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, 14<sup>ú</sup> IÚIL 2025

# ORDINARY MEETING – MONDAY, 14<sup>th</sup> JULY 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.

# 3.1 MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES

An tArdmhéara to resign as a member of the following committees as required by Standing Orders:-

- Environment, Water & Amenity Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh Comhshaol, Uisce & Áiseanna
- Strategic, Economic Development, Enterprise & Planning Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Straitéiseacht, Forbairt Eacnamaíoch, Fiontar & Pleanáil
- Consumption of Intoxicating Liquor (Drinking on the Street Bye Laws) Committee
- Dog Fouling Committee

Comhairleoir D. Boyle to replace An tArdmhéara on the above committees.

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

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

## 4.1 **CORPORATE PLAN 2024 – 2029**

An Chomhairle to consider and adopt the Cork City Council Corporate Plan 2024 – 2029.

## 5. <u>MINUTES</u>

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

- Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held, 9<sup>th</sup> June 2025.
- Annual Meeting of An Chomhairle held, 20<sup>th</sup> June 2025.

## 6. <u>MOTION SUBMITTED UNDER SECTION 140 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT</u> <u>ACT (2001)</u>

An Chomhairle to consider the following motion submitted under Section 140 of the Local Government Act (2001):-

'That as part of the redevelopment of Bishop Lucey Park, the Chief Executive shall undertake a process to explore the renaming of the park.'

(Proposers: Cllr. T. Tynan, Cllr. O. Moran, Cllr. N. O' Connor)

#### 7. **QUESTION TIME**

Questions submitted enclosed.

## 8. <u>STATUTORY ITEMS</u>

## 8.1 VACANCIES ON BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

An Chomhairle to approve the nomination of Comhairleoir D. Boyle to the Audit Committee following the resignation of Comhairleoir O. Moran.

An Chomhairle to approve the nomination of Comhairleoir D. Boyle to the Arts Committee following the resignation of Comhairleoir O. Moran.

An Chomhairle to approve the nomination of Comhairleoir D. Boyle to the Climate Action Committee following the resignation of Comhairleoir H. Kamegni.

An Chomhairle to approve the nomination of Comhairleoir G. O'Brien to the Local Community Development Committee following the resignation of Comhairleoir S. O'Callaghan.

An Chomhairle to approve the nomination of Comhairleoir S. O'Callaghan to An Grúpa Forbartha Gaeilge following the resignation of Comhairleoir G. O'Brien.

# 8.2 **<u>REGIONAL HEALTH FORUM SOUTH WEST</u>**

Two additional members of An Chomhairle to be appointed to the Regional Health Forum South West.

# 8.3 **PROPERTY DISPOSALS**

An Chomhairle to consider the reports of the Deputy Chief Executive, dated 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2025 on the following property disposals:-

- 1. Disposal by way of lease of property situated at 103-105 Knockfree Avenue, Churchfield, Cork to Churchfield Community Trust CLG c/o Patrick Casey & Co. Solicitors, 30-31 Washington Street, Cork for a term of 4 years and 9 months subject to a rent of €700.00 per annum.
- 2. Disposal of the freehold interest in a plot of ground (85.49 m<sup>2</sup> approximately) situated adjacent to 38, Hollyville, Hollyhill, Knocknaheeny, Cork to Joanna & Michael Sederowski, c/o Taylor Solicitors, Unit 3A River House, Blackpool Retail Park, Cork for the nominal sum of €1.00.
- 3. Disposal of the freehold interest in an area of ground (23.5 m<sup>2</sup> approximately) situated to the rear of No. 66, High Street, Cork to Tim McDonnell, c/o Breen Walsh Solicitors, 78-80 South Mall, Cork for the nominal sum of €1.00.
- 4. Disposal of the freehold interest in an area of ground (18.9 m<sup>2</sup> approximately) situated to the rear of No. 67, High Street, Cork to Paul Cantillon, c/o Babington Clarke & Mooney Solicitors, 48, South Mall, Cork for the nominal sum of €1.00.
- Disposal of the superior leasehold interest in the property situated and known as No. 25, Gillabbey Street, Cork, to Patrick O'Shea & Sasha Gosling, c/o Hickey Dorney Solicitors, The Square, Passage West, Cork for the sum of €20,500.00 plus costs of €1,500.00, plus VAT.
- 6. Disposal of any right, interest, estate or title in an area of land (22 m<sup>2</sup> approximately) situated at the entrance to 15, Meadow Gardens, The Meadows, Hollyhill, Cork to Robert and Livia Klaniecki, c/o Murphy & Condon Solicitors, 69, Shandon Street, Cork for a nominal sum of €1.00.
- 7. Disposal of the freehold interest in area of ground (5.72 m<sup>2</sup> approximately), together with a wayleave on land situated at Willsfort Meadows, Greenvalley, Donnybrook, Cork to ESB Networks, Sarsfield Road, Wilton, Cork, for the sum of €1.00.
- 8. Disposal by way of lease of Café premises at Fitzgerald's Park, Cork, together with a licence for the patio area, to Back to Front Hospitality Ltd. t/a Tria Cafe, c/o Regan Wall LLP, One South Mall, Cork, for a term of 10 years, subject to a rent of €24,000.00 per annum.
- Disposal by way of lease of Stall No.8, Princes Street Market, Cork to Tab Sales Ltd t/a Tom Bradley c/o Murphy Lynham, Solicitors, Courthouse Chambers, 27-29 Washington Street, Cork, for a term of 21 years from the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024.
- Disposal by way of lease of Stall No. 4B, Grand Parade Market, Cork to Café Marius Ltd. c/o Joyce & Co. Solicitors, 9, Washington Street West, Cork, for a term of 21 years from the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024.
- 11. Disposal by way of lease of Stall No. 14, Grand Parade Market, Cork to Jump Juice Bars Ltd t/a Jump Juice, c/o Kearns Heffernan Foskin LLP, Solicitors, Otteran House, South Parade, Waterford, for a term of 21 years from the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024.

- 12. Disposal by way of lease of Stall No. 15, Grand Parade Market, Cork to Maki Sushi Rolls Ltd c/o Comyn Kelleher Tobin, 2, George's Quay, Cork, for a term of 21 years from the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024.
- 13. Disposal by way of lease of Stalls No. 28 & 29, Grand Parade Market, Cork to Marc O'Mahony t/a The Good Food Shop c/o R. Neville & Co., Solicitors, Old Bank House, South Main Street, Bandon, Cork, for a term of 21 years from the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024.
- 14. Disposal by way of lease of Stall No. 31, Grand Parade Market, Cork to Paul Murphy t/a Coughlan Meats c/o Dominic Creedon & Co., Solicitors, 15/16 Washington St, Cork, for a term of 21 years from the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024.
- Disposal by way of lease of Stall No. 2, Grand Parade Market, Cork, to On The Hoof Limited, t/a On The Hoof c/o Murphy Lynam Solicitors, Courthouse Chambers, No. 29, Washington Street, Cork, for a term of 21 years from the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024.

#### 8.4 <u>PROPOSED VARIATION NO. 2 (CORK DOCKLANDS) TO THE CORK CITY</u> <u>DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2022 – 2028 (AS VARIED)</u>

An Chomhairle to consider the report of the Chief Executive, dated June 2025 on the Proposed Variation No. 2 (Cork Docklands) to the Cork City Development Plan 2022 - 2028 (as varied), and if so decided to adopt the following Resolution:-

"Resolve under Section 13 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 as amended to make Proposed Variation No. 2 (Cork Docklands) to the Cork City Development Plan 2022 - 2028 (as varied) with the Chief Executive's recommendations."

#### 8.5 <u>CAPITAL ASSISTANCE SCHEME: DE PAUL HOSTEL SITE, DEERPARK,</u> <u>FRIARS WALK, CORK - FREDERIC OZANAM TRUST (SOCIETY OF SAINT</u> <u>VINCENT DE PAUL)</u>

An Chomhairle to consider the report of the Director of Services, Housing, dated 12<sup>th</sup> June 2025 in relation to a loan facility for Frederic Ozanam Trust in respect of the provision of 8 semi-detached bungalows of accommodation at the De Paul Hostel Site, Deerpark, Friars Walk, 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  $\in 2,043,348.35$  (previously  $\in 2,150,893$ ) be granted to the Frederic Ozanam Trust (Society of Saint Vincent de Paul), subject to the terms of the Capital Assistance Scheme for the provision of 8 one bed units of accommodation at the De Paul Hostel Site, Deerpark, Friars Walk, Cork."

