



Bíodh a fhios agat go dtionólfar cruinniú de Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí ar an data thíosluaite, ar a **5.00 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 **5.00 P.M., IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, CORK** for the transaction of the following business:-

GNÁTHCHRUINNÍÚ – DÉ LUAIN, 12^ú DEIREADH FÓMHAIR 2026

ORDINARY MEETING – MONDAY, 12th OCTOBER 2026

1. **VOTES OF SYMPATHY**

2. **VOTES OF CONGRATULATIONS/BEST WISHES**

3. **LORD MAYOR'S ITEMS**

An Chomhairle to consider any item the Lord Mayor may wish to raise.

4. **CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S ITEMS**

An Chomhairle to consider any item the Chief Executive may wish to raise.

4.1 **PROPOSED HOLDING OF AN EVENT**

An Chomhairle to approve the report of the Chief Executive, dated 12th October 2026 on the proposed holding of a parade to mark the start of the Christmas Season and the switch on of the Christmas lights on 15th November 2026 in Cork City Centre.

5. **MINUTES**

An Chomhairle to consider, and if so decided to approve as correct record and sign the minutes of:-

- Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held, 14th September 2026.
- Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held, 29th September 2026.
- Special Meeting of An Chomhairle held, 29th September 2026.

6. **QUESTION TIME**

Questions submitted enclosed.

7. **STATUTORY ITEMS**

7.1 **PROPERTY DISPOSALS**

An Chomhairle to consider the report of the Chief Executive, dated 1st October 2026 on the following property disposals:-

1. Disposal of an area of land (0.155 Hectares) known as Narnia, situated to the rear of Former Mahon Health Centre, Lakeland Crescent, Mahon, Cork, by way of an ancillary lease, to Rainbow Club Cork Centre For Autism CLG, c/o Comyn Kelleher Tobin Solicitors, No. 2 George's Quay, Cork T12 TR2A, for a term from the date of execution of the lease up to 31st January 2031, subject to a rent of €750.00 per annum.
2. Disposal of Cork City Council's interest in dwellinghouse situated at No. 89 Lower Kent Road, Ballyphehane, Cork, held by Cork City Council under a Shared Ownership Lease, to Derek Galvin for the sum of €45,303.53 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.
3. Disposal of the freehold interest in an area of ground measuring (689m² approximately) situated at Mahon Industrial Estate, Bessboro Road, Blackrock, Cork to Mahon Capital Limited, c/o JW O Donovan LLP, Solicitors, 27 South Mall, Cork, for the sum of €1,000.00, plus costs of €3,000.00 plus VAT.
4. Disposal of the freehold interest in an area of ground measuring (539.19m² approximately) situated at Murphy's Farm, Bishopstown, Cork to Declan Forde, Joe Murray, Tony Fitzgerald and Breydon Peck, being the Trustees of Bishopstown Lawn Tennis Club, c/o Michael Powell Solicitors, 5 Lapps Quay, Cork for the sum of €1,500.00, plus costs of €1,500.00 plus VAT.

7.2 **CAPITAL ASSISTANCE SCHEME: 1-8 THE SCHOOL HOUSE, HILLGROVE LANE, GERALD GRIFFIN STREET, CORK - FOCUS HOUSING ASSOCIATION CLG**

An Chomhairle to consider the report of the Acting Director of Services, Housing, dated 14th September 2026 in relation to a loan facility for Focus Housing Association CLG in respect of the provision of four 1-bed apartments and four studio apartments at 1-8 The School House, Hillgrove Lane, Gerald Griffin Street, Cork and if so decided to adopt the following Resolution:-

“Resolved that, pursuant to the provision of Section 6 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1992, a loan facility not exceeding €2,512,600.00 be granted to Focus Housing Association CLG, subject to the terms of the Capital Assistance Scheme for the provision of four 1-bed apartments and four studio apartments at 1-8 The School House, Hillgrove Lane, Gerald Griffin Street, Cork.”

7.3 **CAPITAL ASSISTANCE SCHEME: 1-6 VILLAGE VIEW, MAIN STREET, BALLINCOLLIG, CORK - FOCUS HOUSING ASSOCIATION CLG**

An Chomhairle to consider the report of the Acting Director of Services, Housing, dated 14th September 2026 in relation to a loan facility for Focus Housing Association CLG in respect of the provision of six 1-bed apartments at 1-6 Village View, Main Street, Ballincollig, Cork and if so decided to adopt the following Resolution:-

“Resolved that, pursuant to the provision of Section 6 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1992, a loan facility not exceeding €2,564,500.00 be granted to Focus Housing Association CLG, subject to the terms of the Capital Assistance Scheme for the provision of six 1-bed apartments at 1-6 Village View, Main Street, Ballincollig, Cork.”

7.4 **TAKING IN CHARGE OF RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT AT COPPENGHER FIELDS, DUBLIN PIKE, BALLINCROKIG, CORK**

An Chomhairle to consider the report of the Director of Services, Local Area Development & Operations Directorate, dated 24th September 2026, in relation to the proposed taking in charge of roads serving the development at Coppenger Fields, Dublin Pike, Ballincroikig, Cork, and if so decided to adopt the following Resolution:-

“Having considered the report of the Director of Services, Local Area Development & Operations Directorate, dated 24th September 2026, and the provisions of Section 11 (1) of the Roads Act 1993, it is now hereby declared by this Order that the said roads serving Coppenger Fields, Dublin Pike, Ballincroikig, Cork, are public roads.”

7.5 **TAKING IN CHARGE OF RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT AT LISHEEN WOODS, LISHEENS, OVENS, CORK**

An Chomhairle to consider the report of the Director of Services, Local Area Development & Operations Directorate, dated 24th September 2026, in relation to the proposed taking in charge of roads serving the development at Lisheen Woods, Lisheens, Ovens, Cork, and if so decided to adopt the following Resolution:-

“Having considered the report of the Director of Services, Local Area Development & Operations Directorate, dated 24th September 2026, and the provisions of Section 11 (1) of the Roads Act 1993, it is now hereby declared by this Order that the said roads serving Lisheen Woods, Lisheens, Ovens, Cork, are public roads.”

7.6 **MATERIAL CONTRAVENTION OF THE CORK CITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2022-2028**

An Chomhairle to consider the material contravention of the Cork City Development Plan 2022-2028 (as amended) in relation to the development of the former Webprint premises, Mahon Retail Park, Mahon, Cork, T12EK49, under Planning Reference No. 26/44891, and if so decided to adopt the following Resolution:-

“Having considered the report of the Director of Services, Planning & Integrated Development, it is hereby RESOLVED under Section 34(6)(iv) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) to approve the report of the Director of Services,

Planning & Integrated Development that permission be granted to John Casey Limited, c/o Coakley O'Neill Town Planning Ltd, NSC Campus, Mahon, Cork, T12H7AA, for development consisting of a change of use from light industrial to a retail warehouse (furniture retailing and showroom) and will comprise: the internal reconfiguration of the ground and part first floor to provide retail showroom space, customer cafe at first floor level, ancillary areas, and staff facilities; the construction of a ground floor extension to the north elevation to provide additional retail showroom space; the construction of a ground and part first floor extension to the south west elevation of the building to provide a new entrance lobby and additional retail showroom space; a first floor external balcony for the proposed cafe on the east elevation; an extension to the internal floor level to provide additional retail showroom space; elevational alterations to include changes to the facade and fenestration; signage; removal of roof plant area; reconfiguration of entrance and car parking layout; and all site development, drainage and landscaping works.”

