

MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF CORK CITY COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 12TH JANUARY, 2004.

- PRESENT:** An tArd-Mheara, Comhairleoir C. Burke in the chair.
- NORTH EAST** Seanoir M. Quill, Comhairleoirí T. Brosnan, L. Burke, J. Kelleher, E. Nelson.
- NORTH CENTRAL** Comhairleoirí D. Wallace, C. Clancy, G. O' Flynn, P. Gosch.
- NORTH WEST** Seanoir D. McCarthy, Comhairleoirí T. Falvey, J. O'Brien.
- SOUTH EAST** Seanoir T. Shannon, Comhairleoirí D. Clune, J. Corr, D. O' Flynn, T. O' Brien.
- SOUTH CENTRAL** Comhairleoirí S. Martin, T. O' Driscoll, D. Cregan, Chris O' Leary.
- SOUTH WEST** Comhairleoirí M. Shields, M. Ahern, B. Bermingham, P. J. Hourican, F. Dennehy.
- ALSO PRESENT** Mr. J. Gavin, City Manager.
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. J. Flynn, Director of Services, Corporate Affairs.
Mr. F. Long, Senior Engineer, Housing & Community.
Mr. N. Fitzpatrick, Senior Executive Officer, Planning & Development.
Mr. F. Allison, Senior Executive Officer, Corporate Affairs.
Mr. S. Crowley, Senior Staff Officer, Corporate Affairs.

An tArd-Mheara 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 Forde Family on the death of Maurice Forde.
- To the Murphy Family on the death of Humphrey Murphy.

2. **SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS**

Comhairleoir B. Bermingham proposed, Comhairleoir L. Burke seconded, the following motion:-

‘That Standing Orders be suspended to discuss the Cork School of Music.’

A vote was called for where there appeared as follows:

FOR: Seanoir D. McCarthy, Comhairleoirí L. Burke, J. Kelleher, C. Clancy, P. Gosch, J. O'Brien, D. Clune, J. Corr, D. O' Flynn, D. Cregan, Chris O' Leary, B. Bermingham, P. J. Hourican. (13)

AGAINST: Seanoirí M. Quill, T. Shannon, Comhairleoirí E. Nelson, D. Wallace, G. O' Flynn, T. Falvey, C. Burke, T. O' Brien, S. Martin, T. O' Driscoll, M. Shields, F. Dennehy. (12)

As the required two thirds majority was not attained, An tArd-Mhéara declared the motion defeated.

3. **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the following meetings were considered and approved:-

- a) Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held on 8th December, 2003.
- b) Minutes of Budget Meeting held on 15th December, 2003.
- c) Special Meeting of the Committee of Whole Council held on 3rd January, 2004.

4. **QUESTION TIME**

4.1 **STEPS TAKEN TO ALLEVIATE THE PROBLEM OF WATER PRESSURE IN LOWER CLARKES ROAD AND LOWER FRIARS WALK**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir Sean Martin, a written reply was circulated which stated that a problem regarding pressure problems, at morning peak time, in the Lower Clarkes Road and Lower Friars Walk area was investigated during October/November 2003. It was found that a general pressure drop had occurred due to leakage in the area.

The detection and repair of a leak at Green Lawn has alleviated the problem.

4.2 **HOUSE IN BARRETTS BUILDINGS BEING USED AS A DEPOT**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir Gary O'Flynn, a written reply was circulated which stated that for operational and efficiency reasons, it is appropriate to locate Housing Maintenance sub depots, such as the sub depot at Barrett's Buildings, in areas where there are large concentrations of social housing.

An overall review of all City Council depots and sub depots is currently underway, with a view to re-assessing current needs and identifying future requirements in the medium to long term. Pending the outcome of this review, it is intended to retain the sub depot at Barrett's Buildings in the short term.

Housing Management will continue to monitor the situation regarding the operation and condition of all premises used as depots.

4.3 **REINSTATE FOOTPATH FROM NO. 2-NO. 52 HALLDENE AVENUE**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir Mary Shields, a written reply was circulated which stated that this section of footpath will be considered for inclusion in this years footpath renewal programme.

4.4 **HOUSES AT MAGLIN GROVE, DEANROCK ESTATE AND HAZEL ROAD, TOGHER**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir Fergal Dennehy, a written reply was circulated which stated that the issue of concern here would appear to be the lack of direct access for vehicles to carriageway entrances constructed by a number of householders on both roads mentioned above, as there are green areas between the road and the footpath fronting the houses at a number of locations. However these carriageway entrances have been constructed without proper authorisation and the removal or filling in of the green areas will only serve to facilitate the continuation of this practice. The parking of vehicles at the side of the road does not constitute a danger as suggested. Neither is it necessary to cross these green areas to gain access by foot as there are footpaths leading to all houses. Properly authorised carriageway entrances are constructed by the City Council on payment of the appropriate fee by the householder.

In the case of Maglin Grove the removal or filling in of these areas should be dealt with under the Deanrock Regeneration Proposals being prepared by the Housing and Community Services Directorate.

The green area at Hazel Rd. is quite a large area and as such its removal would not be appropriate. One solution to the provision of direct access to the houses here would be the construction of an access road between the green and the footpath. This would be a matter for consideration by our Housing and Community Services Directorate.

4.5 **STEPS TAKEN TO ALLEVIATE THE PROBLEM AT PARK OWEN**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir Sean Martin, a written reply was circulated which stated that there is no suitable land in Council ownership at Park Owen available for housing.

There are no plans to upgrade the present park area, the space being an informal recreation area maintained regularly by the Parks Department. A security company has recently been engaged to open and close the gates at Park Owen at dawn and dusk.

The issue of rear vehicular access to the houses on Nicholas Hill is not considered feasible due to the cost involved in provision of new access road to the houses involved.

4.6 **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT THE JUNCTION AT SHANAKIEL RD. AND SUNDAYS WELL RD & PEDESTRIAN CROSSING ON THE BLARNEY RD., NEAR HOLLYHILL LANE**

In response to question submitted by Seanoir Dave McCarthy, a written reply was circulated which stated that:-

1. Some time ago the City Council commenced work on the installation of traffic signals at the junction of Shanakiel Road and Sundays Well Road. The work was stopped on request from the local residents and the situation was kept under review. The Traffic Division now proposes to complete the installation of the traffic signals as part of this year's roads programme because:

- ◆ Some residents have complained about the lack of pedestrian facilities in the area. The provision of such facilities can only be safely accommodated by a signal controlled junction.
 - ◆ The traffic signals will also improve the traffic control and safety at the junction.
2. The zebra crossing on Blarney Road near Hollyhill Lane was removed to facilitate development works in the area. It will be replaced with a new pelican crossing facility in this year's roads programme.

Consultations will be held shortly with the Garda Siochána on the provision of the two above installations.

4.7 **DISC PARKING INTRODUCED IN THE SUNDAY'S WELL AREA**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir Michael O'Connell, a written reply was circulated which stated that a proposal to extend the Disc Parking Zone (DPZ) is currently before Council. The Sunday's Well area is included in the proposed DPZ extension scheme.

If the zone extension proposal is approved, the Sunday's Well area will be included in the programme for the installation of disc parking controls.

Last year, the City Council renewed road markings and introduced new parking restrictions in Sunday's Well Road, which eased traffic congestion in the area. These works will also facilitate the eventual introduction of disc parking controls there.

4.8 **PLANS FOR THE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF THE CAMP FIELD**

In response to question submitted by Seanoir Mairin Quill, a written reply was circulated which stated that over the Christmas period the Government announced the release of state-owned lands at various locations around the country for the purpose of providing units under the Affordable Housing Initiative. These units are part of the Government's commitment under the Sustaining Progress Social Partnership Agreement to provide 10,000 units of affordable housing. The Department of Defence lands at Old Youghal Road was one of the sites recently announced.

Plans are now to be drawn up for the development of housing on the Old Youghal Road site. This housing is to be located in and around existing dwellings on site. A significant area of ground at the Camp Field is zoned as "Sports Grounds" in the new City Development Plan. This area is to be retained for sporting use.

4.9 **INCREASE THE NUMBER OF "BRING SITES" IN THE BALLYPHEHANE AND TURNER'S CROSS AREA**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir Tom O'Driscoll, a written reply was circulated which stated that there are currently 40 bring sites in place throughout Cork City. Cork City Council's aim is to increase the numbers of bring sites provided in order to achieve its stated objective of providing one bring site for every 1,000 population.

Cork City Council is currently seeking locations for new bring sites throughout the city including the Ballyphehane and Turner's Cross areas. In particular, it has been found that car parks (either public or private) are ideal locations for bring sites. The Environment Directorate has sought suggestions from the public on possible locations for bring sites; feedback has been very disappointing.

The Environment Directorate is prepared to fully investigate all suggestions and install bring sites at any suitable locations that are identified; funding is currently available for the provision of such sites through the Waste Infrastructure Grant Scheme which is administered by the Dept. of Environment and Local Government.

