

MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF CORK CITY COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 10th DECEMBER 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, 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, 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 Ms. J. Gazely, Meetings Administrator, Corporate & External Affairs. Ms. U. Ramsell, Staff Officer, Corporate & External Affairs. Mr. P. Ledwidge, Director of Services, Strategic Planning, Economic Development & Enterprise. Mr. P. Moynihan, Director of Services, Corporate & External Affairs. Mr. D. Joyce, Director of Services, Transition Directorate. Ms. V. O’Sullivan, Director of Services, Environment & Recreation Directorate. Mr. B. Geaney, Director of Services, Housing & Community Services. Mr. J. Hallahan, Head of Finance. Mr. T. Duggan, City Architect. Mr. N. Murtagh, Senior Engineer, Environmental Management.
ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:	Mr. A. Haley, The Paul Hogath Company. Mr. K. O’Leary, ARUP Consulting Engineers.

An tArd-Mhéara recited the opening prayer.

1. **VOTES OF SYMPATHY**

- The Ó’Catháin Family on the death of Tomás O’Catháin.
- The Farmer Family on the death of Dónall Farmer.
- The Graham Family on the death of Patty Graham.
- The Downey Family on the death of Seán Downey.
- The Downey Family on the death of Ciarán Downey.
- The Coveney Family on the death of Peggy Coveney.
- The Bythell Family on the death of Ros Bythell.
- The Crowley Family on the death of Jimmy Crowley.
- The Dennehy Family on the death of Con Dennehy.
- The Fogarty Family on the death of Weeshie Fogarty.

- The Galway Family on the death of Joseph Galway.
- The Cogan Family on the death of John Cogan.
- The O'Regan Family on the death of Paschal O'Regan.
- The O'Neill Family on the death of Donal O'Neill.

2. VOTES OF CONGRATULATIONS/BEST WISHES

- Paddy Murphy and the Cork Male Voice Choir on the anniversary of 50 years of the Choir.
- St. Vincent's GAA Club on their 75th Anniversary.
- Kieran McCarthy on the launch of his book 'Cork in 50 Buildings'.
- Glanmire Ladies Football Club on winning the Junior Football All Ireland Final.
- Mounseabbey Ladies Football Team on winning the Ladies Football All Ireland Senior Football Championship.
- An tArd-Mhéara extended congratulations to the Cork Youth Orchestra on their 60th Birthday.
- An tArd-Mhéara offered best wishes to Comhairleoir Fiona Ryan and her fiancée Martin on their forthcoming wedding on 18th December. An Chomhairle joined in the good wishes.

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

On the proposal of Comhairleoir S. Martin, seconded by C. O'Leary, An Chomhairle agreed to discuss Item 12.2 Disposals at this point in the meeting.

DISPOSALS

An Chomhairle considered the reports of the Chief Executive dated 29th November, 2018 in relation to the following property disposals:

- a) An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Chief Executive dated 29th November 2018 on the following Disposal:-

Disposal of the freehold interest in property known as No. 16, Portneys Lane, off North Main Street, Cork, to Harold Walsh, c/o Finghin O'Driscoll & Co. Solicitors, No. 11, Pembroke Street, Cork, for the sum of €35,250.00 (plus VAT if applicable).

On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Buttimer, seconded by Comhairleoir C. O'Leary, An Chomhairle approved the Disposal.

- b) An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Chief Executive dated 29th November 2018 on the following Disposal:-

Disposal of the freehold interest in property known as "Inchigaggin House", Inchigaggin Lane, Model Farm Road, Cork, situated on 1.6 acres of land (approximately) to Diane Halpin, c/o Dominic Creedon & Co. Solicitors, No's 15/16, Washington Street, Cork for the sum of €120,750.00 (plus VAT if applicable).

On the proposal of Comhairleoir S. Martin, seconded by Comhairleoir J. Buttimer, An Chomhairle approved the Disposal.

- c) An Chomhairle considered and rejected the report of the Chief Executive dated 29th November 2018 on the following Disposal:-

Disposal of the freehold interest in 4.7 acres of land (approximately) situated at Model Farm Road, Cork to John Casey, c/o Mary Hayes of John Casey Solicitors, No. 1, Cook Street, Cork for the sum of €35,000.00 (plus VAT if applicable).

On the proposal of Comhairleoir S. Martin, seconded by Comhairleoir J. Buttimer, An Chomhairle agreed that pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001 this Disposal shall not be carried out.

- d) An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Chief Executive dated 29th November 2018 on the following Disposal:-

Disposal of Cork City Council's interest in a dwelling house situated at No. 6, Ashton Park, Blackrock, Cork, held by Cork City Council under a Shared Ownership Lease, to Andrew Long for the value of the Council's equity in the property in accordance with the Shared Ownership Scheme.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Buttimer, seconded by Comhairleoir C. O'Leary, An Chomhairle approved the Disposal.

3. **LOWER LEE FLOOD RELIEF SCHEME**

Ms. V. O'Sullivan, Director of Services, Environment and Recreation presented An Chomhairle with an overview of the Lower Lee Flood Relief Scheme.

An Chomhairle then received a presentation on progress of the Lower Lee Flood Relief Scheme Project from Mr. Andrew Haley, The Paul Hogath Company and Mr. Ken O'Leary, ARUP Consulting Engineers.

An Chomhairle raised a number of queries, which were responded to by V. O'Sullivan, A. Haley and K. O'Leary.

An tArd-Mhéara thanked Ms. V. O'Sullivan, Director of Services, Mr. A. Haley and Mr. K. O'Leary for their comprehensive presentation.

