

**MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF CORK COUNTY BOROUGH
COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 10TH DECEMBER 2001**

PRESENT:- An tArd-Mheara, Comhairleoir T. O'Driscoll and subsequently Leas Ard-Mheara Chomhairleoir S. Martin in the chair.

NORTH EAST Seanoir M. Quill, Comhairleoiri T. Brosnan, L. Burke T.D. B. Kelleher T.D. and J. Kelleher.

NORTH CENTRAL Seanoir N. O'Flynn T.D., Comhairleoiri K. Lynch, B. Allen T.D. and D. Wallace.

NORTH WEST Seanoir D. McCarthy, Comhairleoiri T. Falvey, C. Burke, M. O'Connell, and J. O'Brien.

SOUTH EAST Seanoir T. Shannon, Comhairleoiri D. Clune T.D. J. Corr, J. O'Flynn, D. Counihan, J. Minihan.

SOUTH CENTRAL Seanoir C. O'Connell, Comhairleoiri D. Cregan, and D. Boyle

SOUTH WEST Seanoir J. Dennehy T.D., Comhairleoiri M. Ahern, B. Bermingham, P.J. Hourican.

ALSO PRESENT Mr. J. Gavin, City Manager & Town Clerk
Mr. K. Terry, Director of Services & City Engineer
Mr. M. Riordan, Director of Services Corporate Affairs
Mr. J. O'Donovan, Director of Services Planning & Development
Ms. M. Loughed, Director of Services Housing & Community
Mr. G. Cummins, Administrative Officer Housing
Ms. B. Dillon-Hall, Senior Executive Officer Corporate Affairs

An tArd Mheara recited the opening prayer

1 **CONDOLENCES**

It was agreed to send condolences to relatives of Asylum Seekers who died recently in Wexford.

2 **MINUTES**

Minutes of

- (a) Estimates Meeting held on 26th November, 2001.
- (b) Special Meeting of An Chomhairle held on 27th November, 2001.
- (c) Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held on 27th November, 2001.

were considered and approved

3. **QUESTION TIME**

3.1 **PROVISION OF PITCHES IN MAHON**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir S. Martin, the following written reply was circulated which stated that various clubs have expressed an interest in utilizing pitches at Mahon. The pitches are not expected to come into play until at least mid 2003 at the earliest with no decision yet on allocation. Normal procedure would be that nominations/recommendations would be sought from the parent sporting bodies in relation to allocation - this has been previously agreed by Council.

CLOSING OFF NORTHERN END OF MAGLIN GROVE

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir M. Ahern, the following written reply was circulated which stated that we will investigate and prepare a report for the next South-West Ward Meeting, whereat the Members can consider for inclusion in the 2002 Works Programme.

3.2 **FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF BLACKROCK VILLAGE**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir D. Clune T.D., the following written reply was circulated which stated that the City Development Plan objective for the Historic Village of Blackrock is to maintain its architectural character and residential uses. This would allow infill development in scale with existing buildings. There may also be some scope for new development in land adjacent to the Harbour Boat Club.

In 1999 a plan was prepared for revitalisation of Blackrock Harbour Area. A number of design options were prepared which envisaged provision of an attractive recreational area, and a functioning harbour for small boats. This Plan could be reactivated if funding opportunities were available.

The Ursuline Convent and adjoining lands are also coming up for redevelopment and a Development Brief is being prepared at present by the Planning Department.

The Convent is an important listed building with views out over the river and could be reused as a prestigious hotel or for office or residential purposes. The land on the northside of the building provides the setting of the building and it is envisaged that it would remain free of development and is identified as such in the City Development Plan. The re-use of the Convent could create an opportunity to make a more positive linkage between these lands and the village harbour.

3.3 **PROVISION OF NEW DOORS IN FOTA LAWN**

In response to question submitted by Seanoir D. McCarthy, the following written reply was circulated which stated that houses at Fota Lawn are included in a contract which has been awarded by the Corporation. It is anticipated that work on installing replacement doors will commence in January 2002.

3.4 **PEDESTRIAN/PELICAN CROSSING FOR OLD YOUGHAL ROAD**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir T. Brosnan, the following written reply was circulated which stated that some work has already been done in providing a new pedestrian facility near Ard Bhaile, Old Youghal Road including the laying of cable ducting and the standing of poles. The project had to be stopped because of serious objections from residents adjacent to the crossing location.