## 8.6 <u>CAPITAL ASSISTANCE SCHEME: EDEL HOUSE, GRATTAN STREET, CORK</u> <u>- GOOD SHEPHERD CORK CLG</u>

An Chomhairle to consider the report of the Director of Services, Housing, dated 13<sup>th</sup> June 2025 in relation to a loan facility for Good Shepherd Cork CLG in respect of the provision of 37 no. unit of accommodation at Edel House, Grattan 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  $\in 8,349,127.44$  (previously  $\in 7,537,428.70$ ) be granted to Good Shepherd Cork CLG, subject to the terms of the Capital

Assistance Scheme for the provision of 37 units of accommodation at Edel House, Grattan Street, Cork."

# 8.7 <u>PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT AT MAIN STREET,</u> <u>BALLINCOLLIG</u>

In accordance with Section 179(4)(a) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, An Chomhairle to consider the proposed development at Main Street, Ballincollig, in the City of Cork and the report of the Deputy Chief Executive thereon as required under Section 179(3) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, dated 10<sup>th</sup> July 2025 and, if so decided adopt the following Resolution:-

"Now Council hereby RESOLVE THAT having considered the proposed development at Main Street, Ballincollig, in the City of Cork and the report of the Deputy 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 Main Street, Ballincollig, 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 14<sup>th</sup> July 2025."

# 8.8 **PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT AT GLYNTOWN, GLANMIRE**

In accordance with Section 179(4)(a) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, An Chomhairle to consider the proposed development at Glyntown, Glanmire, in the City of Cork and the report of the Deputy Chief Executive thereon as required under Section 179(3) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, dated 10<sup>th</sup> July 2025 and, if so decided adopt the following Resolution:-

"Now Council hereby RESOLVE THAT having considered the proposed development at Glyntown, Glanmire, in the City of Cork and the report of the Deputy 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 Glyntown, Glanmire, 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 14<sup>th</sup> July 2025."

## 8.9 <u>PROPOSED IMPROVEMENT WORKS TO BUS STOP 243101 ON R849</u> <u>GLASHEEN ROAD</u>

An Chomhairle to consider and approve the recommendation of the Acting Director of Services, Local Area Development and Operations, dated 19<sup>th</sup> June 2025, following public consultation, on the Proposed Improvement Works to Bus Stop 243101 on R849 Glasheen Road pursuant to Section 38 of the Road Traffic Act 1994, as amended by Section 46 of the Public Transport Regulation Act 2009.

## 8.10 <u>PROPOSED IMPROVEMENT WORKS TO BUS STOP 242691 AND NEW</u> <u>PEDESTRIAN CROSSING ON R849 GLASHEEN ROAD</u>

An Chomhairle to consider and approve the recommendation of the Acting Director of Services, Local Area Development and Operations, dated 19<sup>th</sup> June 2025, following public

consultation, on the Proposed Improvement Works to Bus Stop 242691 and new Pedestrian Crossing on R849 Glasheen Road at Tara Lawn pursuant to Section 38 of the Road Traffic Act 1994, as amended by Section 46 of the Public Transport Regulation Act 2009.

## 8.11 <u>PROPOSED IMPROVEMENT WORKS TO BUS STOPS ON THE L2471 ROAD</u> <u>"CLARKE'S HILL"</u>

An Chomhairle to consider and approve the recommendation of the Acting Director of Services, Local Area Development and Operations, dated 17<sup>th</sup> June 2025, following public consultation, on the proposed improvement works to bus stops on the L2471 Road "Clarke's Hill" in the Townlands of Monfieldstown and Mounthovel, pursuant to Section 38 of the Road Traffic Act 1994, as amended by Section 46 of the Public Transport Regulation Act 2009.

## 8.12 <u>PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN CROSSING SAFETY SCHEME 2025 POST SECTION</u> <u>38 CONSULTATION</u>

An Chomhairle to consider and approve the recommendation of the Acting Director of Services, Local Area Development and Operations, dated 19<sup>th</sup> June 2025, following public consultation, on the Proposed Pedestrian Crossing Safety Schemes at L1010 Pearse Road at Scoil Maria Assumpta, pursuant to Section 38 of the Road Traffic Act 1994, as amended by Section 46 of the Public Transport Regulation Act 2009.

## 8.13 <u>PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN CROSSING SAFETY SCHEMES 2025 POST</u> <u>SECTION 38 CONSULTATION</u>

An Chomhairle to consider and approve the recommendation of the Acting Director of Services, Local Area Development and Operations, dated 19<sup>th</sup> June 2025, following public consultation, on the proposed Pedestrian Crossing Safety Schemes at R617 Tower to Blarney Road at Shournagh Drive and R617 Tower to Blarney Road at Primrose Hill Estate, pursuant to Section 38 of the Road Traffic Act 1994, as amended by Section 46 of the Public Transport Regulation Act 2009.

# 8.14 <u>PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN CROSSING SAFETY SCHEMES 2025 POST</u> <u>SECTION 38 CONSULTATION</u>

An Chomhairle to consider and approve the recommendation of the Acting Director of Services, Local Area Development and Operations, dated 19<sup>th</sup> June 2025, following public consultation, on the proposed Pedestrian Crossing Safety Schemes at R639 Riverstown Road at Glanmire Community Centre, R639 Riverstown Road at Glanmire GAA, and Riverstown Road at the Hermitage Estate, pursuant to Section 38 of the Road Traffic Act 1994, as amended by Section 46 of the Public Transport Regulation Act 2009.

# 8.15 <u>SECTION 85 AGREEMENT WITH CORK COUNTY COUNCIL – CORK TO</u> <u>KINSALE GREENWAY</u>

In accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 2001 and the Roads Act 1993, An Chomhairle to consider the report of the Director of Services, Infrastructure Development, dated 16<sup>th</sup> June 2025 and the proposed Section 85 Agreement to facilitate

the delivery of the Cork To Kinsale Greenway and, if so decided, to adopt the following Resolution:-

"That Cork City Council agrees to the entering into an Agreement, as presented to it under Section 85 of the Local Government Act, 2001 with Cork County Council, for the carrying out by Cork County Council of all the relevant statutory procedures, procuring the necessary design work, acquiring the land and carrying out of the construction work and any other powers, functions and duties necessary for the design, construction and completion of the Cork to Kinsale Greenway Project.

The making of an agreement by a local authority under Section 85 of the Local Government Act 2001 is a reserved function.

Accordingly, Cork City Council hereby resolves to entering into an Agreement with Cork County Council pursuant to the provisions of Section 85 of the Local Government Act 2001 and Section 14 of the Roads Act 1993."

## 9. <u>CORPORATE POLICY GROUP – 7<sup>th</sup> JULY 2025</u>

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Corporate Policy Group, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held, 7<sup>th</sup> July 2025.

#### 9.1 FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO 31/05/2025

J. Hallahan presented the Financial Statement to 31/05/2025.

#### **Decision of the Group**

It was agreed to refer the Financial Statement to 31/05/2025 to An Chomhairle for noting.

#### 9.2 ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# 9.2.1 ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT (UNAUDITED)

J. Hallahan presented the (Unaudited) Annual Financial Statement 2024 of Cork City Council.

#### **Decision of the Group**

It was agreed to refer the (Unaudited) Annual Financial Statement to 31/05/2025 to An Chomhairle for noting.

#### 9.2.2 **RESOLUTION**

J. Hallahan outlined the legal requirement for the adoption of a resolution in accordance with Section 104 of the Local Government Act 2001.

#### **Decision of the Group**

On the proposal of Comhairleoir S. Martin, seconded by Comhairleoir T. Fitzgerald, it was agreed to refer the following Resolution to An Chomhairle for approval:-

'The Council resolves that The Annual Financial Statement for 2024 and, pursuant to Section 104 of the Local Government Act 2001, the under / over expenditure as outlined in note 16 are thereby approved'.

## 9.3 MOTIONS

## 9.3.1 ADVISE COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS OF THE BDS CAMPAIGN

Members considered the report of the A/Director of Services, Local Area Development & Operations, dated 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2025 on the following motion:-

'That, in keeping with its policy of support for the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions (BDS) campaign to pressure Israel to withdraw from its illegal occupation of Palestine and to ensure full equality for its Arab-Palestinian citizens, Cork City Council will advise community organisations in receiving ward funds to be mindful of this policy in their use of funds received from Cork City Council; and that organisations will be advised of this in written communications from Cork City Council when receiving ward funds.'