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

On the proposal of Comhairleoir C. O'Leary, seconded by Comhairleoir T. Shannon, An Chomhairle agreed to suspend Standing Orders to allow the meeting to continue after 8 p.m.

4. **LORD MAYOR'S ITEMS**

No items raised.

5. **CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S ITEMS**

5.1 **URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND BUILDING HEIGHTS**

The Chief Executive tabled a report from the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government on Urban Development and Building Heights – Guidelines for Planning Authorities dated December 2018. An Chomhairle noted the guidelines.

6. **MINUTES**

On the proposal of Comhairleoir T. Shannon, seconded by Comhairleoir S. Martin, An Chomhairle considered and approved the minutes of:-

- Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held 26th November 2018.

7. **QUESTION TIME**

7.1 **LAVITTS QUAY CAR PARK**

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

Has Cork City Council any plans to upgrade and modernize Lavitts Quay Car Park and North Main Street Car Park?

(Cllr. Sean Martin)

REPLY

A tender process is currently underway for a structural and mechanical survey to be completed of Cork City Council multi storey car parks. Included in this will be provision for upgrading the facilities as deemed necessary. It is anticipated that the related works will be progressed in 2019.

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

7.2 **HOMELESSNESS IN THE CITY**

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

To ask the CE about the mechanisms in place to combat homelessness this winter in the city? How many homelessness cases on the streets in the first weekend (1st/2nd) of December 2018? Are their beds available for all homelessness at this point in time in the city (early December 2018)? How many emergency accommodation units? To ask for the breakdown of finance given to housing homeless agencies in the city in 2017 & 2018?

(Cllr. Kieran McCarthy)

REPLY

The Council has made the following arrangements to cater for homelessness requirements this Winter:

160 single units of emergency accommodation and 8 family units in Edel House
74 bed spaces in the family hub for single and two parent families and children.
B&B's and hotels are used as required on an ongoing basis.
Additional arrangements outlined below

The Council has also pre - booked 13 additional emergency bed units to ensure that no individual will need to sleep rough in Cork during the colder weather. This is to concentrate on ensuring that there is adequate capacity within the Cork Simon emergency shelter to accommodate individuals who are rough sleeping and related support needs.

As in previous years, it will be necessary to create vacancies in the Cork Simon shelter by facilitating the accommodation of current Anderson's Quay residents, where possible, in St. Vincent's House, a lower threshold emergency shelter for men over 20 years. Individuals who are considered most suited to the B&B's would normally be moved from St. Vincent's and all moves are subject to the approval of fortnightly review meetings, chaired by a Council executive.

St. Vincent de Paul will increase the emergency beds at St. Vincent's House by 4 beds. In addition to these beds, Cork City Council continues to provide additional funding to Cork Simon as part of the Cork Homeless Services Winter Strategy to provide a night light service which makes an additional 15 emergency beds available on a night by night basis. This service was put in place as part of the 2017 /2018 strategy and continued throughout the year increasing the total number of emergency beds by 15.

Assistance will be provided to all those presenting to the Homeless Person Unit and assessed as needing emergency accommodation. Where people present out of hours looking for accommodation, they can present to Cork Simon Night light service.

Additional Information requested :

8 individuals were observed as rough sleepers on the 1st and the 2nd December 2018.

Based on its engagement and collaboration with its various partners in preparing the Winter arrangements to cater for homelessness and on its experience with previous winter seasons, the Council is satisfied these current arrangements and related funding are more than adequate for 2018 / 2019 season. These matters will be consistently kept under review over the coming months.

Funding is outlined hereunder:

	Sub-Total	2018 Total	Sub-Total	2017 Total
Threshold		€17,000.00		€17,000.00
Cork Simon				
1. Emergency	€10,566.00		€10,566.00	
2. Cold Weather Initiative	€19,952.00		€7,273.00	

3.	Housing First	€100,000.00		€100,000.00	
4.	Settlement	€150,100.00		€150,100.00	
5.	High Support Housing	€355,370.00	€1,135,988.00	€355,370.00	€973,309.00
	Sophia Housing Association		€312,057.00		€312,058.00
	Focus Ireland Youth		€128,000.00		€128,000.00
	St. Vincent de Paul				
1.	Emergency	€29,373.00		€29,373.00	
2.	Transitional +supports	€405,574.00	€34,947.00	€405,574.00	€34,947.00
	Cork Foyer		€172,650.00		€198,428.00
	Good Shepherd				
1.	Family Hub	€366,000.00			
2.	Edel House Outreach B&B	€267,350.00	€633,350.00		€72,977.00
	O'Connell Court	€139,080.00		€139,080.00	
	Oakdene House	€89,011.20		€89,011.00	
	Mount Cara House	€133,516.80		€133,516.00	
	Wellsprings	€44,505.60		€44,505.00	
	Renewal	€8,942.40	€445,056.00	€8,942.00	€445,054.00
	Total		€4,079,048.00		€3,581,773.00

To note all details in relation to funding is published on the Department of Housing Planning and Local Government website: <https://www.housing.gov.ie/search/sub-type/financial-report>

B. Geaney,
Director of Service,
Housing & Community Directorate.

7.3 **HOUSING UNITS FROM NAMA**

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

Can the CE report if NAMA have offered any housing units since 2014 to the City Council for social housing purposes, the numbers involved, if any were refused and the reasons for same? Is the CE aware if any housing units were instead sold off by NAMA to private concerns during this period?

(Cllr. Mick Nugent)

REPLY

As part of the process for the engagement with NAMA, the Housing Agency acted as a central contact between NAMA and local authorities to, in the first instance, establish demand for social housing in the general areas initially identified.

