COMHAIRLE CATHRACH CHORCAÍ HALLA NA CATHRACH CORCAIGH



CORK CITY COUNCIL CITY HALL CORK

Bíodh a fhios agat go dtionólfar cruinniú de Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí ar an dáta thíosluaite, ar a **5.30 A CHLOG I.N., I SEOMRA NA COMHAIRLE, HALLA NA CATHRACH, CORCAIGH** chun na gnóthaí seo a leanas a dhéanamh:-

Take notice that a Meeting of Cork City Council will be held on the undermentioned date, at the hour of **5.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, CORK** for the transaction of the following business:-

GNATHCHRUINNIU – DÉ LUAIN, 8^ú FEABHRA 2016

ORDINARY MEETING - MONDAY, 8th FEBRUARY 2016

- 1. Votes of Sympathy.
- 2. Votes of Congratulations/ Best Wishes.
- 3. **LORD MAYOR'S ITEMS**
- 3.1 To consider any item the Lord Mayor may wish to raise.
- 4. CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S ITEMS
- 4.1 To consider any item the Chief Executive may wish to raise.
- 5. **MINUTES**

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

• Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held on the 25th January 2016.

6. **QUESTION TIME**

Questions submitted enclosed.

7. $PARTY WHIPS - 1^{st} FEBRUARY 2016$

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Party Whips from its meeting held on the 1st February 2016.

8. <u>STRATEGIC PLANNING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & ENTERPRISE</u> FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 1st FEBRUARY 2016

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Strategic Planning & Economic Development & Enterprise Functional Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held on the 1st February 2016.

8.1 **INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE**

Members considered the recommendation from the International Relations Committee on the report of the Director of Services, Corporate and External Affairs dated 28th January, 2016 on the visit to the Rennes Tourism Fair 2016.

Decision of Committee

The Committee agreed to accept the report of the Director of Services, Corporate and External Affairs and refer it to An Chomhairle for information.

8.2 MOTIONS HELD IN COMMITTEE

The Committee re-considered the following motions held in Committee:

8.2.1 REPORT ON ALL APARTMENT BLOCKS BUILT IN CORK CITY BETWEEN 2000 AND 2015 OF SIX OR MORE UNITS

'That Cork City Council would publish a report on all apartment blocks built in Cork City between 2000 and 2015 of six or more units and if that report could comment on the planning and safety compliance safety checks and assessments undertaken, compliance with all aspects of the planning process (e.g. but not limited to) commencement notices, submission of fire certificates and whether there are any concerns with respect to fire safety and compliance and if there are concerns what measures have been put in place to address these concerns'.

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 15/298)

Decision of Committee

The Committee agreed to accept the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning & Economic Development and to refer the report to An Chomhairle for approval.

8.2.2 <u>PUBLISH A LIST OF ALL PLANNING APPLICATIONS CURRENTLY VALID FOR THE SOUTH WEST WARD</u>

'That Cork City Council would publish a list of all planning applications currently valid for the South West Ward for developments of ten or more residential units and/or commercial units and include details on the date of issue of planning, the current status of the planning application and expected date of commencement on these sites.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 15/299)

Decision of Committee

The Committee agreed to accept the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning & Economic Development and to refer the report to An Chomhairle for approval.

8.2.3 **DEVELOPMENT OF THE DUNNES STORES SITE ON THE CURRAHEEN ROAD**

'That Cork City Council invites representatives from Dunnes Stores to discuss their plans with respect to the development of the Dunnes Stores site on the Curraheen Road'.

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 15/299)

Decision of Committee

The Committee agreed to accept the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning & Economic Development and to refer the report to An Chomhairle for approval.

8.3 <u>TO CONSIDER ANY CORRESPONDENCE</u>

The committee considered the following correspondence.

8.3.1 **DEVELOPMENT CONTRIBUTION REBATE SCHEME**

The Committee considered the Planning Circular Letter PL 13/2015, received from the Department of the Environment & Local Government.

Decision of Committee

The Committee agreed to note the Planning Circular Letter PL 13/2015 and to refer the circular letter to An Chomhairle for information.