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 25/319)

#### **Decision of the Group**

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

## 9.3.2 EUROPE DAY

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

'To mark Europe Day - a day celebrating peace and unity in Europe, to mark that this is Europe, and to be consistent with other cities, including Dublin, Limerick and Waterford, that Cork City Council will fly the European flag on City Hall on a permanent basis.'

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Kamegni 25/242)

#### **Decision of the Group**

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

# 10. **PARTY WHIPS – 23<sup>rd</sup> JUNE 2025**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Party Whips from its meeting held, 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2025.

## 11. TRANSPORT & MOBILITY STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE / COISTE BEARTAIS STRAITÉISIGH - IOMPAR & SOGHLUAISTEACHT – 16<sup>th</sup> JUNE 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, 16<sup>th</sup> June 2025.

#### 11.1 **MOTIONS**

#### 11.1.1 SCHOOL TRANSPORT SYSTEM

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Infrastructure Development, dated 16<sup>th</sup> June 2025 on the following motion:-

'That this Council will seek for the school transport system to be expanded and enhanced to take as many cars off the road as possible, a school transport for all, focusing on the South East Ward as a pilot project and will seek funding and engagement from the Department of Education and Bus Éireann for same.'

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Horgan 25/165)

#### **Decision of Committee**

It was agreed to accept the report of the Director of Services, and to refer it to An Chomhairle for approval. It was further agreed to recommend that Full Council would write to the Department on the issue.

#### 11.1.2 **DUNKETTLE TRAFFIC APP**

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:-

'That this Council will seek the costings to adopt the operation of the Dunkettle traffic app to ensure the camera feeds on the app are restarted and maintained in our own roads CCTV ecosystem with funding streams from the Department of Transport, Transport Infrastructure Ireland and the National Transport Authority, to offset the cost to the Local Authority.'

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Horgan 25/167)

#### **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 NEW BRIDGE CONNECTING THE SOUTH DOCKS AND PENROSE QUAY

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

'The impact of another bridge on the use of the River Lee needs to be examined in detail before further designs/ location of any such bridge proceeds any further.

Waterford city has embraced maritime activity in their city harbour and Cork City should follow their lead and develop a thriving city harbour.

What are the long term (permanent) consequences of constructing a rail / pedestrian bridge which cannot be opened?

Have the following considerations been considered?

At this early stage, key considerations should include:

- The significant loss or disruption of what should be regarded as a vital city facility—Cork Harbour Cruises.
- The removal of waterway access for visiting leisure vessels.
- The ongoing reduction of sea traffic over the years due to existing bridges, further restricting maritime movement—this proposed bridge could be the final nail in the coffin.
- The diminishing recognition and respect for the city's maritime heritage, with increasing restrictions on marine traffic.
- Aside from the bridge, the privatisation of the city pontoon, leaves the city without any control over a facility which could be closed at a moment's notice
- The impact on the future use of River Taxies which is in our development plan.

Can the existing Parnell Bridge and the Michael Collins Bridge be modified, if indeed there is any need for further access. Does the end point for Cork's light rail need to be at the South Docks?

Cork will be hosting International Maritime day in May, a great honour for the city, we need as a city to protect and harness our great natural resource which is the River Lee.'

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Cahill 25/169)

#### **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 CONDITION OF ROADS FOLLOWING WORKS

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:-

'That Cork City Council report on the process to ensure that roads are returned to an excellent condition following works by Uisce Éireann and the various utility providers.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 25/235)

## **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 IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CORK CYCLE NETWORK PLAN

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Infrastructure Development, dated 16<sup>th</sup> June 2025 on the following motion:-

'To mark Bike Week and to demonstrate progress since the record budget for active travel since 2020, that Cork City Council will report on the implementation of the Cork Cycle Network Plan, and make specific reference to indicate a timeline for the development of a contraflow cycle lane on Sullivan's Quay and George's Quay to connect Nano Nagle Bridge to Union Quay (Route Code: CCC-U19), and make specific reference to indicate a timeline for the development of Rochestown Road (Route Codes: CSE-U20 & CSE-U21).' (Proposer: Cllr. H. Kamegni 25/243)

#### **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 COMPLIMENTARY PARKING PERMIT

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:-

'That Cork City Council acknowledges the fact that so many young adults are forced to remain living in the family home far longer than would normally be expected because of the impossibility of achieving a home of their own, either by renting, buying or social housing. In acknowledgement of this crisis, and the financial and social burden it places on mostly older people, this Motion proposes that a complimentary parking permit be issued to each head of household, on request.'

(Proposer: Cllr. A. Deasy 25/272)

#### **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 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.

#### 11.1.8 BUS INFRASTRUCTURE

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:-

'That Cork City Council produce a report outlining all actions taken by Council to increase compliance with bus lanes and other road infrastructure for buses, reduce congestion and support Gardaí and Bus Éireann in reducing anti-social behaviour on the No. 203 and other bus routes'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Gould 25/102)

## **Decision of Committee**

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

## 11.1.9 SHARED MICRO-MOBILITY STRATEGY

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Planning and Integrated Development, dated 11<sup>th</sup> June 2025 on the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council will report on progress of the city's Shared Micro-Mobility Strategy; in particular progress towards tendering for a shared electric bicycle scheme outside of the City Centre'

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 25/133)

#### **Decision of Committee**

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

## 11.1.10 BUS STOP ENHANCEMENT PROGRAMME

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

'That Cork City Council notes the funding received under the Bus Stop Enhancement Programme and agrees to:

- publish a report with an update on all completed and intended bus stop upgrades and the number of bus stops in the Cork city administrative area
- prioritise bus stops at the Dominican Centre and in Blarney
- explore the installation of bus stops at St. Brendan's Church in the Glen and Kilmore Road Lower'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Gould 25/140)

#### **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>STRATEGIC, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, ENTERPRISE & PLANNING</u> <u>STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE / COISTE BEARTAIS STRAITÉISIGH -</u> <u>STRAITÉISEACHT, FORBAIRT EACNAMAÍOCH, FIONTAR & PLEANÁIL -</u> <u>16<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2025</u>

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, 16<sup>th</sup> June 2025.

## 12.1 <u>DERELICTION UPDATE – STATUS OF SITES ON THE DERELICT SITES</u> <u>REGISTER</u>

Mr. John Crotty, Vacant Homes Officer, Cork City Council, gave a presentation on residential dereliction and vacancy in Cork City.

#### **Decision of Committee**

It was agreed to refer the presentation to An Chomhairle for information.

## 12.2 <u>UPDATE ON CORK CITY NEIGHBOURHOOD PROFILE</u>

Ms. Kelly Cotel and Mr. Kevin O'Connor gave a presentation and demonstration of the Cork City Neighbour Profile.

#### **Decision of Committee**

It was agreed to refer the presentation to An Chomhairle for information.

## 12.3 <u>PROPOSED VARIATION NO. 2 TO THE CORK CITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN</u> 2022-2028

Mr. Bryan Fitzgerald and Mr. Gerry O'Beirne gave a presentation on proposed variation No. 2 of the Cork City Development Plan 2022-2028 regarding Docklands.

#### **Decision of Committee**

It was agreed to refer the presentation to An Chomhairle for information.

## 12.4 **MOTIONS**

## 12.4.1 PLANNING REQUIREMENTS FOR ADVERTISING

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 this Council will amend planning requirements for advertising hoardings and shop fronts promoting the use or purchase of items that run contrary to public health guidelines specifically in relation to e-cigarettes and the purchase of e-liquid and will compile a review of existing shop fronts in the administrative jurisdiction that planning is required for same.'

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Horgan 25/230)

#### **Decision of Committee**

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

#### 12.4.2 MASS CPO OF DERELICT BUILDINGS

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 this Council will seek the advice of our Law Agent and the Attorney General on all supports that can be levied to ensure a mass CPO of derelict buildings in the city administrative area where efforts have been made to bring those buildings back into use by the Council but have been ignored by owners for whatever reason for longer than a year.'

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Horgan 25/231)

#### **Decision of Committee**

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

# 12.4.3 **DERELICTION IN CORK**

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 will report on dereliction in Cork, including how many properties it has added to the derelict sites register, an estimate of how complete the register is and plans to complete it, an outline of the actions it has taken for each property, including engagement with the owners, application of the derelict sites levy, compulsory purchase, restoration and return to active use, to detail this information for each ward, to compare and contrast our approach and results with those of Limerick City and County Council and Waterford City and County Council, and to propose priority intervention to resolve the prominent row of derelict properties on North Main Street across from Castle Street to Paradise Place.'