5. **CIVIC RECEPTIONS**

An Chomhairle approved the following Civic Receptions:-

- Cork City Under 21 Soccer Team, winners of the Tony O' Neill Memorial Trophy, to be held on 27th January, 2004.
- Mayfield Junior Hurlers and Whites Cross Junior Footballers, winners of the Mac Curtain and Mc Swiney Cups respectively, to be held on 30th January, 2004.

6. **BLACKROCK CASTLE**

An Chomhairle approved the City Manager's report of 7th January, 2004 on Blackrock Castle.

7. **CITY BOUNDARY EXTENSION**

An Chomhairle approved the City Manager's discussion document of 7th January, 2004 on City Boundary Extension and agreed that discussion document be forwarded to the Joint Committee of Cork City Council and Cork County Council.

8. **GENERAL AND SUPPLEMENTARY (DEVELOPMENT CONTRIBUTIONS SCHEMES)**

An Chomhairle discussed issues arising from submissions and recommendations to the Draft Cork City General and Supplementary (Development Contributions Schemes), as required under Sections 48(6) and 49(3) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, (the Act).

Comhairleoir M. Ahern proposed, Seanoir T. Shannon seconded, the following resolution :-

Having considered the draft General Development Contributions Scheme prepared in accordance with the provisions of Section 48 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 ("the Act"), the City Manager's Report dated the 8th January, 2004 made in pursuance of the provisions of Section 48 (6) of the Act and having had regard to the recommendations made by the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government, Council hereby **RESOLVES** to make the General Development Contributions Scheme in accordance with the said draft subject to the modifications recommended in the City Manager's said Report and to the following modification:

‘First time buyers purchasing dwellings (other than affordable dwellings where 50% reduction applies) not exceeding 108 sq. metres will be entitled to a refund of 64% of the General Development Contribution applicable.

The refund will be payable to purchasers on the occupation of the dwelling and subject to sufficient proofs being furnished to the satisfaction of Cork City Council.’

A vote was called for where there appeared as follows:-

FOR: Seanoirí M. Quill, D. McCarthy, T. Shannon, Comhairleoirí E. Nelson, D. Wallace, C. Clancy, G. O’ Flynn, T. Falvey, C. Burke, D. Clune, J. Corr, D. O’ Flynn, T. O’ Brien, S. Martin, T. O’ Driscoll, D. Cregan, Chris O’ Leary, M. Shields, M. Ahern, F. Dennehy. (20)

AGAINST: Comhairleoirí T. Brosnan, P. Gosch, B. Bermingham, P. J. Hourican. (4)

An tArd-Mhéara declared the resolution passed.

Comhairleoir M. Ahern proposed, Seanoir T. Shannon seconded, the following resolution :-

Having considered the draft Supplementary Development Contribution Scheme prepared in accordance with the provisions of Section 49 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (“the Act”), the City Manager’s report dated the 8th January, 2004 made in pursuance of the provisions of Section 48 (6) of the Act as applied by Section 49 (3) of the Act and having regard to the recommendations made by the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government, Council hereby **RESOLVES** to make the Supplementary Development Contribution Scheme in accordance with the said draft subject to the modification recommended in the City Manager’s said Report and to the following modification:

‘First time buyers purchasing dwellings (other than affordable dwellings where 50% reduction applies) not exceeding 108 sq. metres will be entitled to a refund of 64% of the Supplementary Development Contribution applicable.

The refund will be payable to purchasers on the occupation of the dwelling and subject to sufficient proofs being furnished to the satisfaction of Cork City Council.’

A vote was called for where there appeared as follows:-

FOR: Seanoirí M. Quill, D. McCarthy, T. Shannon, Comhairleoirí E. Nelson, D. Wallace, C. Clancy, G. O’ Flynn, T. Falvey, C. Burke, D. Clune, J. Corr, D. O’ Flynn, T. O’ Brien, S. Martin, T. O’ Driscoll, D. Cregan, Chris O’ Leary, M. Shields, M. Ahern, F. Dennehy. (20)

AGAINST: Comhairleoirí T. Brosnan, P. Gosch, B. Bermingham, P. J. Hourican. (4)

An tArd-Mhéara declared the resolution passed.

9. **TORY TOP ROAD BRANCH LIBRARY – PART VIII REPORT**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services, Recreation, Amenity & Culture under Section 179 (3) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 Part VIII of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 on Tory Top Road Branch Library.

10. **REVISION OF POLLING SCHEME**

An Chomhairle approved the report of Director of Services, Corporate Affairs, dated 8th January 2004, on the Revision of Polling Scheme for Cork City and on the proposal of Seanoir M. Quill, seconded by Comhairleoir J. Corr, An Chomhairle agreed to adopt the following resolution:

" Now Cork City Council hereby RESOLVES THAT the revised Polling Scheme for Cork City, notice of which was published on 11th November 2003, be adopted."

11. **ETHICAL FRAMEWORK FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICE – LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2001 PART 15**

An Chomhairle noted City Manager's report dated 8th January, 2004.

12. **PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

- ❑ An Chomhairle approved the Cork Chamber of Commerce's nominee Mr. Donogh O'Riordan of Staelhi Architects, to replace Mr. Conor Doyle of the Cork Chamber of Commerce on the Planning & Development Strategic Policy Committee.
- ❑ An Chomhairle approved the Irish Congress of Trade Unions nominee Ms. Suzanne Mullins of SIPTU, to replace Ms. Ann Marie McIlwraith of SIPTU, on the Planning & Development Strategic Policy Committee.

13. **MOTION**

13.1 **VIADUCT – MAGNIFICENT LANDMARK**

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

Resulting in

1. The Enhancement of Cork's heritage.
2. Acting as a gateway to Cork City and West Cork (depending on the direction one is travelling).
3. Taking its place as a premier landmark in this Region.

4. Facilitate its image being incorporated with pride in the brochures and promotional literature of various local bodies.'

(Proposer: Comhairleoir B. Bermingham 02/191)

An Chomhairle approved the motion and agreed that it be brought to the attention of Cork County Council.

14. **ENVIRONMENT STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE**

14.1 **"WATER SERVICES INVESTMENT PROGRAMME – ASSESSMENT OF NEEDS"**

An Chomhairle noted the Report of Director of Services on "Water Services Investment Programme – Assessment of Needs" which had been circulated to members. The proposed programme covered progress to date on Water Services including both water supply and waste water and included schemes which in the opinion of the Director were necessary to upgrade existing water networks and to meet future demands for the service.

Public consultation will take place from the 9th December 2003 to the 9th January 2004 and submissions made would be considered and reported on to Council.

14.2 **MOTION**

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

"I understand that the European Union has decreed that by 2009 all urban areas with populations over 100,000 people must have a map showing the noise levels throughout their jurisdiction.

In an effort to identify and if necessary reduce the levels of noise pollution, Cork City Council will begin the task of collecting and monitoring data at selected testing points including hospitals and schools establishing:

- What hours to limit traffic and other noise sources
- What establishments should have a licence restricting their noise levels?"

(Proposer: Cllr. B. Bermingham 03/297)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that the Directive 2002/49/EC aimed to define a common approach intended to avoid, prevent or reduce on a prioritised basis the harmful effects, including annoyance, due to environmental noise. A number of actions to implement the directive progressively would include the noise mapping, by methods of assessment common to Member States, ensuring that information on environmental noise and its effects is made available to the public and the adoption of action plans where necessary by Member States.

The Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government are currently considering the implications of the Directive and will in due course publish draft regulations to implement the requirements of the Directive.

In the absence of any guidelines it would be premature to proceed at this stage with the type of assessment suggested in the motion.

15. **HOUSING & COMMUNITY FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE**

15.1 **MONTHLY REPORT**

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

15.2 **ANNUAL REPORT**

An Chomhairle approved the Annual Report of the Director of Services for the year ended 31st December 2003.

15.3 **DISPOSAL UNDER TENANT PURCHASE SCHEME**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 31st December, 2003 in relation to the disposal of 1 no. property under the Tenant Purchase Scheme.

15.4 **WALK-WAY AT LAGAN GROVE, MAYFIELD**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That the walk-way between house numbers 36 and 37 Lagan Grove, Mayfield be closed and replaced with infill housing.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kelleher 03/317)

The report of the Director stated that Lagan Grove in Mayfield would be inspected with the objective of assessing the feasibility of providing infill housing at the specific locations vulnerable to anti-social behaviour. Should the area be deemed suitable for housing it will be included in the 2004 Building Programme.

15.5 **REPLACEMENT WINDOWS AT BRANDON CRESCENT**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle : -

‘That Cork City Council make provision for the installation of replacement windows at Brandon Crescent in the 2004 Estimate of Expenses.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 03/274)

The report of the Director indicated that the condition of windows in tenanted properties in Brandon Crescent would be inspected and assessed early in 2004.

Monies have been provided in the Estimate of Expenses in 2004 for Planned Maintenance in the North East Area of the City. The replacement of windows in Brandon Crescent is included in this Programme.

