

MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF CORK CITY COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 24TH FEBRUARY 2003

PRESENT: An tArd-Mheara, Comhairleoir J. Kelleher in the chair,
subsequently Leas Ard-Mheara, Comhairleoir M. O'Connell in the
chair

NORTH EAST Seanoir M. Quill, Comhairleoirí T. Brosnan,

NORTH CENTRAL Seanoir N. O'Flynn T.D, Comhairleoirí K. Lynch, 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, J. Minihan.

SOUTH CENTRAL Seanoir C. O'Connell, Comhairleoirí S. Martin, T. O'Driscoll,
Chris O'Leary.

SOUTH WEST Seanoir J. Dennehy T.D, Comhairleoirí M. Ahern, B. Bermingham.

ALSO PRESENT Mr. J. Gavin, City Manager
Mr. F. Allison, A/Director of Services, Corporate Affairs
Mr. T. Healy, Head of Finance, Finance
Ms. R. Buckley, Head of Information Services, Information
Technology
Mr. F. Long, Senior Engineer, Housing and Community
Mr. D. O'Mahony, A/Senior Executive Officer, Corporate Affairs
Ms. U. Ramsell, A/Administrative Officer, Corporate Affairs

Apologies: Comhairleoir, D. Cregan

An tArd-Mheara recited the opening prayer.

1. **VOTES OF SYMPATHY**

An Chomhairle unanimously extended a vote of sympathy to :-

- The Murphy Family on the death of Ann Murphy
- The McEvilly Family on the death of Walter McEvilly
- The Hewitt Family on the death of Emma Geaney
- The O' Brien Family on the death of Denis O' Brien
- The Leisk Family on the death of John Leisk
- The Kennedy Family on the death of Philomena Donnelly

2. **VOTES OF CONGRATULATIONS**

An Chomhairle unanimously extended a vote of congratulations to:

- Seanoir J. Minihan on being appointed Educational Spokesperson for his party.

3. **SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS**

Comhairleoir Kathleen Lynch, T.D. proposed and Comhairleoir D. Clune seconded that Standing Orders be suspended to discuss the School of Music.

A vote was called for where there appeared :-

FOR: An tArd-Mheara, Comhairleoir J. Kelleher, Seanoir M. Quill, C. O'Connell, Comhairleoir K. Lynch T.D., C. Burke, M. O'Connell, J. O'Brien, D. Clune, J. Corr, J. Minihan, Chris O'Leary, M. Ahern, B. Bermingham – **13**

AGAINST: Seanoir N. O'Flynn T.D., T. Shannon, Comhairleoir T. Brosnan, B. Kelleher T.D., D. Wallace, T. Falvey, D. Counihan, S. Martin, T. O'Driscoll – **2**

An tArdmheara, Comhairleoir J. Kelleher declared the motion lost as not more than 2/3 of the members voting, voted in favour.

4. **MINUTES**

Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held on 10th February 2003 were considered and approved.

5. **QUESTION TIME**

5.1 **GROUP HOUSING FOR TRAVELLER FAMILIES**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir M. O'Connell, a written reply was circulated which stated that it is a stated objective of the Traveller Accommodation Plan 2000 – 2004 to “work towards the provision of a transient halting site, in conjunction with Cork County Council”. This objective is reiterated in the Cork City Council, Corporate Plan 2000 – 2004 with a stated target date of 31/12/2004.

Some discussion has taken place with Cork County Council to identify potential suitable locations, but progress is slow. Consideration is also being given to seeking expressions of interest from the private sector.

In these circumstances, and considering the planning, procurement and likely construction time-scale it is unlikely that such a facility would be available in 2003.

The Traveller Accommodation Plan also indicates the commitment to progressing group housing as an option for traveller accommodation. Both halting bay accommodation and group housing are under consideration at present in the Mahon area as alternatives to the existing halting site.

Previous surveys of traveller accommodation preferences indicated that a demand for group housing existed amongst residents of the Hollyhill Halting Site. Under the auspices of the Traveller Accommodation Consultative Committee, the demand is currently being re-assessed with a view to confirming the demand in the Hollyhill/Knocknaheeny area. In this regard a decision on a specific site has not yet been made however all sites in the ownership of the City Council in the area will be given consideration.

