Biodh a fhios agat go dtionólfar cruinniú de Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí ar an dáta thíosluaite, ar a 5.30 A CHLOG I.N., I SEOMRA NA COMHAIRLE, HALLA NA CATHRACH, CORCAIGH chun na gnóthaí seo a leanas a dhéanamh:-

Take notice that a Meeting of Cork City Council will be held on the undermentioned date, at the hour of 5.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, CORK for the transaction of the following business:-

GNÁTHCHRUIINNIÚ – DÉ LUAIN, 13ú BEALTAINE 2019

ORDINARY MEETING – MONDAY, 13th MAY 2019

1. Votes of Sympathy.

2. Votes of Congratulations/Best Wishes.

3. **LORD MAYOR’S ITEMS**

   To consider any item the Lord Mayor may wish to raise.

3.1 **REVISED STANDING ORDERS**

   An Chomhairle to consider, and if so decided to approve the revised Standing Orders for Cork City Council, effective from the Annual Meeting of 7th June 2019, reflecting the new political structures for Cork City Council.

4. **CHIEF EXECUTIVE’S ITEMS**

4.1 **PROPOSED HOLDING OF AN EVENT: SEAFEST MARITIME FESTIVAL 2019**

   An Chomhairle to approve the report of the Chief Executive, dated 10th May 2019 on the proposed holding of an event by Cork City Council under the Planning and Development Act, 2000 and Planning and Development Regulations 2001. The event in question is the SeaFest Maritime Festival 2019 to be hosted at the Port of Cork and Cork City Quays on 7th, 8th and 9th June 2019.
4.2 **RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 104 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2001**

An Chomhairle to consider the report of the Chief Executive, dated 9th May 2019 on the requirement under Section 104 of the Local Government Act 2001, and to adopt the following Resolution:-

“**RESOLVED, That the Annual Financial Statement for 2018 and, Pursuant to Section 104 of the Local Government Act 2001, the over expenditure as outlined in Note 16 are thereby approved.”**

5. **MINUTES**

To consider, and if so decided to approve as correct record and sign Minutes of:-

- Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held 23rd April 2019.

6. **QUESTION TIME**

Questions submitted enclosed.

7. **PARTY WHIPS – 7th MAY 2019**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Party Whips, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held 7th May 2019.

7.1 **COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE 2019**

Party Whips considered and approved the draft Meetings Schedule Version 1 which provides for Strategic Policy Committees to meet bi-monthly, with three Strategic Policy Committees alternating on each third Monday.

**Decision of Party Whips**

It was agreed to refer to An Chomhairle for approval.

7.2 **MOTION REFERRED FROM ORDINARY MEETING OF AN CHOMHAIRLE HELD 23rd APRIL 2019**

7.2.1 **STANDING ORDER GOVERNING REPLACEMENT OF COUNCILLORS**

Party Whips considered the following motion:-

‘Mindful of changes in the way the current council is being run from previous years, with more groupings now involved in the rotation of chairs and outside committees, that the standing
orders governing the replacement of councillors following resignation of their seats (for reasons such as election to the Oireachtas or European Parliament, sickness, death etc) be changed to afford non party members the same rights as the larger parties to nominate their placements in such eventualities.’


**Decision of Party Whips**

Party Whips agreed to refer this motion to An Chomhairle for approval.

8. **HOUSING & COMMUNITY STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE – 7th MAY 2019**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Housing and Community Strategic Policy Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held 7th May 2019.

8.1 **SCHEME OF PRIORITY FOR AFFORDABLE DWELLING PURCHASE ARRANGEMENTS**


**Decision of Committee**

It was agreed to accept the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services and recommend the Draft Scheme to An Chomhairle for approval.

9. **ROADS & TRANSPORTATION STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE – 7th MAY 2019**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Roads and Transportation Strategic Policy Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held 7th May 2019.

9.1 **REPORTS TO BE CONSIDERED**

9.1.1 **CORK AGGLOMERATION NOISE ACTION PLAN 2018-2023**


**Decision of Committee**

On the proposal of Comhairleoir Kenneth Collins, seconded by Comhairleoir John Sheehan, it was agreed to accept the Director of Services report and refer it to An Chomhairle for approval.
10. **STRATEGIC PLANNING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & ENTERPRISE FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 7th MAY 2019**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Strategic Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise Functional Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held 7th May 2019.

10.1 **INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE**

10.1.1 **TWINNING GRANTS 2019**

Members were informed of and considered the Twinning Grant Applications for 2019.

**Decision of Committee**

The Committee agreed to recommend the Schedule of Twinning Grants as agreed to An Chomhairle for approval.

10.2 **REPORT ON VISIT OF CORK DELEGATION TO SAN FRANCISCO**

The Committee considered the report of Adrienne Rodgers and Liam Casey dated 2nd May 2019 on the visit of the Cork delegation to San Francisco.