15.6 **BUNGALOW BETWEEN COURTOWN DRIVE & KILMORE HEIGHTS**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle: -

‘That the Housing Department carries out refurbishment work immediately to the bungalow between Courtown Drive and Kilmore Heights. This bungalow is being vandalised on an on-going basis with parts of the roof already destroyed and the brickwork on the front of the house is being knocked down. This property is the source of unacceptable anti-social behaviour and is causing great distress to residents in the area.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. O’Connell 03/299)

The report of the Director stated that the bungalow in question has been subjected to repeated vandalism and has been unoccupied for some time. The suitability and sustainability of a bungalow at this vulnerable location has proved questionable. It is considered that a more sustainable option would be to demolish the existing structure and replace it with two, two-storey dwellings. This will be done in 2004 as part of the City Council’s New Build Programme.

15.7 **VACANT BUNGALOWS AT FOYLE AVENUE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle : -

‘That the vacant bungalows in Foyle Avenue be refurbished immediately and that a general clean up of the area be undertaken as soon as possible with specific attention to be given to the rear gardens of both bungalows. Both bungalows have been idle for a considerable length of time and are the cause of major anti-social behaviour causing great distress to people living in the area.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. O’Connell 03/300)

Members were made aware that proposals for Knocknaheeny Refurbishment – Block D have been advertised under Part VIII of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001.

Block D proposals include for the demolition of bungalows located at No.’s 1-6 Foyle Avenue, with a sheltered housing complex and community facilities being developed at the location. All but two of the bungalows are currently unoccupied and we are currently working to have these units vacated.

The formal Part VIII Report to Members is now being prepared and will be circulated in the coming weeks. It is expected that the demolition of the bungalows will follow on quickly once Block D proposals are approved.

15.8 **HOUSES AT ROSSALEE CLOSE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle: -

‘Rossalee Close was built in the 1980’s to house old people in the area. These units are now in a poor state of repair and require urgent attention. It would be a start if the outside was painted which would give a fresh look to the units. They have not been painted since they were built.’

(Proposer: Cllr. E. Nelson 03/326)

The report of the Director stated that the condition of the fabric of the properties at Rossalee Close, Mayfield will be inspected early in 2004 with a view to carrying out any necessary works, including painting of outside walls, under the 2004 Planned Maintenance Programme within the Planned Maintenance budget for the North East Housing Area.

15.9 **ALLEYWAY CONNECTING CONNOLLY PLACE AND THE GREEN, TRAMORE ROAD**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle : -

‘That this Council agrees that the alleyway connecting Connolly Place and The Green, Tramore Road be blocked off, this alleyway has attracted serious and on-going anti-social behaviour drinking parties etc. for many years. I suggest that the Director of Housing and Architects look at the alleyway since I consider it suitable for badly needed infill housing.’

(Proposer: Ald. C. O’Connell 03/353)

The report of the Director indicated that the alleyway in question would be inspected and the suitability of the area for infill housing assessed. Should it be deemed suitable it will form part of the City Council’s Building Programme in 2004.

15.10 **EXTERNAL WALLS OF HOUSES AT ROSALEE CLOSE, MAYFIELD**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle : -

‘That the external walls of the houses at Rosalee Close, Mayfield be painted.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kelleher 03/355)

The report of the Director indicated that the condition of the external walls at Rossalee Close, Mayfield would be inspected and assessed early in 2004 with a view to carrying out any necessary works under the 2004 Planned Maintenance Programme within the allocated Planned Maintenance budget for the North East Housing Area.

15.11 **FEASIBILITY STUDY – CURRAHEEN ESTATE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle : -

‘That Cork City Council conducts a Feasibility Study of Curraheen Estate to identify:

- a) Means of improving the general area and the living standard of people in Curraheen Estate.
- b) Means of reducing anti-social behaviour at specific locations at Curraheen Estate with emphasis on closing / restricting alleyways.’

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Dennehy 03/369)

The report of the Director stated that Curraheen Estate would be inspected with the objective of assessing the feasibility of providing infill housing at specific locations vulnerable to anti-social behaviour. The alleyways in the estate will be included in this assessment and a further report will issue to Members in due course.

15.12 **BUNGALOWS AT BOYCES STREET**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle: -

‘That the bungalows on Boyces Street designed for the elderly would be fitted with central heating as they only have coal fires at the present time and are extremely cold, that they would be insulated fully and, in cases where there is dampness, that the dampness problems would be eradicated and that the sliding doors on the porches that were promised several years ago would be fitted as soon as possible.’

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Gosch 03/393)

The report stated that members were made aware that a programme for the refurbishment of the Red-Brick Buildings has been on-going under the Remedial Works Scheme for a good number of years and is now close to completion. Following on from this programme, in 2002 and 2003, substantial refurbishment works was undertaken on the older SHARE housing complexes. The quality of the accommodation available for elderly persons has been greatly improved as a result of the works carried out.

To build on what has been achieved, it is now proposed to survey the other dwellings within the housing stock which are designated for elderly use and to put together a programme for the carrying out of necessary improvements to these houses. The bungalows at Boyce’s Street will be included in the stock survey to be carried out following which a programme will be developed and notified to Members.

15.13 **DISPOSALS**

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

PROPERTY DISPOSALS

- a) Disposal of Leasehold interest in Stall No. 1, Grand Parade Market, Cork to Stephen O'Reilly, c/o Whelan, Solicitors, Grattan Court, Washington Street West, Cork at an annual rent of €2,006.20.
- b) Disposal of Leasehold interest in Stall No. 5, Grand Parade Market, Cork to Michael Bresnan, c/o Babbington, Clarke, Mooney, Solicitors, 48, South Mall, Cork, at an annual rent of €3,724.16.
- c) Disposal of Leasehold interest in Stall No. 21, Grand Parade Market, Cork to Katherine Noonan, c/o Stall No. 21, Grand Parade Market, Cork, at an annual rent of €1,191.00.
- d) Disposal of Leasehold interest in Stall No. 27, Grand Parade Market, Cork to Mary Rose Daly, c/o O'Flynn, Exhams & Partners, Solicitors, 58, South Mall, Cork, at an annual rent of €1,184.68.
- e) Disposal of Leasehold interest in Stall No. 32, Princes Street Market, Cork to M.K. Cakes, c/o Stall No. 32, Grand Parade Market, Cork, at an annual rent of €2,472.20.
- f) Disposal of Leasehold interest in Stall No. 34, Grand Parade Market, Cork, to Mr. Paul Boyling, c/o John E. Russell, Solicitors, 35, Grand Parade, Cork, at an annual rent of €2,392.20.
- g) Disposal of Leasehold interest in Stall No. 38, Grand Parade Market, Cork, to Mr. Paul Boyling, c/o John E. Russell, Solicitors, 35, Grand Parade, Cork, at an annual rent of €4,063.16.
- h) Disposal of Leasehold interest in Stall No. 52 to 56, Grand Parade Market, Cork, to Kay O'Connell Limited, c/o Daly Derham & Co., Solicitors, 32, Washington Street, Cork, at an annual rent of €6,730.88.
- i) Disposal of Leasehold interest in Stall No. 1, Princes Street Market, Cork, to Eileen Kearns, c/o Noonan, Linehan, Carroll and Coffey, Solicitors, 54, North Main Street, Cork, at an annual rent of €1,099.60.
- j) Disposal of Leasehold interest in Stall No. 2, Princes Street Market, Cork, to Mr. Donal O'Callaghan, c/o Noonan, Linehan, Carroll and Coffey, Solicitors, 54, North Main Street, Cork, at an annual rent of €1,320.52.
- k) Disposal of Leasehold interest in Stall No. 8, Princes Street Market, Cork, to Stephen Landon, c/o Barry O'Meara & Co., Solicitors, 18, South Mall, Cork, at an annual rent of €1,260.84.
- l) Disposal of Leasehold interest in Stall No. 10, Princes Street Market, Cork, to Glenys Landon, c/o Fitzgerald & O'Leary, Solicitors, Shandon Street, Northgate Bridge, Cork, at an annual rent of €2,470.92.
- m) Disposal of Leasehold interest in Stall No. 12, Princes Street Market, Cork, to O'Donovans, c/o Eoin C. Daly & Co., Solicitors, 38, South Mall, Cork, at an annual rent of €1,667.16.
- n) Disposal of Leasehold interest in Stall No. 13 to 19, Princes Street Market, Cork, to Kay Harte, t/a Farmgate Restaurant, c/o David Howard, Solicitor, 15, South Mall, Cork, at an annual rent of €6,336.00.

