

**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 dáta thíosluaite, ar a **5.30 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 **5.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, CORK** for the transaction of the following business:-

GNATHCHRUINNIU – DÉ LUAIN, 9^ú EANÁIR 2017

ORDINARY MEETING – MONDAY, 9th JANUARY 2017

1. Votes of Sympathy.
2. Votes of Congratulations/Best Wishes.

3. **LORD MAYOR'S ITEMS**

To consider any item the Lord Mayor may wish to raise.

4. **CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S ITEMS**

To consider any item the Chief Executive may wish to raise.

4.1 **CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S MONTHLY MANAGEMENT REPORT**

An Chomhairle to note the Chief Executive's Monthly Management Report for November 2016.

5. **MINUTES**

To consider, and if so decided to approve as correct record and sign Minutes of:-

- Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held 12th December 2016.

6. **QUESTION TIME**

Questions submitted enclosed.

7. **PARTY WHIPS – 3rd JANUARY 2017**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Party Whips from its meeting held on 3rd January 2017.

8. **CORPORATE POLICY GROUP – 19th DECEMBER 2016**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Corporate Policy Group, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held on 19th December 2016.

8.1 **FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO 30th NOVEMBER 2016**

J. Hallahan presented the Financial Statement to 30th November 2016 and responded to Members queries.

Decision of Group

It was agreed to accept the report and refer the Financial Statement to 30th November 2016 to An Chomhairle for consideration.

8.2 **MOTIONS DEFERRED FROM LAST MEETING OF CORPORATE POLICY GROUP**

8.2.1 **ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF ACCESS OFFICERS**

The Group considered the report of the Director of Services dated 15th December 2016, on the following motion which was referred to the Group by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Council receive a report on the role and responsibilities of its access officers.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O’Driscoll 16/321)

Decision of Group

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

8.2.2 **HIRE CHARGE FOR CITY HALL AND MILLENNIUM HALL**

The Group considered the report of the Director of Services dated 15th December 2016, on the following motion which was referred to the Group by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council would forthwith charge Cork Chamber of Commerce k/a Cork Chamber the full hire charge for City Hall and the Millennium Hall for the Chambers Annual Dinner.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 16/324)

Decision of Group

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

8.2.3 BIODEGRADABLE ITEMS AT CORK CITY COUNCIL EVENTS

The Group considered the report of the Director of Services dated 15th December 2016, on the following motion which was referred to the Group by An Chomhairle:-

‘That at all Cork City Council events would only use biodegradable cutlery, plates, container, cartons, and cups and cup lids including all City council sponsored events must not have plastic disposables, but paper, timber and vegetable based plastics which degrade within 12 months.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O’Flynn 16/283)

Decision of Group

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

8.3 MOTIONS

8.3.1 REVIEW OF PROCEDURES RE INFORMATION PROVIDED TO THE MEDIA

The Group considered the report of the Director of Services dated 15th December 2016, on the following motion which was referred to the Group by An Chomhairle:-

‘Given that incorrect information was provided by Council to the media (July 14) re the unofficial traveler site in Blackpool, that Cork City Council carry out a review of the procedures re information provided to the media with a view to introducing safeguards to ensure that Cork City Council can stand over the full accuracy of its statements and avoid further such incidents of this sort.’

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Ryan 16/334)

Decision of Group

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

9. **HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING – 12TH DECEMBER, 2016**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Housing and Community Services Strategic Policy Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held on 12th December, 2016.

9.1 **MOTION**

Members considered the report of the A/Director of Services, H.R. Management & Organisation Reform dated 21st November, 2016 on the following motion:

“That Cork City Council would request from the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government, that in forming their policies to deal with the Housing and Homelessness crisis now facing our country that Local Authorities be allowed to build social housing using Direct Labour which it has delivered successfully in the past.

This could be achieved by a re engineering of the Loan Grant and Subsidy currently available to Approved Housing Bodies allowing those Bodies to access funding which can be kept off of the States Balance Sheet.

Local Authorities have a lot of the expertise in house in dealing with such Building programmes. Having extra staff at their disposal on fixed term contracts it would also allow Local Authorities to deal with the substantial number of voids countrywide.

Substantial Land Banks and properties are owned by both the Local Authorities and NAMA and these could be used as a means of securing the necessary funding for the building projects.