5.2 ROAD MARKINGS IN ONSLOW GARDENS

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir C. Burke, a written reply was circulated which state that the issue of providing road markings in residential roads has always been contentious. Sign posting or road marking every junction in residential estates would put an intolerable burden on the City Council because of the costs involved in providing them initially and then the resources required for on going maintenance.

Generally in residential areas, motorists are expected to obey the Rules of the Road, i.e. drive with due care, approach junctions with caution, give way to traffic on the right etc.

However, Onslow Gardens like many other estates in the City suffers from ‘rat running’ or through traffic using the estate as a link between the Commons Road (N20) and Upper Fairhill. Some funds from this year’s traffic calming budget will therefore be used to provide sufficient sign posting and road marking in Onslow Gardens to improve safety in the area.

5.3 RAMPS REQUIRED AS SAFETY MEASURES IN ROSEBANK

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir D. Counihan, a written reply was circulated which stated that there is a current list of over 200 locations where requests have been made for traffic calming measures. It will take some time with the limited resources in the Traffic Division to carry out the necessary surveys for these locations. Rosebank is particularly difficult as other parallel routes (Rathmore Lawn, Tramore Lawn, etc.) will also have to be surveyed in order to determine the impact of traffic calming measures in Rosebank.

We will endeavour to carry out the necessary surveys at Rosebank as soon as possible with the view of bringing proposals initially to the Ward Meeting for the area.

5.4 WORK IN ONSLOW GARDENS, COMMONS ROAD

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5.5 **OBSTRUCTION TO THE WHEELIE BIN COLLECTION TRUCKS**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir K. Lynch, a written reply was circulated which stated that a commuter parking in residential areas just outside the disc parking zone can be a cause of serious nuisance to local residents. As well as the visual and environmental nuisance, residents often will not be able to park their vehicles close to their house until late in the evenings if they vacate a parking space for shopping, going to church, etc. in the morning. The amount of commuter parking in some areas can also make the wheelie bin operation very difficult for the City council.

The solution is the introduction of disc parking controls and there is an on going programme of extending the disc parking outwards into these areas. The introduction of these controls also takes into account road safety and the free movement of traffic and the scheme has proved to be very successful. Residents will receive a resident's permit, which will allow them to park without having to display a parking disc.

In the remoter suburban areas where disc parking is not an option we arrange parking restrictions in conjunction with the Gardaí where requests have been received from the Environment Directorate to alleviate wheelie bin collection problems.

5.6 **CLOSURE OF ALLEYWAYS AT MURMONT AVENUE/MURMONT CRESCENT**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir T. Brosnan, a written reply was circulated which stated that a programme of work is about to commence to physically remove public rights of way that Council have agreed to extinguish. The first contract to commence will be the right of way at Inniscarra Road/Innishannon Road. An advertisement inviting tenders for this contract will be published on Friday 28th February, 2003.

Following the award of this contract, other extinguishments that have already been approved by Council will commence.

Cork City Council has not considered the extinguishment of the public rights of way at:

- ◆ Murmont Road/Murmont Crescent
- ◆ Murmont Road/Iona Road
- ◆ Frankfield Steps/Ballyhooley Road

Proposals to extinguish these public rights of way were published but no formal proposal has yet been submitted to Council.

Before proceeding to submit a proposal to Council, Cork City Council must acquire title to the laneways at Murmont Road/Murmont Crescent and Frankfield Steps/Ballyhooley Road. In addition, an oral hearing must be arranged in respect of Murmont Road/Iona Road. As we do have title over the laneway at Murmont Road/Iona Road, we do expect to be able to proceed on this one over the coming months.

5.7 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES AT CLAREMOUNT AVENUE,
DOUGLAS ROAD**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir T. Shannon, a written reply was circulated which stated that planning permission was granted (TP 01/25772) by An Bórd Pleanála for change of use. There is nothing on planning file, which indicates any proposed change(s) to public roadway.

