

MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF CORK CITY COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY, 31ST JANUARY, 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, G. O' Flynn, D. Wallace, P. Gosch.
- NORTH WEST** Comhairleoirí J. O' Brien, D. McCarthy, C. Burke, M. O' Connell, T. Fitzgerald.
- SOUTH EAST** Comhairleoirí D. Clune, D. Counihan, C. O' Leary, D. O' Flynn, T. Shannon, J. Corr.
- SOUTH CENTRAL** Comhairleoirí C. O' Connell, C. Lynch, T. O' Driscoll.
- SOUTH WEST** Comhairleoirí J. Buttimer, F. Dennehy, M. Shields, B. Bermingham, M. Ahern.
- ALSO PRESENT** Mr. J. Gavin, City Manager.
Mr. J. O' Donovan, Director of Services, Planning & Development.
Mr. T. Healy, Head of Finance.
Mr. J. Kennelly, Director of Services, Recreation, Amenity & Culture.
Mr. D. O' Mahony, Director of Services, Environment.
Ms. A. Hennessy, Senior Executive Engineer, Recreation, Amenity & Culture.
Ms. N. Mulcahy, Administrative Officer, Corporate Affairs.
Ms. M. Fanning, Staff Officer, Corporate Affairs.

An tArdmhéara recited the opening prayer.

1. **BEST WISHES**

An Chomhairle agreed to send a message of support to the traffic warden who was brutally assaulted in the course of his work, and to wish him a speedy recovery.

2. **VOTES OF SYMPATHY**

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

- The Moynihan Family on the death of their son Ted.
- The Browne Family on the death of Jimmy Browne.

- The Hurley Family on the death of William Hurley.

3. **VOTES OF CONGRATULATIONS**

An Chomhairle unanimously extended a vote of congratulations to:-

- St. Vincent's on the launch of their new GAA Pavilion.
- The Iraqi people on their first democratic elections in over 50 years.

4. **CIVIC RECEPTION**

An Chomhairle approved the hosting of a Civic Reception for:

- Na Píarsaigh Senior Hurling Team on winning the Cork County Senior Hurling Championship 2004.

5. **MINUTES**

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

- Special Meeting of Committee of Whole Council held on 18th January, 2005.
- Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held on 18th January, 2005.

6. **QUESTION TIME**

6.1 **POOR ACCESS ON THE LANCASTER QUAY AND WESTERN ROADS AREAS**

In response to question submitted by An tArd-Mhéara S. Martin, a written reply was circulated which stated that Lancaster Quay and Western Road are on the No. 8 Bus Green Route, which is currently under construction. The Green Route measures include improved facilities for buses, pedestrians and cyclists.

An independent road safety audit was carried out on the Green Route design and special attention was paid to the needs of the physically disabled. Many measures such as dished kerbs, tactile pavements, audio signals at traffic signals, etc. were incorporated into the proposed measures as a result of the original design and the road safety audit.

Access for the physically disabled on Lancaster Quay and Western Road will therefore be greatly improved when the Green Route project is completed in the area.

6.2 **HISTORIC MILLS ON FR. MATHEW QUAY**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir B. Bermingham, a written reply was circulated which stated that the mills on Father Matthew Quay were vacant and derelict for upwards of 40 years.

I have made their redevelopment a priority and I am pleased to advise Council that redevelopment has started, following support, facilitation and encouragement by the City Council.

I would like to express my appreciation to the owner and to the owners and developers of the other derelict sites in the City currently being redeveloped.

6.3 **NEW REFUSE AND RECYCLABLE COLLECTION SYSTEM**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir C. Lynch, a written reply was circulated which stated that the pay per use tag system was introduced on 17/1/05 and its effectiveness is being kept under review. Any issues arising are being resolved. This system is already being used successfully in other local authorities over a longer time period.

The rejection rate for dry recyclables in plastic bags remains at less than 1%. A similar system is used successfully for the collection of paper and cardboard from non-domestic customers. Cork City Council Customers have been very positive in both reaction to and use of this system.

There are no plans at present to replace the see through dry recyclable bags with a wheelbin system.

6.4 **MULTI-STOREY CAR PARK AT PAUL STREET**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir J. Kelleher, a written reply was circulated which stated that Paul Street Car Park opened for six Sundays over the Christmas period to cater for the increased demand associated with that time of the year.

