

MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF CORK CITY COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY, 8TH NOVEMBER, 2004.

PRESENT	An tArdmhéara, Comhairleoir S. Martin in the chair.
NORTH EAST	Comhairleoirí M. Quill, T. Brosnan, J. Kelleher, D. Murphy, A. Spillane.
NORTH CENTRAL	Comhairleoirí M. Barry, C. Clancy, G. O' Flynn, D. Wallace, P. Gosch.
NORTH WEST	Comhairleoirí J. O' Brien, C. Burke, M. O' Connell, T. Fitzgerald.
SOUTH EAST	Comhairleoirí D. Clune, D. Counihan, C. O' Leary, D. O' Flynn, T. Shannon, J. Corr.
SOUTH CENTRAL	Comhairleoirí C. O'Connell, C. Lynch, T. O' Driscoll, D. Cregan.
SOUTH WEST	Comhairleoirí J. Buttimer, F. Dennehy, M. Shields, B. Bermingham, M. Ahern.
ALSO PRESENT	Mr. J. Gavin, City Manager. Mr. J. D. Flynn, Director of Services, Corporate Affairs. Mr. D. O' Mahony, Director of Services, Environment. Mr. J. O' Donovan, Director of Services, Planning & Development. Mr. S. Kearney, Director of Services, Housing & Community. Mr. K. Terry, Director of Services, Roads & Transportation. Mr. P. Moynihan, Senior Executive Officer, Housing & Community. Ms. E. Kidney, Senior Executive Officer, Roads & Transportation. Mr. F. Allison, Senior Executive Officer, Corporate Affairs. Mr. S. Crowley, Senior Staff Officer, Corporate Affairs.

An tArdmhéara recited the opening prayer.

1. **VOTES OF SYMPATHY**

A vote of sympathy was passed unanimously by An Chomhairle with members standing in silence to:-

- The Hurwitz Family on the death of Cecil Hurwitz.
- The Peel Family on the death of John Peel.
- The Gardiner Family on the death of Thomas Gardiner.

2. **VOTES OF CONGRATULATIONS**

An Chomhairle unanimously extended a vote of congratulations to:-

- Seán Óg O' hAilpín on winning the Gaelic Players Association Hurler of the Year.

- Nemo Rangers Intermediate and Under 21 Footballers for winning the Cork County Intermediate and Under 21 Football Championship.
- Na Piarsaigh Senior Hurlers for winning the Cork County Senior Hurling Championship.

3. **CIVIC RECEPTIONS**

An Chomhairle approved the hosting of Civic Receptions for:-

- Bishopstown Minor Hurlers for winning the Cork County Minor Hurling Championship.
- Nemo Rangers Intermediate and Under 21 Footballers for winning the Cork County Intermediate and Under 21 Football Championship.
- Na Piarsaigh Senior Hurlers for winning the Cork County Senior Hurling Championship.

4. **MESSAGE OF SUPPORT**

An Chomhairle expressed a message of support for Mr. Yasser Arafat for a full and speedy recovery.

5. **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held on 26th October, 2004 were considered and approved subject to the following amendment:-

Item 9 – Comhairleoir D. Wallace proposed the nomination of Comhairleoirí D. Wallace and D. McCarthy to the Recreation, Amenity & Culture Functional Committee.

Comhairleoir J. Kelleher proposed Comhairleoirí M. O' Connell, D. O' Flynn, C. Lynch to the Recreation, Amenity & Culture Functional Committee.

The Minutes of the Special Meeting of An Chomhairle held on 26th October, 2004 were considered and approved.

6. **SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS**

Comhairleoir C. O' Connell proposed, seconded by Comhairleoir C. O' Leary, the suspension of standing orders in order to discuss Heineken Ireland being a partner for Cork 2005.

A vote was called for where there appeared:-

FOR: Comhairleoirí M. Quill, A. Spillane, M. Barry, C. Clancy, G. O' Flynn, D. Wallace, J. O' Brien, D. Clune, C. O' Leary, D. O' Flynn, C. O' Connell, C. Lynch, M. Ahern. **(13)**

AGAINST: Comhairleoirí J. Kelleher, D. Murphy, P. Gosch, C. Burke, T. Fitzgerald, D. Counihan, T. Shannon, J. Corr, S. Martin, D. Cregan, J. Buttimer, F. Dennehy, M. Shields, B. Bermingham. **(14)**

An tArdmhéara declared the motion defeated.

7. **QUESTION TIME**

7.1 **PEDESTRIAN LINK FROM THE BOLLARDS SOUTH TO MIDDLE GLANMIRE ROAD**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir T. Brosnan, a written reply was circulated which stated that the current position is as follows.

The matter has been discussed with the Directorate of Roads & Transportation. It has now been agreed that the relevant division within the Roads Directorate will examine the area in question and assess what works need to be undertaken and the costs of same in accordance with Section 11 of the Roads Act 1993.

Depending on the results of the investigations a recommendation can be made as to whether the particular laneway should be taken in charge.

Members will be advised in due course.

7.2 **UNITS OF ACCOMMODATION – VICTORIA CROSS AREA**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir M. O' Connell, a written reply was circulated which stated that a detailed survey was carried out by the Planning Department in October 2004 the contents of which were circulated to members.

The making of a planning decision which is an executive function is governed by planning legislation and which includes for specific time frames within which a decision has to be made. When making a decision the local authority will take into account all relevant planning considerations.

7.3 **COMMERCIAL RATES**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir D. Murphy, a written reply was circulated which stated that the range of services provided by Cork City Council are detailed at Programme Group/Programme/Sub-Programme level in the Budget Book together with their estimated expenditure and income for the year.

These are summarised in Table A "Expenditure and Income for the Local Financial Year" and Table B "Calculation of Annual Rate on Valuation for the Financial Year".

The net expenditure is funded by the Local Government Fund and Commercial Rates.

7.4 **IMPACT STATEMENT**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir D. Clune, a written reply was circulated which stated that Traffic Impact Statements or Traffic Impact Assessments (TIA) are prepared only for new developments. They are used in the planning process to assess the traffic impacts and to identify any necessary remedial works.

The impacts assessed include pedestrians, motorists, cyclists and public transport users. Future years are examined and the impacts on the locality are assessed with

and without the proposed development so that a robust recommendation can be made on the suitability or not of the proposed development.

Any new residential developments along Blackrock Road and Skehard would have gone through this process.