It would also give opportunities of employment to hundreds of construction workers throughout the state and also give opportunities for apprenticeships for some of the 60,000 school children that will be sitting their leaving cert this year. It would obviously in turn boost the states tax take, reduce numbers on the live register and give a much needed boost to small business in our local communities.

This policy would in fact be self financing as any loans incurred could be paid down using the rents collected.

With interest rates at an all time low this is a unique opportunity which would be foolish to waste.”

(Proposer: Barry Murphy, ICTU)

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to accept the report of the A/Director of Services, H.R. Management & Organisation Reform and recommend it to An Chomhairle for information.

10. **TOURISM, ARTS & CULTURE FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 19th DECEMBER 2016**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Tourism, Arts & Culture Functional Committee and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held on 19th December 2016.

10.1 **SUPPORT OF TRADITIONAL MUSIC IN CORK**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Corporate and External Affairs dated 15th December 2016 on Support of Traditional Music in Cork.

Decision of Committee

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

10.2 **LIBRARY SERVICES**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Corporate and External Affairs, dated 15th December 2016 on Library Services.

Decision of Committee

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

10.3 **ARTS COMMITTEE**

Members considered the recommendations from the Arts Committee from their meeting held on 19th December 2016.

10.3.1 Members considered the report of the Arts Office dated 19th December 2016.

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to accept the recommendation of the Arts Committee and the report of the Arts Office and refer them to An Chomhairle for approval.

10.4 **ARTS GRANTS 2017**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services dated 15th December 2016 on Arts Grants 2017.

Decision of Committee

On the proposal of Comhairleoir N. O’Keeffe, seconded by Comhairleoir K. McCarthy, it was agreed to accept the Director of Services report and to recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

10.5 **2016 COMMEMORATIVE PROGRAMME AND ST. PETERS CHURCH**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Corporate & External Affairs dated 13th December 2016 on 2016 Commemorative Programme and St. Peters Church.

Decision of Committee

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

10.6 **CREATIVE IRELAND PROGRAMME 2017/2022**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services dated 15th December 2016 on Creative Ireland Programme 2017/ 2022.

Decision of Committee

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

10.7 **MOTIONS**

10.7.1 **BANNER ON THE GRAND PARADE HOTEL**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Corporate and External Affairs on the following motion which was referred to Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That the historic themed banner on the old Grand Parade Hotel facade have the theme of the Ford Factory, Marina for 2017.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 16/342)

Decision of Committee

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

10.7.2 **SUPPORT OF THE RED HEAD CONVENTION**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Corporate and External Affairs on the following motion which was referred to Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘In view of the world wide publicity the Red Head Convention receives, that Cork City Council explore ways to try and Support this unique festival.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Sheehan 16/357)

Decision of Committee

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

10.7.3 **STRATEGY TO BRING OPEN AIR CONCERTS TO CORK**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Corporate and External Affairs on the following motion which was referred to Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council would develop a strategy and policy of engagement with relevant stakeholders to bring large open air concerts to Cork on an annual basis.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 16/361)

Decision of Committee

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

11. **FINANCE & ESTIMATES FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 19th DECEMBER 2016**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Finance & Estimates Functional Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held on 19th December 2016.

11.1 **FINANCE RELATED REPORTS**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO END OF OCTOBER 2016

Members considered the Financial Statements to end of October 2016, and a detailed discussion took place.

Decision of Committee

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

11.2 **MOTIONS**

Members considered the response of John Hallahan, Head of Finance, on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

CAPITAL COMMUNITY FUND

‘That Cork City Council create a Capital Community Fund of 50,000 Euro to be applied for exclusively by Scouting and Guides Organisations throughout the City for small capital works.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 16/226)

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to note the report of the Head of Finance and refer to An Chomhairle for approval.

12. **STRATEGIC PLANNING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & ENTERPRISE FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 3rd JANUARY 2017**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Strategic Planning, Economic Development & Enterprise Functional Committee and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held on 3rd January 2017.

12.1 **CORK BUSINESS INNOVATION CENTRE**

Mr. Michael O’Connor, CEO Cork BIC gave a presentation on the Cork Business Innovation Centre, Growth Pathway Program 2016/2017. He responded to member’s questions. The Director of Services requested the members identify and document any difficulties that those wishing to seek advice re startups were experiencing.

Decision of Committee

On the proposal of Comhairleoir K. McCarthy, seconded by Comhairleoir C. O’Leary, the Committee agreed to accept the presentation of Mr. Michael O’Connor, Cork BIC, and to recommend to An Chomhairle for information.