SHARED OWNERSHIP

- (a) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 19, St. John's Well, Fairhill, Cork, held by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated 4th September, 2000 to Kevin O'Callaghan and Kim O'Connell, for the sum of €3,689.73
- (b) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 27, Inniscarra Road, Fairhill, Cork, held by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated 14th March, 1997, to James Walsh and Kim O'Mahony, for the sum of €44,402.35.
- (c) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 12, Barry's Place, Cathedral Road, Cork, held by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated 31st December, 2001, to Kenneth Heaphy and Karen Lyons, for the sum of €90,201.60.
- (d) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 51, Hawthorn Mews, Dublin Hill, Cork, held by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated 23rd November, 2001, to Yvonne McCarthy and Bernard Donovan, for the sum of €100,385.55.
- (e) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 16, Meadow Park Close, Ballyvolane, Cork, held by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated 25th January, 2002, to Edward Power and Patricia O'Donovan, for the sum of €3,452.73.
- (f) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 31, Meadow Park Road, Ballyvolane, Cork, held by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated 5th April, 2002, to Adrian Saville and Elizabeth Bennett, for the sum of €3,333.55.
- (g) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 20, Barry's Place, Cathedral Road, Cork, held by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated 6th September, 2001, to Mary Martina Burns, for the sum of €69,878.90.
- (h) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 27, Ravensdale Road, Mahon, Cork, by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated 7th October, 2002, to Kieran O'Driscoll, for the sum of €83,239.12.
- (i) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 141, Hyde Park Mews, Dublin Hill, Cork, by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated 22nd September, 1999 to William Murphy, for the sum of €67,557.80.
- (j) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 83, Silversprings, Court, Tivoli, Cork, by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated 7th September, 2001, to Kenneth Long for the sum of €8,787.31.
- (k) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 25, Boherboy Close, Mayfield, Cork, by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated 7th June, 2002, to Martin Busteed and Cynthia Ahern for the sum of €83,270.95.
- (l) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 11 Estuary Drive, (Formerly Site "L" Estuary Drive), Mahon, Cork, by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated 3rd October, 1994, to Michael Walsh and Jacqueline Ryng for the sum of €25,916.14.

16. **TASK FORCE ON ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR**

Having considered the report of the Director of Services on the following motion which was deferred from the last meeting of An Chomhairle held on 8th December, 2003 An Chomhairle agreed to adopt the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council establishes a task force to address anti social behaviour. That the task force would support and develop models of good practice. That priorities would be given to programmes on good citizenship which would be conducted in communities, schools etc. That the task force be made up of elected members of Cork City Council, social housing officers, senior Gardaí, representatives of other relative bodies/groups.’

(Proposer: Cllr. Chris O’ Leary 03/261)

The report of the Director of Services indicated that Cork City Council recognises that all aspects of anti-social behaviour are unacceptable within housing estates in the City. The Housing Directorate has developed a comprehensive strategy to ensure that issues of anti-social behaviour in our Housing Estates are addressed.

The report also indicated that the wider aspect of education in schools and communities would be best addressed through the enhanced use of existing programmes e.g. the Drugs Task Force.

17. **ROADS & TRANSPORTATION FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE**

17.1 **ROADWORKS PROGRAMME**

An Chomhairle noted the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the progress of ongoing Roadworks Programme for the two months ended December, 2003.

17.2 **SECTION 85 AGREEMENT BETWEEN CORK COUNTY COUNCIL AND CORK CITY COUNCIL FOR THE GRADE SEPARATION AT KINSALE ROAD ROUNDABOUT INCLUDING REALIGNMENT AND UPGRADING OF SOUTH RING ROAD.**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 regarding Section 85 Agreement between Cork County Council and Cork City Council for the Grade Separation at Kinsale Road roundabout including realignment and upgrading of South Ring Road.

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

“Whereas Cork County Council is of the opinion that its function in relation to the construction of a grade separation junction at Kinsale Road Roundabout and Improvement Works to the South Ring Road, N25 situated within the administrative area of Cork County Council including the acquisition whether by agreement or compulsorily of any land situated within the administrative area of Cork County Council which may be necessary for the construction of the aforementioned road projects should be performed by Cork City Council and Cork City Council is able and willing so to perform the aforementioned function.

Accordingly, Cork City Council HEREBY RESOLVES to enter into an agreement with Cork County Council pursuant to the provisions of Section 85 of the Local Government Act 2001 for the purposes of the exercise by Cork City Council of the functions of Cork County Council relating to the construction of a grade separation junction at Kinsale Road Roundabout and Improvement Works to the South Ring Road, N25 situated within the administrative area of Cork County Council including the acquisition whether by agreement or compulsorily of any land situated within the administrative area of Cork County Council which may be necessary for the construction of the aforementioned road projects.”

17.3 **PART 8 LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT) REGULATIONS 2001 FOR ROAD AND TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENT WORKS TO THE KINSALE ROAD ROUNDABOUT.**

An Chomhairle noted the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 regarding Part 8 Local Government (Planning & Development) Regulations 2001 for road and traffic improvement works to the Kinsale Road Roundabout.

17.4 **PART 8 LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT) REGULATIONS 2001 FOR SHANDON STREET SCHEME.**

An Chomhairle noted the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 regarding Part 8 Local Government (Planning & Development) Regulations 2001 for Shandon Street Scheme.

17.5 **THE EXTENSION OF THE DISC PARKING AREA.**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 regarding the Extension of the Disc Parking Area. Clarification is to be sought regarding possible introduction of residents only parking in certain areas.

17.6 **GATES AT ROCK STEPS & AT NORTH MALL**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council would put gates in place at Rock Steps off Blarney Street and at the North Mall end to make the area safe for the Residents.’

(Proposer: Comhairleoir C. Clancy Ref. 03/265)

The Report stated that the 2004 programme for the closure of pedestrian laneways was approved by ward members at a recent meeting. The erection of gates at Rock Steps, North Mall is not included in the list of prioritised locations.

17.7 **ALLEYWAY IN FAIRFIELD GREEN BE BLOCKED OFF**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That the alleyway in Fairfield Green, Farranree be blocked off. It is very unfair to families living next to this alleyway.’

(Proposer: Seanoir D. McCarthy Ref. 03/286)

The Report stated that the 2004 programme for the closure of pedestrian laneways was approved by ward members at a recent meeting. The closure of the laneway at Fairfield Green/Fairfield Road is included in the list of prioritised locations. It is anticipated that works will proceed in 2004.

17.8 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES AT TORY TOP LANE**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That traffic calming measures would be installed on Tory Top Lane.’

(Proposer: Comhairleoir. S. Martin Ref. 02/126)

The Report stated that traffic volume and speed surveys will be carried out on Tory Top Lane to determine the extent of the problems there in order to identify any possible mitigation measures that could be provided there. Any identified measures will be put forward for consideration in next year’s roads programme.

It should be noted though, we already have well over two hundred requests for traffic calming measures from areas similar to Tory Top Lane and it will take some time before funding for any works becomes available.

17.9 **CLOSE ALLEYWAY BETWEEN BRIDEVALLEY PARK AND BRIDEVALLEY VIEW**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That the alleyway between Bridevalley Park and Bridevalley View be closed as soon as possible.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. O’Connell 03/280)

The Report stated that the 2004 programme for the closure of pedestrian laneways was approved by ward members at a recent meeting. The closure of the laneway at Bridevalley Park/Bridevalley View is not included in the list of prioritised locations. Bridevalley Park/Bridevalley View will be added to the current list of requested laneway closures and will be available for prioritisation subject to future funding.

17.10 **TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR STREETS SURROUNDING MERCY HOSPITAL**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 2nd October, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council draws up a traffic Management Plan for the streets surrounding the Mercy Hospital which will facilitate the parking of medical staff cars while on emergency and health care work at the hospital.’

(Proposer: Cllr. G. O’ Flynn 03/284)

The Report stated that Mercy Hospital is one of many institutions/organisations and businesses in the City, which have parking problems. Others are Cork University Hospital, (CUH), University College Cork, South Infirmary, etc. Some like CUH and UCC have taken a very pro-active approach and developed very good parking management plans. CUH have even appointed a full-time parking mobility manager.

Cork City Council manages the on-street parking, two multi-storey car parks and one surface car park for the use of all members of the public. A Park & Ride facility is also being developed at the Black Ash Site on the South City Link, which eventually will provide over 900 parking spaces for the City. In tandem with the parking strategy, we are developing a network of Green Routes, which will improve access and mobility for all residents and visitors to the city.

Several discussions have been held with the Mercy Hospital authorities over the years in order to identify measures to relieve the parking problems in the area. They are now being encouraged to develop a mobility management plan similar to that of other institutions which will determine the needs of visitors and staff and will identify measures that will mitigate the impacts of the traffic and parking demands. Issues to be looked at include the encouragement of the use of other modes of transport other than the car.

We will continue to have discussions with the Authorities at the Mercy Hospital in order to alleviate the parking problems associated with the hospital use.

17.11 **RESURFACE ORCHARD ROAD**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That the road in Orchard Road, off College Road be resurfaced due to the many potholes on this road.’

(Proposer: Ald. D. McCarthy 03/287)

The Report stated that Orchard Road is in poor condition and will be assessed for inclusion in the 2004 Resurfacing Programme.