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Kamegni 25/321)

## **Decision of Committee**

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

#### 12.4.4 PLANNING POLICY FOR RURAL AREAS

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 would review its planning policy to take into account the rural aspect of the extended city where there is already a settlement in order to facilitate people to live in their communities.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Sheehan 25/261)

#### **Decision of Committee**

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

## 12.4.5 RESTRICTIONS ON FOREIGN INVESTORS BULK BUYING 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 this Council will ensure that restrictions on foreign investors bulk buying housing units are implemented as a condition as a planning requirement and provide a report to elected members on the powers that currently exist for such a protection, for the common good.'

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Horgan 25/287)

## **Decision of Committee**

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

# 12.4.6 SHORTAGE OF ACCESSIBLE CHILDCARE PLACES

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 recognizes the chronic shortage of accessible childcare places and the increasing delays in operationalising purpose-built crèche units within new housing developments, this Council commits to actively engaging with relevant stakeholders—including developers, planning authorities, and childcare providers—to identify and implement local solutions to bring such units into use.

These may include:

- Exploring the feasibility of a Cork-specific scheme whereby the Council or State bodies acquire or lease childcare units in new developments and sub-lease them to providers at affordable rates.
- Reviewing and strengthening the application of existing planning conditions to ensure timely delivery and operation of childcare facilities.
- Liaising with the Department of Housing and the Department of Children to input into the forthcoming National Planning Statement on childcare provision;
- Advocating for new planning guidelines that reflect current family and housing realities—including the need for childcare facilities even in developments with smaller unit sizes.
- Promoting the integration of early years facilities in the planning of new primary schools, in line with best practice for sustainable community development.
- Establishing a local monitoring framework to ensure that planning conditions for childcare provision are not only met in design but delivered in practice, with a clear timeline and accountability mechanisms.'

(Proposer: Cllr. C. O'Connor 25/325)

#### **Decision of Committee**

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

# 12.4.7 <u>'CORK CITY IS OPEN FOR BUSINESS AND IS A SAFE CITY' CAMPAIGN</u>

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 will introduce a 'Cork City is open for business and is a safe city' campaign with a focus on affordable and incentivized parking mid-week, activities that cater for our older community and for families from all over our city to enjoy and enhance the community spirit of our city centre.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 25/327)

#### **Decision of Committee**

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

#### 12.4.8 LARGE EMPLOYER ON-SITE STAFF ACCOMMODATION

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 establishes a dedicated working group to liaise with all Cork City hospitals, and other large employers in the city, with a view to establishing a precedent whereby such employers provide staff accommodation on-site or near-to-site, by repurposing existing buildings or by constructing purpose-built accommodation blocks. Such measures would have an immediate effect on the overwhelmed housing and rental market in our city.'

(Proposer: Cllr. A. Deasy 25/331)

#### **Decision of Committee**

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

## 12.4.9 ADVERTISING SAILS

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Corporate & Community Affairs, dated 13<sup>th</sup> December 2024 on the following motion:-

'To establish additional advertising sails at all entrance points into the City similar to those on Lower Glanmire Road.'

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Horgan 24/552)

#### **Decision of Committee**

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

# 12.4.10 CORK CITY CENTRE STRATEGY

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic and Economic Development, dated 18<sup>th</sup> October 2024 on the following motion:-

'That the CE notes that the City Centre Strategy symposium held in early July, 2024, included an IPSOS Behaviour and Attitudes survey on what people would like to see in Cork City Centre. The findings gave the impression that Cork City Centre is a safe and secure place in which to live, shop, visit and do business. The survey, taken in 5 locations in the City Centre, is unrepresentative of the views of the citizens of the five electoral areas, many of whom avoid the City Centre because of drug-taking, anti-social behaviour, violent disorder, rough sleeping and a general air of threat and menace. These views are consistent with what is being reported through various media channels.

This motion calls on the CE to ask IPSOS to repeat the survey, this time taking into account the views of citizens located in each of the five electoral areas, to determine whether or not they regularly visit the City Centre, and if not, why not. The findings of such a survey should be highly relevant to the formulation of the City Council Corporate Plan.'

(Proposer: Cllr. A. Deasy 24/448)

#### **Decision of Committee**

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

## 12.4.11 **<u>REPAIRS AND ENHANCEMENT IN THE ENGLISH MARKET</u>**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic and Economic Development, dated 18<sup>th</sup> October 2024 on the following motion:-

'That this Council will establish a specific ringfenced fund for investment of repairs and enhancement in the English Market as requested by traders to ensure sustainability of the market as a market, not just a tourist destination, and that counters will be provided at all entrances to monitor the flow through the market.'

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Horgan 24/347)

#### **Decision of Committee**

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

## 12.4.12 FARMER'S MARKET ON THE NORTHSIDE

'That Cork City Council work with the various stakeholders and investigate the possibility of providing a farmer's market on the Northside of the city.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 25/046)

#### **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. <u>HOUSING STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE / COISTE BEARTAIS</u> <u>STRAITÉISIGH - TITHÍOCHT – 17<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2025</u>

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, 17<sup>th</sup> June 2025.

#### 13.1 HOUSING PROGRESS REPORT

Members considered the Housing Progress report for April 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 KNOCKNAHEENY REGENERATION

Members further considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing, dated 13<sup>th</sup> April 2025 on the following motion referred back to the Committee:-

'That Cork City Council would apply to the Government for funding to include Courtown Drive, Courtown Park, Kilkieran Close and Coolmaine Crescent in the Knocknaheeny Regeneration with regards the installation of new windows and doors and where relevant porches along with the installation of solar panels and updated heating systems similar to the retrofitting of the houses that took place on Harbour View Road.'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Gould 24/615)

#### **Decision of Committee**

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

#### 13.2.2 **<u>RIGHTSIZING SCHEME</u>**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing, dated 12<sup>th</sup> June 2025 on the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council acknowledges the importance of the rightsizing scheme and will report on the amount of funding received in each of the last 5 years, the number of homes rightsized under the scheme and the target for rightsizing for 2025 and 2026 respectively.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 25/187)

#### **Decision of Committee**

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

## 13.2.3 COST RENTAL HOMES

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing, dated 12<sup>th</sup> June 2025 on the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council will report on the number of cost rental homes to be brought on stream, as notified by the AHB sector, in each of the next 5 years.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 25/188)

#### **Decision of Committee**

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

## 13.2.4 NOMINATION PROCESS FOR AHB ACCOMMODATION

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing, dated 12<sup>th</sup> June 2025 on the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council will outline the average time to nominate persons for AHB accommodation and will put in place a plan to expedite this process.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 25/189)

#### **Decision of Committee**

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

## 13.2.5 VACANT COUNCIL OWNED PROPERTIES

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

'That going forward Cork City Council will furnish to all Councillors a monthly report on the current number of vacant council owned properties.'

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O'Connor 25/207)

## **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 **RENOVATION OF VACANT PROPERTIES**

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

'That Cork City Council will review their policy in relation to how the renovation of vacant properties are prioritised to take into account the fact that long term vacancy causes further deterioration of assets and long term vacant properties are a blight on the communities in which those properties are situate. Taking this into account the Council will set aside funding to return long term vacant properties to the housing stock as a priority.'

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O'Connor 25/208)

#### **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. <u>CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE – 10<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2025</u>

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Climate Action Committee from its meeting held, 10<sup>th</sup> June 2025.

## 15. FINANCE & ESTIMATES COMMITTEE – 7<sup>th</sup> JULY 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, 7<sup>th</sup> July 2025.

#### 15.1 **FINANCE RELATED REPORTS**

## 15.1.1 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO END OF MAY 2025

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

#### **Decision of Committee**

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

# 16. <u>SOUTH CENTRAL LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE – 23<sup>rd</sup> JUNE 2025</u>

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the South Central Local Area Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held, 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2025.

#### 16.1 **MOTIONS**

#### 16.1.1 PEDESTRIANISE SECTION OF LAPP'S QUAY

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, City Centre Development, dated 19<sup>th</sup> June 2025 on the following motion:-

'That this Council will pedestrianise the section of Lapp's Quay between Connell Street junction and Parnell Place with a focus to prove a community space on a permanent basis as well as a permanent Let's Play Cork storage space to assist with the play functionality of the city.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 25/330)

#### **Decision of Committee**

On the proposal of Comhairleoir S. Martin, seconded by Comhairleoir S. O'Callaghan, it was agreed to refer the motion to An Chomhairle for consideration.

