

**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^ú MEÁN FÓMHAIR 2026

ORDINARY MEETING – MONDAY, 14th SEPTEMBER 2026

1. **VOTES OF SYMPATHY**

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

3. **LORD MAYOR'S ITEMS**

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

4. **CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S ITEMS**

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

5. **MINUTES**

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

- Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held, 13th July 2026.

6. **QUESTION TIME**

Questions submitted enclosed.

7. **STATUTORY ITEMS**

7.1 **PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT AT CITY NORTHWEST QUARTER REGENERATION, PHASE 3C**

In accordance with Section 179(4)(a) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, An Chomhairle to consider the proposed development at City Northwest Quarter Regeneration, Phase 3C in the City of Cork and the report of the Chief Executive thereon as required under Section 179(3) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, dated 15th July 2026 and, if so decided adopt the following Resolution:-

“Now Council hereby RESOLVE THAT having considered the proposed development at City Northwest Quarter Regeneration, Phase 3C, in the City of Cork and the report of the Chief Executive, Cork City Council thereon, it is hereby resolved pursuant to the provisions of Section 179 (4) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, that the development at City Northwest Quarter Regeneration, Phase 3C, 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 14th September 2026.”

7.2 **PROPERTY DISPOSALS**

An Chomhairle to consider the report of the Chief Executive, dated 3rd September 2026 on the following property disposals:-

1. Disposal of the freehold interest in property known as 115 Gardiners Hill, Cork to Luciana Altoni & Ehud Elkabets c/o FitzGerald Law LLP, 6 Lapp's Quay, Cork, for the sum of €170,000.00.
2. Disposal of the freehold interest in an area of ground (100m2 approximately) situated at the rear and south of the property known as 18 Argideen Lawn, Togher, Cork to Noreen O'Connell c/o Irwin, Kilcullen & Co. Solicitors, 56 Grand Parade, Cork for the sum of €250.00.
3. Disposal of No. 41 Hollymount, Hollyhill, Cork to Jim & Angela Kenny, c/o Edward O'Mahony & Co. Solicitors, Village Green House, Douglas West, Douglas, Cork, in exchange for the property owned by the said Jim & Angela Kenny at No. 49 Killala Gardens, Knocknaheeny, Cork.

7.3 **HOUSING ALLOCATIONS REPORT**

An Chomhairle to note the Cork City Council Social Housing Allocation Report for 2025.

8. **CORPORATE POLICY GROUP – 7th SEPTEMBER 2026**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Corporate Policy Group, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held, 7th September 2026.

8.1 **FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO 31st JULY 2026**

J. Hallahan presented the Financial Statement of Cork City Council to 31st July 2026

Decision of the Group

It was agreed to refer the Financial Statement to 31/07/2026 to An Chomhairle for noting.

8.2 MOTIONS

8.2.1 DELL PRODUCTS

Members considered the report of the Head Of ICT, dated 28th July 2026 on the following motion:-

‘Can Cork City Council report if it is using Dell products? Dell is on the Boycott, Disinvestment, Sanctions (BDS) list regarding Israel, Cork City Council has previously passed motions endorsing BDS.’

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Kerins 26/400)

Decision of Committee

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

8.3 BANK OVERDRAFT FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER 2027

Members considered the report of J. Hallahan, Chief Financial Officer, dated 4th September 2026, which recommended approval of an overdraft facility of €25m (twenty-five million euro) for Cork City Council for the twelve-month period to 31st December 2027 and which recommended that appropriate resolution providing for same be referred to An Chomhairle for adoption.

Decision of the Group

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

“That Cork City Council approves, pursuant to Section 106 of the Local Government Act, 2001, an overdraft facility of €25m (twenty-five million euro) for the twelve-month period to 31st December 2027.”

9. CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE – 14th JULY 2026

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Climate Action Committee from its meeting held, 14th July 2026.

10. FINANCE & ESTIMATES COMMITTEE – 7th SEPTEMBER 2026

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Finance & Estimates Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held, 7th September 2026.

10.1 **FINANCE RELATED REPORTS**

10.1.1 **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO END OF JULY 2026**

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

Decision of Committee

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

11. **CORRESPONDENCE**

An Chomhairle to note correspondence, if any.

12. **CONFERENCE/SEMINAR SUMMARIES**

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

13. **SECTION 141 REPORTS**

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

14. **CONFERENCES/SEMINARS**

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

15. **TRAINING**

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

16. **MOTIONS 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.