17.12 **WALL FRONTING NO. 19 MOUNT EDEN RISE**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That work take place to reduce the risk to children because of a drop to ground level of 10½ foot to 11 foot on the outside of the wall fronting No. 19, Mount Eden

Rise, Blarney Street, Cork where there is a risk to children because the height of the wall on the footpath side is 3 foot and an 11 foot drop on the other side and that a handrail be located on the length of the wall in question.'

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Gosch 03/295)

The Report stated that this estate has not been taken in charge. The Roads Maintenance Division will consider the safety aspect of the wall in question as soon as Mount Eden Rise is taken into public ownership.

17.13 **RESURFACE FAIRYVILLE LAWN**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

'That Fairyville Lawn, The Lough be included in the 2004 Resurfacing Programme.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O'Driscoll 03/302)

The Report stated that Fairyville Lawn will be assessed for inclusion in the 2004 Resurfacing Programme.

17.14 **DISC PARKING REVIEW – HARTLANDS RD, CROAGHTAMORE SQ, & LOUGH VIEW TERRACE**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

'That Hartlands Road, Croaghtamore Square and Lough View Terrace be included in the Disc Parking Review.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O'Driscoll 03/303)

The Report referred to a separate report on the proposal to extend the disc parking zone (DPZ). The roads referred to in the motion are included in the proposed DPZ extension area. If the zone extension proposal is approved, the above listed areas will be included in the programme for the installation of disc parking controls.

17.15 **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING ON CATHEDRAL ROAD**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 2nd October, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

'That a pedestrian crossing be located on Cathedral Road adjacent to the main gates of the Church of the Ascension, Gurranabraher.'

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Gosch 03/306)

The Report stated that Cathedral Road is on a Green Route (No.2 City Bus Service). Preliminary design has started for the route. While Green Routes are

public transport corridors, they also include improvement in cyclist and pedestrian facilities.

The design consultants will be requested to include in their proposals, pedestrian crossing facilities that would be appropriate for Cathedral Road adjacent to the gates of Church of the Ascension, Gurranabraher.

17.16 **TRAFFIC CONTROL & MANAGEMENT PLAN**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council would prepare a detailed traffic control and management plan for the following areas:

Claremount Avenue/Belvedere Lawn
 Tramore Lawn
 Rhodaville Estate/Rathmore Lawn
 Rosebank
 Cross Douglas Road

Considering the total area as one complete unit rather than the ad-hoc approach to date.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Clune 03/314)

The Report stated that the roads listed above form links between Douglas Road and the South Douglas Road. The following is the current traffic management arrangement for each road:

Claremount Avenue:	Ramps plus no exit onto Douglas Road
Belvedere Lawn:	Ramps and no entry from Douglas Road
Tramore Lawn	Ramps
Rhodaville Estate/Rathmore Lawn:	No entry from Douglas Road
Rosebank	Traffic signals at Douglas Road
Cross Douglas Road	Traffic signals at Douglas Road

The various controls on Douglas Road were installed in the late seventies to minimise the disruption to the traffic flows on the main road, which is a major public transport corridor. Any changes in the controls could affect the effectiveness of the road and may transfer traffic volumes from one link road to another.

A preliminary report is now being prepared for the No. 7 City Bus Service Green Route which includes Douglas Road and the design consultants will be requested to include traffic management proposals for the link roads referred to in the motion. Any Green Route proposals will be subject to a full consultation process and will be submitted to Council for approval.

17.17 ROAD MARKINGS & SIGNAGE AT JUNCTION OF WATER STREET & LOWER GLANMIRE ROAD

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That in the interests of safety, proper road markings and signage be provided at the Junction of Water Street & the Lower Glanmire Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kelleher 03/316)

The Report stated that a large section of Lower Glanmire Road, including the junction with Water Street, has just recently been resurfaced. New road lining has also been provided.

A traffic island is also to be provided at the junction to ensure that traffic coming from the east is diverted down Water Street. This island will include signage for the direction of traffic.

17.18 ROAD RESURFACING – SILVERSPRINGS RD, DRIVE AND AVENUE

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council include Silversprings Rd., Silversprings Ave., and Silversprings Drive in the 2004 Road Resurfacing Programme.’

(Proposer: Cllr. E. Nelson 03/318)

The Report stated that Cork City Council will consider Silversprings Road, Silversprings Avenue and Silversprings Drive in the 2004 Road Resurfacing Programme.

17.19 FITTING OF GREEN ARROW AT NORTH RING ROAD

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘To prevent a repeat of accidents at Tinkers Cross the fitting of an arrow green light is required to let the traffic looking to turn off the North Ring Road coming from Silversprings Hotel direction onto the Old Youghal Road travelling to Glanmire be positioned.’

(Proposer: Cllr. E. Nelson 03/320)

The Report stated that the traffic controller at Tinker’s Cross junction manages and controls the traffic signals at both tee junctions, i.e. at Old Youghal Road heading towards Dillon’s Cross and at Old Youghal Road heading towards Glanmire.

In order to provide the right turn arrow referred to in the motion, the controller requires replacement and new ducting and an induction loop would also have to be installed. The cost of this work will be put forward for consideration to be included in next years roads programme.

17.20 **EXTEND DISC PARKING**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That the Disc Parking Programme be extended to include Friars Road, Father Mathew Road, Mount Pleasant Road, Mount Pleasant Avenue, Doyle Road, Derrynane Road, St. Anne’s Park, Friar’s Walk, Curragh Road, O’ Connell Avenue and O’ Connell Crescent.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 03/329)

The Report referred to a separate report on the proposal to extend the disc parking zone (DPZ). All the roads referred to in the motion, except for St. Anne’s Park are included in the proposed DPZ extension area. If the zone extension proposal is approved, the above listed areas, except St. Anne’s park will be included in the programme for the installation of disc parking controls.

There is a large amount of resources required for installing parking controls. These include:

- consulting with local residents
- drawing up parking schedules
- installing the controls on the ground.

The newly installed parking controls also require a large amount of parking enforcement resources.

Accordingly, the disc parking zone can only be extended in stages and St. Anne’s Park will have to wait for the next DPZ extension scheme.

17.21 **TRAFFIC CALMING PLAN FOR BOHERBOY / LOTABEG / SILVERHEIGHTS AREA**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council make financial provision of €200,000 in the 2004 Estimate of Expenses for the preparation and installation of a traffic calming plan for the Boherboy/ Lotabeg / Silverheights area including Boherboy Road, Lotabeg Road, Silverheights Road, Silverheights Avenue and Silverheights Drive and also Silversprings Court and also that such Plan would include measures to help motorists from these parks access onto Silversprings Lane.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 03/334)

The Report stated that the City Council estimate budget for traffic calming schemes for 2004 is €300,000 including DOE funding. This fund is to cover the whole City and schemes will be put forward for consideration to each Ward and selected schemes will be included in the 2004 road's programme.

Various housing developments are proposed or are being developed east of Silverheights and Lotabeg and planning contributions for traffic calming measures were imposed as part of the planning permission for these developments. If these funds become available in 2004, then traffic calming schemes for the areas mentioned in the above motion can be drawn up and implemented as part of the 2004 road's programme.

17.22 **CALMING MEASURES AT MAYFIELD VILLAGE**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘To ask the City Engineer that calming measures would be provided at Mayfield Village from Mayfield Park to Tinkers Cross and a zebra crossing would also be provided opposite Ard Bhaile in the interest of school going children and the elderly residents of the area.’

(Proposer: Cllr. L. Burke 03/338)

The Report stated that the section of Old Youghal Road between Mayfield Park and Tinker's Cross is on the No.8 City Bus Service Green Route. A report on the Part 8 Process for the Green Route is currently being submitted to Council and if approved, work on the scheme, subject to funding becoming available, will begin next year. The proposed measures on the Green Route include improvements for Public Transport, cyclists and pedestrians.

The provision of a pedestrian crossing facility at Ard Bhaile is also part of the proposed scheme and it will be completed as part of the contract for the project.

17.23 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES - CAPWELL ROAD**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Traffic Calming measures be put in place in Capwell Road.’

(Proposer: Comhairleoir S. Martin Ref. 02/127)

The Report stated that Capwell Road 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 there to determine the extent of the problems in order to identify any possible mitigation measures that could be provided there. Any identified measures will be put forward for consideration in next year's roads programme.

It should be noted though, we already have well over two hundred requests for traffic calming measures from areas similar to Capwell Road and it will take some time before funding for any works becomes available.

17.24 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES - CONNOLLY ROAD**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That traffic calming measures be put in place on Connolly Road outside house numbers 302 – 326.’

(Proposer: Comhairleoir S. Martin Ref. 02/132)

The Report stated that Connolly Road 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 there to determine the extent of the problems in order to identify any possible mitigation measures that could be provided there. Any identified measures will be put forward for consideration in next year’s roads programme.

It should be noted though, we already have well over two hundred requests for traffic calming measures from areas similar to Connolly Road and it will take some time before funding for any works becomes available.

17.25 **RESURFACE ROADS – ONSLOW GARDENS**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That the roads in Onslow Gardens, Commons Rd., be resurfaced due to the large potholes on the road.’

