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 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:-

GNÁTHCHRUINNIÚ – DÉ LUAIN, 13^ú DEIREADH FÓMHAIR 2025 ORDINARY MEETING – MONDAY, 13th OCTOBER 2025

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. <u>CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S ITEMS</u>

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 13th October 2025 on the proposed holding of a parade to mark the start of the Christmas Season and the switch on of the Christmas lights, on 14th November 2025 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, 8th September 2025.
- Special Meeting of An Chomhairle held, 15th September 2025.

6. **QUESTION TIME**

Questions submitted enclosed.

7. **STATUTORY ITEMS**

7.1 **PROPERTY DISPOSALS**

An Chomhairle to consider the reports of the Chief Executive, dated 2nd October 2025 on the following property disposals:-

- 1. Disposal of land, (approximately 2.79 hectares) located at Carrigrohane Road, Cork by way of a 99 year Sporting Lease, together with a right of way therein, to Patrick Scannell, Brendan McCarthy, Joe Plunkett and Michael Casey, being the Trustees of Avondale United Football Club, their successors and assigns, c/o Sean Murphy & Co. Solicitors, 1 South Bank Crosses Green, Cork, subject to an annual rent of €5.00.
- 2. Disposal of Stall No. 25 & 26 Grand Parade Market to Mr Bell Foods Provider Limited c/o Comyn Kelleher Tobin, 2 George's Quay, Cork by way of lease for a term of 21 years from the 1st January 2024 at an annual rent of €5,314.80 plus rates and service charges.
- 3. Disposal of Stall No. 1 & 2 Princes Street Market to My Goodness Limited t/a My Goodness c/o De Búrca Greene Solicitors LLP, 1st Floor Classic House, 11/12 Washington Street, Cork by way of lease for a term of 20 years and 3 months from the 1st October 2024 at an annual rent of €4,294.28 plus rates and service charges.
- 4. Disposal of Stall No. 42 Grand Parade, Cork to Ballycotton Seafood Limited c/o Fiona Twomey Solicitors, 3 East Gate Village, East Gate, Little Island, Cork by way of lease for a term of 21 years from the 1st January 2024 at an annual rent of €8,035.88 plus rates and service charges.
- 5. Disposal of Stall No. 30 Grand Parade, Cork to Joe Hegarty t/a Heaven's Cakes c/o Myra Dineen, Solicitor, South Main Street, Bandon, Co. Cork by way of lease for a term of 21 years from the 1st January 2024 at an annual rent of €2,040.89 plus rates and service charges.
- 6. Disposal of the freehold and leasehold interest in a plot to the rear of 4 Convent Place, St. Mary's Road, Cork to Michael Monaghan and to Mary McGrath & Michael Monaghan in their capacity as Executors of the Estate of the late Christopher Noel McGrath, c/o Michael Powell, Solicitors LLP, 5 Lapps Quay, Cork, for the sum of €750.00 together with costs in the sum of €1,500.00 plus VAT
- 7. Disposal of premises situated and known as Café Kiosk, Marina Promenade, The Marina, Cork. to Coffee Et Al Ltd. t/a Cortado Coffee c/o Galvin Donegan LLP, 91 South Mall, Cork, by way of lease for a period of 10 years, subject to an annual rent of €52,000.00.

7.2 <u>PROPOSED OLD COURT GREENFIELD OFFLINE BUS STOP/STAND</u> SCHEME - SECTION 38 APPROVAL

An Chomhairle to consider the report and recommendation of the Director of Services, Operations, dated 16th September 2025, following public consultation, for new accessible offline bus stop/stand required on Old Court, Greenfield, pursuant to Section 38 of the Road Traffic Act, 1994, as amended by Section 46 of the Public Transport Regulation Act, 2009.

7.3 PROPOSED OLD FORT ROAD AT WALTHAM ABBEY BUS STOP SCHEME -SECTION 38 APPROVAL

An Chomhairle to consider the report and recommendation of the Director of Services, Operations, dated 16th September 2025, following public consultation, for new accessible bus stop required on Old Fort Road at Waltham Abbey, pursuant to Section 38 of the Road Traffic Act, 1994, as amended by Section 46 of the Public Transport Regulation Act, 2009.

7.4 <u>BALLYCURREEN INDUSTRIAL ESTATE BUS STOP SCHEME - SECTION 38</u> APPROVAL

An Chomhairle to consider the report and recommendation of the Director of Services, Operations, dated 18th September 2025, following public consultation, for new accessible offline bus stop/stand required on Ballycurreen Industrial Estate, pursuant to Section 38 of the Road Traffic Act, 1994, as amended by Section 46 of the Public Transport Regulation Act, 2009.

7.5 ROSSA AVENUE, ALLENDALE AVENUE AND FOXFORD AVENUE ACTIVE TRAVEL SCHEME - SECTION 38 APPROVAL

An Chomhairle to consider the report and recommendation of the Director of Services, Infrastructure Development, following public consultation, on the proposed Rossa Avenue, Allendale Avenue and Foxford Avenue Active Travel Scheme pursuant to Section 38 of the Road Traffic Act, 1994, as amended by Section 46 of the Public Transport Regulation Act, 2009.

7.6 <u>CAPITAL ASSISTANCE SCHEME: 110 THORNDALE ESTATE, DUBLIN HILL,</u> CORK - FOCUS HOUSING ASSOCIATION CLG

An Chomhairle to consider the report of the Acting Director of Services, Housing, dated 15th September 2025 in relation to a loan facility for Focus Housing Association CLG in respect of the provision of 1 three-bed house of accommodation at 110 Thorndale Estate, Dublin Hill, 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 €338,275 be granted to Focus Housing Association CLG, subject to the terms of the Capital Assistance Scheme for the provision of 1 three bed house at 110 Thorndale Estate, Dublin Hill, Cork."

7.7 <u>CAPITAL ASSISTANCE SCHEME: ROWAN COURT, 5 BOHERBOY ROAD,</u> MAYFIELD, CORK - BELMONT PARK HOUSING ASSOCIATION CLG

An Chomhairle to consider the report of the Acting Director of Services, Housing, dated 12th September 2025 in relation to a loan facility for Belmont Park Housing Association CLG in respect of the provision of 1 four bed bungalow at Rowan Court, 5 Boherboy Road, Mayfield, 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 €588,812.00 be granted to Belmont

Park Housing Association CLG, subject to the terms of the Capital Assistance Scheme for the provision of 1 unit of accommodation at Rowan Court, 5 Boherboy Road, Mayfield, Cork."

7.8 <u>CAPITAL ASSISTANCE SCHEME: 20 FAIRFIELD CRESCENT, FARRANREE, CORK - FOCUS HOUSING ASSOCIATION CLG</u>

An Chomhairle to consider the report of the Acting Director of Services, Housing, dated 15th September 2025 in relation to a loan facility for Focus Housing Association CLG in respect of the provision of 1 three bed house at 20 Fairfield Crescent, Farranree, 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 €351,900 be granted to Focus Housing Association CLG, subject to the terms of the Capital Assistance Scheme for the provision of 1 three bed house at 20 Fairfield Crescent, Farranree, Cork."

