

**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:-

**GNÁTHCHRUINNÍÚ – DÉ LUAIN, 10<sup>ú</sup> SAMHAIN 2025**

**ORDINARY MEETING – MONDAY, 10<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 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. **CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S ITEMS**

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

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, 13<sup>th</sup> October 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 30<sup>th</sup> October 2025 on the following property disposals:-

1. Disposal of leasehold interest (110.4 m2 approximately), on land located at 27, Long Range, Ballincollig, Cork to Alan Buckley c/o O'Sullivan Whelan Solicitors, 16 & 17A South Terrace, Cork, for the sum of €750.00 together with costs in the sum of €1,500.00 plus VAT.
2. Disposal of Stall 4C Grand Parade Market, Cork to Bubble Brothers Ltd. c/o Martin A. Harvey & Co. Solicitors, Parliament House, George's Quay, Cork, by way of lease for a term of 21 years from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024 subject to an annual rent of €8,888.16 plus rates and service charges.
3. Disposal by way of exchange of property known as 26, Primrose Hill, Tower, Cork to Alfred Board c/o Niall Daly, BDM Solicitors, Clarkes Bridge House, Hanover St, Cork in exchange for the property owned by the said Alfred Board at 38, Killala Gardens, Knocknaheeny, Cork.

### 7.2 **CAPITAL ASSISTANCE SCHEME: APARTMENT 2, 14 TRAVERS STREET, CORK - CORK SIMON COMMUNITY CLG**

An Chomhairle to consider the report of the Acting Director of Services, Housing, dated 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2025 in relation to a loan facility for Cork Simon Community CLG in respect of the provision of 1 one bed apartment at Apartment 2, 14 Travers 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 €253,717.88 be granted to Cork Simon Community CLG, subject to the terms of the Capital Assistance Scheme for the provision of 1 one bed apartment at Apartment 2, 14 Travers Street, Cork.”

### 7.3 **CAPITAL ASSISTANCE SCHEME: 120 CLONLEA, MOUNT OVAL VILLAGE, ROCHESTOWN, CORK - CORK SIMON COMMUNITY CLG**

An Chomhairle to consider the report of the Acting Director of Services, Housing, dated 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2025 in relation to a loan facility for Cork Simon Community CLG in respect of the provision of 1 one bed apartment at 120 Clonlea, Mount Oval Village, Rochestown, 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 €260,394.45 be granted to Cork Simon Community CLG, subject to the terms of the Capital Assistance Scheme for the provision of 1 one bed apartment at 120 Clonlea, Mount Oval Village, Rochestown, Cork.”

## 8. **CORPORATE POLICY GROUP – 3<sup>rd</sup> NOVEMBER 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, 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2025.

8.1 **FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO 30/09/2025**

J. Hallahan presented the Financial Statement to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2025.

**Decision of the Group**

It was agreed to refer the Financial Statement to 30/09/2025 to An Chomhairle for noting.

8.2 **MOTIONS**

8.2.1 **CUSTOMER SERVICE REQUEST NUMBERS**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Corporate, Community & Cultural Affairs, dated 30<sup>th</sup> October 2025 on the following motion:-

‘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)

**Decision of the Group**

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

8.2.2 **INCREASE THE MEMBERSHIP OF COUNCIL**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Corporate, Community & Cultural Affairs, dated 30<sup>th</sup> October 2025 on the following motion:-

‘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)

**Decision of the Group**

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

8.2.3 **INDEPENDENT REVIEW BODY OF CORK CITY COUNCIL'S EXPENDITURE**

Members considered the following which the Corporate Policy Group has held in committee:-

‘That the Chief Executive provides a report on the findings of the processes that were initiated in February 2025 in response to my subject motion.’

(Proposer: Cllr. A. Deasy 25/463)

and accompanying report of the Director of Services, HR, dated 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2025.

### **Decision of the Group**

It was agreed to recommend the motion and accompanying report to An Chomhairle for approval.

#### **9. PARTY WHIPS – 28<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2025**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Party Whips from its meeting held, 28<sup>th</sup> October 2025.

#### **10. INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS & TOURISM STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE / COISTE BEARTAIS STRAITÉISIGH - CAIDREAMH IDIRNÁISIÚNTA & TURASÓIREACHT – 15<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2025**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the International Relations & Tourism Strategic Policy Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held, 15<sup>th</sup> October 2025.

#### **10.1 MOTIONS**

##### **10.1.1 REPORT ON HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS IN CHINA**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Corporate, Community and Cultural Affairs, dated 13<sup>th</sup> October 2025 on the following motion:-

‘In the context of Cork City Council's Sister City Agreement with the City of Shanghai in the People’s Republic of China, this Motion calls on Cork City Council to consistently raise concerns over human rights violations in China in all meetings and discussions with Chinese Government officials, specifically with regard to the treatment of the Uyghur, Tibetan and Christian Minorities, as well as lawyers, activists and journalists.’

(Proposer: Cllr. A. Deasy 25/269)

### **Decision of Committee**

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

#### 10.1.2 **REPORT ON NEW TWINNINGS**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Corporate, Community and Cultural Affairs, dated 13<sup>th</sup> October 2025 on the following motions:-

##### **TWINNING WITH THE CITY OF BANGALORE**

‘That Cork City Council explore the possibility of twinning Cork with the city of Bangalore (Bengaluru), the capital of the southern Indian State of Karnataka in recognition of and to build upon the existing and historical links between Cork and Bangalore in a variety of areas including technology, culture, research and education.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. O’Callaghan 25/356)

##### **FRIENDLY CITY RELATIONSHIP WITH ABERDEEN**

‘That this Council investigate the possibility of establishing a friendly city relationship with Aberdeen, Scotland.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boyle 25/388)

##### **DEVELOP CITY-TO-CITY RELATIONSHIPS WITH GDYNIA**

‘That Cork City Council will extend congratulations to Gdynia, a port city in Poland of similar size to Cork and whose name has the same meaning as ‘Corcaigh’, on the occasion of the centenary of it being awarded city rights in 1926; and shall report on previous proposals to develop city-to-city relationships with Gdynia.’

