

**MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF CORK CITY COUNCIL**  
**HELD ON MONDAY, 14<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2005.**

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

An tArdmhéara recited the opening prayer.

1. **VOTES OF SYMPATHY**

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

- The Beausang Family on the death of Mary Beausang.
- The Egan Family on the death of Pat Egan.
- The Guiney Family on the death of Valerie Guiney.
- The O'Riordan Family on the death of Gerry O'Riordan.
- The Sisters of Mercy on the death of Sr. Angela Bolster.
- The Miller Family on the death of Arthur Miller.
- The Crockett Family on the death of Edward Crockett.
- The Coughlan Family on the death Marie Coughlan.

## 2. **VOTES OF CONGRATULATIONS**

An Chomhairle unanimously extended a vote of congratulations to:-

- Paul Laffan, of Sundays Well Swimming Club who swam the 100 metres Freestyle in less than one minute.
- Chief Supt. Ray McAndrew on his promotion to Assistant Commissioner.

## 3. **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the following meeting was considered and approved:-

- a) Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held on 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2005.

## 4. **QUESTION TIME**

### 4.1 **TORY TOP ROAD BRANCH LIBRARY**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir T. O'Driscoll, a written reply was circulated which stated that the new library is expected to be opened in early June.

### 4.2 **BLOCKING OFF THE ALLEYWAY IN FAIRFIELD GREEN AND FAIRFIELD ROAD**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir Dave McCarthy, a written reply was circulated which stated that a contract for Lane Closures that includes Fairfield Green/ Fairfield Road was advertised on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2005. The closing date for receipt of tenders is 12noon on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2005.

Once the tenders have been assessed and the contract awarded, a programme of work will be agreed with the contractor. A definitive start date will then be available.

### 4.3 **REMEDIAL ACTION BEING PROPOSED NEAR THE COLLEGE COMMERCIAL PARK OR THE ROADWAYS LEADING FROM MAGAZINE ROAD TO DENNEHY'S CROSS**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir Colm Burke, a written reply was circulated which stated that in November/December of last year, we relocated 3 no. gullies to the kerbside edge of the road where the road interfaces with the Commercial Park yard. This was done to ensure that the gullies, which were previously a few feet further out from the kerb, would be better positioned to intercept surface water flowing along the edge of the road adjacent to the kerb on flat which forms the interface between the road and the yard. We also installed a new gully at the western (uphill) side of the entrance.

We have also ensured that all existing gullies in the vicinity have been cleaned. We will monitor the area during rainfall to ascertain if any further gullies are needed between Dennehy's Cross and the Commercial Park.

It should be noted that, during heavy rainfall last October, the Drainage Division of Environment cleared an obstruction from the existing large drainage pipe crossing Magazine Road to the east of the Commercial Park. This obstruction contributed to flooding of the area at the time.

#### 4.4 **BORD GAIS'S FAILURE TO PLAN PROPERLY THE RENEWAL OF GAS MAINS ON ST. JOSEPH'S DRIVE, MONTENOTTE.**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir Tim Brosnan, a written reply was circulated which stated that Cork City Council resurfaced St. Joseph's Drive, Ashburton Hill in 2000. Following a fatal gas leakage incident in late 2003 in Dublin, Bord Gais has accelerated their programme of mains renewal both nationally and locally throughout the city.

Where a reconstructed or resurfaced road pavement is excavated within 5 years of the date of being overlaid/improved, the applicant is directed to replace a full lane width of pavement for the full length excavated with seamless heat treated joints. Only established surfacing contractors, approved by Cork City Council, shall be employed and the materials used and the depth of overlay shall match the original specification.

It is a requirement in accordance with "The Directions for the Control and Management of Roadworks in Cork City" that a minimum of two identification signs must be prominently displayed on site at all times, indicating the name and local contact telephone number for any Contractor/Utility Company or City Council Division involved in any roadworks activity.