The traffic calming at Claremount Avenue, Douglas Road, will not be removed or interfered with in any way by the developer of the old bank building. If any damage does take place, it will be repaired at the developer's expense.

6. **REFURBISHMENT OF COURTHOUSE AT WASHINGTON STREET**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of City Manager dated 18th February 2003 on the refurbishment of the Courthouse at Washington Street.

7. **LOAN TO FUND THE REFURBISHMENT OF THE COURTHOUSE,
WASHINGTON STREET**

On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Corr, seconded by Comhairleoir C. Burke, An Chomhairle approved the report of the City Manager on the funding of refurbishment work to the City Courthouse at Washington Street and adopted the following resolution:

“Subject to the sanction of the Minister for the Environment & Local Government, An Chomhairle hereby approve the borrowing of €25,000,000 to fund the refurbishment of the Courthouse, Washington Street.”

8. **CITY ARCHIVES**

An Chomhairle approved the report of City Manager dated 19th February 2003 on City Archives.

9. **CORPORATE POLICY GROUP**

9.1 **FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO 31ST JANUARY, 2003**

An Chomhairle agreed to defer the Financial Statement to 31st January, 2003 to the next meeting of An Chomhairle to be held on 10th March 2003.

9.2 **SUMMARY OF COLLECTION OF MUNICIPAL RATE FOR 2002**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Collector of the Municipal Rate regarding Summary of Collection of Municipal Rate for 2002.

-2. BANK OVERDRAFT FOR HALF YEAR ENDING 30TH JUNE, 2003

On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Corr, seconded by Seanoir J. Dennehy, T.D. An Chomhairle approved the report of the City Manager and adopted the following resolution:

‘An Chomhairle hereby approves renewal of the existing level of €10 million of Cork City Council’s Overdraft Facility for the first half year to 30th June, 2003.’

10. MOTIONS REFERRED FROM COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 27TH JANUARY 2003

An Chomhairle approved the following motions referred from Council meeting held on 27th January, 2003.

-1. SECURITY COMMITTEE

An Chomhairle considered the following motion:

‘That this Council will now establish or broaden the remit of ‘the drink on the streets committee’ to give effect to a continuous & developmental dialogue with the Gardai and others on matters pertaining to the safety & security of all living in the City of Cork’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir B. Bermingham – 03/27)

An Chomhairle approved the report of the City Manager and agreed the following amended motion:

“That this Council resolves to establish an All-Party Committee, with a representative from Management of Cork City Council, Cork Chamber of Commerce, and the Cork Business Association to meet with An Garda Síochána, and the Presidents of the UCC and CIT Students Union with a view to clearly establishing areas where we can co-operate and improve on, in order to contribute to reducing Public Order Offences in the City and suburbs”

Proposer Comhairleoir J. Minihan seconded by Comhairleoir P.J. Hourican.

0. E-CITY STATUS

An Chomhairle agreed that the report of the City Manager on the following motion would be discussed at a meeting of the Party Whips:

‘That this Council in its desire to arrive at an E-City Status and recognising its early start with an excellent web-site and e-mail provision agrees:-

1. To proceed with haste in providing a fibre optic / broad band infrastructure
2. To acquire general data on Internet Access within the City of Cork in order to focus on areas with a technological deficit
3. Encourage & facilitate its Citizens with advice and incentives to access Internet connection directly and via the Public Library network in greater numbers
4. To facilitate access to all Cork City Council’s Services and payments online

5. To facilitate real interaction with Council services via its officials that ensures quality and reasonable timed responses
6. To facilitate real interaction on important public issues via opinions and e-voting options establishing a non-binding public opinion
1. Easy and direct linkages to Health, Welfare, Education with access to online learning leading to qualification, and other important Public Services.
2. To facilitate on-line interaction with peoples and commerce of our Twinned Cities.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir B. Bermingham – 03/28)

The City Manager stated that this Council in its desire to arrive at an E-City Status and recognizing its early start with an excellent web-site and e-mail provision agrees:-

1. To proceed with haste in providing a fiber optic / broadband infrastructure.

Planning for the Cork city broadband project began in 2002 with the submission of a proposal for funding to central government. This project will put in place a backbone broadband network across Cork City. It will provide high-speed Internet connectivity to industry, financial and commercial centers, educational institutions and government and civic offices across the city. The total length of this network is in the order 60 Kilometers and it will make broadband available across a large section of the City's Industrial and Commercial Areas.