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 25/385)

##### **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. **TRANSPORT & MOBILITY STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE / COISTE BEARTAIS STRAITÉISIGH - IOMPAR & SOGHLUAISTEACHT – 20<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2025**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Transport & Mobility Strategic Policy Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held, 20<sup>th</sup> October 2025.

## 11.1 **MOTIONS**

### 11.1.1 **ADD CYCLE SYMBOL TO RESERVOIR OF ADVANCE STOP LINES**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Infrastructure Development, and A/Director of Services, Local Area Development & Operations, dated 20<sup>th</sup> October 2025 on the following motion:-

‘That, as part of road lining maintenance contracts, Cork City Council will include the addition of a cycle symbol to the reservoir of existing Advance Stop Lines, ensure the depth of the reservoir is a minimum of 4m, and that the surface is red; consideration also to add an early start in the signal stage and cycle detection to existing junctions where an Advance Stop Line is present.’

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 25/318)

#### **Decision of Committee**

It was agreed to accept the report of the Director of Services, with a note that where applicable to include Comhairleoir O. Moran’s proposals to road lining projects, and to refer it to An Chomhairle for approval.

### 11.1.2 **REPAIRS TO PRIVATE FOOTPATHS AND ROADS**

The Committee considered the report of the A/Director of Services, Local Area Development & Operations, dated 20<sup>th</sup> October 2025 on the following motion:-

‘That this Council will seek powers from the Minister responsible to ensure that mechanisms and orders can be directed so that repairs can be ensured on footpaths and roads where they are private but operate effectively as public realm; or in instances where no repairs are taken that the Council will undertake the repairs and bill the landowners directly.’

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Horgan 25/351)

#### **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 **CHILDREN’S TRAFFIC PLAYGROUND**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Infrastructure Development, dated 20<sup>th</sup> October 2025 on the following motion:-

‘To ask the Council to examine the feasibility and cost of creating a Children’s Traffic Playground as is done in Copenhagen in an area of the city that will allow children to practice cycling and scooting and walking in a safe protected manner.’

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Horgan 25/352)

### **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 BRIEFING ON CAPITAL TRANSPORT PLANS**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Infrastructure Development, dated 20<sup>th</sup> October 2025 on the following motion:-

‘That in view of the multiple different capital transport plans which will have a major impact on how our city develops over the next number of decades that Cork City Council would arrange a briefing of members to consider the timelines, progress and implications of the various projects for the city. This project briefing should include, but not limited to;

1. Cork Commuter Rail network
2. Cork-Limerick N/M20 Upgrade
3. Northern Distributor Road
4. Bus Connects
5. Luas for Cork
6. M28 Cork to Ringaskiddy Road

The purpose of the briefing is to give an overall view of how the various projects will integrate’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Sheehan 25/377)

### **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 INCLUDE LUAS CORK IN THE NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Planning & Integrated Development, dated 20<sup>th</sup> October 2025 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council recognises the necessity of Luas Cork to the sustainable development of Cork and Ireland, including the development of housing, the docklands and the city centre and the transition to sustainable mobility and climate neutrality, and specifically requests the Government that it be included as an absolute top priority commitment in the National Development Plan 2026-2035, including with a timeline for delivery in the 2030s’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Kamegni 25/397)

### **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 **SAFER ROUTES TO SCHOOLS SCHEME**

The Committee considered the report of the A/Director of Services, Local Area Development & Operations, dated 20<sup>th</sup> October 2025 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council produce a report listing all schools who have applied for and have been granted funding under the Safer Routes to Schools scheme and the amount of funding granted to each.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 25/404)

##### **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 **LOCAL LINK LIKE BUS SERVICES**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Infrastructure Development, dated 20<sup>th</sup> October 2025 on the following motion:-

‘That this Council investigate along with the National Transport Authority the possibility of introducing a local link like bus services, where smaller buses could carry people living on the periphery of the city to and from the main city bus routes.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boyle 25/471)

##### **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 **STEEL OR CONCRETE MARKERS TO DELINEATE CYCLE LANES**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Local Area Development & Operations, dated 11<sup>th</sup> June 2025 on the following motion:-

‘In an effort to reach sustainability goals, improve the aesthetic of our streetscapes and save money in the long term (existing plastic markers need to be replaced regularly) the Council will endeavour to use steel or concrete to delineate cycle lanes instead of plastic going forward’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Connor 25/096)

##### **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. **STRATEGIC, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, ENTERPRISE & PLANNING  
STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE / COISTE BEARTAIS STRAITÉISIGH -  
STRAITÉISEACHT, FORBAIRT EACNAMAÍOCH, FIONTAR & PLEANÁIL –  
20<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2025**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Strategic, Economic Development, Enterprise & Planning Strategic Policy Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held, 20<sup>th</sup> October 2025.

12.1 **MOTIONS**

12.1.1 **ONE-OFF HOUSING**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Planning and Integrated Development, dated 20<sup>th</sup> October 2025 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council:

1. Recognises that the current approach to one-off housing has made it unreasonably difficult for families and individuals with land and means to provide their own homes, effectively shutting down an important housing option during a crisis.
2. Acknowledges that in times of sufficient housing supply, restrictions on one-off housing may have merit; however, given the current shortage, policies designed for another era are no longer fit for the circumstances we face today.
3. Further acknowledges that Councilors are on the front lines of this crisis, dealing daily with individuals and families in need of housing, and that their role and experience should be respected and given appropriate weight in the shaping of housing policy.
4. Agrees to initiate a review of the current Development Plan with a view to facilitating a controlled release of one-off housing permissions, subject to clear conditions, including:
  - Homes must meet modern building and energy efficiency standards;
  - Homes must respect design quality and the character of local areas;
  - Homes should connect to existing infrastructure and services where feasible;
  - Priority consideration should be given to applicants with a genuine local connection or family need.
5. Commits to ensuring that planning policy balances sustainability and community protection with the urgent and immediate need for housing, and to bring forward draft amendments or supplementary guidance to this effect for Council consideration within six months.

