

**MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF CORK COUNTY BOROUGH
COUNCIL HELD ON 27TH NOVEMBER, 2001.**

PRESENT: An Leas-tArdmhéara Comhairleoir D. Counihan in the Chair.

NORTH EAST: Comhairleoiri T. Brosnan and J. Kelleher.

NORTH CENTRAL: Comhairleoiri K. Lynch and D. Wallace.

NORTH WEST: Comhairleoiri T. Falvey, C. Burke and M. O'Connell.

SOUTH EAST: Seanoir T. Shannon. Comhairleoiri J. Corr, J. O'Flynn and J. Minihan.

SOUTH CENTRAL: Seanoir C. O'Connell. Comhairleoiri S. Martin and D. Boyle.

SOUTH WEST: Comhairleoiri M. Ahern and B. Bermingham.

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. M. Riordan, Deputy City Manager & Town Clerk
Mr. J. Kennelly, Director of Recreation, Amenity & Culture
Mr. D. O'Mahony, Director of Environment
Mr. J. O'Donovan, Director of Development & Planning
Ms. B. Dillon-Hall, Senior Executive Officer, Corporate Affairs
Mr. J. O'Leary, Senior Engineer
Mr. M. Tierney, Senior Staff Officer, Corporate Affairs

An Leas-Ardmhéara recited the opening prayer.

1. **VOTES OF CONGRATULATIONS**

An Chomhairle unanimously extended a vote of congratulations to the Defence Forces for their contribution to the United Nations peacekeeping force in the Lebanon for the last twenty-four years.

2. **MINUTES**

Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of Cork County Borough Council held on 12th November, 2001 were considered and approved.

3. **QUESTION TIME**

3.1 **CHANGE TO SCHEME OF LETTING PRIORITIES**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir S. Martin, the following written reply was circulated which stated that:-

(a) Section 11 (Sub-Section 5) of the Housing Act, 1988 states as follows, “A Housing Authority may from time to time review a scheme made under this Section and, as they see fit, make amendments to the scheme or make a new scheme.” Sub-section 6 states that the making of a scheme under this section or the making of an amendment to any such scheme, shall be a reserved function.

Sub-section 7 states as follows, “A scheme under this section or an amendment to any such scheme shall be made only with the approval of the Minister.” Sub-section 8 provides that “The Minister may require a Housing Authority –

- (a) To amend a scheme submitted to him for approval in accordance with Sub section 7 and
- (b) from time to time, to amend a scheme made under this Section in such manner as he may direct, and the Authority shall comply with such direction within such time as may be specified by the Minister.”

It can be seen therefore, that, following any decision of Council to amend the Corporation’s Scheme of Letting Priorities, the scheme, duly amended, would then be forwarded to the Minister for consideration. The Minister in due course, would notify the Corporation of his decision.

- (b) It is envisaged that there should be no undue delay in any procedure undertaken in connection with the foregoing.

3.2 **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT BONS SECOUR HOSPITAL**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir C. Burke, the following written reply was circulated which stated that There is no wiring in place for the proposed pedestrian crossing at the Bons Secours Hospital. Ducts were laid last year in conjunction with the road resurfacing of College Road at an anticipated crossing point. The exact location, however, is yet to be finalised in conjunction with the plans being prepared by the Bons Secours Hospital to rationalise their entry/exit requirements.

We have not yet been informed of the completion of the hospital development plan, which will be used to locate the position of the crossing facility. It is hoped the crossing will be installed in 2002.

3.3 **REPLACEMENT OF WINDOWS AND DOORS IN KILMORE ROAD**

In response to question submitted by Seanoir D. McCarthy, the following written reply was circulated which stated that separate tenders have been received by Cork Corporation in respect of replacement windows and replacement doors. The approval of the Department of the Environment & Local Government will be required to the acceptance of these tenders. Presuming that such approval is received this year, contracts could be awarded with works commencing early in 2002.

3.4 **CONTRACTORS FOR CORK MAIN DRAINAGE SCHEME**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir D. Boyle, the following written reply was circulated which stated that Cork Corporation does not operate contracts on a cost plus profit basis. All contracts are based on a work measure or a schedule fee basis.

Companies involved in construction of Main Drainage are as follows:

Sorensen Construction Ltd.

Ascon Ltd.