(Proposer: Ald. D. McCarthy 03/288)

The Report stated that the surface of the roads in Onslow Gardens is generally in reasonable condition and any work should be deferred to a later date.

17.26 **SPEED RAMPS AT MEELICK PARK**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That the Cork City Council install speed ramps at Meelick Park, Ballyvolane to slow the speed of vehicles entering the estate.’

(Proposer: Cllr. G. O’ Flynn 03/289)

The Report stated that Meelick Park is already on the list of areas, where a request for traffic calming has been received. Traffic volume and speed surveys have been carried out there to determine the extent of the problems in order to identify any

possible mitigation measures that could be provided there. The results are now being processed and assessed and any identified measures will be put forward for consideration in next year's roads programme.

It should be noted though, we already have well over two hundred requests for traffic calming measures from areas similar to Meelick Park, Ballyvolane and it will take some time before funding for any works becomes available.

17.27 **ERECT GATE AT THE ENTRANCE TO ST. PATRICK'S ARCH**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

'That Cork City Council erects a gate at the entrance to St. Patrick's Arch near the Premier Bar on Gerald Griffin Street, Cork as outlined in our lanes and alleys closures list published some years ago and that nameplates be erected for St. Patricks Arch, St. Patricks Square, Blunkers Hill, Strawhall, Farran Street.'

(Proposer: Cllr. G. O' Flynn 03/308)

The 2004 programme for the closure of pedestrian laneways was approved by ward members at a recent meeting. The erection of gates at the entrance to St. Patrick's Arch, Gerald Griffin Street is not included in the list of prioritised locations. St. Patrick's Arch will be added to the current list of requested laneway closures and will be available for prioritisation subject to future funding.

17.28 **EXTEND DISC PARKING – CHURCH STREET, SHANDON**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

'That Cork City Council would extend the disc parking time in Church Street, Shandon and surrounding areas until 8.p.m.'

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Clancy 03/322)

The Report stated that the normal hours for disc parking controls is between 8.30 am – 6.30 pm, Monday to Saturday. The only exception is the area close to UCC, where parking associated with evening classes was causing problems for local residents. Hours of control there are extended to 8.30 pm.

There is a large risk of causing confusion if there are varying periods of control in different areas. Motorists generally do not read the information plates in detail and will normally assume that 'regular' hours apply.

I recommend that we restrict the use of different periods of disc parking operation to areas adjacent to the University only and do not start a process of varying the hours of control in other parts of the City.

17.29 **REPAIR FOOTPATHS AT NO.S 25-35 ST. RITA'S AVENUE**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That Cork City Council would urgently repair the footpaths at Nos. 25-35 St. Rita's Avenue, Gurranbraher, Cork.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Clancy 03/323)

The Report stated that repairs to footpaths at Nos. 25-35 St. Rita's Avenue, Gurranbraher, have already been carried out.

17.30 **RESURFACE TIVOLI ESTATE**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That Cork City Council make provision in the 2004 Estimate of Expenses for the resurfacing of Tivoli Estate.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 03/336)

The Report stated that Cork City Council will consider Tivoli Estate in the 2004 Road Resurfacing Programme.

17.31 **REPAIRS ON FOOTPATHS OUTSIDE NO 13-19, WOODVALE RD**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That repairs to the footpaths outside No. 13-19, Woodvale Road, off Skehard Road, be carried out urgently.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. O' Flynn 03/344)

The Report stated that this footpath will be considered for inclusion in the 2004 Roadworks Programme.

17.32 **REPAIRS ON FOOTPATHS OUTSIDE NO 49-56 MARIAN PARK**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That repairs to the footpaths outside No. 49-56, Marian Park, Blackrock be carried out urgently.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. O' Flynn 03/345)

The Report stated that the footpaths at the above location will be assessed for inclusion in the 2004 Footpath Renewal Programme.

17.33 **98 STREET BE RESTRICTED TO NORTH – SOUTH TRAFFIC**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That 98 Street be restricted to North – South Traffic from the junction with Noonan’s Road to the Junction with Gillabbey Street.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O’ Driscoll 03/351)

The Report stated that 98 Street is a minor, narrow and lightly trafficked roadway. It is a 2-way road and traffic from one approach has to give way to traffic coming from the opposite direction.

Converting the roadway to one-way routing will have the following effects:-

- It will attract a lot amount traffic in the different of flow, as motorists will become aware of its attractiveness in that direction.
- Traffic speeds will increase in the direction of flow.
- Deliveries and access to local residents will be made more difficult as some trips will require longer distances.

The current situation could be seen as a form of traffic calming where traffic is deterred from using the roadway as a rat run or through route. The introduction of one-way routing could worsen the situation.

However, I will arrange for volume and speed surveys to be carried out in order to determine the extent of the problems on the roadway. A further report will follow with results of the survey and with any recommended measures.

17.34 **LANEWAY FROM NORTH MAIN STREET TO ST. PETERS AVENUE**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That this Council agrees that the laneway from the North Main Street to Peters Church Avenue be permanently sealed off, this laneway is attracting serious anti social behaviour to the detriment of the residents.’

(Proposer: Seanoir Con O’ Connell 03/352)

The Report stated that the 2004 programme for the closure of pedestrian laneways was deferred by ward members at a recent meeting. The closure of the pedestrian laneway at St. Peter’s Avenue, North Main Street is included in the current list of requested laneway closures and will be available for prioritisation at the next meeting of the ward.

17.35 **CONCEALED ENTRANCE SIGN ON RINGMAHON RD.**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That Cork City Council would provide a “Concealed Entrance” sign on Ringmahon Road to alert motorists heading to Skehard Road of the exit from Ashwood as this is a very blind exit.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Clune 03/358)

The Report stated that it is Cork City Council’s policy not to generally use “Concealed Entrance” signs. In an urban built up areas like Cork City there are several hundred locations where such signs could be located.

However, their widespread use would result in environmental ‘clutter’ and they would distract from more important statutory or regulatory signs. They also would become ineffective and ignored.

I will arrange for a traffic engineer to visit the location referred to in the motion with the Garda Síochána in order to arrange for any measures that would improve the road safety in the area.

17.36 **ROAD RESURFACING – IONA ROAD**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That the section of Iona Road between the corner of the camp field and its junction with the vertical section of the same road be resurfaced and provision made for same in the 2004 Estimates.’

(Proposer: Seanoir M. Quill 03/365)

The Report stated that the section of Iona Road between the corner of the Camp Field and its junction with the vertical section of the same road will be considered for resurfacing in the 2004 Road Works Programme.

17.37 **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT GLENHEIGHTS SHOPPING CENTRE**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That a pedestrian crossing be provided as a matter of urgency in the vicinity of the Glenheights Shopping Centre in the light of the major increase in pedestrian traffic generated by the new and pending housing developments that we must cater for.’

(Proposer: Cllr. G. O’Flynn 03/319)

The Report stated that traffic surveys, which include vehicle and pedestrian movement measurements will be carried out on Glenheights Road in the vicinity of the shop in order to determine if the necessary warrants exist for the provision of a pedestrian facility.

If the warrants are met, the installation of the crossing will be put forward for consideration to be included in the roads programme.

17.38 **ERECT GATE AT THE ENTRANCE TO ST. PATRICK'S ARCH**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That Cork City Council would erect a gate at the entrance to St. Patrick’s Arch off Gerald Griffin Street.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Clancy 03/324)

The Report stated that the 2004 programme for the closure of pedestrian laneways was approved by ward members at a recent meeting. The erection of gates at the entrance to St. Patrick’s Arch, Gerald Griffin Street is not included in the list of prioritised locations. St. Patrick’s Arch will be added to the current list of requested laneway closures and will be available for prioritisation subject to future funding.

17.39 **RUMBLE STRIPS IN ONSLOW GARDENS**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘Rumble strips to be put on the road in Onslow Gardens, Commons Road to slow down traffic.’

(Proposer: Ald. D. McCarthy 03/330)

The Report stated that Onslow Gardens was included in the 2003 list of traffic calming schemes. Signs and road markings were provided at various junctions in order to set out the priority movements and to improve the road safety in the area.

Traffic volume and speed surveys will be carried out to determine the extent of the speeding problems there in order to identify any possible mitigation measures that could be provided there. Rumble strips have been proved to be ineffective in the past in reducing speed of traffic. They also have a resultant noise nuisance effect for local residents

Any identified measures will be put forward for consideration in next year’s roads programme.

17.40 RESURFACE ROAD IN PARKMEAD CLOSE, COMMONS ROAD

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That the road in Parkmead Close, Commons Road, be resurfaced urgently due to large potholes.’

(Proposer: Ald. D. McCarthy 03/337)

The Report stated that the road surface of Parkmead Close, Commons Road, is in reasonably good condition. It does not require surfacing at this time.