7.9 <u>CAPITAL ASSISTANCE SCHEME: 12 GRANGE VALE COURT, GRANGE, CORK - BELMONT PARK HOUSING ASSOCIATION CLG</u>

An Chomhairle to consider the report of the Acting Director of Services, Housing, dated 12th September 2025 in relation to a loan facility for Belmont Park Housing Association CLG in respect of the provision of 1 three bed house at 12 Grange Vale Court, Grange, 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 €588,812.00 be granted to Belmont Park Housing Association CLG, subject to the terms of the Capital Assistance Scheme for the provision of 1 unit of accommodation at 1 three bed house at 12 Grange Vale Court, Grange, Cork."

7.10 PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT AT LEHENAGHMORE

In accordance with Section 179(4)(a) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, An Chomhairle to consider the proposed development at Lehenaghmore, in the City of Cork and the report of the Chief Executive thereon as required under Section 179(3) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, dated 7th October 2025 and, if so decided adopt the following Resolution:-

"Now Council hereby RESOLVE THAT having considered the proposed development at Lehenaghmore, in the City of Cork and the report of the Chief Executive, Cork City Council thereon, it is hereby resolved pursuant to the provisions of Section 179 (4) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, that the development at Lehenaghmore, in the City of Cork be carried out as recommended in the said report of the Chief Executive, Cork City Council, which was put before Council on the 13th October 2025."

7.11 <u>CORK NORTH DOCKS PUBLIC REALM AND TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE SCHEME - PART 8 PLANNING</u>

In accordance with the provisions of Section 179 (4) (a) of Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended), An Chomhairle to consider the proposed Cork North Docks Public Realm and Transport Infrastructure Scheme and the report of the Director of Infrastructure Development thereon, dated 29th September 2025, as required under Section 179 (3) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended) and, if so decided to adopt the following Resolution:-

"Now Council hereby RESOLVE THAT having considered the proposed development viz. the Cork North Docks Public Realm and Transport Infrastructure Scheme and the report of the Director of Services, Infrastructure Development Directorate, Cork City Council dated 29th September 2025, it is hereby resolved pursuant to the provisions of Section 179 (4) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, that the Cork North Docks Public Realm and Transport Infrastructure Scheme be carried out as recommended in the said report of the Director of Services, Infrastructure Development Directorate, Cork City Council."

7.12 MARY STREET, DOUGLAS STREET AND WHITE STREET PUBLIC REALM ENHANCEMENT SCHEME - PART 8 PLANNING

In accordance with the provisions of Section 179 (4) (a) of Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended), An Chomhairle to consider the proposed Mary Street, Douglas Street and White Street Public Realm Enhancement Scheme and the report of the Director of Infrastructure Development thereon, dated 6th October 2025, as required under Section 179 (3) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended) and, if so decided to adopt the following Resolution:-

"Now Council hereby RESOLVE THAT having considered the proposed development viz. the Mary Street, Douglas Street and White Street Public Realm Enhancement Scheme and the report of the Director of Services, Infrastructure Development Directorate, Cork City Council dated 6th October 2025, it is hereby resolved pursuant to the provisions of Section 179 (4) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, that the Cork North Docks Public Realm and Transport Infrastructure Scheme be carried out as recommended in the said report of the Director of Services, Infrastructure Development Directorate, Cork City Council."

7.13 <u>CITY CENTRE COMMITTEE</u>

An Chomhairle to consider and approve the report of the Director of Services, City Centre Development and Operations, dated 9th October 2025 on the establishment of a City Centre Committee.

Ten members of An Chomhairle to be appointed to the City Centre Committee.

7.14 VACANCIES ON BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

An Chomhairle to approve the nomination of Comhairleoir K. Collins to the Climate Action Committee following the resignation of Comhairleoir M. Gould.

An Chomhairle to approve the nomination of Comhairleoir C. O' Connor to the Cork City Partnership CLG following the resignation of Comhairleoir J. Maher.

8. **CORPORATE POLICY GROUP – 6th OCTOBER 2025**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Corporate Policy Group, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held, 6th October 2025.

8.1 **FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO 31/08/2025**

B. O'Hare presented the Financial Statement to 31st August 2025.

Decision of the Group

It was agreed to refer the Financial Statement to 31/08/2025 to An Chomhairle for noting.

8.2 **BANK OVERDRAFT FOR Y/E 31/12/2026**

Members considered the report of the Chief Financial Officer, dated 30th September 2025, which recommended approval of an overdraft facility of €25m (twenty-five million euro) for Cork City Council for the twelve-month period to 31st December 2026 and which recommended that appropriate resolution providing for same be referred to An Chomhairle for adoption.

Decision of the Group

On the proposal of Comhairleoir S. Martin, seconded by Comhairleoir T. Shannon, it was agreed to accept the report and to refer the following Resolution to An Chomhairle for adoption:-

"That Cork City Council approves, pursuant to Section 106 of the Local Government Act, 2001, an overdraft facility of $\ensuremath{\in} 25m$ (twenty-five million euro) for the twelve-month period to 31^{st} December 2026."

8.3 **MOTIONS**

8.3.1 ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION PAYMENTS TO CORK COUNTY COUNCIL

Members considered the report of the Chief Financial Officer, dated 2nd October 2025 on the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council:

Notes the recently published Scrutiny Report (no.73; Cork City Council) of the National Oversight and Audit Commission, and the accompanying published transcript of a recent engagement between the NOAC and members of the Council's Executive.

Further notes the ensuing media commentary regarding the issue of annual contribution payments from Cork City Council to Cork County Council under the Local Government Act 2019.

Records its concern at the increase in annual contribution payments to Cork County Council in recent years, and is particularly concerned at the lack of clarity provided by the Local Government Act 2019 with respect to the future of such payments post-2029.

Further records its serious concern at the financial pressures that current arrangements are placing on Cork City Council with respect to the provision of services and investment in infrastructural development.

Calls on the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to urgently set out a process to ensure the annual contribution payments made under the Local Government Act 2019 are capped at an appropriate level, and that a process to ensure their orderly ending in 2029 is set out over the next 12 months.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Lynch 25/453)

Decision of the Group

It was agreed to accept the report of the Chief Financial Officer and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

8.3.2 **JOINT CORK CITY AND COUNTY COUNCIL COMMITTEE**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Corporate, Community & Cultural Affairs, dated 2nd October 2025 on the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council write to Cork County Council requesting the reconvening of the Joint Cork City Council / Cork County Council Committee, to ensure ongoing cooperation and coordination on projects of mutual importance that overlap both local authority areas and municipal districts – for example, the proposed Cork to Kinsale Greenway, as well as other strategic infrastructure, transport, housing, and environmental initiatives which require joint planning and delivery.'

(Proposer: Cllr. C. O'Connor 25/460)

Decision of the Group

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

8.3.3 <u>DECADE OF CENTENARIES MARKING 1926-36</u>

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Corporate, Community & Cultural Affairs, dated 2nd October 2025 on the following motion:-

'That this Council help organise a decade of centenaries marking the period of 1926-36 that would begin with the reconstruction of St. Patrick's Street after the burning of Cork in 1920 and culminate with the opening of Cork City Hall in 1936.'