#### 17. <u>SOUTH WEST LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE – 23<sup>rd</sup> JUNE 2025</u>

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the South West Local Area Committee from its meeting held, 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2025.

# 18. NORTH WEST LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE – 24<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2025

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the North West Local Area Committee from its meeting held, 24<sup>th</sup> June 2025.

# 19. NORTH EAST LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE – 23<sup>rd</sup> JUNE 2025

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the North East Local Area Committee from its meeting held, 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2025.

#### 20. <u>SOUTH EAST LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE – 24<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2025</u>

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the South East Local Area Committee from its meeting held, 24<sup>th</sup> June 2025.

#### 21. CORRESPONDENCE

An Chomhairle to note correspondence, if any.

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

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

## 23. <u>SECTION 141 REPORTS</u>

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

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

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

## 25. **TRAINING**

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

#### 26. <u>CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S MONTHLY MANAGEMENT REPORTS</u>

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

## 27. 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.

## 28. <u>MOTIONS</u>

## 28.1 GARDA NUMBERS IN THE CORK CITY DIVISION

'That this Council writes to the Minster for Justice and express disappointment that at the 6 June 2025 graduation from the Garda College in Templemore only three garda graduates — known as "probationers" — were assigned to Cork city, while two other gardaí were transferred to the division.

However, the Garda association has noted that in the Cork city division three frontline gardaí retired and two received promotions, ultimately cancelling out the five new arrivals.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 25/348)

## 28.2 <u>STUDENT FEES INCREASE</u>

'That Cork City Council write to the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science to record its serious concern at plans to increase student fees by  $\notin$ 1,000 for the 2025/26 academic year, noting the significant impact this will have on students, and their families, in the midst of a cost-of-living crisis.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Lynch 25/361)

# 28.3 **OWNERSHIP OF DUBLIN'S GPO**

'That this Council:

- recognises the historical importance of Dublin's GPO to the Irish nation's noble fight for freedom.
- Calls on the Government to scrap its plan to turn the GPO into retail units and office space.
- Further calls on the Government to ensure that this iconic building is kept in full public ownership and redevelops the surrounding areas as a cultural and historical quarter to preserve the heritage of the Easter Rising
- and commits to protect any buildings of similar heritage and cultural value in Cork from commercialisation or similar plans.'

(Proposers: Cllr. M. Gould, Cllr. K. Collins, Cllr. F. Kerins 25/365)

## 28.4 STEP DOWN HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS

'That this Council express its concern, and seek a reversal, of the government decision to reduce funding for step down housing developments, recognising that it fails to build on the success of the programme.'

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boyle 25/387)

## 28.5 CARAVAN LOAN SCHEME

'As it currently stands, the Caravan Loan Scheme is not fit for purpose. Traveller families who are on housing waiting lists are being asked to take out a  $\notin$ 40,000 loan for temporary accommodation while they wait for long term accommodation. No one else is being asked to take out a loan to be provided with social housing but on top of that if they do avail of the scheme, they're taken off the housing list and lose whatever time they've built up. In addition, many trailers are second hand, not energy efficient and the loans provided are inadequate.

This Council calls for the scheme to be scrapped. The Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage need to go back to the drawing board and work with Traveller Representative groups to come up with a replacement that will provide Travellers with a realistic option for culturally appropriate accommodation without their social housing application being affected.'

(Proposer: Cllr. B. McCarthy 25/400)

## <u>NUALA STEWART</u> MEETINGS ADMINISTRATOR

Chuig gach ball de Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí

10<sup>ú</sup> Iúil 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 SIGNS ON MACCURTAIN VILLAS

'That no heavy vehicle access signs be put on MacCurtain Villas at its intersection with College Road and Bandon Road and 20mph signs be also erected.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 25/295)

#### South Central Local Area Committee – 22/09/2025

## 2. <u>HEATHERTON PARK</u>

'That traffic calming measures be installed at the t junction including double yellow lines at the crossroads to prevent parking and white stop lines there and on Greenhills Estate where appropriate.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 25/296)

#### South Central Local Area Committee – 22/09/2025

## 3. **<u>FIRE SERVICE PROVISION FOR THE SOUTH WEST OF CORK CITY</u>**

'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)

## Community, Culture & Placemaking Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Pobal, Cultúr & Comhfhorbairt Áite – 18/09/2025

# 4. <u>TRAFFIC AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS AT NEW INN</u> <u>NATIONAL SCHOOL</u>

'That Cork City Council:

- 1. Acknowledges with concern the ongoing public health and road safety risks present at the junction of Church Hill, Barnavara Hill, and Old Youghal Road, with particular reference to the area directly adjacent to New Inn National School. This junction services a highly trafficked route and a sensitive community setting, where children, families, and vulnerable road users are exposed to elevated risks on a daily basis.
- 2. Notes with alarm the recent serious road traffic incident in which a vehicle overturned and collided with the perimeter wall of New Inn National School, an incident which underscores the urgency of intervention. This follows a pattern of frequent public complaints and repeated observations of unsafe vehicular speeds, poor pedestrian visibility, and inadequate infrastructure for non-motorised users at this location.
- 3. Commends the recent remedial actions undertaken by the Glanmire Area Roads Office, including the relining of all approach roads, the application of a yellow box junction at the intersection, the repainting of the school car park and set-down area, and the relocation and upgrade of traffic signage. These measures are acknowledged as meaningful, however limited, first steps toward enhancing safety in the immediate environment.
- 4. Recognises that substantive infrastructural solutions and further safety interventions now fall within the remit of Cork City Council's Infrastructure Development Directorate and its Traffic Operations Division. It is clear that the current level of intervention is insufficient to address the full scale of safety concerns raised by residents, school leadership, and local representatives.
- 5. Therefore calls on Cork City Council to undertake the following coordinated actions:
  - Initiate an immediate assessment of the junction in question, with a view to prioritising the implementation of a formal and permanent pedestrian safety scheme. This should include, but not be limited to, the installation of zebra or

pelican pedestrian crossings, improved kerb realignment, and enhanced surface demarcations.

- Commission a comprehensive traffic-calming study specific to the New Inn School area and its surrounding roads, identifying and recommending the introduction of effective vehicle speed reduction measures such as raised table crossings, chicanes, build-outs, or road narrowing.
- Evaluate the feasibility and appropriateness of reducing the legal speed limit in the vicinity of the school to 30 km/h in line with existing national guidance on School Zones and in consultation with An Garda Síochána, the Road Safety Authority, and other relevant agencies.
- Engage proactively with BusConnects and other stakeholders, including the school's Board of Management, the local community, and relevant planning authorities, in order to identify and overcome technical or planning impediments to a holistic redesign of the junction and its integration within wider city transport plans.
- 6. Further requests that the Infrastructure and Traffic Departments bring forward a proposed timeline for the phased delivery of these interventions, along with a clear outline of available or required funding sources, to be presented to the North East Local Area Committee for discussion and review within two months of the adoption of this motion.'

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O'Flynn 25/340)

# North East Local Area Committee – 22/09/2025

# 5. <u>TRAFFIC CALMING AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY MEASURES ON</u> <u>CARRIGANARRA ROAD</u>

'That this Committee requests Cork City Council to urgently assess and implement traffic calming and pedestrian safety measures on the stretch of road between Station Road and the junction at Heathfield, Carriganarra, Ballincollig. In particular, the following actions are to be considered:

- 1. Installation of a pedestrian crossing either a zebra crossing or pedestrian traffic lights at or near the entrance to Carriganarra Estate, adjacent to the existing yellow box junction, to ensure the safe crossing of pedestrians, especially schoolchildren.
- 2. Completion of a continuous footpath on the Carriganarra/Limeworth side of the road to ensure pedestrian access without having to cross the road unnecessarily.
- 3. Repair or replacement of the existing digital speed monitor, which has been nonfunctional for several months, to improve driver awareness of speed limits.
- 4. Implementation of additional traffic calming measures, including:
  - Repainting or reinforcing existing road markings (e.g. SLOW signs and yellow box junctions).
  - Introduction of a red painted surface at crossing points to increase visibility.

- Consideration of speed-reducing interventions appropriate to the built-up residential nature of the area.
- 5. Commissioning of a traffic and pedestrian audit to evaluate the current volume and speed of vehicles using this road on a daily basis.

This motion is submitted in response to increasing concern from local residents regarding road safety, particularly given the proximity of Gaelscoil Uí Ríordáin and the growing number of residential developments in the area. Residents have expressed a genuine fear that without intervention, a serious accident is likely to occur.'