12.2 **HOUSING ESTATES**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning & Economic Development dated 22nd December, 2016 on Housing Estates from 1st January 2016 to 31st December, 2016.

Decision of Committee

The Committee agreed to accept the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning & Economic Development dated 22nd December, 2016 on Housing Estates from 1st January, 2016 to 31st December, 2016 and refer it to An Chomhairle for consideration.

12.3 **PLANNING STATISTICS**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning & Economic Development dated 03rd January, 2017 on Planning Statistics from 1st January 2016 to 31st December, 2016.

Decision of Committee

The Committee agreed to accept the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning & Economic Development dated 3rd January, 2017 on Planning Statistics from 1st January, 2016 to 31st December, 2016 and refer it to An Chomhairle for consideration.

12.4 **PLANNING ENFORCEMENT STATISTICS**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning & Economic Development dated 3rd January, 2017 on Planning Statistics from 1st January 2016 to 31st December, 2016.

Decision of Committee

The Committee agreed to accept the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning & Economic Development dated 03rd January, 2017 on Enforcement Statistics from 1st January, 2016 to 31st December, 2016 and refer it to An Chomhairle for consideration.

12.5 **DERELICT SITES QUARTERLY REPORT**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning & Economic Development dated 03rd January, 2017 on the Derelict Sites Quarterly Report.

Decision of Committee

The Committee agreed to accept the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning & Economic Development, dated 3rd January, 2017 on the Derelict Sites Quarterly Report and refer it to An Chomhairle for consideration.

12.6 **CORK CITY COUNCIL COMMUNITY AND PUBLICATION HERITAGE GRANTS SCHEMES**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning & Economic Development, dated 22nd December, 2016 on the proposed Local Community Heritage Grant Scheme 2017 and the proposed Local Heritage Publication Grant Scheme 2017.

Decision of Committee

On the proposal of Comhairleoir H. Cremin, seconded by Comhairleoir J. Kavanagh, the Committee agreed to accept the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning & Economic Development, dated 22nd December, 2016 on the proposed Local Community Heritage Grant Scheme 2017 and the proposed Local Heritage Publication Grant Scheme 2017 and recommended that they be sent to Council for consideration and approval.

12.7 **OTHER GRANTS SCHEMES**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning & Economic Development dated 22nd December, 2016 on the Other Grants Schemes.

Decision of Committee

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning & Economic Development, dated 22nd December, 2016 on the Other Grants, - proposed Building Facade Improvement Grant Scheme 2017 and the Architectural Conservation Area Grant Scheme 2017 and recommended that they be sent to Council for consideration and approval.

12.8 **SURVEY OF ALIEN INVASIVE FLORA SPECIES WITHIN CORK CITY COUNCIL**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning & Economic Development, dated 22nd December, 2016 on the Survey of Alien Invasive Flora Species within Cork City Council.

Decision of Committee

The Committee noted the report of the Director of Services, dated 22nd December, 2016 on the Survey of Alien Invasive Flora Species within Cork City Council and referred it to An Chomhairle for information.

12.9 **TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING MOTION REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE BY AN CHOMHAIRLE**

The Committee considered the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle and the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning & Economic Development dated 22nd December, 2016.

1 PARKGATE VILLAS, BISHOPSTOWN ROAD

‘In the interest of health and safety, I am requesting Cork City Council to undertake asap a Compulsory Purchase Order on No 1 Parkgate Villas, Bishopstown Road, which would ultimately bring it into public ownership and secure the site in the public interest.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Shields 16/317)

Decision of Committee

The Committee agreed to accept the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning & Economic Development and to refer the report to An Chomhairle for consideration.

13. **ENVIRONMENT & RECREATION FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 3rd JANUARY 2017**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Environment & Recreation Functional Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held on 3rd January 2017.

13.1 **OVERFLOW OF WATER FROM A GREEN AREA IN BRIDEVALLEY PARK**

The following motion recommended to the Committee by An Chomhairle was considered:-

‘That Cork City Council would address a significant overflow of water from a green area in Bridevalley Park on to Hazelville est, Onslow Gardens, there is some local concern that the leak will weaken a boundary wall while it is also quite a waste of water.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 16/314)

Decision of Committee

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

13.2 **BIN IN THE PUBLIC PARK ON SKEHARD ROAD**

The following motion recommended to the Committee by An Chomhairle was considered:-

‘That Cork City Council will install a bin in the public park on the Skehard road, or on the footpath just outside the park.’