17. **MOTIONS**

17.1 **LONG-TERM VACANT COUNCIL PROPERTIES**

‘That Cork City Council write to the Minister for Housing requesting additional ring-fenced funding to accelerate the refurbishment of long-term vacant Council properties in Cork City, with a view to eliminating vacancies of over 52 weeks within 24 months.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Flynn 26/360)

17.2 **BAN ON SALE OF SCRAMBLERS**

‘That Cork City Council would write to the Minister for Transport and advocate our strong support for the complete ban on the sale of motorised scrambler bikes to the general public.

The recent introduction of “Graces Law” is proving to be a success with the enhancement of Garda powers but the introduction of a complete ban on the sale of these scramblers would certainly enhance further the effectiveness of this law as it would certainly limit the availability and easy access to these bikes.

Purchase of such a vehicle should be significantly restricted and only be permitted with a special permit issued only for use as a sporting scrambler bike for events such as motorcross and any other such racing events.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 26/407)

17.3 **BURIALS AT BESSBOROUGH**

‘That this Council writes to the Taoiseach, Tánaiste, Minister for Children and the Attorney General to demand that the Government acts without delay to

- Release the unpublished technical archaeological reports concerning burials at Bessborough
- Unseal all burial records held within the Commission of Investigation archive
- Direct the Attorney General to open an inquest as a matter of moral urgency.’

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Horgan 26/412)

17.4 **PROPOSED INCREASES IN PUBLIC TRANSPORT FARES**

‘That this Council calls on the Minister for Transport to reverse proposed increases in public transport fares, whose effect will be to undermine positive changes in public transport in recent years that has seen increased uptake in its use, helping in necessary movement away from car dependency, and assisting in progress of agreed strategies such as the Cork Metropolitan Area Transportation Strategy.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boyle 26/447)

NUALA STEWART **MEETINGS ADMINISTRATOR**

Chuig gach ball de Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí

10^ú Meán Fómhair 2026

APPENDIX 1

MOTIONS

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

1. **SLIP ROAD AT ST. LUKES CROSS**

‘That Cork City Council reverse the decision, which is part of the Safe Routes to School Scheme, to close the slip road from Middle Glanmire Road feeding traffic onto Summerhill North at St. Lukes Cross. The other measures at St. Lukes Cross, Wellington Road and Mahony’s Avenue are currently working okay with the expected teething problems, but the closure of this slip road is causing serious traffic delays on Middle Glanmire Road and also challenges to traffic turning left onto oncoming traffic. I ask that this slip road be re-opened before the return of schools in September.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 26/406)

North East Local Area Committee – 28/09/2026

2. **PARENTS’ NIGHT OUT**

‘To ask the Council to consider the potential of a pilot Parents’ Night Out for Cork like what was done in New York in conjunction with the Cork City Childcare Committee.’

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Horgan 26/410)

Community, Culture & Placemaking Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Pobal, Cultúr & Comhfhorbairt Áite – 24/09/2026

3. **TRAFFIC CALMING ON KILN ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council consider placing traffic calming on the Kiln Road, Killeens.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Fitzgerald 26/411)

North West Local Area Committee – 28/09/2026

4. **PADDLE COURT FOR KEMPTON PARK**

‘That Cork City Council should consider constructing a paddle court alongside the existing very successful tennis courts in Kempton Park, Ballyvolane. This new sport is very popular in Europe and is gaining popularity in Ireland.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Flynn 26/413)

North East Local Area Committee – 28/09/2026

5. **TRAFFIC LAYOUT AT ST. LUKE'S CROSS**

‘That Cork City Council review the current traffic layout at the junction of St. Luke's Cross and reinstate the slip road from the Middle Glanmire Road to the Summerhill North junction in the interest of road safety. The left turn from the existing road forces vehicles turning left onto Summerhill North to go over the white line onto the oncoming traffic lane to complete the turning circle.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Flynn 26/414)

North East Local Area Committee – 28/09/2026

6. **TRAFFIC ISSUES ON STATION ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council review the traffic management system on Station Road as there is an increase in traffic over the last twelve months and solutions need to be sought to address concerns of local residents.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Fitzgerald 26/415)

North West Local Area Committee – 28/09/2026

7. **BOUNDARY WALL AT REEVES WOOD ESTATE**

‘That Cork City Council repair and restore the boundary wall between Reeves Wood Estate and the Douglas Road as the stones holding the wall in place fall from the wall onto the public footpath on a regular basis, which is a hazard to pedestrians using the public footpath as well as being unsightly to both the estate residents and passers-by.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. O’Callaghan 26/416)

South Central Local Area Committee – 28/09/2026

8. **FOOTPATH AT BLARNEY PLAYGROUND**

‘That Cork City Council would assess and repair as a matter of urgency the footpath from the playground at Blarney to the pedestrian crossing. The footpath is very uneven and there have been a number of people who have fallen while walking/running.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Sheehan 26/417)

North West Local Area Committee – 28/09/2026

9. **DAYLIGHTING AT JUNCTIONS**

‘That this Council will pilot daylighting at specific junctions across the city in order to improve pedestrian visibility and will focus on places first such as the junction of Ballintemple and Beaumont Drive, and the junction of Douglas East and West.’