Ascon Nuttall Joint Venture

McGinty & O'Shea Ltd.

Morrison Leneghan Ireland Ltd.

Van Oord A.C.Z.

EPS Ltd.

Ondeo Degremont Joint Venture

Sean Ahern Electrical Ltd.

Jer Ryan Electrical Ltd.

All these contracts have been procured in accordance with EU Procurement procedures, have had measured contracts in accordance with IEI Conditions of Contract and in compliance with DOELG guidelines. The DBO contract is based on the internationally accepted FIDIC conditions with defined output milestone payments.

The Corporation have also retained E.G. Pettit & Co as engineering consultants. Their services have been procured in accordance with DOELG guidelines and EU requirements. Fees are paid in general accordance with accepted schedules i.e. IEI Scale of Fees & Conditions of Engagement 1986 as approved by DOELG.

Legitimate extensions of work, additions due to unforeseen circumstance and substantiated price variations are catered for and allowed under approved contractual arrangements.

4. **RECREATION, AMENITY & CULTURE STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE**

4.1 **SPORTS POLICY FOR CORK CITY**

In accordance with the recommendation of the Recreation, Amenity & Culture Strategic Policy Committee from its meeting held on 17th September, 2001, An Chomhairle approved report of the Director of Services on the following motion:-

“That the SPC on Sport and Recreation should draw up a Sports Policy for the administrative area of Cork City as this would act as a Blue Print for future National Lottery funding.”

(Proposer:- Comhairleoirí L. Burke and D. Cregan – 01/148)

The report stated that Cork Corporation was to be the lead agency in the establishment of a Local Sports Partnership was also considered. The key aim of the Partnership would be to increase participation in sport, particularly in disadvantaged area and develop a strategic plan for sport and recreation in the City.

Membership of the Partnership would include representatives from statutory agencies, service providers, the educational sector, sports organisations, voluntary groups etc.

In addition a Sports and Recreation Forum representing all sports and recreation groups, which would act as a consultative body for the Partnership Board would also be established shortly, following on a very successful information night held for clubs and voluntary organisations recently.

4.2 **SPORTS CO-ORDINATOR**

In accordance with the recommendation of the Recreation, Amenity & Culture Strategic Policy Committee from its meeting held on 17th September, 2001, An Chomhairle approved report of the Director of Services on the following motion:-

“That a sports co-ordinator be appointed for each of the Wards in the city to encourage participation in sports.”

(Proposers:- Comhairleoirí Ml. Ahern & Seanoir D. McCarthy – 01/065)

The report stated that a full time Sports Development Officer was employed by the Corporation on a three year pilot basis was also considered by the Committee. The Sports Officer role was to encourage greater participation in sport particularly amongst young people at risk throughout the city, and was considered adequate to meet present needs. The situation would be kept under review and consideration given to expansion of the programme at a later date if considered necessary.

5. **DISPOSALS**

An Chomhairle approved the following Disposals of Land:-

- (a) Plot of ground approximately 33 sq. metres in area situated adjacent to "Assumption Villas", Assumption Road, Cork, to Bertie and Maureen

O'Sullivan c/o M/s. Fitzgerald & O'Leary Solicitors, 70 Shandon Street, North Gate Bridge, Cork, for the sum of £500.00 plus costs.

- (b) Plot of ground approximately 87 sq. metres in area situated to the rear of No. 4 Gerald Griffin Avenue, Cork, to Stephen and Margo McCarthy, c/o Daniel F. Murphy of Murphy & Condon, Solicitors, Bank Buildings, 2 Shandon Street, Cork, for the sum of £100.00 plus costs.
- (c) Plot of ground approximately 5 sq. metres in area situated at Innishannon Road, Fairhill, Cork, to The Electricity Supply Board, Sarsfield Road, Wilton, Cork, for the sum of £1.00 plus £300.00 costs.
- (d) Plot of ground approximately 5.7 sq. metres in area situated at Evergreen Street/Lower Friar's Street Junction to The Electricity Supply Board, Sarsfield Road, Wilton, Cork, for the sum of £100 plus costs.
- (e) Grant of Wayleave over Cork Corporation lands at North Ring Road, Ballyvolane, Cork, to Sean O'Callaghan c/o Bernard Fitzpatrick & Associates, Engineer Consultants, 18 South Bank, Crosse's Green, Cork, for the sum of 650 euro plus costs.

