

**MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF CORK CITY COUNCIL**  
**HELD ON MONDAY 13<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2017**

<b>PRESENT</b>	Leas Ard-Mhéara Comhairleoir F. Dennehy.
<b>NORTH EAST</b>	Comhairleoirí S. Cunningham, T. Tynan, T. Brosnan.
<b>NORTH CENTRAL</b>	Comhairleoirí T. Gould, F. Ryan, K. O’Flynn, L. O’Donnell, J. Sheehan.
<b>NORTH WEST</b>	Comhairleoirí M. Nugent, K. Collins, M. O’Sullivan.
<b>SOUTH EAST</b>	Comhairleoirí K. McCarthy, C. O’Leary, D. Cahill, L. McGonigle, T. Shannon, N. O’Keeffe, S. O’Shea.
<b>SOUTH CENTRAL</b>	Comhairleoirí M. Finn, F. Kerins, P. Dineen, T. O’Driscoll, S. Martin.
<b>SOUTH WEST</b>	Comhairleoirí J. Buttimer, H. Cremin, P.J. Hourican, T. Moloney.
<b>ALSO PRESENT</b>	Ms. A. Doherty, Chief Executive. Mr. J. G. O’Riordan, Meetings Administrator, Corporate & External Affairs. Ms. C. Currid, Staff Officer, Corporate & External Affairs. Mr. P. Moynihan, Director of Services, Corporate & External Affairs. Mr. D. Joyce, Director of Services, Environment & Recreation. Mr. P. Ledwidge, Director of Services, Strategic Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise. Mr. J. Hallihan, Head of Finance. Mr. T. Duggan, City Architect.

An Leas Ard-Mhéara recited the opening prayer.

1. **VOTES OF SYMPATHY**

- The Mahon Family on the death of Josie Mahon.
- The Daly Family on the death of Mary Daly.
- The O’Callaghan Family on the death of Theresa O’Callaghan.
- The Philpott Family on the death of Billie Philpott.
- The Roche Family on the death of Michael Roche.
- The O’Donovan Family on the death of Monica O’Donovan.
- The McCarthy Family on the death of Linda McCarthy.
- The Forde Family on the death of Noel Forde.
- The Chandler Family on the death of Liam Chandler.

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

- St. Vincent’s Hurling and Football Club on their players who represented Cork at Senior level.
- All groups marking ‘World Diabetes Day’ on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2017.
- Groups organising commemorations marking the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Manchester Martyrs.

- Cork Branch of the Western Front Association on the successful Remembrance Ceremony.
- Cork Branch of the Royal British Legion on the successful Remembrance Ceremony.
- St. Vincent's Hurling and Football Club on the launch of the Northside Schools Coaching Initiative.
- Eoin English on his birthday.
- Cllr. Chris O'Leary on his work around the proposed Cork City Boundary Extension.

### 3. **LORD MAYOR'S ITEMS**

#### 3.1 **CIVIC RECEPTION FOR COMMODORE HUGH TULLY, FOCNS**

An Chomhairle approved a Civic Reception for Commodore Hugh Tully, FOCNS to mark his retirement.

### 4. **CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S ITEMS**

#### 4.1 **NOTICE OF INTENTION OF CORK CITY COUNCIL TO HOLD AN EVENT – SWITCH ON OF THE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS AND GLOW 2017**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the report of the Chief Executive on the proposed holding of an event by Cork City Council under Part XVI (Licensing of Outdoor Events) Planning and Development Act, 2000 (amended).

#### 4.2 **UPDATE REPORT ON THE LOWER LEE FLOOD RELIEF SCHEME (LLFRS) AND THE MORRISON'S ISLAND PUBLIC REALM ENHANCEMENT AND FLOOD DEFENCE PROJECTS**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the update report of the Chief Executive on the Lower Lee Flood Relief Scheme (LLFRS) and the Morrison's Island Public Realm Enhancement and Flood Defence Projects.

An Chomhairle further agreed that the matter of Chief Executive's items tabled for information or discussion would be referred to Party Whips for consideration.

### 5. **MINUTES**

On the proposal of Comhairleoir T. Gould, seconded by Comhairleoir J. Buttimer, An Chomhairle considered and approved the minutes of:-

- Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held 31<sup>st</sup> October 2017.

### 6. **QUESTION TIME**

#### 6.1 **PARKS IN THE SOUTH WEST WARD**

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

To ask the Chief Executive to outline the funds expended on Parks in the SouthWest Ward for 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017 and if she could outline the purpose of those funds?

