MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF CORK CITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 23rd APRIL 2019

PRESENT Ard-Mhéara Comhairleoir M. Finn.

NORTH EAST Comhairleoirí S. Cunningham, T. Tynan, T. Brosnan, J. Kavanagh.

NORTH CENTRAL Comhairleoirí T. Gould, F. Ryan, L. O'Donnell, J. Sheehan.

NORTH WEST Comhairleoirí M. Nugent, T. Fitzgerald, K. Collins, M. O'Sullivan.

SOUTH EAST Comhairleoirí K. McCarthy, C. O'Leary, T. Shannon, N. O'Keeffe, S.

O'Shea.

SOUTH CENTRAL Comhairleoirí F. Kerins, P. Dineen, T. O'Driscoll, S. Martin.

SOUTH WEST Comhairleoirí J. Buttimer, H. Cremin, M. Shields, F. Dennehy, P.J.

Hourican, T. Moloney.

ALSO PRESENT Ms. A. Doherty, Chief Executive

Ms. J. Gazely, Meetings Administrator, Corporate & External Affairs. Ms. N. Stewart, Administrative Officer, Corporate & External Affairs.

Mr. B. Geaney, Director of Services, Housing & Community Mr. G. O'Beirne, Director of Services, Roads & Transportation.

Mr. F. Reidy, Director of Services, Strategic Planning, Economic

Development and Enterprise. Mr. J. Hallahan, Head of Finance.

Ms. C. Kelly, Senior Executive Officer, Housing & Community.

An tArd-Mhéara recited the opening prayer.

1. **VOTES OF SYMPATHY**

- The people of Sri-Lanka and the people who died in the bomb attacks over the Easter Weekend.
- The McKee Family on the death of Lyra McKee.
- The Dorgan Family on the death of Louise Dorgan.
- The Browne Family on the death of Oliver Browne.
- The Ryan Family on the death of Declan Ryan.
- The Lyons Family on the death of Kieran Lyons.
- The McSweeney Family on the death of Paddy McSweeney.
- The Aherne Family on the death of Shaun Aherne.
- The Cummins Family on the death of Dave Cummins.
- The Lyons Family on the death of Eileen Lyons.
- The Crowley Family on the death of Margaret Crowley.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir M. Nugent, seconded by Comhairleoir S. Martin, An tArd-Mhéara agreed to open a book of condolences for the people of Sri-Lanka affected by recent bomb attacks.

2. <u>VOTES OF CONGRATULATIONS/BEST WISHES</u>

- Nagle Community College for organising an excellent variety concert.
- Ann Piggott on being elected the new president of ASTI.
- The Good Room for their 'Live at St. Lukes' concert series and their recent accolades.
- Neptune Basketball Club on winning the Billy Kelly Cup.

3. **LORD MAYOR'S ITEMS**

3.1 CIVIC AWARDS 2019

An Chomhairle approved the nomination by An tArd-Mhéara of Sr. Jane Murphy for the Civic Awards 2019. An tArd-Mhéara further advised that the awards would take place on 24th April 2019 at 7 p.m.

4. CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S ITEMS

4.1 **PROPOSED HOLDING OF AN EVENT**

On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Buttimer, seconded by Comhairleoir T. Tynan, An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Chief Executive, dated 23^{rd} April 2019 on the proposed holding of Cork Carnival of Science on 22^{nd} and 23^{rd} June, 2019 in Fitzgerald Park.

5. **DRAFT ANNUAL REPORT 2018**

On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Buttimer, seconded by Comhairleoir C. O'Leary, An Chomhairle considered and approved the Draft Annual Report, 2018.

6. **MINUTES**

On the proposal of Comhairleoir T. Shannon, seconded by Comhairleoir C. O'Leary, An Chomhairle considered and approved the minutes of:-

• Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held 8th April 2019.

7. **QUESTION TIME**

7.1 CHARGING POINTS IN THE CITY

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir M. Shields, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

Would it be possible to draw up a list of suitable sites for more e charging points in the city and to contact the ESB and the Department of Environment with a view to installing these necessary facilities?

(Cllr. Mary Shields)

REPLY

ESB ecars has been responsible for the deployment of the national charging infrastructure. It is understood that their charging network currently comprises of approx 1,000 public charge points across the island of Ireland (including approx 75 fast charge facilities). There are currently nine locations within the current city boundary.

Cork City Council has also installed EV charge points at its own parking facilities including the Black Ash Park and Ride, Paul Street car park and North Main St Multi car park. A review will be undertaken of these premises with a view to the feasibility of the addition of further charge points as part of asset management review.