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boylan 25/427)

### **Decision of Committee**

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

#### **12.1.2 ONE-OFF RURAL HOUSING GUIDELINES ON FAMILY FARMS**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Planning and Integrated Development, dated 16<sup>th</sup> June 2025 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council reviews its guidelines for one-off rural housing on family farms, as set out in the Cork City Development Plan 2022-2028, to align more closely with the policies of the Cork County Development Plan 2022-2028, and to present the review’s findings and recommendations to a full Council meeting for consideration and adoption, with a view to supporting viable family farms and rural communities in the expanded city boundary. This motion is prompted by the 2019 boundary extension, which incorporated additional rural areas and family farms, including parts of Ballincollig, Blarney, Glanmire, and Tower, into the City Council’s remit.

The current City Development Plan imposes stringent criteria, such as a minimum 30-hectare landholding for farm viability and a prohibition on urban-generated housing, which may unduly restrict genuine rural housing needs on family farms. In contrast, Cork County Council’s Development Plan adopts a more flexible approach, supporting one-off housing for family farm successors and those with demonstrable economic or social need, without a fixed farm size threshold, to sustain rural communities.’

(Proposer: Cllr. A. Deasy 25/464)

### **Decision of Committee**

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

#### **12.1.3 30 HECTARES RULE IN THE CITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Planning and Integrated Development, dated 16<sup>th</sup> June 2025 on the following motion:-

‘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)

### **Decision of Committee**

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

#### 12.1.4 **FUNDING AND CAPACITY TO BUILD**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Planning and Integrated Development, dated 16<sup>th</sup> June 2025 on the following motion:-

‘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)

##### **Decision of Committee**

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

#### 12.1.5 **REDEVELOPMENT OF VACANT AND DERELICT PROPERTIES FOR KEY-WORKER COST-RENTAL HOUSING**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Planning and Integrated Development, dated 16<sup>th</sup> June 2025 on the following motion:-

‘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)

##### **Decision of Committee**

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

#### 12.1.6 **CORK CITY WALKS SIGNS**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Planning and Integrated Development, dated 16<sup>th</sup> June 2025 on the following motion:-

‘That the info on the old Cork City Walks signs be incorporated into the Cork City Walks section of the Council’s website.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 25/346)

**Decision of Committee**

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

13. **HOUSING STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE / COISTE BEARTAIS STRAITÉISIGH - TITHÍOCHT – 21<sup>st</sup> OCTOBER 2025**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Housing Strategic Policy Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held, 21<sup>st</sup> October 2025.

13.1 **HOUSING PROGRESS REPORT**

Members considered the Housing Progress report for August 2025.

**Decision of Committee**

It was agreed to accept the Housing Progress report and to recommend it to An Chomhairle for noting.

13.2 **MOTIONS**

13.2.1 **NUMBERS IN EMERGENCY ACCOMMODATION**

Members considered the report of the Acting Director of Services, Housing, dated 17<sup>th</sup> October 2025 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council report on the number of families and individuals in emergency accommodation and the length of time spent in such accommodation, report in tabular format 1, 2 or 3 + plus years. Council to outline strategy to address homelessness including if a certain percentage of new housing allocations are being considered for those in long term emergency accommodation.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 25/233)

**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.

13.2.2 **COMMUNITY LAND TRUSTS**

Members considered the report of the Acting Director of Services, Housing, dated 17<sup>th</sup> October 2025 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council will report on the concept of community land trusts and their potential for housing delivery in Cork.’

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 25/249)

**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.

13.2.3 **TENANT PURCHASE SCHEME**

Members considered the report of the Acting Director of Services, Housing, dated 17<sup>th</sup> October 2025 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council undertake to review the property types currently excluded from the Tenant Purchase Scheme, and that this review shall be completed within three months.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Lynch 25/259)

**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.

13.2.4 **RENT CALCULATIONS AND SOCIAL HOUSING ASSESSMENTS**

Members considered the report of the Acting Director of Services, Housing, dated 17<sup>th</sup> October 2025 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council would disregard child maintenance payments when calculating income for the purposes of rent calculations and social housing assessments.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Connor 25/265)

**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.

13.2.5 **NUMBER OF HOUSING UNITS TO BE DELIVERED**

Members considered the report of the Acting Director of Services, Housing, dated 17<sup>th</sup> October 2025 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council set out the number of housing units to be delivered via Part V of the Planning and Development Acts in 2025 within the Council's administrative area; that the number be set out on a ward-by-ward basis; and that the mix of social, affordable and cost-rental use be identified.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Lynch 25/308)

### **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.

#### **13.2.6 TRAUMA INFORMED CARE AND PRACTICE TRAINING**

Members considered the report of the Acting Director of Services, Housing, dated 17<sup>th</sup> October 2025 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council will provide comprehensive training in Trauma-Informed Care and Practice for all staff within the Housing Department, including frontline and customer-facing personnel.

This training will aim to foster a deeper understanding among staff of the complex emotional and psychological challenges faced by individuals and families experiencing housing insecurity, homelessness, or related stressors.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. O’Connor 25/323)

### **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.

#### **13.2.7 TENANT-IN-SITU/SECOND HAND ACQUISITIONS**

Members considered the report of the Acting Director of Services, Housing, dated 17<sup>th</sup> October 2025 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council would seek a meeting with the Minister for Housing with a view to reaching an agreement whereby Government fulfil their obligations to allow full recoupment of all 173 second hand home acquisitions sanctioned under the terms set out in circular entitled Guidance for 2024 Social Housing Acquisitions June 2024, setting aside the stipulation in Circular 11/2025 that unrecovered funds and incomplete conveyances from the calendar year 1/1/2024 to 31/12/2024 would be deducted from the 2025 allocation of €20,000,000, thereby freeing those funds for use in preventing homelessness in the calendar year 1/1/2025 to 31/12/2025, noting that no budget was stipulated for the calendar year 2024, and a precedent was set whereby the financial years 2023 and 2024 were treated separately for recoupment purposes.’