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boyle 25/470)

Decision of the Group

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

8.3.4 <u>CLEAR OUR PATHS CAMPAIGN</u>

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Local Area Development & Operations, dated 2nd October 2025 on the following motion:-

'Vision Ireland (formerly the NCBI) recently had their annual Clear Our Paths Campaign. The aim of this is to create a safer environment on our streets for people who are blind or vision impaired to travel independently. The things they highlight as problems are:

- Cars parked on footpaths
- Dog fouling
- Wheelie bins and street furniture
- Overhanging branches
- Cycles and e-scooters
- Election posters

We are all affected by these but people who are blind or vision impaired are disproportionally affected and their ability to live an independent life can be undermined. This motion calls for the Council to support this annual campaign and also for a meeting to be organised with representatives of Vision Ireland and relevant Council managers and committee chairs (Dog Fouling Committee for example) to discuss how we can address the needs and concerns of the blind and vision impaired in the areas mentioned above.'

(Proposer: Cllr. B. McCarthy 25/475)

Decision of the Group

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

9. **PARTY WHIPS – 22nd SEPTEMBER 2025**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Party Whips from its meeting held, 22nd September 2025.

10. ENVIRONMENT, WATER & AMENITY STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE / COISTE BEARTAIS STRAITÉISIGH - COMHSHAOL, UISCE & ÁISEANNA – 16th SEPTEMBER 2025

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, 16th September 2025.

10.1 MOTIONS

10.1.1 FEBRUARY PARK OPENING HOURS

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Local Area Development & Operations, dated 16th May 2025 on the following motion referred back to the committee for further discussion:-

'That Cork City Council extend February park opening hours till 6.30pm each evening and ensure that weekend opening hours match weekday opening hours as agreed by the Council of 2019 - 2024.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 25/086)

Decision of Committee

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

10.1.2 ANIMAL WELFARE ISSUES

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Local Area Development & Operations, dated 16th May 2025 on the following motion referred back to the committee for further discussion:-

'That Cork City Council provide a report to each Local Area Committee by the next scheduled committee on all animal welfare issues currently at play in each of the five electoral wards of Cork City and if the following areas will be addressed in full:

- Number of animal cruelty cases reported
- Processes that Cork City Council have in place and personnel in charge for animal welfare
- Actions carried out by Cork City Council in the last 12 months, in tabular form
- Fines and court proceedings given to those found guilty of animal cruelty.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 25/153)

Decision of Committee

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

10.1.3 **RISKS OF GORSE FIRES**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Emergency Services & Climate Action, dated 12th September 2025 on the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council will conduct an awareness campaign on the risks of gorse fires at places like the Glen River Park and Murphy's Rock; and will work with An Garda Síochána and the National Parks and Wildlife Service to provide information to the public on how to identify and report incidents.'

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 25/252)

Decision of Committee

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

10.1.4 DEVELOPMENT OF LARGE-SCALE RENEWABLE INFRASTRUCTURE

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Planning & Integrated Development, dated 12th September 2025 on the following motion:-

'That, as a Mission City to be climate neutral by 2030, Cork City Council is opposed to the development of Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) terminals, as new fossil fuel infrastructure, and will work to ensure no LNG terminals are developed in the Cork region; and shall focus its support on the development of large-scale renewable infrastructure for energy security instead.'

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 25/317)

Decision of Committee

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

10.1.5 <u>AMEND THE NOISE ACTION PLAN</u>

Members considered the report of the Acting Director of Services, Local Area Development & Operations dated 12th September 2025 on the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council would amend the NAP to include the M8 Northbound corridor, adjacent to Chestnut Meadows in Glanmire, as (at least) a Most Important Area (MIA), if not a Priority (PIA). Especially as the EPA Guidelines include a specific clause that says

that the Responsible Authority (i.e.: Cork City Council) must have an Action Plan for any major road with more than 6 million vehicle passages per annum.

This stretch of the M8 has in excess of 10 million p.a. (as per TII's current data).

Traffic passes by Chestnut Meadows houses on a raised embankment on a daily basis, less than 20 metres from residential estate bedroom windows, far in excess of WHO guidelines for maximum noise levels. As per Cork City Councils Environment Department's noise readings (November 2024), each 15-minute period has a maximum reading that never drops below 65dB. One day-time slot peaked at 82dB, and residents also had readings in excess of 70dB during night-time hours. This needs to be urgently addressed.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 25/343)

Decision of Committee

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

10.1.6 EQUITABLE ELECTRIC VEHICLE (EV) CHARGING SCHEME

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Planning & Integrated Development, dated 12th September 2025 on the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council invite representatives of Newton Court Sustainable Energy Community to give a presentation to the Environment, Water and Amenity Strategic Policy Committee outlining their plans and proposals regarding the creation of an equitable Electric Vehicle (EV) charging scheme for residents in estates where some or all houses do not have driveways.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. O'Callaghan 25/357)

Decision of Committee

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

It was also agreed that representatives of Newton Court Sustainable Energy Community be invited to give a presentation to the Environment, Water and Amenity Strategic Policy Committee.

10.1.7 NOISE POLLUTION AND MANAGEMENT PLANS

Members considered the report of the Acting Director of Services, Local Area Development & Operations dated 12th September 2025 on the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council will ensure that conditions relating to noise pollution and nuisance form conditions of future event licences in the city; and that all applicants for event licences will be required to submit a noise management plan, in particular as these relate to noise pollution overnight from multi-day events.'

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 25/383)

Decision of Committee

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

10.1.8 PROGRAM OF WORKS FOR STREET SIGNS

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Planning & Integrated Development and Acting Director of Services, Local Area Development & Operations, dated 12th September 2025 on the following motion:-

'That this Council recognises that the street signs in the inner city which are affixed to houses and boundary walls provide utility for navigation purposes but also are of aesthetic and cultural value. In recognition of this the Council will commence a program of works whereby the said signs will be cleaned and repainted.'

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O'Connor 25/394)

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to accept the report of the Directors of Services, and to recommend it to an Chomhairle for approval.

11. <u>COMMUNITY, CULTURE & PLACEMAKING STRATEGIC POLICY</u> <u>COMMITTEE / COISTE BEARTAIS STRAITÉISIGH - POBAL, CULTÚR & COMHFHORBAIRT ÁITE – 18th SEPTEMBER 2025</u>

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Community, Culture & Placemaking Strategic Policy Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held, 18th September 2025.

11.1 MINUTES OF THE ARTS COMMITTEE APRIL 2025

Members considered the Minutes of the Arts Committee Meeting of 30th April 2025.

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to accept the minutes of the Arts Committee, and to refer it to An Chomhairle for noting.

11.2 MOTIONS

11.2.1 <u>CITY WIDE CORK CITY TIDY TOWNS UMBRELLA GROUP</u>

Members considered the report of the A/Director of Services, Local Area & Development Operations on the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council put plans in place to facilitate the setting up of a city wide Cork City Tidy Towns Umbrella Group under the Community, Culture and Placemaking SPC.