SHARED OWNERSHIP

- (a) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 90 Gurranabraher Avenue, Cork, held by Cork Corporation subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated the 9th day of December 1996 to Helen O'Callaghan for the sum of £32,836.27.
- (b) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 12 Meadow Park Close, Ballyvolane, Cork, held by Cork Corporation subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated the 23rd day of May 1997 to James Aherne and Pamela Aherne for the sum of £35,251.65.
- (c) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 24 Farranferris Crescent, Farranree, Cork, held by Cork Corporation subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated the 28 day of September 1998 to James Mulcahy and Jane O'Dwyer for the sum of £39,064.71.
- (d) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 19 Owenabue Close, Togher, Cork, held by Cork Corporation subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated the 12th day of April 2000 to Terry Payne and Karen Payne (nee Dempsey) for the sum of £34,370.44.
- (e) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 20 Churchfield Place West, Cork, held by Cork Corporation subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated the 16th day of June 2000 to Kenneth Moore and Lorraine Manning for the sum of £47,675.87.

- (f) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 7 Erin Terrace, Curragh Road, Cork, held by Cork Corporation subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated the 12th day of November 1992 to David Chute and Catherine Chute for the sum of £20,371.67.

FEE SIMPLE INTEREST

GR 2983 - 11 Cherry Tree Road, Togher, Cork.

Acquired under the Deanrock/Vicar's Acre Housing Order No. 3 of 1965 from Henry Walton Hosford, Classis, Ballincollig, County Cork by Transfer Order dated the 20th of May 1968.

It is proposed to dispose of the fee simple interest of the above-mentioned premises to Tim Murray, 11 Cherry Tree Road, Togher, Cork, for the sum of £5.00 plus costs.

GR1804 - 11 Iona Road, Mayfield, Cork.

Acquired by Agreement from Margaret M. Spillane by Deed of Assignment dated the 22nd day of August 1933.

It is proposed to dispose of the fee simple interest of the above mentioned premises to Margaret Magee c/o Barry C. Galvin & Son, Solicitors, 91 South Mall, Cork for the sum of £100.00 plus costs. Disposal to be by way of Deed of Conveyance or Deed of Transfer.

GR 2993 - "St. Anthony's", 61 Upper Doyle Road, Turner's Cross, Cork.

Acquired under the Turner's Cross Housing Order No. 1 of 1929 from The Governors of St. Stephens Hospital by Deed of Conveyance dated the 6th of March 1933.

It is proposed to dispose of the fee simple interest of the above-mentioned premises to Finbarr Murphy c/o Peter Fleming & Co., Solicitors, 30 South Mall, Cork, for the sum of £40.00 plus costs.

GR2050 - "Aisling", Iona Park, Mayfield, Cork.

Acquired under the Landlord & Tenant (Ground Rents) Act 1967 by Deed of Conveyance dated the 9th day of October 2001.

It is proposed to dispose of the fee simple interest of the above-mentioned premises to Sean Hyde & Marie O'Donovan c/o Joyce & Co., Solicitors, 9 Washington Street West, Cork, for the sum of £60.00 plus costs.

GR2566 - 3 Iona Place, Mayfield, Cork.

Acquired under the Landlord & Tenant (Ground Rents) Act 1967 by Deed of Conveyance dated the 9th day of October 2001.

It is proposed to dispose of the fee simple interest of the above-mentioned premises to Donal McCarthy & Patricia Malone c/o Kieran Buckley & Co., Solicitors, 11 Sheares Street, Cork, for the sum of £5.00 plus costs.

GR2920 - "Anneville", Iona Park, Mayfield, Cork.

Acquired under the Landlord & Tenant (Ground Rents) Act 1967 by Deed of Conveyance dated the 9th day of October 2001.

It is proposed to dispose of the fee simple interest of the above-mentioned premises to Nicholas and Bernadette Brick c/o Kevin Hegarty, Solicitor, Brian Dillon House, Dillon's Cross, Cork, for the sum of £60.00 plus costs.

GR2970 - 8 Cathedral Road, Cork.

Acquired by Agreement from Timothy Dorgan, 9 Gurranabraher Road, Cork, by Deed of Transfer dated the 16th of December 1953.