(Proposer: Cllr. A. Deasy 25/333)

### **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.

#### 13.2.8 **SPEED UP ALLOCATIONS FOR TURN KEY UNITS**

Members considered the report of the Acting Director of Services, Housing, dated 17<sup>th</sup> October 2025 on the following motion:-

‘That this Council will examine a policy where potential tenants would sign an insurance waiver on pre-installed fixtures in a home to take a social tenancy as is in order to speed up allocations for those on the list who wish to avail of turn key units.’

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Horgan 25/349)

##### **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.

#### 13.2.9 **SOCIAL HOUSING ASSESSMENT REGULATIONS**

Members considered the report of the Acting Director of Services, Housing, dated 17<sup>th</sup> October 2025 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council notes the low level of allowance afforded by the Social Housing Assessment Regulations (2011) to the Council with respect to the inclusion of additional household members in setting income limits for applications for social housing support; calls for the Regulations to be amended to provide for a 5% increase in respect of additional household members aged less than 18 years and for the 10% cap to be removed with respect to same; and that the Council will communicate this call to the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Lynch 25/364)

##### **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.

#### 13.2.10 **AFFORDABLE HOUSING SCHEMES**

Members considered the report of the Acting Director of Services, Housing, dated 17<sup>th</sup> October 2025 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council would commit to delivering genuinely affordable homes, with pricing that reflects the real income levels of local residents. This should be in contrast to the current ‘affordable’ housing project on the Old Mallow Road, where homes are being marketed at prices approaching €400,000 — a figure far beyond the reach of many working individuals and families. The Council must ensure that future affordable housing schemes are genuinely accessible and aligned with the needs of those they are intended to serve.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Gould 25/410)

### **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.

#### **13.2.11 HOUSING CRISIS**

Members considered the report of the Acting Director of Services, Housing, dated 17<sup>th</sup> October 2025 on the following motion:-

‘To ask the CEO of Cork City Council, Valerie O’Sullivan, that she consider pursuing and implementing Workers’ Party policy in relation to the Housing Crisis, with the following solutions proposed by our Party:

- The establishment of a State Construction Company under the direction of a National Building Agency, by extension of and incorporation into the competences of the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage.
- The reinstatement of Cork City Council’s Direct Labour Unit to carry out small scale building projects and remedial works, throughout the city and within the newly extended boundaries accorded to the administrative remit of Council.
- The reinstatement of the office and position of Clerk of Works by Cork City Council to oversee, supervise and account for each stage of a social housing (public building) project, ensuring the adherence to building regulations and standards, ensuring value for money, quality procurement and sourcing of materials, adherence to specified time schedules in the delivery of a project in order to ensure no repeat of the circumstances surrounding the derailment and partial demolition of the Kilmore Road ‘Homes For All’ social housing project.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Tynan 25/425)

### **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.

#### **13.2.12 HOUSING FIRST**

Members considered the report of the Acting Director of Services, Housing, dated 17<sup>th</sup> October 2025 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council recognises addiction as a debilitating disease with a high human, economic and reputational cost, recognises Housing First as a model policy to support the most vulnerable people from despair to recovery, will review its housing policy to reflect Housing First as a core priority and to prioritise housing for recovery patients accordingly, and will engage with the Government to ask for its full support.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Kamegni 25/441)



### **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.

#### **13.2.13 SECTION 3.7 OF THE HOUSING ALLOCATIONS SCHEME**

Members considered the report of the Acting Director of Services, Housing, dated 17<sup>th</sup> October 2025 on the following motion:-

‘That the CE shall provide a report on the operational application of Section 3.7 of the Council's Housing Allocations Scheme; and shall outline whether it is the case that offers of housing are made in respect of areas to those who have not specified those areas of choice as part of their application for social housing support.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Lynch 25/454)

### **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.

#### **13.2.14 TRACKING SYSTEM FOR HOUSING RELATED DOCUMENTATION**

Members considered the report of the Acting Director of Services, Housing, dated 17<sup>th</sup> October 2025 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council introduce a centralised tracking system for all housing-related documentation, integrated with the existing Choice Based Letting (CBL) system. This system would provide applicants with confirmation of receipt and a reference number upon submission of forms and documents. It would also allow Council staff to efficiently track incoming documentation, reducing the risk of forms being misplaced, mislabelled, or not logged. At present, many applicants experience delays that are attributed to forms being ‘not received’, resulting in backlogs, the loss of time on housing waiting lists, and in some cases, the unnecessary burden of having to re-submit documentation or obtain new affidavits.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Gould 25/479)

### **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.

13.2.15 **ENSURING OPERATIONAL CHILDCARE FACILITIES IN PART 8 HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS**

Members considered the report of the Acting Director of Services, Housing, dated 17<sup>th</sup> October 2025 on the following motion:-

‘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)

**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.

14. **CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE – 14<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2025**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Climate Action Committee from its meeting held, 14<sup>th</sup> October 2025.

15. **CITY CENTRE COMMITTEE – 22<sup>nd</sup> OCTOBER 2025**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the City Centre Committee from its meeting held, 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2025.

16. **FINANCE & ESTIMATES COMMITTEE – 3<sup>rd</sup> NOVEMBER 2025**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Finance & Estimates Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held, 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2025.

16.1 **FINANCE RELATED REPORTS**

16.1.1 **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO END OF SEPTEMBER 2025**

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

**Decision of Committee**

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

17. **SOUTH CENTRAL LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE – 28<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2025**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the South Central Local Area Committee from its meeting held, 28<sup>th</sup> October 2025.

18. **SOUTH WEST LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE – 28<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2025**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the South West Local Area Committee from its meeting held, 28<sup>th</sup> October 2025.

19. **NORTH WEST LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE – 28<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2025**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the North West Local Area Committee from its meeting held, 28<sup>th</sup> October 2025.