**Decision of Committee**

The Committee noted the report of Adrienne Rodgers and Liam Casey on the visit of the Cork delegation to San Francisco and agreed to refer the report to An Chomhairle for consideration.

10.3 **HOUSING ESTATES**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise dated 7th May 2019 on Housing Estates for Q1 2019.

**Decision of Committee**

The Committee agreed to accept the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise dated 7th May 2019 on Housing Estates for Q1 2019 and refer it to An Chomhairle for consideration.

10.4 **PLANNING STATISTICS**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise dated 7th May 2019 on Planning Statistics for Q1 2019.
Decision of Committee

The Committee agreed to accept the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise dated 7th May 2019 on Planning Statistics for Q1 2019 and refer it to An Chomhairle for consideration.

10.5 PLANNING ENFORCEMENT STATISTICS

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise dated 7th May 2019 on Planning Enforcement Statistics for Q1 2019.

Decision of Committee

The Committee agreed to accept the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise dated 7th May 2019 on Planning Enforcement Statistics for Q1 2019 and refer it to An Chomhairle for consideration.

10.6 UP-DATE ON SIGNIFICANT DECISIONS

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise dated 7th May 2019 on significant planning decisions.

Decision of Committee

The Committee agreed to accept the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise dated 7th May 2019 on significant planning decisions and refer it to An Chomhairle for consideration.

10.7 DERELICT & VACANT SITES QUARTERLY REPORT

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise dated 7th May 2019 on the Derelict & Vacant Sites Quarterly Report.

Decision of Committee

The Committee agreed to accept the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise dated 7th May 2019 on the Derelict & Vacant Sites Quarterly Report and refer it to An Chomhairle for consideration.

10.8 PLANNING CONTRIBUTION WAIVERS

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise dated 7th May 2019 on planning contributions waivers.
**Decision of Committee**

On the proposal of Cllr. O’Leary and seconded by Cllr. Dineen the Committee agreed to accept the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise dated 7th May 2019 on planning contributions waivers and refer it to An Chomhairle to revoke the waivers.

10.9 **MOTIONS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE BY AN CHOMHAIRLE**

10.9.1 **TAKE IN CHARGE ORCHARD COURT, BLACKPOOL**

‘That Orchard Court in Blackpool, which was constructed in 1999, be taken in charge by Cork City Council.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 19/079)

**Decision of Committee**

The Committee agreed to accept the Director of Services report and to refer the reply to An Chomhairle for approval.

10.9.2 **ESTATES NOT TAKEN IN CHARGE**

‘That Cork City Council obtain a list from Cork County Council of estates not yet taken in charge from developers and obtain an undertaking from Cork County Council in relation to Ard Na Coille, Lotamore that all outstanding works will be completed. Cork County Council should not release any developer from their bond from 23rd April 2019.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 19/169)

**Decision of Committee**

The Committee agreed to accept the Director of Services report and to refer the reply to An Chomhairle for approval.

11. **ENVIRONMENT & RECREATION FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 7th MAY 2019**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Environment and Recreation Functional Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held 7th May 2019.

11.1 **CORK CITY COUNCIL CLEANING REGIME**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Environment & Recreation dated 2nd May 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-
‘That the Curragh Road, Kinsale and adjacent park be included in a regular Cork City Council cleaning regime. It is one of the main road networks into town and it should be cleaned on a regular basis.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 18/295)

**Decision of Committee**

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

11.2 **GRASS CUTTING IN COUNCIL AND PRIVATE ESTATES**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Environment & Recreation dated 2nd May 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘Can Council give a report on the situation of grass cutting for the green areas in both Council and private estates for 2019. Will they be cut regularly this year as there was a lot of green areas went uncut in 2018.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 19/074)

**Decision of Committee**

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

11.3 **VEGETATION IN TRACTION AVENUE AND MIDDLE GLANMIRE ROAD**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Environment & Recreation dated 2nd May 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council would clean out the overgrowth and vegetation in the ditch bordering Traction Avenue and Middle Glanmire Road. The unkept nature of this area encourages the dumping of all kinds of rubbish in the overgrown vegetation which needs to be cut back and cleared.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 19/078)

**Decision of Committee**

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

11.4 **LITTER BIN AT NEW BISHOPSTOWN PLAYGROUND**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Environment & Recreation dated 2nd May 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by an Chomhairle:-
‘That City Council would put in place a litter bin in the vicinity of the new Bishopstown Playground at Murphy’s Farm, Bishopstown.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 19/131)

**Decision of Committee**

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

11.5 **REPAIR GENERAL TOM BARRY’S GRAVESTONE**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Environment & Recreation dated 2nd May 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That the gravestone belonging to General Tom Barry and his wife be done up, the writing has faded on the headstone and both these people did the State great service.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 19/005)

