MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF CORK CITY COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 14th MAY 2018

PRESENT
Ard-Mhéara Comhairleoir T. Fitzgerald.

NORTH EAST
Comhairleoirí S. Cunningham, T. Tynan, T. Brosnan, J. Kavanagh.

NORTH CENTRAL

NORTH WEST
Comhairleoirí M. Nugent, K. Collins, M. O’Sullivan.

SOUTH EAST

SOUTH CENTRAL
Comhairleoirí M. Finn, F. Kerins, P. Dineen, T. O’Driscoll.

SOUTH WEST
Comhairleoirí J. Buttimer, H. Cremin, F. Dennehy, P.J. Hourican, T. Moloney.

ALSO PRESENT
Ms. A. Doherty, Chief Executive.
Mr. J. G. O’ Riordan, Meetings Administrator, Corporate & External Affairs.
Ms. C. Currid, Staff Officer, Corporate & External Affairs.
Mr. P. Moynihan, Director of Services, Corporate & External Affairs.
Mr. D. Joyce, Director of Services, Transition Directorate.
Mr. J. Hallahan, Head of Finance.
Ms. R. McCarthy, Executive Engineer, Environment & Recreation.
Mr. M. Lyons, As/ Senior Engineer, Environment & Recreation.
Mr. O.A. Oriakhi, Graduate, Communications.

An tArd-Mhéara recited the opening prayer.

1. VOTES OF SYMPATHY

- The Lyons Family on the death of Brigid Lyons.
- The O’Sullivan Family on the death of Denis O’Sullivan.
- The Barry Family on the death of Dolly Barry.
- The Cummins Family on the death of Mick Cummins.
- The Bradley Family on the death of Sheila Bradley.
- The O’Connell Family on the death of Tom O’Connell.
- The Harris Family on the death of Dan Harris.
- The Palestinian Ambassador on the deaths of the Palestinian Civilians in Gaza.
- The O’Grady Family on the death of Carmel O’Grady.

2. VOTES OF CONGRATULATIONS/BEST WISHES

- Greenwood F.C. under 17’s on winning the under 17’s National Titles.
- Pieta House on organising Darkness into Light.
- Knocknaheeny Celtic F.C. on winning the Mossie Linnane Cup for the second year.
• Comhairleoirí P.J. Hourican, H. Cremin and M. Finn, and the team of Volunteers who worked on Darkness into Light.
• Our Lady of Lourdes National School on their 75th Anniversary.
• Nuala Barry and Eleanor Walsh on their 73 year friendship, having met in Junior Infants in Our Lady of Lourdes National School.

3. **LORD MAYOR’S ITEMS**

3.1 **CORK CITY DELEGATION TO BELFAST**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the visit of An tArd-Mhéara to Belfast from 16th to 18th May 2018, as part of a Cork City delegation.

4. **CHIEF EXECUTIVE’S ITEMS**

No items raised.

5. **MINUTES**

On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Sheehan, seconded by Comhairleoir C. O’Leary, An Chomhairle considered and approved the minutes of:-

- Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held 23rd April 2018.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir N. O’Keeffe, seconded by Comhairleoir T. Shannon, An Chomhairle considered and approved the minutes of:-

- Special Meeting of An Chomhairle held 20th April 2018.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Buttimer, seconded by Comhairleoir T. Gould, An Chomhairle considered and approved the minutes of:-

- Special Meeting of An Chomhairle held 30th April 2018.

6. **QUESTION TIME**

6.1 **PAYMENTS TO CONSULTANTS 2014 – 2017**

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir C. O’Leary, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

Could the Chief Executive please give details per service division as to how much Cork City Council paid consultants during the years 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 (Anyone who was paid directly or indirectly by the Council to carry out work on their behalf).

a) Give a breakdown on the services and purpose of the consultants work and/or published and unpublished reports.
b) In each of consultancies engaged, was the oversight policy and procedure applied to all purchased goods, services and/or works, as outlined and in accordance with Planned Procurement approach and guidelines. If not why not and how many did this involve?

(Cllr. Chris O’Leary)
Deferred from meeting of 26th March

REPLY

Based on my analysis of the financial information available to me, the total amount spent on consultants in the years 2014 to 2017 was €11,237,933.

In the corresponding period, Cork City Council spent a sum of €85m. The total spend on consultants in the period equates to 1.3% of the total City Council spend. I am entirely satisfied that in the context of the City Council’s functions and activities, it is reasonable that specialist skills and services would be contracted in by the City Council as and when required.

As requested a list of the consultancy firms and the projects on which they were engaged is enclosed for the years 2014 to 2017.

In line with Planned Procurement approach and guidelines, Cork City Council has put in place controls to ensure that there is a genuine need to engage external consultants prior to the award of any contact. As part of these controls the Director signs off that they have complied with Procurement guidelines and EU legislation.

John Hallahan
Head of Finance

6.2 ISSUES REGARDING THE TOURIST TRAIN

The following question submitted by Comhairleoir P. Dineen was withdrawn:-

Can the CEO explain why the Director of Corporate & External Affairs and or his department refuses to engage with the Chairman of the TAC SPC in relation to his attempts to have a TAC SPC special meeting to discuss and resolve the current issues regarding the Tourist Train. The City is in danger of losing this much needed tourist offering simply because the chosen location (Georges Quay) is void of Tourists and Tourist activity which in turn will most definitely ensure that the much needed Tourist Train is not in a position to trade in a manner that would deem it a viable business and or Tourist asset for our City.

