# COMHAIRLE CATHRACH CHORCAÍ HALLA NA CATHRACH CORCAIGH



## CORK CITY COUNCIL CITY HALL CORK

Bíodh 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:-

## GNATHCHRUINNIU – DÉ LUAIN, 25 EANÁIR 2016

### ORDINARY MEETING - MONDAY, 25 JANUARY 2016

- 1. Votes of Sympathy.
- 2. Votes of Congratulations/ Best Wishes.
- 3. **LORD MAYOR'S ITEMS**
- 3.1 To consider any item the Lord Mayor may wish to raise.
- 4. <u>CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S ITEMS</u>

# 4.1 <u>CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S MONTHLY MANAGEMENT REPORT</u>

An Chomhairle to note the Chief Executive's Monthly Management Report for December 2015.

### 5. **MINUTES**

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

• Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held on the 11<sup>th</sup> January 2016.

### 6. *QUESTION TIME*

Questions submitted enclosed.

# 7. CORPORATE POLICY GROUP – 18<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2016

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Corporate Policy Group from its meeting held on the 18<sup>th</sup> January 2016.

# 8. <u>SPECIAL MEETING OF CORPORATE POLICY GROUP, PARTY WHIPS AND PARTY LEADERS - 18<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2016</u>

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Special Meeting of Corporate Policy Group, Party Whips and Party Leaders, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held on the 18<sup>th</sup> January 2016.

### 8.1 <u>CORK LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVIEW</u>

The Chief Executive read through a draft report on the current position on the Cork Local Government Review.

### **Decision of Group**

It was agreed to refer the report with minor amendments, to An Chomhairle for consideration.

# 9. TOURISM, ARTS & CULTURE STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE – 14<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2015

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Tourism, Arts & Culture Strategic Policy Committee from its meeting held on the 14<sup>th</sup> December 2015.

# 10. HOUSING & COMMUNITY FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 18<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2016

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Housing & Community Functional Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held on the 18<sup>th</sup> January 2016.

# 10.1 **DISPOSALS**

Members considered the reports of the Chief Executive dated 14<sup>th</sup> January, 2016 in relation to the following property disposals:

- a. Disposal of freehold interest in the property known as "Bello Villino", (Site A14), Iona Road, Mayfield, Cork to Margaret O'Flynn, c/o David Kenny & Co. Solicitors, Dillons Cross, Cork for the sum of €127.00 together with costs in the sum of €460.00 (plus VAT).
- b. Disposal of fee simple interest in dwellinghouse and premises situated at and known as No, 20, Joe Murphy Road, Ballyphehane, Cork, held by Cork City Council subject to a Shared Ownership Lease dated the 20th November 2009 to Denise O'Neill (formerly Condon) for the sum of €125,635.73.

## **Decision of Committee**

It was agreed to recommend the above disposals to An Chomhairle.

### 10.2 **MONTHLY REPORT**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services on Housing for December 2015.

## **Decision of Committee**

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

### 10.3 **ANNUAL REPORT**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services on Housing for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2015.

### **Decision of Committee**

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

# 10.4 <u>CLÚID HOUSING ASSOCIATION – ACCOMMODATION AT HOLLYHILL</u>

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 14<sup>th</sup> January, 2016 on the provision of 1 unit of accommodation at No. 24, Meadow Drive, Hollyhill, Cork by Clúid Housing Association.

### **Decision of Committee**

It was agreed to accept the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval. It was further agreed that, on the proposal of Comhairleoir M. Nugent, seconded by Comhairleoir T. Moloney, the following resolution be referred to Council for adoption:

"Resolved that, pursuant to the provision of Section 6 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1992, a loan facility not exceeding €45,600 be granted to Clúid Housing Association, subject to the terms of the Capital Advance Leasing Facility Scheme".

# 10.5 <u>FOCUS HOUSING ASSOCIATION LIMITED – ACCOMMODATION AT HANOVER STREET</u>

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 14<sup>th</sup> January, 2016 on the provision of 1 unit of accommodation at No. 22, Hanover Mews, Hanover Street, Cork by Focus Housing Association Limited.