#### 4.5 **DISABILITY FOOTPATHS PUT IN PLACE**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir Brian Birmingham, a written reply was circulated which stated that the Roads & Transportation has a policy of providing dished footpaths at appropriate pedestrian crossing points throughout the city. Dishing is usually accompanied by appropriate tactile paving. This provision is effected in a number of ways.

Where a footpath renewal scheme is taking place, the footpaths are dished at crossing points. The footpath renewal schemes take place under Road Resurfacing or Green Route contracts or otherwise by direct labour. Large street refurbishment contracts such as Patrick Street, Oliver Plunkett Street and imminently Grand Parade make a significant impact on the city centre in this regard.

In addition there is a continual dishing of footpaths carried out by direct labour at particular crossing points and much of this work arises from the regular meetings we have with the Cork Access Group who voice the concerns of mobility impaired people.

There is no comprehensive statistical information available but it is quite apparent that this work has substantially increased in recent years and a further indication of this increase is shown by the area of footpath being renewed/replaced on an annual basis.

The city is becoming more mobility friendly each year and our regular and ongoing meetings with the Cork Access Group will continue to address locations of particular and immediate concern to mobility impaired users.

#### 4.6 **HOUSEHOLDS WERE GRANTED A FULL WAIVER IN 2004**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir Ciarán Lynch, a written reply was circulated which stated:-

(a) 2004 Waivers

Full	10,221
Partial	2,575
Total	12,796

(b) 4,892 – Full waivers granted to date in 2005.

Application forms for a waiver of the fixed charge for 2005 are due to be issued shortly.

(c) This situation can only arise in cases of particular hardship and would be confined to a small number of households.

#### 4.7 **DETAILS OF SALARIES AND BONUSES PAID TO CORK CITY COUNCIL STAFF**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir Mick Barry, a written reply was circulated which stated that the current salary scales (effective 1 July 2004) for the grades in question are as follows:

City Manager	€117,712
Asst City Manager, Directors and Heads of Function	€72,948
	€76,265
	€79,579
	€82,896
	€86,212

In addition to the above the grades involved participate in a Performance Related Pay Scheme operated by a national committee under the aegis of the Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government.

The scheme provides for payment of performance related pay bonuses to the grades listed above but the total expenditure on the scheme is limited to 10% of the cumulative salaries of the officers participating in the scheme. Participation is voluntary and each officer has the option of participating or not participating in any particular year.

The award made to individuals is considered personal information.

4.8 **POOR SURFACE ON SHANDON STREET FROM THE NORTH GATE BRIDGE TO THE JUNCTION WITH DOMINICK STREET**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir Patricia Gosch, a written reply was circulated which stated that the final surfacing of Shandon street has not yet commenced. The contractor is at present in the process of organising this work and is in discussion with the Gardai and the traffic section as a full closure of the street for a number of days will be required.

4.9 **REFUSE SERVICE CHARGES WAIVERS FOR 2004 AND 2005**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir Jerry Buttimer, a written reply was circulated which stated:-

(a)	<u>2004 Waivers</u>	
	Full	10221
	Partial	<u>2575</u>
	Total	12796

A total of 4892 waivers have been granted for the fixed and tag charge for 2005 to date. Application forms for a waiver of the fixed charge for 2005 are due to be issued shortly.

(b) At present we have 42,499 active accounts. This figure has not changed significantly over the previous few years.

(c) The total number of tags issued to retailers for re-sale up to 31/01/05 is 100,214. The number of tags sold and the consequent revenue generated will become known as shops begin to re-order tags.

5. **SECTION 179 (3) PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT ACT, 2000 - PROPOSED HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AT BOREENMANNA ROAD**

An Chomhairle considered the revised proposal for Housing Development of 154 houses at Boreenmanna Road and the Report thereon of the City Manager dated 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2005, prepared under Section 179 (3) of the Planning & Development Act, 2000.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Corr, seconded by Comhairleoir D. O' Flynn, An Chomhairle approved the report of the City Manager dated 10th February 2005.