(Cllr. Paudie Dineen)
Deferred from meeting of 23rd April

6.3 CLAIMS AGAINST CORK CITY COUNCIL

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir C. O’Leary, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-
To ask the Chief Executive:
Details concerning claims against Cork City Council (in terms of public liability, employer’s liability, motor liability and property liability), in terms of the following:

(Cllr. Chris O’Leary)
Deferred from meeting of 23rd April

**REPLY**

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JOHN HALLAHAN
HEAD OF FINANCE
6.4 DENSITY OF HOUSING AT THE OLD WHITECHURCH ROAD SITE

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir S. Martin, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

Given that the debt on the Old Whitechurch Road site is now at 30,440,000 and 9.89 million will be spent on infrastructural funding, what density of housing are we now looking at?

What part of the housing market (problem) are we targeting this development for?

REPLY

The Kilnap landbank comprising some 24 Hectares stretching between the Old Whitechurch Road and the Old Mallow Road and owned by Cork City Council is targeted for the development of new residential communities in order to satisfy an increased demand for homes, particularly in the northern environs of the City. These lands and their development comprise only part of a place making and housing programme in and around the City where the emphasis will be on achieving sustainable and diverse communities based on mixed tenure with comprehensive community, neighbourhood centres and schools, and a quality living environment for citizens.

The subject Kilnap landbank requires substantial and complex planning and enabling works including development and augmentation of local transportation and other necessary infrastructure and services such as water, drainage, and telecoms to facilitate such a large development. The Council is currently designing these enabling works which includes the provision of a central spine route through the lands to access and enable development as well as the undergrounding and rerouting of existing overhead power grid linear infrastructure. These initial works are being funded by the City Council by way of a 75% grant under the LIHAF infrastructure funding element of the Rebuilding Ireland Government initiative. A pre-condition of the LIHAF funding is the requirement that a substantial number of homes delivered on the lands are affordable. Preliminary estimates are that the site can accommodated 600 units but this may vary during the masterplanning stage.

Sustainable development of these lands will require effective and meaningful consultation with all stakeholders and compliance with Government policies and best practice in planning and urban design together with delivering the scheme in line with all statutory planning and environmental requirements; these will guide the density and community infrastructure for the development and due process will have to be followed. Over the coming months and years, the Council will be undertaking various planning and procurement processes and related viability studies, including competitive dialogue and engagement with the construction and property sector as it is already doing on other schemes in order to deliver more timely value and housing outcomes for citizens. As the development of these lands progresses, Council Members will be appraised of progress and indeed Council approval, sanction and support will be required at various stages on the journey.
The project at the Old Whitechurch Road is a major undertaking for the Council together with its other plans and it will require effective engagement and collaboration with many key stakeholders including the Members in order to provide new homes and communities sustainably.

B. Geaney,
Director of Services,
Housing & Community.

6.5 WORKS AT CLASHDUV PARK

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir F. Dennehy, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

To ask the CE for an update on (a) the resurfacing of the pathways at Clashduv Park, Togher and (b) an update on the repair work to the playing pitch at Clashduv Park?

(Cllr. Fergal Dennehy)

REPLY

a) Funding for the resurfacing of the pathways at Clashduv Park has been approved and works are programmed to commence early Autumn 2018.
b) Repair works to the playing pitch are programmed for Spring 2019.

Valerie O’Sullivan,
Director of Services,
Environment & Recreation.

6.6 HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AT TRAMORE ROAD, BALLYPHEHANE

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir T. O’Driscoll, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

When is construction of the Council’s housing development at Tramore Road, Ballyphehane expected to commence?

(Cllr. Tom O’Driscoll)

REPLY

Construction of the housing scheme, consisting of four social housing units, located on lands immediately adjacent to 5 Tramore Road commenced on 8th May, 2018.

B. Geaney,
Director of Services,
Housing & Community.
6.7 **ROAD REPAIRS AT HARTLANDS ROAD**

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir M. Shields, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

Urgent repairs are needed at the above junction. The road has dipped considerably at this junction and this depression in the road fills up with water when it rains, and so it is filled most of the time. This is a very busy junction and would it be possible to repair same asap?

*(Cllr. Mary Shields)*

**REPLY**

The junction of Hartland’s Road and Glasheen Road has been assessed. The junction appears to be in good condition with no obvious surface depression visible. The junction of Hartland’s Avenue and Glasheen Road was also assessed and also appears in good condition. Also there are currently no customer service requests recorded in relation to surface defects and surface water ponding in relation to the two junctions above.

However, in assessing this area in response to this question, it was noted that Dorgan’s Road contains multiple surface defects. Construction is currently underway adjacent to Dorgan’s Road (planning ref. no.: 16/3724) permitting the ‘construction of 7 no. housing units’. This work includes widening the footpath from approximately 750mm to 1.8m wide, as well as multiple road openings to access utilities on Dorgan’s Road. Dorgan’s Road has received some temporary reinstatement and following completion of the current ongoing development, the road surface will be reassessed with any outstanding works being addressed as a matter of urgency.

Gerry O’Beirne,
Director of Services,
Roads & Transportation.

6.8 **NUMBER OF CLAIMS MADE**

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir T. Brosnan, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

In relation to Public Liability, can the Chief Executive please advise Council of the number of claims made, the average cost per claim and the total cost in respect of St. Patrick’s Street, Grand Parade, Daunt’s Square and Oliver Plunkett Street for each year from 2008 to 2017 incl and can the Manager please list reasons for the claims. In conclusion can a record be kept from 1/1/2018 of the LED of the claimant for future reference?