### **Decision of Committee**

It was agreed to accept the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval. It was further agreed that, on the proposal

of Comhairleoir T. Moloney, seconded by Comhairleoir T. Gould, the following resolution be referred to Council for adoption:

"Resolved that, pursuant to the provision of Section 6 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1992, a loan facility not exceeding €160,650 be granted to Focus Housing Association Limited, subject to the terms of the Capital Assistance Scheme".

# 10.6 FOCUS HOUSING ASSOCIATION LIMITED – ACCOMMODATION AT SOUTH TERRACE

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 14<sup>th</sup> January, 2016 on the provision of 2 units of accommodation at Apartments 12 & 15 South Channel Court, 26/28 South Terrace, Cork by Focus Housing Association Limited.

### **Decision of Committee**

It was agreed to accept the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval. It was further agreed that, on the proposal of Comhairleoir T. Moloney, seconded by Comhairleoir M. Nugent, the following resolution be referred to Council for adoption:

"Resolved that, pursuant to the provision of Section 6 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1992, a loan facility not exceeding €214,794 (previous loan being €211,699) be granted to Focus Housing Association Limited, subject to the terms of the Capital Assistance Scheme".

# 10.7 <u>FOCUS HOUSING ASSOCIATION LIMITED – ACCOMMODATION AT WASHINGTON STREET/JAMES STREET</u>

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 14<sup>th</sup> January, 2016 on the provision of 6 units of accommodation at No. 27, Washington Street West (Incorporating 27A) & 5 and 6 James Street, Cork.

### **Decision of Committee**

It was agreed to accept the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval. It was further agreed that, on the proposal of Comhairleoir M. Nugent, seconded by Comhairleoir T. Moloney, the following resolution be referred to Council for adoption:

"Resolved that, pursuant to the provision of Section 6 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1992, a loan facility not exceeding €657,718 (previous loan being €639,839) be granted to Focus Housing Association Limited, subject to the terms of the Capital Assistance Scheme".

## 10.8 <u>LOCAL TRAVELLER ACCOMMODATION CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE</u>

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2015 in relation to the Local Traveller Accommodation Consultative Committee.

### **Decision of Committee**

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

### 10.9 **PROPERTIES AT HORGANS BUILDINGS**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 14<sup>th</sup> January, 2016 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

'There have been numerous requests made by the residents of Horgans Buildings to carry out maintenance of their houses, from leaking roofs, leaking sky lights, facia & soffit rotten & leaking, shoots & guttering breaking, baths where showers are needed etc. These residents need the support of Cork City Council and we should be responding in a much quicker time than we are currently doing. Some residents have expressed the feeling that they are being ignored, forgotten about and that Council don't care about them.

So I would like for this council to pass a motion that Cork City Council's housing maintenance department carries out a survey of all the houses in Horgans Buildings immediately to find out all of the maintenance problems the residents are having. Then put in place a serious plan to rectify all of the issues the tenants are having.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Moloney 15/348)

## **Decision of Committee**

Following this clarification, it was agreed to accept the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

### 10.10 PROPERTIES ON HARBOUR VIEW ROAD

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 14<sup>th</sup> January, 2016 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

'Can Cork City Council ensure that No's 33, 35 Harbour View Road, Knocknaheeny are returned to the local authority housing stock and available for allocation asap.'

(Proposer Cllr. K. Collins 15/355)

### **Decision of Committee**

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

## 10.11 <u>INSPECTION OF RENTED PROPERTIES</u>

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 14<sup>th</sup> January, 2016 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

'That Cork City Council would publish a comprehensive report on the number of rented properties inspected on a ward by ward basis in 2014 and 2015 to include details of compliance and non-compliance and follow up investigations.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 15/363)

### **Decision of Committee**

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

### 10.12 **REIMBURSEMENT FOR WORKS**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 14<sup>th</sup> January, 2016 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

'When a tenant of Cork City Council carries out necessary repairs to their home and pays for it themselves, Cork City Council should put a means in place to reimburse the tenant fully for the works carried out if Cork City Council has not carried out said works in a timely manner after being informed of the issues.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Moloney 15/367)

