

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

- PRESENT:** An tArdmhéara, Comhairleoir S. Martin in the chair.
- NORTH EAST** Comhairleoirí T. Brosnan, J. Kelleher, A. Spillane.
- NORTH CENTRAL** Comhairleoirí M. Barry, C. Clancy, G. O' Flynn, P. Gosch.
- NORTH WEST** Comhairleoirí J. O' Brien, D. McCarthy, M. O' Connell, T. Fitzgerald.
- SOUTH EAST** Comhairleoirí D. Clune, C. O' Leary, D. O' Flynn, T. Shannon, J. Corr.
- SOUTH CENTRAL** Comhairleoirí C. Lynch, D. Cregan.
- SOUTH WEST** Comhairleoirí J. Buttimer, F. Dennehy, M. Shields, B. Bermingham.
- ALSO PRESENT** Mr. J. Gavin, City Manager.
Mr. J. D. Flynn, Director of Services, Corporate Affairs.
Mr. K. Terry, Director of Services, Roads & Transportation.
Mr. J. Kennelly, Director of Services, Recreation, Amenity & Culture.
Mr. F. Long, Senior Engineer, Housing & Community.
Ms. A. Hennessy, Senior Executive Engineer, Recreation, Amenity & Culture.
Mr. D. O' Mahony, Senior Executive Officer, Corporate Affairs.
Mr. B. Geaney, Administrative Officer, Housing & Community.
Mr. S. Crowley, Senior Staff Officer, Corporate Affairs.
- APOLOGIES** Comhairleoirí D. Wallace, D. Counihan, M. Ahern.

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 McCarthy Family on the death of Chris McCarthy.
- To the O' Callaghan Family on the death of Phil O' Callaghan.
- To the Murphy Family on the death of Anthony Murphy.

2. **VOTES OF CONGRATULATIONS**

An Chomhairle unanimously extended a vote of congratulations:-

- To the Cork City Soccer Team and Manager on their victory over Dutch Club NEC Nijmegen, in the Intertoto Cup.
- To the Seandún Under 15 Hurlers on winning the Under 15 Inter County Hurling Tournament held in Togher.
- To the Cork Senior Hurling Team on their victory over Tipperary in the All-Ireland Hurling Qualifiers.

- To the Cork Senior Camogie Team on their victory over Limerick in the Senior Camogie Championship.
- To the Cork City Sports Organising Committee on their very successful running of the Cork City Sports.
- To the Knocknaheeny Under 12 Soccer Team in qualifying for the Community Games Finals to be held in Mosney.
- To Kieran Gould on winning the All-Ireland Senior Roadbowling Championship.

3. **CIVIC RECEPTIONS**

An Chomhairle approved the hosting of a Civic Reception for the musician, Joe McCarthy.

4. **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held on 28th June, 2004 were considered and approved with the following amendments:-

4.1 **VOTE OF CONGRATULATIONS**

An Chomhairle unanimously extended a vote of congratulations:-

- To Families who took part in the “Anti-War” demonstrations during the visit of President Bush.

4.2 **PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE**

Comhairleoir D. Cregan proposed, Comhairleoir D. Clune seconded the appointment of Comhairleoir J. Corr.

Comhairleoir J. Kelleher proposed, Comhairleoir M. Ahern seconded the appointment of Comhairleoir C. Clancy.

Comhairleoir D. Wallace proposed, Comhairleoir T. Shannon seconded the appointment of Comhairleoirí D. Wallace, G. O’ Flynn and A. Spillane.

Comhairleoir J. Corr proposed, Comhairleoir D. Clune seconded the appointment of Comhairleoir D. Cregan as chair of the Planning & Development Strategic Policy Committee.

An tArdmhéara declared the above members appointed to the Planning & Development Strategic Policy Committee.

4.3 **EUROPEADE CONFERENCE 2004**

An Chomhairle, with the exception of Comhairleoir M. Barry, approved the attendance of Comhairleoir D. Cregan at the Europeade Conference 2004 held on the 22nd & 23rd April, 2004 at Hotel Westport, Westport, Co. Mayo.

4.4 **10TH BYRNE / PERRY SUMMER SCHOOL**

An Chomhairle, with the exception of Comhairleoir M. Barry, approved the attendance of Comhairleoirí G. O’ Flynn & B. Bermingham at the 10th Byrne /

Perry Summer School Conference held on 25th – 27th June, 2004 at Gorey, Co. Wexford.

5. **QUESTION TIME**

5.1 **ELIGIBILITY FOR PARTIAL OR FULL WAIVER FROM REFUSE CHARGES**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir Deirdre Clune, a written reply was circulated which stated that since the inception of charges for Refuse Collection, Cork City Council has operated a Waiver Scheme whereby households of limited means can be granted a full or partial Waiver.

Waivers are granted on a case by case basis taking account of the particular household circumstances including exceptional medical expenses, mortgage payments, rent or any other hardship.

In 2004 the making of the charge became an executive function under the Waste Management Act 1996 as amended by the Environment Act 2003 and the Manager's Order for the scheme sets out that, as a general guide, Single Person Households with an income less than €167.30 per week and Other Households with an income less than €278.80 per week would be granted a full Waiver of the Charge. These were 9% and 17% respectively higher than in 2003.

These limits mean that, in general persons, or couples who are dependent on Social Welfare only qualify for a full Waiver.

Where there are three, four or more adults in a household all receiving Social Welfare payments, the Household Income can be significantly higher than in households dependant on low wages and, accordingly, Waivers are not granted automatically.

While 2 Old Age Pensioners living together and receiving the top rate of pension would exceed the income guidelines above, they are granted a full waiver provided they have no other source of income.

Partial Waivers are granted where household income marginally exceeds the guidelines above and in general no waiver is granted where income is greater than €1,000 per annum (€210 per week) for a single person household or €18,000 per annum (€350 per week) for other households.

Old Age Pensioners and persons in receipt of other long term Social Welfare Benefits e.g. Invalidity Pension, who have no other source of income and whose circumstances are, therefore, unlikely to change are now granted an automatic Waiver without the need to re-apply. There were approximately 4000 such Waivers granted in 2004.

In 2003, 18,229 applications for Waiver were processed and 11,197 Waivers (of which 8,961 were full Waivers and 2,236 were partial Waivers) were granted at a cost of €4,469,431 of which approximately €3m related to the 2003 charge.

5.2 **CONNECTION TO THE MAIN SEWER FOR HOUSEHOLDERS OF LONG LANE, DUBLIN HILL**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir Gary O' Flynn, a written reply was circulated which stated that Long Lane is a cul de sac straddling and forming the City/County boundary, off Dublin Hill, with vehicular access from Glenthorn.

It serves seven detached houses on individual sites ranging in size from a quarter to half acre each. Each house provided has its own drainage via septic tank as main sewer facilities were not available when constructed. With the development of Glenthorn, representations have been made over the years for sewerage to be provided to these sites.

In 2003, on foot of further representations and a particular request, the Drainage Section of City Council made a provision of €10,000 in the Annual Budget as a contribution to installation of a foul sewer to service the sites and connect to the public system at Glenthorn. This was based on a rudimentary budget of €15,000 to carry out work. The remaining €5,000 was to be contributed by residents.

Due to demands from the Cork Main Drainage and senior staff changes the necessary design work to put the work in hand was not carried out until very late in the year. It then became clear in early 2004 that the real costs of carrying out the work were considerably greater than the original estimate.

It was however proposed to proceed with the work subject to agreement being reached with residents with regard to revised costs. The proposal made restated the original intended ratio of contribution of a third by residents and two thirds by City Council. The revised estimated contribution by residents was €16,500 to be distributed among those connecting to the proposed sewer.

This offer has not as yet been taken up by the residents of Long Lane and work therefore cannot commence. It has also been made clear that the individual properties can connect to the system privately if they so wish subject to normal sewer connection requirements.

5.3 **CIGARETTE RECEPTICALS BEING ERECTED OUTSIDE PUBS AND RESTAURANTS**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir Tim Brosnan, a written reply was circulated which stated that since the introduction of the smoking ban, earlier this year, a number of enquiries have been received by the Planning & Development Directorate on this matter.

The advice given to date is that planning permission should be sought in all cases where such receptacles are being affixed to the outside of premises. Of particular concern to the Planning Directorate would be the erection of same on Protected Structures or buildings of architectural merit.

It should, however, be further noted that from a litter management perspective, and given that most such receptacles appear not to be oversized that they are preferable in most cases in not contributing to on-street litter.