*(Cllr. Tim Brosnan)*

**REPLY**

Our Claims Management Database does not allow for an additional data field to accommodate LED.

Please see attached.
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John Hallahan  
Head of Finance

### 6.9 PUBLIC PARKS WITH PLAYGROUNDS TARGETED BY ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

The following question submitted by Comhairleoir C. O’Leary was deferred to the next meeting of An Chomhairle to be held 28th May 2018:-

“Could the CE give an update on the number of Public Park with playgrounds and M.U.G.A. (multi-user games area) facilities in Cork City and suburbs that has been targeted and damaged as result of Vandalism and Anti-social behaviour including:

a) What has been the investment made by Cork City Council in each park on the equipment and facilities, give a breakdown on equipment and each Park in each year 2012,2013,2014,2015,2016,2017,2018;

b) What has been the investment made by Cork City Council in each park on the replacement/repair of equipment and facilities damaged, give a breakdown on equipment and each Park in each year 2012,2013,2014,2015,2016,2017,2018;

c) How many individuals has Cork City Council pursued for the damages of the Park equipment/facilities in each year 2012,2013,2014,2015,2016,2017,2018;

d) Has Cork City Council pursued legal action for damages against person or persons responsible for the Vandalism and Anti-social behaviour which lead destruction/damage of equipment at the public facilities in each year 2012,2013,2014,2015,2016,2017,2018;

e) If Cork City Council has not pursued legal action for damages against person or persons responsible why not and give a breakdown of cost in each case for the year 2012,2013,2014,2015,2016,2017,2018;

f) List the different kinds of damage to Public Park equipment and facilities and the overall cost to Cork City Council.

(Cllr. Chris O’Leary)
6.10 **BOND FOR RIVERVIEW RISE**

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir K. O’Flynn, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

Could the CE update the Council as to why a bond was not put in place for Riverview Rise, despite being item 10 of the planning permission for the area in 2004?

**REPLY**

This is a cul-de-sac of 5 houses built circa 2005 (TP04/28230).

A bond to the value of €81,000 was put in place. The bond was claimed by Cork City Council in 2010. At the time Cork City Council was negotiating with the developer to complete all outstanding works as the value of the works required was less than the bond amount. The developer has since ceased trading under the development name.

Cork City Council have requested a quote for the completion of the lighting works and funds have been made available for the lighting upgrade works. There are outstanding works required on drainage. We are pursuing a payout from the bond via legal action.

Pat Ledwidge,
Director of Services,
Strategic Planning, Economic Development & Enterprise.

6.11 **LEESIDE APARTMENTS, BACHELORS QUAY**

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir H. Cremin, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

Can the CE inform the Council if Leeside Apartments on Bachelors Quay were offered to City Council for Social Housing by NAMA a few years back and what were the reasons for refusal, if that was so?

**REPLY**

NAMA have confirmed that they had no involvement with the Leeside Apartments at Bachelors Quay. Therefore, the apartments were not offered by NAMA to the City Council for social housing.

B. Geaney,
Director of Services,
Housing & Community.
6.12 **OPENING OF TRAMORE VALLEY PARK**

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir K. McCarthy, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

To ask the CE about progress regarding the upcoming opening of Tramore Valley Park?

(Cllr. Kieran McCarthy)

**REPLY**

A works programme to address the essential works necessary prior to opening are presently underway and include additional car parking, realignment of the main access road from the South City Link, creation of internal roundabout and, segregation of the civic amenity activities from park activities. These works are essential in the context of satisfying Health and Safety requirements for all park and civic amenity site users.

A Management Plan to manage, operate, and maintain the park is also being prepared at present.

Given the increased amount of additional work necessary to satisfy Health and Safety requirements, the opening is now scheduled for early Autumn 2018.

Valerie O’Sullivan,
Director of Services,
Environment & Recreation.

6.13 **REDEVELOPMENT OF THE DEANROCK SITE**

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir J. Buttimer, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

To ask the Chief Executive for an update in relation to the redevelopment of the Deanrock Site, the current status of the project with the Department of Housing, total expenditure to date and an expected date of completion?

(Cllr. John Buttimer)

**REPLY**

The construction of the 66 no. unit housing development (including community facility) has commenced. The project has funding approval from the Department of Housing, Planning & Local Government of €17.2 million. The total expenditure to date on the project is €3.1 million. The development is due to be completed in January 2020.

B. Geaney,
Director of Services,
Housing & Community.
DERELICTION OF FORMER LAKELAND PUB ON AVENUE DE RENNES

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir N. O’Keeffe, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

Can the CE please provide a comprehensive update on what immediate actions are being taken to tackle the increasing dereliction and dilapidation around the shopping plaza and the former Lakeland pub on Avenue de Rennes?
Can the CE confirm if Cork City Council knows the details of the property owners in and around the area. How many interests are involved?
Does the City Council intend to place specific sites on the derelict register, If so, when will this be done?
Does the City Council intend to CPO any of this land in order for redevelopment? If so, when will this occur?
Has the City Council taken ownership of the former HSE building at Lakelands and what is it's intended use in relation to the redevelopment of Avenue de Rennes?
In the increasing likelihood of accident or serious injury to a citizen within the delapidated area of Avenue de Rennes, who will be responsible?

(Cllr. Nicholas O’Keeffe)

REPLY

The City Council is preparing a scheme to address the issue of dereliction and underutilization in this area, and the redevelopment of key sites in the Avenue des Rennes Neighbourhood Centre.

