

MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF CORK CITY COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 12th MAY 2003

- PRESENT:** An tArd-Mheara, Comhairleoir J. Kelleher in the chair,
subsequently Leas Ard-Mheara, Comhairleoir M. Ahern, in the
chair.
- NORTH EAST** Seanoir M. Quill, Comhairleoirí T. Brosnan, L. Burke,
B. Kelleher T.D.
- NORTH CENTRAL** Seanoir N. O'Flynn T.D, Comhairleoirí K. Lynch T.D.,
B. Allen T.D., D. Wallace.
- NORTH WEST** Seanoir D. McCarthy, Comhairleoirí T. Falvey, C. Burke,
J. O'Brien.
- SOUTH EAST** Seanoir T. Shannon, Comhairleoirí D. Clune, J. Corr, D. Counihan,
- SOUTH CENTRAL** Seanoir C. O'Connell, Comhairleoirí S. Martin, T. O'Driscoll,
D. Cregan, Chris O'Leary.
- SOUTH WEST** Seanoir J. Dennehy T.D, Comhairleoirí M. Ahern,
B. Bermingham, P.J. Hourican.
- ALSO PRESENT** Mr. J. Gavin, City Manager.
Mr. F. Allison, A/Director of Services, Corporate Affairs.
Mr. J. Kennelly, Director of Services, Recreation, Amenity &
Culture.
Mr. K. Terry, Director of Services & City Engineer, Roads &
Transportation.
Mr. D. O' Mahony, A/Senior Executive Officer, Corporate Affairs.
Mr. F. Long, Senior Engineer, Housing and Community.
Mr. S. Crowley, A/Senior Staff Officer, Corporate Affairs.

Apologies: Comhairleoirí J. Minihan, M. Shields.

An tArd-Mheara recited the opening prayer.

1. **VOTES OF SYMPATHY**

An Chomhairle unanimously extended a vote of sympathy to:-

- The O' Halloran Family on the death of Margaret O' Halloran.
- The Callanan Family on the death of Ted Callanan.
- The O' Mahony Family on the death of Sr. Perpetua O' Mahony.

2. **VOTES OF CONGRATULATIONS**

An Chomhairle unanimously extended a vote of congratulations to Comhairleoir Jim Corr in recognition of his 30 years service as an elected member of Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí.

3. **WITHDRAWAL OF MOTION**

Comhairleoir T. Brosnan proposed and Comhairleoir L. Burke seconded the following motion:

That the following motion be withdrawn:-

‘That Cork City Council support the concept of a joint development at the Showgrounds, Monahan Road between the Munster Agricultural Society and Cork County Board G.A.A. and that any legal transactions necessary to allow this development to occur, would be carried out by Cork City Council.’

(Proposer: Seanoirí John Dennehy T.D., Terry Shannon, Con O’ Connell, Dave McCarthy, N. O’ Flynn T.D., Comhairleoirí Damien Wallace, Sean Martin, Tim Brosnan, Mary Shields, Tim Falvey, Donal Counihan, Tom O’ Driscoll, Brian Bermingham, Liam Burke, Jonathon O’ Brien, Bernard Allen T.D., Denis Cregan, Jim Corr, Billy Kelleher T.D., Colm Burke 03/132)

A vote was called for where there appeared:-

FOR: Ard-Mheara J. Kelleher, Seanoirí M. Quill, D. McCarthy, Comhairleoirí T. Brosnan, L. Burke, B. Kelleher T.D., K. Lynch T.D., D. Wallace, T. Falvey, C. Burke, D. Clune, J. Corr, D. Counihan, D. Cregan, M. Ahern, B. Bermingham, P.J. Hourican. (17)

AGAINST: Seanoirí T. Shannon, C. O’ Connell, J. Dennehy T.D., Comhairleoirí J. O’ Brien, S. Martin, Chris O’ Leary. (6)

ABSTENTION: Seanoir N. O’ Flynn T.D.

An tArd Mheara declared the motion passed.

An Chomhairle agreed to discuss this matter further in Committee after the conclusion of meeting of An Chomhairle.

4. **MINUTES**

The Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held on 28th April 2003 were considered and approved.

