

MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF CORK CITY COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 9th SEPTEMBER 2002

- PRESENT:** An tArdmheara Comhairleoir J. Kelleher in the chair.
- NORTH EAST** Seanoir M. Quill, Comhairleoiri T. Brosnan, L. Burke.
- NORTH CENTRAL** Seanoir N. O'Flynn, T.D., Comhairleoiri K. Lynch T.D., B. Allen T.D., D. Wallace, Con O'Leary
- NORTH WEST** Seanoir D. McCarthy, Comhairleoiri C. Burke, M. O'Connell, J. O'Brien.
- SOUTH EAST** Seanoir T. Shannon, Comhairleoiri D. Clune, J. Corr, J. O'Flynn, D. Counihan, J. Minihan.
- SOUTH CENTRAL** Seanoir C. O'Connell, Comhairleoiri S. Martin, T. O'Driscoll, D. Cregan, Chris O'Leary.
- SOUTH WEST** Seanoir J. Dennehy, T.D., Comhairleoiri M. Shields, M. Ahern, B. Bermingham, P.J Hourican.
- ALSO PRESENT** Mr. J. Gavin, City Manager
Mr. M. Riordan, Director of Services, Corporate Affairs
Mr. J. Kennelly, Director of Services, Recreation Amenity & Culture
Mr. K. Terry, Director of Services, Roads & Transportation
Mr. J. O'Donovan, Director of Services, Planning & Development
Mr. S. Kearney, Director of Services, Housing & Community
Ms. A. Bogan, Senior Planner, Planning & Development
Mr. R. McDowell, Senior Planner, Planning & Development
Ms. L. Kidney, Senior Executive Officer, Roads & Transportation
Mr. F. Allison, Senior Executive Officer, Corporate Affairs
Mr. M. Tierney, Senior Staff Officer, Corporate Affairs

An tArd-Mheara recited the opening prayer.

1.1 VOTE OF CONGRATULATIONS

To Cllr. John Minihan on his recent election to the Seanad.

1.2 VOTES OF SYMPATHY

To the Rice family on the death of Douglas Rice.
To the Barrett family on the death of Betty Barrett.
To the Keating family on the death of Theresa Keating
To the Higgins family on the death of Joseph Cotter.
To the Doherty family on the death of Martin Doherty.
To Jim O'Keeffe T.D. on the death of his brother John.
To the McKeown family on the death of former Supt. Larry McKeown.
To Mrs. Marian O'Brien on the death of her husband Michael.
To the Mayor of New York on the first anniversary of the September 11th tragedy.

To John Clifford on the first anniversary of the death of his sister and niece, who died in the September 11th tragedy.

2. **MINUTES**

- (a) Minutes of Special Meeting of the Committee of Whole Council held on Monday 8th July 2002
- (b) Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held on 22nd July 2002
- (c) Minutes of Special Meeting of An Chomhairle held on 17th August 2002

were considered and approved.

3. **QUESTION TIME**

3.1 **LOCAL AUTHORITY OWNED HOUSES WITHIN THE CITY**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir B Allen T.D. a written reply was circulated which stated that asbestos cement water storage tanks were installed in local authority houses built during 1950's, 1960's and early 1970's.

I am advised that asbestos cement storage tanks poses no safety hazard to householders unless they are worked on by drilling or tapping walls of the tank. Work to water storage tanks in local authority houses is carried out by Cork City Council work force. This work will be undertaken in accordance with an accepted detailed comprehensive risk assessment on the handling of asbestos products. In the course of routine maintainance if the repair necessitate the drilling or cutting the asbestos cement storage tank, in this case the storage tank would be renewed.

3.2 **WILTON SOCCER CLUB**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir S. Martin a written reply was circulated which stated that A meeting has been arranged with Wilton Soccer Club and the City Council for Friday 6th September at the clubs pitch. Mr S. Scully and Mr L Casey Recreation Amenity and Culture will be attending the meeting.

3.3 **WINDOWS REPLACED AT DEANROCK ESTATE TOGHER**

In response to question submitted by Seanoir J. Dennehy a written reply was circulated which stated that the following windows were replaced Deanrock Estate under The Replacement Window Scheme under the Planned Maintainance Programme. Premises in the following roads Araglen Court, Argideen Lawn, Blackwater Grove, Ilen Court, Lemlara Close, and Owenabue Close. The windows in areas listed that were considered in bad condition following inspection by the Clerk of Works, were replaced during the year 2001, Black Water Grove had windows replaced in 2001 and 2002, this work was completed in August 2002.

Two areas remain outstanding namely, Maglin Grove and Shournagh Lawn. These areas will be inspected February/March 2003 for replacement of windows during June and July 2003.

3.4 **FOOTPATHS AT HILLCREST ESTATE BLARNEY**

In response to question submitted by Ald. Dave McCarthy a written reply was circulated which stated that we expect to carry out the footpath improvements, at the above location, during the current month. We have a budget of €8,000 for this work.

3.5 **REFURBISH THE STREETSCAPE IN BLACKPOOL**

In response to question submitted by Cllr. Damian Wallace a written reply was circulated which stated that :-

- I wish to advise that funding for the commencement of Phase 1 of the last stage of the Blackpool By-pass Scheme, which includes for streetscape renewal along the Watercourse Road/Thomas Davis Street axis has now been received from the National Roads Authority. The firm of McGinty & O' Shea Limited, Civil Engineers & Building Contractors, Glanmire, County Cork have been appointed by Cork City Council to undertake the works.
- The anticipated out-turn cost for entire streetscape from Dublin Hill to Murphy's Brewery corner will be in the order of 3.3 million euro.
- The funding for this work is being made available by the National Roads Authority as part of the overall By-pass project funding. An additional allocation of 2 million euro this year has now been made available to Cork City Council to undertake Phase 1 of the proposed scheme. As the scheme has to be undertaken in discrete stages to allow for through traffic and also to minimise disruption to pedestrians and the business community along the route, the likely completion date of the scheme is late 2003. Consequently, an application has been made to the National Roads Authority to fund the balance of the scheme next year.
- Our Contractor has indicated that he will mobilise and commence work on the scheme week commencing Monday 23rd September 2002.
- The final accounts for two of the contracts associated with the main By-pass scheme have yet to be completed. However, it is anticipated that both accounts will be agreed and finalised this year. The funding to meet such final accounts has been made available by the National Roads Authority to cover such payments.

3.6 **VEHICLES CLAMPED**

In response to question submitted by Ald. Noel O'Flynn, T.D. a written reply was circulated which stated that ;

1. No. of cars clamped to date: 4,739
Fees collected: €350,000 (Costs were only slightly less than this)
2. Average no. of vehicles clamped/week in disc parking areas is 86.
Approximately only 27% of these vehicles were clamped because of expired discs (vehicles are not clamped unless discs are expired for a minimum of 30 minutes).
The remaining vehicles were clamped because of no disc or an invalid disc.
Income per week is approximately €6,300.