A detailed land ownership search as part of the Derelict Sites process is currently being undertaken by the SPED. There are multiple owners and interests involved, some of which are dissolved and/or unregistered. All known and ascertained owners will be notified as part of the Derelict Sites Process.

SPED has contacted a number of owners following the aforementioned searches. This will facilitate proceedings under the Derelict Sites legislation. It is intended to place a number of sites on the Derelict Sites Register.

No decision has been taken concerning a possible CPO on the site.

The City Council is in the process of closing contracts on an exchange basis with the HSE on the former Health Centre at Lakeland Crescent. Contracts are expected to close in the short term once all legal matters are resolved. The future use of the building will be considered as part of the wider scheme being prepared by the Planning Section.

The responsibility for any future accident or injury that may occur in the area of Avenue De Rennes will depend on the nature and location of the incident, whether it occurs on land in public or private ownership and whether liability and/or responsibility for the incident can legitimately be transferred. Each potential incident would be determined on a case by case basis taking all relevant factors into account.

Pat Ledwidge,
Director of Services,
Strategic Planning, Economic Development & Enterprise.
**GROUND DISPOSED OF DURING ROAD RESTRUCTURING**

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir T. Shannon, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

To confirm to Council the area of ground disposed to Mr. Tony Campion of the Silver Key Bar during road restructuring over the past number of years (provide maps).

What, if any, planning permissions/trading licences/event licences/road closures permissions were agreed with Mr. Campion for the dates of 4th 5th 6th May last during the Ed Sheeran concerts?

What discussion, if any, took place with other agencies and Mr. Campion regarding his function on these dates?

Is the City Council considering any action regarding the unauthorized (alleged) function that took place at his location on Church Yard Lane, Ballintemple over the dates above?

(Cllr. Terry Shannon)

**REPLY**

Cork City Council has not disposed of any lands to the owner of the Silver Key Bar.

In reference to casual trading, the Property Section did not receive a casual trading licence application, nor did they issue a licence to the owner of the Silver Key Bar for said event to cover the period May 4th to May 6th, 2018.

No planning application of application for licences was received by Cork City Council to cover the period May 4th to May 6th, 2018.

In relation to licences under the Roads Acts, the Roads & Transportation Directorate did not issue any licences for the dates 4th, 5th and 6th May last in respect of the public road outside the curtilage of the Silver Key Bar and as no licences were applied for, or issued, no discussions occurred between the Roads and Transportation Directorate and outside agencies in relation to an application.

The Council is unaware of any discussions that took place between Mr. Campion and other agencies.

Cork City Council is examining the matter further and will respond as appropriate following completion of same.

Pat Ledwidge,
Director of Services,
Strategic Planning, Economic Development & Enterprise.
7. **PARTY WHIPS – 8th MAY 2018**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the minutes of Party Whips from its meeting held 8th May 2018.

7.1 **MORRISONS ISLAND PART 8 PLANNING IMPLEMENTATION OPTIONS**

An tArd-Mhéara called on the Director of Services, Transition Directorate to present an overview of the Morrison’s Island Public Realm and Flood Defence Project, Part 8. A number of queries and comments were raised to which the Director of Services, Transition Directorate responded.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir F. Ryan, seconded by Comhairleoir M. O’Sullivan a motion to defer the proposed Resolution on the Morrison’s Island Public Realm and Flood Defence Project, Part 8 Report was tabled as follows:-

‘I call for the Resolution being proposed tonight be deferred until such a time as an independent review be made of the Lower Lee Flood Defence Scheme in their entirety.’

(Proposers: Cllr. F. Ryan, Cllr. M. O’Sullivan)

An Chomhairle was advised that the Motion submitted was not appropriate in the context of the requirements of Section 179 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, and An tArd-Mhéara declared the Motion not in order.

A vote was called for on the approval of the Morrison’s Island Public Realm and Flood Defence Project Part 8 Report where there appeared as follows:-


**AGAINST:** Comhairleoirí T. Tynan, T. Brosnan, F. Ryan, K. O’Flynn, M. O’Sullivan, K. McCarthy. (6)

**ABSTAIN:** (0)

As those voting in favour were greater than those voting against, An Chomhairle approved the Morrison’s Island Public Realm and Flood Defence Project Part 8 Report.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir C. O’Leary, seconded by Comhairleoir J. Kavanagh, An Chomhairle further agreed to adopt the following Resolution:-

“Now Council hereby RESOLVES THAT having considered the proposed development viz. The Morrison’s Island Public Realm and Flood Defence Project and the report of the Director of Services, Transition Directorate, Cork City Council thereon, it is hereby resolved pursuant to the provisions of Section 179 (4) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, that the Morrison’s Island Public Realm and Flood Defence Project be carried out as recommended in the said report of the Director of Services, Transition Directorate, Cork City Council, which was put before Council on the 14th of May 2018.”
7.2 **CIVIC AND COMMUNITY AWARDS 2018**

An tArd-Mhéara advised An Chomhairle of his nominations for the Civic Awards to be held 6th June 2018 as follows:-

**Tracey Kennedy**

In recognition of her commitment to the GAA in Cork at club and county level, and her contribution to the promotion of women’s health and wellbeing.

**Derry O’Callaghan**

In recognition of his special connection with the people of Cork both at home and abroad through his Sunday morning radio programme Oldies and Irish on 96 and 103fm.

**Reena Buckley**

In recognition of her exceptional achievements in Camogie and Ladies Football and her status as an ambassador to young women in sport.

**Tom Coleman**

In recognition of his lifelong commitment to community in the Northside of Cork City through his role as chairman of the Blarney Street and Surrounding Areas Community Association.