Since 2014, a total of 31 units have been offered by NAMA's special purpose vehicle, National Asset Residential Property Services (NARPS). These units are located at Downview, Farranlea Road. The properties were identified by NAMA in April 2015 and the Council confirmed a demand for these units to the Housing Agency. Based on this confirmation, NAMA entered into negotiations with the receiver appointed over these units and subsequently reached agreement to purchase them from the receiver. Co-operative Housing Ireland (formerly NABCO) was selected through a process managed by the Housing Agency, in consultation with the Council. A total of 29 units have been completed and made available for allocation to applicants on the Council's waiting list under a Payment and Availability agreement. A further 2 units are due for completion in early 2019 in order to complete this portfolio, which will also be made available to approved applications from the Council's social housing waiting list.

No further units were offered by NAMA to the Council for the period outlined above and I am therefore not aware of any arrangements by NAMA to sell units to private concerns.

Brian Geaney,
Director of Services,
Housing & Community.

7.4 DERELICT SITES REGISTER

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

Can the CE please furnish Councillors with a complete list of houses, buildings and sites currently on the Derelict Sites Register showing File No, HNO, StreetA, ONREG, REGNO, OFFREG, VALDATE, ACCOUNT NO.

Can the CE further advise in particular when St Anthony's , Ballyhooley New Road RegNo242 will be acquired as it is about to collapse.

(Cllr. Tim Brosnan)

REPLY

Date on Reg	Site Address	Valuation	Annual Levy	Date of Valuation
13-Apr-93	42 CORNMARKE STREET CORK	€150,000.00	€1,500.00	01-Jan-18
30-Dec-98	21 THOMAS DAVIS STREET BLACKPOOL	€1,743.45	€52.30	27-Nov-98
30-Dec-98	SITE (ADJ NO 34) SOUTH MAIN STREET	€5,230.06	€856.90	19-Mar-97
27-Jul-99	39 SHANDON STREET SHANDON; see also 1749	€0,000.00	€700.00	01-Jan-18
03-Mar-00	50 GRAND PARADE	€200,000.00	€6,000.00	01-Jan-18
05-Sep-03	BROAD LANE MAHONY'S SQUARE CORK	€85,000.00	€550.00	27-Aug-03
16-Sep-03	44 CORNMARKE STREET	€300,000.00	€9,000.00	05-Mar-03
03-Nov-05	SUMMERVILLE WINTER'S HILL BLARNEY ST	€80,000.00	€2,400.00	01-Jan-18

09-May-08	6A & 7 JOHN REDMOND STREET SHANDON	€220,000.00	€6,600.00	21-Apr-08
10-Jun-09	19 SOUTH TERRACE	€180,000.00	€5,400.00	01-Jan-18
10-Jun-09	SITE AT SOUTH DOUGLAS ROAD	€400,000.00	€2,000.00	02-Jun-09
14-Jul-09	2 & 3 SPRINGFIELD ROAD MAYFIELD	€150,000.00	€4,500.00	01-Jan-18
13-Feb-12	CORNER COACH ST & PETER'S ST	€90,000.00	€2,700.00	01-Jan-18
15-Jun-12	16 Portneys Lane	€35,000.00	€1,050.00	12-Feb-12
26-Jul-12	18 Thomas Davis Street	€50,000.00	€1,500.00	01-Jan-18
26-Jul-12	19 Thomas Davis Street	€60,000.00	€1,800.00	01-Jan-18
30-Aug-12	"Lisheen", Sunday's Well Road	€500,000.00	€5,000.00	01-Jan-18
05-Oct-12	22 THOMAS DAVIS STREET	€30,000.00	€900.00	23-Jul-12
19-Dec-12	15 LOUGH VIEW TERRACE	€60,000.00	€1,800.00	10-Jan-13
19-Dec-12	38 Gould Street	€50,000.00	€1,500.00	10-Jan-13
28-Sep-15	Glasheen House, Dorgan's Road	€65,000.00	€1,950.00	31-Jul-15
10-Dec-15	1 Park Gate Villas, Bishopstown Road	€150,000.00	€4,500.00	22-Jan-16
10-Dec-15	117/118 BARRACK STREET	€85,000.00	€2,550.00	22-Jan-16
10-Dec-15	119 Barrack Street	€80,000.00	€2,400.00	22-Jan-16
10-Dec-15	2 Ard na Ri Avenue Pouladuff Road	€150,000.00	€4,500.00	23-Nov-15
10-Dec-15	2 Monaville, Glasheen Road, T12 DPP2	€170,000.00	€5,100.00	22-Jan-16
10-Dec-15	23 St. Finbarr's Place, Proby's Quay	€140,000.00	€4,200.00	23-Nov-15
10-Dec-15	62 North Main Street (former Hosford's building)	€150,000.00	€4,500.00	09-Dec-15
10-Dec-15	63 North Main Street	€140,000.00	€4,200.00	09-Dec-15
10-Dec-15	64 North Main Street	€15,000.00	€3,450.00	09-Dec-15
10-Dec-15	65 North Main Street	€140,000.00	€4,200.00	09-Dec-15
10-Dec-15	93/ 94 North Main Street (former Munster Furniture site)	€500,000.00	€5,000.00	09-Dec-15
10-Dec-15	95 North Main Street	€100,000.00	€3,000.00	09-Dec-15
10-Dec-15	96 North Main Street	€60,000.00	€1,800.00	09-Dec-15
31-Mar-16	21 Kyle Street (warehouse at corner of Kyle Street and Coal Quay)	€100,000.00	€3,000.00	01-Jul-16
20-May-16	1 Evenus Ville, Albert Road	€40,000.00	€1,200.00	07-Jun-16
20-May-16	Property between 9 Moylans Lane and 65 Dominick Street	€50,000.00	€1,500.00	01-Jul-16
01-Jun-16	63 High Street	€60,000.00	€1,800.00	24-Jun-16
01-Jun-16	Lands to the rear of 62 - 67 High Street	€30,000.00	€900.00	24-Jun-16
10-Jun-16	7 Shandon Villas, off Popes Road	€80,000.00	€2,400.00	24-Jun-16
20-Jun-16	5 Prosperous Place, Thomas Davis Street	€20,000.00	€600.00	14-Jul-16
01-Aug-16	89 Spring Lane	€45,000.00	€1,350.00	15-Aug-16
01-Aug-16	Ashburton Place, 122 GARDINERS HILL	€70,000.00	€2,100.00	01-Jul-16
05-Aug-16	1 The Crescent, Lough Road	€135,000.00	€4,050.00	25-Jul-16
05-Aug-16	4 Woods Place, York Street; see also Site ID 1773 (adjacent property)	€70,000.00	€2,100.00	25-Jul-16
05-Aug-16	5 Woods Place, York Street (see details on file 1522)	€110,000.00	€3,300.00	25-Jul-16
20-Aug-16	21 Evergreen Street	€75,000.00	€2,250.00	01-Jul-16
26-Aug-16	6 Copley Place, Copley Street	€160,000.00	€4,800.00	08-Sep-16
30-Aug-16	369 Blarney Street	€30,000.00	€900.00	23-Sep-16
30-Aug-16	4 Convent Road	€150,000.00	€4,500.00	23-Sep-16
27-Oct-16	4 Gerald Griffin Avenue	€60,000.00	€1,800.00	25-Oct-16