7.5 **INNER CITY NEIGHBOURHOOD – LOWER GLANMIRE ROAD**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir T. Brosnan, a written reply was circulated which stated that the disc parking area is divided into resident parking zones to facilitate the issuing of resident permits. Residents are allowed to park free of charge in all the pay parking streets of the zone. Most cities in Ireland who operate a disc parking system only allow residents to park in their own street and one other adjacent street.

Residents permits have to be restricted to a certain zone, otherwise residents will park in other zones for relatively short trips and thus eliminate the advantages of disc parking to local residents. Most of the Lower Glanmire Road is in a large residents permit zone where residents can also park on parts of Summerhill North and Wellington Road. This is more than adequate to meet the needs of the residents.

7.6 **HOUSING WAITING LISTS**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir M. Barry, a written reply was circulated which stated that:

1. There were 6,254 first time applications received in the period September 1st, 2000 – November 1st 2004.
2. There were 2,112 number allocations made in the period September 1st, 2000 – November 1st, 2004.

The number housed for the period January 1st, 2004 – October 28th, 2004 is 387.

7.7 **RECENT FLOODING IN THE CITY**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir M. O' Connell, a written reply was circulated which stated that

1. Cork City Fire Services, the Civil Defence, Gardai, Army and Cork City Council personnel from Environment, Drainage, Traffic and Roads Maintenance were involved in responding to the recent flooding in the city.
2. Chief Fire Officer was responsible for coordinating the emergency services.
3. The City Council's Severe Weather Plan was in operation for the flooding.

7.8 **CENTRAL HEATING – SUNVIEW, FAIRHILL**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir C. Clancy, a written reply was circulated which stated that locations for installation of central heating, in accordance with the level of funding made available by the Department of the

Environment in Sept 2004, will be finalised later in November on receipt of quotations for installation unit costings from Bord Gais.

In accordance with the DOE guidelines priority will be given to rented properties designated for or occupied by elderly tenants. It is anticipated at this stage that Sunview will be included in this year's Programme.

7.9 **WAIVERS FOR SERVICE CHARGES**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir J. Buttimer, a written reply was circulated which stated that

a)

Year	Period	Number of Waivers		
		Full	Partial	Total
2002	1 year	6,949	2,828	9,777
2003	1 year	8,961	2,236	11,197
2004	10 months	9,425	2,002	11,427

- b) The significant increase in the number of households being granted waivers reflects the more generous terms of the scheme and an increased number of waivers granted under the hardship clause.
- c) The cost (loss of income) of waivers granted this year to date is approximately €3,700,000. If the number of waivers had been held at 2002 levels the additional income this year would have amounted to €750,000.

8. **TOURISM IN CORK CITY AND ITS HINTERLAND**

An Chomhairle discussed the report of City Manager dated 4th November, 2004 on the Economic Assessment of Contribution of Tourism to Cork City and its Hinterland and noted its contents.

9. **STREET FURNITURE LICENCING SCHEME**

Comhairleoir D. Wallace proposed, Comhairleoir D. Murphy seconded, that the operating hours of the scheme be extended from 11.00pm to 11.30pm during the summer months.

Comhairleoir C. O' Leary proposed, Comhairleoir T. Brosnan seconded, that the extended operating hours be limited to the city centre.

Comhairleoir J. Corr proposed an amendment, seconded by Comhairleoir D. Wallace that the City Council accept the draft Street Furniture Licencing Scheme as set out in the City Manager's report of 4 Samhain 2004 subject to the following conditions:-

1. the operating hours during the summer months will be 9a.m. to 11.30p.m. and during the winter months will be 9a.m. to 11p.m.
2. the City Manager will monitor the operation of the scheme in collaboration with other city stakeholders in 2005 and will recommend alterations to the

scheme before the end of 2005 should there be clear evidence that it is not operating to the benefit of all people.

A vote was called for on Comhairleoir J. Corr's proposed amendment where there appeared:-

FOR: Comhairleoirí M. Quill, D. Murphy, C. Clancy, D. Wallace, P. Gosch, C. Burke, T. Fitzgerald, D. Clune, D. Counihan, D. O' Flynn, T. Shannon, J. Corr, C. Lynch, S. Martin, T. O' Driscoll, D. Cregan, F. Dennehy, M. Shields. **(18)**

AGAINST: Comhairleoirí T. Brosnan, A. Spillane, M. Barry, G. O' Flynn, M. O' Connell, C. O' Leary. **(6)**

An tArdmhéara declared Comhairleoir Corr's proposal accepted.

10. **CORPORATE POLICY GROUP**

DRAFT CORPORATE PLAN

An Chomhairle agreed that the Draft Corporate Plan will be considered at a Special Meeting of the Committee of An Chomhairle to be held on 22nd November, 2004 at 4pm.

11. **CORK ENVIRONMENTAL FORUM**

An Chomhairle agreed that the invitation from Cork Environmental Forum to nominate one member to be a representative on the Cork Environmental Forum Management Committee which was deferred from the last meeting of An Chomhairle held on 26th October, 2004 be referred to a meeting of the Party Whips for consideration.

12. **MEMBERSHIP OF BUDGET 2005 COMMITTEE**

Comhairleoir C. O' Leary proposed, seconded by Comhairleoir M. Barry, that any member of An Chomhairle who wishes to be a member on the Budget 2005 Committee could do so.

A vote was called for where there appeared:-

FOR: Comhairleoirí M. Quill, A. Spillane, M. Barry, C. Clancy, C. Burke, C. O' Leary, C. Lynch. **(7)**

AGAINST: Comhairleoirí T. Brosnan, D. Murphy, D. Wallace, P. Gosch, M. O' Connell, T. Fitzgerald, D. Clune, D. Counihan, D. O' Flynn, T. Shannon, J. Corr, S. Martin, T. O' Driscoll, D. Cregan, F. Dennehy, M. Shields. **(16)**

An tArdmhéara declared the proposal defeated.

An Chomhairle agreed that there would be 10 members on the Budget 2005 Committee.

Comhairleoir D. Wallace proposed Comhairleoirí T. Shannon, M. Shields, D. Counihan and D. Wallace.

Comhairleoir J. Corr proposed Comhairleoirí D. Cregan, J. Corr and D. Murphy.

Comhairleoir J. Kelleher proposed Comhairleoirí M. Ahern and M. O' Connell.