**Pat Lyons**

In recognition of his commitment to the sporting life of Cork through his dedication to Cork City Football Club and the Foras Trust, both making a huge Community impact on soccer in Cork.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Buttimer, seconded by Comhairleoir T. Shannon, An Chomhairle approved the nominations.

7.3 **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

7.3.1 An Chomhairle considered and approved the reports of the Director of Services, Environment and Recreation dated, 11th May 2018 and 14th May 2018 on The Lough Carp Issue, and The Atlantic Pond.

**SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS**

On the proposal of Comhairleoir T. Shannon, seconded by Comhairleoir J. Buttimer, An Chomhairle agreed to suspend Standing Orders to continue the meeting past 8 p.m.
8. **TOURISM, ARTS & CULTURE STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE – 8th May 2018**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the minutes of the Tourism, Arts and Culture Strategic Policy Committee from its meeting held 8th May 2018.

**CHANGE TO THE CHAIR**

An tArd-Mhéara vacated the chair at 8.05 p.m. and Comhairleoir T. Shannon assumed the duties of the Chair.

8.1 **CREATIVE IRELAND**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services dated 1st May 2018 on Creative Ireland.

9. **TOURISM, ARTS & CULTURE FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 8th May 2018**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the minutes of the Tourism, Arts and Culture Functional Committee from its meeting held 8th May 2018.

9.1 **CRUISE AMBASSADORS**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Corporate and External Affairs dated 3rd May 2018 on Cruise Ambassadors.

9.2 **SHANDON PAVING SCHEME**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Corporate and External Affairs dated 3rd May 2018 on Shandon Paving Scheme.

9.3 **TOP ATTRACTIONS IN CORK BROCHURES**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Corporate and External Affairs dated 3rd May 2018 on Top Attractions in Cork Brochures.

9.4 **MMIAH**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Corporate and External Affairs dated 3rd May 2018 on MMIAH.

9.5 **CREATIVE IRELAND**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Corporate and External Affairs dated 3rd May 2018 on Creative Ireland.

9.6 **ST. PATRICK’S DAY FESTIVAL 2018**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Corporate and External Affairs dated 3rd May 2018 on St. Patrick’s Day Festival 2018.
9.7 MOTIONS HELD IN COMMITTEE

9.7.1 SUPPORT TRANSLATION OF THE TOMÁS MCCURTAIN DIARIES

An Chomhairle considered and noted the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That the translation of the Tomás McCurtain diaries, being currently led by the Cork Decorative Fine Arts Society in association with Cork Public Museum be supported by Cork City Council as part of the Decade of Centenaries.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 17/402)

The Director of Services, Corporate and External Affairs confirmed that the motion would be considered by the Tourism, Arts, and Culture Functional Committee, once appropriate funding is secured.

9.8 MOTIONS

9.8.1 ANNUAL LITERARY FESTIVAL

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Corporate and External Affairs dated 3rd May 2018 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That the City Council would enter discussions with interested parties with a view to organising an annual literary festival.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O’Driscoll 18/131)

The report of the Director of Services stated that Cork City Council has a proud tradition of supporting the literary heritage and contemporary literary practice in the city.

The Council currently works in partnership to organise three annual literary festivals.

1) The Cork World Book Fest takes place in April and is directly organised by the City Library Service, in partnership with Triskel Christchurch. A highlight of the Cork World Book Fest is the street fair on the Saturday which seeks to involve children and adults who would not otherwise attend literary events.

2) The Council supports the Munster Literature Centre through annual funding to manage two festivals, and in addition provides venues for these festivals, in particular the City Library.
   • The Cork International Poetry Festival takes place in February of each year.
   • The Cork International Short Story Festival takes place in September of each year.

Each of these festivals includes a residency programme, in partnership with UCC, and a wide range of speakers.
In addition, across its Library Services and Arts Office, the Council offers a range of supports to other literary organisations, including O Bheal’s weekly poetry event and Winter Warmer Festival, Fiction at the Friary, and many others.

There may be benefits to having a concerted strategic approach to the promotion of the three major festivals, and I will review how this might be achieved.

9.8.2 AMNESTY FOR OVERDUE LIBRARY BOOKS

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Corporate & External Affairs dated 3rd May 2018 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council put in place an amnesty to those that have library books which are long overdue so as to encourage persons to return these books and re engage with the library services.’

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Dennehy 18/139)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the government will shortly publish a national strategy for the period to 2022. I understand that this strategy will include for the abolition of fines for late returns.

It would be more appropriate to consider the matter of an amnesty on fines in the context of the national strategy, given that it will be in the public domain very soon.

10. FINANCE & ESTIMATES FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 8th MAY 2018

An Chomhairle considered and noted the minutes of Finance and Estimates Functional Committee from its meeting held 8th May 2018.

10.1 FINANCE RELATED REPORTS

10.1.1 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO END OF MARCH 2018

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Financial Statements to end of March 2018.

10.2 DISPOSALS

An Chomhairle considered and approved the reports of the Chief Executive dated 3rd May, 2018 in relation to the following property disposals:

a) Disposal of the freehold interest in the premises known as Units 1-4, Glenmount Industrial Estate, Glen Avenue, Cork to Morgan & Gemma Sheehey, c/o Aisling Meehan Agricultural Solicitor, Rathlahine Farm, Newmarket-on-Fergus, Co. Clare, for the sum of €6,000.00 (plus VAT if applicable) together with costs of €1,500.00 (plus VAT).

b) Disposal of the freehold interest in an area of ground situated adjacent to St. Brendan’s School, Glen Avenue, Cork to the N.P.C. Trustees Unlimited Company, c/o G.J. Moloney Solicitors, City Quarter, Lapps Quay, Cork, for the sum of €5,000.00 (plus VAT if applicable) plus costs of €1,500.00 plus VAT.


c) Disposal of the freehold interest in property known as “The Lodge”, Model Farm Road, Cork to Jason O’Callaghan & Michael O’Mahony, c/o Diarmuid O’Shea & Co., Solicitors, No. 60, Main Street, Kinsale, Co. Cork, for the sum of €78,000.00 (plus VAT).