A review is now being carried out of the management and staffing levels of Paul Street Car Park in order to achieve increased efficiencies and to cater for Sunday opening hours. The Christmas period was carried out on overtime and this clearly is not sustainable over a full year.

The review is almost complete and subject to agreement with the staff unions it is planned to introduce full time Sunday hours in the Spring.

North Main Street Car Park operation is also being reviewed and it is also planned to extend its opening hours although at this stage there is insufficient demand to justify a Sunday opening here.

It is planned that opening hours will be:

| | |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Paul Street Car Park | 7.30 am - 12.00 midnight every day |
| North Main Street Car Park | 7.30 am - 9.30 pm Monday to Saturday |

6.5 **ROADWORKS ON CURRAHEEN ROAD/BISHOPSTOWN ROAD**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir J. Buttimer, a written reply was circulated which stated that these lights are scheduled to be switched on by 11th February 2005.

The total cost of constructing the new road layouts at Curraheen Road which incorporates 4 junctions was approximately €48,000. A more detailed cost breakdown would obviously reveal contractually sensitive information, which would not be permitted unless the agreement of the contractor was sought.

In the previous road layout, (one inbound lane and two outbound lanes), the right-turning inbound vehicles were forced to cross two outbound traffic lanes to e turn into Bishopstown Court. The right-turning vehicle had to wait in the inbound lane until a gap occurred in the two outbound lanes. While the right-turning vehicle was waiting for the gap, no inbound vehicles could proceed.

Similarly outbound right turning traffic entering Wilton Avenue and Bishopscourt Road were blocking outbound traffic.

Both of these turning manoeuvres were deemed unsafe.

In the new layout, the right-turning vehicles are removed from the inbound traffic, which removes the existing delay by providing a dedicated right turn lane. The removal of the necessity to cross two traffic lanes now makes the right-turn manoeuvre much safer, which is a priority.

The outbound right-turn lane to Curraheen Road, which has been reduced in length in the proposed layout, will be of sufficient length to accommodate the traffic flow through the traffic signals at Looney's Cross.

Final lining and hatching is programmed to be completed mid February

The pedestrian crossing facilities in the area are either being increased in number or existing ones refurbished. This may explain why some, particularly the one near the Church of the Real Presence, has been out of action from time to time. When the Green Route Project is completed and the pedestrian crossing facilities are working normally, the traffic signals will be monitored automatically by the SCOOT UTC system and any faults will be repaired within a maximum of 3 days.

6.6 **RESIDENTIAL PARKING PERMITS**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir M. Barry, a written reply was circulated which stated that in 2004 Cork City Council commenced a very significant program of expansion of the Cork City Disc Parking Zone (DPZ). This expansion program involves extending the DPZ into predominately residential areas located on the periphery of the pre 2004 DPZ. This expansion program was requested by residents living in the expansion zone and was approved by council. This 70% increase in the DPZ has resulted in an increase in the number of permits issued in 2004 and this figure will rise even further this year.

In order to process the significantly increased number of residents parking permit applications additional staff resources had to be deployed and new systems and procedures put in place. The cost of residents parking permits therefore was increased in order to offset the increased costs associated with processing larger numbers of permits and reduce the increasing deficit experienced in 2004 over the 2003 deficit. The costs associated with enforcing the Bye-Laws in residential areas are detailed in the table hereunder. The expenditure for each year includes the cost of materials, permits, enforcement, staff, lining and signage etc.

Costs:

| Year | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Expenditure: | €576,040 | €671,500 | €719,000 |
| Income: | €5,000 | €30,500 | €120,000 |
| Deficit: | €570,960 | €641,000 | €599,000 |

For the information of the Members a similar residents parking scheme in Dublin City Council carries the following charge:

| City | Cost per permit |
|---------------|-------------------------------------|
| Cork | €20 |
| Dublin | €70- - €400 (depending on location) |

6.7 **INTRODUCTION OF THE NEW COLLECTION SYSTEM**

In response to question submitted by Comhairleoir M. O' Connell, a written reply was circulated which stated that the Manager is not in a position to give the detail sought but would like to it be known that there has been a massive uptake in recycling since the introduction of the separate collection.