20. **NORTH EAST LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE – 28<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2025**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the North East Local Area Committee from its meeting held, 28<sup>th</sup> October 2025.

21. **SOUTH EAST LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE – 29<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2025**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the South East Local Area Committee from its meeting held, 29<sup>th</sup> October 2025.

22. **CORRESPONDENCE**

An Chomhairle to note correspondence, if any.

23. **CONFERENCE/SEMINAR SUMMARIES**

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

24. **SECTION 141 REPORTS**

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

25. **CONFERENCES/SEMINARS**

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

26. **TRAINING**

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

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

An Chomhairle to note the Chief Executive's monthly management report for September 2025.

28. **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.

29. **MOTION REFERRED FROM PARTY WHIPS**

29.1 **NATIONAL COMMEMORATION FOR THE 150<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE CATALPA EXPEDITION**

‘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)

30. **MOTIONS**

30.1 **INCREASE THE LEVY ON INCINERATION**

‘That this Council asks that the Government increase the levy on incineration in the forthcoming Finance Bill, as had been previously included and taken out of earlier waste management legislation; in order that the true economic, social and environmental costs on incineration technology be measured, and that the viability of proposed use of the technology be properly assessed. In Cork Harbour over a twenty five year period, this region has been tormented with the threat to impose this technology without properly measuring its cost.’

(Proposers: Cllr. D. Boyle, Cllr. O. Moran, Cllr. H. Kamegni 25/560)

30.2 **CONSTRUCTION OF PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS / ZEBRA CROSSINGS / TOUCAN CROSSINGS**

‘That this Council will inform the Minister for Transport, the NTA and Bus Connects that any sustainable transport corridor applied for must frontload the construction of pedestrian crossings/zebra crossings/toucan crossings before any other work is started on the corridors where approval is granted from Coimisiún Pleanála.’

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Horgan 25/561)

### 30.3 **MULTIANNUAL FINANCIAL FRAMEWORK (MFF) 2028–2034**

‘That Cork City Council calls on the Taoiseach, Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation, and the Minister for Finance not to support the European Commission’s proposal to establish a single common fund under the new Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) 2028–2034, which would merge key EU policy instruments such as the Cohesion Policy, Common Agricultural Policy (CAP), and the European Maritime, Fisheries and Aquaculture Fund into one overarching funding mechanism.

This Council expresses concern that:

1. The proposed “common fund” risks undermining the integrity and transparency of long-standing EU policies that have delivered tangible benefits to Ireland’s regions, farmers, and coastal communities.
2. The Commission’s justification—that this structure would “simplify” the MFF—fails to recognise that simplification through centralisation can weaken the specific policy objectives and ring-fenced funding that underpin regional and rural development.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 25/567)

### 30.4 **ISSUES WITH BUS SERVICE IN SALLYBROOK**

‘I propose that Cork City Council writes to the National Transport Authority (NTA) and Bus Éireann requesting the urgent extension and improvement of the 214 bus route to adequately serve the greater Sallybrook area of Glanmire.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. McDonnell 25/568)

### 30.5 **INTERNATIONAL PROTECTION ACCOMMODATION CENTRES**

‘That Cork City Council condemns the recent arson attack on an International Protection accommodation centre in Drogheda and will write to the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration, recognising that families with their teenage children are sharing the same bedroom space in International Protection accommodation centres in Cork, and to request support for alternatives for them.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Kamegni 25/579)

### 30.6 **OVERTURN IN RESPECT OF PLANNING REF. 24/42854**

‘That Cork City Council:

- Notes the recent decision of An Coimisiún Pleanála to overturn the refusal of the Council to grant planning permission in respect of planning ref. 24/42854.
- Records the Council's extreme disappointment with this decision.
- Acknowledges the recent community demonstration held in Ballincollig - at which approximately 500 local residents were in attendance - and further acknowledges the

community petition against the proposal; which has been signed by almost 2,000 residents.

- Agrees with the community's call for those behind this proposal not to proceed with the development.
- Affirms the Council's decision of June 2024 that this development is inappropriate development for the area.
- Shall write to Coalquay Leisure Limited to communicate the contents of this motion to them.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Lynch 25/589)

30.7 **ASSURANCE FROM TUSLA IN RELATION TO CHILDREN IN CARE**

'That Cork City Council would write to the Chief Executive Officer of Tusla and the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth, seeking formal written assurances that no child in Tusla care in Cork City is in a placement that places them at risk of harm or neglect, and confirm that all such children have an allocated social worker and a current, reviewed care plan, and that any identified gaps in oversight, staffing, or placement suitability in Cork have been immediately addressed.'

(Proposer: Cllr. A. Deasy 25/596)

**NUALA STEWART**  
**MEETINGS ADMINISTRATOR**

Chuig gach ball de Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí

6<sup>ú</sup> Samhain 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. **FEEDER ROAD AT ST. LUKES CROSS**

‘That Cork City Council immediately reverse the decision to eliminate the feeder slip road feeding left from Middle Glanmire Road on to Summerhill North at St. Lukes Cross.

This is a very heavily used slip road, and its closure will most definitely result in significant traffic delays on Middle Glanmire Road and add to the current and increasing levels of traffic chaos at St. Lukes Cross.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 25/489)

**North East Local Area Committee – 24/11/2025**

2. **STATUE OF RORY GALLAGHER**

‘That Cork City Council in consultation with the VQ committee and the family of Rory Gallagher erect a statue of Rory Gallagher on McCurtain Street on the public realm at the junction of McCurtain Street and St. Patricks Hill.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 25/494)

**Party Whips – 24/11/2025**

3. **OVERGROWN TREES AT CAHERGAL**

‘That Cork City Council would cut back and significantly lop the trees which are currently overgrown and located on the raised grass bank between Cahergal Avenue and Cahergal Lawn.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 25/495)

**North East Local Area Committee – 24/11/2025**

4. **GLANMIRE ATHLETICS TRACK**

‘That Cork City Council put plans in place to develop an athletics track in the former FAI grounds adjacent to O’Connell Transport on the outskirts of Glanmire.