Fitzgerald's Park  
Bishopstown Park/Murphy's Farm  
Clashduv Park

(Cllr. P.J. Hourican)  
(Deferred from meeting  
of 31<sup>st</sup> October)

## **REPLY**

### **Cork South West Ward Capital Expenditure 2009 - 2017**

Clashduv Park – drainage, tennis courts, path preparatory works €435,000  
Lee Fields – car park €75,000

Murphys Farm/ Bishopstown Park – pathways & cycleways €1,000,000  
Murphys Farm/ Bishopstown Park - new depot & sports pavilion €1,100,000

Glasheen - school path. €45,000

Mardyke Gardens - Fitzgerald Park €3,400,000

Playground - Fitzgerald Park €675,000

Banks of Lee walkway – Paths & Railings €175,000

Lehenaghmore - pitches €100,000

Mardyke - skate park €300,000

Bishopstown Park – Playground €550,000

### **Cork South West Ward Parks Revenue Expenditure**

An annual provision in excess of €1,000,000 is allocated for the maintenance of Parks, Playgrounds and Open Space Areas in the ward.

David Joyce,  
Director of Services,  
Environment & Recreation

## **6.2 NAGASAKI MONUMENT SITUATED IN WINTHROP STREET**

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

Please inform the Council as to the whereabouts of the Nagasaki Monument that was situated in Winthrop Street during the 1980's and 1990's. Please inform the Council when will this monument be returned to the public realm and where is the Limestone Plaque that was gifted to the city in 1981 by the City of Rennes as a mark of friendship and where is this plaque now?

(Cllr. Kenneth O'Flynn)  
(Deferred from meeting  
of 31<sup>st</sup> October)

#### **REPLY**

The Hiroshima & Nagasaki memorial is situated in the Peace Park at the junction South Mall and Grand Parade.

In relation to the Limestone Plaque Cork City Council was not involved in its removal. It would appear that a third party may have been involved in same.

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

Paul Moynihan,  
Director of Services,  
Corporate & External Affairs

#### 6.3 **FAIRFIELD LAWN AND FAIRFIELD MEADOW EST, FAIRHILL**

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

Can the CE report on any engagement between Cork City Council & Cork County Council on a process to take in charge Fairfield Lawn & Fairfield Meadow Est, Fairhill? Is there a bond in place that might allow the necessary completion of works in what is an estate of City Council tenants in a County Council administrative area?

(Cllr. Michael Nugent)  
(Deferred from meeting of 31<sup>st</sup>  
October)

#### **REPLY**

Cork City & County Councils have engaged on this issue. There is a Planning bond in place and Cork County Council are currently negotiating with the Bond Company to have the required works carried out to enable the taking in charge process be completed.

V. O'Sullivan,  
Director of Services,  
Housing & Community.

#### 6.4 **STUDENT ACCOMMODATION**

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

Student Accommodation

1. How many separate proposals for student accommodation are lodged with Cork City Council at the moment?

2. How many beds will these add to existing stock?
3. Is there any overall development plan in relation to student accommodation for Cork City?

(Cllr. Sean Martin)

**REPLY**

1. 3 proposals
2. TP17/37374 **350** bed spaces, Bandon Road, Lyonshall,  
TP17/37406 **242** bed spaces, Washington Street, Summix wSC Developments Ltd  
TP 17/37257 **161** bed spaces Farranlea Rd, Summix FRC Developments Limited
3. The preparation of a student accommodation strategy for Cork City Council is underway. A report on Student accommodation strategy for Cork City was sent to the Planning SPC on 25<sup>th</sup> September.

**Decision of Committee**

The Committee requested that a policy statement in relation to student accommodation be prepared for the end of Q2 2018, for incorporation into the City Development Plan.

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

6.5 **BUNGALOW AT THE BACK OF PEARSE SQUARE/FR. DOMINIC ROAD**

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

Is the bungalow at the back of Pearse Square/Fr. Dominic Road in public or private ownership? Are there any plans for it? It is empty for a number of years and in a dilapidated state.

(Cllr. Fiona Kerins)

**REPLY**

The property in question is in private ownership and as such the City Council has no plans for same.

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

6.6 **TRANSFER TO A VOLUNTARY HOUSING AGENCY PROPERTY**

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir T. O'Driscoll, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

Is it possible for Council tenants who are overcrowded to apply for a transfer to a property managed by a Voluntary Housing Agency?