This project is being funded to the tune of 90% by the Department of Communications, Marine & Natural Resources. The total cost of the project is in the order of €11 million. This will position Cork as a high-quality location for international and national investment. Cork will be the first city in the country outside Dublin to commence this project. It is expected that the network will be in place by the end of 2003. This is a huge step forward for Cork City in the run up to being the European City of Culture 2005

The Contract was signed on Monday 10th Feb., with J.J. Boyle Ltd., Contractors, and Edinburgh, Scotland. The Design Consultants are Waterland Technologies Ltd., Dublin.

2. To acquire general data on Internet Access within the City of Cork in order to focus on areas with a technological deficit.

The major telecommunication operators provide Internet access through out the city and are the most reliable source of statistics. However, for commercial reasons, they have been unwilling to provide this information in the past.

The Information Society Commission in their latest report, revealed approx. 57% of Irish households currently have access to the Internet. However a further breakdown, by area within Cork city, is unavailable.

In 1999, Cork city council received funding for two such initiatives from the DOELG under the Centenary Community Initiative Award Scheme. The overall aim of both projects is to allow access to information technology to those who otherwise would not have this opportunity.

Information Kiosks.

These kiosks provide simple easy to use touch screen access to the web sites of Fax, Cork city council and the Southern Health Board. The kiosks are located in Rock Steps, Blarney Street, Mahon Community Action premises, and the Glen Resource Center.

Togher IT Community Center.

The Center has been open to the public from October last, Monday to Friday. Center is staffed by a Center Manager employed by Cork City Council.. The Center provides a well-equipped and attractive facility adopting a flexible approach to learning with individuals advancing at their own pace. At present, Smart Skills and ECDL packages etc are available for the local community with tutorial assistance provided by the Center Manager. Shortly, in partnership with City of Cork VEC, a number of additional tutors will be employed under the Back to Education Initiative to give further support to the project, and allow greater flexibility regarding opening hours.

3. Encourage & facilitate its Citizens with advice and incentives to access Internet connection directly and via the Public Library network in greater numbers

Cork City Library currently offers **56 public access** Internet workstations to the public at **six locations** throughout the city.

This service has proved to be enormously successful with members of the public. It has attracted new people into the library service and all 56 terminals are constantly in demand i.e. being used to maximum capacity.

| Location | Total of public-access Internet workstations |
|-----------------|---|
| Central Library | 21 (15 book able + 6 reference source) |
| St Mary's Rd. | 6 |
| Douglas | 9 |
| Hollyhill | 8 |
| Mayfield | 5 |
| Tory Top Rd | 7 |
| | 56 |

4. To facilitate access to all Cork City Council's services and payments online

Access to services via the web site is improving all the time. In 2002, the publication of the planning lists went on-line. The latest draft of the development plan has been published on the web site. For the first time the public can access the library catalogue from the web site and search for the location of their favorite author or title. The library plan to expand the service to allow the public to book publications on-line, the technology is now in place. In 2003 on-line payments for a number of services will be made available and an upgrade of the current e-forms initiative is also planned.

By the end of this month, an on-line payments facility will be available via the Intranet, which will allow staff in the Pay Parking section, process credit card payments immediately.

Cork City Council is working with the Local Government Computer Services Board as a pilot site for this new service.

Once this service is tested internally, it can easily be rolled out to the Cork city web site for a variety of payments. By the end of 2003, the public will be able to pay, parking fines, refuse and rate charges over the web site.

Pay Parking On-Line Payments Pilot Project:

Cork City Council issue in the region of 65,000 parking fines per year. A significant percentage of these (approximately 70%) are paid by means other than cash. The Information Technology Department and the Roads Directorate identified this as an appropriate area to pilot the introduction of on – line credit card payments. Working in conjunction with the Local Government Computer Services Board, a Web front end has been designed and is currently being tested using sample data from the Parking Fines database. This will allow a user query the database using the ticket number and car registration number, which returns the details of the ticket (offence type and location). Then, if appropriate, the fine amount can be paid, the credit card information having been validated. Upon completion of this testing it is proposed that the system would initially be implemented on the Councils internal Intranet for a period to allow staff use and evaluate the system. Thereafter the system will be accessed from the City Councils Web site, the appropriate security measures in place.