6. **DRAFT CUSTOMER ACTION PLAN 2004 - 2009**

On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Corr, seconded by Comhairleoir D. Wallace, An Chomhairle approved the Draft Customer Action Plan 2004-2009.

7. **AMENDMENT TO STANDING ORDERS – DELETE SECTION 22 (7) OF THE STANDING ORDERS**

An Chomhairle considered the following proposed amendment to Standing Orders which was proposed by Comhairleoir Mick Barry and seconded by Comhairleoir C. O' Leary at the meeting of An Chomhairle held on 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2005.

‘Council agrees to delete Section 22 (7) of the Standing Orders of Cork City Council which reads: ‘No cameras of any kind or sound recording or communication equipment may be used at meetings of the Council, without the prior approval of the Council.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Barry 05/28)

Comhairleoir C. Lynch proposed and Comhairleoir T. Brosnan seconded that the proposal be amended to:

That Section 22 (7) of Standing Orders be replaced as follows:

‘Cameras of any kind or sound recording or communication equipment may only be used at meetings of the Council, with the prior approval of the Council.’

An Chomhairle unanimously agreed to the amended proposal.

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

8.1 **DRAFT STRATEGIC PLAN FOR LIBRARY SERVICES 2005-2009**

An Chomhairle approved the Draft Strategic Plan for the Library to cover period 2005-2009 to further develop the library service.

9. **HOUSING & COMMUNITY FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE**

9.1 **MONTHLY REPORT**

An Chomhairle approved the monthly report of the Director of Services for the month of January, 2005.

9.2 **CIRCULAR HPPS 04.01 – RENTAL ACCOMMODATION SCHEME**

An Chomhairle noted the report of the Director of Services of Services on Circular HPPS 04.01 on the Rental Accommodation Scheme.

The report of the Director of Services referred to his previous report to Members dated 2<sup>nd</sup> September, 2004 in relation to the arrangements approved by Government for new long-term accommodation arrangements for rent supplement tenants. The initiative is based on Housing Authorities developing arrangements with private landlords to secure long-term availability of private rented accommodation for rent supplement recipients of 18 months continuous duration who have been assessed as having long-term housing needs.

### 9.3 **DRAFT TRAVELLER ACCOMMODATION PROGRAMME 2005 - 2008**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services of Services dated 28<sup>th</sup> January, 2005 on the Draft Traveller Accommodation Programme 2005 – 2008.

### 9.4 **DEVELOPMENT AT CUSHING ROAD/PLACE**

An Chomhairle considered the proposed development at Cushing Road/Place and the report of the Director of Services thereon dated 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2005 prepared in accordance with Section 179 (3) of the Planning & Development Act, 2000.

Comhairleoir C. Clancy proposed and Comhairleoir J. Kelleher seconded that consideration of the report be deferred for two weeks.

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

**FOR:** Comhairleoirí J. Kelleher, C. Clancy, D. O' Flynn, C. Lynch, M. Ahern. (5)

**AGAINST:** Comhairleoirí M. Quill, D. Murphy, A. Spillane, M. Barry, D. Wallace, J. O'Brien, D. McCarthy, C. Burke, T. Fitzgerald, D. Clune, D. Counihan, C. O' Leary, T. Shannon, J. Corr, S. Martin, T. O' Driscoll, D. Cregan, F. Dennehy. (18)

An tArd-Mhéara declared the vote lost.

Comhairleoir D. Wallace proposed and Comhairleoir M. Barry seconded the adoption of the Report of the Director of Services dated 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2005, prepared under Section 179 (3) of the Planning & Development Act, 2000.