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Horgan 26/418)

**Transport & Mobility Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh -
Iompar & Soghluaisteacht – 19/10/2026**

10. **PUBLIC TOILET FOR DOUGLAS PARK**

‘That this Council will seek costings and potential placements for a public toilet in Douglas Park or near to the start of the Ballybrack walkways, similar to the Carrigaline Park option.’

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Horgan 26/419)

South East Local Area Committee – 29/09/2026

11. **DRAIN CLEARANCE**

‘That Cork City Council undertake immediate measures to clear the stormwater drains, which are currently totally blocked, at St. Lukes Cross and on Lovers Walk, Montenotte.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 26/420)

North East Local Area Committee – 28/09/2026

12. **HIDDEN DISABILITY PARKING SPACES**

‘That Cork City Council rolls out a pilot scheme for Hidden Disability parking spaces across the city and near local schools, using the recognized sunflower symbol on a green background; and that the Council works directly with autism and disability advocacy groups to select the most suitable locations, matching the proactive steps already taken by neighbouring local authorities to give sufficient parking support to families dealing with invisible conditions.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Struthers 26/422)

**Transport & Mobility Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh -
Iompar & Soghluaisteacht – 19/10/2026**

13. **REMOVAL FROM A JOINT LOCAL AUTHORITY TENANCY AGREEMENT**

‘That Cork City Council introduces a comprehensive, fast track policy to allow for the immediate removal of an abusive partner from a joint local authority tenancy agreement in cases of domestic violence, ensuring the victim and their dependents can remain safely in their home; and further calls on the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to introduce amending legislation to streamline this process across both social and private tenancies so that survivors are not forced into emergency accommodation while perpetrators retain tenancy rights.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Struthers 26/423)

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

14. **KNOCKPOGUE AVENUE AND KNOCKFREE AVENUE**

‘That this Council is opposed to the plans to cut down 22 mature trees on Knockfree Avenue as part of the Knockpogue Avenue and Knockfree Avenue Active Travel Improvement Works.

The community have made it clear over the last 12 months with numerous well-attended protests and public meetings along with continuous engagement with the Council that they welcome the majority of the plan but they do not want the trees cut down.

The local residents organising the campaign have now presented a possible alternative, shared pathways along the section of the avenue where the 22 trees are located. This would allow the cycle lane to be put in without the trees needing to be cut down. They have been successfully used in other places, including locations where the available space is even narrower.

With an alternative option available there is now no excuse for the Council to continue with this unnecessary environmental destruction. The trees should be retained through the use of a shared pathway and the trees that are planned to replace them should still be planted to really benefit the local environment and biodiversity.’

(Proposers: Cllr. B. McCarthy, Cllr. J. Struthers 26/424)

North West Local Area Committee – 28/09/2026

15. **FOOTPATHS IN SENANDALE ESTATE**

‘That Cork City Council would assess the footpaths in Senandale Estate, Cloghroe with a view to full replacement if suitable.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Sheehan 26/425)

North West Local Area Committee – 28/09/2026

16. **RAIL AND PLASTER WORK AT STEPS AT LAUREL RIDGE**

‘That Cork City Council provide a handrail for older people and repair or replace the plaster on the boundary wall at the steps at Laurel Ridge, Shanakiel leading down from Harbour View Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Fitzgerald 26/426)

North West Local Area Committee – 28/09/2026

17. **HANDRAIL FOR THE ROCKY STEPS**

‘That Cork City Council install a handrail in what's known locally as the Rocky Steps and serves between Alexandra Road and Military Hill which includes in this Woodland Villas, Mount Vernon Terrace and Alexandra Villas. There are elderly people living in the area

and they find it hard negotiating these steps going to and from Mass in the Holy Family Church and also going to and from St. Luke's. I'm requesting that Cork City Council would provide a handrail down the middle of the steps so it would make it a lot easier for the elderly to negotiate.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 26/427)

North East Local Area Committee – 28/09/2026

18. **COMMUNITY SPACES IN NEW SOCIAL HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS**

'That Cork City Council would conduct an audit (as previously indicated) of community rooms/spaces that are part of most new social housing developments. Many appear unused or underused with no clear plan re the use of same.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Sheehan 26/428)