5. To facilitate real interaction with Council services via its officials that ensures quality and reasonable timed responses

New Contact Management System.

Cork City Council implemented a new contact management system in February 2002. The initial objective of the new system is to capture and manage:

- a. Members correspondence
- b. Ombudsman enquiries and
- c. Freedom of Information requests.

The system has been rolled out to all directorates in 2002 and people have been assigned and trained in using the application.

It is intended to capture all requests from the public in 2003; this is currently being piloted within the Roads Directorate.

6. To facilitate real interaction on important public issues via opinions and E-voting options establishing a non-binding public opinion

The public can and do e-mail each Directorate directly with their views and opinions from the web site. The public can also contact their public representatives directly from the web site via e-mail.

Other fora also actively being considered

7. Easy and direct linkages to Health, Welfare, Education with access to on-line learning leading to qualification, and other important Public Services.

The Cork City Council web site has prominent links to the REACH service site – the new online government service broker. This new service will provide a central access point to the public, where they will be able to access health, welfare, education and other services. The site is currently in the developmental stage but with new services being launched all the time e.g. the Revenue On-Line service, this allows business customers to lodge their tax returns on-line.

8. To facilitate on-line interaction with peoples and commerce of our Twinned Cities.

The potential of facilitating on line interaction with our twinned cities is currently being explored on line.

11. MOTIONS REFERRED FROM COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 10TH FEBRUARY 2003

An Chomhairle agreed to defer discussion on the following motion until a report could be prepared.

11.1 CORK CITY COUNCIL

‘That this Council calls on the Minister for the Environment to establish a new Cork City Council based on Metropolitan Cork as identified in the Cork Area Strategic Study (CASP)’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir B. Bermingham 03/44)

The report of the Director, Special Projects stated that as previously requested by the City Council, proposals for a boundary extension are being examined. It is intended that a report will issue to An Chomhairle shortly on this matter

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

12.1 **QUARTERLY REPORT ON LEISURE FACILITIES**

An Chomhairle noted the Quarterly Report on Leisure and Library facilities for quarter ended 31st December 2002.

12.2 **REPORT ON PROVISION OF A SKATEBOARD PARK**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services. The report stated:- (i) that the area required for a skateboard park was quite small 35m x 35m, (ii) the capital outlay was not excessive, (iii) a park would require constant supervision to ensure protective clothing, head gear worn at all times and (iv) insurance considerations were a major factor in the provision of such a facility. Given the requirement for direct supervision of a park, discussions had commenced with Leisureworld in Bishopstown to explore the possibility of them providing a park on a pilot basis.

12.3 **REPORT ON CHANGING FACILITIES, COFFEY'S FIELD, TOGHER**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services on the provision of changing facilities at Coffey's Field and noted Ald. John Dennehy's declaration of interest in this matter. In his report, the Director stated that Coffey's Field in Togher owned by Cork City Council and managed on our behalf by Togher Community Association consisted of two juvenile playing pitches used by four local clubs and by both Togher Boys and Girls National Schools without any changing facilities.

Plans had been prepared and costed at €170,000 to provide changing facilities, comprising of four dressing rooms at the field.

Cork City Council had applied for funding of €130,000 from the Young Peoples Facilities and Services Fund (Department of Community, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs) with the Council funding the balance of €40,000. Approval of funding was expected in the coming weeks from the Department.

The report recommended that Part 8 Planning Process under the Local Government (Planning and Development) Regulations 2001 commence in order to advance the project.

12.4 **REPORT ON RED ABBEY**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services on the Red Abbey. In his report, the Director of Services stated that draft plans had been prepared to enhance the Red Abbey involving repaving of the amenity area with stone paving and provision of extra lighting and trees, at an overall cost of €177,000. The Urban and Village Renewal measure under the Southern and Eastern Operational Programme 2000 – 2006 would provide some funding together with matching funding from Amenity Planning contributions. The South Parish Community Association had approved the plans.