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Kelleher 25/341)

#### South West Local Area Committee – 22/09/2025

## 6. MAKE BALLINCOLLIG AN AUTISM-FRIENDLY TOWN

'That Cork City Council engages with relevant stakeholders to begin the process of making Ballincollig an autism-friendly town. This would include:

- 1. Consulting with organisations and communities that have successfully achieved autism-friendly status, such as Clonakilty.
- 2. Engaging with local businesses, community groups, and families to raise awareness and promote inclusive practices.
- 3. Identifying practical steps the Council can take such as improved signage, sensory-friendly public spaces, and staff training to support those with autism and their families.
- 4. Exploring potential funding streams or partnerships to support this initiative.

This motion is brought forward following engagement with local residents, and in recognition of the positive impact an inclusive, autism-aware environment can have on families and the wider community in Ballincollig.'

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Kelleher 25/342)

## South West Local Area Committee – 22/09/2025

#### 7. <u>AMEND THE NOISE ACTION PLAN</u>

'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)

#### Environment, Water & Amenity Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Comhshaol, Uisce & Áiseanna – 16/09/2025

## 8. **BAWNLEIGH COURT**

'That Bawnleigh Court Cul De Sac in Lotamore, Mayfield, be added to the estates resurfacing list.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 25/344)

#### North East Local Area Committee – 22/09/2025

#### 9. TRAFFIC SAFETY MEASURES AT BROADALE ESTATE

'That at Broadale Estate, bollards or poles along the footpath will be placed at the entrance from Maryborough Hill to stop vehicles using the footpath as a parking area, and to stop them blocking traffic attempting to enter the estate, that pedestrian detectable surfaces be placed at the crossings, and that white lines be placed on the roads intersecting the main road through the estate.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 25/345)

#### South East Local Area Committee – 23/09/2025

#### 10. CORK CITY WALKS SIGNS

'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)

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

#### 11. ST. VINCENT'S CHURCH

'That the City Council liaise with the owners of St. Vincent's Church in order to come up with a conservation strategy and ideas on the future use of the interior of the historic church.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 25/347)

#### North West Local Area Committee – 22/09/2025

#### 12. <u>SPEED UP ALLOCATIONS FOR TURN KEY UNITS</u>

'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)

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

#### 13. LIGHTING AT BEAUMONT PARK

'That this Council would examine low level lighting that is conducive to the natural surroundings and appropriate for residents around Beaumont Park to enhance safety and allow utilisation of the park in the evening and low light afternoons.'

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Horgan 25/350)

#### South East Local Area Committee – 23/09/2025

#### 14. **<u>REPAIRS TO PRIVATE FOOTPATHS AND ROADS</u>**

'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)

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

#### 15. <u>CHILDREN'S TRAFFIC PLAYGROUND</u>

'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)

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

## 16. **<u>RENAME DOUGLAS COMMUNITY PARK</u>**

'That Cork City Council in recognition of her lifetime of community work and supporting the senior citizens of Douglas and beyond through the Douglas Young at Heart organisation which she founded would name the Douglas Community Park The Phil Goodman Community Park.'

(Proposers: Cllr. T. Shannon, Cllr. M.R. Desmond 25/353)

# Party Whips - 22/09/2025

# 17. HUNTERS GREEN / COACH HOUSE AVENUE, BLACKROCK

'That Cork City Council in recognising its neglect of and the deplorable state of disrepair of this relatively new estate has fallen into would immediately undertake an inspection of all units to determine their present state of disrepair and would where appropriate immediately undertake a programme of renewal which must include,

- All window and door replacement.
- Boiler repair or replacement.
- Stove repair or replacement and reopening of chimneys to allow residents to use their fireplaces if they so wish.
- Action to bring back into stock the vacant units for allocation in a timely fashion.
- Painting of the outside facades of the units and the boundary walls.
- General and frequent maintenance of the public realm including the green area, footpaths, and roads.
- To undertake meaningful estate management and engage with residents in terms of anti-social behaviour, illegal dumping, and ensuring that all residents have a proper, viable and current refuse collection service.
- Deal with any other issues that might arise because of this initiative.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Shannon 25/354)

## South East Local Area Committee – 23/09/2025

# 18. BAN DOGS FROM CORK CITY'S CEMETERIES

'That Cork City Council introduce a bye-law which prohibits dog owners from bringing dogs into Cork City's cemeteries. The bye-law should provide for a ban on all dogs entering any cemetery in Cork City and provide that any dog owner who causes or permits their dog to enter a cemetery within the city boundaries can be issued with an on-the-spot fine.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. O'Callaghan 25/355)

## Environment, Water & Amenity Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Comhshaol, Uisce & Áiseanna – 16/09/2025

# 19. <u>TWINNING WITH THE CITY OF BANGALORE</u>

'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)

## International Relations & Tourism Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Caidreamh Idirnáisiúnta & Turasóireacht – 15/09/2025

## 20. EQUITABLE ELECTRIC VEHICLE (EV) CHARGING SCHEME

'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)

#### Environment, Water & Amenity Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Comhshaol, Uisce & Áiseanna – 16/09/2025

#### 21. ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW IRELAND FORUM

'That Cork City Council supports the call by former Taoiseach Leo Varadkar for the establishment of a New Ireland Forum to plan the journey to Irish unity by exploring what a proposal on Irish unity would look like and by studying how best to merge the two existing jurisdictions into a united Ireland.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. O'Callaghan 25/358)

## **Corporate Policy Group – 01/09/2025**

## 22. HGV RESTRICTION FOR LOWER KENT ROAD

'That Lower Kent Road become restricted for the movement of Heavy Goods Vehicles (HGVs) and that signage be put in place to reflect such a restriction.'

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boyle 25/359)

#### South Central Local Area Committee – 22/09/2025

## 23. TRAFFIC SURVEY ON FAIRHILL

'That Cork City Council conduct a traffic survey with a view to introducing traffic calming measures to address speeding issues.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Fitzgerald 25/360)

#### North West Local Area Committee – 22/09/2025

#### 24. **<u>REVIEW OF CASUAL TRADING BYE-LAWS</u>**

'That Cork City Council shall undertake a review of its Casual Trading Bye-Laws to identify if the provision of additional pitches is feasible - particularly at Marina Park and Ballincollig Regional Park - and to assess if fees accurately reflect trading conditions.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Lynch 25/362)

#### **Corporate Policy Group – 01/09/2025**

#### 25. <u>CONDITION OF THE N22 ROAD SURFACE</u>

'That Cork City Council notes the sub-standard condition of the N22 road surface from the Leemount junction at Carrigrohane to Grassland Agro and makes a request of Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII) to provide funding to the Council to be able to undertake resurfacing works without delay.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Lynch 25/363)

#### South West Local Area Committee – 22/09/2025

#### 26. <u>SOCIAL HOUSING ASSESSMENT REGULATIONS</u>

'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)

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

## 27. <u>PILOT PROGRAMME TO BECOME AN ENDOMETRIOSIS INCLUSIVE</u> <u>WORKPLACE</u>

'That Cork City Council notes that:

- 1 in 10 women suffer with endometriosis
- this is a debilitating condition that can have profound impacts and is often worsened by lack of care
- if 50% of Council staff are women, Cork City Council employs approximately 75 women with the condition

And agrees to

- develop a pilot programme to become an endometriosis inclusive workplace
- open consultation with staff and the public on how best to support women with endometriosis in the workplace
- publish a proposed pilot programme within the next 12 months.'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Gould 25/366)

#### **Corporate Policy Group – 01/09/2025**

#### 28. LOWER KENT ROAD

'That this Council engage with the residents of lower Kent Road, Ballyphehane who have witnessed increased levels of traffic using the road due to many factors in the area including changes to the junction at Curragh Road. The proposed developments at the former Vita Cortex and CMP sites will no doubt exacerbate the situation and a traffic management plan needs to be put in place. This must include signage and traffic calming measures.'