7.7 **SECTION 38 REPORT - ROAD SAFETY IMPROVEMENT WORKS AT R847 PROSPECT ROW AT THE JUNCTION OF N22 SHEARE’S STREET/DYKE PARADE/WOODS STREET - APPROVAL UNDER SECTION 38 OF THE ROAD TRAFFIC ACT 1994 (AS AMENDED)**

An Chomhairle to consider the report of the Director of Services, Local Area Development & Operations Directorate, dated 28th September 2026 in relation to the proposed Road Safety Improvement Works at R847 Prospect Row at the junction of N22 Sheare’s Street/Dyke Parade/Woods Street, and if so decided to adopt the following Resolution:-

“Resolved that, pursuant to Section 38 of the Road Traffic Act, 1994, as amended by Section 46 of the Public Transport Regulation Act, 2009, An Chomhairle to approve the report and recommendation of the Director of Services, Local Area Development and Operations, dated 28th September 2026, following public consultation, on the proposed Road Safety Improvement Works at R847 Prospect Row at the junction of N22 Sheare’s Street/Dyke Parade/Woods Street.”

8. **CORPORATE POLICY GROUP – 23rd SEPTEMBER 2026**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Corporate Policy Group, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held, 23rd September 2026.

8.1 **MOTIONS**

8.1.1 **IRISH SIGN LANGUAGE AND AUDIO DESCRIPTION**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Corporate, Community & Cultural Affairs, dated 23rd September 2026 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council includes Irish Sign Language and audio description in all public awareness information and communications campaigns to ensure they are inclusive and accessible for those who are deaf or blind. This ISL and AD should be included as standard when the campaign is shared on social media and YouTube, shown in cinemas, aired on television, etc. It is extremely important that those with disabilities have equal access to information from Cork City Council.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Kamegni 26/452)

Decision of Committee

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

9. **PARTY WHIPS – 28th SEPTEMBER 2026**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Party Whips from its meeting held, 28th September 2026.

10. **INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS & TOURISM STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE / COISTE BEARTAIS STRAITÉISIGH - CAIDREAMH IDIRNÁISIÚNTA & TURASÓIREACHT – 22nd SEPTEMBER 2026**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the International Relations & Tourism Strategic Policy Committee from its meeting held, 22nd September 2026.

11. **ENVIRONMENT, WATER & AMENITY STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE / COISTE BEARTAIS STRAITÉISIGH - COMHSHAOL, UISCE & ÁISEANNA – 22nd SEPTEMBER 2026**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Environment, Water & Amenity Strategic Policy Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held, 22nd September 2026.

11.1 **MOTIONS**

11.1.1 **COMMUNAL EV CHARGING STATIONS IN HOUSING ESTATES**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Planning & Integrated Development, dated 16th January 2026 and the update, dated 18th September 2026 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council call on the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage, James Browne and the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment, Darragh O’Brien to amend the relevant national legislation so as to provide that local authorities can work with local residents associations and groups to install and maintain communal EV charging stations in the public areas of housing estates that request them and are willing to maintain them.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. O’Callaghan 25/611)

Decision of Committee

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

11.1.2 **DOG FOULING FINES**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Local Area Development & Operations, dated 19th May 2025 on the following motion:-

‘That this Council will establish a new byelaw that will ensure dog fouling fines can be levied against those who do not clean up after their dog with a provision that those in control of a dog must have items to clean up the dog with; and that this Council will in tandem seek to provide dog bags at high footfall locations and public parks to support this measure.’

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Horgan 25/114)

Decision of Committee

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

11.1.3 **PUBLIC TOILET POLICY**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Local Area Development & Operations, dated 15th May 2026 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council will give an update on progress in implementing the Public Toilet Policy adopted by the Council in 2021.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’ Connor 26/054)

Decision of Committee

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

11.1.4 **RE-TURN CUPHOLDER-STYLE SURROUNDS**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Local Area Development & Operations, dated 16th March 2026 on the following motion:-

‘To follow the example of other local authorities, that Cork City Council will add Re-turn cupholder-style surrounds to its public bins and, additionally, will write to shopping centres throughout Cork to invite them to add Re-turn cupholder-style surrounds to their bins, so that people can leave and take bottles and cans without binning them, to maximise recycling and save bottles and cans and their deposits from being wasted.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Kamegni 26/088)

Decision of Committee

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

11.1.5 **RIVER CLEAN-UP AND MANAGEMENT**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Local Area Development & Operations, dated 15th May 2026 on the following motion:-

‘Can Cork City Council outline exactly what works are carried out on a regular basis with river management, such as clearing of tree/debris/rubbish and inspection and clearing of culverts to ensure they are not blocked in the following rivers in the Cork City functional area: The Glashaboy River in Glanmire, the River Bride in Blackpool, the Glen River, the Martin River in Blarney. These rivers need immediate and ongoing attention to avoid flooding in this rainy season.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Flynn 26/118)

Decision of Committee

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

11.1.6 **SALE OF GRAVE SITES**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Local Area Development & Operations, dated 15th May 2026 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council recognises that

- The existing policy on the sale of graves exists for valid reasons
- People have genuine reasons for purchasing graves prior to their own passing

And agrees to

- Review the existing policy with an aim to develop a scheme that will allow for the reservation of grave sites by individuals for their own use prior to their passing while ensuring grave sites are not resold for profit.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 26/127)

Decision of Committee

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

11.1.7 **ROAD SIGNAGE CLEANING PROGRAMME AND PILOT EQUIPMENT SHARING SCHEME**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Local Area Development & Operations, dated 15th May 2026 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council:

- A. Establish a dedicated city-wide Road Signage Cleaning Programme to address dirty, obscured, or illegible road signs (including traffic, directional, and street name signs) affected by grime, algae, weathering, or graffiti;
- B. Explore and pilot an equipment-sharing scheme, whereby the Council provides specialised cleaning tools/equipment (e.g., power washers, safe access gear, cleaning solutions) to Tidy Towns groups and other voluntary/community organisations for use in local signage cleaning efforts, with appropriate training, safety protocols, and insurance arrangements in place.

This initiative would deliver two major benefits:

Improved road safety — by ensuring signs are clearly legible for drivers and pedestrians, reducing risks of confusion, delayed reactions, or accidents;

Enhanced community enjoyment — by boosting the visual appeal and pride in local areas, contributing to a cleaner, more welcoming environment that supports tourism, wellbeing, and civic pride.’