Glanmire Athletics Club currently have no athletics track and have a growing membership in this very fast-growing community. This would be an ideal location for a new athletics track.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 25/498)

**North East Local Area Committee – 24/11/2025**

5. **TRAFFIC SAFETY ASSESSMENT ON CHURCH HILL**

‘That Cork City Council would undertake a traffic safety assessment on Church Hill, Glanmire with a view to the installation of speed ramps and other appropriate traffic calming measures. This is in response to ongoing concerns from residents about excessive vehicle speeds and the associated risks to pedestrians, school children and residents.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Flynn 25/550)

**North East Local Area Committee – 24/11/2025**

6. **TRAFFIC SAFETY REVIEW ON THE UPPER GLANMIRE ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council would carry out a traffic safety review on the Upper Glanmire Road in the vicinity of Ros Árd Estate with a view to the installation of speed ramps and other appropriate traffic calming measures to address ongoing concerns about speeding and road safety.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Flynn 25/551)

**North East Local Area Committee – 24/11/2025**

7. **SPRING LANE OPEN PARK**

‘Can a railing and lockup gate be erected in the Spring Lane Open Park to protect the park from undesirables using it at night for illegal drug use and discarding needles, which are a danger to the children and adult users of the park.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Flynn 25/553)

**North East Local Area Committee – 24/11/2025**

8. **DISABLED PARKING SPACE AT WEST VIEW**

‘Would the Council consider relocating the disabled parking space outside 1 West View, Military Hill, Cork and relocating a short distance where there are no houses on the hill by the hotel boundary wall?’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Flynn 25/554)

**North East Local Area Committee – 24/11/2025**

9. **TOWER BRIDGE**

‘To call on Council to ensure that



1. The monies collected for the advancement of pedestrian facilities from Gleann Fia to Tower are released and used in best fashion to provide safe walkways between this area and Tower centre.
2. That further developments in the areas adjacent to Gleann Fia on the L2779 and on the other zoned lands in that area are levied to ensure that a ring fenced fund is collected and made available to provide proper and safe pedestrian access to Tower and its facilities.'

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boylan 25/555)

**North West Local Area Committee – 24/11/2025**

10. **R617 PAUDS CROSS TO BLARNEY**

'To call on Cork City Council to address the issues on this stretch of road including the narrow walkway, lack of lighting and poor road design. The addition of housing in the area coupled with the stated intention of providing active travel options make this a priority that can no longer be ignored.'

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boylan 25/556)

**North West Local Area Committee – 24/11/2025**

11. **PARKING DISPLACEMENT AND ACCESS CONCERNS – KENLEY, LEESDALE AND ROSSBROOK ESTATES**

'That Cork City Council, in light of the proposed introduction of pay parking and double yellow line controls in the Uam Var and Elton Lawn area, and continuing parking concerns in proximity to MTU undertake to:

- (a) assess and monitor the impact of parking displacement into adjacent estates including Kenley (inclusive of Kenley Close, Kenley Drive, Kenley Road, Kenley Heights, Kenley Circle, Kenley Crescent, Mount Eden), Parkway Drive, Leesdale, Greenfields and Rossbrook.
- (b) liaise with residents in these areas in advance of the implementation to identify potential mitigation options; and
- (c) report back to the South-West Local Area Committee with findings and recommendations.'

(Proposer: Cllr. C. O'Connor 25/557)

**South West Local Area Committee – 24/11/2025**

12. **RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PREGNANCY LOSS RESEARCH GROUP**

'That this Council will adopt the recommendations of the Pregnancy Loss Research Group at University College Cork as a measure to implement for our own workforce and write to the leaders of all political parties in Dáil Éireann encouraging them to adopt a cross party approach to implementing leave in this area.'

(Proposers: Cllr. S. O'Callaghan, Cllr. P. Horgan 25/559)

**Corporate Policy Group – 01/12/2025**

13. **PLANNING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE BESSBOROUGH AREA**

‘That this Council will ensure that in any further development in the wider Bessborough area that a community centre, childcare facility and playground would be incorporated as part of planning requirements; for the benefit of the existing and new communities.’

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Horgan 25/562)

**South East Local Area Committee – 25/11/2025**

14. **TRAFFIC PLANS FOR THE BALLINLOUGH AREA**

‘To ask the Council to publish plans it has applied for funding for, for junction tightening and traffic calming from the NTA and other national bodies in the Ballinlough area and the date those applications were made; and to list the plans of areas it has not applied for funding of to date.’

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Horgan 25/563)

**South East Local Area Committee – 25/11/2025**

15. **SHEARES STREET PLAQUE**

‘That a street name plaque for Sheares Street be erected at the Grattan Street end. It is missing.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 25/564)

**South Central Local Area Committee – 24/11/2025**

16. **INFORMATION PANELS AT TRAMORE VALLEY PARK**

‘That the damaged information panels be replaced at Tramore Valley Park and an update on the provision of seating be provided.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 25/565)

**South Central Local Area Committee – 24/11/2025**

17. **MARDYKE BRIDGE**

‘That the Mardyke Bridge be revamped; it is in a terrible aesthetic condition.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 25/566)

**South Central Local Area Committee – 24/11/2025**

18. **YIELD SIGNS FOR PEDAL CYCLISTS, ELECTRIC SCOOTERS AND MOPEDS**

‘That Cork City Council will trial the provision of yield signs for pedal cyclists, electric scooter users and e-moped drivers at traffic lights in the city, as provided for by the Road Traffic (Traffic and Parking) Regulations 2025, SI No. 473 of 2025.’

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 25/569)

**Transport & Mobility Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Iompar & Soghluaisteacht – 15/12/2025**

19. **50<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF MAYFIELD SPORTS COMPLEX**

‘That, on the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the opening of Mayfield Sports Complex, Cork City Council will engage with the Department of Education to review the management and funding structure of the complex to ensure the sustainability of its services for the community into the future; and so that it can effectively access funding and supports available to other community facilities.’