5. **QUESTION TIME**

5.1 **RESURFACING OF THE ROAD IN MACCURTAIN VILLAS**

In response to question submitted by Seanoir Dave McCarthy the following written reply was circulated which stated that this road is included in the 2003 Estates

Contract which is of six months duration. We expect this particular road to be resurfaced during the current month.

5.2 **RATES COLLECTED FROM MOBILE TRANSMITTER SITES**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir Chris O' Leary the following written reply was circulated which stated that the sum of €29,761 has been paid in Rates by the occupiers of Mobile Masts/Antenna in the years 1998 to 2002.

In the current year an extra €17,203 will be payable on new ratings.

5.3 **CORK CITY COUNCIL'S POLICY**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir Brian Bermingham the following written reply was circulated which stated that a report on the Bishopstown By-Pass, linking the Ballincollig By-Pass to the Model Farm Road and also the Ardostig Cross to Curraheen Road was completed by Consultants Atkins McCarthy in 2002.

A submission for funding to undertake the works has been made to the Department of the Environment and Local Government, but to date no approval to proceed has been given.

5.4 **COST OF REINSTATING AND RESURFACING THE LOWER GLANMIRE ROAD**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir Tim Brosnan the following written reply was circulated which stated that the expected cost of resurfacing the Lower Glanmire Road is in the order of €0.5m. Of this sum, we would seek to get approx. €0.15m from Cork Main Drainage, with the remaining €0.35m to be funded by the NRA. As the road is a National Primary, funding from the DOELG would not be expected.

In order to complete the work by November 2004, we would need to have the road included in the 2004 Traffic Route Resurfacing Contract which would be put to tender in March 2004 and carried out April - November of next year.

If NRA funding was made available this year (though there is no indication of this) we could possibly incorporate the work into the current contract but it would probably not be carried out until early in the New Year.

6. **NOMIATIONS TO RAPID AREA IMPLEMENTATION TEAMS**

An Chomhairle agreed to defer the Nominations to Rapid Area Implementation Teams to next meeting of An Chomhairle to be held on 26th May 2003.

Members requested that they be notified of Rapid Area Implementation Team meetings that are held concerning their wards.

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

7.1 **REPORT ON MAHON LOCAL PARK, GLENAMOY LAWN LOCAL PARK AND SHANDON LOCAL PARK**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services on the Mahon Local Park, Glenamoy Lawn Local Park and Shandon Local Park. The report stated that consultation had taken place in recent weeks with residents associations in relation to parks for Mahon and Glenamoy Lawn. Following successful consultations it was now intended to proceed with Part 8 Planning Consultation process to advance the projects. Works had already commenced on Shandon Local Park/Cemetery enhancements.

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

8.1 **QUARTERLY REPORT ON LEISURE FACILITIES**

An Chomhairle noted the Quarterly Report on Leisure and Library Facilities for quarter ended 31st March, 2003.

8.2 **ARTS COMMITTEE GRANTS**

An Chomhairle approved the amended recommendations of the Arts Committee in relation to 2003 grants and approved the report of the Director of Services dated the 8th May, 2003.

Members also recommended that groups receiving Arts Grants from Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí be requested to participate in the St. Patrick's Day Parade.

8.3 **PART 8 PLANNING PROCESS, CHANGING FACILITIES, COFFEYS FIELD**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services as required under Section 179 (3) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, in relation to the building of changing facilities at Coffeys Field

8.4 **ENHANCEMENT OF RED ABBEY SURROUNDS – PART 8 PLANNING PROCESS**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services as required under Section 179 (3) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, in relation to enhancement works for the Red Abbey Surrounds.

8.5 **BOTANIC GARDEN**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That Cork City An Chomhairle would consider establishing a botanical garden in the City’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir T. O'Driscoll 02/261)

8.6 **RAILINGS AT CHURCHFIELD**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘When the Leisure Centre is being built in Churchfield, that a railing be put around the green area near Churchfield Tce. Churchfield Place West, and Churchfield Ave. This is an urgent matter’.

(Proposer: Seanoir D. McCarthy – 03/21)

8.7 **GRASS IN HILLCREST ESTATE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That the grass be cut in Hillcrest Estate, Blarney Road and the area be cleaned up urgently’.