01-Feb-17	St. Kevin's Hospital and Associated Buildings	€2,700,000.00	€1,000.00	10-Mar-17
06-Mar-17	12 Mount View Terrace BALLYHOOLY ROAD	€120,000.00	€3,600.00	31-Mar-17
06-Mar-17	29 Henry Street	€170,000.00	€5,100.00	31-Mar-17
06-Mar-17	St. Anthonys, Ballyhooly Road	€140,000.00	€1,200.00	31-Mar-17
13-Mar-17	62 High Street	€130,000.00	€3,900.00	31-Mar-17
14-Mar-17	"Grianbru", incorporating former Post Office, Dennehy's Cross	€750,000.00	€22,500.00	31-Mar-17
31-Mar-17	Our Lady's Hospital, Lee Road	€380,000.00	€1,400.00	22-Sep-17
10-Apr-17	Site incorporating lands adjacent to warehouse at the corner of Kyle Street/ Cornmarket Street (currently hoarded due to presence of structural bracing)	€25,000.00	€750.00	10-May-17
10-Apr-17	CCC Kyril's Street Site: Site at Kyril's Quay / Cornmarket Street, Cork. Bounded on the North / North East by Kyril's Quay, on the East / South East by Cornmarket Street...	€80,000.00	€2,400.00	10-May-17
10-Apr-17	Former Murrayforde site (Site at Kyril's Quay, Cork bounded on the North / North East by Kyril's Quay on the East / South East by site in the ownership of Cork City Council, by portion of Kyril's Street and by the Bridewell Garda Station....)	€1,900,000.00	€7,000.00	10-May-17
12-May-17	21 George's Quay	€160,000.00	€1,800.00	09-Jun-17
12-May-17	52 Barrack Street	€100,000.00	€3,000.00	09-Jun-17
18-Jul-17	21 Listowel Avenue, Evergreen Road, Turner's Cross	€80,000.00	€2,400.00	10-Aug-17
18-Sep-17	Derelict Site at Corkerans Quay, Blackpool	€40,000.00	€0.00	
15-Nov-17	Former Vita Cortex Factory, Kinsale Road, T12HX32	€2,250,000.00	€67,500.00	08-Dec-17
19-Dec-17	55 Oliver Plunkett Street	€225,000.00	€6,750.00	14-Dec-17
19-Dec-17	Emyville (Site adj Our Lady of Lourdes National School at junction of Knockree Park/ Ballinlough Road, Knockree Lawn)	€690,000.00	€20,700.00	14-Dec-17
20-Dec-17	23 Lower John Street	€30,000.00	€900.00	18-Dec-17
20-Dec-17	24 Lower John Street	€45,000.00	€1,350.00	18-Dec-17
21-Dec-17	Commercial property adjoining 22 Lough Road	€50,000.00	€1,500.00	05-Dec-17
29-Dec-17	11, 12 & 13 Straw Hall, Gerald Griffin Street	€100,000.00	€3,000.00	05-Dec-17
16-Apr-18	1-6 Carmelite Place, Western Road	€1,000,000.00	€30,000.00	22-Mar-18
16-Apr-18	34/35 Sheares Street	€65,000.00	€1,950.00	06-Apr-18
16-Apr-18	6,7 & 8 Devonshire Street West	€200,000.00	€6,000.00	27-Apr-18
25-Apr-18	Annbrook, 20 Crown Park, Middle Glanmire Road	€85,000.00	€2,550.00	06-Apr-18
10-May-18	15 & 16 KYLE STREET	€130,000.00	€3,900.00	27-Apr-18
18-May-18	271 Blarney Street	€75,000.00	€2,250.00	22-May-18
19-Jun-18	18 Saint Finbarr's Park	€250,000.00	€7,500.00	03-Jul-18
28-Jun-18	Property at North West Corner of The Lough (see formal description in notes, too big for this field)	€150,000.00	€4,500.00	03-Jul-18
11-Jul-18	25 North Mall	€250,000.00	€7,500.00	12-Jul-18
11-Jul-18	Paradiso Wilton Lawn, Glasheen Road	€350,000.00	€10,500.00	11-Jul-18
30-Jul-18	'Wyndern', Pope's Road (Site on south side of Pope's Road between Sandymount Court and sportsground)	€235,000.00	€7,050.00	11-Oct-18
03-Aug-18	1 Convent View, Strawberry Hill	€120,000.00	€3,600.00	20-Apr-18
07-Aug-18	Coolmore, 1 Strawberry Hill	€375,000.00	€11,250.00	14-Sep-18
09-Aug-18	20 Castle Street	€125,000.00	€3,750.00	30-Aug-18
09-Aug-18	7 & 8 Quaker Road	€220,000.00	€6,600.00	03-Sep-18
13-Aug-18	Site between 4 Little Hanover Street and 22 Washington Street West	€60,000.00	€1,800.00	04-May-18
07-Sep-18	Derelict house on Piccadilly Lane behind 84 North Main Street	€10,000.00	€300.00	20-Aug-18
07-Sep-18	42 College Road	€100,000.00	€100,000.00	05-Oct-18