(Proposer: Cllr. A. Deasy 26/153)

Decision of Committee

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

11.1.8 **PUBLIC BIN STRATEGY**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Local Area Development & Operations, dated 15th May 2026 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council deliver a public bin strategy and ensure that communities like Ballyvolane have adequate public bins - currently there is one bin in the entire community, yet other suburbs are serviced with ample bins. We need a consistent service across our city.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 26/162)

Decision of Committee

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

11.1.9 **BRING YOUR OWN BIKE COMMUNITY FITNESS HUB**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Local Area Development & Operations, dated 18th September 2026 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council install an innovative project called SpinPark Bring Your Own Bike (BYOB) Community Fitness Hub. The concept allows people to cycle to the park and dock their own bicycles into secure “Universal Spin Docks”, instantly creating an outdoor spin class for up to 20 participants. Unlike traditional outdoor gyms, no expensive exercise bikes are left on site, reducing the risk of vandalism and maintenance costs.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 26/362)

Decision of Committee

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

11.1.10 **HEAT PLAN**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Emergency Management & Climate Action, dated 18th September 2026 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council put in place a ‘Heat Plan’ acknowledging increasing temperatures.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 26/363)

Decision of Committee

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

11.1.11 **SUSTAINABLE URBAN DRAINAGE SOLUTIONS**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Infrastructure Development, dated 18th September 2026 on the following motion:-

‘Building on the report to motion 25/624, that Cork City Council will report on strategies and policy to retrofit existing roads to include sustainable urban drainage solutions (including rain gardens, swales, wetlands, trees/planting, soakaways, rainwater harvesting, attenuation systems, etc.); and that this strategy will prioritise areas subject to the impact of cloudbursts and other flash flooding situations, and include residential areas.’

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 26/375)

Decision of Committee

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

11.1.12 **COURSING AND SIMILAR PRACTICES**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Planning & Integrated Development, dated 18th September 2026 on the following motion:-

‘That this Council fully commits against the use on public land and within its administrative area, of any practice that puts species of animal against each other, such as ‘coursing’, purportedly as entertainment.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boyle 26/386)

Decision of Committee

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

11.1.13 **SHADED AREAS IN PLAYGROUNDS**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Local Area Development & Operations, dated 18th September 2026 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council will incorporate shaded areas where at all possible into the development of all playgrounds going forwards.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Connor 26/389)

Decision of Committee

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

11.1.14 **AUDIT OF SUNCREAM DISPENSERS IN CORK CITY PARKS**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Corporate, Community & Cultural Affairs, dated 18th September 2026 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council will conduct an audit of the suncream dispensers in Cork City parks, fixing any that have been broken and ensuring that the dispensers are filled during the summer months.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Connor 26/390)

Decision of Committee

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

12. **CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE – 15th SEPTEMBER 2026**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Climate Action Committee from its meeting held, 15th September 2026.

13. **FINANCE & ESTIMATES COMMITTEE – 5th OCTOBER 2026**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Finance & Estimates Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held, 5th October 2026.

13.1 **FINANCE RELATED REPORTS**

13.1.1 **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO END OF AUGUST 2026**

Members considered the Financial Statements to the end of August 2026.

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to note the Financial Statements and to refer to An Chomhairle for approval.

14. **CITY CENTRE COMMITTEE – 30th SEPTEMBER 2026**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the City Centre Committee from its meeting held, 30th September 2026.

15. **SOUTH CENTRAL LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE – 28th SEPTEMBER 2026**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the South Central Local Area Committee from its meeting held, 28th September 2026.

16. **SOUTH WEST LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE – 28th SEPTEMBER 2026**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the South West Local Area Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held, 28th September 2026.

16.1 **MOTIONS**

16.1.1 **LEHENAGHMORE ROAD IMPROVEMENT SCHEME – BARRETT’S CROSS**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Infrastructure Development, dated 24th September 2026 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council acknowledges the serious road-safety concerns raised by local residents about the ongoing works at Barrett’s Cross, Lehenaghmore.

This motion calls on Cork City Council to:

- immediately halt the works at Barrett's Cross pending a review of the design and layout and convene, without delay, a meeting between local residents, the Lehenaghmore Residents Group, elected representatives, and the Council's design and project team to address those concerns and report back to Council.'

(Proposer: Cllr. A. Deasy 26/469)

Decision of Committee

On the proposal of Comhairleoir A. Deasy, seconded by Comhairleoir F. Dennehy, it was agreed that the motion would be referred back to An Chomhairle for consideration.

17. **NORTH WEST LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE – 28th SEPTEMBER 2026**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the North West Local Area Committee from its meeting held, 28th September 2026.

18. **NORTH EAST LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE – 28th SEPTEMBER 2026**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the North East Local Area Committee from its meeting held, 28th September 2026.

19. **SOUTH EAST LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE – 30th SEPTEMBER 2026**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the South East Local Area Committee from its meeting held, 30th September 2026.

20. **CORRESPONDENCE**

An Chomhairle to note correspondence, if any.

21. **CONFERENCE/SEMINAR SUMMARIES**

An Chomhairle to note the summaries by Members of conferences/seminars attended, if any.

22. **SECTION 141 REPORTS**

An Chomhairle to note section 141 reports received, if any.

23. **CONFERENCES/SEMINARS**

An Chomhairle to approve attendance at conferences/seminars tabled on the night, if any.

23.1 **IPB CENTENARY DINNER**

An Chomhairle to consider and retrospectively approve the travel of Comhairleoir S. Martin to Dublin on September 17th 2026 to attend the IPB Centenary Dinner held in the Mansion House.

24. **TRAINING**

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

25. **CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S MONTHLY MANAGEMENT REPORTS**

An Chomhairle to note the Chief Executive's monthly management reports for June, July and August 2026.

26. **MOTIONS REFERRED TO COMMITTEES**

An Chomhairle to note the motions on Appendix 1 attached, that have been referred to the relevant Committees as determined by the Meetings Administrator, due notice of which has been given.

27. **MOTIONS**

27.1 **GDPR OBSTACLES IN ROLLING OUT CCTV SCHEMES**

'That this Council will write to the Data Protection Commissioner to seek a meeting on why GDPR obstacles are constantly being placed in the way of rolling out CCTV schemes across this city to deter anti-social and criminal behaviour in our communities.'

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Horgan 26/483)

27.2 **REINSTATE THE DOMINO SERVICE**

'That Cork City Council will write to the Minister for Health requesting that she intervene and ensure that the DOMINO service in the CUMH is fully reinstated as a matter of urgency.'

The City Council will also request that its Regional Health Forum delegates express concern over the significant reductions to the service.'