The Director now recommended consultation process under Part 8 (Planning and Development) Regulations 2001 commence.

12.5 **MAYFIELD COMMUNITY ARTS CENTRE**

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 Mayfield Community Arts Centre be facilitated in putting up their murals on some of the gable-end houses in the Roseville Estate, Mayfield, following consultation with local residents’.

(Proposer: An tArdmheara Comhairleoir J. Kelleher 02/263)

The report of the Director of Services stated that discussions had already taken place with Newbury House Arts Centre and that a further meeting was arranged for next week to help facilitate the project was also considered.

12.6 **CLEAN UP RIVERVIEW 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 walkway from the rear of Riverview Estate to the Glen Amenity Park be cleaned up’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir K. Lynch - 02/274)

The report of the Director of Services stated that a clean up would be carried out in mid March.

12.7 **CITY OF CULTURE 2005**

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

‘That this City Council mindful of the Great Cork Industrial Exhibition of 1902 agrees to report on the feasibility of an anniversary event with assistance / involvement from Industry, Commerce, Education, Health and others, as a City of Culture 2005 event’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir B. Bermingham - 03/02)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the Capital of Culture 2005 team would examine all relevant events in Cork history including the Great Industrial Exhibition of 1902 during their investigation of themes and events for 2005.

Industry, Commerce and Health have already been identified as key stakeholders partners by the Capital of Culture team.

13. **DISPOSALS**

An Chomhairle approved the following disposals and noted Comhairleoir Damian Wallace's declaration of interest as a member of the Glen Rovers Hurling & Football Club who then withdrew while the disposal was discussed and voted upon.

13.1 **PROPERTY DISPOSALS**

- (a) Lease of land approximately 2.948 hectares in area situated at Ballyvolane (formerly Ellis Land), Cork to Glen Rovers Hurling & Football Club, C/O Patricia Mallon & Co., Solicitor, 13, Sheare's Street, Cork, for a period of 99 years subject to a rent of €7.00 per annum.

13.2 **SHARED OWNERSHIP**

- (a) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 12, Hollywood Estate, Hollyhill, Cork, held by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated the 9th March, 2001 to Damien O'Leary, for the sum of €84,798.97.
- (b) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 47, Hollywood Estate, Blarney Road, Cork, held by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated the 12th November, 1996, to Ita Carroll for the sum of €41,544.44.
- (c) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 6, Ashmount, Mayfield, Cork, held by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated the 2nd January, 2003, to Mark Luxford and Joanne O'Mahony, for the sum of €67,200.00.

13.3 **FEE SIMPLE INTEREST**

GR1770 - 25, Greenmount Avenue, Cork..

Acquired under Bandon Road Housing Order 1932 from Norah Emily Blakiston – Houston, Mayode, Bloomfield, Belfast, by Deed of Conveyance dated 7th June, 1935.

It is proposed to dispose of the Fee Simple interest of the above mentioned premises to Mary Forde, C/O Martin A. Harvey & Co., Solicitors, 9/10 Georges Quay, Cork, for the sum of €6.35 plus costs.

GR 3079 – 2, Avonmore Park, Mayfield, Cork.

Acquired under Mayfield North Housing Order No. 2 of 1966 from Eliza Lynch, Byfield House, Mayfield, Cork, by Deed of Conveyance dated 12th November, 1974.

It is proposed to dispose of the Fee Simple interest of the above-mentioned premises to Maria Gray, C/O Philpott Creedon & Co., Solicitors, 43, Grand Parade, Cork, for the sum of €6.35 plus costs.

14. **CONFERENCES**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance at the following Conferences:

14.1 **THE 14TH COLMCILLE WINTER SCHOOL CONFERENCE –
ECONOMIC PROSPECTS FOR IRELAND POST CELTIC TIGER**

An Chomhairle to approve the attendance of Comhairleoir T. Falvey at The 14th Colmcille Winter School Conference – Economic Prospects for Ireland Post Celtic Tiger to be held in Colmcille Heritage Centre, Gartan, Churchill, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal on 28th February – 2nd March 2003.