It is understood that ESB ecars will be rolling out a programme of new charge facilities across the country and will also be upgrading some of its existing charge facilities. There have also been recent reports of emerging plans by private/commercial companies in developing some fast charge points across the country. With the growing numbers of electric vehicles it is anticipated that the provision of charge facilities will expand considerably in the coming years.

The Council will monitor developments in the market and engage with ESB in relation to the details of their plans for the Cork area.

Gerry O'Beirne, Director of Services, Roads & Transportation.

7.2 **SOUTH EAST STRATEGIC CORRIDOR**

The following question submitted by Comhairleoir S. Martin was deferred to the next meeting of An Chomhairle to be held 13th May 2019:-

Under the South East Strategic Corridor as part of the Douglas Cycle Route – how many junction upgrades are being considered on the Front and South Douglas Roads. What junctions will be part of the NTA funded scheme?

(Cllr. Sean Martin)

7.3 WILTON ROAD CORRIDOR PROJECT

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir F. Dennehy, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

To ask the C E in relation to the Wilton Road corridor project, is there an overall plan available for viewing, be it a sketch or detailed drawings of the next phase/phases of the project outlining exactly what is involved in the next phase/phases and given the fact that residents will be seriously inconvenienced and will suffer greatly from the loss of gardens and parking facilities in addition to having traffic up to 7mtrs closer to their dwellings, can we give these residents any indication as to when the next phase/phases is likely to begin?

(Cllr. Fergal Dennehy)

REPLY

As Members will be aware the Council has been allocated funding to progress an upgrade of Dennehys Cross on Wilton Road. The works are required to deliver a much needed improvement in the facilities available for motorists, bus users, cyclists and pedestrians. The proposals also include for retention, upgrade and improved integration of the junction between Wilton Gardens and Wilton Road. Detailed plans and other related documents were placed on public display on 15th March 2019 as part of the Part 8 planning process. Comments and /or submissions on these proposals can be made in the period to 15th May 2019. Issues relating to necessary land acquisition, boundary treatment, parking facilities, landscaping etc will, as with other schemes, be addressed as part of the compensation package to be agreed with any affected land owner. Subject to approval it is expected that the scheme will go forward for pricing/tender later this year.

Proposals for further upgrades along the Wilton Road Corridor can be progressed as funding becomes available to Council. Any such proposals will similarly be discussed with Members and subject to public consultation prior to finalisation. As with other road improvement projects across the City the timing for the design, planning and delivery of further works on the corridor are dependent on the availability of funding and the detail of proposed schemes will be prepared at that stage and finalised on completion of the relevant planning process.

Gerry O'Beirne, Director of Services, Roads & Transportation.

7.4 INDEPENDENT LEGAL ADVICE

The following question submitted by Comhairleoir J. Kavanagh was deferred to the next meeting of An Chomhairle to be held 13th May 2019:-

As approved by Full Council on Monday September 10th, approving the provision of Independent Legal Advice to me in relation to the clarification of a number of issues relating to the disposal of lands at the Tank Field in Murmont Montenotte.

This is dragging on for some months and I am asking the CE that it be resolved with immediate effect with the immediate provision of this Independent Legal Advice as approved by Full Council nearly seven months ago.

(Cllr. Joe Kavanagh)

7.5 TRAMORE VALLEY PARK

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir K. McCarthy, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

To ask the CE for a progress report on Tramore Valley Park?

(Cllr. Kieran McCarthy)

REPLY

Contract works to facilitate opening the park commenced in October 2018, these are scheduled to be completed last week of April.

The park will open on Wednesday May 22nd.

Valerie O'Sullivan, Director of Services, Environment & Recreation.

7.6 HOUSING DEVELOPMENT IN LAGAN GROVE, MAYFIELD

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir M. Nugent, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

Can the CE update on proposals for a housing development at the rear of Lagan Grove, Mayfield? A number of residents of the estate are experiencing ongoing issues of damage to their properties from anti-social behaviour from a pathway and green areas to the rear of their homes. Are measures being considered to protect the residents in the interim?

(Cllr. Michael Nugent)

REPLY

The City Architects Department is currently at an advanced stage with a design layout for an infill housing scheme at this location. The Housing & Community Directorate facilitated a meeting with local ward members to agree interim measures to mitigate the effects of anti- social behaviour in the vicinity, but an agreed solution, among those in attendance, was not arrived at. Possible interventions and measures discussed included the closing of the pathway and the provision of fencing to protect existing properties. A further meeting will be organised in the near future to progress these matters, with the intention of exploring a route to an agreed solution.