Technical Group to submit name of one representative to Corporate Affairs.

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

13.1 **CORK ECONOMIC MONITOR**

An Chomhairle approved the Cork Economic Monitor October 2004.

13.2 **PLANNING PERMISSION FOR OFF-LICENCES**

An Chomhairle agreed to refer this item back to the next meeting of the Planning and Development Functional Committee for further discussion.

“That Cork City Council directs the City Manager not to grant any further Planning Permission for Off-Licences pending a thorough investigation by An Chomhairle of the impact off-licences are having on local communities”.

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 04/354)

13.3 **DISABILITY ACCESS REGULATOR**

Comhairleoir D. Wallace proposed and Comhairleoir J. Corr seconded the approval of the Director of Services report on the following motion:

“Cork City Council agrees to set aside the necessary funding in next year's Estimate to employ a dedicated Disability Access Regulator”.

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Barry 04/361)

A vote was called for where there appeared:-

FOR: Comhairleoirí M. Quill, T. Brosnan, D. Murphy, D. Wallace, C. Burke, M. O' Connell, T. Fitzgerald, D. Clune, D. Counihan, D. O' Flynn, T. Shannon, J. Corr, S. Martin, T. O' Driscoll and M. Shields. **(15)**

AGAINST: Comhairleoirí A. Spillane, M. Barry, C. Clancy, C. O' Leary and C. Lynch. **(5)**

An tArdmhéara declared the proposal passed and the report approved.

The report of the Director of Services stated that as it currently stands Section 24 of the recently published Disability Bill requires all public agencies to appoint an Access Officer by 2005. The Bill also emphasises the requirements that all public buildings will be fully accessible to people with disabilities by 2015 and that a minimum of 3% of staff are people with disabilities.

The Bill is now the subject of discussion between the disability sector and the Government and may be subject to certain changes, once agreed it will have significant implications for all public agencies. The Bill is due to be enacted in early 2005. The City Council will need to await final enactment of the legislation to allow for its detailed consideration to ensure that it meets fully all the requirements of the proposed legislation.

The City Council is aware of its ongoing responsibilities to people with disabilities and its commitments as a signatory of the Barcelona Declaration.

13.4 **PORT OF CORK**

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

“That An Chomhairle request the Port of Cork Ltd. to draw up plans for the refurbishment of the old buildings adjoining its head-quarters on Custom House Street”.

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kelleher 04/377)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the Bonded Warehouses to the rear of the Custom House date from the early 19th Century and are of considerable architectural and historic merit. Their setting at the tip of the island between the two River Channels adds to this attractiveness. Both the Custom House and the buildings to the rear are Protected Structures.

I understand that the Port of Cork are anxious to secure the re-use and redevelopment of the area and are in discussions with a third party who leases the Bonded Warehouses to agree a strategy to move forward.

The City Development Plan 2004 envisages that a Development Brief for the area would be prepared by the property owners in conjunction with the City Council. The warehouses have the potential to be renovated and reused in the future in a manner sympathetic with their character, for a range of city centre type uses. The City Council will work with the property owners over the coming period to develop a strategy to achieve this.

14. **HOUSING & COMMUNITY FUNCTIONAL COMMUNITY**

14.1 **MONTHLY REPORT**

An Chomhairle approved the monthly report of the Director of Services for the month of October, 2004.

14.2 **SOCIAL AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING ACTION PLAN 2004 - 2008**

An Chomhairle agreed to hold a Special Meeting of the Committee of An Chomhairle to be held on 22nd November 2004 at 4pm to discuss the report of the

Director of Services dated 28th October, 2004 on Cork City Council's Social and Affordable Housing Action Plan 2004 – 2008.

14.3 **LOCAL AUTHORITY ACCOMMODATION FOR ELDERLY PERSONS**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 28th October, 2004 on Local Authority Accommodation designated as being suitable for Elderly Persons.

The report of the Director of Services stated that Members were aware that a number of local authority dwellings within Cork City Council's area are deemed suitable for elderly persons. Having reviewed our current housing stock it is proposed to designate certain Local Authority dwellings for letting to elderly persons.

14.4 **DEVELOPMENT AT HOLLYHILL LANE, KNOCKNAHEENY, CORK**

An Chomhairle considered the proposed development of the construction of 28 no. dwellings at Hollyhill Lane, Knocknaheeny and the report of the Director of Services dated 28th October 2004 thereon. An Chomhairle accepted the Director of Services report and agreed that the development proceed as advertised.

The report of the Director of Services stated that the proposed development was advertised as a scheme proposed to be carried out by McInerney Contracting Ltd. on behalf of and in partnership with Cork City Council, pursuant to contract to be entered into with the City Council in accordance with the provisions of Section 179 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000.

14.5 **DEVELOPMENT AT SEMINARY ROAD, CORK**

In accordance with Section 177 of the Local Government Act 2001 Comhairleoir D. Wallace informed An Chomhairle that he would not participate in any discussion or vote on this matter as he had advised the developer in a professional capacity.

An Chomhairle considered the proposed development of the construction of 33 no. dwellings at Seminary Road, Cork and the report of the Director of Services dated 28th October, 2004 thereon. An Chomhairle accepted the report of the Director of Services and agreed that the proposed development proceed as advertised.

The report of the Director of Services stated that the proposed development described above was advertised as a scheme proposed to be carried out by Robert O'Leary & Son on behalf of and in partnership with Cork City Council pursuant to a contract to be entered into with the City Council in accordance with the provisions of Section 179 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000. The site of the proposed development is shown on the accompanying map and a site layout plan showing the proposed scheme, as advertised, is also attached. The proposed development is intended to meet social housing demand.

14.6 **DEVELOPMENT AT DYE FIELD, DEERPARK, CORK**

Comhairleoir C. Lynch proposed, seconded by Comhairleoir C. O' Leary that consideration of the report would be deferred to the next meeting of An Chomhairle.

A vote was called for where there appeared:-

FOR: Comhairleoirí M. Barry, C. Clancy, C. O' Leary, D. O' Flynn, C. Lynch (5)

AGAINST: Comhairleoirí M. Quill, T. Brosnan, D. Murphy, P. Gosch, C. Burke, M. O' Connell, T. Fitzgerald, D. Clune, D. Counihan, T. Shannon, J. Corr, S. Martin, T. O' Driscoll, D. Cregan. (14)

An tArdmhéara declared the proposal lost and the report of Director of Services accepted and that the development would proceed as advertised.