A vote was called for where there appeared:

**FOR:** Comhairleoirí M. Quill, J. Kelleher, D. Murphy, A. Spillane, M. Barry, D. Wallace, J. O'Brien, D. McCarthy, C. Burke, T. Fitzgerald, D. Clune, D. Counihan, C. O' Leary, D. O' Flynn, T. Shannon, J. Corr, C. Lynch, S. Martin, T. O' Driscoll, D. Cregan, F. Dennehy, M. Ahern. (22)

**AGAINST:** Comhairleoir C. Clancy (1)

An tArd-Mhéara declared the Report approved.

The report of the Director of Services stated that the development is proposed to be carried out by Cork City Council. The site/layout of the proposed development was

shown on the accompanying plan and a drawing showing the front elevation of proposed refurbished blocks was also attached.

Cork City Council has advertised the proposed development as required by Article 81 of the Planning and 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 or observations were to be made ended on December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2004.

A total of 4 no. submissions/observations were received within the specified period in relation to the proposed development.

The proposal has been considered by the Planning and Development Directorate, the Roads & Transportation Directorate, the Environment Directorate and the Recreation, Amenity & Culture Directorate and all have indicated that they consider the proposed development acceptable.

#### 9.5 **GRAFFITI ON HOUSES AT MOURNE AVENUE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services of Services dated 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2005 on the following motion referred to the Committee to An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council remove the graffiti from the gable ends of nos. 37 and 42 Mourne Avenue and that the Council take such measures to ensure further graffiti cannot be put there again.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 04/426)

The report of the Director of Services stated that whilst tenants are normally responsible for removal of graffiti from their own houses, in this particular case Cork City Council will undertake to remove the graffiti from the gable walls of No.s 37 and 42 Mourne Ave.

The report also stated that Maintenance Staff and Housing Officers will investigate what measures, if any, are appropriate to minimise the risk of further graffiti at this location.

#### 9.6 **REPLACING BATHTUBS IN HOUSES AT BOYCES STREET**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services of Services dated 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2005 on the following motion referred to the Committee to An Chomhairle:-

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

(Proposer: Cllr. G. O’ Flynn 04/362)

The report of the Director of Services stated that resources for replacing baths with level access showers suitable for the disabled in Cork City Council dwellings are available under the Disabled Persons Grant scheme, for which Council has allocated additional funding in 2005.

The report also stated that tenants wishing to have this work carried out should submit the requisite application for assessment as per the appropriate criteria.

#### 9.7 **INFILL HOUSING AT JUNCTION OF WATERCOURSE ROAD AND ARTHUR VILLAS**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services of Services dated 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2005 on the following motion referred to the Committee to An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council would develop the site at the Junction of the Watercourse Road and Arthur Villas, Blackpool for Infill Housing.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Clancy 04/421)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the site in question was acquired in connection with the construction of the Blackpool By-pass. The acquisition was funded by the National Roads Authority and the property is presently in the control of the Roads and Transportation Directorate.

The report also stated that the site is quite restricted being located at the junction between Watercourse Road and the Blackpool By-pass Road. It's possible future use for special needs or affordable housing will be considered and a further report will issue to Members in due course. It should be noted that any proposals in this regard will require the approval of the National Roads Authority.

#### 9.8 **CENTRAL HEATING IN HOUSES AT SUNVIEW, FAIRHILL**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services of Services dated 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2005 on the following motion referred to the Committee to An Chomhairle:-

‘That central heating would be installed as a matter of urgency in the remaining houses in Sunview Fairhill that do not have central heating.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Clancy 04/437)

The report of the Director of Services stated that on receipt of funding in late 2004 from Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government, a scheme for installation of gas central heating to 120 no. Cork City Council dwellings is in place. Priority has been given to elderly or special needs tenants in accordance with the departmental guidelines for the scheme. Premises in Sunview, Fairhill currently without heating are included in the scheme.

The report also stated that Cork City Council has already contracted with Bord Gais to install such heating within the coming 3 to 4 months.