The policy in relation to Protected Structures will be closely monitored and enforced where necessary.

5.4 **PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT AT THE CAMP FIELD**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir Annette Spillane, a written reply was circulated which stated that the property concerned has not as yet been transferred from the Department of Defence to the City Council.

5.5 **PROPOSED NEW SKATE-BOARD PARK**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir John Kelleher, a written reply was circulated which stated that no such problem will arise on foot of the proposal of the City Council's for a Skateboard Park. A full report will be presented to Council in the near future.

5.6 **BUNGALOWS IN FOYLE AVENUE AND COURTOWN DRIVE**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir Michael O' Connell, a written reply was circulated which stated that the six bungalows at Foyle Avenue and the bungalow at 68 Courtown Drive will be demolished by the 16th July, 2004. Work on the new community centre is due to commence in late 2004/early 2005.

5.7 **PROPOSED REFURBISHMENT OF THE FLATS AT ST. JOHN'S WELL**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir Jonathon O' Brien, a written reply was circulated which stated that tenders have been received for the construction of seven houses at St. John's Well and the project is expected to commence in August, 2004. The total cost of the project is €1.6m and it provides for the construction of the seven houses, walls and railings to the public park and external improvement works to the existing adjacent apartments.

6. **MARDYKE PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE AND WALKWAY – PART 8 REPORT**

An Chomhairle considered the report of the Director of Services, Recreation, Amenity & Culture dated 5th July, 2004 under Section 179 (3) of the Planning & Development Act 2000, Part 8 (Article 81) of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Regulations 2001 on Mardyke Pedestrian Bridge and Walkway.

It was agreed to approve the Director of Services report and recommendation that the development proceed.

7. **ADOPTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION GRANTS SCHEME 2004**

An Chomhairle considered the of the Director of Services, Corporate Affairs dated 6th July, 2004 and adopted the Higher Education Grants Scheme for 2004.

8. **MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEE DEFERRED BY AN CHOMHAIRLE AT MEETINGS HELD ON 21 & 28TH JUNE, 2004**

An Chomhairle considered the appointment of five members to the Consumption of Intoxicating Liquor (Drinking on the Street Bye Laws) Committee which was deferred from meetings of An Chomhairle held on 21st & 28th June, 2004.

Comhairleoir D. Cregan proposed, Comhairleoir J. Corr seconded the appointment of Comhairleoir B. Bermingham.

Comhairleoir D. Cregan proposed, Comhairleoir J. Corr seconded the appointment of Comhairleoir J. Buttiner.

Comhairleoir T. Shannon proposed, Comhairleoir D. McCarthy seconded the appointment of Comhairleoir T. Shannon.

Comhairleoir T. Shannon proposed, Comhairleoir D. McCarthy seconded the appointment of Comhairleoir S. Martin.

Comhairleoir J. Kelleher proposed, Comhairleoir C. Clancy seconded the appointment of Comhairleoir C. Clancy.

An tArdmhéara declared the above members appointed to the Consumption of Intoxicating Liquor (Drinking on the Street Bye Laws) Committee.

9. **HOUSING & COMMUNITY FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE**

9.1 **MONTHLY REPORT**

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

9.2 **QUARTERLY REPORT**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services for the quarter ended 30th June, 2004.

9.3 **CIRCULAR N4/04 APPLICATIONS BY PRISONERS FOR LOCAL AUTHORITY HOUSING**

An Chomhairle noted the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July, 2004 on Circular Letter N4/04 – Applications by Prisoners for Local Authority Housing.

9.4 **REFURBISHMENT PROPOSALS FOR CUSHING PLACE/CUSHING ROAD FLATS**

An Chomhairle noted the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July, 2004 on Refurbishment Proposals for Cushing Place/Cushing Road Flats.

9.5 **REFURBISHMENT PROPOSALS FOR SUNVALLEY DRIVE FLATS**

An Chomhairle noted the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July, 2004 on Refurbishment Proposals for Sunvalley Drive Flats.

9.6 **PROPOSED LOAN FACILITY TO ST. JOACHIM & ANNE'S HOME**

An Chomhairle considered the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July, 2004 on the proposed loan facility to St. Joachim & Anne's Home for the refurbishment of their property at Anglesea Street.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Corr and seconded by Comhairleoir G. O' Flynn, it was agreed to adopt the following resolution:-

“**RESOLVED** that pursuant to the provision of Section 6 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1992, that a loan facility not exceeding €85,110, (being an increase of €31,503) on the previous loan be granted to the St. Joachim & Anne’s Home subject to the conditions of the Capital Assistance Scheme & the approval of the Department of the Environment, Heritage & Local Government”.

9.7 **PROPOSED LOAN FACILITY TO THE SOCIAL HOUSING DEVELOPMENT COMPANY**

An Chomhairle considered the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July, 2004 on the proposed loan facility to the Social Housing Development Company for the acquisition and re-development of Skiddy’s Almshouse into 14 no. apartments with communal facilities.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir T. Shannon and seconded by Comhairleoir T. Fitzgerald, it was agreed to adopt the following resolution:-

“**RESOLVED** that pursuant to the provision of Section 6 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1992, that a loan facility not exceeding €2,282,150, being an increase of €27,030 on the previous loan be granted to the Social Housing Development Company subject to the conditions of the Capital Assistance Scheme and the approval of the Department of the Environment, Heritage & Local Government ”.

9.8 **PROPOSED LOAN FACILITY TO THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

An Chomhairle considered the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July, 2004 on the proposed loan facility to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul for the development of a fifty-one unit residential facility at Deerpark, Friars Walk, Cork.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir C. O’ Leary and seconded by Comhairleoir G. O’ Flynn, it was agreed to adopt the following resolution:-

“**RESOLVED** that pursuant to the provision of Section 6 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1992, that a loan facility not exceeding €4,288,899, (being an increase of €210,081 on the previous loan) be granted to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul subject to the conditions of the Capital Assistance Scheme & the approval of the Department of the Environment, Heritage & Local Government”.

9.9 **PROPOSED LOAN FACILITY TO THE RESPOND! VOLUNTARY HOUSING ASSOCIATION**

An Chomhairle considered the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July, 2004 on the proposed loan facility to the Respond! Voluntary Housing Association for the provision of twelve units of accommodation for the elderly at 28/29 Dublin Street, Blackpool, Cork.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Corr and seconded by Comhairleoir G. O’ Flynn it was agreed to adopt the following resolution:-

“**RESOLVED** that pursuant to the provision of Section 6 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1992, that a loan facility not exceeding €1,724,674 be granted to Respond! Voluntary Housing Association subject to the conditions of the Capital Assistance Scheme and the approval of the Department of the Environment, Heritage & Local Government”.

9.10 **DEVELOPMENT AT RINGMAHON HOUSE, RINGMAHON ROAD**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July, 2004 in relation to the proposed development at Ringmahon House, Ringmahon Road, Cork.

The report of the Director stated that Ringmahon Castle which is a protected structure is within the curtilage of the site. No works are proposed to be carried out to this structure.

The development was advertised as a scheme proposed to be carried out by Cork City Council.

Cork City Council has advertised the proposed development as required by Article 81 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001. Plans and particulars of the proposed development were available for public inspection for the prescribed period. The period within which any submissions/objections were to be made ended on **24th June 2003**.

The following prescribed bodies were notified of the proposed development pursuant to the provisions of **Article 84** of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001:

- An Taisce
- Bord Fáilte Éireann
- An Chomhairle Ealaíoin
- The Heritage Council
- Department of Arts, Heritage, Gaeltacht and the Islands

No submissions/observations were received within the specified period in relation to the proposed development.

There is substantial demand for social housing across the entire city. The proposed scheme will provide much needed sheltered accommodation and will help to meet the demand on the Southside of the City and is consistent with the current policy to encourage and promote downsizing within the housing stock.

The proposed development is considered to be consistent with the proper planning & sustainable development of the area having regard to the provisions of the Development Plan.

The proposal has been considered by the Planning & Development Directorate, Roads & Transportation Directorate, Environment Directorate & Recreation, Amenity & Culture Directorate and all are supportive of and consider the proposed development to be acceptable.

9.11 **DEVELOPMENT OF DERELICT SITES AT 4 LOCATIONS IN THE CITY**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July, 2004 in relation to the proposed re-development of derelict sites.