7. **MARDYKE GARDENS – REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER UNDER PART VIII OF THE PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS 2001**

An Chomhairle considered the proposed development at Mardyke Gardens and the report dated 11th January, 2005 of the City Manager thereon. On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Corr, seconded by Comhairleoir C. O' Connell, An Chomhairle approved the report of the City Manager on the proposed development at Mardyke Gardens prepared under Part VIII of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001, dated 11th January, 2005.

8. **ST. PATRICKS FESTIVAL – PART XVI REPORT (SECTION 238) OF THE PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT ACT 2000**

An Chomhairle considered the holding of a St. Patrick's Festival and the report of the City Manager dated 27th January, 2005 thereon prepared under Section 238 of the Planning & Development Act 2000. On the proposal of Comhairleoir T. Brosnan, seconded by Comhairleoir B. Bermingham, An Chomhairle approved the City Manager's report dated 27th January, 2005 on the proposed St. Patrick's Day Festival on 17th – 19th March, 2005.

9. **FUNFAIR AT FITZGERALDS PARK – PART XVI REPORT (SECTION 238) OF THE PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT ACT 2000**

An Chomhairle considered the holding of a Funfair at Fitzgerald's Park and the report of the City Manager dated 27th January, 2005 thereon prepared under Section 238 of the Planning & Development Act, 2000. On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Kelleher, seconded by Comhairleoir B. Bermingham, An Chomhairle approved the City Manager's report dated 27th January, 2005 on the proposed Funfair at Fitzgeralds Park during the St. Patrick's Festival on 17th – 20th March, 2005.

10. **TRAVELLER ACCOMMODATION CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE**

On the proposal of Comhairleoir D. Wallace, seconded by Comhairleoir T. Brosnan, An Chomhairle approved the nomination of Comhairleoir M. Shields to the Traveller Accommodation Consultative Committee.

11. **CORPORATE POLICY GROUP**

11.1 **FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO 30th NOVEMBER, 2004**

An Chomhairle approved the Financial Statement for the period to 30th November, 2004.

11.2 **NATIONAL TREASURY MANAGEMENT AGENCY**

An Chomhairle approved the following motion which was referred to the group by An Chomhairle:

“That Council write to the Chief Executive of the National Treasury Management Agency asking him not to invest any further monies from the National Pension Reserve Fund in tobacco companies, and to sell its existing shares in all such companies.”

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kelleher 05/03)

11.3 **CONTRIBUTION TO THE TSUNAMI DISASTER IN BUDGET YR 2005-2006**

An Chomhairle approved the recommendation of the Corporate Policy Group on the following motion which was referred to the Group by An Chomhairle:-

“That this Council presiding over a confident and dynamic and relatively wealthy City, enjoying 2005 as Europe's Capital of Culture, resolves to seek ways and means to contribute to the Tsunami disaster in budget year 2005-2006 and further resolves to contribute henceforth an agreed sum annually to the aids crisis, third world and/or natural disasters projects.”

(Proposer: Cllr. B. Bermingham 05/08)

In relation to the Tsunami disaster the Corporate Policy Group felt in view of monies donated by the Irish Government and the huge response by the public in relate to private donations that no further action by Cork City Council was necessary at this time.

The Corporate Policy Group recommended that the Tsunami disaster situation be kept under review and any other aids crisis, third world and/or natural disasters projects should be reviewed on a case by case basis.

12. **ENVIRONMENT STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE**

12.1 **LITTER POLICY**

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

‘That Cork City Council conduct a strategic review of our anti-litter policy, particularly in the City Centre and that options such as the greater use of CCTV cameras and the introduction of, part time/weekend litter wardens as well as installing more rubbish bins and ashtrays, be introduced to combat the increasing litter problem.’