Preliminary survey results show that there was been a large increase in parking availability since clamping was introduced in August 2001. For example, each valid parking space in the South Mall is turned over 7 times per day as opposed to 4 times per day before clamping. This obviously is

very good for city centre business and for the general commercial and social well being of the city centre.

The Traffic Wardens and the Gardai have also confirmed that public safety, bus stop and taxi rank compliance levels have also greatly improved.

3.7 **FOOTPATH REINSTATEMENT WORK LOTABEG TERRACE**

In response to question submitted by Cllr. Tim Brosnan a written reply was circulated which stated that there are no scheduled footpath reinstatement works at Lotabeg Terrace but we will examine and consider for inclusion in next year's Roadworks Programme.

3.8 **BULLYING IN THE WORKPLACE**

In response to question submitted by Ald. Con O'Connell a written reply was circulated which stated that procedures are in place throughout the City Council's various departments under the Council's Policy Statement on Workplace Bullying for the making of complaints, their investigation and determination.

The policy has been issued to every member of staff.

Staff representative and Partnership structures are in place within City Council which provide structures through which any concerns in this area can be addressed.

No information is available to me which would support the reference to "widespread unease" with regard to bullying within the organisation.

I take this issue very seriously and if Alderman O'Connell has any information with regard to bullying incidents I would appreciate if he would make it available to me so that I can have it fully checked out.

4. **CORK CITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEW**

An Chomhairle approved the Manager's report on the Stage I consultation on the review of Cork City Development Plan (under Section 11 of the Planning & Development Act 2002.)

5. **STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

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

On the proposal of Comhairleoir K. Lynch, T.D., seconded by Comhairleoir B. Allen, T.D., An Chomhairle nominated Comhairleoir J. O'Flynn as Chairperson of the Housing & Community Services Strategic Policy Committee as a result of Comhairleoir Kathleen Lynch T.D.'s resignation as Chairperson

It was noted that Seanoir C. O'Connell opposed the appointment.

5.2 **PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE**

An Chomhairle approved the Irish Congress of Trade Unions nominee Ms. Ann Marie McIlwraith of SIPTU, to replace Mr. Stephen O'Brien of IMPACT on the Planning & Development Strategic Policy Committee.

6. **CITY OF CORK V.E.C.**

On the proposal of Comhairleoir Chris O'Leary, seconded by Comhairleoir D. Cregan, An Chomhairle nominated Comhairleoir Con O'Leary to fill the casual vacancy on the City of Cork V.E.C. arising from the resignation of former Comhairleoir Dan Boyle T.D.

It was noted that Seanoir C. O'Connell opposed the appointment.

7. **CORK CITY AND COUNTY JOINT COMMITTEE**

On the proposal of Comhairleoir Chris O'Leary, seconded by Seanoir J. Dennehy, T.D., An Chomhairle nominated Comhairleoir J. O'Brien to fill the casual vacancy on the Cork City and County Joint Committee arising from the resignation of former Comhairleoir Dan Boyle T.D.

8. **TRAVELLER ACCOMMODATION CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE**

An Chomhairle deferred the nomination of a representative to fill the casual vacancy on the Traveller Accommodation Consultative Committee arising from Comhairleoir Kathleen Lynch T.D.'s resignation from the Committee, to the next Ordinary Meeting of Council

9. **CIVIC RECEPTION EUROPEAN FEDERATION**

An Chomhairle approved a Civic Reception for European Federation of Wooden Palette and Packaging Manufacturers.

10. **CHURCHFIELD SWIMMING POOL AND TED MCCARTHY GOLF COURSE**

An Chomhairle approved the reports of Director of Services, Recreation, Amenity & Culture on Part 8 Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 in relation to Churchfield Swimming Pool and changing facilities at Ted McCarthy Golf Course, Mahon.

1. The report on Churchfield swimming pool stated that the consultation process under Part 8 (Article 81) of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Regulations 2001 was advertised in the public press on 26th June 2002, with latest date for receipt of submissions being 8th August 2002. No submissions were received.

Having regard to the objectives of the Current Development Plan and the existing pattern of development in the area, it is considered that the proposed development would not seriously injure the amenities of the area, or of property in the vicinity and would be in accordance with proper planning and sustainable development of the area. Substantial additional car parking and landscaping is proposed compared to the present facility.

2. The report on the Ted McCarthy golf course stated that the consultation process under Part 8 (Article 81) of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Regulations 2001 was

advertised in the public press on 26th June 2002, with latest date for receipt of submissions being 8th August 2002. No submissions were received.

Having regard to the objectives of the Current Development Plan and the existing pattern of development in the area, it is considered that the proposed development would not seriously injure the amenities of the area, or of property in the vicinity and would be in accordance with proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

11. **MATERIAL CONTRAVENTIONS OF CORK CITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEW 1998**

11.1 **T.P. 25914/02 LAVITT'S QUAY, HALF MOON STREET AND PAUL'S LANE.**

Comhairleoir J. Corr proposed and Comhairleoir D. Cregan seconded that the report of the Director of Services, Planning & Development dated 11th July, 2002 on the Material Contravention of Cork City Development Plan Review 1998 T.P. 25914/02 Lavitt's Quay, Half Moon Street and Paul's Lane to Council be approved and the adoption of a resolution under the provisions of Section 26(3) of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1963, as amended by Section 39(d) of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1976, and Section 45 of the Local Government Act, 1991 "that the Cork City Development Plan Review 1998, adopted on the 23rd March, 1998, be materially contravened with regard to T.P. 25914/02 in respect of demolition of existing buildings and construction of a new building, comprising ground floor retail units, restaurant/café unit, offices including public offices for Irish Examiner and Evening Echo newspapers, a new ESB substation and associated services plant rooms together with upper floors offices and associated services plant rooms at a site bounded by Lavitt's Quay, Half Moon Street and Paul's Lane the works to include the retention, renovation and integration of No. 16, Lavitt's Quay a protected structure", and permission granted subject to the conditions already circulated.

A vote was called for where there appeared :-

FOR: An t-Ard Mheara Comhairleoir J. Kelleher, Seanoiri M. Quill, N.O'Flynn T.D., D. McCarthy, T. Shannon, C. O'Connell, J. Dennehy T.D., Comhairleoiri T. Brosnan, L. Burke, K. Lynch T.D., B. Allen T.D., D. Wallace, Con O'Leary, C. Burke, M. O'Connell, J.O'Brien, D. Clune, J. Corr, J. O'Flynn, D. Counihan, J. Minihan, S. Martin, T. O'Driscoll, D. Cregan, Chris O'Leary, M. Shields, M. Ahern, B. Bermingham, P.J. Hourican – **29**

Against : - 0

An tArdmheara declared the report approved and the resolution adopted.