B. Geaney, Director of Services, Housing & Community Services.

7.7 TRAMORE VALLEY PARK

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir N. O'Keeffe, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

Can the CE confirm the date that Tramore Valley Park will open officially? What plans have the Council to re-instate the 5 km Park Run at the Park?

(Cllr. Nicholas O'Keeffe)

REPLY

The park will open on Wednesday 22nd April.

Discussions with Parkrun Ireland will take place in the coming months with a view to reinstating the 5 km run in the autumn.

Valerie O'Sullivan, Director of Services, Environment & Recreation.

7.8 **30KPH SPEED LIMIT PROGRAMME**

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir T. Shannon, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

To ask the CE to agree that the 30kph Speed Limit programme be extended this year to include Castlemeadows on Skehard Road where a dreadful accident took place recently. I would also request that the appropriate signage and road markings be installed without further delay?

(Cllr. Terry Shannon)

REPLY

The installation of a 30km/hr speed limit at Castlemeadows on Skehard Road will be assessed for inclusion in the relevant schedule of the Cork City Road Traffic (Special Speed Limits) Bye-Laws.

Subject to Members approval the statutory process to amend the Cork City Road Traffic (Special Speed Limits) Bye-Laws can then be progressed to give effect to the change. 30km/hr special speed limit signage and markings can be installed following adoption of the revised Bye Law.

Gerry O'Beirne, Director of Services, Roads & Transportation

8. **CORPORATE POLICY GROUP – 15th APRIL 2019**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the minutes of Corporate Policy Group from its meeting held 15th April 2019.

8.1 **FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO 31st MARCH 2019**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the Financial Statement to 31st March 2019.

8.2 <u>REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR OF MUNICIPAL RATE ON RATE COLLECTION FOR 2018</u>

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Collector of Municipal Rate on Rate Collection for 2018.

8.3 <u>ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2018</u>

An Chomhairle considered and noted the Annual Financial Statement 2018.

8.4 **LORD MAYOR'S ITEMS**

8.4.1 CORK CITY OF SANCTUARY STRATEGIC PLAN OF ACTION 2018 – 2020

An Chomhairle agreed in principle to the Cork City of Sanctuary Pledge, which will require further consideration by An Chomhairle.

8.5 **MOTIONS**

8.5.1 **PROGRAMMES TO HIRE AND TRAIN APPRENTICES**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the A/Director of Services, H.R. and Organisational Reform dated 11th April 2019 on the following motion referred to the Group by An Chomhairle:-

'That Cork City would initiate a programme to hire and train apprenticeships to help tackle the urgent shortage of tradespeople in the building sector and that Cork City Council would call on the Minister to also roll out a coordinate programme to tackle the serious shortage of apprenticeships while also reducing youth unemployment.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Gould 19/120)

The report of the A/Director of Services stated that Cork City Council is currently examining the feasibility of introducing a 4 year Craft Apprenticeship Programme in 2019.

Discussions have taken place with the Cork Education Training Board (CETB) regarding details of the Programme such as:

- Registration,
- Codes of Practice for Apprentice and Employer,
- Assessor training

There are 7 phases to the Apprentice Training Programme (4 on-the-job & 3 off-the-job). Apprentices are paid by Cork City Council for Phases 1, 3, 5, & 7 and paid by the Cork Education & Training Board for Phases 2, 4 & 6.

Cork City Councils contribution to the Programme would be to provide the on-the-job training and assessment with craft supervision/materials etc. for a number of trades.

Each participating area of the Council will need to provide assessor(s) for the apprentices. The assessor is an experienced and technically qualified person in an occupational area who is responsible for organising and conducting assessments for assigned apprentices. The role requires briefing candidates in the context of Workplace Assessment.

The resources requirement for Apprentices within the City Council is currently being assessed within the operational areas of the Council.

8.5.2 PROPOSALS FOR A DIRECTLY ELECTED MAYOR

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Corporate and External Affairs dated 11th April 2019 on the following motion referred to the Group by An Chomhairle:-

'That Cork City Council will facilitate a public forum on proposals for a directly elected Mayor outlining what information is available and give a platform for political and civic voices on either side of the argument considering the plebiscite is scheduled for the same day as the Local and European elections on May 24th.'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 19/149)

The report of the Director of Services stated that a Committee has been put in place by the Minister to develop a public information campaign in relation to the plebescite. This campaign is being launched on Monday next, April 15th following which a series of public information sessions will be organised.