**Decision of Committee**

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

11.6 **GREENERY AND OVERGROWTH ON THE CARRIGROHANE ROAD**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Environment & Recreation dated 2nd May 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘Can City Council give a full report on what’s happening with the section of greenery and overgrowth / trees that has been cut just inside the railing on the west bound side of Carrigrohane Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 19/153)

**Decision of Committee**

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

11.7 **QUARRY WALL GROWTH ON VICTORIA TERRACE**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Environment & Recreation dated 2nd May 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-
‘That the quarry wall growth on Victoria Terrace be moved as soon as practical.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O’Flynn 19/076)

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

11.8 PROTECT GREEN AREAS AROUND PÁIRC ÚI RINN

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Environment & Recreation dated 2nd May 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That the green areas around Páirc Úi Rinn be protected. Illegal parking upon the greens at match times is ripping up the ground with deep tyre marks.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 19/106)

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

11.9 JUNIOR PARK RUNS

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Environment & Recreation dated 2nd May 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That Cork City Council would develop a series of Junior Park Runs and that it would engage with Cork County Council to explore the options of developing such an initiative in conjunction with the Adult Park Run in Ballincollig.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 19/110)

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

11.10 DEVELOPMENT OF TRAMORE VALLEY PARK

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Environment & Recreation dated 2nd May 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘1) That Cork City Council formulate a three to five year plan for the development of Tramore Valley Park, work to commence immediately to design and source funding for a cycle come
pedestrian foot bridge connecting the park with the Grange/Frankfield areas, thus linking the new south central ward. 2) A study to identify the possible connectivity between the park and ride and the park. There are underground walkways, the cost to make these secure. 3) Develop walkways and cycle ways between Douglas and the park. 4) The feasibility of holding concerts there in the future. 5) Proper interaction between clubs schools and the public in park usage.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 19/088)

**Decision of Committee**

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

11.11 **POLLINATOR EDUCATION PROGRAMME**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Environment & Recreation dated 2nd May 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council would initiate an education and information scheme under the auspices of the Lord Mayor’s annual visits to primary schools on the importance of bees and other pollinating insects and the dangers posed to them by climate change and insecticides. Such a programme could educate on this issue by encouraging the study of pollinators through fun projects such as the building of ‘bee hotels’ and that the City Council could take a lead on this by not undertaking an insecticide spraying programme this year to give the bees the opportunity to recover from the effects of toxins such as glyphosate.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Tynan 19/122)

**Decision of Committee**

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

11.12 **DERELICT OPEN SPACE ON REDEMPTION ROAD/ NORTH MONASTERY ROAD**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Environment & Recreation dated 2nd May 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council would assess the derelict open space at the corner of Redemption Rd. and north Monastery Rd. with a view to bringing the site into use as a green space (possibly in conjunction with local schools as part of the Green Schools Initiative). This may have the effect of reducing illegal dumping on the site’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Sheehan 19/124)
**Decision of Committee**

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

11.13 **CUT GRASS AT KNOCKPOGUE PARK**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Environment & Recreation dated 2nd May 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council would ensure that the grass is cut back on the green by the Marian Shrine on Knockpogue Park.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Sheehan 19/127)

**Decision of Committee**

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

11.14 **SITE AT FORMER JOHN BARLEycORN**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Environment & Recreation dated 2nd May 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council immediately acquire the site for sale at former John Barleycorn in order to develop a public amenity and with a view to consulting residents of Glanmire in relation to construction of a community facility on the site of the former historic Inn.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 19/128)

**Decision of Committee**

It was agreed to accept the Director of Services report and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

12. **SPORTS COMMITTEE – 7th MAY 2019**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Sports Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held 7th May 2019.

12.1 **ALLOCATION OF FINAL GRANTS**

It was agreed to recommend the following to An Chomhairle:-
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13. **CORRESPONDENCE**

An Chomhairle to note correspondence, if any.

14. **CONFERENCE/SEMINAR SUMMARIES**

An Chomhairle to note summaries by Members of Conferences/Seminars attended, if any.

15. **CONFERENCES/SEMINARS**

An Chomhairle to approve attendance at Conferences/Seminars tabled on the night, if any.

16. **TRAINING**

An Chomhairle to approve attendance at training tabled on the night, if any.