The report of the Director stated that works would be carried out at the following locations:

- 1) Conversion of Derelict Property into 1 no. two bedroom single storey house at 11 Convent Road
- 2) Conversion of Derelict Property into 1 no. two bedroom two storey house at 14 Fairhill
- 3) Conversion of Derelict Property into 2 storey unit consisting of 2 no. two bedroom apartments at Gurrabraher Road, Cork.
- 4) Demolition & Reconstruction of Derelict Property into 1 no. two bedroom two storey house at 4 & 5 St. Patrick's Terrace

Cork City Council advertised the above proposed developments as required by Article 81 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001. Plans and particulars of the proposed development were available for public inspection for the prescribed period. The period within which any submissions/objections were to be made ended on the 11th June 2004.

A total of 1 no. submission/observation was received from Mr. John P. Cullen of No. 3 St. Patrick's Terrace, Off Gerald Griffin Street within the specified period in relation to the proposed development at No's. 4 & 5 St. Patrick's Terrace.

Mr. Cullen's submission welcomed the proposed development but raised concerns in relation to how the asbestos roofs of No's. 4 & 5, St. Patrick's Terrace would be dealt with in the carrying out of the proposed demolition building works.

The proposal was considered by the Environment Directorate which has reported in relation to the development and in relation to dealing with asbestos has recommended that all asbestos arising from the demolition section of this development shall be disposed of in accordance with the procedures of Cork City Council. The requirements of the Environment Directorate will be fully incorporated into the Building Contract and will be complied with in the carrying out of the development.

There is substantial demand for social housing across the entire city. The proposed schemes will provide much needed accommodation and will help to meet the demand for housing and is consistent with the current policy to encourage and promote downsizing within the housing stock.

The proposed developments are considered to be consistent with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area having regard to the provisions of the Development Plan.

The proposals have been considered by the Planning & Development Directorate, Roads & Transportation Directorate, Environment Directorate & Recreation, Amenity & Culture Directorate and all are supportive of and consider the proposed development to be acceptable.

9.12 **AREA ADJOINING HOUSE NO. 43 MANGERTON CLOSE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July, 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That the area adjoining house no. 43 Mangerton Close, The Glen be upgraded, secured and made safe, in the interests of the safety and security of all local residents.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kelleher 04/190)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the area in question is a pedestrian walkway with grass margins which links Mangerton Close to Arderin Way, the Community Centre and Church and serves approximately fifty dwellings. The walkway is of broad community benefit and it's removal may not be broadly welcomed. It's closure would also require a formal extinguishment under the Roads Act, 1993. Due to the existence of services it would not be possible to construct an infill dwelling at this location.

It also stated that ameliorative measures, possibly including new boundary treatment of adjacent houses and improved public lighting, may improve the situation for residents. Whilst there is no funding available in this years Housing Budget for such works, I will refer the matter to the local RAPID Co-ordinator to review the possibility of accessing the necessary funding under that Programme's Local Authority Enhancement Fund.

9.13 **RADON MEASUREMENTS IN COUNCIL HOUSING STOCK**

An Chomhairle agreed to refer the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July, 2004 on the following motion back to the Housing & Community Functional Committee for further discussion.

‘That this Council investigate and report on radon measurements within the City of Cork per locality with particular focus on its own Housing Stock, and determine:-

- What remedial action to take if measurements so found are deemed to be unsatisfactory in parts of its housing stock
- What advice to give to property owners with the City of Cork on this issue.’

(Proposer: Cllr. B. Bermingham 04/211)

9.14 **PASSAGEWAY BEHIND NO.'S 10-14 MAHON PARK**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July, 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That the Passage way behind No's 10 to 14 Mahon Park, Blackrock be cleaned up and the vegetation cut back and that this area be put on the roster for regular cleaning.’

(Proposer: Ald. T. Shannon 04/148)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the vegetation on the area in question has now been cut back as required. It also stated that the Environment Directorate has been informed of the requirements for clean-up and regular maintenance of the area.

9.15 **UPDATE ON THE GLEN REGENERATION PROJECT**

An Chomhairle agreed to refer the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July, 2004 on the following motion back to the Housing & Community Functional Committee for further discussion:-

‘That Cork City Council officials prepare and publish an update of progress on the Glen regeneration programme comparing original time schedules and budgets to outturns under both headings and that the Report include an assessment of time schedules and costs for the next phase.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 04/264)

9.16 **ACCESS FOR THE DISABLED IN ROSEVILLE ESTATE, MAYFIELD**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July, 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council ensure that all the parks in Roseville Estate, Mayfield are made accessible for Disabled People as a matter of urgency and that provision for this work be made in the 2005 Estimate of Expenses.’

(Proposer: Cllr T. Brosnan 04/229)

The report of the Director of Services stated that wheelchair access to individual properties can be provided by application under the Disabled Persons Grant Scheme. In relation to public road and footpaths, consideration will be given to including this work in the 2005 footpath renewal programme by the Roads Directorate.

9.17 **WINDOWS AT BRANDON CRESCENT**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July, 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That double-glazed windows be provided in all the remaining houses at Brandon Crescent, The Glen, as a matter of urgency before the end of the summer.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kelleher 04/232)

The report of the Director of Services stated that window replacement is carried out under Planned Maintenance Programmes each year. Brandon Crescent is due for inspection this year with a view to the inclusion in the 2005 programme of windows deemed to be in need of replacement.

All such replacement windows are double-glazed in the normal course.

9.18 **DISPOSALS**

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

PROPERTY DISPOSALS

- a) Properties (21 no.) situated at Hollyhill Lane, Off, Blarney Street, Cork, to 21 no. applicants; 5 no. applicants at €131,415 per house, 13 no. applicants at €138,713 per houses, 2 no. applicants at €139,313 per house and 1 no. applicant at €139,713 per house, under the Affordable Housing Scheme.
- b) Disposal of Leasehold interest in Stall No. 15, Grand Parade Market, Cork, to Mr. Dris Belmazdaub, c/o Coakley Moloney Solicitors, 49, South Mall, Cork, at an annual rent of €4,126.64.
- c) Disposal of Leasehold interest in Stall No. 25 & 26, Grand Parade Market, Cork, to Mr. Dris Belmazdaub, c/o Coakley, Moloney, Solicitors, 49, South Mall, Cork, at an annual rent of €4,126.64.
- d) Disposal of Leasehold interest in Stall No. 9, Princes Street Market, Cork, to Mr. Niall Daly, c/o McNulty Boylan & Co., Solicitors, 26, South Terrace, Cork, at an annual rent of €5,713.84.
- e) Disposal of Leasehold interest in Stall No. 32, Grand Parade Market, Cork, to M.K. Cakes, c/o Wolfe & Co., Solicitors, Market Street, Skibbereen, Co. Cork, at an annual rent of €2,472.20.
- f) Disposal of Leasehold interest in Stall No. 9, Grand Parade Market, Cork, to Fiona Breen, c/o Linen Ireland, Hillside House, Military Road, Birr, Co. Offaly, at an annual rent of €700.88 per annum.
- g) Disposal of site (a) approximately 50 sq. metres in area at Easons Avenue and adjoining site (b) approximately 87 sq. metres in area at 13, Cathedral Avenue to Maud Cotter, c/o Denis O'Sullivan & Co., Solicitors, Library House, 18, Dyke Parade, Cork, for the sum of €90,000.

DERELICT SITE REPORT

- a) To consider report by City Manager dated 1st July, 2004, regarding derelict properties at Kyle Street, Cork.
- b) To consider report by City Manager dated 1st July, 2004, regarding derelict properties at Knapps Square, Cork.

SHARED OWNERSHIP

- (a) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 2, Ashmount, Mayfield, Cork, held by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated 2nd January, 2003, to Joanne Murphy and James Bobby, for the sum of €90,073.50.
- (b) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 14, Meadowpark Close, Ballyvolane, Cork, held by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated 13th September, 2002, to Mark Austin and Linda O'Connor, for the sum of €90,612.47.
- (c) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 167, Knockpogue Avenue, Upper Fairhill, Cork, held by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated 15th November, 2002, to Brian Mahony and Michelle Murphy, for the sum of €85,368.43.
- (d) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 47, Meadowpark Road, Ballyvolane, Cork, held by Cork City Council

subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated 2nd October, 2000, to Thomas O'Flynn and Rosarie Homan, for the sum of €90,842.21.