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Kerins 25/367)

#### South Central Local Area Committee – 22/09/2025

#### 29. DOUBLE YELLOW LINES IN BEECHWOOD DRIVE

'That Cork City Council would install double yellow lines as a matter of urgency in Beechwood Drive, Boreenmanna Road, to counter the indiscriminate and sometimes dangerous parking particularly at the entrance to the park.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Shannon 25/368)

#### South East Local Area Committee – 23/09/2025

#### 30. **DUNMORE LAWN, BALLINLOUGH**

'That Cork City Council would repair the road carriageway at Dunmore Lawn, Ballinlough, where large potholes are a constant and dangerous problem and would install double yellow lines in the cul de sac to counter the indiscriminate and sometimes dangerous parking.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Shannon 25/369)

#### South East Local Area Committee – 23/09/2025

## 31. COPPINGER'S ACRE

'That Cork City Council engage with its tenants at Coppinger's Acre

- to urgently address the ongoing leaks, damp and mould
- to ask relevant partners to interact with all residents appropriately

- to develop a plan to regenerate the area and take drastic action and remedies needed.'

(Proposers: Cllr. T. Fitzgerald, Cllr. J. Sheehan 25/373)

#### North West Local Area Committee – 22/09/2025

## 32. <u>REGENERATION PLAN FOR THE MAYFIELD AREA</u>

'That Cork City Council would urgently prepare and submit a comprehensive regeneration proposal for the Mayfield area to the Urban Regeneration and Development Fund (URDF), mirroring the scale and ambition of the successful regeneration frameworks already undertaken in the north-western sectors of the city.

This proposed regeneration plan should encompass:

- 1. The extensive refurbishment and modernisation of the existing public housing stock, ensuring thermal efficiency, structural safety, and modern living standards in line with 2025 environmental and housing benchmarks;
- 2. The development of appropriate infill housing, where feasible, to make intelligent, sustainable use of available lands within the existing urban footprint;
- 3. The rationalisation of public spaces, including the closure of problematic laneways and rat runs that have been consistently linked with anti-social activity, while preserving vital pedestrian permeability and community connectivity where appropriate;
- 4. The upgrading and realignment of internal road systems and service networks including footpaths, lighting, drainage, and broadband infrastructure—to bring the area into alignment with modern urban design principles and to support population retention and growth;
- 5. The incorporation of placemaking principles, including public realm improvements, recreational amenities, and community services, to deliver a safer, more vibrant, and higher-quality residential environment for current and future residents;
- 6. A commitment to consulting local residents, community organisations, and relevant statutory bodies, to ensure the plan reflects the needs and aspirations of the people of Mayfield and is consistent with national planning policy and climate goals.

#### Rationale:

This motion reflects the pressing need to ensure that all regions of Cork benefit equitably from national regeneration resources. Mayfield is a proud and resilient community, but decades of underinvestment have led to physical deterioration, social challenges, and unmet potential. This proposal is an opportunity to revitalise the area, improve quality of life, and future-proof housing and infrastructure in a way that is socially inclusive, environmentally sustainable, and economically prudent. I ask that Cork City Council prepare this submission with urgency and ambition, and that a timeline for community consultation and preliminary design be brought to the relevant Strategic Policy Committee without delay.'

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O'Flynn 25/374)

## North East Local Area Committee – 22/09/2025

#### 33. ACCESS AND SAFETY ENHANCEMENTS ON THE NORTH RING ROAD

'That Cork City Council would urgently prepare and submit funding applications for enhancement works along the North Ring Road, specifically to address access and egress challenges for residential estates whose primary entry and exit points are located on this route.

These enhancement works should include:

- The installation of yellow box junctions at estate entrances to facilitate safer and more efficient traffic movement;
- Upgrades to footpaths and pedestrian infrastructure to ensure safe passage for all users, particularly in light of increased vehicular traffic;
- Any additional measures required to improve road safety, accessibility, and active travel integration.

Funding should be sought through national Active Travel allocations, and consideration should also be given to eligibility under the BusConnects or wider public transport infrastructure support schemes.

This matter should be treated as one of urgency given the volume of traffic on the North Ring Road and the ongoing challenges faced by residents in these estates.'

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O'Flynn 25/375)

## North East Local Area Committee – 22/09/2025

#### 34. UPCOMING PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

'That with the upcoming Presidential Election that Cork City Council would engage with members to outline the mechanisms by which potential candidates may seek to present to members. This could include how long candidates may speak for, question and answer format by members etc.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Sheehan 25/376)

## Party Whips - 22/09/2025

## 35. BRIEFING ON CAPITAL TRANSPORT PLANS

'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)

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

# 36. URGENT TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES FOR PARKLANDS DRIVE

'That Cork City Council urgently review traffic safety on Parklands Drive, Commons Road, where residents are increasingly concerned for their safety due to cars and motorbikes travelling at dangerous speeds—reportedly up to 80mph—through this 30mph residential zone. Despite repeated requests over recent years for speed ramps, none have been installed, with previous objections citing the local bus route. However, speed ramps exist in numerous residential areas across the southside that also accommodate buses. I therefore call on Cork City Council to prioritise the installation of traffic calming measures, including speed ramps, in Parklands Drive before a serious accident or fatality occurs.'

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O'Flynn 25/378)

## North West Local Area Committee – 22/09/2025

## 37. <u>REUSABLE CUP SCHEMES AT CONCERTS AND EVENTS</u>

'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)

#### Community, Culture & Placemaking Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Pobal, Cultúr & Comhfhorbairt Áite – 18/09/2025

## 38. <u>SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS AT KENLEY ESTATE/MELBOURNE ROAD</u> JUNCTION

'That Cork City Council will:

- 1. Commission a full traffic and safety assessment of the junction at the entrance to Kenley Estate from Melbourne Road/Ballincollig, including a comprehensive survey of traffic volumes and turning movements throughout the day, with particular attention to peak times related to nearby schools and the business park.
- 2. Examine and bring forward design proposals for a full redesign of this junction, recognising it as the main access point to a large residential estate and business park, with significant traffic volumes that have created longstanding safety concerns.
- 3. Introduce interim safety measures, including the provision of a dedicated filter lane or traffic light phasing, to facilitate safe right-hand turns into Kenley Estate from the western approach, until a permanent redesign can be implemented.

This junction has seen a number of accidents and continues to pose a significant danger to motorists, particularly those turning right across oncoming traffic from Dennehy's Cross. The combination of business, school, and residential traffic demands immediate action. Safety must be prioritised in the interests of all road users.'

(Proposer: Cllr. C. O'Connor 25/380)

## South West Local Area Committee – 22/09/2025

# 39. <u>GENDER EQUALITY AND INCLUSION IN CORK CITY FIRE SERVICE</u>

'That Cork City Council:

- 1. Acknowledges the critical under-representation of women in the Cork City Fire Service, with only 2 female firefighters out of a workforce of 140, and recognises this as a significant and systemic failure in achieving gender equality.
- 2. Notes the recommendations of the Crowe Report (June 2022), in particular Recommendation 17, which calls for Cork City Council to:
  - Review recruitment processes to increase gender and ethnic diversity;
  - Ensure equal opportunity for all candidates;
  - Modernise operational practices and contemporary thinking to support inclusion.
- 3. Recognises that existing operational gear, protective clothing and equipment were designed with men in mind and fail to meet the safety and comfort needs of female firefighters.
- 4. Mandates Cork City Council to take the following actions without delay:

- a. Establish a Gender Equality Action Plan specific to the Fire and Building Control Department, with measurable targets, published timelines, and transparent monitoring.
- b. Undertake a full audit of fire service infrastructure, including facilities, equipment, and uniforms, to ensure they are gender-appropriate, inclusive, and safe for all personnel.
- c. Develop and publish a robust Diversity & Inclusion (D&I) policy for all emergency services, clearly outlining a commitment to equitable recruitment, promotion, and working conditions.
- d. Engage with union representatives and senior management to ensure that internal agreements or practices do not continue to marginalise women or inhibit access to fire service careers.
- e. Commission a culture audit within the Fire and Building Control Department to assess institutional barriers to inclusion and implement necessary changes arising from its findings.
- 5. Calls on the Chief Executive to report to Council within six months on the implementation progress of the above actions, and to engage external equality consultants if necessary.

(Proposer: Cllr. C. O'Connor 25/381)

#### Community, Culture & Placemaking Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Pobal, Cultúr & Comhfhorbairt Áite – 18/09/2025

## 40. INSTALL WALKWAYS AT HAZELWOOD, GLANMIRE

'That Cork City Council will install walkways at Hazelwood in Glanmire, where existing informal walkways and desire lines connect Crestfield Green to Hazelwood Way, Hazelwood Drive to Hazelwood Court, Hazelwood Way to Lower Glencairn, and Lower Glencairn to the Hazelwood Road; the result being a comprehensive and attractive walking network in the area.'