(Proposer: Seanoir D. McCarthy 03/73)

8.8 **DRESSING ROOM FACILITIES AT FAIRFIELD**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City An Chomhairle provide dressing room/changing facilities at the pitch in Fairfield, Farranree.’

(Proposer: Cllr. Kathleen Lynch T.D. 03/102)

8.9 **PLAYING PITCHES CORK COUNTY CAMOGIE BOARD**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘To request The Manager that land sufficient for two playing pitches and ancillary facilities should be set aside to cater for the needs of The Cork County Camogie Board, in the Kinsale Road Amenity Facility’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir M. Shields 03/57)

8.10 **HEDGE HOLLYWOOD ESTATE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That the inside hedge be cut in Hollywood Estate, Blarney Road and the area be cleaned up’.

(Proposer: Seanoir D. McCarthy 03/72)

8.11 **BOUNDARY FENCE, RIVERVIEW GARDENS**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That in a measure to promote safety and prevent accidents a proper boundary fence would be erected without delay at the southern side of Riverview Gardens, where nine young families have taken up residence’.

(Proposer: Seanoir M. Quill 03/49)

9. **CONFERENCES**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance at the following Conferences which were deferred by An Chomhairle from its meeting held on 28th April, 2003:

9.1 **PUBLIC PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP IN SPORT & LEISURE PROVISION**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Seanoir D. Mc Carthy, Comhairleoirí L. Burke, D. Cregan, K. Lynch T.D., S. Martin and T. Falvey at the Public Private Partnership in Sport & Leisure Provision Conference which was held in Tullamore Court Hotel, Co. Offaly on the 16th & 17th April, 2003.

9.2 **L.A.M.A. CONFERENCE**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Seanoir D. Mc Carthy, Comhairleoirí K. Lynch T.D., M. Ahern and S. Martin at the L.A.M.A. Conference which was held in Mount Errigal Hotel, Letterkenny on the 24th & 25th April, 2003.

9.3 **THE FIGHTING IRISH 69TH REGIMENT N.Y.**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Seanoir T. Shannon, Comhairleoirí T. Falvey, T. Brosnan and P.J. Hourican at The Fighting Irish 69th Regiment N.Y. Conference which was held in Coach House Hotel, Ballymore, Co. Sligo on the 9th & 10th May, 2003.

9.4 **POLICING NORTH AND SOUTH 1800-1922**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoir T. Brosnan at Policing North and South 1800 – 1922 Conference to be held at Glenroyal Hotel, Maynooth on the 16th & 17th May, 2003.

10. **MOTIONS**

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

10.1 **LITTER BIN TO BE PROVIDED AT RECYCLING AREAS**

“That Cork Corporation as a matter of policy ensure that a well designed litter bin be provided at all recycling areas in the City.”

(Proposer: Comhairleoir S. Martin – Ref. 01/324)
Environment Strategic Policy Committee

10.2 **DEVELOP AND PROMOTE THE BARRACK STREET/FORT STREET AREA**

“That a representative group/voluntary organisation and residents committee be formed in order to develop and promote the Barrack Street/Fort Street area by outlining its past historical link and contribution to the city and also developing policy to discriminate in the favour of residential living which would help preserve and maintain family type accommodation.”

(Proposer: Comhairleoir S. Martin – Ref. 01/325)

Planning & Development Strategic Policy Committee

10.3 **BOLLARDS AT DUNMORE GARDENS AND KILMORE ROAD**

‘That bollards be placed at the entrance between Dunmore Gardens and Kilmore Road’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir M. O’ Connell 03/64)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

10.4 **UNDERTAKE A GENERAL PROGRAMME OF FOOTPATH RENEWAL**

‘That Cork City Council would undertake a general programme of footpath renewal in Lake Lawn, Well Road, in the year 2003’.

(Proposer: Seanoir T. Shannon 03/82)

Roads & Transportation Strategic Policy Committee

10.5 **PALM TREES ON LAKE LAWN HILL**

‘That Cork City Council would arrange to have the Palm trees on Lake Lawn Hill topped, as their height is blocking residents light’.

(Proposer: Seanoir T. Shannon 03/88)

Recreation, Amenity & Culture Functional Committee

10.6 **HOUSES TO BE BUILT IN HOLLYHILL**

‘Houses be built on the Scout Hall Site on Hollyhill Lane and the entrance coming in from Hollyhill Lane.’