9. <u>STRATEGIC PLANNING, ECONOMIC DEVELOMPENT & ENTERPRISE STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE – 8th APRIL 2019</u>

An Chomhairle considered and noted the minutes of the Strategic Planning, Economic Development & Enterprise Strategic Policy Committee from its meeting held 8th April 2019.

9.1 <u>PRESENTATION BY RTB: ISSUES ARISING FROM THE PUBLIC CONSULTATION FOR VARIATION NO. 5 (STUDENT HOUSING) – RTB RESPONSE</u>

An Chomhairle considered and noted the presentation by the Residential Tenancies Board.

9.2 <u>CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION STRATEGY 2019 – 2024</u>

An Chomhairle considered and noted the briefing on the requirements and timescales involved in the preparation of the Strategy.

9.3 CASP POLICY COMMITTEE REPORTS – DECEMBER 2018 AND MARCH 2019

An Chomhairle considered and noted the report on the CASP Policy Committee from December 2018 and for March 2019.

9.4 CITY DOCKS AND TIVOLI DOCKS LOCAL AREA PLANS – UPDATE

An Chomhairle considered and noted the current progress on the City Docks Local Area Plan (consisting of the City's North Docks and South Docks).

9.5 <u>DEVELOPMENT PLAN VARIATION NO. 6 (TRAMORE ROAD/KINSALE ROAD)</u>

An Chomhairle considered and noted the proposed Variation No. 6 of the Cork City Development Plan.

9.6 CITY CENTRE ACTION PLAN 2019-2020

An Chomhairle considered and noted the briefing on the City Centre Action Plan 2019-2020.

9.7 **LIVING CITY INITIATIVE**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the progress report on the Living City Initiative Scheme.

9.8 <u>CORK CITY COUNCIL FRAMEWORK ON ALL IRELAND POLLINATOR PLAN</u>

An Chomhairle considered and noted the Cork City Council Framework on All Ireland Pollinator Plan.

9.9 <u>CITY CENTRE PAINTING GRANT SCHEME</u>

An Chomhairle considered and noted the report on proposed City Centre Painting Grant Scheme.

9.10 **MOTIONS**

9.10.1 BISHOPSTOWN AND WILTON AREA ACTION PLAN

An Chomhairle considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise dated 4th April 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That Cork City Council would prepare a full review/implementation report for the Bishopstown and Wilton area action plan in relation to each and every objective and aim of the plan; such a report to include all details of meetings, consultations, site visits, internal reviews, assessments, consultations undertaken with resident groups and developers and other stakeholders. That the report would also details staff time allotted to the oversight of the implementation and delivery of the plan, and expenditure on the implementation and delivery of the plan, and where objectives and aims of the original plan have not been met what action can the City Council undertake to ensure they are achieved.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 19/396)

On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Buttimer, seconded by Comhairleoir H. Cremin, An Chomhairle rejected the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise and approved the relevant motion.

9.10.2 <u>BISHOPSTOWN FOLLOWING BOUNDARY EXPANSION</u>

An Chomhairle considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise dated 4th April 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That Cork City Council would protect the identify and fabric of Bishopstown following the city boundary expansion and that planning densities for residential and institutional uses would continue to reflect suburban levels and not core city centre levels.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 19/032)

On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Buttimer, seconded by Comhairleoir H. Cremin, An Chomhairle rejected the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise and approved the relevant motion.

9.10.3 FORMER GARDA STATION AT MACCURTAIN STREET

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Corporate and External Affairs dated 4th April 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'Can the City Council report if there any plans for the long vacant former Garda Station at MacCurtain St., Cork? If not perhaps the Council could engage the Department of Justice to request that building be gifted or made available to the Council for public use, with a community dividend, in a key area of Cork City for tourism, business and other interests. One proposal could be that the building be an offshoot of the Cork Public Museum during the 'Decade of Centenaries' period which would be significant on a street named after former Ard-Mhéara Tomás MacCurtáin.'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 19/134)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the property at 58 MacCurtain Street is in the control of the Office of Public Works, having previously been used as a Garda Station. The property has not been in use for a number of years, and some reconfiguration and refurbishment will be required to bring the building back to active use. It is clear that substantial capital and revenue investment will be required. Previously, some private interest was expressed to develop the property for tourism purposes and the City Council engaged with the Office of Public Works in relation to same.

The Property Department has again been in contact with the Office of Public Works requesting that the property would be brought forward for disposal to enable it to be brought back to active use. A further report will issue outlining any progress in this regard.

10. HOUSING & COMMUNITY FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 15th APRIL 2019

An Chomhairle considered and noted the minutes of the Housing and Community Functional committee from its meeting held 15th April 2019.