### **Decision of Committee**

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

### 10.13 REVIEW OF TRAVELLER ACCOMMODATION PROGRAMME

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 14<sup>th</sup> January, 2016 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

'That Cork City Council fast-track the scheduled review of the 2014-2018 Traveller Accommodation Programme.'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 15/377)

### **Decision of Committee**

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

### 10.14 <u>CITY COUNCIL LAND BANKS</u>

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 14<sup>th</sup> January, 2016 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

'That Cork City Council will report on scoping exercises being undertaken on Council owned land banks and outline the time frame for new social housing builds and details of same.'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 15/378)

### **Decision of Committee**

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

### 10.15 **DEVELOPMENT OF DEANROCK SITE**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 14<sup>th</sup> January, 2016 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

'That any proposed development of the Deanrock site in Togher would allow for an adequate consultation process with the local community and the elected representatives of the area as has been previously agreed by council and that any such proposal would incorporate a community facility which is required for the area and would be in line with facilities that have been provided in other areas that have undergone similar significant regeneration".

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Dennehy 15/381)

### **Decision of Committee**

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

# 11. <u>ROADS AND TRANSPORTATION FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE - 18<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2016</u>

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Roads and Transportation Functional Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held on the 18<sup>th</sup> January 2016.

### 11.1 **ROADWORKS PROGRAMME**

Members considered Report of the Director of Services, dated 14th January 2016 on the progress of the ongoing Roadworks Programme for the month ending December 2016.

### **Committee Decision**

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

## 11.2 MOTIONS WHICH WERE REFERRED BY COUNCIL TO THE COMMITTEE

### 11.2.1 SURVEY OF THE ROAD AND FOOTPATH IN REEDS AND PROSPERITY SQUARE

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 14th January 2016 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

'That Cork City Council carry out a survey of the road and footpath in Reeds and Prosperity Square with a view to including them in a road resurfacing programme and a footpath renewal programme.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 15/330)

### **Committee Decision**

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

### 11.2.2 INCLUDE GREENMOUNT AVENUE IN A RENEWAL AND REPAIR PROGRAMME

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 14th January 2016 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

'That Greenmount Avenue has their footpath included in a renewal and repair programme.

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 15/331)

### **Committee Decision**

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

# 11.2.3 <u>UPDATED REPORT ON THE ERECTING OF GATES AT GRIFFIN'S COURT/DESMOND SQUARE AND AT NICHOLAS CHURCH PLACE, COVE STREET</u>

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 14th January 2016 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

'That an updated report be given on the erecting of gates at Griffin's Court/Desmond Square and at Nicholas Church Place, Cove Street, aimed - in both cases - at addressing antisocial behaviour affecting our own council tenants.'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 15/365)

### **Committee Decision**

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

# 11.2.4 TRAFFIC STUDY REVIEW ON THE JUNCTION OF BARRACK STREET AND EVERGREEN STREET AND REDESIGN OF THE JUNCTION OF FRIAR STREET/ABBEY STREET/INDUSTRY PLACE

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 14th January 2016 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

'In light of the main traffic elements of the Barrack Street renewal having been completed, the proposed traffic study review needs to be carried out immediately at its junction with Evergreen Street as well as a redesign of the now 'free for all', five-road spaghetti junction at junctions of Friar Street/Abbey Street/Industry Place which has been further compromised by the Barrack Street works'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 15/366)

## **Committee Decision**

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

### 11.2.5 INCLUDE WILTON COURT ON THE ROADS RESURFACING PROGRAMME

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 14th January 2016 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

'That the remaining part of Wilton Court would be placed on the roads resurfacing programme as soon as possible.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Moloney 15/368)

### **Committee Decision**

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

### 11.2.6 <u>CLEAN UP ALL WELCOME TO CORK SIGNAGE</u>

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 14th January 2016 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

'That City Council would clean up all the Welcome to Cork Signage on all our routes into our City particularly the Twinning Signage on Carrigrohane Road.'