It is proposed to dispose of the fee simple interest of the above mentioned premises to Mark Cooney and Dolores Cooney of 8 Cathedral Road, Gurranabraher, Cork, for the sum of £5.00 plus costs. Disposal to be by way of Transfer Order.

GR2994 - 27 Presentation Place, Greenmount, Cork.

Acquired under Greenmount Housing Order No. 5 of 1937 from the Governors of St. Stephen's Hospital by Deed of Conveyance dated the 4th of December 1944.

It is proposed to dispose of the fee simple interest of the above mentioned premises to Patrick Ahern of 27 Presentation Place, Greenmount, Cork, for the sum of £5.00 plus costs. Disposal to be by way of Transfer Order.

GR2968 - 28 Seminary Place, Farranree, Cork.

Acquired by Agreement from Timothy Murphy, 2 Lucan Place, Western Road, Cork, by Deed of Transfer dated the 20th of November 1936.

It is proposed to dispose of the fee simple interest of the above mentioned premises to Elizabeth P. Daly of 28 Seminary Place, Farranree, Cork, for the sum of £5.00 plus costs. Disposal to be by way of Transfer Order.

6. **DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE**

6.1 **HOUSING ESTATES**

In accordance with the recommendation of the Development & Planning Functional Committee from its meeting held on 19th November, 2001, an Chomhairle approved report of Director of Services (City Engineer) for Roads & Transportation "Housing Estates – November 2001" dated 15th November, 2001.

6.2 **OUTDOOR EVENTS**

In accordance with the recommendation of the Development & Planning Functional Committee from its meeting held on 19th November, 2001, An Chomhairle approved report of Director of Services, Development & Planning dated 14th November, 2001 on the licensing of Outdoor Events in compliance with Part XVI of the Planning & Development Act 2000 and the Planning & Development (Licensing of Outdoor Events) Regulations 2001.

6.3 **SHANDON RENEWAL**

In accordance with the recommendation of the Development & Planning Functional Committee from its meeting held on 19th November, 2001, An Chomhairle approved report of the Director of Services , Development & Planning dated 14th November, 2001 on Shandon Renewal.

6.4 **BLACKPOOL**

In accordance with the recommendation of the Development & Planning Functional Committee from its meeting held on 19th November, 2001, An Chomhairle approved report of the Director of Services , Development & Planning dated 14th November, 2001 on the following motions:-

(a) **Revitalisation Plan for Blackpool**

“In view of the recent report of the Blackpool Traders Association Ltd. which highlights the level of dereliction in the Blackpool area that Cork Corporation would appoint a designated officer to oversee the speedy implementation of the revitalisation plan for the area in consultation with local interests.”

(Proposer: Comhairleoir K. Lynch – 01/283)

(b) **Vacant and Derelict Buildings**

“That Cork Corporation take note of the report prepared by Blackpool Traders Association regarding vacant and derelict buildings in the area of Blackpool Village and that the proposals contained in the report be taken on board and implemented immediately as part of Cork Corporation policy”.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir B. Allen, T.D. – 01/292)

The report stated that the Blackpool Integrated Area Plan examined the problems of Blackpool including the high level of dereliction and the negative impacts of through traffic. The construction of the bypass was seen as an opportunity for a major regeneration of the area. The Plan put forward

proposals for financial incentives to promote redevelopment and environmental improvements to capitalise on the reduction in through traffic.

The bypass opened in April 2001 and this has resulted in a 60% overall reduction in traffic and a 90% reduction in HCVs. This has led to significant improvements in the environment of Blackpool. Major upgrading of the public realm in Thomas Davis Street and Watercourse Road is due to commence shortly and will be completed by the end of 2002.

Financial incentives for residential and commercial development were approved by the Department of the Environment and Local Government in 1999 and run to December 2002. Corporation officials have been working to promote the scheme in the area. Information brochures have been prepared on the scheme, all households in the area have been circulated and seminars for both residents and commercial interests have been held.

Take-up of the scheme was slow initially but over 20 certificates have now been issued under the Urban Renewal Scheme for a variety of commercial and residential projects which have a total value of £6.6 million. The implementation of these schemes will bring more people to live and work in the area and should encourage others to invest in the area and help reduce vacancy and dereliction.