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

19. **PLAQUE IN REMEMBRANCE OF TADHG (TIMOTHY) KENNEFICK**

'That Cork City Council erect a plaque in remembrance of Cork IRA Capt. Tadhg (Timothy) Kennefick who resided and worked at the Pier Head public house, Blackrock for a time before returning to the family home in Blackpool with his wife and child. Tadhg was summarily executed by Free State Forces on Friday 8th 1922 at Rooves Bridge near Coachford while in defence of the Republic aged 29 years.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 26/429)

Party Whips – 28/09/2026

20. **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES IN KILNAP PLACE**

'That Cork City Council install traffic calming measures in Kilnap Place, Farranree.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 26/430)

North West Local Area Committee – 28/09/2026

21. **RESCIND OR AMEND HOUSING CIRCULAR 07/2026**

'That Cork City Council write to the Minister for Housing, Local Government & Heritage, James Browne:

calling on Minister Browne to either rescind or amend Housing Circular 07/2026 so as to ensure that the Rightsizing Scheme being operated by Cork City Council (under which eligible applicants aged 60 years and over who own their own private dwelling can apply to move to a more suitable dwelling and whereby Cork City Council purchases the applicant's property at a reduced price and offer the applicant a lifelong tenancy in their

new dwelling) continues to benefit from Department funding for the purchase of eligible applicants' private dwellings, on the basis that:

- this practical, commonsense, award-winning scheme is beneficial to said applicants as it provides them with a more suitable, comfortable and accessible dwelling for the purpose of ensuring their quality of life, health and safety for the future;
- this practical, commonsense, award-winning scheme is beneficial to the wider community as the acquired properties free up larger homes for Cork City Council to give to families in need of more space;
- a number of Part 8 developments were approved by the members of Cork City Council on the basis of information supplied to City Councillors to the effect that the proposed Part 8 development concerned was for the purpose of the existing Rightsizing Scheme and would be open to both existing tenants of Cork City Council aged 60 years and over and eligible applicants aged 60 years and over who own their own private dwelling (for instance the Cooneys Lane 'rightsizing' development, which was passed by the members of Cork City Council on the basis of such information in September 2025);
- as the effect of Housing Circular 07/2026 (which was introduced in February 2026 with immediate effect) was to discontinue Department funding to Cork City Council for the purchase of eligible applicants' private dwellings under the Rightsizing Scheme resulting in previously eligible applicants aged 60 years and over who own their own private dwelling being excluded from the Rightsizing Scheme, the information supplied to the members of Cork City Council to the effect that the relevant Part 8 development being voted on was for the purpose of the existing Rightsizing Scheme and would be open to eligible applicants aged 60 years and over who own their own private dwelling was incorrect and misleading information, which in turn calls into question the validity of any such decisions made by the members of Cork City Council in reliance on information that has proven to be incorrect and misleading;
- any previously eligible applicants aged 60 years and over who own their own private dwelling, who have made applications to Cork City Council in respect of Part 8 developments for the purpose of the Rightsizing Scheme passed by Cork City Council prior to the introduction of Housing Circular 07/2026, have a legitimate expectation to be included in the Rightsizing Scheme, as they would have made those applications in accordance with the established practice that they were entitled to be included in the Rightsizing Scheme and would have made the applications on the basis of representations made to them by local councillors and Council officials to the effect that they were eligible to be included in the Rightsizing Scheme (including the fact that they were able to access application forms to apply for the Rightsizing Scheme, fill out said forms, submit the forms to the City Council and have the forms received and processed by the City Council);

and requesting Minister Browne to ask the civil servant primarily responsible for the introduction of Housing Circular 07/2026 to attend a meeting of Cork City Council to explain the policy, reasoning and rationale that led to the drafting and introduction of Housing Circular 07/2026 and whether proper and sufficient consideration was given to the consequences of said Circular, particularly as regards:

- the fact that the practical, commonsense, award-winning Rightsizing Scheme being operated by Cork City Council, which was so beneficial to applicants aged 60 years and over who own their own private dwelling as it provided them with a more suitable, comfortable and accessible dwelling for the purpose of ensuring their quality of life, health and safety for the future will now no longer be available to said applicants;
- the fact that no more properties will now be acquired by Cork City Council under the scheme resulting in fewer larger homes being available to Cork City Council to give to families in need of more space;
- the fact that, as a number of Part 8 developments were approved by the members of Cork City Council on the basis of information supplied to City Councillors to the effect that the proposed Part 8 development concerned was for the purpose of the existing Rightsizing Scheme and would be open to both existing tenants of Cork City Council aged 60 years and over and eligible applicants aged 60 years and over who own their own private dwelling (information which, due to the introduction of Housing Circular 07/2026 has turned out to be incorrect and misleading) there is now a question mark as to the validity of such decisions, made, as they were, in reliance on incorrect and misleading information;
- the fact that, any previously eligible applicants aged 60 years and over who own their own private dwelling, who have made applications to Cork City Council in respect of Part 8 developments for the purpose of the Rightsizing Scheme passed by Cork City Council prior to the introduction of Housing Circular 07/2026, have a legitimate expectation to be included in the Rightsizing Scheme, as they would have made those applications in accordance with the established practice that they were entitled to be included in the Rightsizing Scheme and would have made the applications on the basis of representations made to them by local councillors and Council officials to the effect that they were eligible to be included in the Rightsizing Scheme (including the fact that they were able to access application forms to apply for the Rightsizing Scheme , fill out said forms, submit the forms to the City Council and have the forms received and processed by the City Council).'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. O'Callaghan 26/431)