A new location in the vicinity has to be selected and a process of consultation with local residents and the local school will have to be carried out. If agreement is reached on a new location it is planned to install the facility early next year.

3.5 **PROVISION OF PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT GREEN LAWN, KINSALE ROAD**

In response to question submitted by Seanoir J. Dennehy, the following written reply was circulated which stated that the junction of Green Lawn/Old Kinsale Road/Pearse Road has been recently resurfaced. A new junction layout is currently being designed incorporating designated pedestrian crossing points. Pedestrian refuge islands will be provided on the Old Kinsale Road near Green Lawn and possibly at other locations in the junction to improve the facilities for pedestrians at the junction.

The work is included in the roads programme and will be carried out as soon as possible.

3.6 **RECYCLING INITIATIVE FUNDS GRANTS**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir D. Boyle, the following written reply was circulated which stated that Cork Corporation received funding from the Department of the Environment and Local Government in 1998 and 1999 towards the cost of providing 14 Bring Sites under the Operational Programme for Environmental Services 1994 – 1999.

There is no Recycling Initiative Grants Scheme in operation by the Department of the Environment and Local Government for 2001. If and when such a fund becomes available the Environment Directorate will be making a submission for funds under this scheme.

4. **REPORT ON SITE AT MAYFIELD CROSS**

An Chomhairle approved report of City Manager & Town Clerk dated 6th November, 2001 in relation to site at Mayfield Cross, Old Youghal Road.

The report stated that The Office of Public Works has been in discussions with the Corporation with a view to purchasing a site of approximately 4.72 acres in area situated at Old Youghal Road on behalf of the Department of Education for permanent schools for Gaelscoil An Ghoirt Álainn and for COPE Foundation. Consultation has taken place within various sections of the Corporation and there are no objections to the disposal of this site subject to conditions in relation to public sewers and details of a boundary fence.

The Office of Public Works is currently considering a valuation of the site. I now seek Council's approval in principle to disposal of this site to the Office of Public Works subject to agreement on terms and subject to submission of Disposal Notice under Section 83 of the Local Government Act 1946 for Council's approval.

5 **RECREATION, AMENITY & CULTURE STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE**

5.1 **REPORT ON LIBRARY SERVICES**

In accordance with the recommendation of the Recreation, Amenity and Culture Strategic Policy Committee from its meeting held on 19th November, 2001. An Chomhairle noted report on Library services by the City Librarian. The report gave an overview of the present service.

5.2 **SPORTS FACILITIES**

In accordance with the recommendation of the Recreation, Amenity and Culture Strategic Policy Committee from its meeting from its meeting held on 19th November, 2001, An Chomhairle approved report of the Director of Services on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

“That Cork Corporation together with Cork County Council would jointly develop sports facilities including a municipal Golf Course in the area between Parklands, Nashs Boreen and Killeens to cater for the growing population in the immediate area.”

(Proposer:- Comhairleoir C. Burke – 01/150)

The report stated that Cork Corporation would shortly be advertising for Consultants to carry out detailed recreational and sport study for the city. The motion would be kept under review whilst the study is being undertaken.

5.3 **SPECIAL OLYMPICS**

In accordance with the recommendation of the Recreation, Amenity and Culture Strategic Policy Committee from its meeting from held on 19th November, 2001, An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

“That this Council facilitate this city becoming a host city for the 2003 Special Olympics, being held in Ireland, offering hospitality to a delegation from a large participant nation.”

(Proposer:- Comhairleoir D. Boyle – 01/154)

The report stated that the Special Olympics Committee had initiated a Host Town Programme whereby athletes from various countries would be hosted by up to 160 different communities throughout the 32 counties. Each participating delegation would be matched with a Host Town based on the need and size of the delegation. It had just been confirmed by the Special Olympics Committee that Cork City would be host to Mexico, from 16th to 20th June, 2003 prior to official opening of the Games on the 21st June.

6 ROADS & TRANSPORTATION STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE

6.1 TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

In accordance with the recommendation of the Roads & Transportation Strategic Policy Committee from its meeting held on 3rd December, 2001. An Chomhairle approved report on Traffic Management by Director of Services/City Engineer regarding the introduction of the next phase of the Traffic Management System.