On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Buttimer, seconded by Comhairleoir F. Dennehy, An Chomhairle approved the Disposal.

d) Disposal of Cork City Council’s interest in dwelling house situated at No. 6, Harringtons Square, Dillons Cross, Cork, held by Cork City Council under a Shared Ownership Lease, to Elma O’Mahony for the sum of €11,172.82 or such other sum as shall represent the value of the Council’s equity in the property as of the date of sale as altered in line with the publication of the Consumer Price Index.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Buttimer, seconded by Comhairleoir K. McCarthy, An Chomhairle approved the Disposal.

**CHANGE TO THE CHAIR**

An tArd-Mhéara resumed the duties of the Chair at 8.15 p.m. and Comhairleoir T. Shannon returned to the Chamber floor.

10.3 **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANTS 2018**

An Chomhairle considered the report of the Director of Services, Corporate & External Affairs, dated 8th May, 2018 on the proposed Community Development Grants to be allocated for 2018.

Comhairleoirí K. Collins, L. O’Donnell, M. O’Sullivan, P.J. Hourican, M. Finn, F. Dennehy, T. Shannon, J. Buttimer, H. Cremin, T. Moloney and T. Gould declared their interest in a number of the community groups listed and, to avoid any conflict of interest, excused themselves from the discussion, and the Chamber.

10.4 MOTIONS

10.4.1 BUDGET FOR COMMEMORATION OF THE WAR OF INDEPENDENCE

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Head of Finance dated 3rd May 2018 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council put in place a significant budget of 150k plus in order to commemorate and celebrate the men and women who fought and died during the war of independence in Cork (Cultural and Military).’


The report of the Head of Finance stated that the 2018 budget was adopted in November 2017. All 2018 Income and Expenditure has been accounted for in the budget. Unfortunately it has not been possible to provide a budget for the commemoration and celebration of the men and women who fought and died during the war of independence in Cork in the 2018 budget. Cork City Council will be well challenged to achieve its targets as set out in the 2018 budget. We will review the request during the 2019 budget process.

10.4.2 SPORTS CAPITAL GRANT

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Head of Finance, dated 28th February 2018 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council put in place a Sports Capital Grant of 500,000 in the 2018 Budget.’


The report of the Head of Finance stated that the 2018 budget was adopted in November 2017. All 2018 Income and Expenditure has been accounted for in the budget. Unfortunately it has not been possible to provide for a Sports Capital Grant in the 2018 budget and Cork City Council will be well challenged to achieve its targets as set out in the 2018 budget. We will review the request during the 2019 budget process.

10.5 MOTIONS

10.5.1 FUNDING FOR CLASHDUV PARK

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Environment and Recreation dated 28th February 2018 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That the finance department as part of its 2018 capital programme agree a funding package to bring Clashduv Park back into full use. Clashduv Park in Togher consists of 13.5 acres of parkland encompassing tennis courts, M.U.G.A. (multi-user games area), a playground, walkways and a playing pitch. The fact remains that Clashduv Park walkway has been refused capital funding for the past number of years and has been left in an almost unusable state. The soccer pitch has remains closed for years as the pitch has sunk, there
was funding secured this year through the Sports Capital Grant but Cork City Council needs to find extra resources to finalise bringing the pitch back into useable condition.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Moloney 18/043)

The report of the Director of Services stated that each year, for the past 3 years, the Clashduv footpaths project was sent forward for assessment and review along with all of the other projects put forward for consideration for funding under the Environment & Recreation Directorate’s annual Capital Works Programme. All competing projects are evaluated and, as the available funding is not sufficient to cover the cost of delivering all projects proposed, some projects do not proceed. The Clashduv footpaths project will again be put forward for consideration as part of the Environment & Recreation Directorate’s 2018 Capital Programme of Works. The City Council’s contribution to match the Sports Capital Grant will also be put forward for consideration. It is anticipated that the 2018 Environment & Recreation Directorate’s Capital Programme of Works will be agreed in Q2.

It is important to note the very significant Capital Funding that have been spent on this park over the past number of years. Up to 2001 over €500,000 was spent with almost €700,000 of a further capital funding invested in the park over the last 10-15 years. In addition to these capital monies, annually operational funding is spent on maintaining the park and park play equipment, grass cutting and general park management.

10.5.2 REPLACE THE TREES FELLED BY STORM OPHELIA

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Environment & Recreation dated 28th February 2018 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That the City council apply for central government funding to replace the 500 trees felled by Storm Ophelia.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 18/049)

The report of the Director of Services stated that unfortunately it has not been possible to date to identify a Government funding source to fund the replacement of trees which fell during Hurricane Ophelia.

We will continue to investigate this matter and explore all options.

11. CORRESPONDENCE

An Chomhairle noted correspondence received.

12. CONFERENCE/SEMINAR SUMMARIES

None received.
13. **CONFERENCES/ SEMINARS**

None received.

14. **TRAINING**

None received.