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

22. ST. LUKE'S CHURCH

‘That Cork City Council carry out renovations to the historic St. Luke's Church and make the lower ground floor area available to the local community and school.

As a Council-owned historic building, St. Luke's Church presents a significant opportunity to provide much-needed community, cultural, educational and heritage facilities for the local area and the wider northside of the city. Its current designation for cultural and arts-related activities limits its potential to accommodate broader community uses.

The building could be developed as a multipurpose St. Luke's Community, Culture and Heritage Hub, providing space for:

- Community organisations;
- Children, young people and families;
- Programmes for older people;
- Adult education and lifelong learning;
- Arts and cultural events;
- Local heritage initiatives;
- Volunteering and social enterprise; and
- Community gatherings and commemorations.

The historic character, scale and location of St. Luke's Church make it an exceptionally distinctive building. We have a unique opportunity to develop this landmark into a vibrant and inclusive centre where people can meet, learn, create, perform, socialise.'

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O'Flynn 26/433)

North East Local Area Committee – 28/09/2026

23. ADDITIONAL PEDESTRIAN ACCESS POINTS TO BALLINCOLLIG REGIONAL PARK

'That Cork City Council shall undertake to assess the suitability of installing additional pedestrian access points to Ballincollig Regional Park at Miller's Court/Leslie's Arch (Old Quarter) and at Willowfield/Carriglee/Willow Court; undertaking to arrange local plebiscites on the matter should these prove feasible and desirable.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Lynch 26/434)

South West Local Area Committee – 28/09/2026

24. ONE-WAY TRAFFIC SYSTEM FOR SCHOOL AVENUE/GLASHEEN PARK

'That Cork City Council shall undertake to assess the feasibility of the creation of a one-way traffic system for School Avenue/Glasheen Park in Glasheen, providing for an entry point at School Avenue and an exit point at Glasheen Park; given the limited availability of road space in the area.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Lynch 26/435)

South West Local Area Committee – 28/09/2026

25. AMEND RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNDER SECTION 13 OF THE GAMING AND LOTTERIES ACT 1956

'That Cork City Council shall undertake to immediately commence procedures - under Section 13 of the Gaming and Lotteries Act 1956 - to amend the resolution adopted by the Council of the County Borough of Cork at its meeting held on 10th April 1956, with the following:

That Part III of the Gaming and Lotteries Act, 1956, be and is hereby adopted by Cork City Council in respect of the whole of the administrative area of the City of Cork, save for

those parts of the electoral divisions of Ballincollig and Ovens that are contained within the City of Cork; where Part III of the said Act shall not apply.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Lynch 26/436)

Corporate Policy Group – 05/10/2026

26. **PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY IN CASTLEPARK**

‘That Cork City Council shall undertake - conscious of persistent anti-social behaviour in the green area at the rear of no.'s 67-126 Castlepark, Ballincollig - to prepare a detailed report on options for the future extinguishment of public rights of way in the area. This should include assessing the extinguishment of all public rights of way leading to the aforementioned green area, as well as the option of extinguishing only the public rights of way that currently exist under people's homes.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Lynch 26/437)

South West Local Area Committee – 28/09/2026

27. **BUS SERVICE TO NEW HSE REHAB FACILITY IN THE OLD BLARNEY HOTEL**

‘That Cork City Council would engage with Bus Éireann and the NTA re a possibility of a new bus service on the Kerry Road, Tower to the new HSE Rehab Facility in the Old Blarney Hotel in order to make it more accessible to visitors and families.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Sheehan 26/438)

North West Local Area Committee – 28/09/2026

28. **EXPANSION OF DOLLY PARTON’S IMAGINATION LIBRARY**

‘That Cork City Council supports the expansion of Dolly Parton’s Imagination Library to more communities across Cork City and engages with relevant partners to explore funding opportunities for its expansion.