(Proposers: Cllr. N. O'Connor, Cllr. D. Boyle 26/487)

27.3 **SOLIDARITY WITH THE RESIDENTS OF THE GARVAGHY ROAD**

'Cork City Council sends its solidarity to the residents of the Garvaghy Road in Portadown and join in their opposition to a sectarian Orange Order march through their area. We recognise that this is primarily a residential area and that painful wounds have been reopened by these events and believe no parade should be imposed against the wishes of residents. Ordinary people of all communities do not wish to be dragged back to the violence of the past by the whipping up of tension and division. We welcome the open letter signed by over 1,000 people from Protestant backgrounds in support of the Garvaghy Road residents.'

(Proposer: Cllr. B. McCarthy 26/488)

27.4 **REROUTE ORANGE ORDER MARCH AWAY FROM GARVAGHY ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council fully supports the right of residents in Garvaghy Road to live without fear of Orange Order marches parading along their road.

We further note that for 28 years there has been peace in Garvaghy Road. This is because no Orange Order march proceeded down the Garvaghy Road and this has ensured that the violence and fear from previous marches has been avoided.

Therefore, we urge the Orange Order to reroute their march away from Garvaghy Road.

Finally, we call on Cork City Council to write to An Taoiseach urging him to contact the Orange Order, Chief Constable of the PSNI and the British Secretary of State demanding that they agree to reroute this contentious march for this and future years.’

(Proposers: Cllr. K. Collins, Cllr. J. Lynch, Cllr. F. Kerins 26/502)

27.5 **AMENDMENTS TO THE BROADCASTING ACT 2009**

‘That Cork City Council write to the Minister for Culture, Communications & Sport, Patrick O’Donovan calling on him and the Irish Government to introduce amendments to the Broadcasting Act 2009 (particularly sections 21 and 22) so as to provide for increased Oireachtas and ministerial oversight of the “expenses properly incurred” by Coimisiún na Meán and the “working capital requirements” of Coimisiún na Meán (within the meaning of section 21(4) of the 2009 Act) and to require Oireachtas and ministerial consent for any increase or decrease in a levy order in excess of 5% per annum.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. O’Callaghan 26/489)

27.6 **US BLOCKADE OF CUBA**

‘Cork City Council calls for an immediate end to the illegal US blockade of Cuba and the removal of Cuba from the "State Sponsors of Terrorism" list.

Council notes the hypocrisy of this designation given that Cuba has been the victim of foreign sponsored attacks causing over 3,500 deaths.

Council condemns the extraterritorial US coercion blocking international trade, which has left 7,000 containers of vital medical and essential supplies stranded in ports, and further condemns the failure of the EU and Irish governments to robustly resist this interference.

Council expresses grave concern over the fuel blockade causing severe power grid failures, crippling public transport, education, and waste collection, and devastating Cuba's free healthcare system.

Cork City Council urges the Irish Government to use all available legal and diplomatic means to reject these unlawful sanctions and protect independent trade.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Struthers 26/497)

27.7 **BREAST DENSITY NOTIFICATION FOR ALL WOMEN UNDERGOING MAMMOGRAPHY**

‘That Cork City Council writes to the Minister for Health and the HSE calling for the introduction of standardised breast density notification for all women undergoing mammography in Ireland, ensuring women are informed with their mammogram results whether they have dense breasts and, if so, their breast density category.

Council further calls for a national public awareness campaign on breast density and its importance to women’s breast health.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. O’Connor 26/500)

27.8 **STEM CELL TRANSPLANT (SCT) AND CELLULAR THERAPY UNIT**

‘That Cork City Council would write to the HSE to ask them to consider a Stem Cell Transplant (SCT) and Cellular Therapy Unit for Cork University Hospital (CUH) in view of the fact that patients have to travel to Dublin or Galway for treatment for Multiple Myeloma. This causes significant stress and hardship for patients and their families at a vulnerable time.’

(Proposers: Cllr. J. Sheehan 26/526)

27.9 **CRISIS IN DEMENTIA CARE BEDS**

‘That Cork City Council recognises the crisis in dementia care beds in Cork and agrees to write to the Minister for Health opposing the closure of the 17-bed dementia unit in Sarsfield Court.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Gould 26/529)

NUALA STEWART
MEETINGS ADMINISTRATOR

Chuig gach ball de Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí

8^ú Deireadh Fómhair 2026

APPENDIX 1

MOTIONS

An Chomhairle to note the referral to the relevant Committee of the following motions, due notice of which has been given:-

1. **BUS SHELTER ON ST. PATRICK'S STREET**

‘That Cork City Council would put plans in place to erect a shelter with seating on St. Patrick’s Street outside Gentleman’s Quarters, or in this general area. This is merely to accommodate people waiting for a taxi and especially in poor weather conditions. In recent weeks, Cork City Council have enhanced the street with additional greenery and this added shelter would greatly further enhance this area of Patrick’s Street.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 26/474)

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2. **TRAFFIC CALMING ON R615**

‘That Cork City Council would include the stretch of road on the R615 (aka, The Old Youghal Road) between The Barn Restaurant and the junction with Barnavara with traffic calming measures such as two speed ramps and enhanced public lighting.

This is a densely populated area with two schools, with a current 50km/hr speed limit and poses a serious public safety concern with speeding traffic, particularly on this stretch of road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 26/475)

North East Local Area Committee – 27/10/2026

3. **TRAFFIC CALMING IN FRANKFIELD**

‘That Cork City Council put in traffic calming above and below the traffic lights at the entrance to Frankfield Estate.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 26/476)

South Central Local Area Committee – 27/10/2026

4. **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES ON ST. CHRISTOPHER'S DRIVE**

‘That Cork City Council implement a 30km/hr speed limit on the stretch of road linking Old Youghal Road to Middle Glanmire Road in Montenotte. Additional traffic calming measures are critical on this stretch of road via Murmont Lawn, St. Christopher’s Drive and Leycester Lane. This is a highly densely populated residential area, and this stretch of road is a very busy route leading to schools, sports clubs, shops and various other businesses.

I ask that Cork City Council implement the following traffic calming measures on this stretch of road in the interest of public safety

1. On Leycester Lane, leading to and from Middle Glanmire Road, that double yellow lines are implemented on both sides of the road (up to the entrance of Baile an Aoire) where they don't already exist and refreshed where they have worn away. The road is very narrow at this point and people are parking their cars here all day long, free of charge, and creating a serious danger to cars travelling up and down this narrow hill every day.
2. As the road widens leading on to St. Christopher's Drive, this is where speed becomes a big problem. Can we erect 30km/hr speed signs on this stretch of road and an electronic speed monitoring sign.
3. I ask that double yellow lines are applied at the entrance to Clifton Downs Estate on St. Christopher's Drive for approximately 10 metres to the right and left of this entrance/exit point of the estate, which will enhance vision of oncoming traffic for cars exiting this estate.
4. The road then leads down towards the junction with Old Youghal Road and passes by the very busy junction with Murmont Avenue, which leads to a large school and Brian Dillons GAA Club. As this junction was recently resurfaced, can the previous junction road lining be reinstated.
5. That Cork City Council put a speed ramp and a pedestrian crossing on Murmont Lawn, just before the junction with Murmont Avenue. This will help to slow down speeding traffic in both directions, and allow a safe crossing point for all pedestrians going to and coming from the local schools and Brian Dillons GAA Club.