(Proposers: Cllr. O. Moran, Cllr. J. Maher 25/570)

**North East Local Area Committee – 24/11/2025**

20. **MONUMENT TO THE IRISH KNIGHT TNUGDALUS**

‘That Cork City Council will erect a statue or other monument to the Irish knight, Tnugdalus, who in 1148, after drinking to excess in the city of Cork, collapsed into a death-like coma that lasted three days.

Upon waking he recounted the horrors he experienced in the afterlife, providing the seminal medieval account of hell, including lakes of boiling pitch, shrieking demons with pitchforks and sinners roasted and chewed in monstrous mouths.

His horrors reshaped how the Western world imagines eternal damnation and became the raw material that gave Europe its most enduring nightmares, influencing art, literature and culture to the present day, all based on one man's near-death vision of hell in the city of Cork.’

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 25/571)

**Party Whips – 24/11/2025**

21. **SEEP FUNDING FOR THE NWQR**

‘That Cork City Council write to the Minister for Housing outlining the negative impact, and the projects that won’t proceed, due to his decision to cut SEEP funding for the NWQR in 2025.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 25/572)

**North West Local Area Committee – 24/11/2025**

**22. PLAQUE AT SPRIGGS ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council in remembrance of Volunteer Denis Spriggs install a plaque at Spriggs Road, Gurranabraher to be included in the Revolutionary Trail.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 25/573)

**Party Whips – 24/11/2025**

**23. UPGRADE OF MACCURTAIN STREET**

‘That Cork City Council apply to the Government for the Per Cent for Art Scheme from the upgrade of MacCurtain Street, Bridge Street and Harley Street. That Cork City Council install a statue of Tomás MacCurtain on the foot of St. Patrick’s Hill along with an information plaque to honour Tomás and his family.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 25/574)

**North East Local Area Committee – 24/11/2025**

**24. WOMEN'S GRAVE AND MAGDALENE MEMORIAL NEAR THE FORMER GOOD SHEPERD CONVENT**

‘That Cork City Council facilitate access to the women's grave and Magdalene memorial near the former Good Sheperd Convent, Sunday’s Well. The adjacent green area known as the ‘Gym’ could also be a location for a public garden/reflective area with access possible from Strawberry Hill, the Council was amenable to this proposal in response to a previous motion.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 25/575)

**North West Local Area Committee – 24/11/2025**

**25. FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF THE CORK TRAUMA SENSITIVE CITIES STRATEGY**

‘That Cork City Council supports the review and continuation of the Cork Trauma Sensitive Cities Strategy beyond 2025, and that the Council will work in partnership with the Community section and the Steering Group to develop the next phase of the strategy. The continuation of this work will ensure that Cork remains a leader in embedding trauma-informed principles across services, communities, and policy development.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. O’Connor 25/576)

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

26. **ACCESSIBILITY AUDIT OF FOOTPATHS**

‘That Cork City Council conduct an accessibility audit of all footpaths in Cork City South West Ward with particular attention to footpath lips and crossing points where the tactile or non-tactile slope is higher than the road surface, impeding accessibility for wheelchair users, people with mobility aids, and others.

The audit should identify non-compliant areas, prioritise remedial works, and engage with the Cork Access Group and other local disability organisations to ensure the findings reflect lived experience.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. O’Connor 25/577)

**South West Local Area Committee – 24/11/2025**

27. **ENSURING RESPONSIBLE PLANNING FOR GAMING AND AMUSEMENT DEVELOPMENTS**

‘That Cork City Council notes with dismay and concern the recent decision by An Coimisiún Pleanála to approve a gaming arcade at Westside Retail Park, Ballincollig, and expresses concern about the potential social and community impacts of such developments, particularly near schools, family-oriented retail outlets, and residential areas.

Council further notes that while the Cork City Development Plan 2022–2028 recognises commercial leisure uses, it contains no specific policies addressing the location, concentration, or social impacts of gaming arcades or casino-type uses.

Accordingly, Council calls for:

- A review of planning policy to develop clearer criteria and controls for such uses;
- Integration of these considerations into the next Cork City Development Plan and
- A report from the Chief Executive outlining how planning enforcement can be strengthened to ensure compliance.

Council reaffirms its commitment to protecting community wellbeing, public health, and social cohesion in all planning decisions.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. O’Connor 25/578)

**Strategic, Economic Development, Enterprise & Planning Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Straitéiseacht, Forbairt Eacnamaíoch, Fiontar & Pleanáil – 15/12/2025**

28. **REVIEW CAR-PARKING POLICIES TO PROMOTE ELECTRIC VEHICLES**

‘That Cork City Council will comprehensively review its car-parking policies to promote electric vehicles (EVs), including identification of specific EV parking spaces in prominent locations, such as the Marina Promenade, lower parking costs, including free parking at the park and ride, will recognise the new EV green flash number plates as red tape-free verification, will retrofit its own EVs with green flash number plates, will engage with stakeholders, including shopping centres, supermarkets and private car parks, to match

these EV incentives, and will make it easy for people without private car-parking spaces to access road-opening licences for charging gullies through footpaths for convenient, low-cost home charging.'

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Kamegni 25/580)

**Transport & Mobility Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Iompar & Soghluaisteacht – 15/12/2025**

**29. FOOTPATH ENGRAVINGS IN THE MARINA PROMENADE**

'That Cork City Council will review footpath engravings throughout the Marina Promenade to make them bilingual with the addition of Gaeilge, and will restore damaged public seating on the ramp from "The Line" Greenway to St. Michael's Drive in Mahon.'

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Kamegni 25/581)

**South East Local Area Committee – 25/11/2025**

**30. FOOTPATHS IN PROSPERITY SQUARE**

'That Cork City Council will prioritise the upgrading of footpaths in Prosperity Square, an area where footpaths are in very poor condition and many residents have mobility difficulties.'