Community Tidy Towns Groups right across the City would be invited to join this Umbrella Group which should help them grow through the sharing of ideas, initiatives and strategies currently being undertaken by the wide variety of individual Community Tidy Towns Groups across the city. Cork City Council can, through this group, advise on various opportunities for funding, grants and any other opportunities for shared development.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 25/232)

Decision of Committee

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

11.2.2 WATER SAFETY FLAG AWARD

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Corporate, Community & Cultural Affairs on the following motion:-

'That the City Council liaise with Cork Sports Partnership and roll out the Water Safety flag award in Cork City Schools.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 25/310)

Decision of Committee

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

11.2.3 <u>ACCOMMODATION CENTRES FOR INTERNATIONAL PROTECTION</u>

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Corporate, Community & Cultural Affairs on the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council recognises that families are sharing the same bedroom space in Designated Accommodation Centres for International Protection in Cork and resolves to support alternatives for them.'

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Kamegni 25/320)

Decision of Committee

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

11.2.4 FIRE SERVICE PROVISION FOR THE SOUTH WEST OF CORK CITY

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Emergency Management & Climate Action on the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council, recognising the findings of the *Crowe Strategic Review of the Fire and Building Control Department (June 2022)*, and the ongoing lack of full fire service coverage on the western side of the city:

- 1. Commits to the expedited delivery of a new fire station to be strategically located between Ballincollig and Bishopstown, in line with the Report's recommendation to conduct a comprehensive review of fire cover and strategically position resources (Recommendation 16);
- 2. Calls for the immediate assessment and reopening of Ballincollig Fire Station on an interim basis, to serve the South West Ward until the new fire station is operational, in light of the current service gap and population growth in the area;
- 3. Requests that the Chief Executive and Director of Services provide an update to Council on:
 - The current status and timeline for planning and delivery of the proposed new station;
 - Any evaluations undertaken regarding fire service coverage under the Area Risk Categorisation (ARC) model, as recommended in the Report (Recommendation 5);
- 4. Requests that funding for both the interim reopening of Ballincollig Fire Station and the development of the new fire station be identified and prioritised:
 - In the 2025–2027 Capital Programme, with a clear timeline for design, site selection, and construction;
 - Through engagement with the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage, and the National Directorate for Fire and Emergency Management, to secure co-funding or support under national fire services investment schemes.'

(Proposer: Cllr. C. O'Connor 25/339)

Decision of Committee

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

11.2.5 REUSABLE CUP SCHEMES AT CONCERTS AND EVENTS

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Emergency Management & Climate Action on the following motion:-

'That this Council collaborate with promoters of events such as Live at the Marquee, Virgin Media Park, and Páirc Uí Chaoimh to introduce deposit and return reusable cup schemes.

Promote the use of reusable cups only, with designated collection points and partnerships with local groups for recycling.

Support awareness efforts to encourage attendees to reduce single-use plastics.'

(Proposer: Cllr. C. O'Connor 25/379)

Decision of Committee

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

11.2.6 ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INTEGRATION AND INCLUSION FORUM

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Corporate, Community & Cultural Affairs on the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council recognises the contribution of our migrant communities, acknowledges the increasing racism they face, and calls for the establishment of a Cork City Integration and Inclusion Forum to support integration and give migrant communities a direct voice in our city.'

(Proposer: Cllr. C. O'Connor 25/459)

Decision of Committee

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

11.2.7 SUBCOMMITTEE FOR ERECTING ARTWORK AND STATUES

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Corporate, Community & Cultural Affairs on the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council establishes a specific subcommittee and provides a fund for erecting artwork and statues in our city centre with a view to expanding to the outer city area in time. The city has a rich history, and this could be celebrated through the erection of pieces of art / statues across our city starting with Patrick Street and the link with the River Lee.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 25/465)

Decision of Committee

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

11.2.8 SHUTTLE BUS SERVICE FOR THE ANNUAL BLESSING OF THE GRAVES

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Corporate, Community & Cultural Affairs on the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council develop and implement a plan to provide a shuttle bus service for the annual Blessing of the Graves ceremonies at cemeteries across the city—beginning in November—with particular attention to St. Catherine's Cemetery, Kilcully. Given the high volume of traffic and limited parking, this service is especially important for older persons and individuals with mobility issues who are unable to walk long distances. I request that Cork City Council liaise with local churches and Bus Éireann to facilitate the coordination and delivery of this service.'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Gould 25/478)

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. <u>CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE – 9th SEPTEMBER 2025</u>

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Climate Action Committee from its meeting held, 9th September 2025.

13. FINANCE & ESTIMATES COMMITTEE – 6th OCTOBER 2025

13.1 **FINANCE RELATED REPORTS**

13.1.1 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO END OF AUGUST 2025

Members considered the Financial Statements to the end of August 2025.

Decision of Committee

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

14. SOUTH CENTRAL LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE – 22nd SEPTEMBER 2025

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the South Central Local Area Committee from its meeting held, 22nd September 2025.

15. <u>SOUTH WEST LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE – 22nd SEPTEMBER 2025</u>

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the South West Local Area Committee from its meeting held, 22nd September 2025.

16. NORTH WEST LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE – 22nd SEPTEMBER 2025

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the North West Local Area Committee from its meeting held, 22nd September 2025.

17. NORTH EAST LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE – 22nd SEPTEMBER 2025

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the North East Local Area Committee from its meeting held, 22nd September 2025.

18. SOUTH EAST LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE – 23rd SEPTEMBER 2025

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the South East Local Area Committee from its meeting held, 23rd September 2025.

19. **CORRESPONDENCE**

An Chomhairle to note correspondence, if any.

20. <u>CONFERENCE/SEMINAR SUMMARIES</u>

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

21. **SECTION 141 REPORTS**

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

22. <u>CONFERENCES/SEMINARS</u>

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

22.1 <u>NATIONAL LOCAL TRAVELLER ACCOMMODATION CONSULTATIVE</u> COMMITTEE CONFERENCE

An Chomhairle to consider and approve the attendance of Comhairleoir O. Moran at the National Local Traveller Accommodation Consultative Committee Conference, taking place in Dublin on 13th November 2025.

23. TRAINING

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

24. CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S MONTHLY MANAGEMENT REPORTS

An Chomhairle to note the Chief Executive's monthly management reports for June, July and August 2025.

25. 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.

26. MOTIONS

26.1 EXCLUSION OF ISRAEL FROM THE UNITED NATIONS

'That Cork City Council supports the exclusion of Israel from the United Nations until such time that the IDF end its campaign in Gaza and a just peace settlement is agreed.'

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Horgan 25/483)

26.2 SOLIDARITY WITH THE GLOBAL SAMUD FLOTILLA

'That this Council condemns the illegal armed assault carried out by the Israeli Occupation Forces on the ships of the Global Samud Flotilla in international waters as they were attempting to deliver vital humanitarian aid to Gaza. Like many others around the world, including the two million Italian workers who went on strike on Friday 3rd October, we stand in full solidarity with the activists on board, who despite having their hands up, were targeted with water cannons, violently assaulted, abducted and detained in an Israeli prison.'