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Dennehy 04/388)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the Council’s anti-litter policy was set out in Litter Management Plan review 2002. The provision of litter bins and operation of the Litter Warden Service is in accordance with the policy document. Use of CCTV can be used in specific cases. A review of the Plan will take place in 2005 in which the Committee will have an input

12.2 **WATER CHARGES**

An Chomhairle considered the report of the Director of Services and agreed to approve the motion referred as amended:-

‘That this Council would seek that the Government would agree to introduce a waiver system for sectors of non-domestic users so they can be exempt from water charges for Social Inclusion purposes. The following would be included, all voluntary and community organisations, schools, sports clubs and charity organisations.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. O’ Brien 04/404)

13. **ENVIRONMENT FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE**

13.1 **SANITARY AND OTHER SCHEMES**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services on Sanitary and Other Schemes for the year to 31st December 2004.

13.2 **ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services on Environmental Matters for the year to the 31st December 2004.

13.3 **WATER DISTRIBUTION NETWORK PHASE II**

An Chomhairle noted the report of the Director of Services on Water Distribution Network Rehabilitation.

13.4 **MERCHANTS QUAY TOILET**

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

“To ask the Manager to remove one of the biggest eye sores in the City – the men’s toilet on Merchant’s Quay and to install a modern Automatic Public Convenience in its place”.

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Shields 04/424)

The report of the Director of Services indicated that the Drainage Department is currently reviewing the provision of public conveniences at present. The future of Merchants Quay is being examined as part of the review and proposals for its refurbishment or replacement with an Automatic Public Convenience will be made shortly.

13.5 **VERMI COMPOSTING**

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

“That Cork City Council would provide vermi composting facilities to enable biodegradable nappies to be recycled”.

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 04/448)

The report of the Director of Services which indicated that Cork City Council has no plans to provide centralised vermi-composting facilities for the composting of biodegradable nappies was also considered. The proposed Materials Recovery Facility incorporates an enclosed in-vessel composting facility which will cater for the materials specifically mentioned in the motion.

14. **PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE**

14.1 **RENNES FAIR, 2005**

An Chomhairle considered and approved participation of Cork City Council in the Rennes International Fair, 19th to 28th March 2005. An Chomhairle approved that those nominated to the Rennes twinning sub-committee travel to Rennes International Fair, 19th to 28th March, 2005 as part of the official delegation.

14.2 **HOUSING ESTATES**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services on Housing Estates dated 18th January, 2005 on Housing Estates – December 2004.

14.3 **PLANNING STATISTICS**

An Chomhairle noted the report of the Director of Services, Planning & Development dated 20th January, 2005 on the number of planning applications determined from January to December 2004.

14.4 **ENFORCEMENT STATISTICS**

An Chomhairle noted the report of the Director of Services, Planning & Development dated 20th January, 2005 on Planning Enforcement Statistics for period – January to December 2004.

14.5 **DERELICT SITES AT THE BOTTOM OF GARDINER'S HILL**

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

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

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

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

The report of the Director of Services stated that in the case of all 3 sites, the City Council will be issuing Notices shortly of our intention to place these sites on the Derelict Sites Register. Over the coming months in 2005, as part of the overall

acquisition programme, the City Council will consider compulsory acquisition of these properties using the Derelict Sites Act 1990.

15. **CORRESPONDENCE**

An Chomhairle noted the correspondence.

16. **CONFERENCES**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance at the following Conferences:-

16.1 **LOCAL GOVERNMENT MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE**

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

16.2 **A THEATRE OF TOURISM CONFERENCE**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoir M. Ahern at the A Theatre of Tourism Conference held on 28th – 29th January, 2005 at the Dunadry Hotel & Country Club, Muckamore, Dunadry, Co. Antrim.

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

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

16.4 **MERRIMAN WINTER SCHOOL**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoirí G. O' Flynn, D. O' Flynn & P. Gosch at the Merriman Winter School Conference to be held on the 28th – 30th January, 2005 at the Shannon Shamrock Hotel (formally Fitzpatricks), Bunratty, Co. Clare.

16.5 **AMAI SPRING SEMINAR 2005**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoirí T. Fitzgerald, C. Lynch, P. Gosch and M. Ahern at the AMAI Spring Seminar 2005 to be held on 11th – 12th February, 2005 in the Holiday Inn, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal.

16.6 **PUBLIC RELATIONS AND THE ELECTED REPRESENTATIVE CONFERENCE**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoirí D. Cregan, D. McCarthy, P. Gosch and J. Buttimer at the Public Relations and the Elected Representative Conference held on 26th – 27th January, 2005 at the Galway Bay Hotel, Salthill, Galway.