15. **MOTIONS**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the referral to the relevant Committee of the following motions, due notice of which has been given:

15.1 **INCLUDE CONNOLLY ROAD IN THE ROAD RESURFACING PROGRAMME 2018**

‘That Connolly Road from Pearse Road to Tory Top Road be included in the 2018 road resurfacing programme.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 18/030) 

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

15.2 **INCLUDE O’CONNELL AVENUE AND DOYLE ROAD IN THE ROAD RESURFACING PROGRAMME 2018**

‘That O’Connell Avenue and Doyle Road be included in 2018 road resurfacing programme. They are in extremely poor condition.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 18/031) 

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

15.3 **ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR ON ROCKBORO ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council along with other responsible agencies take all necessary steps to alleviate and resolve the ongoing anti social behaviour, which includes drinking in public, drug distribution and drug taking on Rockboro Road. One of the measures that must be considered is the closure of the pedestrian bridge from Rochboro Road over to Anglesea Street.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Shannon 18/098) 

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee
15.4 **PUBLIC LIGHTING SCHEME IN KENNEDY PARK, VICTORIA ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council would allocate sufficient funds in the 2019 Budget to install a Public Lighting Scheme in Kennedy Park on Victoria Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Shannon 18/099)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

15.5 **POWERED TWO WHEELERS ACCESS TO PATRICK STREET**

‘That Cork City Council would allow PTWs (Powered Two Wheelers, motorcycles and scooters) to use Patrick Street during the 3:00pm – 6:30pm bus lane times. Motorcycles are allowed into bus lanes on most of the Capital's red routes. It presents no significant safety issues for other road users. Other benefits include reduced motorcycle journey times and fewer carbon dioxide emissions, and it could also lead to less road traffic serious injuries and deaths. The evidence is that PTWs don’t contribute to congestion, they have lower emissions, and they take up far less space than cars both on the road and in parking.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Moloney 18/136)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

15.6 **INSTALL BARRIER ON THE SOUTH MALL**

‘That Cork City Council would, on the South Mall, just after the junction / islands with Princes Street, place a barrier down the middle of the road, traffic could merge further down on South Mall where the road widens. This would allow traffic coming from Georges Quay across Parliament Bridge turning left onto Grand Parade or right onto South Mall, to have free access to both and the traffic lights could be kept green all of the time, allowing the traffic to free flow onto these two areas.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Moloney 18/137)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

15.7 **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT CARDINAL WAY, WILTON**

‘That City Council would once again revisit the request for a pedestrian crossing at Cardinal Way Wilton. This was requested through a motion some years ago from myself on behalf the local school and parents of the schoolchildren for their safety due to the lack of a proper pedestrian crossing in this area. I have now been approached by some elderly residents living in Cardinal Court who are also looking for this crossing to visit their local shopping centre or their parish church. I would ask that serious consideration be given to this request.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 18/142)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee
15.8 **FUNDING FOR BICYCLE RACKS IN SCHOOLS THROUGHOUT THE CITY**

‘That Cork City Council allocate 20,000 Euro for the provision of bicycle racks in Primary and Post-primary schools throughout the city; that the schools could apply for under a grant initiative.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Keeffe 18/147)

**Finance & Estimates Functional Committee**

15.9 **CREATION OF ‘DROP ZONES’ OUTSIDE THE CAR-BAN AREA**

‘That as part of the pausing of the CCMS, initiatives such as the creation of ‘drop zones’ outside the car-ban area (i.e. in South Mall, Grand Parade, Merchant’s Quay, Emmet Place) as well as a rebooting of park and rides systems to facilitate continued access to city centre.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 18/150)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

15.10 **RESURFACE THOMAS DAVIS STREET, BLACKPOOL**

‘That Cork City Council would resurface Thomas Davis Street, Blackpool.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Sheehan 18/151)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

15.11 **TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PLAN AT ST. MARY’S HEALTH CAMPUS**

‘In view of the planned opening of the largest Primary Care Centre in Ireland at the St Marys Health Campus location, I would ask that Cork City Council and An Gardaí Síochána would put in place a comprehensive traffic management plan to ensure the smooth flow of traffic in the area. Especially prior to the full completion of the new bus and road links through the campus.’

(Proposers: Cllr. J. Sheehan, Cllr. T. Fitzgerald 18/152)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

15.12 **AIR QUALITY SURVEY IN MAYFIELD AREA**

‘In light of heavy diesel powered goods vehicles travelling from Silver spring’s Hotel through to Ballyvolane Service Station, including in particular the Tinker’s Cross Mayfield Shopping Centre area, that Cork City Council would employ the services of the Centre for Research into Atmospheric Chemistry (CRAC) to carry out an air quality survey in the area. Surveys to be carried out at peak traffic times on a similar basis to the survey recently carried out in St. Patrick’s Street and surrounding streets by CRAC under the auspices of 96FM’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Tynan 18/157)

**Environment & Recreation Functional Committee**
15.13 **REVIEW THE “RATES” STATUS OF BUSINESSES WITH CHARITABLE STATUS**

‘That Cork City Council review the "Rates" status of any businesses operating in the City which have Charitable status historically with a view to identifying those that may have evolved to become "private" institutions / companies and whose comparators may in fact be paying rates, and further that all "state" organisations with rates exemptions be identified and a rough estimate be calculated of the rates they would pay if their exemption did not apply.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 18/159)