17.41 REPAIRS ON FOOTPATHS FROM ESB TRAINING CENTRE TO START OF MARINA

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That repairs to the footpaths from the ESB “Training Centre” at Centre Park Road, to the start of the Marina (both sides) be carried out urgently as they are in a very dangerous condition.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. O’Flynn 03/346)

The Report stated that the footpaths at the above location will be assessed for inclusion in the 2004 Footpath Renewal Programme.

17.42 REPAIR FOOTPATH FROM NO. 4 CONVENT AVENUE TO JUNCTION WITH SUNDAY’S WELL ROAD

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That the footpath from No. 4 Convent Avenue to the junction with Sunday’s Well Road be repaired immediately.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. O’Connell 03/362)

The Report stated that the footpath from No. 4 Convent Avenue to the junction with Sunday's Well Road will be inspected and repairs will be carried out if required.

17.43 LACK OF PARKING SPACE IN THE GLENHEIGHTS PARK

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That Cork City Council would immediately look at the situation in the Glenheights Park area regarding the lack of parking space for the residents in view of the fact that there are a big number of small green areas which are not used and

could be eliminated in order to make more parking space available for the residents and in view of the fact that the area is now very congested and emergency vehicles such as ambulances and fire brigades cannot gain access on occasions.'

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Gosch 03/367)

The Report stated that green areas can be very important for environmental and aesthetic reasons. If they are hard surfaced and become a parking area for cars, children and others may be deprived from using them as a play or amenity areas.

The motion will be referred to the Recreation, Amenity and Culture Directorate for comments and a further report will follow when they are received.

17.44 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES – DUNLOCHA COTTAGES, BLACKROCK**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

'That traffic calming measures be put in place in Dunlocha Cottages, Blackrock as there are no footpaths on this road, there is a great danger to residents and school children also, with the future development planned for this area it should be necessary to slow down the traffic through this park.'

(Proposer: Cllr. D. O' Flynn 03/396)

The Report stated that Dunlocha Cottages 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 there to determine the extent of the problems in order to identify any possible mitigation measures that could be provided there. Any identified measures will be put forward for consideration in next year's roads programme.

However, it is anticipated that funds will be made available for traffic calming measures in Dunlocha Cottages as a result of the housing development that is due to occur in Casey's Field off Rope Walk. A traffic calming scheme will then be installed as part of the 2004 road's programme, subject to the funds becoming available.

17.45 **REINSTATEMENT OF FOOTPATHS AT ST. ANNE'S DRIVE & BRIAN DILLION CRESCENT**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

'That Cork City Council make provision in its 2004 Estimate of Expenses for the reinstatement of footpaths at St. Anne's Drive and Brian Dillon Crescent and that both be included in the 2004 Footpath Renewal Programme.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 03/403)

The Report stated that Cork City Council will consider the footpaths at St. Anne's

Drive and Brian Dillon Crescent for renewal in the Footpath Programme of Works for 2004.

17.46 ROAD RESURFACING - MAYFIELD PARK

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That Cork City Council include Mayfield Park in the 2004 Road Resurfacing Programme and that appropriate provision be made in the 2004 Estimate of Expenses.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 03/404)

The Report stated that Cork City Council will consider Mayfield Park for resurfacing in the 2004 Road Works Programme.

17.7 ESTATE RESURFACING – SUNDRIVE PARK

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That Cork City Council in its next Estate Resurfacing Programme, incorporate that half of the estate named Sundrive Park, which is closest to Ballinlough Road as this was omitted when estate was last surfaced.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Counihan 03/405)

The Report stated that the section of Sundrive Park referred to above will be assessed for inclusion in the 2004 Resurfacing Programme.

17.48 ROAD RESURFACING – LOWER POULADUFF ROAD

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That Lower Pouladuff Rd. be included in the 2004 resurfacing programme for traffic routes.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O’ Driscoll 03/416)

The Report stated that Lower Pouladuff Rd. will be assessed for inclusion in the 2004 Resurfacing Programme.

17.49 ROAD RESURFACING – BERLINGFORD DRIVE

An Chomhairle approved the Report of Director of Services/City Engineer dated 31st December, 2003 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That Berlingford Drive be included in the Road Resurfacing Programme for 2004. A Footpath Renewal Programme should also be undertaken at this location in 2004.’

(Proposer: Ald. T. Shannon 03/418)

The Report stated that Berlingford Drive will be assessed for inclusion in the 2004 Resurfacing Programme. The footpaths will also be assessed for inclusion in the 2004 Footpath Renewal Programme.

18. **CORRESPONDENCE**

Correspondence as circulated was noted.

18.1 **CORK SCHOOL OF MUSIC**

An Chomhairle agreed that An tÁrd-Mhéara would request a meeting with the Minister for Education to discuss the development of the Cork School of Music and that he write a letter to An Taoiseach regarding the response from the Office of an Taoiseach to a request for a meeting.

19. **CONFERENCES**

An Chomhairle approved attendance at the following Conferences:-

19.1 **TECHNOLOGY IN TOURISM DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoir M. Ahern at the Technology in Tourism Development Conference held on 27th, 28th & 29th November, 2003 at the Falls Hotel, Ennistymon.

19.2 **THE MID-TERM EVALUATION OF THE NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN CONFERENCE**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Seanoir T. Shannon, Comhairleoirí S. Martin, D. Cregan, J. Kelleher, T. Falvey & L. Burke at the Mid-Term Evaluation of the National Development Plan Conference to be held on 20th January, 2004 at the Tullamore Court Hotel, Tullamore.

19.3 **TOURISM SEMINAR**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoirí L. Burke, D. Cregan & J. Kelleher at the Tourism Seminar to be held on the 22nd January, 2004 at the Marriott Hotel, Druids Glen, Newtownmountkennedy, Co. Wicklow.

19.4 **SEPTIC TANK SEMINAR**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoirí L. Burke & J. Kelleher at the Septic Tank Seminar to be held on the 29th – 30th January, 2004 at the Glór Irish Music Centre, Ennis.

19.5 **MID WEST REGIONAL AUTHORITY E.U. & NATIONAL FUNDING –
CURRENT SITUATION & FUTURE CONTEXT IMPLICATION FOR
IRELANDS REGIONS CONFERENCE**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoirí T. O'Driscoll & D. Cregan at the Mid West Regional Authority E.U. & National Funding – Current Situation & Future Context Implication For Irelands Regions Conference to be held on the 30th January, 2004 at the Abbey Court Hotel, Nenagh, Co. Wicklow.

19.6 **AMAI – SPRING SEMINAR 2004**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Seanoir T. Shannon, Comhairleoirí S. Martin, M. Shields, J. Kelleher, T. Falvey & F. Dennehy at the AMAI – Spring Seminar 2004 to be held on the 12th & 13th February, 2004 at the Holiday Inn, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal.

19.7 **TRAINING FOR COUNCILLORS CONFERENCE**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoir M. Shields at the Training for Councillors Conference held on the 12th December, 2003 at the Tullamore Court Hotel, Tullamore.

20. **MOTIONS**

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

20.1 **GULLIES ON CURRAGH ROAD**

‘That all the gullies in the Curragh Road be immediately cleaned to alleviate the consistent flooding being experienced by residents.’

(Proposer: Comhairleoir S. Martin 02/186)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee –

20.2 **PUBLIC LIGHTING REQUIREMENTS**

‘That Cork City Council provide €75,000 in the estimates to finance the installation of the back log of public lighting requirements.’

(Proposer: Comhairleoir S. Martin 02/219)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee –

20.3 **AMENITY AREA IN WOLFE TONE SQUARE**

‘That Cork City Council would resurface and landscape the amenity area in Wolfe Tone Square.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Clancy 03/348)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee –

20.4 **DISC PARKING IN WATERCOURSE ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council would put in place disc parking on Watercourse Mews, off Watercourse Road to alleviate the parking problems in the area.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Clancy 03/359)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee –

20.5 **DEVELOPMENT OF HOUSES ON BOYCES STREET**

‘That the commitments given by Cork City Council to Blarney Street Community Association prior to the development of the houses on Boyces Street be implemented especially the fitting of porches in the bungalows for the elderly, the upgrading of the open areas at the junction of Boyces Street and Friars Avenue and that the area would be maintained and cleaned and the grass there be cut on a regular basis which has not happened since the houses were built.’

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Gosch 03/378)

- Housing & Community Functional Committee –

20.6 **RAMPS BE PUT IN ORCHARD ROAD**

‘That ramps be put in Orchard Road to slow down traffic.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. O’ Connell 03/408)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee –

20.7 **PLAYING PITCHES ON KILMORE ROAD BE FENCED OFF**

‘That the playing pitches on Kilmore Road be fenced off to stop joyriders from dumping and burning out cars.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. O’ Connell 03/409)

- Recreation, Amenity & Culture Functional Committee –

20.8 **ROAD RESURFACING – CEANNCORA LAWN**

‘That Ceanncora Lawn be included in the Road Resurfacing Programme for 2004. A Footpath Renewal Programme should also be undertaken at this location in 2004.’