(Cllr. Tom O'Driscoll)

## **REPLY**

Cork City Council has recently extended the Choice Based Letting (CBL) System to include suitable properties available for letting from Approved Housing Bodies (AHBs). The new facility on the website **cbl.corkcity.ie** will display the name of the Property Manager (either Cork City Council or the AHB). The AHB property listings will be in the same format as for Council properties, including a detailed description, photographs, and an interactive map showing the property location. It will also provide a link to the relevant Approved Housing Bodies' website so applicants can get further information if desired. The first property under the pilot of the new initiative was advertised in late October.

Any City Council tenant who has submitted a transfer request which has been approved is granted access to the CBL system, to allow them to submit bids on any advertised properties in the same manner as applicants on the housing waiting list.

V. O'Sullivan,  
Director of Services,  
Housing & Community Services.

## 6.7 **OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS**

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

Why are Occupational Therapists being sent to re-assess people with Autism and various other conditions of a similar nature which are lifelong medical conditions which we are aware from medical evidence, these conditions do not change over time?

Please explain why this practice is being done and the cost incurred with such?

(Cllr. Kenneth O'Flynn)

## **REPLY**

Cork City Council uses a panel of independent Occupational Therapists established by e-procurement procedures in 2016. The Occupational Therapists assess the applicant's medical needs and apply them to their current accommodation.

Applicants occasionally include (within their application) a report from a HSE Occupational Therapist or an Enable Ireland Occupational Therapist. The reports of Cork City Council's Occupational Therapists are used in these instances to complement the reports submitted with the application. The Cork City Council Occupational Therapist reports provide a more detailed picture of the property layout and potential for adaptation.

The cost of an Occupational Therapist report is €280 per visit.

V. O'Sullivan,  
Director of Services,  
Housing & Community

## 6.8 **PROVISION OF SPEED RAMPS IN COOLGARTEN PARK**

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

Provision of speed ramps in Coolgarten Park

1. Would it be possible to assess Coolgarten Park for the insertion of a suitable number of speed ramps to prevent motorists from speeding from Magazine Road to Glasheen Road and vice versa through Coolgarten Park particularly at morning and evening rush hours? Residents of the cul de sac off Coolgarten Park find it impossible to exit their area at peak times because of speeding motorists.
2. Could yellow lines be inserted at the junction (west side) of Magazine Road and Coolgarten Park? Motorists are parking right up to the corner and it is then difficult to exit on to Magazine Road if turning left.

(Cllr. Mary Shields)

### **REPLY**

1. Coolgarten Park will be assessed to determine the extent of the problems that exist and in order to identify any possible mitigation measures that could be provided. Any traffic calming solutions that are identified will be put forward for the consideration of Elected Members in the context of the next traffic calming works programme.
2. Cork City Council will assess the road painting request for Coolgarten Park. If deemed appropriate it will be added to the ongoing painting programme and will be undertaken subject to suitable weather conditions in accordance with the available budget.

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

## 6.9 **TREE RE-PLANTING PROGRAMME**

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 progress of ongoing considerations for a tree replanting programme for the 500 fallen trees lost from Storm Ophelia?

To ask about the number of trees removed as part of the ongoing City Centre Traffic Strategy and the reasons why?

(Cllr. Kieran McCarthy)

### **REPLY**

An annual provision of €100,000 was included in Parks Revenue Budgets for tree planting in the City up to 2011, this unfortunately was one of the many budgets removed at that time to assist with addressing the Council's difficult financial position due to the economic collapse. The Council has not been in a position to replace this budget to date.

An assessment of tree planting requirements will be carried out during 2018 to address the loss of trees caused by Storm Ophelia and, provision included in the 2019 Draft Estimates for consideration.

There are 7 trees to be removed as part of the City Centre Public Transport Improvement Scheme. It is necessary to remove the trees to facilitate the upgrading of public lighting and to enable the realignment of roadways and junctions

It is proposed to install 13 new trees in suitable locations across the Middle Parish as part of the scheme.

David Joyce,  
Director of Services,  
Environment & Recreation.

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

#### 6.10 **PUBLIC LIGHTING ON ST. PATRICK'S STREET AND ST. PATRICK'S BRIDGE**

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

Can the City Manager please confirm the up to date position in relation to the refurbishment of Public Lighting on St Patrick's Street and St Patrick's Bridge. When are works on St Patrick's Bridge due to commence, finish and can Councilors please be furnished with a copy of the Tender brief issued in relation to the renewal of Public Lighting on St Patrick's Bridge.