25-Sep-18	Car Park at Avenue de Rennes Shopping Centre, Mahon			
09-Oct-18	60 Shandon Street			
09-Oct-18	61 Shandon Street			
22-Oct-18	Lands formerly known as Lakelands Tavern, Avenue de Rennes, Mahon, Cork T12 YC99	€600,000.00	€8,000.00	05-Nov-18
30-Oct-18	Moore's Hotel Block (Fitton Street East, Keefe Street, Morrison's Quay)			
05-Nov-18	Derelict site comprising 1 & 2 Ashton Place and Ashton Cottage, Blackrock, Cork			
13-Nov-18	The Former Car Showrooms and Post Office at Dennehy's Cross	€1,900,000.00	€7,000.00	31-May-18

I am unaware of any plans to acquire St Anthony's, Ballyhooley New Road.

Patrick Ledwidge
 Director of Services
 Strategic Planning and Economic Development

7.5 **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING IN CUH**

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

To ask the Chief Executive Officer;

- i. To affirm that it is a stated objective of Cork City Council to remediate and enhance the pedestrian crossing from CUH to Wilton Hospital,
- ii. How long has it been an objective of Council to remediate this crossing and junction,
- iii. What plans are in place to upgrade this junction,
- iv. What funding is required for the upgrading,
- v. If the work has been prioritised to the Department or relevant funding body,
- vi. What process will be undertaken to develop plans for the remediation of this junction,
- vii. When will works commence and be completed?

(Cllr. John Buttimer)

REPLY

- i. Cork City Council plan to upgrade the pedestrian & cycle facilities at the CUH entrance on Bishopstown Road. This plan forms part of the South West and South Central Strategic Corridor study recommendations. These plans are also likely to form part of the upcoming draft Cork Metropolitan Area Transport Strategy
- ii. The Strategic Corridor study and related draft layout plans were concluded in 2016 approx. 2 years ago.
- iii. The proposed upgrade work is as per the plans discussed above.
- iv. The Bishopstown Rd/Curraheen Rd project is expected to cost in excess of €4 million. There is currently no cost estimate for the CUH junction in isolation.
- v. The Bishopstown Rd/Curraheen Rd Project has been discussed with the NTA. It will also form part of the upcoming discussions for 2019 funding.
- vi. The process for progressing the plans will require the procurement of a design Consultant, Part 8 Planning, detailed design, construction tender process and finally construction.
- vii. If the project were funded in 2019 the programme for completion is likely to be as follows: 2019 – Consultant procurement, preliminary design & Part 8 planning. 2020 – detailed design, land acquisition and contractor appointment. 2021 construction.

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

7.6 **FORMER GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS SITE**

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

Can the CE report on the planning application for the former Government Buildings site on Sullivan's Quay? The site has been home to a large pile of rubble for several months now and members of the public have commented on it as an eyesore?

(Cllr Fiona Kerins)

REPLY

Permission was granted for an office and hotel development on this site in June 2018.

No complaints regarding the condition of the site have come to my attention.

The situation will be reviewed in mid-March 2019. If development has not progressed the site will be assessed under the Vacant Sites legislation.

Patrick Ledwidge
Director of Services
Strategic Planning and Economic Development

7.7 **SKEHARD ROAD WORKS**

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

Can the CE provide an update on the Skehard Road works, specifically:

What works are required to finish the current phase (2) of the realignment scheme?

When will the next phase (Credit Union Junction) commence? Has a contractor been appointed for these works? If so, who?

Will the former Healy Blue Bin site be used during the next phase of the works? What will its specific purpose be?

When is it hoped that all phases of the realignment scheme will be completed fully?

(Cllr. Nicholas O'Keeffe)

REPLY

The current Skehard Road construction contract is substantially complete. The Contractor has a number of snag items to address. This includes:- some surfacing, tree planting, supplementary traffic signal heads, signage, repairs to footpaths, repairs to boundary walls and other minor repair items.

Skehard Road Phase 3 (i.e. the section between Church Rd and the CSO Junction) is scheduled to commence construction during the third quarter of 2019. This timeframe is subject to the acquisition of the required lands in the intervening period. The Contractor for phase 3 is scheduled to be appointed in the second quarter of 2019.