11.2 **REGISTER REF. 02/26062, FITZS BOREEN, OLD MALLOW ROAD.**

On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Corr, seconded by Seanoir J. Dennehy, T.D., An Chomhairle unanimously approved the report of the Director of Services, Planning & Development dated 11th July, 2002 on Material Contravention of Cork City Development Plan Review 1998 – Register Ref. 02/26062, Fitzs Boreen, Old Mallow Road to Council for approval and the adoption of a resolution under the provisions of Section 34(b), Planning & Development Act, 2000 "that the

Cork City Development Plan Review 1998, adopted on the 23rd March, 1998, be materially contravened with regard to Register Ref. 02/26062 in respect of “ a family Recreation Centre, Health & Fitness Club and Day Care Centre at lands bounded by Fitz’s Boreen, Old Mallow Road and Dulux Industrial lands to east and south of site.

Development to comprise of 6,203 sq.m. over four storeys (ground and first being semi-basement) including two new vehicular entrances off the Old Mallow Road and Fitz’s Boreen respectively; car parking for 154 cars; bicycle parking; service yard; ESB substation and switch room; associated plant; boundary wall and fence treatment; associated landscaping and site works” and permission granted subject to conditions already circulated and amended as follows:

Condition No. 2 to read as follows:

11. That the Ten-Pin Bowling, Snooker & Pool rooms and electronic games areas will cease operation at 10:30 p.m. each day and shall remain closed to public access until 6:00 a.m., and the other facilities will close at 12:00 p.m. each night. No part of the complex shall be open for public use between 12:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.
11. That the Ten-Pin Bowling, Snooker & Pool rooms and electronic games elements shall not be open to the public prior to the operation of child care facilities and the Health and Fitness area. Condition 9(d) to read as follows:

Full details of boundary treatment including security measures and site management proposals shall be submitted to and agreed by the Planning Authority prior to commencement of development.

Those present when the report was approved and the resolution adopted were:-

An t-Ard Mheara Comhairleoir J. Kelleher, Seanoiri M. Quill,
N.O’Flynn T.D., D. McCarthy, T. Shannon, C. O’Connell,
J. Dennehy T.D., Comhairleoiri T. Brosnan, L. Burke, K. Lynch T.D.,
B. Allen T.D., D. Wallace, Con O’Leary, C. Burke, M. O’Connell,
J.O’Brien, D. Clune, J. Corr, J. O’Flynn, D. Counihan,
J. Minihan, S. Martin, T. O’Driscoll, D. Cregan, Chris O’Leary, M. Shields,
M. Ahern, B. Bermingham, P.J. Hourican

12. **RECREATION, AMENITY & CULTURE FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE**

12.1 **QUARTERLY REPORT ON LEISURE AND LIBRARY FACILITIES**

An Chomhairle noted the Quarterly report on Leisure and Library facilities for quarter ended 30th June 2002.

12.2 **REPORT OF CONTROL OF DOGS ACT SUB-COMMITTEE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Control of Dogs Act Sub-Committee, which was established by the Environment Committee to examine the operation of the Control of Dogs Act 1986 within Cork City Council administrative area.

The Sub-Committee made the following recommendations:-

1. The premises of the Cork Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals are not suitable for the accommodation of so many stray dogs. The Society has undertaken to engage in an extensive renovation of the premises. The question of whether the central location of the Animals Home might be better located on the outskirts of the city was discussed but the Society has expressed an interest in remaining where they are.
The premises of the Cork Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals are not suitable for the accommodation of so many stray dogs.
2. The City Veterinary Officer will have the right to engage in periodic spot checks of the facilities at the Animal Home. This right has not previously existed and has been agreed to by the CSPCA.
3. The rate of killing of stray dogs in Cork is no higher and is in line with the national average as found in other facilities throughout the country.
4. The group agreed that Cork City Council should lobby the Department for the Environment and Local Government on the CSPCA becoming agents for the sale and registration of Dog Licences. At present this can only be obtained through post offices.
5. The group also agreed to recommend to the City Council that the night rate for detaining of stray dogs be increased.
6. On the question of the Dog Warden position and the acting as agents for the City Council on the Control of Dogs Act, the group recommended that the contract be placed on a formal basis, be subject to review, and be tendered for by whatever interested parties, on a regular basis.
7. The CSPCA has extend the possibility of members of the City Council being directly nominated onto its executive committee.
8. The group finally recommends that legislation be altered to allow for the increasing problem of feral cats to be adequately dealt with.

12.3 **REPORT ON SAM ALLEN SPORTS CENTRE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services on the Sam Allen Sports Centre. The report stated that the Centre is open for more than 80 hours per week and operates on a “Pay as you Play” basis with special arrangements for children groups, under age teams, schools and disadvantaged groups. The pitches attract users from a wide catchment area but users predominantly come from the Churchfield, Blackpool, Knocknaheeny, Fairhill area. It would be appropriate to review the management structure of the Centre in conjunction with any new management structure to be agreed for the refurbished Churchfield Pool.

Application would be made under the next Sports Capital Grants Scheme for grant aid towards the provision of two additional pitches at the complex, a further report being brought to Committee at that stage.

12.4 **CLEAN UP OF THE LOUGH**

An Chomhairle approved the report on the Director of Services on the following motion :-

“That an immediate clean-up of the Lough be carried out, including the Island and that all extraneous materials, eg. plastic bags and cycle frames be removed”

(Proposer:- Seanoir J. Dennehy T.D. Ref 02/115)

The report stated that the Lough is maintained to a high standard on a daily basis by the Parks Department with a full time caretaker responsible for litter picking from both park and lake itself.

12.5 **ARDMAHON ESTATE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services on the following motion :-

“That Cork Corporation carry out much needed remedial work in the park between Lake Lawn and Ardmahon Estate. This work should include cutting back and thinning out the shrubbery around the path and replacing the existing seating which are in a very dilapidated state, and providing additional seating at the southern end of the park.”

(Proposer:- Seanoir T. Shannon Ref. – 01/242)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the park area in question was maintained regularly by the Parks Department and that additional seating would be provided in the coming weeks.

12.6 **GREEN AREA, FAIRHILL**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services on the following motion :-

“That a comprehensive plan be drawn up for the utilisation of the VAST open green area in consultation with the residents of Onslow Gardens and residents of surrounding areas.”

(Proposer:- Seanoir N. O’Flynn T.D. Ref. 02/150)

The report of the Director of Services stated that a comprehensive landscape plan was agreed last year for this area following consultation with local residents, Councillors and public representatives and application for funding made through the RAPID Programme.

12.7 **NORTH WEST REGIONAL PARK**

An Chomhairle approved the convening of a Special Meeting of the Committee of Whole Council on 23rd September 2002 at 5pm to receive presentation from the Recreation, Amenity & Culture Directorate on the North West Regional Park as recommended by the Recreation, Amenity & Culture Functional Committee held on 29th July 2002.

13. **ROADS & TRANSPORTATION STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE**

13.1 **C.A.S.P.-IMPLICATIONS FOR ROADS & TRANSPORTATION**

An Chomhairle noted the report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 25th July 2002, regarding the implications for Roads & Transportation contained in the Cork Area Strategic Plan.