(Cllr. Tim Brosnan)

#### **REPLY**

The improvements to lighting on St. Patrick's Street are being undertaken on foot of the Council's normal maintenance contract with SSE Airtricity. In the first instance the electrical supply circuits are being upgraded to cater for better protection and to provide separate dedicated circuits to cater for festive lighting. The access to the customer service pillars has been improved and will be controlled to comply with electrical safety management. The lanterns on both the Pitman & Sarah type columns are being up graded over the period of the maintenance contract to incorporate LED lamps and electronic control gear delivering energy reductions in line with City Council policy.

The rehabilitation of St. Patrick's Bridge has been divided into two phases; the advance works contract, which is currently at tender evaluation phase, includes for the removal of the existing heritage lighting columns on the bridge parapets, transporting them for repair and replication and returning them complete and ready to be installed in the next phase of works. There are currently four lighting columns on the bridge with a further four in storage. The proposed contract includes for the restoration of these existing heritage lighting columns and their replication to provide 14 columns and lanterns. 12 as per the original layout with the remaining 2 to remain in storage for use in the event of loss or damage. It is expected that this element of the works will commence in early to mid December and be completed by June 2018.



The second phase of works, currently at detailed design phase, will consist of the remaining remedial works to the bridge and is expected to commence on site in April/May 2018, subject to funding allocation.

Extract from tender documentation is as follows:

## Particulars

These are the Particulars referred to in the Instructions. They are part of the Invitation to Tender (ITT).

Tender for	Tender for St. Patricks Bridge Heritage Standards
Comprising	<p>The scope of works required for the scheme is summarised briefly as follows:</p> <p>The scheme involves the rehabilitation of the heritage standards on St. Patricks bridge in Cork City. The standards are comprised of cast iron columns with lanterns. There are 4 in place on the bridge and an additional 4 in storage.</p> <p>The successful tenderer will be required to carefully remove the existing 4 columns on the bridge and send these plus the additional 4 in storage to be repaired/restored in accordance with the specification. In addition, 6 duplicates shall be made which shall be exact copies of the originals.</p> <p>Upon completion, the 14 repaired/replicated standards will sent to a designated storage facility where they will be installed by a third party at a later date. The successful tenderer will be required to deliver the standards fully assembled, complete with new lanterns and lighting heads.</p>
At	St. Patricks bridge, Cork City
For	Cork City Council
Using (Instructions section 1.3)	<p>The form of Conditions set out in the Public Works Contract for Minor Building and Civil Engineering Works Designed by the Employer with a cited revision reference commencing with v2 published on <a href="http://constructionprocurement.gov.ie/contracts/">http://constructionprocurement.gov.ie/contracts/</a> on the date 10 days before the latest date for submission of Tenders (disregarding any amendments posted on that date).</p>

Gerry O'Beirne,  
 Director of Services,  
 Roads and Transportation

6.11 **COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUES**

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

Can the CE inform Council how many Commemorative Plaques were erected by Cork City Council in the past 2 years?

(Cllr. John Sheehan)

**REPLY**

Within the past two years the City Council erected a commemorative plaque on Sheares Street as agreed by the Commemorative Motions Committee during the course of the 2016 Programme.

Paul Moynihan,  
Director of Services,  
Corporate and External Affairs.

6.12 **INSPECTION REGIME OF RENTAL PROPERTIES**

**The following question submitted by Comhairleoir J. Buttimer was deferred to the next Meeting of An Chomhairle to be held 27<sup>th</sup> November 2017.**

To ask the Chief Executive for a full and comprehensive report on the inspection regime of rental properties in Cork City and issues arising from those inspections?

(Cllr. John Buttimer)

7 **PARTY WHIPS – 6<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2017**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the minutes of the Party Whips from its meeting held 6<sup>th</sup> November 2017.

7.1 **RESIGNATION REQUEST FROM CLLR. MARION O’SULLIVAN RELATING TO THE TRAVELLER ACCOMMODATION COMMITTEE**

On the proposal of Comhairleoir M. Finn, seconded by Comhairleoir S. Martin, An Chomhairle considered and approved that Comhairleoir F. Ryan would take the place vacated by Comhairleoir M. O’Sullivan on the Traveller Accommodation Committee.