(Proposer: Cllr. B. McCarthy 25/512)

NUALA STEWART MEETINGS ADMINISTRATOR

Chuig gach ball de Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí

9^ú Deireadh Fómhair 2025

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. TRAFFIC CALMING AND ROAD SAFETY MEASURES ON BALLYHOOLY ROAD, DILLONS CROSS, ST. LUKE'S, AND SUMMERHILL NORTH

'That Cork City Council:

- 1. Commends the residents of Ballyhooly Road, Dillons Cross, St. Luke's, and Summerhill North for their continued advocacy on road safety and for their community-led efforts to highlight the dangers posed by speeding traffic in their neighbourhoods.
- 2. Recognises the growing concerns of residents, parents, and community groups regarding pedestrian safety, particularly for school children, older people, and those with mobility difficulties who regularly use these routes.
- 3. Directs the City Council engineers, in consultation with the local ward Councillors, to:
 - o Carry out a full traffic and speed survey of the affected areas,
 - o Develop a proposal for permanent traffic calming measures (including speed tables, raised crossings, chicanes, or other appropriate interventions),
 - Explore the introduction of additional pedestrian crossings and improved signage to ensure greater driver awareness,
 - o Report back to Council within a clear timeline with costed options for implementation.
- 4. Commits to ensuring that these works are prioritised within the city's road safety programme, recognising the urgency of safeguarding residents and reducing traffic hazards in these established residential communities.'

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O'Flynn 25/418)

North East Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025

2. YELLOW JUNCTION BOX AT LOWER FRIARS WALK

'That this Council install a yellow junction box at Lower Friars Walk at the entrance to The Green to assist traffic users entering and leaving The Green / Hillview Estate to allow traffic to flow during peak hours.'

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Kerins 25/449)

South Central Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025

3. <u>UNDEVELOPED LANDS IN THE GENERAL BLACKROCK / MAHON AREA</u>

'That Cork City Council would conduct an audit of undeveloped lands in its ownership in the general Blackrock / Mahon area. Once completed, Council will dispose of these lands on the open market and use the proceeds to fund a public library and youth facility on an interim basis on the ground floor of the development that is currently under construction in Avenue De Rennes. This measure will provide a library service and dedicated youth facility for the Mahon community until a new purpose-built library and youth resource centre is provided on the grounds of the Nagle College on Avenue de Rennes. The ground floor in this building should remain as a permanent community space for the people of Mahon into the future.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Shannon 25/480)

South East Local Area Committee – 29/10/2025

4. <u>ANIMAL WELFARE CONCERNS</u>

'Given the tremendous work undertaken by Council staff and other supports I wish to ask Cork City Council to prepare a report on:

- 1. The number of areas in the city where animal welfare issues have been highlighted.
- 2. The number of horses reported and taken into care.
- 3. What inter agency approaches have been undertaken in terms of animal welfare prevention.
- 4. What's the length of time taken from reporting the issue to collecting the animals and taking them into care.
- 5. To establish if those claiming they own the animals are capable of looking after the animals and in compliance with legislation.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Fitzgerald 25/481)

Environment, Water & Amenity Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Comhshaol, Uisce & Áiseanna - 18/11/2025

5. YELLOW BOX REQUEST AT DELANEY PARK

'That Cork City Council will, as a matter of priority, install a yellow box junction marking at the entrance to Delaney Park, Dublin Hill.

This measure is required to:

- Prevent vehicles from blocking access to the estate during peak traffic times.
- Improve visibility and safety for residents entering and exiting the park.
- Reduce the risk of collisions involving motorists, cyclists, and pedestrians, following recent incidents reported by local residents.

The installation of this yellow box will assist in ensuring the safe and unobstructed flow of traffic in and out of Delaney Park and will provide necessary protection for residents accessing their homes.'

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O'Flynn 25/482)

North East Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025

6. **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING ON R852**

'That this Council will construct a pedestrian crossing on R852 between Aylesbury Estate / Cork Constitution Rugby Club to the footpath by the old water reservoir to assist pedestrians of all ages accessing school, Beaumont Park and training.'

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Horgan 25/484)

South East Local Area Committee – 29/10/2025

7. FOOTPATHS AT OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARK

'That this Council will repair the footpaths at Our Lady of Lourdes Park from around the green area especially in front of homes 1 to 4A.'

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Horgan 25/485)

South East Local Area Committee – 29/10/2025

8. **BOTANIC ROAD**

'That Cork City Council install traffic calming measures in Botanic Road.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 25/486)

South Central Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025

9. PUBLIC LIGHTING AT COPPINGERS ACRE

'That Cork City Council review the public lighting at Coppingers Acre and install additional lighting where required.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Fitzgerald 25/487)

North West Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025

10. CORK 800 PILLAR

'That this Council will undertake a process to examine, with the Arts Office, the potential use of the Cork 800 pillar as a template of The Fourth Pillar in Trafalgar Square to give a unique Cork stage to art, determined by the Arts Office, within their current programmes.'

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Horgan 25/488)

Community, Culture & Placemaking Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Pobal, Cultúr & Comhfhorbairt Áite – 20/11/2025

11. MURMONT CIRCLE

'That Cork City Council install a speed ramp in Murmont Circle in Montenotte on the hill at the eastern exit of this residential area.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 25/490)

North East Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025

12. <u>MAYFIELD BUSINESS PARK</u>

'That Cork City Council enhance the entrance to Mayfield Business Park on the Old Youghal Road by undertaking the following measures:-

- Remove the multiple company advertising signs at this location and replace with one sign at this entrance point, which would clearly list all the various companies in the Business Park and each of their specific unit number for ease of location.
- Clear all the weeds and overgrown vegetation at the entrance point and replace with a more attractive and colourful array of floral shrubbery.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 25/491)

North East Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025

13. **BOHERBOY ROAD**

'That Cork City Council would urgently implement traffic calming measures on the lower end of Boherboy Road between St. Josephs Park and the junction of the Northern Ring Road. This narrow but short stretch of road has become extremely dangerous with speeding traffic at all times of the day and night, and this is a very heavily populated area which accesses schools, sports clubs and is a densely populated residential area.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 25/492)

North East Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025

14. **DOUBLE YELLOW LINES IN MURMONT**

'That Cork City Council implement continuous double yellow lines on Leycester Lane (at the junction of Middle Glanmire Road) on both sides of the road all the way up to the entrance of Clifton Downs on the right, and up to the second entrance/exit to Merrion Court Estate on the left, coming from Middle Glanmire Road. I've requested this on a number of occasions in the past at the request of local residents, so there are some yellow lines there currently, but the implementation of the continuous double yellow lines as per my request will certainly enhance the safety of people using this road on a daily basis.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 25/493)

North East Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025

15. <u>ISSUES AT RATHPEACON</u>

'That Cork City Council support Rathpeacon Community Association with the following issues.