The report stated that Cork Corporation has an on-going programme to up-grade the pedestrian environment in the city centre, which includes gradually changing many of the one-way traffic systems back to two-way. The policy of reverting the city streets to two-way is part of an overall transportation policy to improve the environment of the city centre and to promote its social and commercial life.

The one-way system was installed in the 1970's to cater for increasing traffic volumes through the city and which did not have an alternative route at the time.

Benefits of the two-way systems will be:

- Deliveries, access and local circulation much easier.
- Many visitors/tourists find the one-way system confusing.
- The reverting to two-way is a form of traffic calming for the city centre and now is an opportune time to install this system because of the reduced traffic volumes resulting from the opening of the new ring roads.
- Easier traffic movements and reduced traffic volumes in parts of the city centre will result in cleaner air and reduced noise levels.

The first phase was introduced on the 9th October 2001 and was agreed by the City Council and the Gardaí on a six month trial basis. This phase included the south quays between the Opera House and the Bus Station/Jury's Inn and provided two-way routing along Lavitt's Quay, Merchant's Quay and Anderson's Quay. The proposed next four phases are:

- ◆ M^cCurtain Street (including Bridge Street St. Patrick's Bridge and part of Lower Glanmire Road)
- ◆ Washington Street West/Lancaster Quay/Sheare's Street
- ◆ Lower Glanmire Road/Horgan's Quay (as part of Kent Station redevelopment)
- ◆ South Mall/Anglesea Street

6.2 **20 M.P.H. ZONES**

In accordance with the recommendation of the Roads & Transportation Strategic Policy Committee from its meeting held on 19th November, 2001. An Chomhairle approved of Director of Services/City Engineer regarding the provision of 20 m.p.h zones.

The report stated that the following is further clarification of the legislative basis for speed limits. The Road Traffic Acts prescribes the speed limits that can be applied, i.e. 30 mph, 40 mph 50 mph, 60 mph and 70 mph (motorway). The most recent Traffic Act (1994) allows local authorities to designate the areas these speed limits apply by the implementation of bye-laws.

The 40 mph. and 50 mph are 'special' speed limits and the 1994 Act empowers the Minister to specify these. The introduction of 20 mph. zones could only be done if the Minister issues regulations specifying 20 mph as a special speed limit.

At this stage it is not intended to prescribe the use of special speed limits of less than 30 mph because international experience has shown that such limits in isolation do not have significant impact on vehicle speeds. Appropriate traffic calming measures are more effective.

Enforcement of 20 mph zones would be very difficult and the Gardai will want to concentrate their resources on the major traffic routes where the vast majority of fatal accidents occur.

The report also recommended that a submission be made to the Minister for the Environment and Local Government to seek introduction of 20 m.p.h. zones in Housing Estates.

6.3 **LEGAL RIGHT FOR TAXIS TO USE BUS STOPS**

In accordance with the recommendation of the Roads & Transportation Strategic Policy Committee from its meeting on 29th November, 2001. An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services/City Engineer on the following Motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

"That taxis be given a legal right to utilise bus stops outside of the hours of bus operation. This change would require a change of legislation and I would ask that this Council bring in the necessary legislation to effect change".

(Proposer: Comhairleoir S. Martin – Ref. 00/393)

The report stated that the control of the use of bus stops is implemented through the Roads Traffic (Traffic and Parking) Regulations 1997 which were issued on foot of the Roads Traffic Act 1994. Changes in the use of bus stops therefore, can only be done through a change in national legislation.

There is little or no enforcement of the prohibition of parking at bus stops when bus operations stop. (Last bus leaves St. Patrick's Street at 11.15 pm). Taxis or any other vehicle can park in the bus stops at any hour after this time. It should be noted though, that a late night service operates outside Roches Stores at weekends. Bus Eireann may also extend late night services to other areas in the city centre in the future.

However, from general observations, it can readily be seen that after 11.00 pm each night the occupancy of the current taxis ranks is very low. At weekends they are empty for most periods of the night and while the demand for taxis is very high, the demand for taxi rank spaces is low. This situation was confirmed in a recent survey carried out by Dr. Donncha O'Cinnéide of the Traffic Research Unit of UCC.

There is a current review being carried out of the number and location of taxi ranks throughout the city centre which will probably result in additional ranks in dispersed areas throughout the city centre area.