(Proposer: Ald. Dave McCarthy 03/117)

Housing & Community Functional Committee

10.7 **EXTENSION TO DISC PARKING**

‘That this Council agrees that disc parking be extended to the whole of Deerpark, Roselawn, Gould Street, Green Street, Greenmount Avenue, Pouladuff Road and Ardross Estate as a matter of urgency.’

(Proposer: Ald. Con O’ Connell 03/119)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

10.8 **TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT STUDY**

‘That Cork City Council would prepare a Traffic Management Study to predict the impact that the following developments would have in the Blackrock area:

1. Proposed housing development on the lands at Ursuline Convent.
Plus
2. Proposed provision of 43 housing units on Buckley’s Field, Blackrock.
Plus
3. Proposed provision of 111 dwellings on Casey’s Field, Blackrock.
Plus
4. Proposed provision of 56 dwellings at Berlingford Drive, Blackrock.
Plus
5. Provision of 16 no. Flats/Apartments in Blackrock Village.
Plus
6. Residential and commercial development at Mahon Point, Blackrock.

As each of the above developments are proposed in isolation with no consideration given to the overall impact the traffic generated will have for those already living in the area.’

(Proposer: Cllr. Deirdre Clune 03/120)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

10.9 **PLACEMENT OF DOUBLE YELLOW LINES**

‘That double yellow lines be put on the eastern end of Glen Avenue, Dillions Cross, near the new housing scheme at Glenview Park.’

(Proposer: Cllr. John Kelleher 03/121)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

10.10 **PLACEMENT OF ‘GO SLOW’ SIGNS & SCHOOL WARNING SIGNS**

‘That GO SLOW or School warning signs would be provided on Beaumont Drive approaching the Quarry area to ensure the safety of young children coming to and from school.’

(Proposer: Cllr. Deirdre Clune 03/123)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

10.11 **ROAD RESURFACING**

‘That the road outside No. 70 Killala Gardens and all the area be resurfaced urgently due to the large pot holes on the road.’

(Proposer: Ald. Dave Mc Carthy 03/124)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

10.12 **LOCAL PLAN FOR LOWER GLANMIRE ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council prepare a comprehensive Local Plan for the Lower Glanmire Road and adjoining areas including Grattan Hill, Mahony’s Avenue as far as Tivoli Skew Bridge with a view to facilitating regeneration of the area and that full consultation would take place with local residents and business.’

(Proposer: Cllr. Tim Brosnan 03/125)

Planning & Development Strategic Policy Committee

10.13 **RESTORING ROAD MARKINGS**

‘That Cork City Council restore the road markings at Audley Place and St Patrick’s Hill as they are needed to protect local residents against careless and inconsiderate parking.’

(Proposer: Cllr. Tim Brosnan 03/126)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

10.14 **AFFORDABLE HOUSING**

‘That all new residential zoning in the Draft Development Plan should be developed for Affordable Housing to the levels required by the Housing Strategy Policy.’

(Proposer: Cllr. Michael O’ Connell 03/127)

Planning & Development Strategic Policy Committee

10.15 **END STREET VIOLENCE**

‘That this Council support the public request and calls on the Minister for Justice and Law Reform to end street violence now.’

(Proposer: Cllr. Brian Bermingham 03/128)

11. **CORPORATE POLICY GROUP**

11.1 **FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO 31ST MARCH, 2003**

An Chomhairle approved the Financial Statement to 31st March.

12. **HOUSING & COMMUNITY STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE**

12.1 **SCHEME OF LETTING PRIORITIES**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 9th October 2002 on the Scheme of Letting Priorities.

12.2 **CORK CITY COUNCIL TENANT'S IN PRIVATE ESTATES**

An Chomhairle approved the Draft Report of Cork City Council's Social Inclusion Unit dated December 2002 on Support Needs of Cork City Council Tenants in Private Estates.

12.3 **PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT 2002**

An Chomhairle noted the report of the Director of Services, Housing on the changes to Part V of the Local Government Planning and Development Act 2000 as a result of the adoption of the Planning and Development Act 2002.

12.4 **PRESENTATION OF CORK CITY PARTNERSHIP SUB COMMITTEE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of Director of Services, dated 9th April 2003 on the presentation made by the Cork City Partnership Sub Committee.