- 1. Reduction of the speed limit in the city areas and around the school. Increase presence of traffic core.
- 2. Signage for No Dumping:
 - * Boreen Dearg by mast
 - * School Lane
 - * Sweeney's Hill by North Point end.
- 3. Install Welcome to Rathpeacon signs.
- 4. Resurface and repair footpath from Farm Power to 8 Arch bridge.
- 5. The resurfacing of the Mallow Road from the 8-arch bridge past Rathpeacon N.S. The road is in poor condition with uneven surfaces and numerous potholes.
- 6. Footpath from Farm Power to GAA pitch in Rathpeacon to allow safe passage for school children and the public to utilise the amenity without risking safety on a busy road.
- 7. Footpath from Killeens to North Point.
- 8. Traffic core to police parking on double yellow lines, between school and Sweeney's Hill at school collection times, 2.45-3pm.
- 9. Litter warden and animal control to inspect the area around the caravan dwelling on Old Mallow Road.
- 10. Forward information on grants available to replace the existing hall lights from High Bay Metal Halide to High Bay LEDs.
- 11. Local area map that pinpoints where fire hydrants are in the area. (Recently there was a car on fire on the Old Mallow Road, the Fire Brigade asked a local where hydrants were).
- 12. Widen the road at Boreen Dearg.'

(Proposers: Cllr. T. Fitzgerald, Cllr. J. Sheehan 25/496)

North West Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025

16. KILLARD VILLAGE

'That Cork City Council install traffic calming measures at Killard Village.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 25/497)

North West Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025

17. **DEVELOPMENT OF MARDYKE GARDEN**

'That Cork City Council facilitate discussions between UCC, Sunday's Well Tennis Club and the Cricket Club with a view to rezoning the above area to accommodate the redevelopment of sporting facilities and also accommodate future city plans for a greenway and flood relief.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 25/499)

South Central Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025

18. **FLEADH CHEOIL**

'That Cork City Council investigates the concept of holding the Fleadh Cheoil in Cork for the years 28/29. The review to take into consideration the cost of implementing the programme, sources of income and benefits to the city.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 25/500)

Finance & Estimates Committee – 03/11/2025

19. <u>30 HECTARES RULE IN THE CITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN</u>

'That Cork City Council remove the 30 hectares rule from the City Development Plan as expeditiously as possible. The removal will not solve the housing problem but would be seen as an important step in improving the situation.'

(Proposers: Cllr. S. Martin, Cllr. J. Sheehan 25/501)

Strategic, Economic Development, Enterprise & Planning Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Straitéiseacht, Forbairt Eacnamaíoch, Fiontar & Pleanáil - 20/10/2025

20. <u>HOSTING FLEADH CHEOIL NA HÉIREANN</u>

'That Cork City Council explore the possibility of applying for Cork City to host Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann in 2027, 2028 and 2029. Given the number of visitors that would attend the Fleadh and the worldwide publicity it would generate for Cork, hosting Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann would be of enormous benefit to the city as it would shine a light on Cork's rich cultural heritage, boost tourism and leave a lasting legacy that will benefit the city for years to come.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. O'Callaghan 25/502)

Finance & Estimates Committee – 03/11/2025

21. **ROAD RESURFACING**

'That Cork City Council complete road resurfacing from Clogheen to Kerry Pike.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 25/503)

North West Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025

22. GREEN SPACE ADJACENT TO SCOIL ÍOSAGÁIN

'That Cork City Council engage with the principal and board of management of Scoil losagáin Farranree. in relation to taking over the green space adjacent to the school on the junction of Fairhill and Knockpogue Avenue for use as a playground for the school.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 25/504)

North West Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025

23. **RESURFACE SHANAKIEL ROAD**

'That Cork City Council complete the resurfacing line painting and renewal of yellow boxes on Shanakiel Road.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 25/505)

North West Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025

24. ROAD AT BALLINURE COTTAGES

'That the road at Ballinure Cottages, Mahon be repaired following the new housing development at the end of the estate.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 25/506)

South East Local Area Committee – 29/10/2025

25. PHONE BOXES ON SOUTH MALL

'That the ruinous phone boxes be removed outside 59 South Mall.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 25/507)

South Central Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025

26. <u>UPPER DONNYBROOK ENHANCEMENT SCHEME</u>

'That an Upper Donnybrook Enhancement Scheme be implemented to take in Ballybrack-Castle Treasure-Scairt Cross.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 25/508)

South East Local Area Committee – 29/10/2025

27. CITY CENTRE STREET CLUTTER AUDIT

'That a city centre street clutter audit be undertaken specifically on streets such as St. Patrick's Street and the Grand Parade.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 25/509)

Environment, Water & Amenity Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Comhshaol, Uisce & Áiseanna - 18/11/2025

28. PEDESTRIAN SAFETY AT OLD YOUGHAL ROAD

'As a matter of urgency, I am calling on the Traffic Section of the Roads Directorate to carry out a full traffic survey on the Old Youghal Road from the Frank O'Connor Library in Mayfield to and including Tinkers Cross junction.

Traffic on this section of the Old Youghal Road has increased substantially in recent years, and the road is now extremely dangerous due to the reckless behaviour of a sizeable minority of drivers.

Motorists are driving at excessive speeds along this stretch of road and are routinely ignoring the pedestrian lights at the two pedestrian crossings. These crossings are used daily by schoolchildren travelling to and from local schools, including Mayfield Community School and other educational facilities in the area.

At Tinkers Cross junction, the situation is particularly grave. Cars and trucks are forcing their way through the junction, with many drivers showing total disregard for the safety of schoolchildren crossing at this location.

The safety of our children and all pedestrians using this vital community route must be prioritised. A comprehensive traffic survey is urgently needed to document these dangerous conditions and inform appropriate traffic calming measures, enforcement, and infrastructure improvements.

I call on Cork City Council to treat this matter with the urgency it deserves and to carry out this survey without delay.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Tynan 25/513)

North East Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025

29. HOMELESS MEMBERS OF THE TRAVELLER COMMUNITY

'That Cork City Council will allow members of the Traveller community to register as homeless without requiring to remain in hotel or other emergency accommodation.'

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 25/514)

Housing Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Tithíocht - 21/10/2025

30. CUSTOMER SERVICE REQUEST NUMBERS

'That Cork City Council service centre will provide customer service request numbers in response to email and telephone queries; and allow the public to track the progress of requests online using these.'

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 25/515)

Corporate Policy Group – 03/11/2025

31. SCHOOL TRAFFIC ON WELLINGTON ROAD

'That Cork City Council will engage with residents and schools in the Wellington Road area in relation to management of school traffic, promoting sustainable transport options, and work towards establishing a school street in the area.'

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 25/516)

North East Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025

32. HOUSEHOLD WASTE COLLECTION

'That Cork City Council supports the report and recommendations of the Competition and Consumer Protection Commission into The Operation of the Household Waste Collection Market.'