The report of the Director of Services stated that the development was advertised as a scheme proposed to be carried out by Cloonmore Developments Ltd. on behalf of and in partnership with Cork City Council, pursuant to a contract to be entered into with the City Council in accordance with the provisions of Section 179 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000. The proposed development is intended to meet social housing demand.

14.7 **HOUSES AT BOYCES STREET**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 28th October, 2004 on the following motions referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

“I would ask that the Director of Housing advise me if he would look favourably on providing glass doors to close off the porches for houses no: 1-25 Boyces Street which are specifically reserved for senior citizens. Each house has undesirables congregating in the porches which is causing upset to the elderly residents.”

(Proposer: Cllr. G. O' Flynn 04/235)

“That Cork City Council considers replacing the bathtubs in the bathrooms of Boyces Street as the existing baths are approximately 2ft. square and that the baths be replaced with showers for the disabled.”

(Proposer: Cllr. G. O' Flynn 04/362)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the old persons dwellings in Boyce's Street were constructed by the City Council in 1980 and were designed and constructed to the standards of that time. In the intervening years the Council has elsewhere invested heavily in the refurbishment of the Red-Brick Buildings bringing them to a modern standard suitable for the needs of elderly tenants.

The report also stated that the Buildings refurbishment programme is now substantially complete and it is now proposed to bring forward a programme for the upgrading of other old persons dwellings to a similar standard. The bungalows in Boyce's Street will be included in this programme and the installation of porches and level-deck shower units in the houses will be considered for inclusion in the upgrading proposals. A report setting out the full nature of the works proposed for the Boyce's Street houses will issue to Members in due course

14.8 **INFILL HOUSING AT AVONMORE PARK AND MOUNT BROSNA, MAYFIELD**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 28th October, 2004 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That a small number of in-fill houses be built between Avonmore Park and Mount Brosna, in conjunction with the re-development of the former Maxol Garage at Old Youghal Road, Mayfield.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kelleher 04/394)

The report of the Director of Services stated that a decision was made by Cork City Council on January 16th 2004 to grant planning permission for the re-development of the Maxol Service Station site at Old Youghal Road. This decision was subsequently appealed to An Bord Pleanala and the Board granted planning permission on 26th August, 2004.

The report also stated that the possible provision of infill housing between Mount Brosna and Avonmore Park will require integration with the development granted by An Bord Pleanala. The feasibility of providing housing at this location will now be assessed and a further report will issue to members once this assessment is complete.

14.9 **DISPOSALS**

An Chomhairle approved the following Disposals due notice of which has been given:-

PROPERTY DISPOSAL

- a) Disposal of site approximately 158m² situated at Sarsfield Road, Wilton, Cork to Tesco Ireland, c/o Evelyn O'Donnell, William Fry Solicitors, Wilton House, Dublin 2, in exchange Tesco Ireland will transfer an adjoining site approximately 46m² to Cork City Council.

SHARED OWNERSHIP

- (a) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 15, Glengarriff Road, Fairhill, Cork, held by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated 22nd December, 2003, to Ken Allen and Caroline Hurley, for the sum of €106,617.97.

FEE SIMPLE INTEREST

- (a) Freehold interest in premises at 51, Capwell Road, Cork, to Tom O' Connor, for the sum of €250.00 plus costs of €650.00.

15. **ROADS & TRANSPORTATION FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE**

15.1 **ROADWORKS PROGRAMME**

An Chomhairle noted the report of Director of Services dated 28th October, 2004, on the progress of ongoing Roadworks Programme for month ended October 2004.

15.2 **RE: DRAFT ROADWORKS PROGRAMME - 2005**

An Chomhairle agreed to accept the Director of Services/City Engineer's Report dated 28th October, 2004 and agreed that the Draft Report be sent to National Roads Authority, Department of Transport, and the Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government for their consideration in the allocation of funding in respect of the Roads Programme 2005.

15.3 **EXTINGUISHMENT OF PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY AT 16 SEMINARY ROAD/MAHONY'S SQUARE.**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services/City Engineer, dated 28th October, 2004, regarding extinguishment of Public Right of Way at 16, Seminary Road/Mahony's Square.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Corr and seconded by Comhairleoir T. Brosnan, An Chomhairle agreed to adopt the following resolution:-

“RESOLVED that the Public Right of Way over the pedestrian laneway extending from the rear of the Public Footpath fronting No. 16, Seminary Road, running in a Northerly direction along the western gable of No. 16, Seminary Road for a distance of approximately 14 metres to it's junction with Mahony's Square, shall be extinguished forthwith City Manager to prepare and arrange for immediate execution by Cork City Council the required Form of Order “.

15.4 **EXTINGUISHMENT OF PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY AT 18/19 SEMINARY ROAD/MAHONY'S SQUARE.**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services/City Engineer, dated 28th October, 2004, regarding extinguishment of Public Right of Way at 18/19 Seminary Road/Mahony's Square.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Corr and seconded by Comhairleoir T. Brosnan, An Chomhairle agreed to adopt the following resolution:-

“RESOLVED that the Public Right of Way over the pedestrian laneway extending from the rear of the Public Footpath fronting No 18 and No 19, Seminary Road, running in a north easterly direction between No 18 and No 19 Seminary Road for a distance of approximately 11.5 metres to it's junction with Mahony's Square , shall be extinguished forthwith City Manager to prepare and arrange for immediate execution by Cork City Council the required Form of Order.”

15.5 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES – FRIARS WALK/TORY TOP LANE/REENDOWNEY PLACE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services/City Engineer, dated 28th October, 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Traffic Calming measures be installed at the Friars Walk / Tory Top Lane / Reendowney Place Junction.

(Proposer: An tArd Mhéara Cllr. S. Martin 04/69)

The report of the Director of Services/City Engineer stated that the junction of Friars Walk/Tory Top Lane/Reendowney Place will be examined to determine the extent of the problems there in order that any possible mitigation measures can be identified.

The results will be assessed and any identified traffic calming measures will be put forward for consideration in the roads programme, however it may take some time before funding for any works becomes available.

15.6 **ROAD RESURFACING – PEARSE PLACE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services/City Engineer, dated 28th October, 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Pearse Place be included in Road Resurfacing Programme.’

(Proposer: An tArd Mhéara Cllr. S. Martin 04/70)

The report of the Director of Services/City Engineer stated that Pearse Place will be included in the 2005 Resurfacing Programme.