13. **PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE**

13.1 **DRAFT CITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2003**

An Chomhairle approved the Draft Cork City Development Plan 2003. He circulated the report of Ms. A. Bogan dated 1st May, 2003 on the public consultation on the Draft City Development Plan 2003.

13.2 **CORK ECONOMIC MONITOR**

An Chomhairle noted the report of the Director of Services, Planning & Development dated 28th April 2003 on the Cork Economic Monitor – April 2003.

14. **ROADS & TRANSPORTATION FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE**

14.1 **ROADWORKS PROGRAMME**

An Chomhairle noted the report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 1st May, 2003 on the progress of ongoing Roadworks Programme for month ended April 2003.

14.2 **PART 8 LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT) REGULATIONS 2001, BLACKASH PARK & RIDE SITE**

An Chomhairle noted the report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 1st May, 2003 regarding Part 8 Local Government (Planning & Development) Regulations 2001, Blackash Park & Ride Site.

14.3 **ST. PATRICKS RD RESURFACING**

An Chomhairle approved the report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 1st May, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

“That St. Patrick’s Road be included in next years Road Resurfacing Programme.”

(Proposer:- Comhairleoir S. Martin – 01/279)

14.4 **RESURFACING PROGRAMME**

An Chomhairle approved the report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 1st May, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That Farranferris Place be included in this years resurfacing programme’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir M. O’ Connell 03/60)

14.5 **CLOSURE OF LANEWAY**

An Chomhairle approved the report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 1st May, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That Cork City Council would proceed to close the laneway leading from Churchfield Gardens to Churchfield Avenue’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir C. Burke 03/84)

14.6 **TRAFFIC FLOW ON ST ANNE’S DRIVE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 1st May, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That Cork City Council review traffic flow on St Anne’s Drive, Montenotte following the installation of ramps on the adjoining roadway as it would appear that motorists are using St. Anne’s Drive as a means of avoiding the ramps and there may be a need to introduce measures to discourage this practice’.

(Proposer: Cllr. Tim Brosnan 03/101)

14.7 **ARRANGE FOR ROADSIDE GULLIES**

An Chomhairle approved the report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 1st May, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That Cork City Council arrange for all roadside gullies on Boherboy Road, Upper Lotabeg Road, Silverheights Road, Silverheights Avenue and Silverheights Drive to be thoroughly cleaned as a matter of urgency’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir T. Brosnan 03/75)

14.8 **DISC PARKING**

An Chomhairle approved the report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 1st May, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

“That St. Patrick’s Road, Congress Road, Murphy’s Gardens and Deerpark Mews be zoned for Disc Parking.”

(Proposer: Comhairleoir S. Martin – Ref. 01/314)

14.9 **RAMPS TO BE INSTALLED**

An Chomhairle approved the report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 1st May, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That ramps be installed in Briars Court to slow traffic entering and leaving the estate’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir M. O’ Connell 03/62)

14.10 **DISC PARKING TO BE EXTENDED**

An Chomhairle approved the report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 1st May, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That disc parking be extended to the Boreenmanna Road between Castlegreine, and Wallace Avenue on both sides to stop the indiscriminate and dangerous parking of cars by those not living in the area’.

(Proposer: Seanoir T. Shannon 03/80)

14.11 **BYE LAW PROHIBITING ANY PARKING ON STREETS**

An Chomhairle approved the report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 1st May, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That Cork City Council bring in a bye law prohibiting any parking on streets when mechanical street sweeper is operating in any area.

i.e. Glasheen no parking on street Wednesday between 9 am and 12 noon. This would allow street cleaning to be undertaken in an efficient way and ensure that streets are cleaned properly.’

(Proposer: Cllr P.J. Hourican 03/105)

14.12 **PROBLEMS WITH PARKED VEHICLES AT THE TOP & BOTTOM OF STREAM HILL**

An Chomhairle approved the report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 1st May, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That Cork City Council takes immediate steps to rectify the problems encountered due to parked vehicles at the top and bottom of Stream Hill. Not alone do these vehicles block visibility for users they have also prevented emergency vehicles from gaining access. City Council must introduce restrictions as soon as possible’.