- (e) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 3, Vicar's Road, Togher, Cork, held by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated 7th April, 1993, to Kieran Burns and Wendy Burns, for the sum of €13,975.82.
- (f) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 13, Ballinure Cottages, Mahon, Cork, held by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated 15th November, 2002, to Anthony Duggan and Deirdre Sisk, for the sum of €90,351.88.
- (g) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 188, Kilnap Place, Farranree, Cork, held by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated 28th December, 2001, to Elaine Coker and David Wallace, for the sum of €76,387.44.
- (h) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 191, Kilnap Place, Farranree, Cork, held by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated 24th September, 2001, to Nora O'Mahony, for the sum of €81,487.33.
- (i) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as "Fairhaven", Estuary Drive, Cappanoole, Mahon, Cork, held by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated 4th November, 1998, to Charles Ward and Leslie Ward, for the sum of €22,285.69.
- (j) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 189, Silversprings Court, Tivoli, Cork, held by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated 13th February, 1996, to Brian O'Neill, for the sum of €39,084.24.
- (k) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 6, St. Michael's Drive, Mahon, Cork, held by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated 27th June, 2000, to Desmond Roche and Lisa Roche, for the sum of €52,858.13.
- (l) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 8, St. Michael's Drive, Mahon, Cork, held by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated 7th June, 2000, to Jamel Bensalah and Kathleen Bensalah, for the sum of €35,121.99.
- (m) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 9, St. Michael's Drive, Mahon, Cork, held by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated 25th April, 2001, to Nora M. Sheehan, for the sum of €5,107.47.
- (n) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 40, Hollywood Estate, Blarney Road, Cork, held by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated 2nd May, 1995, to Kevin Griffin and Maria Griffin, for the sum of €29,412.81.
- (o) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 1, Barry's Place, Cathedral Road, Cork, held by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated 4th October, 1996, to Michael O'Donovan and Margaret O'Donovan (nee Tobin), for the sum of €40,638.22.
- (p) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 31, Baker's Road, Gurranabraher, Cork, held by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated 1st August, 2001, to Darren Gale and Rosarie Baldwin, for the sum of €90,897.72.
- (q) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 3, Glencurrig, South Douglas Road, Cork, held by Cork City Council

subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated 16th May, 1993, to Cara Murphy, for the sum of €32,323.14.

- (r) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 106, Edward Walsh Road, Togher, Cork, held by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated 26th November, 1999, to Roslyn Barrett and Neil O'Connor, for the sum of €79,284.20.
- (s) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 40, Hawthorn Mews, Dublin Hill, Cork, held by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated 1st November, 2001, to Eric Horan and Michelle Horan (nee Coleman), for the sum of €93,711.60.
- (t) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 41, Silversprings Court, Tivoli, Cork, held by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated 23rd January, 2003, to Darren Thompson and Audrey O'Shea, for the sum of €95,276.80.
- (u) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 12, Meadowpark Avenue, Ballyvolane, Cork, held by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated 2nd September, 1996, to Janet Costello, for the sum of €49,311.05.

FEE SIMPLE INTEREST

- (a) Freehold interest in "Dun Mhuire", St. Anne's Park, Turner's Cross, Cork, to Sean Curtin, Tomas Curtin, Patrick Curtin, Liam Curtin, Maura Forde and Kay Toher, the sum of €50.80, plus costs of €460.00.

10. ROADS & TRANSPORTATION FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE

10.1 ROADWORKS PROGRAMME

An Chomhairle noted the report of Director of Services dated 1st July 2004, on the progress of ongoing Roadworks Programme for months ended May & June 2004. The members raised a number of queries on the monthly programme.

10.2 PART 8 LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT) REGULATIONS 2001 FOR PROPOSED GREEN ROUTE – CITY CENTRE TO THE AIRPORT

An Chomhairle considered the report of the Director of Services/City Engineer dated 4th May, 2004 on the Development of the Green Route from the City Centre to the Airport.

It was agreed to approve the Director of Services/City Engineer report and recommendation that the development proceed.

The report of the Director of Services stated that in September of last year, Council were informed that procedures in accordance with Part 8 Local Government (Planning and Development) Regulations 2001 were to be undertaken for the implementation of the Proposed Green Route- Cork Airport to City Centre. This route is one of a number of Green Routes being developed along the key radial routes into Cork and is one of the main elements of the transportation strategy of the Cork Area Strategic Plan. I am satisfied that the development is in accordance with the proper planning and development of the area. The Cork Airport Green Route runs via the South City Link and serves the Black Ash Park and Ride facility.

The public consultation process under the Part 8 Regulations commenced with a public notice placed in the Irish Examiner on 16th April, 2004, and public exhibitions held in the Millennium Hall on 4th May and in the Great Southern Hotel on 5th May.

Comments and observations were invited from all Directorates of Cork City Council, from interested parties and from the general public.

The proposal for the provision of a Green Route from Cork Airport to City Centre includes:

- ❖ Enhanced priority for pedestrians, cyclists and public transport users along the route.
- ❖ Bus priority proposals to include bus lanes on the N27 Airport Road and South City Link Road to give the Airport and the Park 'n Ride bus service priority at key locations where delays occur.
- ❖ New signals at the Forge Hill junction and at Bothar MacPiarais/Curragh Road, a bus gate on the South City Link Road at the South Douglas slip road and bus detectors in the City Centre.
- ❖ New facilities for cyclists including cycle lanes , shared use footway/cycleways, and a pelican crossing at the Airport roundabout.
- ❖ New footways, widening and improving existing footways and additional crossings will be provided for pedestrians.

Atkins Consulting Engineers have prepared a report on the Part 8 planning process for the project and this report is available to Members on request.

Summary of Submissions and Recommendations relating to same

Submissions were received prior to the closing date, Friday 28th May, 2004, from the following:

◆ Cork City Council Planning and Development Directorate

The Directorate welcomes the proposed implementation of the Cork Airport to City Centre Green Route and acknowledges its importance as a component of the CASP public transport strategy. However, the Directorate has highlighted a number of issues relating to the implementation of the Cork Cycle Study, the extent of bus priority measures, provision for pedestrian facilities, junction treatment etc. These issues have been identified and addressed in Atkins Consulting Engineers Report on the Part 8 process.

Where possible, all of the recommendations contained in the Planning and Development Directorate report will be incorporated into the proposal at the detailed design stage.

◆ National Roads Authority

The submission from the NRA makes a number of recommendations including a Safety Audit at the Forge Hill junction, speed limits, lane widths, positioning of

bus lanes and erection of gantry lights. The points raised have been agreed and will be considered at detailed design stage.

♦ **Request for Bus Stop in the area of Pegasus sculpture**

This request has been agreed with Bus Eireann. An additional request was made for a footpath from the Airport roundabout to the Old Kinsale Rd. This request can be partly accommodated by the provision of a combined footway/cycleway from the Bull McCabes pub to the Kinsale Rd Roundabout. Request for reduction in speed limits has been agreed.

Other Comments

A submission was made regarding the termination of the Green Route in Ballyphehane. However, the new facilities for pedestrians and cyclists will link up with those being provided through the No 6 Green Route from Grange to the City Centre. Other issues raised are outside the scope of the current project.

Accordingly, I recommend that the proposed development be proceeded with, as outlined above.

10.3 **RAMPS AT BOTH SIDES OF PEDESTRIAN GATE AT TORY TOP PARK TO TORY TOP LANE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That ramps be put in place at both sides of the pedestrian gate leading from Tory Top Park to Tory Top Lane. This is an exceptionally dangerous exit from the park.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 03/349)

The report of the Director of Services stated that Tory Top Lane will be added to the list of areas, where a request for traffic calming has been received. The provision of ramps at both sides of the entrance gate to Tory Top Park 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.

10.4 **TRAFFIC CALMING – NORTH RING ROAD**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That traffic calming measures be introduced at the North Ring Road by the Fire Station in light of the volume of fast-moving traffic that uses this road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. G. O’ Flynn 04/98)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the North Ring Road, while not designated as a national primary route, carries significant volumes of strategic traffic. It is a by pass road for the north east side of the City and links the N20 to Limerick to the N8 Dublin and N25 Waterford Roads. It effectively operates as a national primary route.

Accordingly, Cork City Council in conjunction with the NRA are examining the full length of the North Ring Road to determine if there are any remedial measures that could be taken to improve road safety and traffic flows along the roadway. The study is not yet complete and options such as providing traffic signals by the Fire Station will be considered.

A further report will be issued when the study is completed and various measures for the North Ring Road are recommended.