13.2 **TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT MEASURES – MARDYKE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 25th July 2002, regarding Traffic Management Measures for the Mardyke.

The report stated that the traffic management scheme at the Mardyke, which involves a one-way system between “The Bandfield” at UCC gates and the Sacred Heart Church on the Western Road, is in place to facilitate the extensive Main Drainage works on the Western Road. Inbound traffic to the city centre is diverted along the Mardyke and outbound traffic is channelled westwards on the Western Road.

The main Drainage Works is due to be finished by September of this year, and upon completion of road reinstatements and road markings, it is planned to revert the area to the previous traffic arrangement. Entry to the Mardyke on the Western Road opposite the Sacred Heart Church will be closed off and Western Road will revert to two-way operation.

13.3 **AMEND THE 1998 PARKING BYE LAWS**

An Chomhairle deferred consideration of the Director of Services/City Engineer’s report dated 25th July, 2002 regarding the following motion :-
"That Cork City Council amend the 1998 Parking Bye laws to prohibit clamping of vehicles in authorised parking bays within the Borough of Cork City."

(Proposer: Seanoir N. O’Flynn T.D. – Ref. 02/141)

13.4 **STREET GULLIES**

An Chomhairle approved the Director of Services/City Engineer’s report dated 25th July, 2002 regarding the following Motion :-

‘That Cork Corporation as a matter of policy would arrange for all street gullies to be cleaned at least once a month and more frequently if required’

(Proposer: Comhairleoir T. Brosnan Ref. 02/167)

The report stated that there are approximately 1,000 street gullies in the City Centre which are cleaned once per month, on average. There are also a number of sensitive gullies at vital locations throughout the city, which are monitored, inspected and cleaned on a regular basis.

There are approximately 13,000 street gullies outside the City Centre and, with the exception of the aforementioned sensitive gullies, our resources would not enable us to clean this number of gullies on a monthly basis.

13.5 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES**

An Chomhairle approved the Director of Services/City Engineer’s report dated 25th July, 2002 regarding the following Motion :-

'In light of the demand for traffic Calming Measures throughout the City and in particular in housing estates this Council adopts as policy that the developer of all new housing estates will be

required in conjunction with their Planning Permission to include appropriate traffic Calming Measures including signage as part of the development where deemed necessary by this Council'.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir J. Minihan Ref. 02/172)

The report stated that the present time where medium to large housing estates come in for Planning Permission, it is policy of the Roads & Transportation Directorate to include as a Condition of planning that traffic calming measures are undertaken within the estate by the developer. This is particularly the case where you have numbers of housing exiting on to through roads.

14. **ENVIRONMENT STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE**

CARRIGRENNAN WASTE WATER TREATMENT WORKS

An Chomhairle noted the report of the Director of Services, Environment on the modelling of Lee Estuary and Lough Mahon.

The report indicated that at the request of the DOELG, the EPA commissioned a modelling of the Lee Estuary and Lough Mahon to assess the impact of the Carrigrennan Wastewater Treatment Plant and to assist in deciding whether nutrient reduction would be required in addition to the proposed Secondary treatment.

The conclusion reached by the EPA arising from the modelling study is that “by a wide margin, the benefits of chlorophyll *a* and dissolved oxygen to be brought about by secondary treatment with an outfall at Carrigrennan are sufficient to ensure that the Lee Estuary/Lough Mahon waterbody will not be classed as eutrophic.”

15. **ROADS & TRANSPORTATION FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE**

15.1 **ROADWORKS PROGRAMME**

An Chomhairle noted report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 29th August, 2002 on the progress of ongoing Roadworks Programme for months ended July and August 2002.

15.2 **PART X NOTICE – CORNMARKE STREET BRIDGE**

An Chomhairle noted revised report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 29th August, 2002 regarding Part X Notice in relation to Cornmarket Street Bridge.

15.3 **TAXI FARE STRUCTURE**

On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Corr, seconded by Comhairleoir J. Dennehy, An Chomhairle approved the Director of Services/City Engineer's report and adopted the following Resolution:

"That the following Taxi Fares in the Cork Taximeter Area be amended with effect from 15th October, 2002 and the resolution adopted on 8th July, 2002 be rescinded.

DESCRIPTION	ADOPTED (8 th July 2002):	PROPOSED:
Minimum Day Fare	€3.11	€3.10

Minimum Night Fare	€3.35	€4.00
Distance Charged	Day Fare 12c per 1/12 th mile Night Fare 15c per 1/12 th mile	Day Fare 18c per 1/8 th mile Night Fare 20c per 1/8 th mile
Rate per mile	Day - €1.44 Night - €1.80 (including Sunday & Public Holidays)	Day - €1.44 Night - €1.60 (including Sunday & Public Holidays)
Waiting Time per hour	€14.40 per day €18.00 per night (including Sunday & Public Holidays)	€14.40 per day €16.00 per night (including Sunday & Public Holidays)
Soiling Charge	€25.00	€25.00
Public Holiday charge	Incorporated in night fare	Incorporated in night fare
Luggage Charge	50c per item (€1.00 max luggage charge)	50c per item (2 feet longitudinal or over)

Note:

- Night fare commences at 8pm. Day fare commences at 8am. The changeover from one rate to another is to take place at the specified time, even if this occurs mid trip.
- Public holidays are those defined in the Organisation of Working Time Act 1997.
- Minimum fare includes the first ½ mile of the journey or the first 3 minutes. The rate per mile will only be charged thereafter.

15.4 **SECTION 85 AGREEMENT BETWEEN CORK COUNTY COUNCIL AND CITY COUNCIL OF CORK FOR THE GRADE SEPARATION OF SARSFIELD ROAD AND BANDON ROAD ROUNDABOUTS**

On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Dennehy, seconded by Comhairleoir P.J Hourican An Chomhairle approved the Director of Services/City Engineer's report and adopted the following Resolution:-

"That Cork City Council, being of the opinion that it would be more convenient that the powers, functions and duties of Cork City Council (including the power to acquire compulsorily any lands and the preparation and publication of an Environmental Impact Statement) insofar as they relate to, concern or arise from the grade separation of Sarsfield Road and Bandon Road Roundabouts, including realignment and upgrading of the South Ring Road (N25) between and on the approaches to the junctions and all other approach roads to the junctions (including Sarsfield Road to its junction with Wilton Roundabout and Bishopstown Road to its junction with Waterfall Road), and any associated works and roadworks should be executed by Cork County Council (which said works are hereinafter referred to as "the said purpose"), hereby resolves to enter into an agreement with Cork County Council for the said purpose pursuant to Section 85 of the Local Government Act, 2001 and Section 14 of the Roads Act, 1993".

15.5 **RESURFACING OF POULADUFF ROAD**

An Chomhairle approved report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 29th August, 2002 on the following motion :-

‘That Pouladuff Road from Green Street to Clareville be included in the Road Resurfacing Programme.’