15.7 **INTRODUCE DISC PARKING IN FATHER O’ FLYNN PLACE/ ALLEN SQUARE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services/City Engineer, dated 28th October 2004, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘I would ask that Cork City Council introduce disc parking in Father O’ Flynn Place / Allen Square area in view of the indiscriminate non-residential parking presently taking place.

That Cork City Council also introduce a traffic management plan for Father O’ Flynn Place / Allen Square through the painting of double yellow lines.’

(Proposer: Cllr. G. O’ Flynn 04/238)

The report of the Director of Services/City Engineer stated that disc parking controls were recently installed in Father O’ Flynn Place/Allen Square. The introduction of the parking controls included the provision of yellow lines where appropriate.

15.8 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES – MOUNT AGNES ROAD, FAIRHILL**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services/City Engineer, dated 28th October 2004, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council would put in place traffic calming measures in Mount Agnes Road, Fairhill, Cork as a matter of urgency to alleviate the traffic problems in the area.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Clancy 04/262)

The report of the Director of Services/City Engineer stated that Mount Agnes Road, Fairhill will be added to the list of areas, where a request for traffic calming has been received. Traffic volume and speed surveys will be carried out to determine the extent of the problems in order to identify any possible mitigation measures that could be provided there.

Any identified traffic calming measures will be put forward for consideration in the roads programme, however it may take some time before funding for any works becomes available.

15.9 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES – MERVUE LAWN, BALLYVOLANE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services/City Engineer, dated 28th October 2004, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council would arrange to put in place Traffic Calming Measures at Mervue Lawn, Ballyvolane as a matter of urgency.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Clancy 04/282)

The report of the Director of Services/City Engineer stated that Mervue Lawn is already on the list of areas, where a request for traffic calming has been received. Speed ramps were due to be installed there a few years ago but the residents objected. Other traffic calming devices such as chicanes were also investigated and found to be unsuitable.

Further discussions will be held with the local residents in order to determine any other possible mitigation measures that could be provided there. Any identified traffic calming measures will be put forward for consideration in the roads programme, however it may take some time before funding for any works becomes available.

15.10 **RESURFACING PROGRAMME – EDEN GROVE AND EDEN COURT**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services/City Engineer, dated 28th October 2004, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That the footpaths in Eden Grove and Eden Court would be included in the resurfacing programme for 2005, as they are in very poor condition.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. O' Flynn 04/369)

The report of the Director of Services/City Engineer stated that Eden Court and Eden Grove will be considered for inclusion in the 2005 Footpath Renewal Programme.

15.11 **RAMPS OR ONE WAY TRAFFIC ON O' MAHONEY'S AVENUE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services/City Engineer, dated 28th October 2004, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

'That, in order to reduce the speed & volume of traffic on O' Mahoney's Avenue (between St. Lukes and The Lower Glanmire Road) and to make the area safer for residents & motorists alike, the options of providing ramps or a one-way traffic system be examined.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kelleher 04/383)

The report of the Director of Services/City Engineer stated that Mahoney's Avenue is already on the list of areas, where a request for traffic calming has been received. Traffic volume and speed surveys are due to be carried out to determine the extent of the problems in order to identify any possible mitigation measures that could be provided there.

Any identified traffic calming measures will be put forward for consideration in the roads programme, however it may take some time before funding for any works becomes available.

It has been Cork City Council's policy for many years to avoid introducing one-way traffic systems and where possible to revert existing one-way systems to two-way. One-way traffic flows can have the following effects:

- Increased traffic speeds.
- Increased volumes of traffic in the direction of flow.
- Increased volumes of traffic in the opposite direction in a parallel 'twined' road – there is no obvious twin road for Mahoney's Avenue.
- A less friendly environment for pedestrians because of the increased speeds – even uphill roads like Mahoney's Avenue would experience increased speeds with a one-way system.
- Reduction in local accessibility for the residents, i.e. local journeys in a particular direction can be made more difficult.
- One-way system may not suit service vehicles (refuse collection, etc.).

The designation of Mahoney's Avenue as a one-way street would increase its priority as a traffic route and reduce its status as a residential area. It is therefore recommended that it remain two-way.

15.12 **EXIT AT THE BOTTOM OF FAIRFIELD ROAD**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services/City Engineer, dated 28th October 2004, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That the Traffic Dept. look at the possibility of putting an exit from the bottom of Fairfield Road onto the Mallow Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. O’ Connell 04/401)

The report of the Director of Services/City Engineer stated that a direct link from Fairfield Road to the Mallow Road would involve creating a new junction on the N20 National Primary Road. This junction would require traffic signals and would be relatively close to the junction with Fitz’s Boreen.

The creation of a new junction would have serious traffic management implications for the N20 and is not recommended. It is also unlikely that the National Roads Authority would approve of such a proposal.

Residents from the Fairfield Road area can access the N20 Commons Road via the nearby junction with Popham’s Road. A new link from Fairfield Avenue to the N20 Mallow Road is accordingly not recommended.

15.13 **INSTALL RAMPS AT INISHANNON ROAD**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services/City Engineer, dated 28th October 2004, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council will install two ramps at Inishannon Rd, Fairhill, along the stretch of roadway fronting the houses numbered 10 to 40.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Barry 04/408)

The report of the Director of Services/City Engineer stated that Inishannon Road, Fairhill will be added to the list of areas, where a request for traffic calming has been received. Traffic volume and speed surveys will be carried out to determine the extent of the problems in order to identify any possible mitigation measures that could be provided there.

Any identified traffic calming measures will be put forward for consideration in the roads programme, however it may take some time before funding for any works becomes available.

15.14 **RAISE THE HEIGHT OF THE RAMPS AT GLEN AVENUE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services/City Engineer, dated 28th October 2004, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council will raise the height of the ramps at Glen Avenue, Blackpool, to increase their effectiveness.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Barry 04/409)

The report of the Director of Services/City Engineer stated that the ramps at Glen Avenue/Mount Farran were installed as part of the Blackpool By Pass Project. The height of the ramps was determined by guidelines and best practice at the time.

Any increase in height could have road safety implications and could cause damage to the underside of passing vehicles. Emergency vehicles would also be affected if the ramps were at a height that could cause serious delays and or disturbance to sick patients being carried in an ambulance.

Accordingly, it is recommended that the height of the ramps should not be changed.