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 25/517)

Environment, Water & Amenity Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Comhshaol, Uisce & Áiseanna - 18/11/2025

33. <u>NATIONAL COMMEMORATION FOR THE 150th ANNIVERSARY OF THE CATALPA EXPEDITION</u>

'That Cork City Council write to the Minister for Culture, Communications and Sport, Patrick O'Donovan and the Minister for Justice, Jim O'Callaghan calling on them and the Irish Government to hold a formal national commemoration on 17th April 2026 to mark the 150th anniversary of the Catalpa expedition organised by John Devoy and John Boyle O'Reilly, which resulted in the famous rescue of six Fenian prisoners from a British penal colony in Fremantle, Western Australia and asking the Irish Government to recommend

that the six Fenian prisoners concerned, namely James Wilson, Thomas Hassett, Michael Harrington, Thomas Darragh, Martin Hogan and Robert Cranston be granted a posthumous presidential pardon.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. O'Callaghan 25/518)

Party Whips -28/10/2025

34. TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES ON SOUTH DOUGLAS ROAD

'That Cork City Council introduce traffic calming measures on the section of the South Douglas Road from the entrance to Belvedere Lawn to the entrance to Willow Park Road on the basis that:

- a large amount of children and teenagers walk on that section of the road every day to and from the two schools that are located there;
- the footpath on that section of the road is particularly narrow; and
- traffic on that section of the road often travels at high speed.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. O'Callaghan 25/519)

South Central Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025

35. PUBLIC TOILETS AT MARINA PARK

'As a matter of urgency, that Cork City Council will install public toilets and changing facilities at Marina Park, particularly for the benefit of children, disabled people, and the elderly.'

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Kamegni 25/520)

South East Local Area Committee – 29/10/2025

36. **REVIEW OF TRAFFIC LIGHTS**

'To mark World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims on the third Sunday in November, to reflect that cyclists have priority over turning vehicles when travelling straight through junctions, and to be consistent with the example of Dublin City Council, that Cork City Council will review its traffic lights to include flashing amber arrows for left-turning vehicles at junctions, and to synchronise the timing of both general and bike-specific traffic lights so that cycling may continue for the full time that general traffic lights are green, including specifically for eastbound movement from Parnell Bridge to Eamon de Valera Bridge along Albert Quay, and for westbound movement from Brian Boru Bridge to Christy Ring Bridge along Saint Patrick's Quay and Camden Place.'

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Kamegni 25/521)

Transport & Mobility Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Iompar & Soghluaisteacht - 20/10/2025

37. CORK CITY COUNCIL ACCESS OFFICER

'To make sure that disabled people have full and equal access to their communities, that Cork City Council calls for the Access Officer role to be elevated to a full-time Grade 7 position, and requests funding from the Government to pay for the role."

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Kamegni 25/522)

Community, Culture & Placemaking Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Pobal, Cultúr & Comhfhorbairt Áite – 20/11/2025

38. <u>L2472 ROAD</u>

'That Cork City Council will engage with residents, report on and implement solutions to the pinch point on the L2472 road between Thornbury View and Belmont on Coach Hill in Rochestown.'

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Kamegni 25/523)

South East Local Area Committee – 29/10/2025

39. **FUNDING AND CAPACITY TO BUILD**

'That Cork City Council, prior to any sale of a development property would ensure that the prospective buyer had funding and capacity to build on said Council property before engagement to sell.'

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boyle 25/524)

Strategic, Economic Development, Enterprise & Planning Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Straitéiseacht, Forbairt Eacnamaíoch, Fiontar & Pleanáil - 20/10/2025

40. RE-TURN UNITS AT PUBLIC FACILITIES

'That Cork City Council will add dedicated Re-turn units for bottles and cans at City Hall, libraries, and other public facilities and will consider the example of Cork University Hospital (CUH) and Cork Airport in nominating charities to benefit from these deposits.'

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boyle 25/525)

Environment, Water & Amenity Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Comhshaol, Uisce & Áiseanna - 18/11/2025

41. <u>INCREASE THE MEMBERSHIP OF COUNCIL</u>

'That Cork City Council seek from the Government legislative change that would increase the membership of this Council to better reflect increased population, added land area and greater responsibilities brought about by the 2019 city boundary extension.'

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boyle 25/526)

Corporate Policy Group – 03/11/2025

42. MARKET SQUARE, BARRACK STREET

'That Market Square, Barrack Street, be restored as a market area.'

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boyle 25/527)

South Central Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025

43. <u>WALKWAY/CYCLEWAY LINKING AMBERLEY DRIVE TO TRAMORE VALLEY PARK</u>

'That Cork City Council install a proper walkway/cycleway linking Amberley Drive to the Pedestrian and Cycle Lane from the Grange Road to Tramore Valley Park (in a similar way to the walkway/cycleway that currently links Alden to the Pedestrian and Cycle Lane).'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. O'Callaghan 25/528)

South Central Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025

44. **DOG PARK WITHIN CLASHDUV PARK**

'That Cork City Council examine the feasibility of establishing a dedicated dog park within Clashduv Park, Togher, modelled on the successful facility in Ballincollig Regional Park, and prepare a report on potential locations, design, costings and funding options.'

(Proposer: Cllr. C. O'Connor 25/529)

South West Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025

45. <u>COMMUNITY ALLOTMENTS</u>

'That Cork City Council commits to expanding the provision of community allotments across the city, recognising their value in promoting biodiversity, sustainability, mental and physical wellbeing, and social inclusion. The Council will identify suitable green spaces, including underutilised public parks and lands, for the development of accessible allotments, with particular consideration given to raised bed gardening for older people and those with disabilities. Furthermore, the Council will explore partnerships with community organisations, schools, and healthcare providers to maximise the social and educational benefits of allotment spaces.'

(Proposer: Cllr. C. O'Connor 25/530)

Environment, Water & Amenity Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Comhshaol, Uisce & Áiseanna - 18/11/2025

46. ENSURING OPERATIONAL CHILDCARE FACILITIES IN PART 8 HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS

'That Cork City Council resolves that in all Part 8 housing developments where a crèche or childcare facility is proposed, it shall be a condition of planning that the developer must ensure the facility is fully operational and a qualified operator is secured prior to the occupation of residential units. This requirement shall be incorporated into the planning conditions and enforced through phased development or occupancy restrictions, to ensure that childcare infrastructure is delivered in tandem with housing and not deferred or omitted post-construction.'

(Proposer: Cllr. C. O'Connor 25/531)

Strategic, Economic Development, Enterprise & Planning Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Straitéiseacht, Forbairt Eacnamaíoch, Fiontar & Pleanáil - 20/10/2025

47. <u>REDEVELOPMENT OF VACANT AND DERELICT PROPERTIES FOR KEY-</u> WORKER COST-RENTAL HOUSING

'That Cork City Council:

Commits to developing a pilot programme to convert vacant and derelict buildings in the city centre into cost-rental homes for key workers, including nurses, teachers, gardaí, emergency responders, and other essential public and community sector staff.

This programme will:

- Prioritise the reuse of existing vacant and derelict properties to deliver affordable, long-term rental homes close to employment and public transport;
- Seek funding and partnership support from the Department of Housing, the Land Development Agency, and Approved Housing Bodies; and
- Ensure that all developments are provided at cost-rental levels to maintain long-term affordability for key workers.'