## 9.9 **DISPOSALS**

An Chomhairle approved the following Disposals:

### **PROPERTY DISPOSAL**

- a) Part of laneway approximately 41.7 m<sup>2</sup> in area, situated at side of 25, Inniscarra Road, Fairhill, Cork, to Eileen Loughed, c/o Murphy & Condon, Solicitors, Bank Buildings, 2, Shandon Street, Cork.
- b) Part of laneway approximately 33.6 m<sup>2</sup> in area, situated at side of 23, Inniscarra Road, Fairhill, Cork, to Daniel O'Leary, c/o Murphy & Condon, Solicitors, Bank Buildings, 2, Shandon Street, Cork.
- c) Part of laneway approximately 39.4 m<sup>2</sup> in area, situated at side of 32, Innishannon Road, Fairhill, Cork, to Trevor & Catherine Allen, c/o Murphy & Condon, Solicitors, Bank Buildings, 2, Shandon Street, Cork.
- d) Part of laneway approximately 38.0 m<sup>2</sup> in area situated, at side of 34, Innishannon Road, Fairhill, Cork, to Hannah O'Mahony, c/o Murphy & Condon, Solicitors, Bank Buildings, 2, Shandon Street, Cork.
- e) Part of laneway approximately 21.8 m<sup>2</sup> in area situated, at side of 24, Mount Farran Place, Blackpool, Cork, to Liam Heffernan, c/o Kieran McCarthy & Co., Solicitors, Bank buildings, 2, Shandon Street, Cork.
- f) Part of laneway approximately 116 m<sup>2</sup> in area situated, at side of 13, Farrancleary Place, Blackpool, Cork, to Roy Scott, c/o Kieran McCarthy & Co., Solicitors, 11/12, Washington Street, Cork.
- g) Part of laneway approximately 3.0 m<sup>2</sup> in area situated, at side of 44, Mount Farran Place, Blackpool, Cork, to John O'Regan, c/o Kieran McCarthy & Co., Solicitors, 11/12, Washington Street, Cork.
- h) Part of laneway approximately approximately 6.2 m<sup>2</sup> in area situated, at side of 7, Leesdale Model Farm Road, Cork to Angela and Patrick John Madden, c/o Denis O'Mahony & Co., Solicitors, "Library House", 13, Dyke Parade, Mardyke, Cork.
- i) Part of laneway approximately approximately 28.7 m<sup>2</sup> in area situated, at 30, Parkway Drive, Model Farm Road, Cork, Eric Barry, c/o Denis O'Mahony & Co., Solicitors, "Library House", 13, Dyke Parade, Mardyke, Cork.
- j) Property at Knapps Square, Cork, approximately 12.5 sq. m. in area to Carroll's Quay Development Company Limited, c/o Michael Powell & Co., Solicitors, 48, Grand Parade, Cork, for the sum of €7,500.00 plus legal costs of €650.00 subject to conditions.
- k) Site approximately 109 sq. metres in area and situated at junction of Ballinlough Road/High Street/Douglas Road, Cork, to Caroline & Niall O'Halloran, c/o P.J. O'Driscoll & Sons, Solicitors, 73, South Mall, Cork, for the sum of €14,000 plus costs, which is the best consideration reasonably obtainable.

### **SHARED OWNERSHIP**

- (a) Fee Simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as 5, Ashmount, Silversprings, Cork, held by Cork City Council subject to a Shared

Ownership Lease dated 2<sup>nd</sup> January, 2003, to Frank O'Donovan and Breda O'Donovan (nee Wood), for the sum of €89,462.67.

### **FEE SIMPLE INTEREST**

- (a) Freehold interest in "St. Helena's", Upper Derrynane Road, Turners Cross, Cork, to Richard Hewitt and Bridget Hewitt, for the sum of €100.00 plus costs of €460.00.

Comhairleoir D. Wallace declared his interest in this matter in accordance with Section 177 of the Local Government Act 2001 and took no part in the discussion as the property belongs to a relative.