15.15 **SHRUBS AND HEDGING AT 60-70 MOURNE AVENUE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services/City Engineer, dated 28th October 2004, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

'That the shrubs and hedging at 60-70 Mourne Avenue be cut back to allow residents in the above houses visual access to the road where they park their cars.'

(Proposer: Cllr. A. Spillane 04/407)

The report of the Director of Services/City Engineer stated that it is the responsibility of any occupier of any house to maintain and cut any hedges/trees etc. However we will visit the area with a view to identifying the difficulty and the persons responsible.

15.16 **ROAD RESURFACING – INTERSECTION OF LORETTO PARK AND NUN'S WALK**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services/City Engineer, dated 28th October 2004, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

'That the section of road at the intersection of Loretto Park and Nun's Walk be resurfaced.'

(Proposer: An tArd-Mhéara S. Martin 04/71)

The report of the Director of Services/City Engineer stated that Nun's Walk/Loretto Park junction will be considered for inclusion in the 2005 Resurfacing Programme.

15.17 **RAMPS BE INSTALLED ON FRIAR'S STREET**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services/City Engineer, dated 28th October 2004, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

'That two ramps be installed on Friar's Street.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 04/119)

The report of the Director of Services/City Engineer stated that Friar's Street will be added to the list of areas, where a request for traffic calming has been received. Traffic volume and speed surveys will be carried out to determine the extent of the problems in order to identify any possible mitigation measures that could be provided there.

Any identified traffic calming measures will be put forward for consideration in next year's roads programme, however it may take some time before funding for any works becomes available.

15.18 **NAMEPLATE FOR KEMPTON PARK**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services/City Engineer, dated 28th October 2004, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council erects a nameplate for Kempton Park.’

(Proposer: Cllr. G. O' Flynn 04/250)

The report of the Director of Services/City Engineer stated that Kempton Park will be assessed and if it is identified as being in need of signage, it will be included in our programme.

15.19 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES – MERVUE LANE, BALLYVOLANE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services/City Engineer, dated 28th October 2004, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council would arrange to put in place Traffic Calming Measures at Mervue Lane, Ballyvolane as a matter of urgency.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Clancy 04/287)

The report of the Director of Services/City Engineer stated that Mervue Lawn is already on the list of areas, where a request for traffic calming has been received. Speed ramps were due to be installed there a few years ago but the residents objected. Other traffic calming devices such as chicanes were also investigated and found to be unsuitable.

Further discussions will be held with the local residents in order to determine any other possible mitigation measures that could be provided there. Any identified traffic calming measures will be put forward for consideration in the roads programme, however it may take some time before funding for any works becomes available.

15.20 **REPAIR ROAD SURFACE ON BUNKERS HILL**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services/City Engineer, dated 28th October 2004, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council would repair the road surface on Bunkers Hill as a matter of urgency.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Clancy 04/293)

The report of the Director of Services/City Engineer stated that the concrete open space fronting the houses on Bunker's Hill is in reasonable condition and is not in

need of urgent repair. Cork City Council will include this area on its Maintenance Programme and will receive attention in due course.

15.21 **FOOTPATHS RESURFACING PROGRAMME – BERLINGFORD DRIVE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services/City Engineer, dated 28th October 2004, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That the footpaths in Berlingford Drive would be included in the resurfacing programme for 2005, as they are in very poor condition.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. O’ Flynn 04/395)

The report of the Director of Services/City Engineer stated that Berlingford Drive will be considered for inclusion in the 2005 Footpath Renewal Programme.

15.22 **FOOTPATHS RESURFACING PROGRAMME – WOODVALE ROAD**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services/City Engineer, dated 28th October 2004, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That the footpaths in Woodvale Road, would be included in the resurfacing programme for 2005, as they are in very poor condition.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. O’ Flynn 04/396)

The report of the Director of Services/City Engineer stated that Woodvale Road will be included in the 2005 Footpath Renewal Programme.

15.23 **GATES BE ERECTED AT KNOCKPOGUE AVENUE & FAIRFIELD GREEN**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services/City Engineer, dated 28th October 2004, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That gates be erected to close off the alleyway between Knockpogue Avenue and Fairfield Green.

(Proposer: Cllr. M. O’ Connell 04/402)

The report of the Director of Services/City Engineer stated that the 2004 programme for the closure of pedestrian laneways was approved by ward members. The erection of gates on the laneway at Fairfield Green/Knockpogue Avenue is not included in the list of prioritised locations. Fairfield Green/Knockpogue Avenue will be added to the current list of requested laneway closures and will be available for prioritisation subject to future funding.

15.24 **ROAD RESURFACING - ARD NA RÍ, POULADUFF ROAD**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services/City Engineer, dated 28th October 2004, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That the road be resurfaced at Ard Na Rí, Pouladuff Road, as a matter of priority.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Lynch 04/411)

The report of the Director of Services/City Engineer stated that Ard Na Rí, Pouladuff Rd. will be considered for inclusion in the 2005 Resurfacing Programme.

15.25 **SPEED RAMPS/TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES – SCHOOL AVENUE & LIMA ROAD**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services/City Engineer’s/City Engineer dated 28th October, 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council would install speed ramps/traffic calming measures on School Avenue and Lima Lawn due to the speed of cars using this routeway as a short cut from Glasheen Road to Magazine Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 04/412)

The report of the Director of Services/City Engineer stated that School Avenue & Lima Lawn are already on the list of areas, where a request for traffic calming has been received. Traffic volume and speed surveys are due to be carried out to determine the extent of the problems in order to identify any possible mitigation measures that could be provided there.

Any identified traffic calming measures will be put forward for consideration in the roads programme, however it may take some time before funding for any works becomes available.

15.26 **ROAD RESURFACING – BENVOIRLICH ESTATE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services/City Engineer, dated 28th October 2004, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council would resurface as a matter of priority, immediately, Benvoirlich Estate onto Halldene Grove and as it forms a T junction onto Curraheen Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 04/413)

The report of the Director of Services/City Engineer stated that Benvoirlich Estate and Halldene Grove will be considered for inclusion in the 2005 Resurfacing Programme.

15.27 **TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT JUNCTION OF THE COMMONS INN**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services/City Engineer, dated 28th October 2004, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That the City An Chomhairle put in place a right hand turning arrow on the traffic lights at the junction of the Commons Inn. The light in question needs to be put in place on the traffic lights approaching the Commons Inn from the Limerick Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. O’ Brien 04/415)

The report of the Director of Services/City Engineer stated that the junction on the N20 Limerick Road at the Commons Inn will be examined to determine the feasibility of providing a right turning arrow for the city inbound traffic.