In particular, that the Council explores extending the programme to Togher and Ballincollig through their local Family Resource Centres, giving more children from birth to age five access to free books and supporting early literacy and a lifelong love of reading.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. O’Connor 26/439)

Community, Culture & Placemaking Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Pobal, Cultúr & Comhfhorbairt Áite – 24/09/2026

29. **INTEGRATING BIODIVERSITY FEATURES INTO NEW DEVELOPMENTS AND PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE**

‘That Cork City Council examines opportunities, through planning policy, development management and its own public works, to require or encourage the incorporation of integrated biodiversity features, including swift bricks and other appropriate built-in nesting and roosting features for native species, in new residential, commercial and public buildings, and that the Council engages with relevant stakeholders to develop best-practice guidance for their inclusion.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. O’Connor 26/440)

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

30. **ELMVALE FLOODING AND DRAINAGE INFRASTRUCTURE**

‘That Cork City Council carry out a comprehensive engineering assessment of the recurring flooding affecting Elmvale and the Doughcloyne Avenue/Sarsfield Road area, including the capacity of the existing culvert, pipe and drainage infrastructure and the impact of surrounding development and flood relief works on water flows; and that the Council identify the permanent works required to address the problem, provide an estimated cost and timeframe for delivery, and actively pursue all available local and national funding to progress those works.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. O’Connor 26/441)

South West Local Area Committee – 28/09/2026

31. **EARLY YEARS AND SCHOOL AGE CARE CAPACITY IN CORK CITY**

‘That Cork City Council undertake an assessment of current and projected Early Years and School Age Care capacity across Cork City, identifying areas experiencing shortages or significant waiting lists, particularly communities experiencing rapid population and housing growth; and that the findings be used to inform the forthcoming Cork City Development Plan and future planning for community infrastructure, to ensure adequate Early Years and School Age Care provision is planned alongside new housing development.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. O’Connor 26/442)

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

32. **YELLOW BOX AT OAKDENE ESTATE**

‘That a yellow box be installed outside Oakdene Estate as it meets Skehard Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 26/443)

South East Local Area Committee – 29/09/2026

33. **DOUBLE YELLOW LINES AT ARDFOYLE ROAD**

‘That double yellow lines be installed at the Ardfoyle Road junction with Blackrock Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 26/444)

South East Local Area Committee – 29/09/2026

34. **DISABILITY SPACE AT ELDERWOOD DRIVE**

‘That the disability space outside 35 Elderwood Drive, Boreenmanna Road be repainted as per many asks of the resident over the past few years.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 26/445)

South East Local Area Committee – 29/09/2026

35. **AMBER PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT DOUGLAS HALL**

‘In the interest of safety, that an amber pedestrian crossing be installed from the Douglas Hall laneway entrance on Well Road to across the Well Road itself. New houses and new footpaths have been recently built on the Douglas Hall side.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 26/446)

South East Local Area Committee – 29/09/2026

36. **ILLEGAL DUMPING**

‘That this Council take action on the owners of a site bordered by Sullivan's Quay, Drinan Street, Cove Street and Meade Street where illegal dumping behind hoardings has been occurring on a regular basis, creating a health and environmental hazard.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boyle 26/448)

South Central Local Area Committee – 28/09/2026

37. **CHILDREN AT PLAY SIGNAGE**

‘That Children at Play signage be provided at Desmond Square, Greenmount.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boyle 26/449)

South Central Local Area Committee – 28/09/2026

38. **SEVERE FLOODING IN NEPAL**

‘That this Council express its concern at the severe flooding that has occurred in Nepal (following glacier collapse brought about by climate change), particularly around the city of Pokhara, with which members of the Nepalese community living in Cork have requested that we seek closer relations.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boyle 26/450)

International Relations & Tourism Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Caidreamh Idirnáisiúnta & Turasóireacht – 21/09/2026

39. **CARR’S HILL**

‘In support of the new residential development on Carr’s Hill, that Cork City Council will progress the following:

- (a) traffic calming outside Carr’s Hill View,
- (b) street lighting from Douglas Rochestown Educate Together National School to Douglas Village,
- (c) bus stop(s) to serve Carr’s Hill View and Bayly, and
- (d) connect the walkway/greenway behind Carr’s Hill View with Ballybrack Woods/the Mangala.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Kamegni 26/451)

South East Local Area Committee – 29/09/2026

40. **IRISH SIGN LANGUAGE AND AUDIO DESCRIPTION**

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

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

Corporate Policy Group – 05/10/2026

41. **DESIGN COMPETITION FOR THE NEW CITY LIBRARY**

‘That Cork City Council will organise a design competition, including proactive engagement with schools, for the new city library and will indicate its plans, their timeline and priority through the Towns and Cities Regeneration Investment Fund for the existing city library and the adjacent 54 Grand Parade as part of the public consultation.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Kamegni 26/453)