(Proposer: Cllr. L. McGonigle 16/337)

Decision of Committee

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

13.3 **HONAN MEMORIAL TOMB IN ST. FINBARRE’S CEMETERY**

The following motion recommended to the Committee by An Chomhairle was considered:-

‘In light of the Honan Chapel Centenary, that the broken stained glass window of the Honan Memorial Tomb in St Finbarre's Cemetery be secured so that no other damage can get to it; plus a partnership be struck with UCC and the Honan Chapel in an effort to restore the broken glass and collapsing roof of this prominent memorial tomb.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 16/343)

Decision of Committee

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

13.4 **CLOSE ACCESS TO VEHICULAR TRAFFIC AT FLY TIPPING BLACKSPOTS**

The following motion recommended to the Committee by An Chomhairle was considered:-

‘That city council would examine closing off access to vehicular traffic in areas which are known to be black spots for fly tipping and in the meantime we would introduce 24hr C.C.T.V. to try and record the culprits / law breakers that are costing our city hundreds of thousands of euros annually to clean up their mess.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 16/346)

Decision of Committee

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

13.5 **JOHN F. CONNELLY ROAD, CHURCHFIELD INDUSTRIAL ESTATE**

The following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle was considered:-

‘That Cork City Council believes that John F. Connelly Road, Churchfield Industrial Estate is not a suitable location for a 'bring facility', Council supports the opinion of local residents that the industrial estate is already over-subscribed with waste facilities and that there should be no extension to the operations of such facilities.’

(Proposers: Cllr. M. Nugent, Cllr. K. Collins, Cllr. T. Gould 16/348)

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to refer the motion to An Chomhairle for approval.

14. **CORRESPONDENCE**

An Chomhairle to note correspondence, if any.

15. **CONFERENCE/SEMINAR SUMMARIES**

An Chomhairle to note summaries by Members of Conferences/Seminars attended, if any.

16. **CONFERENCES/SEMINARS**

An Chomhairle to approve attendance at Conferences/Seminars tabled on the night, if any.

16.1 **ECAD EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING- KAUNAS, LITHUANIA**

An Chomhairle to approve the attendance of Comhairleoir Mary Shields at the ECAD Executive Board Meeting in Kaunas, Lithuania on February 10th, 2017.

17. **TRAINING**

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

18. **MOTIONS**

To approve the referral to the relevant Committee of the following motions, due notice of which has been given:-

18.1 **INTRODUCE GREEN TO PARKING WHERE PRACTICABLE**

‘That Cork City Council would re-introduce a programme of Green to Parking for all city areas where practicable.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 16/299)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

18.2 **RE-PAINTING ALL DISABLED PARKING BAYS**

‘That Cork City Council would implement a policy where by a re-painting of all disabled parking bays would take place.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 16/300)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

18.3 **SLOW DOWN MEASURES IN SHANAKIEL**

‘That cork city council put in place

1. Slow down signs
2. Cut back hedging and over growth onto footpath. Council or private
3. Clean, Replace and repairs footpaths from Calvary cross to traffic lights
4. Appropriate Slow down measures on Shanakiel Road so that pedestrians and motorists from Shanakiel Park can exit the estate safely and that children and parents from neighbouring estates can walk to school safely.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Fitzgerald 17/001)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

18.4 **INVEST IN A USER FRIENDLY INTERACTIVE URBAN SOLUTION**

‘That Cork City Council invest in a user friendly interactive urban solution stand alone units that delivers all information that matters in the right place at the right time. To bring cities closer to people who live, work and travel in it. To promote multiple activities and points of interest such as touristic, cultural, local commerce, public services among others. Including: Information, Local News, Traffic Information, Warnings and Alerts, Culture, Event sharing, Cultural agenda, Music, cinema, theatre, Cultural and Artistic Promotion Local Commerce, Where to Eat, Where to sleep, Categories, Business area, Nearby Points of Interest. Mobility Search Destinations, Find Transportation, Schedules, Prices. Online Social Engagement and Selfie Trend. Note unit example <http://tomiworld.com/>’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O’Flynn 17/002)

Tourism, Arts & Culture Functional Committee

18.5 **FOOTPATH ON EITHER SIDE OF THE ENTRANCE TO WYNDWOOD**

‘That City Council would investigate putting a footpath on either side of the entrance to Wyndwood , Model Farm Road so that residents who reside here can reach a safe place to get across the Model Farm Rd. [Safely].’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 17/003)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

