUSING CRISIS IN 2019 BUDGET**

An Chomhairle considered the following Motion:-

‘Cork City Council notes that:

- Access to secure and affordable housing is increasingly out of reach for many people.
- From the locked out generation of students and young workers or unemployed people to older workers facing into retirement, high cost insecure accommodation is a reality for too many people.
- The failure of government to provide an adequate supply of good quality public housing in sustainable communities lies at the heart of the housing crisis.
- The most graphic symptom of this crisis is the growing number of children living in emergency accommodation.
- A new approach to housing is required to meet the housing needs of all those locked out of the private market including young people, those on modest incomes, those on low pensions, those on Council waiting lists, travellers, people with disabilities, older people and students.
- Important proposals to address the Housing crisis have been put forward by a wide variety of groups including the National Housing and Homeless Coalition and the Irish Congress of Trade Unions.

Cork City Council therefore calls on the current government, ahead of Budget 2019, to:

- Declare the housing and homeless crisis an emergency.
- Dramatically increase the supply of public, affordable housing, including publicly-provided cost rental housing by increasing capital spending on housing to at least €2.3bn in budget 2019.
- Build public housing on public land; and aggressively target the return of vacant houses to active use.
- Reduce the flow of adults and children into homelessness with emergency legislation to make it illegal to evict anybody into homelessness.
- Hold a referendum to enshrine the right to public housing in the Constitution.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Tynan 18/276)

A vote was called for by An tArd-Mhéara, where there appeared as follows:-

FOR: Comhairleoirí T. Tynan, L. O’Donnell, M. Nugent, K. McCarthy, C. O’Leary, M. Finn, F. Kerins, P. Dineen, H. Cremin. (9)

AGAINST: Comhairleoirí T. Brosnan, J. Kavanagh, T. Shannon, M. Shields. (4)

ABSTAIN: (0)

As those voting in favour of the Motion was greater than those voting against, An tArd-Mheara declared the Motion approved.

20.5 **RECOGNISE HOUSING CRISIS IN BUDGET 2019**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the following Motion:-

‘Cork City Council calls on the current government, ahead of Budget 2019, to:

- Recognise that the housing and homeless crisis is an emergency and address such and act by;

- Dramatically increase the supply of public, affordable housing, including publicly-provided cost rental housing, by increasing capital spending on housing to at least €2.3bn in budget 2019.
- Build public housing on public land; and aggressively target the return of vacant houses to active use.
- Reduce the flow of adults and children into homelessness with emergency legislation to make it illegal to evict anybody into homelessness.
- Hold a referendum to enshrine the right to public housing in the Constitution.’

(Proposers: Cllr. M. Nugent, Cllr. C. O’Leary, Cllr. T. Gould,
Cllr. F. Kerins 18/278)

The objections of Comhairleoir J. Kavanagh and Comhairleoir T. Shannon were noted.

20.6 **SAFETY OF CITY QUAYS**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the following Motion:-

‘That Cork City Council seek a report from the ‘Port of Cork’ on what safety measures it has or will take to ensure city quays under its remit are safe and secure from members of the public accidentally entering the water.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 18/279)

This concluded the business of the meeting

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