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 25/382)

## North East Local Area Committee – 22/09/2025

## 41. NOISE POLLUTION AND MANAGEMENT PLANS

'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)

Environment, Water & Amenity Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Comhshaol, Uisce & Áiseanna – 16/09/2025

# 42. <u>PLANT BASED TREATY</u>

'That Cork City Council endorses the Plant Based Treaty to support a transition towards a plant-based food system in Ireland; and shall identify actions within the city that support this, such as supporting community gardens and the development of a city market garden, providing plant-based options at hospitality events, and the inclusion of related goals in the Sustainable and Healthy Food Policy for Cork.'

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 25/384)

#### Environment, Water & Amenity Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Comhshaol, Uisce & Áiseanna – 16/09/2025

# 43. <u>DEVELOP CITY-TO-CITY RELATIONSHIPS WITH GDYNIA</u>

'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)

#### International Relations & Tourism Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Caidreamh Idirnáisiúnta & Turasóireacht – 15/09/2025

## 44. <u>PEDESTRIAN CROSSING ON FRIARS WALK</u>

'That a study be undertaken to assess the feasibility of a pedestrian crossing being put in place on Friars Walk between Tory Top Road.'

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boyle 25/386)

## South Central Local Area Committee – 22/09/2025

## 45. 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)

International Relations & Tourism Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Caidreamh Idirnáisiúnta & Turasóireacht – 15/09/2025

## 46. <u>STRATEGIC PLAN FOR THE GLEN RIVER PARK</u>

'That Cork City Council develop a strategic plan for the Glen River Park. This plan should include:-

- Nature based play areas

- Improvement of water quality
- More benches and bins
- Water fountain
- Improvements to car parks
- Improvements to paths in the park
- Removal of rubbish on the Ballyvolane entrance of the park (this was promised in 2022).'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 25/389)

#### North East Local Area Committee – 22/09/2025

#### 47. <u>PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS ON GLEN AVENUE</u>

'That Cork City Council look at the lack of pedestrian crossings and lack of traffic calming measures on Glen Avenue and develop a plan to improve crossings on the road. The area is home to 800+ homes, school, businesses, a church, and other community amenities.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 25/390)

North East Local Area Committee – 22/09/2025

#### 48. ENTRANCE TO BELL'S FIELD

'That Cork City Council upgrade pathway / entrance to Bell's Field and ensure that the amenity is accessible to all.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 25/391)

#### North East Local Area Committee – 22/09/2025

#### 49. <u>LATE NIGHT TRANSPORTATION</u>

'That Cork City Council make representations to Bus Éireann / Irish Rail and the NTA to ensure that late night transportation is provided for the Jazz Weekend and Christmas 2025 build up.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 25/392)

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

#### 50. **FOOTPATHS AT SOUTHVIEW TERRACE**

'That the footpaths at Southview Terrace, Ballinlough be replaced as a matter of urgency as in their current state they represent a significant hazard.'

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O'Connor 25/393)

#### South Central Local Area Committee – 22/09/2025

# 51. **PROGRAM OF WORKS FOR STREET SIGNS**

'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)

## Environment, Water & Amenity Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Comhshaol, Uisce & Áiseanna – 16/09/2025

# 52. <u>LIFEBUOYS AT THE LOUGH</u>

'That this Council will install lifebuoys at the Lough at appropriate intervals.'

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O'Connor 25/395)

South Central Local Area Committee – 22/09/2025

## 53. SAFE ROUTE TO SCHOOL FOR SAINT LUKE'S SCHOOL

'That Cork City Council will prioritise a Safe Route to School for Saint Luke's School in Douglas and will engage with all stakeholders to progress, on a pilot basis, a School Street, that is a car-free, pedestrian and cycling zone, during school drop-off and collection times, on Churchyard Lane in Douglas.'

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Kamegni 25/396)

## South East Local Area Committee – 23/09/2025

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

'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)

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

## 55. <u>FINGERPOST MONUMENT IN DOUGLAS</u>

'In a manner that is fully consistent with the development of a better bus service through BusConnects, that Cork City Council will engage with the National Transport Authority to guarantee the preservation of the Fingerpost monument in Douglas, suggesting that it may be relocated to its earlier position in off the road by Douglas Lawn, and that it will investigate and report on how best to exhibit historic photographs and material relating to the Fingerpost monument, including through the possibility of a museum in Douglas.'

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Kamegni 25/398)

#### South East Local Area Committee – 23/09/2025

# 56. **<u>RESOURCES IN THE COMMUNITY GARDAÍ</u>**

'To ask that the Joint Policing Committee would report on the level of resources in the community Gardaí and the impact that the policing of protests is having on the level of service to the community.'

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Kamegni 25/399)

#### **Corporate Policy Group – 01/09/2025**

#### 57. <u>CONDITIONS AT COPPINGERS ACRE</u>

'That Cork City Council engage with residents of Coppingers Acre as they have had no response to their letters/emails/phone calls and have not replied to political representatives and other communicators.

They need to address the following:

- to urgently address the ongoing long-term leaks which have caused mould and damp in neighbouring properties.
- to ensure property managers of Tuath Housing Association and Absolute Property Management behave and engage with all residents appropriately and accordingly.
- to answer and follow up with all residents as to why Coppingers Acre estate has been left go to ruination.
- to urgently remedy and action the issues.
- that Cork City Council employ their own workers rather than contractors when addressing the damages and repairs to Coppingers Acre.
- to reimburse residents for any damages, including wear and tear of buildings and contractor works.
- as a gesture of goodwill to power wash and clean the back gardens, including paths, walls and windows for residents who cooperated with Cork City Council and Tuath Housing to allow access to their gardens. All back gardens were left in poor condition after contractors.'

(Proposer: Cllr. B. McCarthy 25/401)

#### North West Local Area Committee – 22/09/2025

## 58. <u>YELLOW BOX JUNCTIONS ON THE NORTHERN RING ROAD</u>

'That Cork City Council agree to paint any yellow box junctions on the Northern Ring Road, install yellow boxes at all junctions with estates on the road and produce a report on the banning of heavy goods vehicles on the Old Youghal Road.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 25/402)

#### North East Local Area Committee – 22/09/2025

## 59. **<u>RENAMING OF ANGLESEA STREET</u>**

'That Cork City Council provide an update on the renaming of Anglesea Street as passed by Council and begin use of the McSwiney Street name pending formal legislative changes required.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 25/403)

#### South Central Local Area Committee – 22/09/2025

## 60. SAFER ROUTES TO SCHOOLS SCHEME

'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)

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

## 61. ELECTRONIC SPEED FEEDBACK SIGNS, MELBOURN ROAD

'That Cork City Council make good or replace the out of commission Driver Electronic Speed Feedback Signs on the Melbourn Road in an effort to mitigate the risks of injury or death associated with speeding traffic on this very busy thoroughfare.'

(Proposer: Cllr. A. Deasy 25/405)

## South West Local Area Committee – 22/09/2025

## 62. <u>TAKING IN CHARGE OF GREEN AREA AT BALLINVEILTIG</u>

'That Cork City Council would begin the process of taking in charge the green area at Ballinveiltig, Curraheen, Cork.'

(Proposer: Cllr. A. Deasy 25/406)

#### South West Local Area Committee – 22/09/2025

## 63. DETAILS OF PLANS FOR PLOT OF GROUND FOLIO NO. CK156451F

'That Cork City Council confirm what plans are envisaged for the land adjacent to the Poulavone Roundabout, bearing in mind that it is currently occupied by an individual residing in a temporary dwelling, and confirm whether the Council has a legal agreement with said individual.'

(Proposer: Cllr. A. Deasy 25/407)

#### South West Local Area Committee – 22/09/2025

#### 64. **DANGEROUS AND DILAPIDATED FOOTPATHS AT HIGHFIELD LAWN**

'That Cork City Council survey the footpaths at Highfield Lawn, Model Farm Road, with a view to repair or replacement of the dangerous and dilapidated footpaths as a matter of urgency.'

(Proposer: Cllr. A. Deasy 25/408)

South West Local Area Committee – 22/09/2025

#### 65. <u>ALLOCATE ADDITIONAL RESOURCES TO THE NORTH WEST WARD</u>

'That Cork City Council would allocate additional resources to the Cork City North West Ward to ensure the regular maintenance and grass cutting of public green spaces. At present, several areas within the ward have not received consistent upkeep, and this lack of maintenance is having a negative impact on the appearance and usability of these public spaces.'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Gould 25/409)

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## 66. AFFORDABLE HOUSING SCHEMES

'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  $\notin$ 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)

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