(Proposer: Cllr Billy Kelleher, T.D. 03/107)

14.13 **NAME PLATES**

An Chomhairle approved the report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 1st May, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘Name Plates to be put into Hillcrest Estate, Blarney Road, urgently’.

(Proposer: Ald. Dave McCarthy 03/111)

14.14 **RESURFACING CHURCHFIELD TERRACE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 1st May, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That the road in Churchfield Terrace East be resurfaced due to large pot holes’.

(Proposer: Ald. Dave McCarthy 03/112)

14.15 **PLACEMENT OF DOUBLE YELLOW LINES**

An Chomhairle approved the report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 1st May, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That double yellow lines be placed close to the junction of Friars Walk and

(a) Annmount

(b) Maymount

(c) Millbrook Lawn

in order to discourage motorists from parking in dangerous positions.’

(Proposer: Cllr. Tom O’Driscoll 03/114)

14.16 **INSTALLING LIGHTS AT MEELICK PARK**

An Chomhairle approved the report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 1st May, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That Cork City Council undertakes to install three lights in Meelick Park, Ballyvolane to light up the estate and thus combat the anti-social behaviour being experienced in the park’.

(Proposer: Cllr. Billy Kelleher, T.D. 03/116)

15. **HOUSING & COMMUNITY FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE**

15.1 **MONTHLY REPORT**

An Chomhairle approved the monthly report of the Director of Services for the month of April 2003.

15.2 **PLANNED MAINTENANCE PROGRAMME 2003**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated the 1st May, 2003 on the Planned Maintenance Programme 2003.

15.3 **PURCHASING OF PRIVATE HOUSES**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st May, 2003 on the following motion: -

‘That a report be presented to Council on Cork City Council policy on purchasing private houses for Local Government stock. The report would include criteria for purchases bearing in mind that it is government policy to have a fully integrated housing programme. What is the purchase breakdown per electoral ward? How many purchases have being made in County Council areas? What is the average purchase price paid per house? What was the highest price paid? Finally what is the maximum number to be purchased in any given estate?’

(Proposer: Comhairleoiri: S. Martin 01/253)

15.4 **REPLACEMENT OF WINDOWS AND DOORS**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st May, 2003 on the following motion: -

‘That all the windows and doors be replaced in Ardcullen, Hollyhill’

(Proposer: Comhairleoiri D McCarthy 03/96)

15.5 **GRANT OF RIGHT OF WAY AND WAYLEAVE**

On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Corr, seconded by Comhairleoir T. Brosnan, An Chomhairle approved the following property disposal referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘Grant of Right of Way and Wayleave over laneway leading from Pouladuff Road to former Turf Stores, Pouladuff Road, to Brendan and Derry Crowley, c/o Babington Clarke & Mooney, Solicitors, 48 South Mall, Cork.’

16. **AMENDMENT TO STANDING ORDERS**

An Chomhairle deferred proposed amendments to Standing Orders to next meeting of An Chomhairle to be held on 26th May, 2003.

17. **CONFERENCES**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance at the following Conferences:

17.1 **THE FIGHTING IRISH 69TH REGIMENT N.Y.**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoirí D. Cregan and L. Burke at the Fighting Irish 69th N.Y. Conference held at Coach House Hotel, Ballymore, Co. Sligo on 9th – 10th May, 2003.

17.2 **ENVIRONMENT POLICY & SEMINAR**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoir D. Cregan at the Environment Policy & Seminar for Elected Members held in the Park Hotel, Dungarvan, Co. Waterford on 1st May, 2003.

17.3 **THE FUTURE OF REGIONAL & COHESION POLICY**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoir T. Brosnan at the Future of Regional & Cohesion Policy Conference to be held in the Hotel Kilkenny on 23rd & 24th May, 2003.

17.4 **GENERAL COUNCIL OF COUNTY COUNCILS**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoirí L. Burke and D. Cregan at the General Council of County Councils to be held in the Silversprings Hotel, Cork on 31st May, 2003.

17.5 **SEMINAR ON ENVIRONMENT**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoirí L. Burke and D. Cregan at the Seminar on Environment to be held in The Lake Hotel, Oughterard, Co. Galway on 6th & 7th June, 2003.