A series of further measures are underway to promote investment in the area:

- A Masterplan for the revitalisation of the Sunbeam Complex and the brownfield land to south of it has been prepared in conjunction with property owners.
- A Development Brief for the former Blackpool flats site is in preparation and the restoration of the southern flats complex by Respond has been approved.
- A review of appropriate action under the Derelict Sites Act to combat dereliction in the area will be carried out.

A case for the extension to the Urban Renewal Incentives beyond 2002 is justified as little development happened in the early part of the scheme pending the completion of Blackpool Bypass. Such a case will be put to the Department of the Environment and Local Government for consideration,

6.5 **LAND AVAILABLE FOR INDUSTRIAL PURPOSES**

In accordance with the recommendation of the Development & Planning Functional Committee from its meeting held on 19th November, 2001, An Chomhairle approved report of Director of Services, Development & Planning dated 14th November, 2001 on the following motion:-

“Land to be made available for industrial purposes in the Knocknaheeny/Hollyhill area”.

(Proposer: Seanoir D. McCarthy – 01/261)

The report stated that there are two areas of undeveloped land zoned for industry at present in Knocknaheeny/Hollyhill, totalling circa 5 hectares. The larger area, north of Kilmore Heights is used for playing pitches at present. A smaller zoned area is located to the west of Hollyhill Industrial Estate and is also used as a playing pitch.

The Knocknaheeny Masterplan prepared for the Housing Department proposes that the land to the north of Kilmore Heights be used for housing rather than industry or recreational purposes. The implications of this proposal are under consideration by Housing and Planning Departments at present. Any change in Zoning would require a formal variation of the City Development Plan.

There is a limited amount of land to the west of the Halting Site within the city boundary and owned by Cork Corporation that might be considered for industrial purposes if the existing playing pitches can be relocated. There may also be some potential for development of the adjoining land in the county. However the ease of servicing of this land needs to be further investigated. The identification of alternative land for the relocation of these and other pitches in the Knocknaheeny area is being pursued as part of the implementation of the Knocknaheeny Masterplan.

6.6 **PLANNING APPLICATION**

An Chomhairle considered the recommendation of the Development & Planning Functional Committee from its meeting held on 19th November, 2001, that the report of the Director of Services, Development & Planning dated 14th November, 2001 in relation to the following motion be approved:-

“That this Council expresses its total opposition to the proposal by Environment Minister Noel Dempsey to impose a fee of £16.00 on any person wishing to object to a planning application at local level”.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir K. Lynch – 01/269)

A vote was called for where there appeared:-

FOR: Comhairleoiri D. Wallace, J. Corr, D. Counihan, J. Minihan, S. Martin and B. Bermingham – 6

AGAINST: Seanoir T. Shannon. Comhairleoiri J. Kelleher, M. O’Connell, J. O’Flynn and D. Boyle – 5

An Leas-tArdmhéara declared the report of the Director of Services, Development & Planning approved.

The report stated that as the members are aware the determination of fees in respect of Planning Applications and Appeals is a function of the Minister for Environment and Local Government. One of the objectives behind the imposition of a fee in relation to objections is to limit what are determined as vexatious objections with no real substance but which can delay considerably a proposed development.

The members should also note that the relevant section allowing for the imposition of this charge has not yet been commenced.

6.7 **TO CARRY OUT A SURVEY OF ALL MASTS AND ANTENNAE IN CORK CITY**

In accordance with the recommendation of the Development & Planning Functional Committee from its meeting held on 19th November, 2001, An Chomhairle approved report of Director of Services, Development & Planning dated 14th November, 2001 on the following motion:-

“That Cork Corporation carry out a comprehensive survey of all masts and antennae in the City area and to establish which of these masts have sought and received planning permission and to identify those which are unauthorised by Cork Corporation, especially those erected by C.I.E., who are using a loophole in the planning laws to erect, not only their own masts, but to attach antennae for third parties on those masts, and furthermore, to report on the health and the environment implications”.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir B. Allen – 01/275)

The report stated that under the provisions of Part 1 of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Act 1963 the Planning Authority is obliged to keep a register for the purposes of public inspection. The register contains details of all Telecommunication structures which have been the subject of a Planning Application and would indicate the appropriate status of each structure.