## **10. ROADS & TRANSPORTATION FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE**

### **10.1 ROADWORKS PROGRAMME**

An Chomhairle agreed to defer the following item to the next meeting of An Chomhairle to be held on 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2005:-

Members considered Report of A/Director of Services dated 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2005, on the progress of ongoing Roadworks Programme for month ended January 2005. Members raised a number of issues in relation to the 2004 Roads Programme.

#### **Decision of Committee**

It was agreed to accept the A/Director of Services Report and to recommend it to An Chomhairle for information.

### **10.2 SOUTH RING ROAD SPEED LIMITS – S.85 AGREEMENT**

An Chomhairle approved the Report of A/Director of Services dated 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2005, regarding South Ring Road Speed Limits – S.85 Agreement and on the proposal of Comhairleoir D. Wallace, seconded by Comhairleoir J. Corr, An Chomhairle approved the adoption of the following Resolution:-

"That Cork City Council, being of the opinion that it would be more convenient that the powers, functions and duties of Cork County Council, in relation to the amendment of speed limits on the South Ring Road (N25) be executed by Cork City Council, hereby resolves to enter into an agreement with Cork County Council, for the said purpose pursuant to Section 85 of the Local Government Act 2001 and Section 14 of the Roads Act 1993".

The report of the Director of Services stated that at its Meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> July, 2003, Cork County Council adopted a resolution in relation to the amending of speed limits on the approaches to the roundabouts on the South Ring Road and resolved that the works be executed by Cork City Council pursuant to Section 85 of the Local Government Act 2001 and Section 14 of the Roads Act 1993.

Accordingly, as the alterations to the speed limit will be necessary for the construction of the Kinsale Road Roundabout and repair works to Douglas Flyover in the near future.

**An Chomhairle agreed to defer consideration of all remaining items of the Roads & Transportation Functional Committee Meeting held on 7th February, 2005, to the next meeting of An Chomhairle to be held on 28th February, 2005.**

11. **CORRESPONDENCE**

An Chomhairle noted the correspondence.

12. **CONFERENCES**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance at the following Conferences:-

12.1 **IMPLEMENTING THE NATIONAL SPATIAL STRATEGY – THE ROLE OF THE REGIONAL AUTHORITIES CONFERENCE**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoir S. Martin at Implementing the National Spatial Strategy – The Role of the Regional Authorities Conference to be held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> February, 2004 at the Temple Gate Hotel, Ennis, Co. Clare.

12.2 **AMAI SPRING SEMINAR 2005**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoir D. McCarthy at the AMAI Spring Seminar 2005 to be held on 11<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> February, 2005 in the Holiday Inn, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal.

12.3 **GENERAL COUNTY OF COUNTY COUNCILS – ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoirí B. Bermingham, G. O' Flynn, D. Wallace & D. O' Flynn at the General County of County Councils Annual Conference 2005 to be held on 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2005 at the Johnstown House Hotel, Enfield, Co. Meath.

12.4 **COLMCILLE WINTER SCHOOL**

An Chomhairle approved with Comhairleoir M. Barry objecting to the attendance of Comhairleoirí G. O'Flynn, J. Kelleher & D. Counihan at the Colmcille Winter School Conference to be held on 25 – 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2005 at the Colmcille Heritage Centre, Gartan, Churchill, Co. Donegal.

12.5 **THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL BENEFIT OF HERITAGE DEVELOPMENT IN IRISH TOWNS CONFERENCE**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoirí F. Dennehy & J. Kelleher at the Economic and Social Benefit of Heritage Development in Irish Towns Conference to be held on 17 – 18<sup>th</sup> February, 2005 at Listowel Arms Hotel, Listowel.

## 12.6 **CARLOW TOURISM NATIONAL CONFERENCE**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoirí F. Dennehy & J. Kelleher at the Carlow Tourism National Conference to be held on 24<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> February, 2005 at the Seven Oaks Hotel, Athy Road, Carlow.