Accordingly I recommend that Members await the findings of this review due to the following:

- ◆ The difficulty in obtaining a change in national legislation.
- ◆ The potential confusion that could be caused by the various road markings and signs required to implement a dual use.
- ◆ Bus Eireann use some bus stops after midnight and may use more in the future.
- ◆ There is no obvious need for additional taxi rank spaces in the city centre at night-time.

6.4 **CYCLING IN THE CITY**

An Comhairleoir considered the recommendation of the Roads & Transportation Strategic Policy Committee from its meeting held on 29th November, 2001.

Decision of Committee

An Chomhairle agreed to refer back to Roads & Transportation Strategic Policy the following Motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

"That this Council develop Traffic Bye-Laws that will help develop and facilitate cycling in the city".

(Proposer: Comhairleoir D. Boyle – 01/290)

6.5 **VEHICLE WEIGHT RESTRICTION**

In accordance with the recommendation of the Roads & Transportation Strategic Policy Committee from its meeting held on 29th November, 2001. An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services/City Engineer on the following Motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

"That a general vehicle weight restriction limit be placed on all residential roadways within this city".

(Proposer: Comhairleoir D. Boyle – 01/213)

The report stated that under current legislation, vehicle weight restrictions must be implemented through the use of signage, i.e. every entry point to a road or area must have a regulatory sign specifying the restriction.

It is therefore not legally possible to have a 'blanket' weight restriction on residential areas. It is also not practical, as motorists would have to be made aware of the restriction and they could not be expected to differentiate between residential roads and other minor roads.

Weight restriction signs have been installed in some residential areas in the city but their use has to be carefully controlled, as even with the relatively small number in place, there have been several complaints about lack of compliance/enforcement. A widespread use of such signs without the resources available to enforce them could bring them into disrepute.

7 **DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE**

7.1 **ST. PATRICK'S STREET DEVELOPMENT BRIEF**

In accordance with the recommendation of the Development & Planning Strategic Policy Committee from its meeting held on 3rd December, 2001, An Chomhairle noted report of the Director of Services Development & Planning.

7.2 **PREPARATION OF LOCAL AREA DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR SOUTH PARISH**

In accordance with the recommendation of the Development & Planning Strategic Policy Committee from its meeting held on 3rd December, 2001. An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services on the following Motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

'That Cork Corporation would prepare a local area development plan for the South

Parish and consult with residents and relevant bodies and organisations in the parish in order to formulate an integrated plan for its future development. Such a study should:

- i. Include making the present community centre the local point of the area by
 - (a) extensive refurbishment of existing buildings;
 - (b) redevelopment of buildings adjacent to existing centres.
- ii. Retention of families in the area.
- iii. Traffic reduction.
- iv. Provision of play facilities.
- v. Reduction in apartment style accommodation’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir S. Martin – 01/282).

The report stated that the preparation of Local Area Plans for the South Parish and the other Inner City Fringe areas is recognised as highly desirable. This is acknowledged in the Cork Area Strategic Plan which identified the revitalisation of the city centre island, the north and south inner city areas and the docklands areas of Cork City as a central objective.

The physical fabric of these inner city fringe areas, such as the South Parish, Shandon and the Marsh needs to be regenerated by a combination of refurbishment of existing buildings and sensitive infill development. The public realm needs extensive upgrading and the removal of non-local traffic needs to be prioritised. Measures are also needed to retain a balanced community structure and ensure a compatible mix of uses in these areas.

The preparation of a new City Development Plan will formally commence in mid March 2002 and a Draft Plan must go to Council by late 2002. Appropriate policy responses to some of the issues effecting inner city areas can be considered as part of this process. The preparation of Local Area Plans addressing the relevant issues in more detail will then follow. Additional planning staff are being sought at present and early recruitment of these additional resources will allow the preparation of the Development Plan and a Programme of Local Plans to be put in place speedily.

7.3 **TELECOMMUNICATIONS ANTENNAE**

An Chomhairle considered the following motion which was referred to the committee by An Chomhairle:-

“That this Council utterly condemn the decision of the Minister for the Environment & Local Government to introduce regulations exempting telecommunications antennae from planning permission requirements.”