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 15/374)

### **Committee Decision**

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

### 11.2.7 REPORT ON THE PROVISION OF ROAD SIGNAGE THROUGHOUT THE CITY

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 14th January 2016 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

'That Cork City Council reports on the provision of road signage throughout the City. To include the budget allocated for same, the total number of outstanding requests for road & estate signage provision and an estimated figure of what funding is required to clear such requests. Can the report also include any relevant local or national funding streams for same, where applicable.'

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O'Keeffe 15/380)

### **Committee Decision**

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

# 11.2.8 <u>LIAISE WITH AIRTRICITY TO REPLACE THE BROKEN LANTERN ON LIGHT</u> NUMBER 14, DEANROCK AVENUE, TOGHER

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 14th January 2016 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

'That Cork City Council liaise with Airtricity to replace the broken lantern on light number 14, Deanrock Avenue, Togher.'

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Dennehy 15/376)

### **Committee Decision**

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

## 11.3 MOTION WHICH WAS HELD IN COMMITTEE

# 11.3.1 <u>EFFECTIVE SET OF TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT MEASURES FOR THE MELBOURNE ROAD</u>

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 14th January 2016 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

'That this Council, recognizing the inherent conflict between the functions of, the design of and the driver behaviour on Melbourne Road, and the likely worsening of these conflicts given future development plans for the wider area, requests Cork City Council to provide an effective set of traffic management measures for the Melbourne Road between Curraheen Road and Rossa Avenue that will

- 1. Reduce the ambient speed of traffic in both directions,
- 2. Encourage walking by the provision of a sufficient number of safe crossing points
- 3. Prioritize cycling

and thereby mitigate the severance caused to residents of Melbourne Estate by current and forecast levels of traffic on Melbourne Road.

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Shields 14/147)

### **Committee Decision**

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

## 12. **CORRESPONDENCE**

An Chomhairle to note correspondence, if any.

### 13. <u>CONFERENCE/ SEMINAR SUMMARIES</u>

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

### 14. <u>CONFERENCES/ SEMINARS</u>

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

### 15. **TRAINING**

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

### 16. *MOTIONS*

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

# 16.1 <u>TOWNSEND PLACE TO BE INCLUDED IN AN ESTATE RESURFACING PROGRAMME</u>

'That Townsend Place be included in an Estate Resurfacing Programme.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 15/334)

# 16.2 <u>MOUNT SION ROAD TO BE INCLUDED IN AN ESTATE RESURFACING PROGRAMME</u>

'That Mount Sion Road be included in an Estate Resurfacing Programme.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 15/335)

## **Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

### 16.3 TAFFIC CALMING AT PARKLANDS DRIVE

'That Cork City Council in consultation with the Residents Association include Parklands Drive in the next allocation of funding for traffic calming.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Fitzgerald 16/010)

### **Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

#### 16.4 UPGRADE FOOTPATHS AND CUT BACK TREES/ SHRUBS ON COMMONS ROAD

'That Cork City Council undertake the necessary works to upgrade footpaths and cut back trees/shrubs on both sides of Commons Roads from the traffic lights at Blackpool Shopping Centre to the entrance to Parklands Estate for people with mobility issues and wheelchair users.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Fitzgerald 16/011)

### **Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

### 16.5 **LIBRARY SERVICES**

'That sufficient staff resources are provided to ensure that (a) there will be no reduction in opening hours at any of the City"s Branch libraries (b) that the local studies library, reference library and children's, library are able to operate a full service.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O'Driscoll 16/013)

### **Tourism, Arts and Culture Functional Committee**

### 16.6 FOOTBRIDGE ON THE NORTH WEST SIDE OF THE ATLANTIC POND

'That Cork City Council install a footbridge on the North West side of the Atlantic Pond, similar to the existing footbridge on the Southern Side. The inability to walk around the pond is causing much hardship and upset to the many many users of the facility. While construction to the Páirc Uí Chaoimh is welcome it should not be accepted that the public are discommoded in such an unnecessary way.'