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O'Connor 25/582)

**South Central Local Area Committee – 24/11/2025**

**31. SURVEY ON WALKING AND CYCLING INFRASTRUCTURE**

'That Cork City Council will pursue a workshop or other suitable event/series of events to survey Cork City residents on their experience of walking and cycling in the city in a similar way to the recent "Masterplan for walking" Limerick City and County Council initiative and use the data gleaned to guide decisions on walking and cycling infrastructure going forward.'

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O'Connor 25/583)

**Transport & Mobility Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Iompar & Soghluaisteacht – 15/12/2025**

**32. CITY STRATEGY ON WALKING**

'That this Council organise community engagement meetings with the intention of creating a city strategy on walking as the encouraged and supported mode of transport.'

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boyle 25/586)

**Transport & Mobility Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh -  
Iompar & Soghluaisteacht – 15/12/2025**

**33. ACTIVE TRAVEL SCHEMES IN THE SOUTH WEST WARD**

‘That the CE provide an update on planned active travel schemes in the South West ward; and to identify timelines for the installation of same.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Lynch 25/587)

**South West Local Area Committee – 24/11/2025**

**34. DEVELOPMENT OF A NEW FIRE STATION**

‘That the CE provide an update on the selection of a suitable site for the development of a new fire station to serve the south-west of the city.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Lynch 25/588)

**South West Local Area Committee – 24/11/2025**

**35. PART V ACQUISITIONS**

‘That Cork City Council notes:

- The changes made to Part V of the Planning and Development Act by the Affordable Housing Act 2021 which mandates a 20% Part V requirement re housing developments of four or more units.
- The contents of the Cork Joint Housing Strategy 2022, which acknowledges that it is the intention of these legislative changes to widen the scope of the use of Part V acquisitions for social housing use alone to incorporate affordable housing use also.
- That, given the phased basis of the implementation of the provisions of the 2021 Act, that these changes are only starting to impact on developments going through the planning process and the acquisitions process now.

Acknowledges:

- The real crisis in housing affordability across Cork City and the serious difficulties faced by many young people in purchasing homes in their own communities.

Resolves:

- That it shall be the stated policy of Cork City Council - to be implemented by the Council Executive - that where there are Part V acquisitions in excess of the 10% of a given development (which must be utilised for social housing use) that these acquisitions will be utilised for affordable purchase use only.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Lynch 25/590)

**Housing Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Tithíocht – 16/12/2025**

36. **NORTH MAIN STREET CAR PARK**

‘That Cork City Council reduce car parking fees in North Main Street Car Park, Monday to Friday, for an agreed time, to encourage usage of the car park.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 25/591)

**South Central Local Area Committee – 24/11/2025**

37. **VACANT SOCIAL HOUSES IN COPPER VALLEY ESTATE**

‘That Cork City Council resolve the issue between Cork County Council and our housing department with regards 3 vacant social houses in Copper Valley estate, Glanmire.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 25/592)

**North East Local Area Committee – 24/11/2025**

38. **IMPROVED PUBLIC REALM ON THE OLD YOUGHAL ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council puts public lighting and improved public realm on the Old Youghal Road between Lotamore estate and New Inn School and that a safe crossing be provided to cater for all pedestrians.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 25/593)

**North East Local Area Committee – 24/11/2025**

39. **SECOND HAND ACQUISITION PROGRAMME 2025**

‘That Cork City Council acknowledges the vital role that its Second Hand Acquisition Programme plays in both preventing and addressing homelessness, and in supporting vulnerable people such as the elderly and persons with disability, and will prepare a report outlining the total funds allocated for 2025 towards the second hand acquisitions programme across all schemes, i.e. Tenant in Situ, Housing First, Right Sizing scheme, etc., as well as detailing the target number of purchases under each category for 2025.’

(Proposer: Cllr. A. Deasy 25/594)

**Housing Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Tithíocht – 16/12/2025**

40. **YELLOW BOX MARKING AT SHEARES PARK**

‘That Cork City Council install a 'Yellow Box' marking at the junction between Sheares Park and Glasheen Road (R849).’



(Proposer: Cllr. A. Deasy 25/595)

**South West Local Area Committee – 24/11/2025**

41. **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT SCOIL CHROÍ ÍOSA BLARNEY**

‘That Cork City Council install a pedestrian crossing with amber flashing lights at Scoil Chroí Íosa Blarney to ensure the safety of children attending the school. This is a very busy crossroads and it would be pertinent to install this safety crossing.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Gould 25/597)

**North West Local Area Committee – 24/11/2025**

42. **ACTION PLAN FOR BLACKPOOL VILLAGE**

‘That Cork City Council notes:

- with regret the closure of the “Baldy Barber” business and sends best wishes to Mick Moriarty, his staff and family
- that this is one of a number of significant business closures in Blackpool
- that the Main Street of Blackpool is badly impacted by vacancy and dereliction
- that a report by UCC highlighted the impact of this on the community
- that the Urban Regeneration Group, Tidy Towns group and other community groups are doing positive work in the area but this is hampered by a lack of support and investment

And agrees that:

- the Director of Planning will meet with the Urban Regeneration Group to discuss the historic centre of Blackpool Village and provide a report on this meeting, to include an Action Plan with timelined deliverables, to the next full meeting of Cork City Council
- the Urban Plan for North Blackpool/Kilbarry should be extended to include the historic core of Blackpool Village or a further plan should be published on this.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Gould 25/598)

**North West Local Area Committee – 24/11/2025**

43. **FLOOD PROTECTION MEASURES IN COPPER VALLEY VUE**

‘That Cork City Council would install flood protection measures in Copper Valley Vue that were previously agreed as part of the flood protection measures for Glanmire.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Gould 25/599)

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44. **CONTRACTORS BREACHING CONDITIONS**

‘That Cork City Council would ensure that contractors would adhere to the time including the rules and regulations around works being carried out. Currently contractors are breaching these conditions and they are failing to communicate with local residents which in turn is creating anger and frustration in local communities.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Gould 25/600)

**Strategic, Economic Development, Enterprise & Planning Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Straitéiseacht, Forbairt Eacnamaíoch, Fiontar & Pleanáil – 15/12/2025**