16.7 **COLMCILLE WINTER SCHOOL**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoirí D. O' Flynn, J. Buttimer and T. Brosnan at the Colmcille Winter School Conference to be held on 25th – 27th February, 2005 at the Colmcille Heritage Centre, Gartan, Churchill, Co. Donegal.

16.8 **THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT PLANNING SERVICE**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoirí F. Dennehy, C. Clancy and J. Kelleher at the Local Government Planning Service Conference to be held on 3rd – 4th February, 2005 at the Clonea Strand Hotel, Clonea, Co. Waterford.

16.9 **CARLOW TOURISM NATIONAL CONFERENCE**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoir G. O' Flynn at the Carlow Tourism National Conference to be held on 24th – 27th February, 2005 at the Colmcille Heritage Centre, Gartan, Churchill, Co. Donegal.

16.10 **THE ECONOMIC & SOCIAL BENEFIT OF HERITAGE DEVELOPMENT IN IRISH TOWNS**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoir D. O' Flynn at the Economic & Social Benefit of Heritage Development in Irish Towns Conference to be held on 17th – 18th February, 2005 at Listowel Arms Hotel.

16.11 **THE DUNHALLOW CONFERENCE**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoir P. Gosch at the Dunhallow Conference held on 20th – 22nd January, 2005 at the Dunhallow Park Hotel, Killarney Road, Kanturk, Co. Clare.

16.12 **NATIONAL ENERGY CONFERENCE**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoir J. Kelleher at the National Energy Conference to be held on 10th – 11th February, 2005 at the Hibernian Hotel, Mallow, Co. Cork.

16.13 **SUICIDE PREVENTION OF AWARENESS**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoir T. Brosnan at the Suicide Prevention and Awareness Conference to be held on 18th & 19th February, 2005 in Dromahane, Co. Leitrim.

17. **MOTIONS**

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

17.1 **WEED ERADICATION PROGRAMME – GREENMOUNT CRESCENT & AVENUE**

‘That Greenmount Crescent and Greenmount Avenue be included in the Weed Eradication Programme.’

(Proposer: An tArd-Mhéara S. Martin 04/251)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee -

17.2 **ROAD RESURFACING – COVE STREET**

‘That Cove Street be resurfaced from the Tax Office to Barrack Street.’

(Proposer: An tArd-Mhéara S. Martin 04/252)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee -

17.3 **ABOLISHING WAIVERS FOR OLD AGE & DISABLED PERSONS**

‘I would ask that the City Manager would refrain from implementing the plan to abolish waivers for old age and disabled persons in relation to their refuse collection. I would further ask that the City Manager publish the savings implications of his proposals. I would also ask that the City Manager seek a subvention from Central Government if this is required in view of the social need that dictated the introduction of such waivers in the first place.’

(Proposer: Cllr. G. O’ Flynn 04/372)

- Corporate Policy Group -

17.4 **PUBLIC LIGHTING AT FITZ’S BOREEN / OLD MALLOW ROAD**

‘That Cork City introduces public lighting at the junction of Fitz’s Boreen with the Old Mallow Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. G. O’ Flynn 04/379)

- **Roads & Transportation Functional Committee –**

17.5 **DISHING OF FOOTPATHS**

‘Where a planned footpath renewal is to take place under the direction of the Roads Department. That residents should not be charged for the dishing of footpaths.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Clancy 04/451)

- **Roads & Transportation Functional Committee –**

17.6 **TECHNICAL AID SUPPORT**

‘That Cork City Council Planning Department put in place a Technical Aid Expert who would be able to answer peoples queries on planning issues or to help them interpret files.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Clancy 04/470)

- **Planning & Development Functional Committee -**

17.7 **CONSTRUCTION OF A BRIDGE OVER THE JACK LYNCH TUNNEL**

“That this Council will consider the need, feasibility, design etc and report on the construction of a bridge over the Jack Lynch Tunnel and Dunkettle Roundabout by 2010 to complete the South Ring Road with continued access to the Cork-Dublin N8 motorway as promised by 2009”

(Proposer: Cllr. B. Bermingham 05/09)

- **Roads & Transportation Functional Committee –**

17.8 **POWERS LOST IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

“That this Council calls on the Government to return to Local Government those powers lost to it over the past years with mechanisms to ensure that Councils and their members, where needs are clearly defined, acts responsibly in fulfilling and the carrying out of these powers.”