8.3.2 <u>UNAUTHORISED USE OF ELECTRONIC DISPLAY PANELS AND OTHER SIGNS/</u> <u>NOTICES</u>

The Committee considered the Planning Circular Letter PL 2/2016, Unauthorised use of Electronic Display Panels and other signs/ notices, received from the Department of the Environment & Local Government.

Decision of Committee

The Committee agreed to note the Planning Circular Letter PL 2/2016 and to refer the circular letter to An Chomhairle for information.

8.4 **HOUSING ESTATES**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning & Economic Development dated 28th January, 2016 on Housing Estates from 1st January 2015 to 31st December, 2015.

Decision of Committee

The Committee agreed to accept the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning & Economic Development dated 28th January, 2016 on Housing Estates from 1st January 2015 to 31st December, 2015 and to refer it to An Chomhairle for approval.

8.5 **PLANNING STATISTICS**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning & Economic Development dated 28th January, 2016 on Planning Statistics from 1st January 2015 to 31st December, 2015.

Decision of Committee

The Committee agreed to accept the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning & Economic Development dated 28th January, 2016 on Planning Statistics from 1st January 2015 to 31st December, 2015 and to refer it to An Chomhairle for approval.

8.6 **ENFORCEMENT STATISTICS**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning & Economic Development dated 28th January, 2016 on Planning Enforcement Statistics for period 1st January 2015 to 31st December, 2015.

Decision of Committee

The Committee agreed to accept the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning & Economic Development dated 28th January, 2016 on Planning Enforcement Statistics for the period 1st January 2015 to 31st December, 2015 and to refer it to An Chomhairle for approval.

8.7 **CITY CENTRE STEERING GROUP REPORT**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning & Economic Development dated 28th January, 2016 on the Cork City Centre Steering Group Report.

Decision of Committee

The Committee agreed to accept the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning & Economic Development dated 28th January, 2016 on the Cork City Centre Steering Group and refer it to An Chomhairle for approval.

8.8 **DERELICT SITES QUARTERLY REPORT**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning & Economic Development dated 28th January, 2016 on the Derelict Sites Quarterly Report.

Decision of Committee

The Committee agreed to accept the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning & Economic Development dated 28th January, 2016 on the Derelict Sites Quarterly Report and refer it to An Chomhairle for approval.

8.9 <u>UP DATE ON SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS</u>

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning & Economic Development dated 28th January, 2016 on the Significant Developments.

Decision of Committee

The Committee agreed to accept the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning & Economic Development dated 28th January, 2016 on the Significant Developments and to refer it to An Chomhairle for approval.

9. ENVIRONMENT & RECREATION FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 1st FEBRUARY 2016

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Environment & Recreation Functional Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held on the 1st February 2016.

9.1 **MAHON WALKWAY**

The following motion recommended to the Committee by An Chomhairle was considered:-

'That Cork City Council reports on the access arrangements along the Mahon Estuary Walkway for emergency services & personnel in the event of an accident. Can the location of each access point be identified also.'

(Proposer:- Cllr. N. O'Keeffe 15/300)

Decision of Committee

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

9.2 **REVIEW ALL THE OVERGROWN TREES IN THE CITY AREA**

The following motion recommended to the Committee by An Chomhairle was considered:-

'I would request that City Council review all the overgrown trees in the City area in the near future which may need attention, as they are now accessible without excess leaves and will be a hazard in the spring/summer months when they re-grow, and cause light obstruction.'

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 15/360)

Decision of Committee

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

9.3 <u>INCLUDE HYDE PARK, TORY TOP ROAD, BALLYPHEHANE ON THE STREET CLEANING SERVICE</u>

The following motion recommended to the Committee by An Chomhairle was considered:-

'That Cork City Council include Hyde Park, Tory Top Road Ballyphehane to its street cleaning service.'