These proposed traffic calming measures, if introduced, will greatly enhance the public safety of pedestrians, all road users and residents using this very busy stretch of road in Montenotte on a daily basis.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 26/477)

North East Local Area Committee – 27/10/2026

5. TRAFFIC CALMING AT KNIGHTS COURT, OLD YOUGHAL ROAD

'That traffic calming measures be put in place at Knights Court Estate on Old Youghal Road, Mayfield. This is a small cul de sac housing estate located on Old Youghal Road, directly across the road from Supervalu in Mayfield. Can Cork City Council implement a "raised table ramp" at the entrance point to the estate with relevant "children at play" signage adjacent to the entrance, in order to encourage drivers to slow down when entering and exiting the estate.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 26/478)

North East Local Area Committee – 27/10/2026

6. **AI KILL SWITCH**

‘That this Council will ensure there is an AI kill switch for any and all AI platforms in its control and will seek the new Commissioner for AI office to develop a public sector AI kill switch as per the National Cyber Security Centre document securing AI adoption in the public service.’

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Horgan 26/479)

Corporate Policy Group – 02/11/2026

7. **ROAD OPENING LICENCES**

‘That the Council will seek, in cases where road opening licences are applied for near traffic lights loops, that a deposit equal to the amount it would cost to repair all loops in that area, would be lodged with the Council and would only be returned upon examination of the area that the loops are not damaged following the road opening licence.’

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Horgan 26/480)

Transport & Mobility Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Iompar & Soghluaisteacht – 21/12/2026

8. **DEDICATED, USER-FRIENDLY ONLINE REPORTING PORTAL**

‘That Cork City Council would establish a dedicated, user-friendly online reporting portal on the Cork City Council website, along with a downloadable mobile application, similar to systems already operated by other local authorities in Ireland, through which members of the public can quickly and easily report defects, hazards and other issues requiring Council attention.

The portal and app should allow residents to identify the precise location of an issue using an interactive map or GPS location, upload photographs where appropriate, select the nature of the problem being reported and receive a reference number so that the report and its progress can be tracked. The mobile application should offer the same functionality as the website, so that residents can report an issue at the moment they come across it while out and about.

The system should include, but not be limited to, the reporting of damaged or defective footpaths, potholes and road-surface defects, damaged kerbs, blocked gullies and drainage issues, faulty public lighting, damaged road signs and street furniture, issues arising from road openings and reinstatements, and other defects or hazards within the public realm.

Reports should be electronically directed to the appropriate section of Cork City Council to streamline the reporting and administrative process, help Council staff identify and prioritise works, reduce duplicate reports, and give residents greater visibility into the status of issues they have raised.

Cork City Council would also actively promote the portal and mobile application following their introduction so that residents, community organisations and elected members are aware of the service and encouraged to use one centralised reporting system.'

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O'Flynn 26/481)

Corporate Policy Group – 02/11/2026

9. WATER QUALITY TESTING OF THE ATLANTIC POND

'That this Council will conduct regular water quality testing of the Atlantic Pond and make the results available to elected members of the South East Ward at defined periods in the year.'

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Horgan 26/482)

South East Local Area Committee – 28/10/2026

10. TRAFFIC SAFETY AT BISHOPSCOURT GREEN

'That Cork City Council urgently assess the ongoing road safety concerns at Bishopscourt Green, Bishopstown, arising from vehicles making prohibited right turns from Bishopstown Road onto Bishopscourt Green and using the residential estate as a rat-run.

In light of residents' reports of significant volumes of vehicles making this illegal turn, often at speed, and a number of reported near-misses involving children and other vulnerable road users, I ask that the Council:

- undertake a formal road safety assessment of the junction and Bishopscourt Green;
- review and, where appropriate, reposition or enhance the existing "No Right Turn" signage to improve its visibility and effectiveness;
- examine the feasibility of introducing a right-turn filter light at the Bishopstown Road junction adjacent to Bishopstown Garda Station; and
- assess options to prevent rat-running through Bishopscourt Green, including the feasibility of making the upper section one-way and/or introducing appropriate physical measures such as flexi-bollards.

I further ask that these measures be considered alongside the planned traffic-calming measures for Bishopscourt Green and Bishopscourt Drive, so that a coordinated approach is taken to speeding, illegal turning movements and through-traffic within this residential area.'

(Proposer: Cllr. C. O'Connor 26/484)

South West Local Area Committee – 27/10/2026

11. **EVERGREEN ROAD**

‘I ask that the wide walkway/pathway between the pavement and the steps from number 53 to 61 Evergreen Road, be inspected for a surface upgrade to remove the many trip hazards that are currently present.’

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Dineen 26/485)

South Central Local Area Committee – 27/10/2026

12. **RAMP/RAISED PATH AT TURNERS CROSS COMMUNITY CENTRE**

‘I ask that the Turners Cross Community Centre access be provided with a concrete ramp or raised path from the gateway to the doorway. The area in question is quite small and flat and would not require a major amount of concrete.

The centre is frequented by many elderly local residents who have mobility issues and the current step is hazardous to them.’

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Dineen 26/486)

South Central Local Area Committee – 27/10/2026

13. **NATURE-BASED PLAY SPACE AT THE LEE FIELDS**

‘That Cork City Council examine the feasibility of developing an inclusive, nature-based playground at the Lee Fields, designed sensitively around the existing landscape and using natural materials and play features.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. O’Connor 26/491)

South West Local Area Committee – 27/10/2026

14. **OVERGROWN HEDGING ON SOUTHERN ROAD**

‘That the collective overgrown hedging on Southern Road onto its footpaths be cut back.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 26/492)

South Central Local Area Committee – 27/10/2026

15. **ESTATES ‘TO BE TAKEN IN CHARGE’**

‘To get a report on estates yet to ‘be taken in charge’ at the South East LAC.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 26/493)

South East Local Area Committee – 28/10/2026

16. **ATLANTIC POND**

‘To get an update at the South East LAC on the water quality and remediation at the Atlantic Pond.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 26/494)

South East Local Area Committee – 28/10/2026

17. **INFORMATION PANELS AT ELIZABETH FORT**

‘That information panels be added on the ramparts of Elizabeth Fort in terms of what buildings are being viewed.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 26/495)

City Centre Committee – 25/11/2026

18. **HALTING THE DISPOSAL OF COUNCIL HOUSING**

‘That Cork City Council stops selling off vacant and derelict council homes, recognizing that public housing is the only lifeline working-class people have for secure living, and rules that getting a council house shouldn't feel like ‘winning the lottery.’ If any public housing is ever sold, it must strictly be ring-fenced for people who qualify for affordable housing or housing supports.