(Proposer: Comhairleoir S. Martin – Ref.00/298)

The report stated we will consider this work for inclusion in the 2003 Roadworks Programme.

15.6 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES AT POPHAMS ROAD TO COLMCILLE ROAD**

An Chomhairle approved report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 29th August, 2002 on the following motion :-

‘That Cork City Council would investigate the possibility of putting traffic calming measures in place at Knockfree Avenue, Fairhill from Pophams Road to Colmcille Road to curtail the high-speed and volume of traffic in the area which has increased since the opening of the Blackpool By Pass’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir K. Lynch Ref. 02/138)

The report stated traffic volume and speed surveys will be carried out along Fairfield Avenue in order to determine the extent of the problems and to identify any possible mitigation measures that could be provided there.

It should be noted though that Fairfield Avenue is a local distributor road, which carries buses, emergency vehicles, etc. and any traffic calming measures will have to take this into account.

15.7 **CAR – PARKING AT GLENHEIGHTS**

An Chomhairle approved report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 29th August, 2002 on the following motion :-

‘That this City Council address the problem residents in Glenheights Park area are experiencing in relation to the lack of car park spaces for residents and that this be taken in to consideration when next years Road Programme is to be considered’

(Proposer: Comhairleoir J. O’Brien Ref. 02/158)

The report stated the layout and number of parking spaces in Glenheights Park was determined at the planning and development stage, which occurred many years ago. The number of parking spaces, etc. would have been deemed to meet the current standards at the time.

Any increase in the provision of parking spaces in the estate now would have to be at the expense of either play areas or open space/green areas. This would raise objections on environmental grounds and I will refer to the matter to the Recreation and Amenity Directorate for their comments. A further report will follow on any possible measures that can be taken.

15.8 **GLENDALE GROVE BE INCLUDED IN THE ROADWORKS PROGRAMME 2003**

An Chomhairle approved report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 29th August, 2002 on the following motion :-

‘That because of its very bad condition and because it has never been resurfaced, Glendale Grove be included in the roadworks programme in 2003.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir M. Ahern Ref. 02/162)

The report stated this road is in poor condition. We will consider the work for inclusion in the 2003 Roadworks Programme.

15.9 **DELIVERY OF GOODS & SERVICES DURING PEAK HOURS**

An Chomhairle approved report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 29th August, 2002 on the following motion :-

‘That Cork City Council carry out a traffic survey on the impact that the delivery of Goods and Services during peak hours between 8 a.m to 10 a.m and 4 p.m to 6 p.m is having on the flow of traffic in the City, and that we would also along with out colleagues in Dublin City Council introduce a trial period where all deliveries be banned from the City Centres between the hours of 8 a.m to 10 a.m and also from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir M. O’Connell Ref. 02/163)

The report stated deliveries are already restricted in the mornings and evenings in parts of the city centre, i.e. along the clearways on St. Patrick’s Street, McCurtain Street, etc. Over the last few months, the Traffic Division has been considering the development of a Freight Management Plan for the city, which would comprise:

- Restricting the hours allowable for deliveries as per the above motion
- Restricting the size of delivery vehicles in environmentally sensitive areas
- Developing a lorry route which would allow large vehicles to bypass the city centre, combined with regulatory bans on them using the city centre as a through route.

The Plan would require a comprehensive amount of surveys, analyses, alternative strategy development, etc. and because of our limited resources, the project would have to be done by consultants. We are in the process of developing a brief and the identification of funding (possible EU project), and a further report will follow when this process is completed.

15.10 **HOLLYWOOD ESTATE BLARNEY ROAD**

An Chomhairle approved report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 29th August, 2002 on the following motion :-

‘That the road in Hollywood Estate Blarney Rd be resurfaced due to the many potholes.’

(Proposer: Seanoir D. McCarthy Ref. 02/165)

The report stated we will consider this work for inclusion in the 2003 Roadworks Programme.

15.11 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES AT GLEN AVENUE.**

An Chomhairle approved report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 29th August, 2002 on the following motion :-

‘That Cork Corporation arrange for traffic calming measures to be put at southern and northern sides of the entrances to Glenview Park off Glen Avenue and that appropriate signage and road markings be put in place urgently as there are lots of children in Glenview Park and traffic needs to be slowed down on Glen Avenue.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir T. Brosnan Ref. 02/166)

The report stated that traffic volume and speed surveys will be carried out at Glenview Park Avenue in order to determine the extent of the problems and to identify any possible mitigation measures that could be provided there. It should be noted though, we already have well over two hundred requests for traffic calming measures from areas similar to Glenview Park and it will take some time before funding for any works becomes available.

The provision of “Children at Play” signs is well established as an effective means for slowing down traffic or making motorists more alert in residential estates. The City Council does not actually pay for these signs, but provides guidance and support for local residents groups who are interested in having the signs erected. Any of the residents can contact Traffic Division who will meet them on site and advise them on procedures, and on the appropriate number and location of the signs.

15.12 **SOUTH LODGE**

An Chomhairle approved report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 29th August, 2002 on the following motion :-

‘That Cork Corporation erect a name plate on a suitable stone base at South Lodge Grove, Douglas, Cork.

(Proposer:- Seanoir T. Shannon – 01/243)

The report stated that the budget for 2002 for the erection of nameplates has been spent and accordingly there are no funds available to erect this nameplate in 2002. However, this estate will be considered for inclusion in the list of street nameplates to be erected in 2003.

15.13 **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT HARBOUR VIEW ROAD**

An Chomhairle approved report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 29th August, 2002 on the following motion :-

‘That Cork City Council would investigate the possibility of putting in place a pedestrian crossing at the point of Harbour View Road which accesses the Industrial Estate. A Pedestrian Crossing would be ideally situated in and around the entrance to Hollywood Estate’.

(Proposer:- Comhairleoir K. Lynch Ref. 02/139)

The report stated that traffic and pedestrian surveys will be carried out on Harbour View Road adjacent to the junction with Hollywood Estate to determine if the necessary warrants exist for the provision of a pedestrian crossing facility.

If the warrants exist, the provision of a pedestrian crossing at this location will be put forward for consideration in next year's road programme.

15.14 **RAILINGS BE ERECTED AT THE SIDE OF NO 82 ARDCULLEN**

An Chomhairle approved report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 29th August, 2002 on the following motion :-

‘That railings be erected at the side of No. 82 ArdculLEN to stop people using the alleyway for anti-social behaviour and also to protect the residents of No. 82 from people jumping over the wall every time the gardaí arrive’.

(Proposer:- Comhairleoir M. O’Connell Ref. 02/153)

The report stated that section 73 of the Roads Act 1993 provides for the extinguishment of public rights of way. Over the years many requests have been received to extinguish rights of way but because of lack of funding we were unable to undertake any of these extinguishments. As a consequence, a substantial list of requests to extinguish public rights of way is now in existence.