(Proposer: Comhairleoir D. Boyle - Ref. 01/336)

Chomhairle D. Boyle proposed that the motion be amended as follows:

That the words ‘utterly condemn’ be deleted and replaced by the words ‘strongly oppose’. The amended motion was seconded by Comhairleoir K. Lynch. Chomhairle D. Wallace proposed a further amendment as follows, that the words ‘utterly condemn’ be deleted and replaced by the words ‘views with concern’. The amendment was seconded by Seanoir J. Dennehy, T.D. A vote was called on Comhairleoir D. Wallace’s amendment where there appeared:-

FOR: An tArdmheara Comhairleoir T. O'Driscoll. Seanoir T. Shannon.
Comhairleoiri T. Brosnan, B. Kelleher, T.D., D. Wallace, D. Counihan, J. Minihan,
S. Martin, P.J. Hourican. – 9

AGAINST: Comhairleoiri J. Kelleher, K. Lynch, J. O'Brien, D. Clune T.D. J.
Corr, J. O'Flynn, D. Boyle, M. Ahern. – 8

An tArdmheara declared Comhairleoir Wallace's amendment carried.

7.4 **CORK ECONOMIC MONITOR – OCTOBER 2001**

In accordance with the recommendation of the Development & Planning Strategic Policy Committee from its meeting held on 3rd December, An Chomhairle discussed and noted the Cork Economic Monitor – October 2001

7.5 **MAHON LANDS**

A discussion took place in relation to sale of lands in Mahon to O'Callaghan Properties and McCarthy Development. City Manager gave an update to members on the position in relation to the lands in Mahon. Comhairleoir D. Boyle proposed that a special meeting be held to address issues in relation to the sale. Comhairleoir B Allen T.D., proposed that a comprehensive report be given to members and this was agreed.

8 **HOUSING & COMMUNITY SERVICES STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE**

8.1 **HOUSING SERVICE DELIVERY PLAN 2000 – 2004**

In accordance with the recommendation of the Housing & Community Services Strategic Policy Committee from its meeting held on 4th December, 2001. An Chomhairle approved report on Housing Service Delivery Plan 2000 – 2004

8.2 **JOINT HOUSING VENTURE**

In accordance with the recommendation of the Housing & Community Services Strategic Policy Committee from its meeting held on 4th December, 2001. An Chomhairle approved report on the joint approach by Cork City Council and Cork County Council.

8.3 **FORUM TO STOP ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR**

Members considered recommendation of the Housing and Community Strategic Policy Committee that:

- 1) Report of Director of Services on Anti-Social Behaviour be approved,
- 2) That City Council would examine the feasibility of facilitating a conference in Cork on Anti-Social Behaviour.

Comhairleoir M. Ahern proposed that the following motion be approved.

“That this Council recognises that all residents in “Council Estates” are entitled to live in a peaceful and tranquil environment. That this Council recognises that 99% of residents in “Council Estates” contribute to such an environment. That this Council also recognises that a very small number of residents of “Council Estates” engage in Anti-Social Behaviour which seriously devalues the quality of life of their fellow residents and in many instances puts peoples lives and homes at risk.

That in the light of the above a forum be convened by Corporation Housing Officials, inviting Gardai, Council Representatives and Officers of Residents Associations to set down measures to stop Anti-Social Behaviour.”

(Proposer: Comhairleoir M. Ahern – Ref. 01/287)

This was unanimously agreed.

8.4 **ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR**

In accordance with the recommendation of the Housing & Community Services Strategic Policy Committee from its meeting held on 4th December, 2001, An Chomhairle approved report of Director of Services dated 29th November 2001 on the following Motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

“That Cork Corporation introduce a policy whereby they consult with the Gardai Authorities before a person is allocated a house or flat to ensure that, that person is not known to the Gardai, or has a history of anti-social behaviour, or criminal history. Those who have should not be housed by Cork Corporation.”

(Proposer:- Seanoir T. Shannon – 01/247)

The report stated that the Housing Department has, for some time, demanded a declaration of every housing applicant that they or any prospective member of their household is not involved in the misuse of drugs and have no history of other anti-social behaviour.

Each prospective tenant is interviewed by a Senior Housing Officer prior to allocation of a tenancy and where it is felt further investigation is warranted, information may be requested from the following:

- Another Local Authority
- Criminal Assets Bureau
- A member of the Garda Siochana
- Department of Social Welfare
- Health Boards
- Voluntary Housing Associations

8.5 **SHARED OWNERSHIP**

In accordance with the recommendation of the Housing & Community Services Strategic Policy Committee from its meeting held on 4th December, 2001, An Chomhairle approved report of the Director of Services on the following Motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

“That, in view of changing social conditions and family size, the rule applying to the debarring of persons from applying for shared ownership because they are not first time buyers be abolished.”