Any known unauthorised structures would be the subject of enforcement under the provisions of the Local Government (Planning & Development) 1963 to 2000. All applications for masts are considered in the context of advice provided by the Department of Environment and Local Government in circular letter PD6/96 Planning Guidelines for Telecommunication Antennae and support structures.

National policy requires that all development should conform to the concept of environmental sustainability, such considerations demand close attention being paid to the location of masts by operators and planning authorities. In order to avoid an unnecessary proliferation of masts, owners (i.e. those controlling

access to support structures and masts) would be expected to facilitate co-location of antennae with other operators.

The Guidelines encourage extensive pre-planning discussions with planning authorities, consideration of design and siting, visual impact, access roads, sharing facilities (clustering) and health and safety issues and also the duration of the permission, which should at least be 5 years, to allow for technological change. All the recent proposals were assessed in relation to the above mentioned guidelines.

The Regulator for Telecommunications deals with the realm of Safety and Health issues.

7. ENVIRONMENTAL FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE

7.1 SANITARY AND OTHER SCHEMES

In accordance with the recommendation of the Environment Functional Committee from its meeting held on 19th November, 2001, an Chomhairle approved report of the Director of Services on Sanitary and Other Schemes for months of September 2001 and October 2001.

7.2 SANITARY LANDFILL SITE

In accordance with the recommendation of the Environment Functional Committee from its meeting held on 19th November, 2001, an Chomhairle approved Quarterly Report of the Director of Services of the Environmental Protection Agency for the Sanitary Landfill Site.

7.3 LEE ROAD WATERWORKS IMPROVEMENT SCHEME

In accordance with the recommendation of the Environment Functional Committee from its meeting held on 19th November, 2001, an Chomhairle approved report of the Director of Services on the Lee Road Waterworks Improvement Scheme. The report indicated that this proposed scheme envisaged large scale improvements and upgrading of the Lee Road Waterworks with a view to modernising the plant and ensuring the quality of drinking water to be in full compliance with the EU drinking water directive. Consultants Halcrow Barry Fehily Timoney had examined the proposal and considered the various procurement options available and the assessment report had concluded that the refurbishment/upgrading of the Lee Road Waterworks would be suitable for procurement under a Public Private Partnership arrangement and the most appropriate form of PPP being Design , Build and Operate.

The report recommended proceeding with the upgrading of the Lee Road Waterworks by means of Public Private Partnership subject to the necessary funding being forthcoming.

7.4 **TEMPORARY TREATMENT FACILITY FOR STORM WATER AT THE SANITARY LANDFILL SITE**

In accordance with the recommendation of the Environment Functional Committee from its meeting held on 19th November, 2001, an Chomhairle approved report of the Director of Services on the Temporary Treatment Facility for Storm Water at the Sanitary landfill Site.

The report stated that under the EPA licence discharges were limited to 51/sec of conditioned leachate and 20 l/sec of contaminated stormwater to the Tramore sewer was considered.

Pending the completion of infrastructural works which would allow for the collection of contaminated stormwater in the leachate lagoon and disposal by pumping to the sewer it was proposed to construct a temporary plant to deal with stormwater in the event of excessive rainfall and to ensure compliance with the terms of the Landfill Licence.

The lined lagoon would be approximately 100sqm in plan and 1.5m deep, and consist of a series of submerged 50mm diameter pipes with air diffusers, with air being driven by an electrical air blower. This would provide for the abstraction of sufficient methane from the contaminated stormwater to render it within the Licence limits.

8. **CORRESPONDENCE**

Correspondence as circulated was noted.

9. **CONFERENCES**

9.1 **LANDSCAPE FORUM 2001**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoir T. Falvey at the Landscape Forum 2001 to be held at Fota House, Fota Island, Cork on 16th November, 2001.

9.2 **EUROPEAN MOVEMENT TRAINING COURSE**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoirí T. Falvey, K. Lynch and S. Martin at the European Movement Training Course to be held at the Tara Hotel, Waterford on 27th November, 2001.

10. **TORTURE FREE ZONE**

On the proposal of Seanoir T. Shannon, seconded by Comhairleoir S. Martin, An Chomhairle approved the following motion:-

“That this Council in recognition of Amnesty International’s Irish Section designation of the year 2001 as a special year to highlight the need to stamp out torture, pledge to do everything in its power to make Cork City a Torture Free Zone.