In 2001 and 2002 Cork City Council provided a budget of €126,974 in the Estimates to allow work to be undertaken on these extinguishments. In order to prioritise work, all requests for lane closures are submitted to the Ward Meeting for their consideration. The Ward Members recommend a Work Programme based on these requests.

According to normal practice the above request should be submitted to the Ward Meeting for their consideration.

15.15 **RESURFACE ROADWAY AT IONA GREEN**

An Chomhairle approved report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 29th August, 2002 on the following motion :-

‘That Cork City Council resurface the roadway at Iona Green, Mayfield as a matter of priority as it is in a poor condition’.

(Proposer:- Comhairleoir T. Brosnan Ref. 02/169)

The report stated that this road is in poor condition. We will consider the work for inclusion in the 2003 Roadworks Programme.

15.17 **VACANT GROUND BETWEEN 47A & 48 ARDCULEN BE FENCED OFF**

An Chomhairle approved report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 29th August, 2002 on the following motion :-

‘That the vacant ground between 47a and 48 Ardculen be fenced off to stop the dumping of rubbish, and that the City Council look at ways to develop the site and to close off the alleyways which currently contribute to various sorts of anti-social behaviour in the area’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir M. O’Connell Ref. 02/152)

The report stated that section 73 of the Roads Act 1993 provides for the extinguishment of public rights of way. Over the years many requests have been received to extinguish rights of way but because of lack of funding we were unable to undertake any of these extinguishments. As a consequence, a substantial list of requests to extinguish public rights of way is now in existence.

In 2001 and 2002 Cork City Council provided a budget of €126,974 in the Estimates to allow work to be undertaken on these extinguishments. In order to prioritise work, all requests for lane closures are submitted to the Ward Meeting for their consideration. The Ward Members recommend a Work Programme based on these requests.

According to normal practice the above request should be submitted to the Ward Meeting for their consideration.

15.17 **RE-INTRODUCE BUS STOP AT INFIRMARY ROAD**

An Chomhairle approved report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 29th August, 2002 on the following motion :-

“That Cork Corporation immediately re-introduce the bus stop at Infirmary Road opposite the South Infirmary/Victoria Hospital. This stop would service the majority of south-side routes and would be in keeping with our policy of priority public transport systems.”

(Proposer: Comhairleoir S. Martin Ref. 00/370)

The report stated that arup Consulting Engineer recently produced a bus corridor analysis of the No.6 Bus Route (Grange to South Mall) which contained many proposed bus priority measures and improvements for the route. The City Council and Bus Eireann have approved this study.

One of the proposed improvements in the study was the provision of a bus stop on Infirmary Road opposite the Victoria/South Infirmary Hospital. The City Council and Bus Eireann are committed to implement the measures outlined in the report and discussions will be held with them in the near future, to install the bus stop as requested in the motion.

15.18 **DISC PARKING**

An Chomhairle approved report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 29th August, 2002 on the following motion :-

‘That Cork City Council would introduce Disc Parking to Electric Terrace, Marina Terrace Eastville and Geraldine Place’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir K. Lynch Ref. 02/142)

The report stated that several years ago, disc parking controls were introduced in the Albert Road and Monerea Terrace area. At the time, the residents of Electric Terrace, Marina Terrace, Eastville

and Geraldine Place decided that they wanted to keep their areas free from parking controls despite the risks involved of commuters using the roadways for parking.

There is now widespread ‘outsider’ parking occurring in what should be a quiet residential area. Consultations will now begin with the local residents and Gardaí so that parking schedules, etc. can be prepared and the parking controls then will be installed as soon as possible.

15.19 **PUBLIC LIGHTING IN LAUREL RIDGE ESTATE**

An Chomhairle approved report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 29th August, 2002 on the following motion :-

‘That the City Council conduct a survey of the public lighting requirements in Laurel Ridge Estate, Blarney Road, and also the walkway between Killala Gardens and Churchfield Green’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir M. O’Connell Ref. 02/154)

The report stated that a survey will be carried out in the locations listed in the above motion in September/October next. This is the normal time for public lighting inspections when hours of darkness start relatively early and it is more practical to carry out surveys.

Any identified necessary improvements will be put forward for inclusion in next years estimates.

15.20 **FOOTPATHS IN HOLLYMOUNT ESTATE**

An Chomhairle approved report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 29th August, 2002 on the following motion :-

‘That the foot paths be repaired in Holymount Estate Blarney Rd’.

(Proposer: Seanoir D. McCarthy Ref. 02/174)

The report stated that there are some defects in these footpaths and we may carry out some repairs if resources allow.

15.21 **BOHERBOY BE INCLUDED IN THE ROADWORKS PROGRAMME**

An Chomhairle approved report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 29th August, 2002 on the following motion :-

‘That Cork City Council includes Boherboy Close in the 2003 Roadworks Programme and that the relevant cost of resurfacing the park be included in the 2003 Estimates of Expenses’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir T. Brosnan Ref. 02/175)

The report stated that we will consider this work for inclusion in the 2003 Roadworks Programme but other roads in poorer condition are likely to warrant priority.

15.22 **REVIEW OF IONA GREEN**

An Chomhairle approved report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 29th August, 2002 on the following motion :-

‘That Cork City Council carry out a review of Iona Green, Mayfield to include the following :-

- Water pressure which is dangerously low
- Parking
- Access for emergency services
- Maintenance & area of the green which should be maintained more regularly and reduced in size’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir T. Brosnan Ref. 02/176)

The report stated that :-

Parking

Iona Park is well outside the disc parking zone and the installation of parking controls is not an option here.

Access for Emergency services.

The area will be examined in conjunction with the Traffic Gardaí and any measures that are deemed necessary to improve access will be implemented.

15.23 **FOOTPATHS IN MCCURTAIN VILLAS**

An Chomhairle approved report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 29th August, 2002 on the following motion :-

‘That Cork City Council would replace the footpaths in McCurtain Villas and would complete the resurfacing programme in the remainder of the estate as it was not included in the programme for 2002’

(Proposer: Comhairleoir C. Burke Ref. 02/177)

The report stated that we will consider the footpath work and the resurfacing of the remainder of the road for inclusion in the 2003 Roadworks Programme.

15.24 **RESURFACE THE ROADWAY IN WYCHERLEY TERRACE**

An Chomhairle approved report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 29th August, 2002 on the following motion :-

‘That Cork City Council would resurface the Roadway in Wycherley Terrace and Wycherley Place, College Road.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir C. Burke Ref. 02/178)

The report stated that this road is a quiet cul-de-sac but we will consider the work for inclusion in the 2003 Roadworks Programme.

15.25 **REMOVE THE GREEN AREA AT UPPER FAIRHILL**

An Chomhairle approved report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 29th August, 2002 on the following motion :-

‘That Cork City Council would remove the green area on front of No. 70, 72 and 74 Upper Fairhill and replace it with a hard surface.’