7.2 **PARTY WHIPS FOI REQUEST**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the Freedom of Information request.

7.3 **DATE OF AGM FOR 2018**

On the proposal of Comhairleoir S. Martin, seconded by Comhairleoir J. Buttimer, An Chomhairle considered and approved the date of the Annual General Meeting would be Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2018.

7.4 **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

7.4.1 **ORDINARY MEETINGS OF AN CHOMHAIRLE**

An Chomhairle considered and approved that in circumstances where an Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle could not take place due to unforeseen circumstances (for example ex-Hurricane Ophelia) that the meeting would take place on the Tuesday immediately following the Monday of the scheduled meeting, where reasonably possible.

8. **TOURISM, ARTS & CULTURE STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE – 6<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2017**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the minutes of the Tourism, Arts & Culture Strategic Policy Committee from its meeting held 6<sup>th</sup> November 2017.

8.1 **(MMIAH) – INTERREG ATLANTIC AREA PROGRAMME (ELIZABETH FORT)**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the report of the Director of Services dated 31<sup>st</sup> October 2017 on (MMIAH) – Interreg Atlantic Area Programme (Elizabeth Fort).

8.2 **CREATIVE IRELAND**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services dated 31<sup>st</sup> October 2017 on Creative Ireland.

8.3 **CORK CITY CULTURE NIGHT**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services dated 31<sup>st</sup> October 2017 on Cork City Culture Night.

9. **TOURISM, ARTS & CULTURE FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 6<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2017**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the minutes of the Tourism, Arts & Culture Functional Committee from its meeting held 6<sup>th</sup> November 2017.

9.1 **ARTS COMMITTEE**

An Chomhairle considered and approved Arts Committee recommendations as follows:-

1. The Adoption of the report of the Arts Office dated 31<sup>st</sup> October 2017, unanimously agreed;
2. The election Cllr. Chris O’Leary as Chair of the Arts Committee;
3. That late Arts Grant applications will not be considered.

9.2 **CRUISE AMBASSADORS**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Corporate and External Affairs dated 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2017 on Cruise Ambassadors.

9.3 **MMIAH INTERREG ATLANTIC AREA PROGRAMME (ELIZABETH FORT)**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Corporate and External Affairs dated 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2017 on MMIAH – Interreg Atlantic Area Programme (Elizabeth Fort).

9.4 **GLOW**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Corporate and External Affairs, dated 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2017 on GLOW.

9.5 **ST. PETER’S, NORTH MAIN STREET**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Corporate and External Affairs, dated 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2017 on St. Peter’s, North Main Street.

9.6 **CULTURE NIGHT 2017**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Corporate and External Affairs, dated 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2017 on Culture Night 2017.

9.7 **CREATIVE IRELAND**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Corporate and External Affairs, dated 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2017 on Creative Ireland.

9.8 **MOTIONS**

9.8.1 **TWINNING SIGNAGE**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services dated 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2017 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That signs displaying a list of the cities twinned with Cork be placed at the major entry points to the city in order to promote awareness among visitors.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O’Driscoll 17/289)

The report of the Director of Services stated that Corporate and External Affairs Directorate will liaise with the Roads Directorate with regard to the estimated costs and possible locations of signage promoting our twinning relationships.

However I suggest that no action be taken until a final decision on the extent of the city boundary extension is reached. This is to ensure that the most prominent entry points to the newly extended Cork City are identified.

10. **FINANCE & ESTIMATES FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 6<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2017**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the minutes of the Finance & Estimates Functional Committee from its meeting held 6<sup>th</sup> November 2017.

## **SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS**

On the proposal of Comhairleoir C. O’Leary, seconded by Comhairleoir K. McCarthy, An Chomhairle agreed to suspend Standing Orders to continue the meeting past 8:00 p.m.

### 10.1 **FINANCE RELATED REPORTS**

#### 10.1.1 **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO END OF SEPTEMBER 2017**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Financial Statements to end of September 2017.