To work to prevent torture from happening in any of our areas of responsibility.
To work to end impunity for perpetrators of torture by ensuring that every case of alleged torture is fully, promptly and impartially investigated, and that all those responsible are brought to justice.

To protect those who may be vulnerable to torture by reason of restrictions on their freedom or independence by ensuring that legislation and/or regulations under our authority comply with international human rights standards. To this end we urge the Irish Government to ratify without delay the U.N. Convention against torture.

We will support the implementation of human rights education programs and the prohibition in dealing with instruments designed to commit torture.”

11. **MOTIONS**

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

11.1 **RESURFACING PROGRAMME FOR ANGLESEA TERRACE AND RAILWAY COTTAGES**

“That Anglesea Terrace and Railway Cottages be included in next years Road Resurfacing Programme and also a survey be carried out in the above area with a view to partial renewal where necessary.”

(Proposer: Comhairleoir S. Martin – Ref. 00/242)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

11.2 **RESURFACING WORK AT LINDEN AVENUE AND ROSE GREEN AVENUE, BEAUMONT**

“That Cork Corporation would provide funds in the Estimates for 2001 – 2002 to enable much needed road re-surfacing work and footpath renewal work be carried out on Linden Avenue and Rose Green Avenue, Beaumont.”

(Proposer:- Seanoir T. Shannon – 01/229)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

11.3 **TRAFFIC RAMPS AT MARYVILLE, BALLINTEMPLE**

“That immediate steps be taken to deal with the traffic hazards existing at Maryville, Ballintemple, arising mainly from excessive heavy duty traffic

using it as a route to and from the South Jetties and surrounding areas when travelling to or from the Jack Lynch tunnel. The most logical solution would seem to be to agree to the petition from local residents asking for traffic ramps.”

(Proposers: Seanoir J. Dennehy, T.D. and Comhairleoir D. Counihan –
Ref. 01/303)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

11.4 TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES IN ONSLOW GARDENS

“That Cork Corporation immediately draw up plans for traffic calming measures in Onslow Gardens, particularly from Fairfield Road to the junction with the Commons Bar.”

(Proposer: Comhairleoir M. O’Connell – Ref. 01/313)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

11.5 PROVISION OF INFILL HOUSING BETWEEN 36/37 LAGAN GROVE

“That infill housing be provided between numbers 36 and 37 Lagan Grove, Mayfield”.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir J. Kelleher – Ref. 01/328)

- Housing & Community Functional Committee

11.6 PROVISION OF CENTRAL HEATING IN CORPORATION HOUSES

“That all Local Authority houses under the control of the Corporation be fitted with central heating.”

(Proposer: Comhairleoir M. Ahern – Ref. 01/332)

- Housing & Community Strategic Policy Committee

11.7 ERECTION OF SIGNS AT WILLOW BANK, FAIRHILL

“That a Children at Play sign and a Cul-De-Sac sign be erected at the entrance of Willow Bank, Fairhill.”

(Proposer: Seanoir D. McCarthy – Ref. 01/333)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

11.8 PROVISION OF GREEN/CHILDREN’S PLAY AREA

“That Cork Corporation provide a green/children’s play area at the unused

portion of land behind St. Michael's Close, Mahon."

(Proposers: Seanoir J. Dennehy, T.D. and Comhairleoir D. Counihan –
Ref. 01/334)

- Recreation, Amenity & Culture Functional Committee

11.9 **TELECOMMUNICATIONS ANTENNAE**

"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)

- Development & Planning Strategic Policy Committee

11.10 **POST OF HERITAGE OFFICER**

"That a position be created on the staff of this Corporation for the post of Heritage Officer."

(Proposer: Comhairleoir D. Boyle – Ref. 01/337)

- Recreation, Amenity & Culture Functional Committee

11.11 **SAFETY BARRIER AT MAGLIN GROVE**

"That steps be taken as a matter of urgency to put in place whatever safety barriers are required to prevent access for cars, used by so called joy-riders from Maglin Grove to Araglen Court, Togher."

(Proposer: Seanoir J. Dennehy, T.D. – Ref. 01/339)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

This concluded the business of the meeting.

LEAS-ARDMHEARA
CATHAOIRLEACH