18.6 **BRIEFING SESSIONS WITH DAIL REPRESENTATIVES**

‘That the Council would hold quarterly briefing sessions with the Dail representatives for Cork North-Central and Cork South-Central and with locally based Seanad members to discuss developments in the city.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O’Driscoll 17/007)

Corporate Policy Group

18.7 **FOOTPATH RENEWAL, BALLYPHEHANE**

‘That sections of the footpaths in the vicinity of the Church of the Assumption, Ballyphehane be renewed as they are in very poor condition.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O’Driscoll 17/008)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

18.8 **SCRAMBLER MOTOR BIKES AT TINKERS CROSS SPORTS FIELD**

‘That Cork City Council take such measures as required to prevent the use of the scrambler motor bikes on the Sports Field at Tinkers Cross as the open access at present is an invitation motorcyclists engaged in scrambling. The illegal activity has been reported to Gardai on numerous occasions but the open access is the root cause of the problem.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 17/009)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

18.9 **REPORTS TO MEMBERS ON THE PUBLIC BIKE SCHEME**

‘That the Roads and Transport Directorate would include the following in future reports to members on the Public Bike Scheme in Cork City.

Amount of trips taken over	30 mins
over	1hr
over	2hrs
over	3hrs
over	4hrs

Total amount of trips.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 17/012)

Roads & Transportation Functional Meeting

18.10 **REPORTS ON NEW AND ALTERED PROPERTIES IN THE COUNCIL'S ADMINISTRATIVE AREA YET TO BE VALUED FOR COMMERCIAL RATES**

‘That Cork City Council will report on the number of new and altered properties in the Council's Administrative area yet to be valued for commercial rates, progress being made by the Valuations Office in clearing the backlog and outline an estimation of any financial return for the Council.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 17/013)

Housing & Community Functional Committee

18.11 **REGISTERING PRIVATE RENTAL PROPERTIES WITH PRTB**

‘That Cork City Council will report on whether a landlord must have their rental property registered with the Private Residential Tenancies Board (PRTB) prior to entering in to a Housing Assistance Payment (HAP) contract.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 17/016)

Housing & Community Functional Committee

19. **MOTIONS**

19.1 **CONVENTION AGAINST TRAFFICKING IN HUMAN ORGANS**

‘That Cork City Council call on the Irish government to ratify, as soon as possible, The Convention against Trafficking in Human Organs which was adopted by the Council of Europe on 9 July 2014 in order to criminalise illegal organ transplantations[1]. The Irish Government has already signed this convention, but is yet to ratify it.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Gould 17/004)

19.2 **CALL ON OIREACHTAS FOREIGN AFFAIRS RE: HUMAN RIGHTS**

‘‘To call on the Oireachtas Foreign Affairs committee to follow through on the pledge made by the Oireachtas Sub Committee on Human Rights to "investigate to the maximum extent possible"[2], persistent, credible reports of forced organ harvesting and other severe human rights abuses imposed on Falun Gong practitioners and other prisoners of conscience in China.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Gould 17/005)

19.3 **PUBLIC TRANSPORT SUBSIDY SCHEME**

‘That Cork City Council calls on Shane Ross TD, Minister for Transport to introduce a Public Transport Subsidy scheme (similar to that paid to CIE) to be paid to Taxi Drivers who work between the hours of 12 Midnight and 6am at weekends and designated holiday peak periods.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 17/010)

19.4 **INCREMENTAL PURCHASE SCHEME**

‘That City Council would seek an updated report from the D.E.C.L.G. on what was the uptake / response nationally from tenants in all local authorities to the Incremental Purchase Scheme introduced in 2016.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 17/011)

19.5 **INCREASING ELEGIBILITY THRESHOLD FOR LOCAL AUTHORITY SOCIAL HOUSING SCHEMES**

“That Cork City Council calls on the Ministers for Housing and Finance to increase the eligibility threshold for local authority social housing schemes to 15% above the existing net income social housing threshold. This would ensure that those on just over 1.5 times average gross earnings or close to €54,000 would qualify for social housing.”

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Tynan 17/017)

JOHN GER O’RIORDAN
MEETINGS ADMINISTRATOR

Chuig gach ball de Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí.

5^ú Eanáir 2017