17. **MOTIONS**

To approve the referral to the relevant Committee of the following motions, due notice of which has been given:-

17.1 **BIN COLLECTIONS AROUND UCC**

‘That Cork City Council have discussions with the various bin collection utilities and discuss the need to change the collection regimes within the confines of UCC. Mondays and Fridays are not the priority days for college students. To maximise collections and avoid excessive rubbish on our streets the days of collection need to change.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 19/006)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

17.2 **CUT BACK TREES IN DEERPARK MEWS AND MUSGRAVE PARK**

‘(a) That Cork City Council organise to have trees cut back at Deerpark Mews. (b) The footpath running parallel to the derelict Vita Cortex site. The trees are overgrown and dangerous to the public using the footpath towards Musgrave Park.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 19/007)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee
17.3 **RESURFACE LANDSDOWNE ESTATE SQUARE**

‘That Cork City Council resurface Lansdowne Estate Square to allow children to play again on the square. This has not been resurfaced in over 43 years and is well overdue.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O’Flynn 19/136)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

17.4 **YELLOW LINES OUTSIDE RATHMORE TERRACE, OLD YOUGHAL ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council install yellow lines outside Rathmore Terrace on the Old Youghal Road to avoid a serious accident.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O’Flynn 19/137)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

17.5 **NUMBER OF HOUSING ‘VOIDS’**

‘That an update be given on the current number of housing ‘voids’ on the Council books and a comparison drawn with the total number of voids at year end since 2009.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 19/171)

**Housing & Community Functional Committee**

17.6 **RESURFACE LAUREL RIDGE**

‘That Cork City Council prioritises Laurel Ridge for resurfacing as the road is in very bad condition.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Fitzgerald 19/175)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

17.7 **RESURFACE ROAD AT ST. VINCENT’S PLACE, BLARNEY STREET**

‘That Cork City Council resurface and undertake the necessary repairs to the road at St. Vincent's Place, Blarney Street.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Fitzgerald 19/176)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**
17.8 **ZEBRA CROSSING/PEDESTRIAN CROSSING ON GLASHEEN ROAD**

‘To have a zebra crossing / pedestrian crossing installed on the Glasheen Road coming out of Tara Lawn across to the Bus Stop across the road on the Glasheen Road, by Lisieux Park. This is a very busy and dangerous road and the residents are very fearful trying to cross the road to get the bus. As we are trying to get people out of their cars and into public transport we have to make it safe for them to do so. While there is a cross down the road by School Avenue there is no footpath on that side of the road for people to walk up to the bus stop safely.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Moloney 19/177)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

17.9 **RESURFACE ASHWOOD CLOSE, ONSLOW GARDENS**

‘That Ashwood Close, Onslow Gardens be resurfaced.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Sheehan 19/179)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

17.10 **30KM SPEED SIGN AT PINewood GROVE**

‘That Cork City Council erect a 30KM speed sign at Pinewood Grove.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Sheehan 19/180)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

17.11 **LANE BETWEEN MT. AGNES ROAD AND FAIRHILL UPPER**

‘That Cork City Council close the lane between Mt. Agnes Road and Fairhill Upper to counteract the antisocial behaviour.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 19/184)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

17.12 **REPAIR FOOTPATHS AT CARDINAL COURT**

‘That the footpaths at Cardinal Court which are in a serious and dangerous state of disrepair be examined and repaired as a matter of urgency.’

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Dennehy 19/186)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**
17.13  **TREE POLICY FOR CORK**

‘That Cork City Council would adopt a tree policy for Cork similar to the one adopted by Dublin City Council in 2016. This should include the introduction of tree preservation orders to prohibit the felling of trees recognised as having important environmental functions scenic amenity.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Tynan 19/187)

**Environment & Recreation Strategic Policy Committee**

17.14  **SPOT CHECKS FOR PROOF OF REFUSE COLLECTION**

‘That City Council would carry out spot checks for proof of refuse collection in areas where illegal dumping is taking place on a regular basis in order to stamp out illegal dumping in our estates.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 19/193)

**Environment & Recreation Functional Committee**

18.  **MOTIONS**

18.1  **DESIGNATE STRATEGIC AREAS AS VAT EXEMPT**

‘That in order to instigate new housing and apartment builds in Cork, including social, affordable and private, the City Council calls on the government to designate strategic areas (land at Docklands etc) as VAT exempt, or reduced to five per cent to make it attractive for developers to build and in parallel to increase the proportion of social/affordable units per development.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 19/182)

18.2  **BUS STOP AT THE TOP OF SUMMERSTOWN ROAD**

‘That City Council would request from Bus Eireann that a bus stop be put in place at the top of Summerstown Road near the junction with Glasheen Road to facilitate the elderly population in Liam Lynch Park, Roger Casement Park and Sheare's Park.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 19/188)

18.3  **WITHDRAW IRISH ENTRY FROM THE EUROVISION CONTEST**

‘That Cork City Council calls for the Irish entry to withdraw from the Eurovision contest which is taking place in Israel this week following the most recent assault on the Gaza Strip resulting in yet more civilian deaths. There are also concerns that the Eurovision will be a propaganda tool for the Israeli Government at a time when international attention has switched off from efforts to establish peace in the region.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 19/189)
CATHERINE KELLY
MEETINGS ADMINISTRATOR

Chuig gach ball de Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí.

9º Bealtaine 2019