17.6 **9th ANNUAL CONFERENCE – REGIONAL PLANNING GUIDELINES**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoirí L. Burke and D. Cregan at the 9th Annual Conference – Regional Planning Guidelines Seminar on Environment to be held in The Abbey Court Hotel, Nenagh, Co. Tipperary on 13th June, 2003.

18. **MOTIONS**

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

18.1 **FOOTPATH RENEWAL SCHEME – FRIARS ROAD**

“That Cork Corporation would include Friars Road in this years Footpath Renewal Programme.”

(Proposer: Comhairleoir S. Martin – 01/097)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

18.2 **WORKS IN BALLYPHEHANE PARK**

“That the necessary finance be put aside for the proper resurfacing of the footpaths in Ballyphehane Park.

That serious consideration be given to making an all weather training service adjacent to the Community Centre complete with floodlights to facilitate the training needs of local clubs.”

(Proposer: Comhairleoir S. Martin – Ref. 01/326)

Recreation, Amenity & Culture Functional Committee

18.3 **ROADS PROGRAMME – GLANDORE AVE.**

‘That Glandore Ave. be included in the 2004 road resurfacing programme’

(Proposer: Seanoir T. Shannon 03/89)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

18.4 **ROADS PROGRAMME - BELLAIR**

‘That Bellair be included in the 2004 road resurfacing programme’.

(Proposer: Seanoir T. Shannon 03/90)

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18.5 **WAIVE RATES ON CHILDCARE PREMISES**

‘That Cork City Council would waive rates on Childcare premises in order to encourage the development of much needed childcare places in Cork City.’

(Proposer: Comhairleoir Deirdre Clune 03/129)

Corporate Policy Group

18.6 **DISC PARKING SPACES**

‘That this Council agrees that the single yellow line on the right hand side of Mary Street from Georges Quay End be removed to create badly needed disc parking spaces. Mary Street is in a densely populated area and the zone has the least amount of spaces of any zone in the city, the removal of the line would cause no inconvenience to traffic.’

(Proposer: Seanoir Con O’ Connell 03/130)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

18.7 **OPENING BETWEEN BAKERS ROAD & PRESENTATION ROAD
WOULD BE BLOCKED OFF**

‘Opening between Bakers Road and Presentation Road would be blocked off.’
(Proposer: Seanoir Dave McCarthy 03/131)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

18.8 **FOOTPATH ON SOUTH SIDE OF THE BALLINLOUGH ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council would provide a footpath on the south side of the Ballinlough Road by Flaherty’s Lane.’

(Proposer: Comhairleoir Deirdre Clune 03/133)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

18.9 **ILLEGAL CARAVANS**

‘That a railing be put around the green on Kilmore Road and Dunmore Gardens to stop illegal caravans parking there.’

(Proposer: Seanoir Dave McCarthy 03/134)

Recreation, Amenity & Culture Functional Committee

18.10 **MAJOR FACELIFT AT TUNNEL STEPS**

‘That Cork City Council inform CIE of its responsibility to keep its property in a tidy and presentable manner and that CIE be asked to carry out a clean up along its boundry with Lower Glanmire Road and that it also carry out a major facelift at Tunnel Steps leading from Lower Glanmire Road to Summerhill North as this walkway has become terribly run down in recent years.’

(Proposer: Comhairleoir Tim Brosnan 03/135)

Corporate Policy Group

18.11 **NEXT PHASE OF BENCHMARKING AWARDS**

‘That Cork City Council notes with concern the recent statement from Finance Minister Charlie McCreevy that he won’t be financing the next phase of the benchmarking awards and that the attention of the Social Partners be drawn to the fact that Cork City Council doesn’t have the financial resources to so do either and that prior to concluding the next wage agreement the Minister should be asked to confirm that he will honour the existing one.’

(Proposer: Comhairleoir Tim Brosnan 03/136)

Corporate Policy Group

18.12 **STATUTORY REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

‘That it becomes the policy of Cork City Council and seek Cork County Council support to establish a Statutory Regional Development Authority for METROPOLIAN, CASP and County Cork areas, on a similar reference and funding basis to Shannon Development.’