The Contractor for the construction of the current project arranged to use the former Healy Blue Bin site as their temporary site compound. The Contractor for next phase i.e. phase 3 may seek to use the same site or alternatively select a different site. The choice of temporary works compound will only be known when the Contractor is appointed.

Phase 3 is scheduled to be substantially complete in the second quarter of 2020 subject to it commencing in third quarter of 2019.

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

8 **PARTY WHIPS – 3rd DECEMBER 2018**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the minutes of the Party Whips from its meeting held 3rd December 2018.

8.1 **MEETINGS SCHEDULE**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Meetings Schedule January – May 2019.

8.2 **BOARD OF CORK CITY PARTNERSHIP CLG**

On the proposal of Comhairleoir T. Shannon, seconded by Comhairleoir S. Martin, An Chomhairle considered and approved the nomination of Comhairleoir T. O’Driscoll to fill the vacancy on the Board of Cork City Partnership CLG.

8.3 **GDPR – EMAIL**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the recommendations of the Party Whips on the use of private email addresses by elected members for Council business. On the proposal of Comhairleoir T. Shannon, seconded by Comhairleoir J. Buttimer, An Chomhairle agreed to write to the Minister of Justice and Equality Charlie Flanagan T.D., requesting that adequate support systems be put in place to safeguard the workings of elected members and asked that GDPR be kept on the Party Whips Agenda.

9 **ENVIRONMENT & RECREATION STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE – 26th NOVEMBER 2018**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the minutes of the Environment and Recreation Strategic Policy Committee from its meeting held 26th November 2018.

9.1 **BUSKING BYE LAWS**

An Chomhairle approved the commencement of consultation on Cork City Council's draft Street Performer Bye Laws.

10. **STRATEGIC PLANNING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & ENTERPRISE STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE – 3rd DECEMBER 2018**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the minutes of the Strategic Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise Strategic Policy Committee from its meeting held 3rd December 2018.

10.1 **ISSUES ARISING FROM THE PUBLIC CONSULTATION FOR VARIATION NO. 5 (STUDENT HOUSING)**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services on the response from the RTB in relation to Issues arising from the Public Consultation for Variation No. 5 (Student Housing).

10.2 **THE URBAN REGENERATION AND DEVELOPMENT FUND**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the details of this fund outlined by the Director of Services, Strategic Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise.

10.3 **PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT 2018 (COMMENCEMENT) ORDER 2018**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the report of the Director of Services dated 3rd December 2018 on the key legislative changes provided for in circulars PL09/2018 and PL11/2018.

10.4 **CITY CENTRE RETAIL POLICY**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the report of the Director of Services dated 28th November 2018 on the policy in relation to City Centre Retail Policy. An Chomhairle requested that a presentation be made to the next meeting of the Strategic Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise Strategic Policy Committee on the City Centre Retail Policy.

10.5 **CASP POLICY COMMITTEE REPORTS – SEPTEMBER 2018**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the report of the Director of Services dated 8th October 2018 on the CASP Policy Committee Report for September 2018.

10.6 **MOTIONS**

10.6.1 **POLICY OF PLANNING PERMISSION FOR STUDENT ACCOMMODATION**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services dated 27th November 2018 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council would review its policy of giving planning permission to student accommodation units being built without having adequate parking provided for within the development. It is fine saying that students don’ t drive and if they are living close to the college or in the city centre there is no need for parking to be provided, but the facts just don’t hold up. Students do drive just ask any of the communities living close to the colleges within Cork City and they will tell you the trouble they are having with parking in their areas. We need to change this policy even if Cork City Council has to bring in its own by-laws.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Moloney 18/114)

The report of the Director of Services stated that Variation No. 5 (Student Accommodation) was adopted by Cork City Council on 9th July 2018. Part of the variation details parking requirements for proposed Purpose Built Student Accommodation. Table 16.5a of the Variation states that car parking requirements for student accommodation will be in accordance with the existing City Plan policy for car parking standards for student housing. These standards are maximums in order to constrain car trip generation and promote the uptake of “green” modes of transport.

While it is acknowledged that student accommodation will generate some parking requirements, application for student housing will be assessed in accordance with these existing development management standards. The policy related to the demand generated for street parking spaces is to be addressed by the Roads and Transportation Directorate.

11. **TOURISM, ARTS & CULTURE FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 3rd DECEMBER 2018**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the minutes of the Tourism, Arts and Culture Functional Committee from its meeting held 3rd December 2018.

11.1 **ARTS COMMITTEE**

11.1.1 **RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE ARTS COMMITTEE MEETING OF 3rd DECEMBER 2018**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Chairman of the Arts Committee dated 3rd December 2018 on the approval of a loan of Corcardorca in the amount of €25,000 and on the proposal of Comhairleoir C. O’Leary, seconded by Comhairleoir J. Buttimer, An Chomhairle approved a loan for Corcardorca for the amount of €25,000.

11.2 An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Arts Officer dated 29th November 2018.

11.3 **FUNDING FOR TECHNOLOGIES IN PUBLIC LIBRARIES**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Corporate and External Affairs dated 29th November 2018 on funding for technologies in Public Libraries.

11.4 **ARTS GRANT 2019**

An Chomhairle considered the Report of the Director of Services, Corporate and External Affairs dated 29th November 2018 on the proposed allocation of an Arts Grant for 2019.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir C. O’Leary, seconded by Comhairleoir J. Buttimer, An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Corporate and External Affairs dated 29th November 2018 on the proposed allocation of an Arts Grant for 2019.