(Proposer:- Comhairleoir S. Martin – 01/301)

The report stated that the Housing Regulations decreed that all types of Local Authority Housing Loans could be applied only to first time buyers.

The Regulations were amended in 1995 to allow consideration of applications from existing house owners whose:-

- (i) existing accommodation is unfit for human habitation, is overcrowded or is otherwise materially unsuitable having regard to the housing needs or health requirements of the occupants, or
- (ii) marriage has been dissolved or annulled by order of a court of competent jurisdiction, or who is separated from his or her spouse under an order of such court or by a deed of separation,

and who satisfies the housing authority making the loan that he or she is in need of housing and that failure to make the loan would cause undue hardship.

It is considered that applicants who are “trading up” or who are in financial difficulty or who otherwise could borrow from the private lending institutions do not meet the conditions set out above.

9 **DISPOSALS**

An Chomhairle approved the following Disposals of land:-

Shared Ownership

- (a) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 178 Silversprings Court, Tivoli, Cork, held by Cork Corporation subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated the 2nd day of December, 1996 to Sean Quinn for the sum of £34,482.71.
- (b) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 5 Avenue de Rennes, Mahon, Cork, held by Cork Corporation subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated the 15th day of November, 1999 to Gavin Brett and Martina Brett (nee Lane) for the sum of £50,699.78.
- (c) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 82 Togher Road, Cork, held by Cork Corporation subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated the 16th day of January 1997 to Shane Forde and Louise Forde (nee O’Byrne) for the sum of £28,957.12.

10 **CORRESPONDENCE**

Correspondence as circulated was noted.

11 **CONFERENCES**

11.1 **PUBLIC OWNERSHIP V. PRIVATISATION CONFERENCE**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoiri Jim Corr, Sean Martin, Terry Shannon and D. Boyle at the Public Ownership V Privatisation Conference held at Rochestown Park Hotel, Cork on the 16th, 17th November, 2001.

11.2 **EUROPEAN LEGISLATION**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoir K. Lynch at Conference on European Legislation held in Waterford on 27th November 2001.

12 **MOTIONS**

The following motions due notice of which had been given were referred to the next meeting of the appropriate Committee:-

12.1 **FLOODING OF SEWERGE PROBLEMS AT SLIEVE MISH PARK AND GREEN LAWN**

“That Cork Corporation take the necessary steps to alleviate the ongoing flooding and sewerage problems in Slieve Mish Park and Green Lawn including if necessary the construction of a Pumping Station.”

(Proposer: Comhairleoir S. Martin – Ref. 00/243)
- Environmental Functional Committee

12.2 **FUNDS IN ESTIMATES FOR WORK ON RATHMORE LAWN**

“That Cork Corporation would provide funds in the Estimates 2001 – 2002 to enable much needed work be carried out on Rathmore Lawn, Douglas Rd. namely:-

To rebuild the road carriageway and resurface
Footpath renewal
Traffic Calming Measures”

(Proposer:- Seanoir T. Shannon – 01/231)
- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.3 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES AT CATHEDRAL ROAD**

“That Cork Corporation draft plans for traffic calming measures at the junction of Cathedral Road and Baker’s Road, taking particular account of the parking problems outside Gurranabraher Credit Union, and between No. 284 and 294 Cathedral Road, where residents are being constantly denied access to their driveways by motorists who park outside their houses.”

(Proposer: Comhairleoir M. O’Connell – Ref. 01/317)
- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.4 **REMOVAL OF OPEN SPACE FOR EASIER TRAFFIC FLOW AT TINKERS CROSS**

“That some of the open space near the traffic lights to the north of the Mayfield Shopping Centre at Tinkers Cross be removed to allow for better traffic flow and easier turning for vehicles coming from the Glanmire direction.”

(Proposer: Comhairleoir J. Kelleher – Ref. 01/329)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.5 **TWINNING ARRANGEMENTS**

“That in view of the increasing numbers of invitations from cities abroad to establish twinning arrangements, the present policy of limiting such agreements to five be reviewed.”

(Proposer: Comhairleoir J. Kelleher – Ref. 01/340)

- Planning & Development Planning Strategic Policy Committee

12.6 **BYE LAWS TO STOP PARKING OUTSIDE HOMES**

“That this Council calls on the Minister for the Environment to introduce legislation to allow Bye Laws to be passed that could restrict parking outside homes to residents only.”