### 10.2 **MOTIONS**

#### **AMENDMENTS TO THE DEVELOPMENT CONTRIBUTION SCHEME AS ADOPTED 28<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2016**

Following the Director of Services, Strategic Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise advices that the issue relating to the treatment of the family home had been clarified, An Chomhairle approved the Chief Executive’s Report on the Development Contribution Scheme (Draft Amendment) 2017 - 2021 and Supplementary Development Contribution Scheme (Draft Amendment) 2017 – 2021 (Sections 48 & 49 Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended)), date 27<sup>th</sup> September, 2017.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir S. Martin, seconded by Comhairleoir C. O’Leary, An Chomhairle adopted the following Resolution:-

‘Having considered the Development Contribution Scheme (Draft Amendment) and Supplementary Development Contribution Scheme (Draft Amendment) 2017 – 2021, and the Chief Executive’s report and having regard to clarification relating to the treatment of the family home under the respective development contribution schemes, it is hereby resolved under Section 48 (8) (a) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) to adopt the following amendments and make the revised development contribution schemes:

#### **RESOLVED:**

**Development Contribution Scheme**, which read as;

##### **Table 4**

Overhangs (including balconies)

Any structure (including balconies) having an overhang in excess of 600mm will have the entire area under the overhang included in the area used to calculate the contribution

##### **Table 5**

**5.23** Where part of a habitable house or other single residential unit (e.g. duplex or apartment unit) is demolished in connection with the provision of an extension and / or other alterations or modifications, a reduction of 100% will apply to the first 40 square metres. Only one exemption will apply. Where a property has benefitted from this

reduction, subsequent extension over and above 40 square metres will be charged at the applicable rate.

**5.24** Proportionate reduction in respect of demolition will be allowed. Appropriate reductions in respect of demolition will be allowed excluding structures exempt from contributions. Demolition must be necessary to facilitate the proposed development.

**Now amended to;**

**Table 4 – reference to “Overhangs” removed**

**Table 5**

**5.23** Where part of a habitable house or other single residential unit (e.g. duplex or apartment unit) is demolished in connection with the provision of an extension and / or other alterations or modifications, a reduction of 100% will apply to the first 40 square metres. A property can only avail of this reduction once; subsequent reductions will be charged at the applicable rate.

**5.24** Proportionate reductions in respect of demolition will be allowed excluding where;

- Development contributions were not previously levied.
- The replacement development and the intended use constitute a substantial intensification of use of services.

Demolition must be necessary to facilitate the proposed development.

**Supplementary Development Contribution Scheme,** which read as;

**4.23** Where part of a habitable house or other single residential unit (e.g. duplex or apartment unit) is demolished in connection with the provision of an extension and / or other alterations or modifications, a reduction of 100% will apply to the first 40 square metres. Only one exemption will apply. Where a property has benefitted from this reduction, subsequent extension over and above 40 square metres will be charged at the applicable rate.

**4.24** Proportionate reduction in respect of demolition will be allowed. Appropriate reductions in respect of demolition will be allowed excluding structures exempt from contributions. Demolition must be necessary to facilitate the proposed development.’

**Now amended to;**

**4.23** Where part of a habitable house or other single residential unit (e.g. duplex or apartment unit) is demolished in connection with the provision of an extension and / or other alterations or modifications, a reduction of 100% will apply to the first 40 square metres. A property can only avail of this reduction once; subsequent reductions will be charged at the applicable rate.

**4.24** Proportionate reductions in respect of demolition will be allowed excluding where;

- Development contributions were not previously levied.
- The replacement development and the intended use constitute a substantial intensification of use of services.

Demolition must be necessary to facilitate the proposed development.

11. **CORRESPONDENCE**

An Chomhairle noted correspondence received.

12. **CONFERENCE/SEMINAR SUMMARIES**

An Chomhairle noted summaries by members of Conferences/Seminars attended.

13. **CONFERENCES/ SEMINARS**

None received.

14. **TRAINING**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoir T. O'Driscoll at the A.I.L.G. Conference, Recent Experience of Local Authorities in Severe Weather to be held on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2017 in Dunboyne Castle Hotel, Dunboyne, Co. Meath.

15. **MOTIONS**

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

15.1 **ONE WAY SYSTEM FOR DOUGLAS STREET, SAWMILL STREET, KEMP STREET, WHITE STREET AND RUTLAND STREET**

'That the Roads Directorate come back to Council with proposals in relation to making Douglas Street, Sawmill Street, Kemp Street, White Street and Rutland Street one way as agreed at the Council Meeting in relation to the White Street Part 8.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 17/295)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

15.2 **SOCIAL HOUSING AT PARK OWEN**

'That Cork City Council Housing Department and Parks Department evaluate Park Owen with a view to putting in some social housing for the elderly and in tandem re-invigorate the Park.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 17/314)