10.5 **ERECT TRAFFIC LIGHT AT PARKCOURT ESTATE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘I would ask that Cork City Council erect traffic lights at the entrance to Park Court Estate, Ballyvolane.’

(Proposer: Cllr. G. O’ Flynn 04/127)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the North Ring Road, while not designated as a national primary route, carries significant volumes of strategic traffic. It is a by pass road for the north east side of the City and links the N20 to Limerick to the N8 Dublin and N25 Waterford Roads. It effectively operates as a national primary route.

Accordingly, Cork City Council in conjunction with the NRA are examining the full length of the North Ring Road to determine if there are any remedial measures that could be taken to improve road safety and traffic flows along the roadway. The study is not yet complete and options such as providing traffic signals at the entrance to Park Court Estate will be considered. A proposed housing development across the road from Park Court will require traffic signals if it goes ahead, as the proposed access from this development will be directly opposite the entrance to Park Court Estate.

A further report will be issued when the study is completed and various measures for the North Ring Road are recommended.

10.6 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES IN ST. ENDAS RD., GURRANABRAHER**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 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 St. Endas Rd. Gurranaברה as the road is being used as a short cut by cars wishing to avoid traffic lights on Cathedral Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Clancy 04/139)

The report of the Director of Services stated that St. Enda’s Road is already on 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.

The results will be assessed and 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.

10.7 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES IN REDEMPTION RD.**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 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 Redemption Road.'

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Clancy 04/140)

The report of the Director of Services stated that Redemption Road 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 to determine the extent of the problems in order to identify any possible mitigation measures that could be provided there.

The results are being assessed and 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.

10.8 **REPAIRS TO FOOTPATHS IN GREENHILLS ESTATE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

'That repairs to the footpaths in Greenhills Estate, South Douglas Road, be carried out as a matter of urgency as they are in very poor condition.'

(Proposer: Cllr. D. O' Flynn 04/202)

The report of the Director of Services stated that these footpaths will be considered for inclusion in the 2005 Footpath Renewal Programme. In the meantime and any remedial work considered necessary will be carried out.

10.9 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES – ST. MICHAEL'S CEMETERY, SKEHARD RD**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

'That traffic calming measures be put in place from St. Michael's Cemetery, Skehard Road to the end of Ringmahon Road, as a matter of urgency due to anti sociable behaviour of speeding cars through the area.'

(Proposer: Cllr. D. O' Flynn 04/203)

The report of the Director of Services stated that Skehard Road is already on 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.

10.10 **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING BE PUT ON SUNDAY'S WELL ROAD**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

'That a pedestrian crossing be put on the Sunday's Well Road near Wellington Bridge.'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. O' Connell 04/220)

The report of the Director of Services stated that traffic signals will be installed in the near future at the junction of Lee Road/ Sunday's Well Road just north of Wellington Bridge (Thomas Davis Bridge). Pedestrian crossing facilities will be fully incorporated into the traffic signals and these will cater for all the pedestrian movements in the area.

10.11 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES – CHARLES DALY ROAD**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

'That traffic calming measures be put in place on Charles Daly Road to slow down traffic and allow children to play in safety.'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Ahern 04/227)

The report of the Director of Services stated that Charles Daly Road 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.

10.12 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES – NORTH RING ROAD**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council in conjunction with the National Roads Authority (if appropriate) arrange for the immediate erection of traffic calming measures at the North Ring Road in the vicinity of the exits from Riverview Estate as the speed and volume of traffic is creating a very dangerous situation for residents of Riverview Estate driving onto the North Ring Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr T. Brosnan 04/228)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the North Ring Road, while not designated as a national primary route, carries significant volumes of strategic traffic. It is a by pass road for the north east side of the City and links the N20 to Limerick to the N8 Dublin and N25 Waterford Roads. It effectively operates as a national primary route.

Accordingly, Cork City Council in conjunction with the NRA are examining the full length of the North Ring Road to determine if there are any remedial measures that could be taken to improve road safety and traffic flows along the roadway. The study is not yet complete and options such as providing traffic calming measures, traffic signals etc. in the vicinity of the exits to Riverview will be considered.

10.13 **MOUNT CARMEL RD BE INCLUDED IN ROAD & FOOTPATH RENEWAL PROGRAMME**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Mount Carmel Road be included in next years Road and Footpath Renewal Programme.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 03/260)

The report of the Director of Services stated that Mount Carmel Road will be considered for inclusion in both the 2005 Road Resurfacing Programme and the 2005 Footpath Renewal Programme.

10.14 **FOOTPATH RESURFACING – UPPER FRIARS ROAD**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That the footpath on upper Friars Road be included in next years Footpath Resurfacing Programme.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 03/342)

The report of the Director of Services stated that Upper Friars Road (ie. cul-de-sac section) has already been included in the 2004 Footpath Renewal Programme.

10.15 **TRAFFIC CALMING – CUSHING ROAD & CUSHING PLACE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That traffic calming measures be immediately be put in place in Cushing Road and Cushing Place owing to the increasing volumes of traffic that pass through this narrow thoroughfare at high speed every day.’

(Proposer: Cllr. G. O’ Flynn 04/95)

The report of the Director of Services stated that Cushing Road and Cushing Place 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.

10.16 **TRAFFIC CALMING – BANTRY PARK ROAD**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That traffic calming measures be introduced at Bantry Park Road to prevent rat racing by motorists using Bantry Park Road as a short cut and “Go Slow” signs be erected immediately as an Interim measure.’

(Proposer: Cllr. G. O’ Flynn 04/97)

The report of the Director of Services stated that Bantry Park Road is already on 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.

10.17 **TRAFFIC CALMING – CUSHING ROAD & CUSHING PLACE FARRANREE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 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 as a matter of urgency in Cushing Road and Cushing Place, Farranree.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Clancy 04/103)

The report of the Director of Services stated that Cushing Road and Cushing Place 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.

10.18 **REPAIR WALL AT TOP OF HAWTHORN MEWS**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

'That Cork City Council would repair the wall at the top of Hawthorn Mews adjacent to No. 33.'

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Clancy 04/104)

The report of the Director of Services stated that this wall is not in public ownership. Any repairs are a matter for the private property owner.

10.19 **ALBERT ROAD WORKS**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

'That the following much needed work be carried out at Albert Road:-

1. Resurfacing of the Road Carriageway of Kingston Avenue.
2. A red stop light pelican crossing be installed at Albert Road and Victoria Road, and in the meantime the present zebra crossings at these locations be repainted as promised to me over two years ago.
3. Disc parking be extended to Marina Tce and Hiberian buildings as promised.
4. That Double Yellow lines be painted at all corners, to stop motorists parking in a dangerous position, which occurs at present and thus increase the line of sight for motorists exiting onto the main roads.'

(Proposer: Ald. T. Shannon 04/146)

The report of the Director of Services stated that :

1. Kingston Avenue will be considered for inclusion in the 2005 Resurfacing Programme.
2. A pelican crossing cannot be installed either in Albert Road or Victoria Road adjacent to the roundabout. Only zebra crossing are appropriate here as the "green light" facing motorists might give them an indication to proceed through the roundabout when it is not safe to do so. I will arrange for the existing zebra crossings to be repainted and upgraded as part of this year's work programme.
3. It is planned to introduce disc parking controls to Marina Terrace and Hibernian Buildings in the coming weeks. However, some local residents have raised objections to the proposed parking controls and further discussions will be

required with the local residents before the disc parking controls can be installed there.

4. The issue of illegal parking too close to junctions will be examined with the Gardaí and if deemed appropriate, the painting of the yellow lines in conjunction with the installation of the disc parking controls will be carried out.

10.20 **RED STOP LIGHT PELICAN CROSSING BE INSTALLED ON CHURCH ROAD**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That a red stop light pelican crossing be installed on Church Road, Blackrock at Willow Bank, Blackrock National Hurling Club location, in order to facilitate pedestrians wishing to cross in safety.’

(Proposer: Ald. T. Shannon 04/147)

The report of the Director of Services stated that pedestrian and traffic surveys will be carried out on Church Road at Willow Bank and in the vicinity of Blackrock Hurling Club in order to determine if sufficient warrants exist for the provision of a pedestrian crossing facility there.

If the warrants exist and an appropriate and safe location can be found, the provision of the crossing will be put forward for consideration in next year’s roads programme.