Issues to be investigated include availability of ducting/ cabling and sufficient spare capacity in the traffic light controller. If appropriate, the right turning arrow will be provided.

15.28 **ROAD RESURFACING & PAINTING WORKS AT 3 ROUNDABOUTS**

An Chomhairle approved the report of Director of Services/City Engineer, dated 28th October 2004, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That road surfacing and painting works be carried out at roundabouts at:-

- a. Harbour View Road, Knocknaheeny.
- b. Knockpogue Avenue / Fairfield Avenue.
- c. Colmcille Road / Gurranabraher Avenue.

As they are in a poor state and in urgent need of repair.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Fitzgerald 04/416)

The report of the Director of Services/City Engineer stated that some minor road repairs will be carried out at the roundabout on Colmcille Road/Gurranabraher Avenue. It is considered that no repairs are required at the other roundabouts. In relation to the road painting at these locations, the renewal of the road markings and signposting associated with the three roundabouts in the above motion will be carried out as part of this years road painting programme.

15.29 **PLACE BOLLARDS AT NO’S 1 & 50 HORGAN’S BUILDINGS**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services/City Engineer, dated 28th October 2004, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘To safe guard the concerns of older people in Horgan’s and reduce traffic that:

Cork City Council place Bollards at the Gable End House of No. 50 Horgan’s Buildings and at the entrance of No. 1 Horgan’s Building which will provide a better quality of life for all residents.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Fitzgerald 04/417)

The report of the Director of Services/City Engineer stated that the purpose of the placing of the bollards is to solve the ongoing problems associated with traffic rat running through Horgan's Buildings. The location of the bollards would block traffic from moving between Magazine Road and College Road and would also allow deliveries to be made to the service area of the Hayfield Manor Hotel.

The bollards outside house no. 1 Horgan's Buildings would require the construction a paved turning area in the green area in front of houses nos. 1 – 4 Horgans Buildings. The estimated cost of the works is €70,000 and this sum will be put forward for consideration to be included in the roads programme.

15.30 **YELLOW JUNCTION BOX AT DEANROCK ESTATE AND TOGHER ROAD JUNCTION**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services/City Engineer, dated 28th October 2004, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That a yellow junction box be put in place at the Deanrock Estate and Togher Road junction.’

(Proposers: Cllrs. C. Lynch & M. Aherne 04/422)

The report of the Director of Services/City Engineer stated that the junction of Togher Road and Deanrock Estate will be examined in conjunction with the Gardaí and if it is deemed appropriate the installation of the yellow box at the junction will be inputted into the road painting programme.

15.31 **TRAFFIC LIGHTS FROM BLACKPOOL SIDE OF THE JUNCTION OF NORTH RING ROAD**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services/City Engineer, dated 28th October 2004, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That this City Council would put in place a right hand turning arrow on the traffic lights as you approach from the Blackpool side of the junction of North Ring Road and Ballyhooley Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. A. Spillane 04/430)

The report of the Director of Services/City Engineer stated that the junction of North Ring Road/Ballyhooley new Road is listed for upgrading and improvement. New road markings and the provision of a right turning arrow are planned.

Funding is being sought from the National Roads Authority because of the volumes of national traffic carried by the North Ring Road. The necessary works to improve the junction will be carried out as soon as funds become available.

15.32 **FLOODING PROBLEMS AT ALLENDALE AVENUE & MELBOURNE AVENUE BISHOPSTOWN**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services/City Engineer, dated 28th October 2004, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council would immediately address the flooding problems at Allendale Avenue and Melbourne Avenue, Bishopstown, which are ongoing for many years and particularly bad in the past few weeks. I would also request that adequate resources are made available and sanctioned to investigate and remedy the situation as a matter of urgency.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Shields 04/423)

The report of the Director of Services/City Engineer stated that the Environment Directorate has commenced work on a computer model of the sewerage network to identify the optimum route for a storm relief sewer for the Melbourne/Allendale/Uam Var areas. Other works being considered include camera surveys, jetting of the network and alterations to the vehicular barrier between Westgate and Melbourne Avenue. All gullies are cleaned every two to three months in accordance with our Maintenance Schedule and any complaints regarding blocked gullies are dealt with immediately. New gullies will be installed where considered necessary.

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

An Chomhairle approved Comhairleoir J. Kellher’s proposal nominating Comhairleoirí M. O’ Connell, C. Lynch and D. O’ Flynn as members of the Recreation, Amenity & Culture Functional Committee.

17. **CORRESPONDENCE**

An Chomhairle noted the correspondence.

18. **CONFERENCES**

An Chomhairle approved attendance at the following Conferences:-

18.1 **LOCAL GOVERNMENT BUDGET**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoir B. Bermingham at the Local Government Budget Conference which was held on 23rd October, 2004 in The Gleneagle Hotel, Killarney, Co. Kerry.

18.2 **POLICY MAKING IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT RESPONSIBILITIES AND IMPLICATIONS FOR AN CHOMHAIRLEOIRÍ**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoirí T. Brosnan, S. Martin and T. O’ Driscoll at the Policy Making in Local Government Responsibilities and Implications for An Chomhairleoirí Conference which was held on 29th – 30th October, 2004 at the Carraig Hotel, Main Street, Carrick-On-Suir, Co. Tipperary.

18.3 **IMAGINING THE FUTURE**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoir T. Brosnan at the Imagining the Future Conference to be held on 2nd – 3rd November, 2004 at the Ceifín Centre, Shannon Business Centre, Shannon.

18.4 **LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCING VALUE FOR MONEY & EFFECTIVENESS**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoirí D. Clune and D. Counihan at the Local Government Financing Value for Money & Effectiveness Conference to be held on 5th November, 2004 at the Seven Oaks Hotel, Carlow.

18.5 **LAMA CONFERENCE, ANNUAL WINTER CONFERENCE**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoirí T. Brosnan, C. Lynch, J. Corr and D. Murphy at the LAMA Conference, Annual Winter Conference to be held on 12th & 13th November, 2004 at the Fairways Hotel, Dublin Road, Dundalk.