(Proposer: Cllr. B. Bermingham 05/10)

- **Corporate Policy Group -**

17.9 **30KM/HR SPEED LIMIT**

‘That Cork City Council would consider the immediate introduction of a 30 Km/hour speed limit in all areas that have requested the introduction of traffic calming measures.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Clune 05/15)

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

17.10 **OPEN AIR CEILI'S AT THE LOUGH**

‘That this Council recognises the excellent work being done on a voluntary basis by the group that organises the open air “ceili’s” at the Lough and that this council also recognises that such “ceili’s” are very suitable for the area and are a very positive representation of our culture.

That this Council will undertake a study to determine what facilities are needed by the organisers of these “ceili’s” and what other facilities might be placed there to expand the range of activities and further enhance the amenity value of the Lough.

That following the study, a report be furnished to Council in three months time.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Ahern 05/16)

- Recreation, Amenity & Culture Functional Committee -

17.11 **DOUBLE YELLOW LINES – MARIAN PARK ON POULADUFF RD**

‘That double yellow lines be put in place as a matter of urgency at the entrance to Marian Park on the Pouladuff Road. At present motorists who are commuting to the City Centre are parking at the corner of this junction and creating a danger to both pedestrians and other motorists.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Lynch 05/17)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee –

17.12 **BIN TAG SYSTEM**

‘Following the many and ongoing reported problems associated with the use of plastic bags for the collection of household recyclable materials and the recently introduced bin tag system, Cork City Council will:

1. Cease its method of using plastic bags for the collection of household recyclables
2. Introduce a ‘Dual Wheelie Bin’ system.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Lynch 05/18)

- Environment Functional Committee -

17.13 **RESIDENTS PARKING PERMITS**

‘That Cork City Council reviews the charges for Residents Parking Permits where there is more than one car in the family.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. O’ Connell 05/22)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee –

17.14 **FOOTPATH OUTSIDE TREETOPS IN FAIRHILL ACROSS FROM ST. VINCENT'S HURLING AND FOOTBALL CLUB BE REINSTATED**

‘That the footpath outside Treetops in Fairhill across from St. Vincent’s Hurling and Football Club be reinstated while work is being done putting in footpaths outside St. Vincent’s Hurling and Football Club.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. O’ Connell 05/23)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee –

17.15 **AREA OF GROUND BETWEEN 91 LEESDALE AND THE COMMUNITY SCHOOL WALL**

‘To request the Manager in accordance with the wishes of the majority of the Residents of the above area and in the interest of preventing any further anti social behaviour, to consider altering the zoning of the area of ground between 91 Leesdale and the Community School wall from Amenity use to Housing and Community, as outlines on the map sent to the Planning Department, Cork City Council.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Shields 05/24)

- Planning & Development Functional Committee -

17.16 **SPECIAL SPEED LIMIT OF 30 KM PER HOUR**

‘That Cork City Council in association with the Gardai, and the National Roads Authority will apply the special speed limit of 30 km per hour on roads adjacent to schools and install appropriate and sufficient pedestrian crossings, "school ahead" signs and "slow down" signage on all approach roads to schools in the city."

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

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee –

17.17 **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)

- Referred to the next meeting of An Chomhairle -

17.18 **PRICE OF RESIDENTIAL PARKING PERMIT**

‘Council agrees to reverse the recent increase in the price of a residential parking permit by reducing the price from 20 euro to 5 euro and to organise a 15 euro refund for everyone who purchased one at the 20 euro price since January 1st.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Barry 05/27)

- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee –

17.19 **DELETE SECTION 22 (7) OF THE STANDING ORDERS**

The following motion was proposed by Comhairleoir M. Barry, seconded by Comhairleoir C. O’ Leary and adjourned without discussion for consideration at the next meeting of An Chomhairle:-

‘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)

- Referred to the next meeting of An Chomhairle -

18. **TENDERS**

The following tenders were opened:-

- 11 no. tenders for Wilton Library

This concluded the business of the meeting.

ARDMHÉARA
CATHAOIRLEACH