To protect our communities, this Council calls upon the Chief Executive Chief Executive to:

Halt Private Sales: Stop selling vacant and derelict council properties to private developers or high bidders on the open market.

Prioritise Ordinary People Over Commercial Landlords: Restrict any future housing sales exclusively to local buyers on Affordable Housing lists or housing supports.

Ban Property Flipping: Lock these homes into the affordable sector so they cannot be flipped for a profit or rented at sky-high market rates.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Struthers 26/496)

Housing Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Tithíocht – 20/10/2026

19. **‘AWAAB’S LAW’ UPDATE HOUSING STANDARDS**

‘That Cork City Council introduces strict, legally binding timelines, akin to ‘Awaab's Law’ standards, to protect Council tenants from the severe health hazards of damp, structural defects, and toxic black mould.

To prevent systemic delays and safeguard families in public housing, this Council calls on the Chief Executive to implement a proactive housing maintenance policy mandating that:

1. Immediate Investigation: Reports of damp, mould, or severe structural hazards in council properties must be investigated and assessed within 10 working days of being reported.
2. Emergency Response: Where damp or toxic mould is found to pose an immediate risk to a tenant's health, emergency remedial actions must commence within 24 hours.
3. Mandatory Repairs: Standard repairs relating to environmental hazards must legally commence within 5 working days of the initial assessment report being delivered to the tenant.
4. Alternative Accommodation: In cases where a council home cannot be made safe within these emergency timelines, the Council must immediately provide suitable alternative accommodation to protect the health of the family.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Struthers 26/498)

Housing Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Tithíocht – 20/10/2026

20. **TACKLING MISOGYNY AND WORKPLACE HARASSMENT**

‘That Cork City Council, in accordance with its statutory Public Sector Duty under Section 42 of the IHREC Act 2014, firmly condemns all forms of misogyny, sexism, and workplace harassment.

To ensure a safe, inclusive environment for all Councillors, executives, and staff, this Council calls on the Chief Executive to report to the chamber on the feasibility, structures, and resources required to:

- Update Policies: Review the Council’s Dignity at Work and Harassment Policies to explicitly define and ban misogyny, microaggressions, and online abuse.
- Mandate Training: Introduce compulsory training on active bystander intervention, gender bias, and sexual harassment prevention for all elected members and staff.
- Secure Reporting Pathways: Establish independent, confidential reporting mechanisms for gender-based conduct with strict anti-victimisation protections under WRC guidelines.
- Report Annually: Provide a yearly compliance report to the chamber on progress, training completion rates, and structural adherence to Public Sector Duty standards.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Struthers 26/499)

Corporate Policy Group – 02/11/2026

21. **RESURFACE INTERNAL ROADS IN KNOCKPOGUE AND KNOCKFREE**

‘That Cork City Council resurface the internal roads on Knockpogue Avenue, Knockfree Avenue and Knockpogue Park as part of the active travel scheme.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 26/501)

North West Local Area Committee – 27/10/2026

22. **BOLLARDS AT ARDCULLEN**

‘That Cork City Council remove the bollards at the entrance to ArdculLEN. ‘

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 26/503)

North West Local Area Committee – 27/10/2026

23. **LEHENAGHMORE ROAD IMPROVEMENT SCHEME**

‘That Cork City Council outlines the mechanism by which major alterations to the design of the Lehenaghmore Road Improvement Scheme - approved by elected members on 8 February 2021 - were agreed; sets out why significant design changes to the junction at Barrett's Cross were not subsequently brought back to elected members for approval/rejection; and sets out why the finalised design of the project has not been published on the City Council's website.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Lynch 26/505)

South West Local Area Committee – 27/10/2026

24. **EMMETT PLACE ENHANCEMENT PROJECT**

‘That Cork City Council provides an update in respect of the Emmett Place Enhancement Project, sets out whether there exists scope to revise the scheme to fully harness the significant redevelopment of the Crawford Art Gallery - currently underway nearby - and sets out whether funding for the project has been secured.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Lynch 26/506)

City Centre Committee – 25/11/2026

25. **PAID PARKING ON THE TOGHER ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council shall undertake to assess the feasibility of introducing paid parking on the Togher Road, from its junction with Pearse Road to its junction with Clashduv Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Lynch 26/507)

South West Local Area Committee – 27/10/2026

26. **WARMER COLOUR TEMPERATURES IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS**

‘That Cork City Council will amend the "Exterior Lighting Design Requirements, Guidance & Specification Manual for Lighting Equipment Supply, Installation & Maintenance" in response to demand for warmer colour temperatures in residential areas, enhanced biodiversity and wildlife protections, and further reduced energy use to meet our ambitions as an EU climate-neutral and smart mission city; in particular, that section "8.6.6 Colour Temperature" will be modified so that the colour temperature of "City/Town/Village Centres" and "Residential Estates" will be set at 2200K/2700K (i.e. a golden or yellowish-amber glow); and that section "8.6.7 Dimming and Trimming Profiles" will be modified so that M, P and U15/16 lighting classes will begin at 11:00pm, and that a further dimming to 50% shall take place at 2:00am.’

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 26/508)

Environment, Water & Amenity Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Comhshaol, Uisce & Áiseanna – 17/11/2026

27. **NEW ENTRANCE TO TINKER'S CROSS PARK**

‘That Cork City Council will create a new entrance to Tinker's Cross Park along the desire line forming from the junction of Old Youghal Road and the North Ring Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 26/509)

North East Local Area Committee – 27/10/2026

28. **FLOATING WETLANDS**

‘That Cork City Council will trial installing floating wetlands in a section of the River Lee in the city centre, such as a location along the north channel or at Horgan's Quay, to restore urban wildlife, ecosystems and river quality, following the example of a similar initiative in Bristol.’

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 26/510)

Environment, Water & Amenity Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Comhshaol, Uisce & Áiseanna – 17/11/2026

29. **PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS ON GLEN AVENUE**

‘That Cork City Council will review the provision of pedestrian crossings on Glen Avenue, including giving consideration to the converting of courtesy crossings to non-courtesy crossings and the introduction of raised-table crossings for pedestrian safety and traffic calming, noting also that the street is a 30 km/h zone during daytime hours.’