14.2 **TOURISM – A COMMUNITY APPROACH**

An Chomhairle to approve the attendance of Comhairleoir M. Ahern at the Tourism – A Community Approach to be held in Seven Oaks Hotel, Carlow on 27th & 28th February, 2003.

15. **MOTIONS DEFERRED FROM COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 10TH
FEBRUARY 2003**

15.1 **EUROPEAN HEADS OF GOVERNMENT CONFERENCE**

An Chomhairle approved the following motion:

‘That Cork City Council supports the holding of a European Heads of Government Conference in Cork during Ireland’s Presidency of the European Union in 2004’.
(Proposer: Comhairleoir T. O’Driscoll – 03/30)

15.2 **WAR IN IRAQ**

An Chomhairle deferred this motion in order to clarify with Cllr. O’ Brien what was meant by the phrase “Dublin Government”

‘That this City Council opposes the drive towards war on the Iraqi people. We support dialogue as the means to a solution to conflict. We call on the Dublin Government to maintain a policy of neutrality and deny the use of Irish facilities to belligerent states’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir J. O’Brien 03/33)

15.3 **PANA**

An Chomhairle approved the following motion:

‘That this Council seek to persuade the Gardai to establish a one-shop stop presence in Patrick Street, on a 52/7/24 basis ensuring direct Citizen access quick response within the Central Business District, night life control, all contributing to re-establishing the feeling of safety and enjoyment so long cherished by Corkonians and others in their beloved PANA’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir B. Bermingham 03/45)

16. **MOTIONS**

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

16.1 **RAMPS BE INSTALLED ON DERRYNANE RD.**

‘That ramps be installed on Derrynane Road, Turners Cross.’

(Proposer:- Comhairleoir S. Martin – 01/188)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

16.2 **WINDOWS REPLACED AT 244 AND 245 POULADUFF RD.**

“That 244 and 245 Pouladuff Road have their windows replaced immediately thus putting an end to ongoing discrimination against these two tenants.”

(Proposer:- Comhairleoir S. Martin – 01/189)

- Housing & Community Functional Committee

16.3 **CONTINUE FOOTPATH FROM THE LIBRARY IN MAYFIELD TO THE COMMUNITY CENTRE**

‘That the footpath would be continued from the library in Mayfield to the Community Centre entrance’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir K. Lynch 02/279)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

16.4 **CLEAN UP ON THE NORTH RING ROAD**

‘That a general clean up would be carried out at the rear of the properties on the North Ring Road from Boyne Crescent to Tinkers Cross’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir K. Lynch 02/280)

- Environment Functional Committee

16.5 **LEISURE CENTRE IN CHURCHFIELD**

‘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)

- Recreation, Amenity & Culture Functional Committee

16.6 **PARKING AT MOUNT ST JOSEPH VIEW, MAGAZINE RD.**

‘That the green outside the houses No. 9 – 14 Mount St Joseph View, Magazine Rd. to be tarred for cars to park there’.

(Proposer: Seanoir D. McCarthy – 03/22)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

16.7 **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT KNOCKFREE AVE.**

‘That this City Council put in place a pedestrian crossing at Knockfree Avenue, close to the Sam Allen Complex and the Matt Talbot pool’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir J. O’Brien 03/35)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

16.8 **CLOSE OFF EXIT FROM CARBERRY GROVE TO HARBOUR VIEW ROAD**

‘That the City Council close off the exit from Carberry Grove to Harbour View Road’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir M. O’Connell 03/39)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

16.9 **REPAIR FOOTPATH AT BLARNEY ST.**

‘That the footpath between Mount St. Joseph’s on Blarney St. and Baker’s Road be repaired as a matter of urgency’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir M. O’Connell 03/40)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

16.10 **BAN THE SALE OF CHEWING GUM**

‘That this Council would introduce bye-laws to ban the sale of chewing gum as it creates a major litter problem and as well as being unsightly results in a heavy financial toll on the Street Cleaning programme’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir D. Clune 03/43)

- Environment Strategic Policy Committee

16.11 **RESURFACE ROADWAY AT DUNLOCHA BLACKROCK**

‘That the roadway at Dunlocha, Blackrock, be included in the current roads programme for resurfacing’.