10.21 **REPAIRS BE CARRIED ON THE FOOTPATH ON WESTERN ROAD**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That repairs be carried out on the footpath on Western Road from the A.I.B. bank on the left hand side to the roundabout at entrance to U.C.C. as a matter of urgency.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. O’ Connell 04/161)

The report of the Director of Services stated that renewal works to the footpath on the Western Road from the A.I.B. bank on the left hand side to the roundabout at the entrance to U.C.C. are presently being carried out under the Green Route Project.

10.22 **REPAIR FOOTPATHS ON HIGHFIELD AVENUE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That the footpaths on Highfield Avenue be repaired as a matter of urgency.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. O’ Connell 04/162)

The report of the Director of Services stated that maintenance work will be carried out on the footpaths in Highfield Avenue during the current year.

10.23 **RESURFACE THE STRIP OF ROAD OPPOSITE CORK INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council takes immediate action to resurface the strip of road opposite Cork Institute of Technology.’

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Dennehy 04/175)

The report of the Director of Services stated that this road will be considered for inclusion in the 2005 Resurfacing Programme. Cllr. Mary Shields queried when these works are to be done. It was agreed that these works should now be completed during 2004.

10.24 **STOP THE FLOODING OUTSIDE 121 TOGHER ROAD**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council take action to stop the flooding outside 121 Togher Road, by the bus stop. This stretch of road is subject to flooding during bad weather and causes considerable inconvenience to pedestrians.’

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Dennehy 04/176)

The report of the Director of Services stated that this area will be inspected with a view to resolving the flooding problem.

10.25 **TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT MEASURES – ASHLEIGH ESTATES AREA, SKEHARD ROAD**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That appropriate traffic management measures be put in place in the Ashleigh Estates Area, Skehard Road in order to eliminate speeding traffic through this district and also to facilitate access onto Skehard Road, Blackrock.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Counihan 04/193)

The report of the Director of Services stated that Ashleigh Estate is already on 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.

The junction of Ashleigh Estate with Skehard Road will also be examined in conjunction with the Gardaí to determine if any measures that can be taken to improve access onto Skehard Road.

10.26 **TRAFFIC FLOW ON OLD BLACKROCK RD BE MADE ONE-WAY**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That the traffic flow on Old Blackrock Road (between Rockboro Estate, and its junction with Victoria Avenue) be made one-way.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Counihan 04/194)

The report of the Director of Services stated that 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.

A less friendly environment for pedestrians because of the increased speeds.

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 Old Blackrock Road as a one-way street would increase its priority as a traffic route and reduce its status as a residential area. Disc parking has recently been installed there, which has dramatically improved the environmental for the residents. The reduced parking by ‘outsiders’ has actually improved the facilities for passing bays, etc. and the introduction of a one-way system with resultant increased traffic speeds would increase hazards for pedestrians particularly in those sections where there is no footpath in front of the houses.

The introduction of a one-way traffic system in Old Blackrock Road is therefore not recommended.

10.27 **ROAD RESURFACING – PEARSE PLACE, BALLYPHEHANE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That funding be provided for the resurfacing of Pearse Place, Ballyphehane in the 2005 estimates.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O’ Driscoll 04/196)

The report of the Director of Services stated that Pearse Place has recently received localised repairs. It will be considered for inclusion in the 2005 Resurfacing Programme.

10.28 **TRAFFIC CALMING – SKEHARD ROAD, BLACKROCK**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council would prepare a traffic calming programme for Ashleigh Drive, Ashleigh Gardens and Ashleigh Rise, Skehard Road, Blackrock. These areas are experiencing increased volumes of traffic travelling at speed throughout their area and the situation is likely to deteriorate with the development of Mahon Point.’

(Proposers: Cllr. D. Clune and J. Corr 04/198)

The report of the Director of Services stated that Ashleigh Estate is already on 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.

10.29 **ROAD RESURFACING – MARBLE HALL PARK**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That repairs to the roads at Marble Hall Park, be included in next years Road Resurfacing Programme as they are in an extremely poor condition.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. O’ Flynn 04/200)

The report of the Director of Services stated that Marble Hall Park will be considered for inclusion in the 2005 Resurfacing Programme.

10.30 **ROAD RESURFACING – GREENHILLS ESTATE, SOUTH DOUGLAS ROAD**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That repairs to the roads in Greenhills Estate, South Douglas Road, be included in next years Road Resurfacing Programme as they are in very poor condition.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. O’ Flynn 04/201)

The report of the Director of Services stated that Greenhills Estate will be considered for inclusion in the 2005 Resurfacing Programme.

10.31 **REDUCE SPEED TO 20MPH ZONES IN NEIGHBOURHOOD**

An Chomhairle approved Report of Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council would hand neighbourhoods back to residents by the creation of a number of reduced speed to 20mph zones. The 20mph zones would improve safety for vulnerable road users and encourage more children to walk or cycle. It would help pedestrians and cyclists cross to access paths, bus facilities and other amenities. Such policies would reduce traffic on roads such as Albert Road, and connecting neighbourhood streets. To establish other 20mph zones in neighbourhoods which are currently experiencing isolation, division and vulnerability.’

(Proposer: Cllr. Chris O’ Leary 04/204)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the current roads traffic legislation allows for the following speed limits:

‘Normal’ speed limits: 30 mph, 60 mph and 70 mph (motorway)
 ‘Special’ speed limits: 40 mph and 50 mph

The Minister of the Environment & Local Government is due to make new regulations in the coming months for the conversion of these speed limits to their metric equivalents. He will also provide for a new speed limit of 30 kph, which is equivalent to 20 mph. This new speed limit will be used in residential areas with high pedestrian volumes and outside some schools.

The intention will be that this low speed limit will be used only in conjunction with traffic calming measures and will generally be self enforcing. Cork City Council will have to await the issuing of the new regulations before consideration can be given to the introduction of the new speed limits in any areas of the City.

It should be noted that Albert Road will probably not be a suitable location for this kind of speed limit due to its function as the major link to the City Centre from the industrial areas of Centre Park Road and Monahan Road and from the general Ballintemple and Blackrock areas.

10.32 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES – ST ANNE’S DRIVE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That appropriate traffic calming measures would be put in place at St. Annes Drive, that monies for same would be included in the Estimate of 2005, that residents be consulted about the nature of the measures intended and that the matter be treated with urgency, bearing in mind the fact that the ramps at St. Josephs Drive have added greatly to the volume and speed of traffic that consequently diverted to St. Annes.’

(Proposer: Ald. M. Quill 04/206)

The report of the Director of Services stated that St. Anne’s Drive is already on 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.

10.33 **IMMEDIATE REINSTATEMENT OF STREAM HILL, DILLONS CROSS**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council carry out immediate reinstatement at Stream Hill, Dillon’s Cross and that both Stream Hill and Gardiner’s Hill Avenue be resurfaced as soon as possible.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 04/207)

The report of the Director of Services stated that Stream Hill/Gardiner's Hill is a concrete road and is in reasonable condition. It is not on the 2004 resurfacing programme.

10.34 **SAFE ACCESS AND EGRESS FOR VEHICLES**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘Given the need for safe access and egress for vehicles including ambulances to and from St. Finbarrs Hospital, that Cork City Council takes immediate measures to prohibit parking in the immediate vicinity of the hospital.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O’ Brien 04/213)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the Main Douglas Road at the entrance and exit points from St. Finbarr’s Hospital will be examined in conjunction with the Gardaí and appropriate measures to improve the road safety in the area will be carried out.

10.35 **ROAD RESURFACING PROGRAMME – RATHMORE LAWN / RHODAVILLE ESTATE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Rathmore Lawn/Rhodaville Estate be included in next years Road Resurfacing Programme. That the footpaths in the area be repaired/replaced as they are in a very poor condition. The footpath levels are incorrect in some places and are allowing surface water to flow into private property.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O’ Brien 04/214)

The report of the Director of Services stated that Rathmore Lawn and Rhodaville Estate will be considered for inclusion in both the 2005 Road Resurfacing Programme and the 2005 Footpath Renewal Programme.

10.36 **RAILINGS OPPOSITE 48 MANGERTON CLOSE, THE GLEN**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

'That the high railings opposite house No. 48 Mangerton Close, The Glen, be repaired.'

Proposer: Cllr. J. Kelleher 04/189)

The report of the Director of Services stated that Cork City Council will include the repair of the railings outside No. 48 Mangerton Close in its 2004 Programme of Works.

10.37 **ROAD RESURFACING – QUAKER RD & WINDMILL RD**

An Chomhairle approved the report of Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

'That Cork City Council include Quaker Road and Windmill Road in next years Road Resurfacing Programme.'