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 26/511)

North East Local Area Committee – 27/10/2026

30. **ROAD LAYOUT AT JUNCTION BY DOUGLAS COURT SHOPPING CENTRE**

‘That Cork City Council will revise the road layout at the junction by Douglas Court Shopping Centre to:

- a) maximise space for footpaths and a kerb-protected cycle lane around the outer edge of the roundabout to better use wasted road space,
- b) relocate the northwestern pedestrian crossing by KFC as close to the roundabout as possible for a more direct route for pedestrians,
- c) relocate the existing southeastern crossing by McDonald’s to align with the internal Douglas Court crossing by the bus stop to directly connect where people want to go, and
- d) redesign the roundabout to include feature art/landscaping to match high standards elsewhere, e.g. the roundabout on the Bandon Road by Ballinhassig, and reflect the pride of place in Douglas Village, Cork City.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Kamegni 26/512)

South East Local Area Committee – 28/10/2026

31. **ENGAGE WITH THE NTA AND IARNRÓD ÉIREANN/IRISH RAIL**

‘That Cork City Council will engage with the National Transport Authority (NTA) and Iarnród Éireann/Irish Rail to request:

- a) a timeline for the extension of the TFI 90-Minute Leap Card Fare to rail services within a 30km radius of Cork, including Midleton, Cobh and Mallow,
- b) a timeline for additional capacity on rail services in the Cork Metropolitan Area, namely additional carriages during peak hours to accommodate existing and growing passenger numbers,
- c) outline details/timeline for a future park & ride in the vicinity of Blarney, and
- d) high-quality, sheltered bike parking at Mallow and all other Cork train stations.’

(Proposers: Cllr. H. Kamegni, Cllr. N. O’Connor 26/513)

Transport & Mobility Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Iompar & Soghluaisteacht – 21/12/2026

32. **DOUGLAS COMMUNITY PARK**

‘That Cork City Council will review the drinking water fountain in Douglas Community Park to make sure the water pressure is adequate, noting its current pressure is too low, and will install fit-for-purpose, accessible public toilets in Douglas Community Park, recognising that when a child or parent needs to use a restroom, they are forced to cut their visits short or rely on the goodwill of nearby private businesses, which is not only an issue of basic comfort but also a matter of public health, hygiene, and inclusivity for our community, and that basic facilities should be a priority as we encourage outdoor play and community engagement.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Kamegni 26/514)

South East Local Area Committee – 28/10/2026

33. **SCHEDULE TO RING THE BELLS IN THE CLOCK TOWER AT CITY HALL**

‘In the interests of placemaking, to contribute positive sounds to the audio landscape of our city, to mark special times and days, and to potentially engage tours and schools in a novel activity, that Cork City Council will consider options and implement its preferred option for a new automatic/manual schedule to ring the bells in the clock tower at City Hall. Suggested options include:

- a) on the hour every hour, with the number of rings reflecting the time, e.g. 12 rings at 12 o’clock, on an automatic 12-hour basis or agreed schedule,
- b) at the start, middle and end of the working day,
- c) a melody to coincide with the calendar of events at City Hall, including meetings of the City Council, visits of special guests and public events, and
- d) to reflect the bell-ringing schedule usually followed elsewhere, such as Saint Colman’s Cathedral in Cobh.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Kamegni 26/515)

Community, Culture & Placemaking Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Pobal, Cultúr & Comhfhorbairt Áite – 19/11/2026

34. **TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE LOUGH**

‘That this Council, in light of recent incidents, seek a traffic management plan for The Lough that would include a lowering of the speed limit to 30 km/h, installing of speed ramps and warning signs, and adding pedestrian crossings near the Lough Café and The Hawthorn Bar.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boyle 26/516)

South Central Local Area Committee – 27/10/2026

35. **PROTECTION OF TREES**

‘That it be the applied policy of this Council, that in relation to the provision of active travel projects that the protection of trees should always take precedence over the securing of car parking spaces.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boyle 26/518)

Transport & Mobility Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Iompar & Soghluaisteacht – 21/12/2026

36. **CO-ORDINATE WORK INVOLVING ROAD OPENINGS**

‘That this Council insist that utility companies co-ordinate work involving road openings to ensure that such works can occur at locations at the same times, minimising such works occurring during night time hours.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boyle 26/519)

Transport & Mobility Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Iompar & Soghluaisteacht – 21/12/2026

37. **AFFORDABLE STUDENT ACCOMMODATION IN CORK CITY**

‘That Cork City Council review, within its statutory planning functions, how the City Development Plan and associated planning policies can better support the delivery of genuinely affordable, purpose-built student accommodation in appropriate locations, particularly on publicly owned lands.

The review should consider affordability, proximity to third-level institutions, access to existing and proposed public transport routes, and the impact of accommodation shortages on surrounding residential communities, including traffic congestion and parking pressures, with a view to strengthening planning policy in collaboration with MTU, UCC and relevant stakeholders.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. O’Connor 26/520)

Strategic, Economic Development, Enterprise & Planning Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Straitéiseacht, Forbairt Eacnamaíoch, Fiontar & Pleanáil – 19/10/2026

38. **NAMING OF THE FORMER VITA CORTEX RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT, KINSALE ROAD/PEARSE ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council:

Notes that planning permission Ref. **25/43946**, relating to the former Vita Cortex site at Kinsale Road/Pearse Road, includes a condition requiring proposals for the estate/street name, house/apartment numbering scheme and associated signage to be submitted to and agreed in writing with the Planning Authority prior to the commencement of development;

Further notes that the planning condition provides that the proposed name or names **shall be based on local historical or topographical features, or other alternatives acceptable to Cork City Council, the Planning Authority**, and that the purpose of the condition is to ensure the use of locally appropriate placenames for new residential areas;

Notes the provisions of **Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage Circular NSP 02/2026, “Naming and Numbering Schemes for New Residential Developments”, dated 15 May 2026**, which advises planning authorities to:

- engage with applicants regarding naming and numbering requirements;
- integrate consideration of naming and numbering into the planning assessment process where possible;
- prioritise the timely assessment and determination of naming and numbering submissions where these are dealt with by way of a planning condition;
- ensure that local consultation arrangements do not unnecessarily delay the determination of such submissions; and

- proactively prepare lists of appropriate and agreed names for future housing developments, while ensuring **“sufficient regard is had to the provision of meaningful and locally appropriate new development naming”**;

Recognises that the former Vita Cortex site has considerable local historical, cultural and social significance and is located within an area with an established tradition of using historically significant names for streets and places;

Further notes the previous motion (September 2025) concerning the naming of the new development at the former Vita Cortex site and the proposal to recognise the contribution of women associated with the 1916 Rising;

Calls on Cork City Council:

1. **To confirm the current status of the naming and numbering process** for planning application Ref. 25/43946, including whether a naming and numbering submission has been received from the developer and, if so, the date of receipt and the current stage of its assessment;
2. **To ensure that the naming process is conducted in accordance with the relevant planning condition and Cork City Council’s established policies and procedures**, including the requirement that proposed names have a meaningful connection with local historical, topographical, heritage or cultural associations;
3. **To ensure that the naming process has regard to the provisions of Circular NSP 02/2026**, including the Circular’s emphasis on meaningful and locally appropriate names and on timely determination of naming and numbering submissions;
4. To ensure that appropriate consideration is given to **existing historic and traditional placenames associated with the site and surrounding locality**, including Irish-language placenames where historically appropriate;
5. To ensure that the relevant Council officers and sections, including those with responsibility for **planning, heritage, placenames and the Irish language**, are appropriately consulted as part of the naming process, while ensuring that such consultation is undertaken in a timely manner consistent with Circular NSP 02/2026;
6. To consider the proposal previously brought before Council concerning the commemoration of **women associated with the 1916 Rising** in the naming of the new development and its internal streets, alongside other historically and locally appropriate naming options;
7. To provide the Local Area Committee and elected members with a report setting out:
 - o the naming and numbering process applicable to the development;
 - o the applicable planning condition and Council policy;
 - o any naming proposal received from the developer;
 - o the criteria against which any proposed name will be assessed;
 - o the consultations undertaken or proposed; and
 - o the anticipated timeframe for determination of the naming submission;
8. **To ensure that no development name is agreed without the Planning Authority being satisfied that the proposed name meets the requirements of the relevant planning condition and reflects the historical, cultural, heritage or topographical character of the locality.’**