Community, Culture & Placemaking Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Pobal, Cultúr & Comhfhorbairt Áite – 24/09/2026

42. ROAD MARKINGS OUTSIDE SUNRAY, BLACKROCK ROAD

‘That Cork City Council will revise the on street car-parking road paint markings to maintain clear, unrestricted access for residents of Sunray, Blackrock Road, T12 E6P6, recognising that the on-street white line and absence of a yellow box or double yellow lines directly outside the gate here leads to confusion, inappropriate car parking and obstructed access.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Kamegni 26/454)

South East Local Area Committee – 29/09/2026

43. PLANNING APPLICATION 2543977

‘That the Chief Executive will outline the legal authority under which she acted when she wrote to An Coimisiún Pleanála contradicting the decision of Cork City Council to refuse planning application 2543977 and the reserved functions of Cork City Council as they relate to the matter; and that she will outline how the appellant received a copy of her letter to An Coimisiún Pleanála prior to the appeal being lodged, that it was included in the appellant's appeal documents.’

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 26/455)

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

44. UNNECESSARY IDLING OF STATIONARY MOTOR VEHICLE ENGINES

‘That, further to previous agreement at Corporate Policy Group on motion 22/040, that Cork City Council will report on the practical aspects of a policy or bye-law to reduce the unnecessary idling of stationary motor vehicle engines with resultant air pollution, beginning with coaches using designated coach stops at Patrick’s Quay, Lower Glanmire Road and Alfred Street; and that this shall be integrated with an updated Air Quality Strategy for the city.’

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 26/456)

Environment, Water & Amenity Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Comhshaol, Uisce & Áiseanna – 22/09/2026

45. HEAT PUMPS IN NEW-BUILD PROPERTIES

‘That Cork City Council will report on whether heat pumps installed in new-build properties in the city function as reversible air conditioning units, warming homes in the Winter, with the potential to actively cool homes in the Summer; form an opinion on the effects and rationale of SEAI conditions to grant funding that cooling (reversible) functions

must be locked out; and examine requiring that the reversible functions are enabled on all Cork City Council developments with heat pumps.’

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 26/457)

Environment, Water & Amenity Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Comhshaol, Uisce & Áiseanna – 22/09/2026

46. **QR CODES ON LITTER BINS**

‘That Cork City Council will add QR codes to litter bins that allow the public to easily notify the Customer Service Unit when a bin is full and needs emptying; similar to a system in place in Dublin City Council.’

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 26/458)

Environment, Water & Amenity Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Comhshaol, Uisce & Áiseanna – 22/09/2026

47. **FOOTBRIDGE ACROSS THE LINK ROAD TO TRAMORE VALLEY PARK**

‘That Cork City Council agrees it will, with the support of the NTA, deliver a footbridge across the Link Road connecting Kinsale Road, Ballyphehane, Turners Cross, and Togher, and indeed other greenways, with Tramore Valley Park, which is currently only accessible by car from this side. Pedestrian access points are a considerable walking distance from said locations.’

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Kerins 26/459)

South Central Local Area Committee – 28/09/2026

48. **EXPANSION OF THE PLAYGROUND AT THE LOUGH**

‘That the Council acknowledges the work of the Parks Department in securing a very welcome and considerable additional investment in the playground at the Lough. This Council further notes that it is important that playgrounds ensure the needs of all age groups and abilities are met, and that therefore, the Council acknowledges in principle that it will examine the feasibility of a further stage 2 of expansion, including exploring any engineer constraints beyond current examination, engaging with Bord Gáis to see what can be safely delivered, and working towards a medium term vision for further expansions of the playground.’

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Kerins 26/460)

South Central Local Area Committee – 28/09/2026

49. **RAILINGS AROUND TORY TOP PARK AND BALLYPHEHANE COMMUNITY CENTRE**

‘That Cork City Council will provide an estimate for the costs associated with remedial works and painting of the railings around Tory Top Park and Ballyphehane Community Centre with a view to providing for same in the upcoming budget.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Connor 26/461)

South Central Local Area Committee – 28/09/2026

50. **DE-PAVING COMMUNAL SPACES IN BALLYPHEHANE**

‘That Cork City Council will engage with local communities and begin a process of de-paving the communal spaces in Ballyphehane which were historically green areas (for example at Killeenreendowney Avenue, Father Dominick Road, Pearse Place etc) recognising that there is relatively little local green space and the huge benefits that increased green spaces provide.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Connor 26/462)