**Housing & Community Functional Committee**

15.3 **'BRING IN YOUR BIN' MARKETING CAMPAIGN**

'That Cork City Council undertakes a 'bring in your bin' marketing campaign (and subsequent enforcement strategy) to deter the practice of people leaving wheelie bins on streets all day.'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 17/330)

**Environment & Recreation Functional Committee**

15.4 **ADD CAHERGAL LAWN TO THE ESTATES ROAD RESURFACING PROGRAMME 2018**

'That Cahergal Lawn be added to the Estates Road resurfacing programme for 2018. Also, that the footpath surface in this estate be redone as the asphalt material applied in recent years has totally deteriorated.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 17/342)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

15.5 **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING ON BALLYHOOLY ROAD**

'That Cork City Council put in place a pedestrian crossing adjacent to the bus stop past Keating's Furniture on Ballyhooly Road as part of the pending road development.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 17/345)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

15.6 **RE-EVALUATE FOOTPATH AT DUBLIN HILL, BLACKPOOL**

'That the footpath at the bottom of Dublin Hill, Blackpool be re-evaluated especially the part of the path that deals with disability accessibility needs, to see if this can be redone to allow a greater flow of traffic in the area.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O'Flynn 17/371)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

15.7 **TRAFFIC CALMING IN BANTRY PARK ROAD**

'That in the interest of Health and Safety that a traffic calming investigation be carried out in Bantry Park Road, Cork as traffic has increased dramatically in there due to new shopping outlets being open in the area.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O'Flynn 17/372)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**



15.8 **CRITERIA FOR APPLYING FOR PARKING PERMITS**

‘That City Council would re-examine the wording in the criteria for applying for parking permits for tenants of properties who's landlords are registered and unregistered with the P.R.T.B.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 17/383)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

15.9 **TRAFFIC SITUATION IN COOLGARTEN PARK**

‘That Cork City Council would assess and address the dangerous traffic situation in Coolgarten Park.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 17/397)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

15.10 **TWINNING OF CORK AND SYDNEY**

‘That in light of a County Council move to effectively twin the harbours of Cork and Sydney (and with special consideration of the historic links between Cobh and Sydney), this council should initiate moves to twin with the city of Sydney which has had close connections with Cork for generations.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 17/400)

**Tourism, Arts & Culture Functional Committee**

15.11 **APPLICATION FOR THE EU GREEN CAPITAL AWARD**

‘That the City Council works towards preparing an application for the EU Green Capital Award. The Awards aim to reward the efforts of cities who strive to improve the lives of their citizens, become role models and commit to environmental, social and economic sustainability.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 17/401)

**Environment & Recreation Functional Committee**

15.12 **SUPPORT TRANSLATION OF THE TOMÁS MCCURTAIN DIARIES**

‘That the translation of the Tomás McCurtain diaries, being currently led by the Cork Decorative Fine Arts Society in association with Cork Public Museum be supported by Cork City Council as part of the Decade of Centenaries.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 17/402)

**Tourism, Arts & Culture Functional Committee**

15.13 **DEMOLITION/RECONSTRUCTION OF TRINITY BRIDGE**

‘That as part of the renewal of Morrisson's Island / George's Quay and Union Quay, Cork City Council would ensure the demolition / reconstruction of Trinity Bridge as it has in" its own way"" contributed to flooding in the area since its construction. Some of the options presented by Save the Lee are very worthy of consideration.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 17/404)

**Environment & Recreation Functional Committee**

15.14 **CUT HEDGING AND CLEAN FOOTPATH ON SHANAKIEL ROAD**

‘Could the funding be found to cut hedging and clean the footpath on Shanakiel Road. It is extremely dangerous for anyone using this footpath to get to Blarney Road. Due to the encroachment of earth and grass the path has become very narrow in places and it is only a matter of time before an accident happens.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. O’Sullivan 17/406)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

15.15 **ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR IN VARIOUS PARTS OF THE CITY**

‘That Cork City Council would work with the Joint Policing Forum in order to address the increasing anti-social behaviour that is occurring with large groups of teens in various parts of the City.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Sheehan 17/407)

**Party Whips**

15.16 **ROBUST INSPECTION SYSTEM WITH REGARD TO PRIVATE RENTED ACCOMMODATION**

‘In view of the disturbing RTE investigation report re severe overcrowding that Cork City Council would work with Central Government to ensure that there is a robust inspection system in place with regard to private rented accommodation, especially with regard to fire risk’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Sheehan 17/408)