11.5 **CREATIVE IRELAND**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Corporate and External Affairs dated 29th November 2018 on Creative Ireland.

11.6 **INVITATION TO COLLABORATION – ARTS COUNCIL FUNDING**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Corporate and External Affairs dated 29th November 2018 on Invitation to Collaboration – Arts Council Funding.

11.7 **CHRISTMAS 2018**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Corporate and External Affairs dated 29th November 2018 on Christmas 2018.

11.8 **CULTURE NIGHT 2018**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Corporate and External Affairs dated 29th November 2018 on Culture Night 2018.

11.9 **ART GRAFFITI SPACE IN THE CITY**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Corporate and External Affairs dated 29th November 2018 on an Art Graffiti Space in the City.

An Chomhairle agreed that Cork City Council should write to BAM Construction to request that they remove their sign from the Titanic Mural on the hoarding and relocate it elsewhere.

11.10 **FILM IN CORK**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Corporate and External Affairs dated 29th November 2018 on Film in Cork.

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

An Chomhairle agreed to suspend Standing Orders to allow the meeting to continue beyond 9 p.m.

12. **FINANCE & ESTIMATES FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 3rd DECEMBER 2018**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the minutes of the Finance and Estimates Functional Committee from its meeting held 3rd December 2018.

12.1 **FINANCE RELATED REPORTS**

12.1.1 **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO END OF OCTOBER 2018**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Financial Statements to end of October 2018.

12.2 **DISPOSALS**

This Item was discussed above before Item 3.

13. **CORRESPONDENCE**

An Chomhairle noted correspondence received.

14. **CONFERENCE/SEMINAR SUMMARIES**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the following Conference/Seminar Summaries:-

- Comhairleoir S. Martin at the AILG Training Module 5 – Local Government Finance and Budgeting in Sligo on 13th October 2018.
- Comhairleoir S. Martin at the AILG Autumn Training Seminar – Brexit in Monaghan Town on 25th and 26th October 2018.
- Comhairleoir S. Martin at the AILG Training Module 6 – GDPR in Kilkenny on 15th November 2018.

15. **CONFERENCES/ SEMINARS**

None received.

16. **TRAINING**

None received.

17. **MOTIONS**

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

17.1 **VACANT AREA BEHIND GREENHILLS COURT**

‘That Cork City Council working in unison with Greenhills Court residents formulate a plan to tidy up the green and vacant area behind the houses and conclude what would be the best proposals for future use.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 18/287)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

17.2 **GREEN AND TREE AREA IN HEATHERTON PARK**

‘That Cork City Council survey the green and tree area in Heatherton Park with a view to landscaping and cutting back the trees and bushes and giving the green area a cut.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 18/288)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

17.3 **WALKWAY BETWEEN BLACKPOOL AND FARRANCLEARY**

‘The Walkway between Blackpool and Farrancleary be trimmed back to an acceptable condition.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O’Flynn 18/354)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

17.4 **TRIM AND PRUNE NORTH RING ROADWAY**

‘That the North Ring roadway be trimmed and pruned and made acceptable and safe for residents in the area and for the motorists.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O’Flynn 18/355)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

17.5 **DOUBLE YELLOW LINES AT BOREENMANNA ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council would extend the double yellow lines at the junctions of each of the parks on the Boreenmanna Rd. to give motorists greater and safer lines of sight when exiting onto the Boreenmanna Rd.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Shannon 18/370)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

17.6 **VACANT PLOTS IN CITY CEMETERIES**

‘That Cork City Council would report to Members on the number of vacant plots in our various cemeteries in the City, where ownership cannot be traced, with a view to putting these graves/plots on the open market for sale.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Shannon 18/371)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

17.7 **TRAFFIC CALMING PROGRAMME 2019**

‘That Cork City Council implement a programme for 2019 of ensuring traffic-calming ramps are visible to motorists and the public in general.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 18/372)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

17.8 **FOOTPATHS AT DONSCOURT, BISHOPSTOWN**

‘That City Council would inspect the footpaths at Donscourt Bishopstown as they are in a terrible state now for years and residents are very unhappy that this has not been attended to long before now.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 18/377)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

17.9 **JUNCTION BOX AT THE ROUNDABOUT AT WILTON/SARFIELD ROAD**

‘That City Council would consider putting in a small junction box at the roundabout at Wilton / Sarsfield Road to facilitate traffic coming from the West i.e. outside lane approaching the roundabout from the west to continue to flow freely to either Glasheen Road or Sarsfield Road as this is constantly blocked at peak times when drivers will not give vehicles the opportunity to continue onto a route that is free flowing and not blocked.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 18/378)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

17.10 **REDUCE THE CLOSURE OF PATRICK’S STREET**

‘In view of the on-going trading issues being experienced by our City Centre indigenous traders and other traders alike I ask that Cork City Council would reduce the closure of Patrick's Street to 5 days per week (Monday to Friday) and reinstate normal traffic flow on Patrick's Street on Saturday, Sunday and Bank Holiday Mondays. This would, I believe, be

proactive and may help to alleviate the current difficulties that the current Movement Strategy is creating.'

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Dineen 18/379)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

17.11 **MULTI STOREY CAR PARKING INCENTIVES**

'In view of the on-going trading issues being experienced by our City Centre indigenous traders and other traders alike I ask that Cork City Council would abandon all current multi story car parking incentives and introduce a long term parking incentive that will allow for the first 2 hours parking to be free parking from the time of entry up to 3pm on each day. An incentive of this nature would be proactive and would I believe be a huge benefit to all concerned.'