Finance & Estimates Functional Committee

15.14 **STATUS OF PEDESTRIAN COUNTERS**

‘That Cork City Council prepare a report to Council on the current status of the pedestrian counters erected by the Roads Directorate in recent years. How much was spent on purchasing and erecting the counters throughout the City Centre. Are they functional and if not why have they not been maintained. Can roads directorate confirm the last time they circulated pedestrian counts to Councillors and if the counters are still functional can that practice be recommenced as soon as possible.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 18/160)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

15.15 **REMOVAL OF TREES OUTSIDE 30 AVENUE DE RENNES**

‘That Cork City Council commits to the removal of two trees outside number 30 Avenue De Rennes which are of concern to the resident on a number of fronts including the overgrown, blocking out of day light in the front of the property, damage to property from the encroaching roots, recent storms has given rise to health and safety issues.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. O’Leary 18/163)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

15.16 **ELECTRONIC SPEED SIGN ON RINGMAHON ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council commits to the repairing or up-grading the electronic speed sign on Ringmahon Road, Mahon which is located across the road from Blackrock Garda Station. The sign is also obstructed by trees, both of these concerns need to be addressed on road health and safety grounds.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. O’Leary 18/164)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee
15.17 **CLOSURE OF LANE BETWEEN PARK COURT AND MEELICK PARK**

“That Cork City Council would arrange for the Closure of the Laneway between Park Court & Meelick Park as this has led to anti-social behaviour in the area. This motion is brought on foot of a petition and consultation with Local residents in the area and with the Gardaí.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O'Flynn 18/166)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

15.18 **INSTALL FLOWER BEDS AT AUDLEY PLACE, OUR LADY’S WELL**

“That the Council install flower beds at Audley Place, Our Lady’s Well and clean up the dumped rubbish on the Fever Hospital Steps – ultimately making the space more of a tourist and community quarter.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 18/171)

**Environment & Recreation Functional Committee**

15.19 **AIR QUALITY MONITORS IN THE CITY CENTRE**

“That the Council install air quality monitors in the City Centre.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 18/172)

**Environment & Recreation Functional Committee**

15.20 **HOUSING AT BOHERBOY ROAD, MAYFIELD**

“The Council recognises its previous excellent record from the 1930s to the 1980s in providing high quality public housing in estates such as Mayfield, Ballyphehane, Gurranabraher and Mahon, and further recognises that the state, through fundamental changes in policy at national level since the 1980s has abrogated the role of housing provision to predominantly private interests whose prime interest is the creation of profit for themselves and their investors.

In recognising that the private sector and massive subsidisation of landlords and developers has failed to address the housing crisis, Cork City Council accepts that a severe housing crisis now exists. This crisis affects thousands of low and middle income households in this city. In view of this, this Council supports the development of a pilot scheme of 100% public, mixed-income housing on publicly owned lands at Boherboy Road, Mayfield.
Under the scheme, all housing on the site will be built by and rented from the City Council, with 50% of housing units rented at current differential rents to households currently on housing waiting lists, while 50% of housing units will be rented to households earning above the waiting list threshold, but with demonstrated housing need, and paying higher but fair rents in line with their income.”

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Tynan 18/173)

**Housing & Community Functional Committee**

15.21 **ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP IN KNOCKNAHEENY/HOLLYHILL**

‘That Cork City Council assist in the setting up of an Environmental group in Knocknaheeny/Hollyhill similar to the group in Farranree.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 18/175)

**Environment & Recreation Functional Committee**

15.22 **MARCH HOMELESS REPORT**

‘That Cork City Council report on whether the Minister for Housing had instructed Council to remove individuals from the March Homeless Report whom the Council believed to be homeless and whether the Minister plans to remove more categories of people, Council to report on current numbers of those registered as homeless in the Cork area and the categories involved.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 18/176)

**Housing & Community Functional Committee**

15.23 **ROAD SURFACES AT WESTGATE ROAD AND KENLEY CRESCENT**

‘That Cork City Council would inspect, repair and reinstate the road surfaces at Westgate Road and Kenley Crescent.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 18/178)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

15.24 **REPORT ON THE FISH KILL AT THE LOUGH**

‘That Cork City Council would as soon as is practicable publish a full and comprehensive report on the recent fish kill at the Lough and going forward would make quarterly reports to the Environment Functional Committee on monitoring of the Lough.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 18/179)

**Environment & Recreation Functional Committee**
16. **MOTIONS**

16.1 **AMENDMENT TO THE REGULATIONS OF HAP SCHEME**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council calls for an amendment to the regulations in order to allow people housed under the Hap scheme to keep their place on the Social Housing list and to transfer to a Council house in due course.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O’Driscoll 18/132)

16.2 **BUS SHELTER OUTSIDE TECHNOLOGY PARK, MODEL FARM ROAD**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the following motion:-

‘That City Council would request from Bus Eireann / T.F.I. that the original bus shelter which was removed from the city bound stop outside the Technology Park on Model Farm Rd be replaced, as the replacement they put in place gives no shelter whatsoever from wind and rain. There are approx. 500 houses in these two estates opposite this stop with a lot of elderly population who are getting soaked while waiting on buses at this stop.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 18/141)

16.3 **‘SAFE TALK’ TRAINING PROGRAMME**

An Chomhairle agreed to defer the following motion to the next meeting of An Chomhairle to be held 28th May 2018:-

‘That Cork City Council on behalf of Cork City Council Comhairle na nÓg calls on the Minister for Health / Minister of State with responsibility for Mental Health to assess the possibility of introducing a tailor-made ‘safe-talk’ training programme, relevant to young people aged between 16-18, to tackle the issue of youth suicide, that potentially could be rolled out as a guest speaker series in post-primary schools.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Keefe 18/177)

This concluded the business of the meeting

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