(Proposer: Comhairleoir M. Ahern – Ref. 01/341)

- Roads & Transportation Strategic Policy Committee

12.7 **DISCUSSIONS ON THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE EXISTING LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUNDING**

“That Cork Corporation will invite representatives (elected members officials) from the County Boroughs of Limerick, Galway and Waterford to come to Cork for discussions on the effectiveness of the existing Local Government funding for urban authorities

- (i) to fulfil their mandating duties and
- (ii) to initiate projects which would improve the quality the public realm and promote Social inclusion and cultural development.”

(Proposer: Comhairleoirí J. Corr and C. Burke – Ref. 01/342)

- Corporate Policy Group

12.8 **RATE BASE**

“That this Council resolves to research and bring forward a Policy to help increase the existing “Rate Base” within our City. Such research should look at Planning, Rate Incentives, such as new businesses bring introduced to the rates system on a scaled basis, and any other matter deemed to be relevant”.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir J. Minihan – Ref. 01/343)

- Planning & Development Strategic Policy Committee

12.9 **RESURFACING WORK AT CHURCH ROAD, BLACKROCK**

“That resurfacing work be carried out at Church Road. Blackrock and at the uncompleted section of Beaumont Drive”.

(Proposer: Seanoir J. Dennehy and Comhairleoir D. Counihan – Ref. 01/344)
- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.10 **RESURFACING OF TOWNSEND PLACE**

“That Townsend Place, Greenmount be resurfaced in the 2002 Road resurfacing Programme”

(Proposer: Seanoir J. Dennehy, T.D. – Ref. 01/345)
- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.11 **UPKEEP OF CEMETERIES**

“That the Corporation policy regarding the upkeep of Cemeteries in the City area be reported on and discussed at Council with a view to resolving the outstanding issues regarding same, such as the tarmacadamming of the paths in St. Joseph’s Cemetery and the taking over of Ballintemple Cemetery.”

(Proposer: Seanoir J. Dennehy, T.D. – Ref. 01/346)
- Recreation, Amenity and Culture Strategic Policy Committee

12.12 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES AT SILVERHEIGHTS ROAD**

“That Cork Corporation install traffic calming measures on Silverheights Road, Silverheights Avenue and Silverheights Drive as part of the Roadworks Programme for 2002.”

(Proposer: Comhairleoir T. Brosnan – Ref. 01/347)
- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.13 **CORK CITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEW 2002**

“That Cork Corporation would as part of the Cork City Development Plan Review 2002 include a review of the Council’s policy regarding commercial and other signage with a view to adopting and enforcing a best practice policy consistent with the objectives of the final Plan.”

(Proposer: Comhairleoir T. Brosnan – Ref. 01/348)
- Planning & Development Strategic Policy Committee

12.14 **GREEN FLAG PROGRAMME**

“That Cork Corporation put in place a community/estate Green Flag Programme for the City.”

(Proposer: Comhairleoir S. Martin – Ref. 01/349)
- Recreation, Amenity and Culture Strategic Policy Committee

12.15 **WALL AT REAR OF MADDENS BUILDINGS**

“That the wall at the rear of Maddens Buildings from No. 1 to No. 17 be raised in order to offer the elderly residents greater security.”

(Proposer: Comhairleoir B. Allen, T.D. – Ref. 01/351)

- Housing Functional Committee

12.16 **OPEN STALL TRADING**

Comhairleoir D Boyle proposed that the motion be taken and this was agreed.

“That this Council enforce a strict policy of open stall trading within this Corporation’s English Market in order to ensure the ethos of the Market.”

(Proposer: Comhairleoir D. Boyle – Ref. 01/352)

The motion was unanimously agreed.

12.17 **RECYCLING FACILITIES**

“That recycling facilities on Cork Corporation property, provided by companies involved in the incineration of waste be removed and be replaced by containers provided by companies with a more consistent approach to the processing of waste.”

(Proposer: Comhairleoir D. Boyle – Ref. 01/353)

- Environmental Strategic Policy Committee

11 **TENDERS**

The following tenders were opened

17 Tenders for General Supplies - referred to Director of Services Recreation, Amenity and Culture

2 Tenders for Bird Control

2 Tenders for Pest

2 Tenders for Security Services landfill

and referred to Director of Services, Environment.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

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