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Dineen 18/380)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

17.12 **ONE WAY SYSTEM ON FAIR STREET**

'That Cork City Council would put in place a one way system on Fair Street.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 18/382)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

17.13 **FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR A METAL SHREDDER**

'That Cork City Council Environment Directorate engage with Boomerang to provide financial support to purchase a metal shredder. This will greatly help the initiative as it will allow them to increase their productivity and eliminate bottlenecks.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 18/383)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

17.14 **STAFFING LEVELS FOR STREET CLEANERS**

'Cork City Council will seek to ensure a return of 2008 staff levels for street cleaners as a priority given the escalating problem of illegal dumping and fly tipping.'

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Ryan 18/386)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

17.15 **ROAD MARKINGS ON MIDDLE GLANMIRE ROAD AND WELLINGTON ROAD**

'That Cork City Council re-instate road marking, specifically centre lines, on the Middle Glanmire Road from St Luke's Cross up to Cope and onwards to the Junction with

Colmcille Avenue. I also request that Cork City Council re-instate road marking, specifically centre lines, on Wellington Road from St Luke's Cross all the way down to the junction of St Patricks Hill.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 18/387)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

17.16 **PARKING BAYS ON WELLINGTON ROAD**

'That Cork City Council would paint parking bays aligned at a 45 degree angle (as opposed to the current 90 degree parking) on Wellington Road between the junction of Sidney Hill and the junction with York Street. Also, in order to ensure the ease of traffic flow and public safety, can the continuous double yellow lines on the opposite side of the road be re-instated.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 18/388)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

17.17 **ST. LUKE'S ON CLEANSING SCHEDULE**

'That Cork City Council include St. Luke's and Summerhill from St. Luke's to Lower Glanmire Road on the same cleansing schedule as Wellington Road and that ESB be asked to maintain a proper standard on paintwork on their lighting standards. In addition, street drains must be cleaned monthly.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 18/389)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

17.18 **POLISH INDEPENDENCE DAY**

'That City Council liaise with the Polish Community in Cork with a view to marking Polish Independence Day in an appropriate manner on Nov 11 each year.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 18/390)

Party Whips

17.19 **TREE PLANTING AND BIODIVERSITY DAY**

'That the City Council organise an annual tree planting and biodiversity day with interested communities.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 18/391)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

17.20 **COMMEMORATE CORK PEOPLE WHO DIED IN WORLD WAR I**

‘That in considering options to commemorate the 4,500 approx. Cork people who died during World War I, Cork City Council looks at a joint project with the County Council in a tree-planting project which would contain a name plate for each of those who died. Such a project would also have environmental benefits and would boost the public realm of areas of the City and County.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 18/392)

Party Whips

17.21 **EARTH HOUR**

‘That Cork City Council show leadership for Earth Hour, 8.30pm Saturday 30th March 2019 by switching off all unnecessary lights in City Hall and all public buildings and encourage the business community of Cork to do the same through the established fora.’

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Dennehy 18/393)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

17.22 **REPORT ON HORSES**

‘That Cork City Council report on;
The numbers of horses 'put down' since 2014.
Numbers of horses returned to owners or re-homed and the fees charged by anybody acting on behalf of the City Council in this regard.
Educational courses taking place in horse ownership and care Council is aware of.
Progress in establishing a 'Horse Project' for the City.
Council will seek to establish a multi-agency horse forum and will also commit to ensuring in the first instance efforts are made to re-home any stray, loose horses with the assistance of groups like ‘My Lovely Horse Rescue Cork’.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 18/394)

Housing & Community Functional Committee

17.23 **RESIDENTIAL SITES WITH PLANNING PERMISSION**

‘That Cork City Council would prepare a report on the number of residential sites with valid planning permission and would include in narrative and tabular format all relevant information as to their location, date of application, name of developer, number of residential units to be provided, current status and expected date of delivery, the report to also include details of the applicability of the vacant site levy and funds that could be accrued from that.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 19/395)

Strategic Planning, Economic Development & Enterprise Functional Committee

17.24 **BISHOPSTOWN AND WILTON AREA ACTION PLAN**

‘That Cork City Council would prepare a full review/implementation report for the Bishopstown and Wilton area action plan in relation to each and every objective and aim of the plan; such a report to include all details of meetings, consultations, site visits, internal reviews, assessments, consultations undertaken with resident groups and developers and other stakeholders. That the report would also detail staff time allotted to the oversight of the implementation and delivery of the plan, and expenditure on the implementation and delivery of the plan, and where objectives and aims of the original plan have not been met what action can the City Council undertake to ensure they are achieved.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 18/396)

**Strategic Planning, Economic Development & Enterprise
Functional Committee**

18. **MOTIONS**

18.1 **SUITABLE LOCATION FOR SHANDON POST OFFICE**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the following motion:-

‘In light of the proposed closure of Shandon Post Office, given the number of people in the area dependant on the service, that Cork City Council calls on An Post to find a suitable location nearby for a service given its vital role in the community’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Sheehan 18/384)

18.2 **OPPOSE THE CLOSURE OF SHANDON POST OFFICE**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the following motion:-

‘Cork City Council completely oppose the closure of the Shandon Post Office and will intervene to urge An Post to ensure that the post office remains in the community.’

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Ryan 18/385)

18.3 **REINSTATE FUNDING FOR SHANDON STREET POST OFFICE**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council calls on An Post to reinstate the funding that was cut earlier this year under the new contract system and ensure that An Post Office remains open and viable on Shandon Street. The closure of Shandon Street Post Office will be a devastating blow to the residents especially the elderly, local community and the local businesses also.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Gould 18/397)

This concluded the business of the meeting

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