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Kerins 26/521)

South Central Local Area Committee – 27/10/2026

39. **MUNICIPAL PLAYING FIELDS AND PREMISES STRATEGY**

‘That Cork City Council develop a municipal playing fields and premises strategy in view of a growing scarcity of available playing pitches in fast growing city areas and the increasingly unaffordable cost of pitches for clubs.’

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Kerins 26/522)

Environment, Water & Amenity Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Comhshaol, Uisce & Áiseanna – 17/11/2026

40. **LIGHTING AT THE PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT SCART CROSS**

‘To ask Cork City Council to ensure the connection of lighting at the pedestrian crossing at Scart Cross, Donnybrook, Douglas, which remains currently out of use for over 2 years.’

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Kerins 26/523)

South East Local Area Committee – 28/10/2026

41. **‘GULL-PROOF SACK” FOR WASTE COLLECTION**

‘That Cork City Council will work with waste collection companies to investigate the possibility of using a ‘Gull-Proof Sack” for waste collection in densely populated areas where bin storage is an issue.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Connor 26/524)

Environment, Water & Amenity Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Comhshaol, Uisce & Áiseanna – 17/11/2026

42. **COMPACTING BIN AT DENROCHES CROSS**

‘That Cork City Council will provide a compacting bin at Denroches Cross.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Connor 26/525)

South West Local Area Committee – 27/10/2026

43. **CCTV INFRASTRUCTURE**

‘That Cork City Council will publish a report outlining:

- The number of CCTV cameras currently in operation in Cork City
- The number that are out of order
- The cost of maintaining the existing CCTV infrastructure
- The number of new CCTV cameras added in each of the last 5 years

- The number of prosecutions or fixed penalty notices issued because of CCTV footage in each of the last 5 years in tabular form
- Whether CCTVs are used to identify scrambler usage.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Gould 26/527)

Corporate Policy Group – 02/11/2026

44. ACCESSIBILITY OFFICER

‘That Cork City Council writes to the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality requesting dedicated Government funding for the appointment of a full-time Accessibility Officer for Cork City Council, with appropriate seniority and resources.

Given that the commitment in the Programme for Government to expand the role of Disability Access Officers in Local Authorities, the Council further requests that the Minister outline the funding arrangements and timeframe for implementation of this commitment.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Gould 26/528)

Community, Culture & Placemaking Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Pobal, Cultúr & Comhfhorbairt Áite – 19/11/2026

45. EMERGENCY DEBATE ON PROPOSED RENT CHANGES AND THE USE OF TENANTS’ RENTAL INCOME

‘That Cork City Council hold an emergency debate on the proposed changes to the Differential Rents Scheme, following the Housing Department’s pre-budget presentation to members, which projected rental income rising from €38,912,700 in 2026 to €51,234,300 in 2027—an increase of €12,321,600, or 31.7%—without sufficient explanation of how this would be achieved.

With approximately 80% of tenants on this scheme and rents based on household income, the Chief Executive should provide the calculations and assumptions underpinning this projection, distinguishing income arising from scheme changes, additional tenancies and other factors, with worked examples showing weekly rents before and after the changes for different household types and income levels. This must allow members to assess affordability for tenants already facing hardship from living costs and energy bills.

The debate to also address why only €15,723,100 was allocated to housing maintenance in 2026 against rental income of €38,912,700; why maintenance funding is proposed to rise by €4,837,200 to €20,560,300 in 2027; and how the remaining €30,671,300 in rental income will be allocated, including whether any will support expenditure outside housing.

This information must be provided before members are asked to approve the 2027 budget or changes to the scheme.’

(Proposer: Cllr. A. Deasy 26/530)

Housing Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Tithíocht – 20/10/2026

46. URGENT PARKING SAFETY MEASURES IN KENLEY, LEESDALE, GREENFIELDS AND ROSSBROOK ESTATES

‘That Cork City Council urgently install double yellow lines at all corners, junctions and turning areas, and along sections of road frontage with no entrance gates or vehicular access points, as well as increase the number of Disabled Parking Bays in Kenley, Leesdale, Greenfields and Rossbrook Estates, as an interim measure pending the Council’s review of parking throughout the Bishopstown area.

Student commuter parking in these estates is seriously inconveniencing residents, obstructing safe access and creating hazards for pedestrians, motorists and emergency and service vehicles. These immediate measures should proceed without awaiting completion of the wider review.’

(Proposer: Cllr. A. Deasy 26/531)

South West Local Area Committee – 27/10/2026

47. ADDITIONAL SECURITY FOR BISHOP LUCEY PARK

‘That Cork City Council provide additional security for Bishop Lucey Park and liaise with Gardaí about increased Garda presence in the area.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 26/532)

City Centre Committee – 25/11/2026

48. UNSAFE FOOTPATHS AROUND SARSFIELDS CLUB

‘That Cork City Council will look at the unsafe footpaths around Sarsfields Club, outside Marwood estate and the junction with New Line Road and apply for funding from all available national revenue streams and provide safe pedestrian crossings at the three locations listed above.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 26/533)

North East Local Area Committee – 27/10/2026

49. PUBLIC TOILETS IN THE ENGLISH MARKET

‘That Cork City Council include an upgrade and increased number of public toilets in the English Market as part of the €7.5 million regeneration fund.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 26/534)

Strategic, Economic Development, Enterprise & Planning Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Straitéiseacht, Forbairt Eacnamaíoch, Fiontar & Pleanáil – 19/10/2026

50. UPDATE ON NORTHERN DISTRIBUTOR ROUTE AND BUS CONNECTS

‘That Cork City Council write to Minister for Transport and seek an update on

- Northern Distributor Route
- if sufficient monies are provided to NTA to roll out the first phase of Bus Connect Cork routes and receive an update on what routes are next and what funding is required?’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 26/535)

Transport & Mobility Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Iompar & Soghluaisteacht – 21/12/2026

51. TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES AT RATHPEACON ROAD

‘That Cork City Council install traffic calming measures at Rathpeacon Road, Killeens.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 26/536)

North West Local Area Committee – 27/10/2026