(Proposer: Cllr. Sean Martin 03/414)

The report of the Director of Services stated that Windmill Road and Quaker Road have already been included in the 2004 Resurfacing Programme.

10.38 **INSTALL PUBLIC LIGHTING FROM THE JUNCTION OF FITZ'S BOREEN ON NEW MALLOW RD TO OLD MALLOW RD**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

'I wish to ask Cork City Council to install public lighting from the junction of Fitz's Boreen, on the New Mallow Road to the junction on Fitz's Boreen on the Old Mallow Road.

This is an area that does not have public lighting and I wish to propose that public lighting be installed on this stretch of road.'

(Proposer: Cllr. G. O' Flynn 04/134)

The report of the Director of Services stated that Fitz's Boreen between its junction with the N20 Mallow Road and the Old Mallow Road will be surveyed in order to determine the extent of the public lighting requirement in the area. A detailed design will be undertaken with estimate of costs, and the provision of the new lighting will be put forward for consideration in next year's road programme.

10.39 **RE-INSTATE FOOTPATH OUTSIDE NO'S 41, 45 & 46 MC GRATH PARK**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

'That the footpath outside no's 41 and 45 to 46 McGrath Park, Blackrock be re-instated immediately as it is in a very bad state of disrepair.'

(Proposer: Ald. T. Shannon 04/150)

The report of the Director of Services stated that this footpath will be inspected and any remedial works considered necessary will be carried out.

10.40 **RE-INSTATE FOOTPATH AT GLANDORE VILLAS**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That the footpath at Glandore Villas, Blackrock be re-instated immediately as it is a very bad state of disrepair.’

(Proposer: Ald. T. Shannon 04/151)

The report of the Director of Services stated that this footpath has been included in the 2004 Footpath Renewal Programme.

10.41 **TRAFFIC LIGHTS BE INTRODUCED AT THE NORTH RING ROAD BY FIRE STATION**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That traffic lights not traffic calming measures be introduced at the North Ring Road by the Fire Station in light of the volume of fast-moving traffic that uses this road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. G. O’ Flynn 04/167)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the North Ring Road, while not designated as a national primary route, carries significant volumes of strategic traffic. It is a by pass road for the north east side of the City and links the N20 to Limerick to the N8 Dublin and N25 Waterford Roads. It effectively operates as a national primary route.

Accordingly, Cork City Council in conjunction with the NRA are examining the full length of the North Ring Road to determine if there are any remedial measures that could be taken to improve road safety and traffic flows along the roadway. The study is not yet complete and options such as providing traffic signals by the Fire Station will be considered.

A further report will be issued when the study is completed and various measures for the North Ring Road are recommended.

10.42 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES – SUNVALLEY DRIVE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 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 at Sunvalley Drive as a matter of urgency.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Clancy 04/171)

The report of the Director of Services stated that Sunvalley Drive 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.

10.43 FLASHING AMBER LIGHTS & LARGE WARNING SIGNS AT NORTH RING ROAD NEAR RIVERVIEW ESTATE

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

'That flashing amber lights and large warning signs be erected on the North Ring Road near Riverview Estate, Ballyvolane.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kelleher 04/218)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the North Ring Road, while not designated as a national primary route, carries significant volumes of strategic traffic. It is a by pass road for the north east side of the City and links the N20 to Limerick to the N8 Dublin and N25 Waterford Roads. It effectively operates as a national primary route.

Accordingly, Cork City Council in conjunction with the NRA are examining the full length of the North Ring Road to determine if there are any remedial measures that could be taken to improve road safety and traffic flows along the roadway. The study is not yet complete and options such as providing traffic signals, warning signs, etc. near Riverview Estate, Ballyvolane will be considered. A further report will be issued when the study is completed and various measures for the North Ring Road are recommended.

10.44 TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES – CHURCH ROAD, BLACKROCK

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

'That calming measures be put in place in Church Road, Blackrock, to stop speeding traffic going through this area as you have young children and senior citizens coming and going to the GAA club & tennis club, and this is a danger to people who use this stretch of road.'

(Proposer: Cllr. D. O' Flynn 04/224)

The report of the Director of Services stated that Church Road, Blackrock 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.

10.45 **MAKE KERRYHALL ROAD A CUL-DE-SAC**

An Chomhairle agreed to refer the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July, 2004 on the following motion back to the Roads & Transportation Functional Committee for further consideration.

'That options for closing off Kerryhall Road and making it a cul-de-sac in an effort to improve safety and security for residents of the road.'

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Wallace 04/247)

10.46 **TRAFFIC COUNTS & PROJECTIONS AT PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE LANDS AT LOTABEG AND LOTAMORE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

'That Cork City Council carry out serious traffic counts and projections in relation to proposed development of the lands at Lotabeg and Lotamore by Messrs O' Brien & O' Flynn. Since adjoining lands may also be in ownership of the developer City Council would be failing in its public duty not to take cognisance of future development in the County adjoining Silversprings/Lotamore and future actual traffic flows/speed will cause chaos in what is now a very settled and peaceful neighbourhood.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 04/263)

The report of the Director of Services stated that in Cork City any proposed development in excess of 70 housing units requires a Traffic Impact Assessment (TIA) to be carried out. The assessment must examine the current status of the road traffic network in the area and then determine and assess the impacts of the new development on the local area. Impacts are assessed for:

- Local Residents/Pedestrians
- Cyclists
- Public Transport Users
- Motorists

The assessment must then put forward proposals and measures to mitigate the effects of the identified impacts including increased traffic volumes, and in larger developments, specific proposals must be included for the encouragement of alternative modes of transport to the car.

Planning permission has already been sought for a major housing development in the City and County areas east of the Silversprings area. A TIA was included with the planning application and this report is available for viewing by the general public. The TIA assessed the planning application under consideration and other potential developments in the City and County areas.

Traffic calming measures in the existing adjoining estates in the city and the provision of traffic signals including minor road widening at the junction with Silversprings Lane were part of the proposed mitigation measures. These measures will be paid for by the developer.

10.47 ROAD & FOOTPATH RESURFACING – HALCON DRIVE

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘Recognising that the roadway and the footpaths at Halcon Drive are in a perilous condition, the City Council will carry out a programme of full resurfacing as a matter of urgency.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Quill 04/271)

The report of the Director of Services stated that resurfacing of the road at Halcon Drive will be considered for inclusion in the 2005 Roadworks Programme. The footpaths will be examined for defects and any work necessary will be carried out at the earliest possible time.

10.48 ROAD RESURFACING – ASHTON PARK, BLACKROCK RD

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Ashton Park Blackrock Rd. be included in the Road Resurfacing Programme for 2005, as the road is in an extremely poor condition.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O’ Brien 04/272)

The report of the Director of Services stated that Ashton Park is not in charge. Cork City Council are therefore not in a position at present to carry out work here.

10.49 ROAD RESURFACING – TEMPLE HILL LAWN

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That due to the poor condition of the surface that Temple Hill Lawn, Churchyard Lane be included in the Road Resurfacing Programme for 2005.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O’ Brien 04/273)

The report of the Director of Services stated that Temple Hill Lawn will be considered for inclusion in the 2005 Resurfacing Programme.

10.50 FOOTPATH REPAIR – WESTSIDE ESTATE, TOGHER

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That the footpaths in Westside Estate, Togher, which are urgently in need of repair, be examined and rectified, as soon as possible.’

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Dennehy 04/274)

The report of the Director of Services stated that these footpaths will be considered for inclusion in the 2005 Footpath Renewal Programme. In the meantime any remedial work considered necessary will be carried out.

10.51 **ROAD RESURFACING – OUTSIDE NO. 91 UAM VAR DRIVE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That the stretch of road outside No. 91 Uam Var Drive, Bishopstown be resurfaced. The adjoining roads have been resurfaced and it is only fitting that this small stretch of road should also be resurfaced to complete the circuit.’

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Dennehy 04/275)

The report of the Director of Services stated that this road will be considered for inclusion in the 2005 Resurfacing Programme.

10.52 **PROTECTIVE RAILING OUTSIDE 73 BLARNEY STREET**

An Chomhairle approved the report of Director of Services dated 1st July 2004 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That a protective railing be located outside 73, Blarney Street to prevent lorries and other vehicles coming down the hill and crashing into the houses.’

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Gosch 04/277)

The report stated that the footpath width is unsuitable at this location to accommodate a barrier, which might be suitable to take the direct impact of a lorry. The Roads Maintenance Division, together with the Traffic Division, will examine the safety aspects at the junction of Friars Avenue and Blarney Street.