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Kerins 15/373)

Decision of Committee

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

9.4 MAHON PARK RINGMAHON ROAD

The following motion recommended to the Committee by An Chomhairle was considered:-

'That Cork City Council have the area to the rear of houses in Mahon Park, Ringmahon Road cleared of built up litter from illegal dumping and have the overgrown hedges cut back & removed so that people on this particular row of houses can access & utilise their back entrances.

Council should also consider erecting a perimeter fence along the rear & side walls of the estate to deter people from using the estate as a shortcut.'

(Proposer: Cllr N. O'Keeffe 15/280)

Decision of Committee

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

9.5 **FOOTBRIDGE ON THE NORTH WEST SIDE OF THE ATLANTIC POND**

The following motion recommended to the Committee by An Chomhairle was considered:-

'That Cork City Council install a footbridge on the North West side of the Atlantic Pond, similar to the existing footbridge on the Southern Side. The inability to walk around the pond is causing much hardship and upset to the many users of the facility. While construction to the Páirc Uí Chaoimh is welcome it should not be accepted that the public are discommoded in such an unnecessary way.'

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Cahill 16/017)

Decision of Committee

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

9.6 REPLACE LIGHTS IN THE PUBLIC TOILETS TO ULTRA VIOLET LIGHTS

The following motion recommended to the Committee by An Chomhairle was considered:-

'That Cork City Council replace all lights in the public toilets to ultra violet lights or similar to deter intravenous drug users from using public.

By replacing the lights to ultra violet lights it prevents intravenous drug users from finding a vain to inject themselves thus preventing them from using public toilets to inject themselves.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Moloney 15/383)

Decision of Committee

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

10. **CORRESPONDENCE**

An Chomhairle to note correspondence, if any.

11. CONFERENCE/ SEMINAR SUMMARIES

An Chomhairle to note summaries by Members of Conferences/Seminars attended, if any.

12. *CONFERENCES/ SEMINARS*

An Chomhairle to approve attendance at Conferences/Seminars tabled on the night, if any.

13. **TRAINING**

An Chomhairle to approve attendance at training tabled on the night, if any.

14. *MOTIONS*

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

14.1 **SURVEY OF PEARSE ROAD**

'That Pearse Road be surveyed and have its broken footpath included in a renewal programme, and its broken road surface included in an non-national Road Resurfacing Programme.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 15/336)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

14.2 **ROAD WORKS PROGRAMME 2016**

'That Cork City Council include the following in the Road Works Programme 2016:-

O'Connell Crescent Friars Road Father Mathew Road Derrynane Road Upper Derrynane Road St. Anne's Park and Beaufort Park

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 15/337)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

14.3 GOVERNMENT FUNDING TO REPAIR & UPGRADE HOUSES ON GEARNEY'S BOREEN AND ST. JOHN'S WELL AREA

'That Cork City Council would seek government funding to repair the existing houses and upgrade vacant properties on Gearney's Boreen and St. John's Well area.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Fitzgerald 16/012)

Housing & Community Functional Committee

14.4 CITY NORTHWEST QUARTER REGENERATION PLAN

'That Cork City Council review the plans for the City Northwest Quarter Regeneration Plan, with a view to considering the current and future plans, and any research or consultation projects. The objective would be, to prioritise making the necessary adjustments to the various phases as the needs of the community emerge. This review could include members of the

Housing SPC, Council staff, North West Ward Members, representatives of the local community and Department of Environment officials or any other relevant bodies.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Fitzgerald 16/025)

Housing & Community Functional Committee

14.5 TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES ON APPRAOCHES TO DEERPARK SCHOOL ON ST. PATRICK'S ROAD

'Following a serious accident where a student was knocked down, Cork City Council needs to install traffic calming measures - or speed warning/curtailment signs - on the approaches to Deerpark School on St Patrick's Road. Similar measures removed during works near St Marie's of the Isle on Bishop St. also need to be replaced immediately.'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 16/026)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

14.6 AWARENESS PROGRAMMES FOR SAFER TRAVEL TO SCHOOLS

'That Cork City Council would engage proactively with all primary and secondary schools in the South West Ward to develop and put in place awareness programmes for safer travel to schools, changes in transport modality and appropriate parking in the vicinity of schools.'