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Cahill 16/017)

### **Environment & Recreation Functional Committee**

## 16.7 **REPRESENTATION ON THE ARTS COMMITTEE**

'That the Arts Committee with 10 Southside Councillors and 1 Northside Councillor be rebalanced through the addition of more Northside Councillors so that it can be considered to be properly representative of the City as a whole.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 16/018)

### **Tourism, Arts and Culture Functional Committee**

# 16.8 <u>ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR AND PUBLIC REALM AT PEARSE SQUARE,</u> <u>BALLYPHEHANE</u>

'THAT following a meeting with several ratepayers from the Pearse Square Traders Association, Ballyphehane, during which the issue of on-going anti-social behaviour affecting business was raised, as well as the very poor state of the public realm at this location (which was one of, if not the, first local authority shopping centres in the country), the following actions are taken to ensure the viability of the 80 or so jobs involved in the various businesses and the continued provision of services to customers and residents:-

- The erecting of a boundary gate between Boylesports and the side of Bartie's Takeaway to be locked at night time
- Upgrade of public lighting in the square
- Improve CCTV coverage of the area
- Closure of access to the cul-de-sac at rear of pharmacy
- Pruning and topping of trees in conjunction with improved lighting.'

(Proposers: Cllr. M. Finn, Cllr. F. Kerins, 16/020)

### **Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

### 16.9 **DISABLED PARKING SPACE AT 27 GREENFIELD'S, MODEL FARM ROAD**

'That City Council would put in place a disabled parking space outside house No. 27 Greenfield's Model Farm Rd. to facilitate this resident who has a family member with a medical condition that requires this space.'

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 16/021)

### **Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

### 16.10 BOLLARDS ON THE FOOTPATH AT CHERRY GROVE, MODEL FARM ROAD

'That City Council would put in place bollards on the footpath at Cherry Grove Model Farm Rd. to prevent cars parking in this area as children have to walk out onto the road due to inconsiderate parking by some motorists.'

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 16/022)

### **Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

### 16.11 ROAD RESURFACING WITHIN CLOVER LAWN ESTATE, SKEHARD ROAD

'That Cork City Council assess the road surfacing within Clover Lawn Estate, Skehard Road. There is one particular stretch of road on the bend within the estate that is very dangerous-particularly at times of bad weather. Following inspection some remedial works may need to be carried out to make the road safe for all road users.'

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O'Keeffe 16/024)

# **Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

### 17. **MOTIONS**

### 17.1 **PROPOSED MERGER OF CIT AND ITT**

'Cork City Council calls on the Minister for Education, Jan O'Sullivan TD, and her successor in the event of a change of government, to suspend the proposed merger of Cork Institute of Technology and Institute of Technology Tralee and to enter into meaningful discussions with trade unions, especially the Teachers' Union of Ireland and also the Union of Students of Ireland on the future of the two institutes.

It is clear that there is serious disquiet among teachers and research staff in both institutes as to the implications of this proposed merger and there has been insufficient information shared with students and their representatives. The two institutes in question are of far too much importance to their respective regions to be simply tinkered with and expenditure on the proposed merger, which will cost at least €7 million to complete, is in stark contrast with the serious cutbacks in funding to the two institutes over the last number of years."

Can I also ask that this motion be forwarded to the Minister for Education, Jan O'Sullivan TD.

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Tynan 16/015)

### 17.2 <u>CHAIRPERSON TO THE PENSIONS AUTHORITY</u>

'That this Council condemns the behaviour of the Labour Party Leader Joan Burton in appointing a Chairperson to the Pensions Authority without firstly advertising to seek expressions of interest from persons interested and qualified. In proceeding as she has the Tanaiste has taken advantage of her position.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 16/019)

# 17.3 TRANSATLANTIC FLIGHTS FROM CORK AIRPORT

'That Cork City Council calls on the Minister for Transport and the Government to urgently intervene in support of the proposed transatlantic flights from Cork Airport and that this council is fully supportive of the transatlantic flights and the ongoing development & promotion of Cork Airport.'

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O'Keeffe 16/023)

# JOHN GER O'RIORDAN MEETINGS ADMINISTRATOR

Chuig gach ball de Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí.

21<sup>ú</sup> Eanáir 2016