18.6 **A NATIONAL TOURISM CONFERENCE**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoir J. Kelleher at the National Tourism Conference to be held on 25th – 27th November, 2004 at the Falls Hotel, Ennistymon, Co. Clare.

18.7 **LOCAL GOVERNMENT MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoir D. Counihan at the Local Government Management Conference to be held on the 3rd December, 2004 at the Kingsley Hotel, Carrigrohane Road, Cork.

19. **MOTIONS**

An Chomhairle agreed to refer the following motions to the following Committees:-

19.1 **GREEN MAN CROSSING AT TOGHER ROAD AND ARDMANNING AVENUE**

‘That a Green Man crossing be put in place at the junction of Togher Road and Ardmanning Avenue to facilitate pedestrian access to the shopping centre.’

(Proposer: An tArd-Mhéara S. Martin 04/122)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

19.2 **IDENTIFY AND DEVELOP THE PARK ‘N’ RIDE FACILITIES**

‘That Cork City Council in tandem with Cork County Council identify and develop the additional park ‘n’ ride facilities immediately.’

(Proposer: An tArd-Mhéara S. Martin 04/180)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

19.3 **RAMPS ON SEMINARY PLACE ROADWAY**

‘That Cork City Council would install ramps on Seminary Place roadway, and also furnish ‘Beware Children at Play’ signs on both ends of the road with a view to protecting the children as there are no footpaths to safeguard them.’

(Proposer: Cllr. G. O’ Flynn 04/278)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

19.4 **TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT NORTH RING ROAD**

‘That Traffic lights be introduced at the North Ring Road near the Fire Station as requested by me on April 1st, 2004. In light of the volume of fast moving traffic that use this road and cross it to go towards Blackpool, it is a very dangerous stretch of road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. G. O’ Flynn 04/283)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

19.5 **FRIARS AVENUE BE MADE A ONE WAY DOWN**

‘That Cork City Council would arrange to have Friars Avenue made a one way down.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Clancy 04/313)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

19.6 **CHARGING FOR THE DISHING OF FOOTPATHS**

‘That Cork City Council as a matter of urgency would revise its policy in respect of charging for the dishing of footpaths.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Clancy 04/323)

Roads & Transportation Strategic Policy Committee

19.7 **FOOTPATH BE REPAIRED ON NORTHERN SIDE OF HABROUR VIEW ROAD**

‘That the footpath be repaired on the northern side of Harbour View Road particularly near the Bus Stop near Hollyville.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Fitzgerald 04/420)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

19.8 **WHEELCHAIR CAR PARKING**

‘I am proposing that wheelchair car parking be put in St. Patricks Street.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. McCarthy 04/449)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

19.9 **TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT BLARNEY ROAD AND HARBOUR VIEW ROAD**

‘That traffic lights be installed at the junction of Blarney Road and Harbour View Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. McCarthy 04/450)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

19.10 **LOCAL PLAN FOR THE HISTORIC VILLAGE OF ST. LUKES**

‘That the long promised local plan for the historic village of St. Lukes be developed, in consultation with the traders and the residents and implemented without any further undue delay.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Quill 04/453)

Planning & Development Functional Committee

19.11 **NAMEPLATE AT ENTRANCE TO CONVENT AVENUE**

‘That a nameplate would be placed at the entrance to Convent Avenue, Church Road, Blackrock, as the original placename has been removed.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. O’ Flynn 04/454)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

19.12 **ROAD SIGN BE PLACED AT THE START OF BALLINLOUGH ROAD**

‘That a road sign be placed on the start of the Ballinlough Road (St. Finbarr’s Hospital side) stating “Road not suitable for heavy vehicles”, as heavy good vehicles are constantly causing obstruction on this road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. O’ Flynn 04/455)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

19.13 **RESURFACING OF OLD YOUGHAL ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council make provision for the resurfacing of Old Youghal Road from Dillon’s Cross to Collin’s Barracks in the 2005 Roadworks Programme.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 04/456)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

19.14 **CHILD CARE COSTS**

‘That Cork City Council calls on the leaders of all political parties represented in Dail Eireann to between them address the issue of child care costs for working parents as such costs are prohibitive and should be financed by the introduction of a tax free allowance to parents affected.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 04/457)

Referred to the next meeting of An Chomhairle

19.15 **DERELICT SITES AT THE BOTTOM OF GARDINERS HILL**

‘That a dereliction order be placed on the derelict sites at the bottom of Gardiners Hill and subsequently that these sites be cleared by An Chomhairle at the owners expense.

Despite numerous representations by residents in the past, several premises at the bottom of Gardiners Hill remain in an appalling condition. In fact protective fencing has fallen down. This premises is now not only an appalling eyesore but of serious concern to parents in the area. The only option left open to An Chomhairle is to serve a dereliction order on properties and for City An Chomhairle to clear the site at the owners expense.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Murphy 04/460)

Planning & Development Functional Committee

19.16 **SMELL ON GRAND PARADE & OLIVER PLUNKETT STREET**

‘That the smell on Grand Parade and at the top of Oliver Plunkett Street be identified and dealt with.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Murphy 04/461)

Environment Functional Committee

19.17 **ACCESS TO APPROPRIATE MEDICAL CARE**

‘Cork City Council fully supports Amnesty International’s call for access to appropriate medical care for imprisoned Chinese worker activist Xiao Yunliang who is reportedly currently suffering tuberculosis, pleurisy and hypertension. Cork City Council agrees to send this resolution, if passed, to Amnesty International’s Irish Section, the Governor of the Liaoning Provisional People’s Government, the Director of the Liaoning Provincial Department of Justice, the Chinese Ambassador to Ireland and to the President of the People’s Republic of China.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Barry 04/462)

Referred to the next meeting of An Chomhairle

19.18 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURE – GOLDSMITHS AVENUE, RATHMORE**

‘That An Chomhairle would install ramps at Goldsmiths Avenue, Rathmore, as a traffic-calming measure.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Barry 04/463)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

19.19 **STOP SIGN AT THE JUNCTION OF BROOKFIELD LAWN**

‘That Cork City Council would as a matter of priority install a stop sign at the junction of Brookfield Lawn on to Brookfield Park and would put in place traffic calming measures in consultation with residents in the above area.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 04/464)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

19.20 **DOUBLE YELLOW LINES – FITZGERALD ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council would as a matter of priority put in place double yellow lines on the Fitzgerald Road and junction of Charles Daly Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 04/465)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

This concluded the business of the meeting.

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