## 13. **MOTION DEFERRED FROM MEETING OF AN CHOMHAIRLE HELD ON 31<sup>ST</sup> JANUARY, 2005**

An Chomhairle agreed to defer consideration of this Motion to the next meeting of An Chomhairle to be held on 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2005:-

## **REALITY ENTERTAINMENT TELEVISION PROGRAMMES**

"That Cork City Council calls on the Minister For Communication, Terrestrial and extra Terrestrial Television stations and the Broadcasting regulator to restrict and regulate number and timing of reality entertainment programmes such as for example "The Swan", "Desperately seeking surgery", to a slot more suitable for adults i.e. after the watershed."

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 05/25)

## 14. **MOTIONS**

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

### 14.1 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES – MERCIER PARK**

‘That Traffic Calming Measures be put in place in Mercier Park.’

(Proposer: An tArdmhéara S. Martin 04/253)

**- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee -**

### 14.2 **ROAD RESURFACING – BOTANIC ROAD**

‘That Botanic Road be included in next years Road Resurfacing Programme.’

(Proposer: An tArdmhéara S. Martin 04/254)

**- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee -**

### 14.3 **CONTRACT FOR THE CLAMPING & TOWING AWAY OF VEHICLES**

‘I wish to propose a motion that the present contract for the clamping and towing away of vehicles parking in places, by contractors of Cork City Council not be renewed or renegotiated with the present contractors or any other potential contractors when this contract comes up for renewal. I also propose that the

practice of clamping and the towing of vehicles in public places by Cork City Council must be prohibited after the present contract runs its course.'

(Proposer: Cllr. G. O' Flynn 04/381)

**- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee -**

**14.4 PARKING PERMITS FOR RESIDENTS IN LANDSDOWNE COURT, OLD YOUGHAL ROAD**

'That Cork City Council will issue all residents in Landsdowne Court, Old Youghal Road with parking permits when disc parking is introduced.'

(Proposer: Cllr. G. O' Flynn 04/435)

**- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee -**

**14.5 PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR MOBILE PHONE RADIATION MAST & MONOPOLES**

'In view of the increasing number of Planning Applications for Mobile Phone Radiation Mast and Monopoles coming before Cork City Council Planning Dept. That Cork City Council would adopt a Safe Health Policy.

That Planning given for Mobile Phone Radiation Mast or Monopoles should be a minimum radius of 600 meters distance from residential areas, schools, Institutions or recreational areas where children under the age of 18 gather.'

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Clancy 04/501)

**- Planning & Development Functional Committee -**

**14.6 SURFACE AREA FRONTING HOUSES AT BUNKERS HILL**

'That Cork City Council would again look at the condition of the surface of area fronting House's on Bunkers Hill as they are in urgent need of repair.'

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Clancy 04/507)

**- Housing & Community Functional Committee -**

**14.7 ALCOHOL FREE FLIGHTS ON AIRLINES DEPARTING & ARRIVING TO IRELAND**

'That this Council calls on the Minister for Transport to encourage Aer Lingus, Ryan Air, and other carriers departing from and arriving into Ireland, to operate

alcohol free flights henceforth to avoid air rage and over exuberance putting hundreds of lives in acute danger’.

(Proposer: Cllr. B. Bermingham 05/11)

**- Deferred to the next meeting of An Chomhairle –**

**14.8 PATRICK STREET TO BE CAR FREE**

‘That this Council in consultation with the appropriate stakeholders put forward the proposition that Patrick Street be car free on agreed high pedestrian times i.e. Saturday afternoons, Sundays etc to further enhance an atmosphere that is more people friendly and facilitating musical and artistic creativity in the City Centre, ongoing.’