**Housing & Community Functional Committee**

15.17 **SOLAR POWERED RADAR SPEED SIGNS**

‘To install solar powered radar speed signs on Clashduv Road, Togher Road, Magazine Road, Dorgan’s Road, Hartland’s Avenue and Glasheen Road. There are a number of very reasonable and affordable options for solar powered radar speed signs and it will save lives if installed in these areas. We should not wait until accidents happen to put preventative measures in place.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Moloney 17/409)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

15.18 **CO-ORDINATE DATES OF EVENTS**

‘That Cork City Council meet with the various major event organisers and promoters in an attempt to co-ordinate the dates of such events and maximize their benefit to the local economy and to the City.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O’Driscoll 17/412)

**Tourism, Arts & Culture Functional Committee**

15.19 **INSPECTION PROGRAMME ON PRIVATE RENTED HOUSING**

‘That Cork City Council report on the inspection programme carried out by Cork City Council on the private rented housing sector in 2016, 2017 to date. The report to contain:-

- a) The number of inspections carried out.
- b) The number of dwellings inspected.
- c) The number of dwellings inspected that failed to meet standards on first inspection.
- d) The number of HAP units inspected.
- e) The number of HAP units inspected within 8 months of start of tenancy.
- f) The number of HAP units that failed to meet standards.

The report to also contain the amount of Government Payments made to Cork City Council for carrying out inspections in that period.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 17/413)

**Housing & Community Functional Committee**

15.20 **YELLOW BOX JUNCTIONS BETWEEN SILVERSPRINGS HOTEL AND BALLYHOOLEY ROAD**

‘In view of the proposed increase in speed limit on the North Ring Road, that, in order to facilitate the entry and exit of vehicles to and from residential areas in Mayfield, Yellow Box junctions be painted at the six junctions between Siverssprings Hotel and Ballyhooly Road (O’Callaghan’s Garage) as an interim measure and that provision be made in the 2018 Roads / Traffic budget for the erection of traffic lights at the following four junctions:

1. Lagan Grove, Shannon Lawn

2. Liffey Park, Glencree Crescent, Analee Grove, Gweedore Avenue
3. Ballinderry Park, Corrib Lawn
4. Boyne Crescent
5. Silversprings Court
6. Silverheights/Boherboy'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Tynan 17/414)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

15.21 **TRAFFIC ASSESSMENT ON BLACKROCK ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council roads department carry out a comprehensive traffic assessment on the Blackrock Road, from Blackrock Village to the Church Road junction. To include traffic count & speed survey, with a view to considering the implementation of:

1. A 30km/h zone along this stretch of the road.
2. The installation of a solar powered speed monitor within the area.
3. Increased signage that would alert road users to pedestrians in the area.
4. Bollards that would prevent motorists driving on the footpaths near the entrance to Glandore Avenue and Mews.

There is broad support from the residents of the area who themselves have petitioned city council on same.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Keeffe 17/415)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

15.22 **ROAD, FOOTPATH AND PUBLIC LIGHTING IN DONSCOURT AND CARDINAL COURT**

‘That Cork City Council would survey the road, footpath and public lighting network in Donscourt and Cardinal Court and undertake repairs and reinstatement as required.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 17/416)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

15.23 **HOUSING ASSOCIATION/TRUST**

‘That Cork City Council will consider establishing a housing association or trust that may be able to source funds not readily available to local authorities to enable the Council to acquire and build social and affordable housing.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 17/418)

**Housing & Community Functional Committee**

16. **MOTIONS**

16.1 **CAP ON FEES CHARGED BY AUCTIONEERS/ESTATE AGENTS**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the following Motion:-

‘That Cork City Council calls on Housing Minister Eoghan Murphy TD to introduce a monetary cap of circa €500 on the fees charged by Auctioneers / Estate Agents in respect of sales of ordinary 3 or 4 bedroomed dwellings where they are being purchased as a principle primary residence.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 17/405)

16.2 **INSTALL BINS AT BUS STOPS AROUND THE CITY**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the following Motion:-

‘To write to Bus Éireann and request that they install bin’s at the bus stops around the city. People waiting for buses often leave their rubbish (cigarette butts, tea/coffee cups etc.). The bins can be placed in certain areas around the city, I am not suggesting every bus stop, there can be easily identified areas chosen to start with.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Moloney 17/410)

This concluded the business of the meeting

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