(Proposers: Cllr. J. Buttimer, Cllr. F. Dennehy, Cllr. H. Cremin, Cllr. T. Moloney, Cllr. M. Shields, Cllr. P.J. Hourican 16/027)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

14.7 **SPEEDING ON MELBOURN ROAD**

'That Cork City Council would refer the issue of speeding on the Melbourn Road to the Joint Policing Committee for consideration and discussion.'

(Proposers: Cllr. J. Buttimer, Cllr. H. Cremin, Cllr. F. Dennehy, Cllr. T. Moloney, Cllr. M. Shields, Cllr. P.J. Hourican 16/028)

Joint Policing Committee

14.8 TAKE IN CHARGE WILLOW BANK, CHURCH ROAD, BLACKROCK

'That Cork City Council starts the process to 'take incharge' Willow Bank, Church Road, Blackrock, Cork.'

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Cahill 16/030)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

14.9 <u>ERECTING A FENCE/ GATE AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE SERVICE ENTRANCE</u> OF THE MIDDLE PARISH 'MEALS ON WHEELS' ON PETERS STREET

'That Cork City Council would consider erecting a Fence/Gate at the entrance to the service entrance of the Middle Parish Meals on Wheels on Peters Street, the side entrance is an off road cul de sac which is attracting groups of individuals who hang out and make a nuisance of themselves. The said area is being used as a public toilet by these individual and drug use is also common place. The width of the entrance is in the region of 16 foot and it would not prove too difficult or costly to do. The Fence/Gate would be of immense importance for the volunteers of the Middle Parish and it would also provide added security to the service entrance in the cul de sac.'

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Dineen 16/031)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

14.10 RATE OF INSPECTIONS OF PRIVATE RENTAL ACCOMMODATION IN 2015

'That Cork City Council will report on the rate of inspections of private rental accommodation in 2015 including the level of compliance among inspected properties.'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 16/032)

Housing & Community Functional Committee

14.11 TRAFFIC MEASURES TAKEN AT ST. LUKES

'That Cork City Council reverse the traffic measures taken at St Lukes.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 16/034)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

14.12 <u>REPLACE BROKEN SLABS AT THE CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION,</u> GURRANABRAHER

'Can Cork City Council replace all the broken slabs that are very badly damaged due to illegal parking at the front entrance to the Church Of the Ascension Gurranabraher.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 16/035)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

14.13 PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT CARDINAL WAY, WILTON

'That City Council would give an update on the status of the request from various Councillors in the South West Ward for a pedestrian crossing at Cardinal Way Wilton.

This pedestrian crossing was to facilitate schoolchildren attending Gael Scoil Ui Riada to cross the road safely from the Church to the Wilton Bar.'

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 16/036)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

14.14 TRAFFIC LIGHTS ON AVENUE DE RENNES, AT HOLY CROSS CHURCH AND AT FORMER ABODE BUILDING IN MAHON

'That Cork City Council roads department reports on the status of the traffic lights on Avenue de Rennes, the traffic lights next to the Holy Cross Church and the traffic lights next to the former Abode building in Mahon. Where maintenance or upgrading is required can the director outline when works will be undertaken'

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O'Keeffe 16/037)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

14.15 <u>FEASIBILITY OF MAKING THE MARINA, BLACKROCK A PEDESTRIANISED</u> <u>AREA</u>

'That Cork City Council reports on the feasibility of making the Marina, Blackrock a pedestrianised area on weekends, perhaps as a pilot scheme.'

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O'Keeffe 16/038)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

15. **MOTIONS**

15.1 INTRODUCTION OF PAY BY WEIGHT REFUSE CHARGES

'That Cork City Council condemns the imposition of a further stealth tax on the Irish people through the introduction of pay by weight refuse charges by the FG/Lab government and their Dublin based civil servants.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 16/033)

JOHN GER O'RIORDAN MEETINGS ADMINISTRATOR

Chuig gach ball de Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí.

4^ú Feabhra 2016