(Proposer: Seanoir J. Dennehy & Comhairleoir D. Counihan 03/46)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

16.12 **SERVICE CHARGES**

‘That Cork City Council would review its policy regarding the level of Service Charges applied to voluntary organisations, e.g. Scout units, with a view to ensuring that they are treated in a more favourable way than commercial outlets’.

(Proposer: Seanoir J. Dennehy 03/48)

- **Referred to Meetings Administrator**

16.13 **BOUNDARY FENCE BE ERECTED AT RIVERVIEW GARDENS**

‘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)

- **Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

16.14 **CLOSE OFF ENTRANCE FROM ST. JOHNS WELL TO ROWANVILLE**

‘That Cork City Council would immediately close off the entrance from St. Johns Well to Rowanville and that this work would be carried out immediately as it has the support of all of the resident groups in the area’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir C. Burke 03/50)

- **Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

16.15 **NATIONAL ROAD AUTHORITY**

‘That Cork City Council calls on the National Roads Authority to immediately inspect the Lower Glanmire Road to witness for itself the shocking state of repair and subsidence of this National Primary route which is the Eastern access to Cork City’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir T. Brosnan 03/51)

- **Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

16.16 **TRAFFIC COUNT ON LEYCESTERS LANE**

‘That Cork City Council review the Traffic count on Leycesters Lane with a view to installing some form of controlled crossing facility as residents and children alike are finding it increasingly difficult to cross the road and a Pelican Crossing in the vicinity of Montenotte Stores would act both as a traffic calming measure and facility to assist pedestrians’.

(Proposer: Comhairleoir T. Brosnan 03/52)

- **Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

16.17 **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING ON COLLEGE RD.**

‘That Cork City Council resolves to proceed without delay for the completion of the pedestrian crossing on College Rd. That Council officials find an immediate resolution to the most recent objection raised given the urgent need for said crossing and the investment by the Bon’s Secours Hospital in providing a pedestrian entrance’,

(Proposer: Comhairleoir B. Kelleher 03/53)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

16.18 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES ON WELL RD.**

‘That Cork City Council install traffic calming measures on the Well Rd. between Churchyard Lane and Hettyfield, in recognition of the large volumes of traffic and speed of traffic now using this stretch of road.

The measures should include:-

1. Pelican Crossing near junction of Ard Mahon Est. & Well Rd.
2. Footpath down the left hand side of Well Rd, along the line of the present yellow lines.
3. Double yellow lines at Churchyard Lane opposite the Post Office.
5. Extension of footpath at the Corner of Well Rd and Churchyard Lane.

(Proposer: Seanoir T. Shannon 03/54)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

16.19 **REPLACING BOUNDARY WALL OF PALACEANNE**

‘That Cork City Council would under take discussions with the owners of Palaceanne Villas and the residents Committee of Palaceanne Lawn, with a view to replacing the boundary wall of Palaceanne Villas, and replacing it with a lower wall, which would improve the visibility for residents exiting Palaceanne Lawn’.

(Proposer: Seanoir T. Shannon 03/55)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

16.20 **‘SHOTS AT DAWN’ CAMPAIGN**

The following motion was deferred to the next meeting of Chomhairle.

‘That Council support the ‘Shot at Dawn’ Campaign which is seeking to persuade the British Government to grant pardons for military personnel, including 26 young Irish soldiers, who were unjustly executed during Work War One (1914 – 1918)

(Proposer: An tArd-Mheara, Comhairleoir J. Kelleher 03/56)

17. **TENDERS**

The following tenders were opened:

6. Tender for 83 Kent Road, Cork
4. Tender for 1 Loughmahon Close, Cork
2. Tender for 130 Harbour View Road, Knocknaheeny, Cork
2. Tender for 186 Kilnap Place, Farranree, Cork

This concluded the end of business of the meeting.

FINBARR ALLISON
MEETINGS ADMINISTRATOR

Chuig gach ball de Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí

06 Márta 2003