(Proposer: Cllr. C. O'Connor 25/532)

Strategic, Economic Development, Enterprise & Planning Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Straitéiseacht, Forbairt Eacnamaíoch, Fiontar & Pleanáil - 20/10/2025

48. FLASHING TRAFFIC CALMING SIGNS

'That Cork City Council carries out an assessment of flashing traffic calming signs across our city and repairs those that are broken.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 25/533)

Transport & Mobility Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Iompar & Soghluaisteacht - 20/10/2025

49. COMPENSATION PACKAGE PAYMENT TO CORK COUNTY COUNCIL

'That Cork City Council writes to the Minister for Local Government and the Minister for Finance to attend a meeting of senior management and elected members, in committee of Council, to discuss the winding up of the compensation package payment to Cork County Council in 2029.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 25/534)

Corporate Policy Group – 03/11/2025

50. **YOUTH SURVEY**

'That Cork City Council carry out a youth survey to gain a better understanding of what young people want and need in our city.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 25/535)

Community, Culture & Placemaking Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Pobal, Cultúr & Comhfhorbairt Áite – 20/11/2025

51. **30KM SPEED LIMIT ON BALLYHOOLY ROAD**

'That in the absence of national direction on urban speed limits, Cork City Council reduce the speed limit to 30km on Ballyhooly Road from the Ballyvolane junction right through to Dillon's Cross, St. Luke's Cross and onto Summerhill North.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 25/536)

North East Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025

52. PARKING ISSUES AT LINK ROAD BUSINESS PARK

'That Cork City Council acknowledge that business owners face an ongoing issue with inconsiderate parking practices on the roadway within this estate, with the result that trucks and large vehicles are prevented from accessing and egressing business premises. This issue has been ongoing for a number of years and threatens the viability of the businesses in the estate, as well as the livelihoods of a large number of people working in the estate. This motion calls for the introduction of parking restrictions by way of double yellow lines on one side of the estate roadway, to include the turning point area. This action would provide reassurance to business owners that Cork City Council is supportive of SMEs, many of whom are under unprecedented pressure to survive.'

(Proposer: Cllr. A. Deasy 25/537)

South West Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025

53. ROAD SAFETY WORKS AT FARRANLEA ROAD/FARRANLEA PARK

'That Cork City Council provide an update on steps being taken to enforce commitments made in respect of road safety measures on foot of Planning Permission ref. 19/38261. The referenced commitments include Raised Pedestrian/Vehicular Crossovers (designed for pedestrian priority in accordance with DMURS), to include kerbing and tactile paving, at access to Victoria Village, County Hall, The Crescent, Leevale Athletics, the Orchards and the Rendezvous Car Park. Courtesy Crossing at Gillan House is also outstanding. These deficits have been outstanding for some time, and their implementation would do much to ameliorate ongoing issues in the estate such as speeding and rat-running, not to mention the risk to public health and safety.'

(Proposer: Cllr. A. Deasy 25/538)

South West Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025

54. <u>PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT ROSSBROOK/EDEN HALL, MODEL FARM ROAD</u>

'That Cork City Council provide a timeline for the installation of an appropriate pedestrian crossing adjacent to Rossbrook Estate, Model Farm Road, to provide residents with safe crossing in compliance with Planning Conditions attaching to the recently completed apartments at Carrigrohane, Model Farm Road.'

(Proposer: Cllr. A. Deasy 25/539)

South West Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025

55. NOISE MITIGATION MEASURES AT HALLDENE ESTATE

'That Cork City Council make good their commitment made to the residents of Halldene Estate, Bishopstown, to install noise mitigation measures, in order to reduce the very considerable noise pollution which the residents have suffered since the completion of the N40 National Roadway. Residents testify that they received this commitment in writing from Cork City Council, and report worrying levels of stress and adverse health as a result of the constant noise, day and night, 7 days a week. Residents report entirely unsatisfactory response from Cork City Council in this matter over a very long period of time.'

(Proposer: Cllr. A. Deasy 25/540)

South West Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025

56. EMERGENCY MOTION ON PUBLIC TRANSPORT IN CORK CITY

'The Workers Party, as a matter of urgency, calls on Cork City Council to summon a meeting of local NTA Management and Union Representatives to discuss the current operations of Cork City's Public Transport System and to raise the issue of passenger

safety, particularly in relation to the safe and secure transportation of children, minors, the elderly, infirm, and disabled — in other words, the most vulnerable groups in society.

Furthermore, we call for the introduction of a code of conduct that will ensure, going forward, the safe transportation of such vulnerable groups and individuals and guarantees they complete their journey in full and are conveyed to their destination in the same vehicle: that all city service routes be operated and fulfilled in this manner, without exception. That this be an embedded priority throughout the city's public transport system, even if it means occasional disruption to the bus timetables.

Such a code of conduct encompasses the recognition that public transport, as originally defined and conceived under Córas Iompair Éireann, is primarily a social service for the benefit of all in society.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Tynan 25/541)

Transport & Mobility Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Iompar & Soghluaisteacht - 20/10/2025

57. <u>ALLOTMENTS IN TRAMORE VALLEY PARK</u>

'That Cork City Council will assess the feasibility of putting allotments in Tramore Valley Park and include the possibility of using raised beds which could cater for people with mobility issues in any such assessment.'

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O'Connor 25/542)

South Central Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025

58. BIODIVERSITY MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE LOUGH

'That Cork City Council will create a biodiversity management plan for the Lough in the context of the recent worrying algae blooms and outbreak of bird flu.'

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O'Connor 25/543)

South Central Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025

59. MAINTENANCE OF ST. JOHNS PARK

'That Cork City Council will maintain St. Johns Park so as to discourage drug use in the area, such maintenance should include:

- a. Cutting back all overhanging plants at the park entrance
- b. Prune all trees and shrubs
- c. Ensure all paths are kept free of weeds
- d. Cut and maintain the grass to at least one metre in from the kerb
- e. Erect a secure fence across the bottom corner of the park blocking the pathway to the steps to Douglas Street which are long since blocked on the Douglas Street side.'

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O'Connor 25/544)

South Central Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025

60. PLAYGROUND IN LEHENAGHMORE

'That - further to motion 25/258 - an update be provided re the identification of a suitable location for the development of a playground in Lehenaghmore.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Lynch 25/545)

South West Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025

61. SOCIAL HOMES IN THE SOUTH WEST WARD

'That a report be provided on the number of social homes delivered, and to be delivered, in the South West ward in 2024 and 2025; including Part 5 and AHB delivery.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Lynch 25/546)

South West Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025

62. PARKING FINES FOR BALLINCOLLIG REGIONAL PARK

'That the CE set out the number of parking fines issued in Ballincollig Regional Park in 2024 and 2025.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Lynch 25/547)

South West Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025

63. IMPROVED PEDESTRIAN FACILITIES ON THE INNISCARRA ROAD

'That - further to motion 24/607 - an update be provided re the installation of improved pedestrian facilities on the Inniscarra Road (L2211-0), providing a safe crossing point from Westcourt Estate to the footpath opposite linking to Ballincollig Regional Park.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Lynch 25/548)

South West Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025

64. <u>MAINTENANCE ISSUES AT MOUNT ST. JOSEPH'S</u>

'The residents of Mount St. Joseph's have been putting up with damp, mould and a list of other maintenance issues in their homes that have been ignored by the Council for years along with a general lack of upkeep of the terraces. Phone calls and emails to the Council go ignored while the problems continue to get worse. The residents are asking for the head of housing to come up to meet a delegation of the residents to see how bad the problems are for themselves and they want a commitment that the necessary work be carried out within a reasonable timeframe.'

(Proposer: Cllr. B. McCarthy 25/549)

North West Local Area Committee – 28/10/2025