(Proposer: Ald. T. Shannon 03/422)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee –

20.9 **ROAD RESURFACING – GLENCOO AREA**

‘That the Road Carriageway on Glencoo Park, Glencoo Lawn, Glencoo Gardens and Flaherty’s Lane be included in the Road Resurfacing Programme for 2004.’

A Footpath Renewal Programme should also be undertaken at these locations in 2004.

(Proposer: Ald. T. Shannon 03/423)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee –

20.10 **NO 1 & 3 O'CALLAGHAN'S PLACE BE TARMACED**

'That the area outside No. 1 & 3, O' Callaghan's Place, Cathedral Road, be tarmaced in order to eliminate flooding there at times of heavy rainfall since that area wasn't surfaced when O' Callaghan's Place, was being surfaced some time ago.'

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Gosch 03/429)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee –

20.11 **SEWERS IN DELWOOD GROVE & ASHWOOD, OFF RINGMAHON RD**

'That the sewers in Delwood Grove and Ashwood, Off Ringmahon Road, Blackrock would be upgraded, as they are constantly being blocked and

overflowing and this is a danger to resident's health who reside in these parks.'

(Proposer: Cllr. D. O' Flynn 03/435)

- Environment Functional Committee –

20.12 **MANAGEMENT OF TRAFFIC AT THE SKEHARD/CHURCH RD JUNCTION**

'That City Council would reassess the management of traffic at the Skehard Road/Church Road junction. The current situation provides for a conflict between cars exiting the Supermarket and cars coming from the Church Road direction.'

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Clune 03/448)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee –

20.13 **YELLOW BOX AT THE ENTRANCE/EXIT TO CLOVER LAWN ON SKEHARD RD**

'That City Council would provide a Yellow Box at the entrance/exit to Clover Lawn On Skehard Road to prevent cars blocking the junction at times of heavy traffic.'

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Clune 03/449)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee –

20.14 **VACANT SITE NEAR MOUNT BROSNA MAYFIELD BE DECLARED DERELICT**

‘That the vacant site (formerly a Garage) near Mount Brosna, Mayfield, which has remained unused for the past seven or eight years, be declared a derelict site and be re-developed as a matter of urgency.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kelleher 03/451)

- Planning & Development Functional Committee -

20.15 **IRISH DECLARED AN OFFICIAL LANGUAGE FOR ALL E.U. BUSINESS**

‘Bearing in mind that, with the accession of new countries to the European Union in May, the E.U. will have twenty official languages, Council requests the Government seek to have Irish declared an official language for all E.U. business.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kelleher 03/452)

- Deferred to the next meeting of An Chomhairle -

20.16 **ROAD RESURFACING - COURTDOWN DRIVE, KNOCKNAHEENY**

‘Due to the large pot holes in Courtown Drive, Knocknaheeny the road should be resurfaced urgently.’

(Proposer: Ald. D. Mc Carthy 03/454)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee –

20.17 **REPLACEMENT OF WINDOWS & DOORS IN KILKIERAN CLOSE, HOLYHILL**

‘That the rotten windows and doors be replaced with new windows in Kilkieran Close, Holyhill.’

(Proposer: Ald. D. Mc Carthy 03/455)

- Housing & Community Functional Committee –

20.18 **LOWER FOOTPATH AT ENTRANCE OF MAHON COMMUNITY CENTRE FOR ELDERLY**

‘That the footpath at the entrance of the Mahon Community Centre, Avenue de Rennes, be lowered in order to accommodate buses for the elderly and the disabled to gain easy access to the centre.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. O’ Flynn 03/457)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee –

20.19 **SETTING UP OF AN INTERNATIONAL SPORTS & PERFORMING ARTS MUSEUM**

‘That this Council, as a means of providing a special tourist attraction, investigates the setting up of an international sports and or a performing arts museum.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Ahern 03/462)

- Recreation, Amenity & Culture Functional Committee –

20.20 **ROADWORKS PROGRAMME 2004 – RIVERVIEW ESTATE**

‘That this Council includes Riverview Estate (especially the Northern Road) in the Roadworks Programme for 2004.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Ahern 03/463)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee –

20.21 **NEW SCHEME OF DEVELOPMENT CHARGES**

‘That this Council would like to have a new scheme of development charges prepared that would have the same yield as the scheme already published, but would exclude houses of 127 Square metres or less.’

(Proposer: Cllrs. D. O’ Flynn, C. Clancy, J. Kelleher, M. Ahern, M. O’ Connell 03/466)

- Planning & Development Strategic Policy Committee –

20.22 **IMPROVE PUBLIC LIGHTING AT CONNAUGHT AVENUE**

‘That the quality of the public lighting at Connaught Avenue be improved as a matter of urgency.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O’ Driscoll 04/001)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee –

20.23 **DISCOURAGE PARKING IN A NORTHERLY DIRECTION AT GLENDALOUGH PARK NEAR THE LOUGH**

‘That measures be taken to discourage motorists from parking in a northerly direction at Glendalough Park near The Lough. This leads to cars reversing onto the main road and has led to at least three accidents in the recent past.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O’ Driscoll 04/002)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee –

20.24 **FENCING ON WALL BETWEEN ROWANVILLE ONSLOW GARDENS**

‘That fencing be put on the wall between Rowanville in Onslow Gardens and the field adjacent to St. John’s Well.’

(Proposer: Cllr. Michael O’ Connell 04/004)

- Recreation, Amenity & Culture Functional Committee –

20.25 **ROAD RESURFACING – COLLEGE VIEW**

‘That College View be resurfaced as a matter of urgency as it is in a deplorable condition.’

(Proposer: Cllr. Michael O’ Connell 04/005)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee –

20.26 **CONSTRUCTION OF THE NORTH RING ROAD**

‘That this Council would see as a matter of urgency the construction of the North Ring road.

- a) That a special committee be set up to see the construction of the North Ring road to be put in place.
- b) That a delegation be sent to meet the Minister in relation to the above matter.

(Proposer: Cllr. E. Nelson 04/009)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee –

20.27 **DOUBLE YELLOW LINES OPPOSITE ILEN COURT, DEANROCK ESTATE**

‘That Cork City Council place double yellow lines opposite Ilen Court, Deanrock Estate to prevent indiscriminate parking by persons using the facilities at Clashduv recreational park.

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Dennehy 04/012)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee –

20.28 **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT WOODLAWN ESTATE, TRAMORE RD**

‘That Cork City Council place a pedestrian crossing in the vicinity of the entrance to Woodlawn Estate, Tramore Road to facilitate the safe crossing of the elderly and the large volume of children in this area.

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Dennehy 04/013)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee –

20.29 **IRISH LANGUAGE TO BE AN OFFICIAL LANGUAGE OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY**

‘Go n-éaláíonn Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí ar Rialtas na h-Éireann a dhearbhuí go ndeanfaí teanga oifigiúil den Ghaeilge san Aontas Eorpach.

That Cork City Council requests the Irish Government that they ensure that the Irish language will be a official language of the European Community.

That this motion be circulated to other local authorities in order to encourage them & pass a similar resolution.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O’ Brien 04/014)

- Deferred to the next meeting of An Chomhairle -

20.30 **ROAD RESURFACING – WOODVIEW DOUGLAS RD**

‘That Woodview, Douglas Rd be included in the Road Resurfacing Programme for 2004 due to the poor quality of the existing road surface.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O’ Brien 04/015)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee –

20.31 **SOUTH WESTERN DOWNWARD RAMP AT CURRAHEEN INTERCHANGE**

‘In order to avoid further traffic congestion in Bishopstown that Cork City Council would support the motion and do all in its power to persuade Cork County Council and the N.R.A. to ensure that the South-western Downward Ramp at Curraheen Interchange be constructed and open to traffic in tandem with Ballincollig Bypass.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Shields 04/016)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee –

20.32 **LEGISLATION PROTECTING FAMILIES**

‘That this Council demand from the Minister for the Environment new legislation – (existing legislation is inadequate as it fails to empower the Gardaí to effectively resolve the nuisance, assaults and hurt created and to take prosecutions) to effectively protect families and persons living attached to those – some students, some singles and others, who by neglect, willfully and woefully ignore reasonable and expected behaviours, indulging frequently and beyond reason, abusive noise of all sorts including music, shouting, banging walls, in short assaulting their

attached neighbours, many times resulting in psycho-somatic illnesses, violent physical encounters, etc and forced to leave the property in the family line for generations.

(Proposer: Cllr. B. Bermingham 04/017)

- Deferred to the next meeting of An Chomhairle -

20.33 **CHURCH IN ST. FINBARR'S CEMETERY**

‘That this Council sensitive to the needs and wishes of relatives of the deceased consider the opportunities arising including the rededication of the church in St. Finbarr’s Cemetery facilitating those who visit their departed with a prayer, a lighted candle etc. and would seek to re-open this facility in the near future.’

(Proposer: Cllr. B. Bermingham 04/018)

- Recreation, Amenity & Culture Functional Committee –

This concluded the business of the meeting.

**ARDMHEARA
CATHAOIRLEACH**