(Proposer: Comhairleoir D. Wallace Ref. 02/121)

The report stated that reduction of green areas in the residential parts of the city has environmental and planning implications and needs to be carefully considered. In many cases, views vary among the residents themselves as to the desirability of carrying out these alterations to green areas/road surfacing. Also, there is no financial provision in the 2002 Roadwork's Programme for carrying out this type of work.

Provision of footpath crossovers and driveways through green areas to create vehicular entrances can be considered in the light of the foregoing and on payment of the appropriate fee on a cost basis.

15.26 **EXTINGUISH PEDESTRIAN WALKWAY AT ONSLOW GARDENS**

An Chomhairle approved report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 29th August, 2002 on the following motion :-

"That Cork City Council extinguish the pedestrian walk way at 7 Rowanville, Onslow Gardens, Commons Road as requested by residents of Onslow Gardens. This connects with St. Johns Well Estate through the open green area, this green area is a meeting place for anti social behaviour, drinking and illegal substance dealing."

(Proposer: Seanoir N. O'Flynn, T.D Ref. 02/149)

The report stated that section 73 of the Roads Act 1993 provides for the extinguishment of public rights of way. Over the years many requests have been received to extinguish rights of way but because of lack of funding we were unable to undertake any of these extinguishments. As a consequence, a substantial list of requests to extinguish public rights of way is now in existence.

In 2001 and 2002 Cork City Council provided a budget of €126,974 in the Estimates to allow work to be undertaken on these extinguishments. In order to prioritise work, all requests for lane closures are submitted to the Ward Meeting for their consideration. The Ward Members recommend a Work Programme based on these requests.

The request to extinguish the walkway at 7 Romanville has been examined and we are satisfied that this request could be accommodated provided it is prioritised by the Ward members and follows the procedures set out in Section 73 of the Roads Act.

According to normal practice the above request should be submitted to the Ward Meeting for their consideration.

15.27 **PARKING IN LOCAL AUTHORITY ESTATES**

An Chomhairle approved the following amended motion :-

‘That €150,000 be provided in the estimates for 2003 for residents parking in Local Authority Estates’.

The report stated that a figure of 100,000 Euro will be included in the Draft Estimates for 2003. The adoption of the estimate will be considered by the Members in due course. Design Schemes would have to be prepared for consideration by the Members.

16. ☐ **HOUSING & COMMUNITY FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE**

16.2 **HOUSING CAPITAL ALLOCATION 2002**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services on Circular Letter N9/02 – Housing Capital Allocation 2002.

16.2 **TENANT PURCHASE SCHEME**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services on the disposal of 1 no. property under the Tenant Purchase Scheme.

The report stated that details of proposed disposal of dwellings to tenants who have opted to purchase their dwellings in accordance with the purchase scheme operated by the Corporation under the terms of the Housing Act, 1966. This report is submitted to conform with Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, as amended in Section 90 of the Housing Act, 1966 and Section 26 of the Housing Act, 1992.

The Section in question provides that at a meeting of the Local Authority held after the expiration of ten clear days from the date of circulation of this report, the Local Authority shall resolve that the disposal of this property as proposed

- (a) shall be carried out in accordance with the terms specified in this report, or
- (b) shall be carried out in accordance with the terms specified in the resolution, or
- (c) shall not be carried out.

If the Local Authority resolve that the disposal shall be carried out in accordance with the terms specified in this report, the disposal may be carried out in accordance with the terms.

If the Local Authority resolve that the disposal shall be carried out in accordance with the terms specified in the resolution, the disposal may with the consent of the Minister be carried out in accordance with these terms.

If the Local Authority resolve that the disposal shall not be carried out, it shall not be carried out.

Further reports will be submitted from time to time as additional applications are processed.

16.3 **INFILL HOUSING UNITS**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of the Director of Services as required under Section 179 of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 2000 in relation to the construction/refurbishment of 3 no. infill housing units at two locations in the City.

16.4 **VACANT GROUND BETWEEN 47A AND 48 ARDCULLEN**

An Chomhairle approved further report of the Director of Services dated 29th August, 2002 on the following motion:-

“That the vacant ground between 47a and 48 Ardculen be fenced off to stop the dumping of rubbish and that the City Council look at ways to develop the site and to close off the alleyways which currently contribute to various sorts of anti social behaviour in the area.”

(Proposer: Comhairleoir M. O’Connell Ref. 02/152)

The report stated that members will be aware that the Roads Directorate has responsibility for the closure of alleyways and that a Budget has been provided for in the Estimates to fund closure of lanes, alleyways etc.

Notwithstanding the above I have requested the City Architect to survey the area in question to assess the feasibility of providing infill housing and to review whether the closure of alleyways could be incorporated in such development.

16.5 **KITCHENS & BATHROOMS IN LOCAL AUTHORITY HOUSES**

An Chomhairle approved a further report of the Director of Services dated 29th August, 2002 on the following motion:-

“That Cork City Council carry out a survey in Local Authority houses in Farranferris Avenue, Seminary Walk, and Seminary Place, as to see if the Kitchens and Bathrooms conform with Fire and Health regulations.”

(Proposer: Comhairleoir M. O’Connell Ref. 02/164)

The report stated that it is City Council policy that all local authority dwellings are let in a condition which complies with relevant statutory requirements and regulations. The City Council is satisfied that the rented dwellings in Farranferris, Seminary Walk and Seminary Place met the relevant Fire and Health Regulations at the time of letting.

17. **CORRESPONDENCE**

Correspondence as circulated was noted.

18. **CONFERENCES**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance at the following Conferences:-

18.1 **AUGHRIM SUMMER SCHOOL**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoir M. O’Connell at the Aughrim Summer which took place in Aughrim, Co. Galway from 19th – 24th July 2002.

18.2 **PARNELL SUMMER SCHOOL**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoiri N. O'Flynn, B. Allen D. Cregan and T. O'Driscoll at the Parnell Summer which took place in Avondale house at Forest Park, Rathdrum, Co. Wicklow from 11th – 16th August 2002.

18.3 **FOURTH NATIONAL ENVIRONMENT CONFERENCE**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoiri M. Shields, L. Burke and D. Counihan at the Fourth National Environment Conference taking place at the Fairways Hotel, Dundalk, Co. Louth.

18.4 **SOCIAL STUDY CONFERENCE**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoir B. Allen at the Social Study Conference which took place in the Ardilaun House Hotel, Galway from the 27th – 29th June 2002.

18.5 **COUNCIL OF EUROPE LOCAL PARTNERSHIP FOR PREVENTING AND COMBATING VIOLENCE AT SCHOOL**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Seanoir M. Quill at the Council of Europe Conference taking place in Strasbourg on 2nd – 4th December 2002.

18.6 **L.A.M.A. CONFEDERATION OF EUROPEAN COUNCILLORS JOINT CONFERENCE**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Seanoir M. Quill at the L.A.M.A. Confederation of European Councillors Join Conference being held in Slovakia on the 26th – 29th September 2002.