11. **CONFERENCES**

An Chomhairle approved attendance at the following Conferences:-

11.1 **DOUGLAS HYDE CONFERENCE, ROSCOMMON**

An Chomhairle, with the exception of Comhairleoir M. Barry, approved the attendance of Comhairleoirí D. Cregan, M. Shields, B. Bermingham & J. Kelleher at the Douglas Hyde Conference to be held on 16th – 18th July, 2004 at Roscommon.

11.2 **INTERNATIONAL HUMBERT SCHOOL**

An Chomhairle, with the exception of Comhairleoir M. Barry, approved the attendance of Comhairleoirí D. Cregan, T. Shannon, M. Shields & J. Kelleher at the International Humbert School Conference to be held on 20th – 25th July, 2004 at Ballina, Castlebar, Killala, Kilcummin, Lackin.

12. **MOTIONS**

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

12.1 **COLOUR CODING BE INTRODUCED FOR PLANNING APPLICATION**

‘That colour coding be introduced for planning application to accommodate the public so that they are aware of 2nd and 3rd applications on the same site’.

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 03/254)

Planning & Development Functional Committee

12.2 **ROADS & FOOTPATH RENEWAL PROGRAMME NESSON ST/BRIDGE ST & ST. FINBARR’S STREET**

‘That Nesson Street/Bridget Street and St. Finbarr’s Street be included in the 2004 Roads and Footpath Renewal Programme.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 04/32)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.3 **ROAD RESURFACING – LAKE LANDS CRESCENT & AVENUE**

‘That Lake Lands Crescent and Avenue be included in the road resurfacing programme for 2005, and in the meantime much needed remedial work be carried out immediately.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Shannon 04/154)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.4 **FUTURE OF ASSUMPTION CONVENT**

‘That Cork City Council, in considering the motion I already put down in relation to the future use of the Assumption Convent now in Cork City Council ownership, take note of the large number of people who have signed a petition supporting the proposal for an Elderly Care Centre for the property. This will be of greater benefit to the Community of Blackpool and surrounding areas.

(Proposer: Cllr. G. O’ Flynn 04/179)

Recreation, Amenity & Culture Functional Committee

12.5 **CLOSE ALLEYWAY IN GLENTHORN DRIVE**

‘That Cork City Council grant permission to the residents of No: 79 and No: 81 Glenthorn Drive to close off the alleyway between their houses.’

(Proposer: Cllr. G. O’ Flynn 04/209)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.6 **PLANNING CONDITIONS ATTACHED TO SALE OF ORCHARD COURT**

‘That Cork City Council would enforce the planning conditions attached to the original sale of Orchard Court i.e. apart from the housing development that there would be an amenity park, a wetland garden and a riverside walk created.

7 years has now elapsed and no work has been carried out to date. Failing this work being carried out that the land would revert to Cork City Council so that they can develop it themselves.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Clancy 04/226)

Planning & Development Functional Committee

12.7 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES – GURRANABRAHER AVE.**

‘That Cork City Council would put in place traffic calming measures in Gurranaברה Avenue as a matter of urgency.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Clancy 04/241)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.8 **PROVIDE BOLLARDS BETWEEN MOUNT BROSNA & AVONMORE PARK, MAYFIELD**

‘That bollards be provided between Mount Brosna and Avonmore Park, Mayfield (near house no. 25 Avonmore Park), to prevent dangerous “rat running” by cars across the wide footpath, which is endangering the lives of local children.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kelleher 04/243)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.9 **ROAD RESURFACING – MENLOE GARDENS**

‘The roads in Menloe Gardens, Blackrock be included in the estimates for road resurfacing in 2005, as they are in very poor condition.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. O’ Flynn 04/270)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.10 **PLACE NAMES IN LOCAL AUTHORITY AREA AROUND LIDL**

‘That an examination be made and a report written on the absence of place names in the Local Authority area around the LIDL shopping centre in Togher and that a plan be drawn up to eliminate the problem.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Ahern 04/290)

Housing & Community Functional Committee

12.11 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES BE INSTALLED IN KENLEY ROAD**

‘That given the danger to many children in the area and the disregard of many speeding drivers, traffic calming measures be installed in Kenley Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Ahern 04/291)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.12 **WIDEN DOWN-WARD LANE ON NORTH RING ROAD**

‘That the down-ward lane on the North Ring Road, Mayfield, at the Junction with Colmcille Avenue be widened on the inside (near Silverheights) by about one metre.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kelleher 04/294)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.13 **ROAD RESURFACING – SOUTH LODGE GROVE**

‘That the roads in South Lodge Grove, Ballinlough, be included for road resurfacing in 2005 as they are in very poor condition.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. O’ Flynn 041/296)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.14 **ROAD RESURFACING – GREENHILLS COURT, SOUTH DOUGLAS RD**

‘That Greenhills Court, South Douglas Road would be resurfaced and made good. The main artery was resurfaced in recent years but the cul-de-sacs are in a very poor state of repair with some subsidence occurring.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Clune 04/325)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.15 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES – CONVENT AVENUE, BLACKROCK**

‘That traffic calming measures would be installed on Convent Avenue, Blackrock, in light of the fact that increased housing development in the area will result in additional traffic using this route.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Clune 04/326)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.16 **ROAD RESURFACING – FARRANFERRIS PLACE, FARRANREE**

‘That the Road in Farranferris Place, Farranree would be resurfaced.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. McCarthy 04/328)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.17 **RAMPS IN ONSLOW GARDENS**

‘That ramps be put in Onslow Gardens, Commons Road to slow down traffic.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. McCarthy 04/329)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.18 **CORK CITY COUNCIL’S ROLE AS HOUSING AUTHORITY**

‘That Cork City Council carry out a thorough review of our role as Housing Authority and as a landlord and in particular the operation of housing allocation/maintenance/scheme design and refurbishment. In addition, that we review how we are in fact responding to anti social behaviour.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 04/331)

Housing & Community Strategic Policy Committee

12.19 **BUS LANE OUTSIDE MURMOUNT VILLAS**

‘That Cork City Council would not force residents of Murmount Villas to suffer a bus lane outside their house when it has not the support of the residents who petitioned against it.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 04/332)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.20 **FOOTPATH REPAIR – 35 CHURCHFIELD TERRACE**

‘That the footpath outside 35 Churchfield Terrace be repaired.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. O’ Connell 04/334)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.21 **GATES ERECTED AT STEPS BETWEEN 137 – 139 BAKERS ROAD**

‘That gates be erected at both ends of the steps between No. 137/139 Baker’s Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. O’ Connell 04/335)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.22 **TRAFFIC SURVEY AT THE GLEN ROAD**

‘That the City Council carry out a detailed traffic survey at the Glen Road with a view to ascertain whether a pedestrian crossing at St. Mark’s School would be a viable traffic-calming measure.’

(Proposer: Cllr. A. Spillane 04/338)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.23 **BYELAWS PROHIBITING UNCONTROLLED BONFIRES ON BONFIRE NIGHT**

‘That Cork City Council would consider the introduction of byelaws prohibiting uncontrolled bonfires in open spaces on June 23 (Bonfire Night). Given the high incidence of anti social behaviour, theft of wheelie bins and other environmental implications, intimidation of residents especially elderly people, Cork City Council would outlaw the practice of uncontrolled bonfires. That Cork City Council would carry on the tradition of ‘Bonfire Night’ by holding in designated areas a public celebration of the tradition in association with the midsummer festival and should engage in meaningful discussions with recognised residents associations regarding same.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 04/340)

Recreation, Amenity & Culture Functional Committee

12.24 **ROAD MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE – ROSSBROOK ESTATE,
MODEL FARM ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council would immediately put in place a proper road management structure at the entrance to Rossbrook Estate, Model Farm Road, to allow residents of Rossbrook estate gain access and egress on to Model Farm Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 04/341)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.25 **GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS BASED IN CORK**

‘That Cork City Council calls on the Government to clearly set out its plans for Government Departments based in Cork City and to prevent any such jobs being reassigned to areas outside of Cork City. The City Council expresses its surprise that no new jobs have been assigned to Cork City despite the pronouncements on decentralisation.’

(Proposer: Cllrs. J. Buttimer, B. Bermingham, C. Burke, M. Ahern 04/343)

Planning & Development Functional Committee

14. **TENDERS**

The following tenders were opened:-

- 7 no. tenders for Mechanical & Electrical Contract – Jack Lynch Tunnel.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

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