(Proposer: Comhairleoir Brian Bermingham 03/137)

Planning & Development Strategic Policy Committee

18.13 **PROCEDURES WHICH FACILITATE ELECTIONS**

‘That this Council agrees to set in motion procedures which will facilitate elections to the recognised local councils called Community Associations on a single mandate basis on the same day as the forthcoming Local Elections 2004 resulting in the ...

1. Extension of local democracy with responsibility into the heart of the various communities in the City of Cork.
2. Wider and diffusion of participation and leading within these Communities.
3. Creation of democratic local communities with a mandate to speak on behalf of local areas as defined.
4. Such representatives joining with Cork City Ward Councillors in local area committees enhancing representation of such areas on Cork City Council.’

(Proposer: Comhairleoir Brian Bermingham 03/138)

Corporate Policy Group

18.14 **WALKWAY AROUND THE PUBLIC PARK IN MEELICK PARK**

‘That Cork City Council would immediately install the perimeter walkway around the public park in Meelick Park and remove all rubble on site in view of the fact that a walkway was promised over two years ago and has not been installed.’

(Proposer: Comhairleoir Bernard Allen T.D. 03/139)

Recreation, Amenity & Culture Functional Committee

18.15 **WINDOW REPLACEMENT PROGRAMME**

‘That repairs be carried out to windows in the flats in St. Johns Well and the flats be included in the window replacement programme.’

(Proposer: Comhairleoir Michael O’ Connell 03/140)

Housing & Community Functional Committee

18.16 **ERECTION OF FENCING AT ST. JOHN'S WELL**

‘That fencing be erected at the end of St. Johns Well to stop joy riders dumping cars in the nearby field.’

(Proposer: Comhairleoir Michael O’ Connell 03/141)

Recreation, Amenity & Culture Functional Committee

18.17 **DERELICT BUILDINGS**

‘That a delegation be set up to investigate the owners of derelict buildings in cases where the owners are living outside the country don’t know they own these buildings or those who have passed on without making a will. Also those that own these buildings and don’t know what to do with them take the necessary steps to have these problems sorted out to a satisfactory conclusion.’

(Proposer: Comhairleoir Tim Falvey 03/142)

Corporate Policy Group

18.18 **PUBLIC LIGHTING AT THE LOUGH**

‘That the standard and quality of the public lighting at The Lough be improved in order to enhance the area as a public amenity.’

(Proposer: Comhairleoir Tom O’ Driscoll 03/143)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

18.19 **BISHOP LUCEY PARK**

‘That bye laws be enacted to designate Bishop Lucey Park as an area where artists can display and offer and their work for sale and that licences be granted to artists to engage in such displays and sale and that the council encourage its development.’

(Proposer: Comhairleoir Michael Ahern 03/144)

Recreation, Amenity & Culture Functional Committee

18.20 **DISC PARKING SYSTEM**

‘That discussions be entered into with the residents of Croaghta Park and St. Helen’s Court with a view to implementing a disc parking system in these areas.’

(Proposer: Comhairleoir Michael Ahern 03/145)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

18.21 **DERELICT BUILDINGS**

‘That a plan of action be drawn up to have notices sent to the owners of all derelict buildings. They should be requested to either have their properties refurbished,

demolished, rebuilt or sold on to others interested in having this work carried out. A percentage of derelict buildings have been left in this condition for too long, some for generations. Requesting that this letter be replied to within one month, work started within six months and completed by 2005. Failing that, a compulsory purchasing order would be put on the properties. All stops should be pulled out now and whatever steps necessary steps should be taken to complete this work before time.'

(Proposer: Comhairleoirí Tim Falvey and Michael Ahern 03/152)

Planning & Development Functional Committee

18.22 OWNERS OF DANGEROUS AND SHABBY BUILDINGS

'That a plan of action be drawn up to have notices sent to the owners of dangerous and shabby buildings requesting that they have their valuable properties brought into proper perspective. Requesting to carry out all jobs necessary to make it safe by fitting loose and decayed windows, broken windows and glass, repaint doors, where necessary dangerous gutters, loose slates etc... Requesting that this letter be replied to within one month, work started within three months and completed within one year. Requesting that you take whatever action necessary to have these buildings made safe and finished to a satisfactory condition by 2005.'

(Proposer: Comhairleoirí Tim Falvey and Michael Ahern 03/153)

Recreation, Amenity & Culture Functional Committee

This concluded the business of the meeting.

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