South Central Local Area Committee – 28/09/2026

51. **TRAFFIC LANE FROM FRANKFIELD TO KINSALE ROAD ROUNDABOUT**

‘That Cork City Council will engage with the NTA to provide an update on the previously agreed official second traffic lane from Frankfield to the Kinsale Road Roundabout.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Connor 26/463)

South Central Local Area Committee – 28/09/2026

52. **PUBLIC LIGHTING AT PLUNKETT ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council will actively engage with ESB networks and any other necessary body to ensure that the public lighting at Plunkett Road and surrounds which was installed some time ago is activated as soon as ever possible.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Connor 26/464)

South Central Local Area Committee – 28/09/2026

53. **FORMER “LOFT FURNITURE STORE”**

‘That Cork City Council purchase the former “Loft Furniture Store” and use the space to develop a food market, youth space, arts space and build apartments above.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 26/465)

City Centre Committee – 30/09/2026

54. **MAYFIELD BUSINESS PARK**

‘That Cork City Council takes charge of the Mayfield Business Park and addresses the road surface, the signage on entering and the natural spring that is flowing downhill and pooling on the Old Youghal Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 26/466)

North East Local Area Committee – 28/09/2026

55. **PARK WARDEN FOR THE GLEN RIVER PARK**

‘That Cork City Council will provide a park warden for the Glen River Park in budget 2027.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 26/467)

North East Local Area Committee – 28/09/2026

56. **SEATING OUTSIDE THE ENGLISH MARKET**

‘That Cork City Council explore permanent seating outside the English Market, on Princes Street side as piloted for “Cork on a Fork” festival.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 26/468)

City Centre Committee – 30/09/2026

57. **LEHENAGHMORE ROAD IMPROVEMENT SCHEME — BARRETT’S CROSS**

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

This motion calls on Cork City Council to:

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

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

South West Local Area Committee – 28/09/2026

58. **INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF CORK CITY COUNCIL EXPENDITURE**

‘That the Chief Executive provide Members with a comprehensive report on the independent review of Cork City Council’s expenditure, initiated in February 2025 following Motion Ref. 25/028 submitted by Cllr. Albert Deasy, including:

- the findings and recommendations arising from the review;
- the savings and efficiencies identified in both pay and non-pay expenditure;
- the measures implemented to date and the savings actually achieved;
- any further savings or efficiencies proposed; and
- how savings achieved as a result of the review have been, or are proposed to be, redirected within Cork City Council's budget.

That the report also set out the scope for directing savings achieved towards areas of significant need and demand, in particular Housing Maintenance, Homeless Services, Local Area Committee (LAC) funding, estate roads, footpaths and traffic-calming measures.'

(Proposer: Cllr. A. Deasy 26/470)

Finance & Estimates Committee – 02/11/2026

59. PUBLIC CONSULTATION EVENT FOR PART 8 DEVELOPMENTS

'That Cork City Council make it mandatory to hold at least one public consultation event, outside normal office hours, for every Part 8 development, in addition to the statutory consultation process, and that such an event take place before the closing date for public submissions and, where practicable, within the community affected and the Council would update annually on the status of all Part 8's.'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Gould 26/471)

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

60. AUDIT OF ROAD MARKINGS THROUGHOUT THE NORTH WEST LEA

'That Cork City Council carry out an audit of speed ramps, yellow lines, yellow box junctions, stop and yield markings, pedestrian crossings and other road markings throughout the Cork City North West Local Electoral Area which have become faded or require repainting. That, arising from this audit, the Roads Directorate establish a prioritised and scheduled programme of repainting works for the North West, with road-marking crews deployed on an area-by-area basis to address outstanding works in an efficient and coordinated manner and that members of the North West LEA be provided with the proposed schedule of works and an update on progress.'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Gould 26/472)

North West Local Area Committee – 28/09/2026

61. NORTH WEST REGIONAL PARK

'That Cork City Council notes:

- The success of Ballincollig Regional Park in developing a biodiverse multi-generational urban green space

- Ballincollig Regional Park should act as best practice for all regional parks in Cork city
- The lack of play or green infrastructure in the North West of Cork city
- The proposal to build the Northern Distributor Road through the North West Regional Park

And acknowledges that:

- This proposal will have profound environmental impacts on air quality in the urban green space and potential habitats developed in the regional park
- This will not add to the usability of the green space
- There are alternative routes for the Northern Distributor Road
- Intertwining the two projects could lead to delays in delivery

And agrees to:

- Oppose the proposal to construct a large road through the North West Regional Park
- Engage in public consultation specifically on this proposal
- Seek alternative funding for the construction of the park separate to the road construction.'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Gould 26/473)

North West Local Area Committee – 28/09/2026