18.7 **NEW DEVELOPMENTS & CURRENT ISSUES IN WASTE MANAGEMENT IN IRELAND E.P.A. CONFERENCE**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoir T. O'Driscoll at the New Developments & Current Issues in Waste Management in Ireland E.P.A. Conference being held in Galway Bay Hotel, Salthill, Galway on 18th September 2002.

18.8 **ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPAL AUTHORITIES OF IRELAND**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Seanoir J. Dennehy, T.D. and Comhairleoiri S. Martin, K. Lynch T.D., D. Cregan, and D. Wallace at the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland being held in Westport, Co. Mayo on 12th – 14th September 2002.

18.9 **NICE TREATY SEMINAR**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoiri L. Burke, D. Cregan and B. Bermingham at the Nice Treaty Seminar being held in Druids Glen Marriott Hotel and Country Club, Newtown Mount Kennedy, Co Wicklow on 11th October 2002.

18.10 **DEPARTMENT OF GOVERNMENT – UCC**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Seanoir T. Shannon, and Comhairleoir D. Counihan at the annual conference of the Department of Government UCC to be held on 26th – 28th September 2002.

19. **MOTIONS**

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

19.1 **BUS STOP – INFIRMARY ROAD**

“That a bus stop be located immediately on Infirmary Road opposite the General City Hospital”
(Proposer: Comhairleoir S. Martin – Ref. 00/382)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

19.2 **CANTY FIELD CONNAUGHT AVENUE**

“That £40,000 be put aside in next years estimates for Canty Field, Connaught Avenue, to resurface the pathways, cut back the overgrowth on the cliff top, the erection of secure railway and gate and upgrading of public lighting.”

(Proposer: Comhairleoir S. Martin – Ref. 00/384)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

- Recreation Amenity & Culture Functional Committee

19.3 **CLEAN UP AT HOLLYMOUNT ESTATE**

‘That Cork City Council carry out a clean up of the footpaths and roads in Hollymount Estate, Blarney Road, they are overgrown with grass and weeds and have not been sprayed for many years’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir M. Connell Ref. 02/168)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

19.4 **ERECT A RAILING LEADING TO THE CONCERT HALL**

‘That Cork City Council would consider erecting a railing on the steps leading to the Concert Hall which would facilitate both disabled and elderly patrons’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir K. Lynch T.D. Ref. 02/171)

- Report to be prepared

19.5 **SUNDAYS WELL ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council would immediately carry out work at the junction from Lower Janemount to Sunday’s Well Road which would prevent cars parking near

the junction as residents now find it impossible to drive onto Sunday’s Well road due to cars being parked too close to the entrance’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir C. Burke Ref. 02/179)

- **Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

19.6 **BRITISH NUCLEAR FUELS LIMITED**

‘That the City Council/County Council notes:
a shipment of plutonium mixed oxide was delivered to Japan in 1999 from British Nuclear Fuels Limited (BNFL) but, because crucial safety data was found to be falsified by BNFL, Japan refused to accept the fuel and it is now being returned to the United Kingdom, and the MOX is expected to be shipped through the Irish Sea and thus poses an unacceptable risk to the marine environment, coastline and population of Ireland and also notes that the Japanese and British governments did not conduct a full, comprehensive and public environmental impact assessment in consultation with Ireland prior to the voyage;

This City Council/County Council (as a nuclear free city) is opposed to the transportation of this rejected plutonium MOX, (a mixture of plutonium and uranium oxides) through the Irish Sea and calls on the Irish Government to:

Protest the shipment to the Japanese and British governments;
Protest the proposed level of security as inadequate and demand an armed military escort capable of meeting any threat from terrorism accompany the shipment;

We welcome the formation of a citizens’ flotilla of small yachts to peacefully express the Irish people’s opposition to the shipment.’

(Proposer: Comhairleoir K. Lynch 02/180)

- **Next Council Meeting**

19.7 **TRAFFIC LIGHTS ON THE CROSS DOUGLAS RD & SOUTH DOUGLAS**

‘Due to the dangerous junction between the Cross Douglas Rd and the South Douglas Rd this Council resolves to have traffic lights installed at this junction as a matter of urgency in the interest of Road Safety.’

(Proposer: Comhairleoir J. Minihan 02/188)

- **Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

19.8 **TREATY OF NICE**

‘This Council urges a **YES VOTE** on **the NICE treaty** aware of its role in a developing European Union and facilitating

1. The process of enlargement enabling Eastern European Nations the opportunity for economic & social development that Ireland enjoys today
2. A united, fair, just, prosperous and peaceful Europe.
3. A Neutral Independent Europe, developing policies and practices, acquiring allies and friends, contributing and enriching to peoples in need and enriching

humanity and civilization into the 21st Century’.
(Proposer: Comhairleoir B. Bermingham 02/190)

- Next Council Meeting

19.9 VIADUCT

‘Further to my previous motion 99/135 resulting in correspondence between Cork City Council and Cork County Council this council again calls on Cork County Council to upgrade this magnificent landmark, assessing its structure for safety, cleaning and floodlighting it, acknowledging the symbolic and historic landmark that is the Viaduct, in terms of its, Civil Engineering feat and its Communication, Transport and Social History.

Resulting in

1. The enhancement of Cork’s heritage.
2. Acting as a gateway to Cork City and West Cork (depending on the direction one is travelling).
3. Taking its place as a premier landmark in this region.
4. Facilitate its image being incorporated with pride in the brochures and promotional literature of various local bodies.’

(Proposer: Comhairleoir B. Bermingham 02/191)

Next Council Meeting

19.10 BLOCKED GULLIES

‘That Cork Corporation would clean all the blocked gullies on Ballyhooley Road, Gardeners Hill and Summerhill North as the flow of water after rainfall is substantial and a cause of concern to pedestrians’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir T. Brosnan 02/192)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

19.11 PLANNED MAINTENANCE PROGRAMME

‘That Cork Corporation would as a priority arrange for replacement windows to be fitted at Boyne Crescent, Corrib Lawn and Ballinderry Park, Mayfield as this area of the city is falling behind in terms of the Planned Maintenance Programme which had these parks scheduled for window replacement in 2002/2003’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir T. Brosnan 02/193)

-Housing & Community Functional Committee

19.12 CITY ENGINEER TO PROVIDE RUMBLE STRIPS

‘To ask the City Engineer to provide Rumble Strips from the Entrance of St. Mary’s Home, Montenotte to the entrance of Clifton Convalescent Home in the interest of the residents of the area’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir L. Burke 02/194)

- **Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

19.13 **LOADING BAY AT SUNDAYS WELL**

‘To ask the City Engineer to provide a loading bay, at the end of Buxton Hill, Sundays Well Road, for the loading and unloading of meat and vegetables on this very narrow roadway for O’Flynn’s Victuallers to help the very restricted parking in the area’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir L. Burke 02/195)

- **Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

This concluded the business of the meeting.

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Chuig gach ball de Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí

19 Meán Fómhair 2002