(Proposer: Cllr. B. Bermingham 05/19)

**- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee -**

**14.9 MONUMENT IN ST. JOSEPH’S CEMETERY, BALLYPHEHANE**

‘That Cork City Council place a monument in St. Josephs Cemetery, Ballyphehane to commemorate the thousands of victims of the Great Famine who are buried in this cemetery.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O’ Driscoll 05/29)

**- Recreation, Amenity & Culture Functional Committee -**

**14.10 PUBLIC LIGHTING AT THE LOUGH**

‘That the standard of public lighting at the Lough be upgraded in view of its popularity as an amenity.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O’Driscoll 05/30)

**- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee -**

**14.11 BUILD HOUSES ON THE OLD SCOUT HALL – HOLLYHILL LANE**

‘That Houses be built on the old scout hall side on Holyhill Lane.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. McCarthy 05/31)

**- Housing & Community Functional Committee –**

14.12 **SEWER BLOCKED AT BACK OF 29 FAIRFIELD GREEN**

‘Due to the sewer being blocked on a regular basis at the back of the house, 29 Fairfield Green, that urgent repairs be carried out.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. McCarthy 05/32)

**- Environment Functional Committee -**

14.13 **CROSSING ON THE WELL ROAD TO FACILITATE PEDESTRIANS**

‘That Cork City Council would provide a crossing on the Well Road to facilitate pedestrians wishing to cross to the bus stop.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Clune 05/33)

**- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee -**

14.14 **YOUTH FACILITY IN THE PLANS FOR PHASE 2 OF THE GLEN REGENERATION PROGRAMME**

‘That Cork City Council Housing Directorate would include provision for a dedicated youth facility in the Plans for phase 2 of the Glen Regeneration Programme as previously requested by myself and as now also requested by City of Cork VEC.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 05/35)

**- Housing & Community Functional Committee -**

14.15 **UPGRADING THE NORTH RING ROAD TO NATIONAL PRIMARY ROUTE**

‘That Cork City Council would again impress upon the National Roads Authority the urgency of upgrading the North Ring Road to National Primary Route status in the interests of the safety of residents living in Parks along the route as the upgrading would also involve the upgrading of pedestrian and traffic safety measures along the route.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 05/36)

**- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee -**

#### 14.16 **GRANT AID FOR SPORTS EQUIPMENT**

‘That Cork City Council calls on the Minister for Sport to make available grant aid for sports equipment & gear to sporting organisations.’

(Proposer: Cllrs. D. McCarthy & Jerry Buttimer 05/41)

**- Deferred to the next meeting of An Chomhairle -**

#### 14.17 **PARKING PERMITS BE ALLOWED FOR COMMERCIAL PREMISES**

‘That in some areas of the city (to be discussed at the Roads Committee) Parking Permits may be allowed for commercial premises.’

(Proposer: Cllr. Dara Murphy 05/42)

**- Roads & Transportation Strategic Policy Committee -**

#### 14.18 **TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PROGRAM**

‘That Cork City Council would draft an immediate plan for the upgrading of the roads and footpaths and introduce an overall traffic management program for the area adjoining U.C.C. and that the necessary work would be carried at an early date in view of the fact that Cork City Council has received over €1million in planning contributions from developments which are presently being carried out in this area.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Burke 05/43)

**- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee -**

#### 14.19 **AREA ACTION PLAN**

‘In view of the recent development of student accommodation in the area immediately adjacent to University College Cork that Cork City Council would draft an Area Action Plan, which would encourage and facilitate the reversion of the area to family type residential development.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Burke 05/44)

**- Planning & Development Strategic Policy Committee –**

14.20 **REVIEW ROAD LAYOUT FROM CORK UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL ON TO BISHOPSTOWN AVE, LABURNUM DRIVE AND PARK**

‘That Cork City Council would carry out a review of the road layout at the rear exit from Cork University Hospital on to Bishosptown Ave, Laburnum Drive, and park.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 05/45)

**- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee -**

This concluded the business of the meeting.

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