CHANGE TO THE CHAIR

At this juncture An tArd-Mhéara Comhairleoir M. Finn vacated the Chair and Leas Ard-Mhéara Comhairleoir T. Moloney assumed the duties of the Chair.

10.1 **MONTHLY REPORT**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services on Housing for March 2019.

10.2 <u>CIRCLE VOLUNTARY HOUSING ASSOCIATION CLG – ACCOMMODATION</u> AT BISHOPSTOWN

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 11th April 2019 in relation to loan facility for Circle Voluntary Housing Association CLG in respect of the provision of 1 unit of accommodation at 75, Tiffany Downs, Bishopstown, Cork.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir C. O'Leary, seconded by Comhairleoir J. Buttimer, An Chomhairle further agreed 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 €293,000 be granted to Circle Voluntary Housing Association CLG, subject to the terms of the Capital Assistance Scheme for the provision of one unit of accommodation at 75 Tiffany Downs, Bishopstown, Cork."

10.3 <u>CIRCLE VOLUNTARY HOUSING ASSOCIATION CLG – ACCOMMODATION</u> <u>AT SOUTH DOUGLAS ROAD</u>

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 11th April 2019 in relation to loan facility for Circle Voluntary Housing Association CLG in respect of the provision of 1 unit of accommodation at 7, Ivy Crescent, South Douglas Road, Cork.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir K. McCarthy, seconded by Comhairleoir C. O'Leary, An Chomhairle further agreed 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 €321,500 be granted to Circle Voluntary Housing Association CLG, subject to the terms of the Capital Assistance Scheme for the provision of one unit of accommodation at 7 Ivy Crescent, South Douglas Road, Cork."

10.4 <u>CIRCLE VOLUNTARY HOUSING ASSOCIATION CLG – ACCOMMODATION AT GURRANABRAHER</u>

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 11th April 2019 in relation to loan facility for Circle Voluntary Housing Association CLG in respect of the provision of 1 unit of accommodation at 33, Chapel Field, Gurranabraher, Cork.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir S. Martin, seconded by Comhairleoir T. Gould, An Chomhairle further agreed 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 €292,000 be granted to Circle Voluntary Housing Association CLG, subject to the terms of the Capital Assistance Scheme for the provision of one unit of accommodation at 33 Chapel Field, Gurranabraher, Cork."

10.5 FOCUS HOUSING ASSOCIATION CLG – ACCOMMODATION AT MULGRAVE ROAD

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 11th April 2019 in relation to loan facility for Focus Housing Association CLG in respect of the provision of 1 unit of accommodation at 56, Knapps Square, Knapps Apartments, Mulgrave Road, Cork.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir K. McCarthy, seconded by Comhairleoir C. O'Leary, An Chomhairle further agreed 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 €209,775 be granted to Focus Housing Association CLG, subject to the terms of the Capital Assistance Scheme for the provision of one unit of accommodation at 56 Knapps Square, Knapps Apartment, Mulgrave Road, Cork."

10.6 **AFFORDABLE HOUSING SCHEME**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 11th April 2019 in relation to the Affordable Housing (Part 5) Regulations 2019 made under the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2009 (S.I. No. 81 of 2019).

10.7 **LEESIDE APARTMENTS**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 11th April 2019 in relation to the acquisition of Leeside Apartments, Bachelors Quay, Cork.

10.8 **FABRIC UPGRADE SCHEME**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 11th April 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That Cork City Council would request funding from the Fabric Upgrade Scheme for the flats in:-

- (1) Noonan's Road
- (2) Fort Street
- (3) Dean Street
- (4) St. Finbarr's Road'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 18/322)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the Council is in the process of developing its 2020 programme for the Apartment Deep Retrofit Project, which is dependent on SEAI/Government grant funding. The apartment blocks on Noonan Road, St. Finbarr's Road, Fort Street and Dean Street (9 blocks in total) could be included in the 2020 programme. Such a decision would take up a considerable portion of the 2020 programme – the completion of approximately 15 blocks per year in total is considered feasible in terms of delivery. There would be several advantages to focusing the delivery of this project to one area:

- It would provide a regeneration of the entire area and enhance public and tenant amenity;
- Possible savings in contractor mobilisation/demobilisation costs;
- It would provide an opportunity to take a consistent/coherent approach to the area;

• Potential impact on tourism/economic development (St. Finbarr's Cathedral & Elizabeth Fort).

10.9 **SURVEY OF PROPERTIES ON CHURCHFIELD AVENUE**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 11th April 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That Cork City Council survey a number of housing on Churchfield Avenue to determine if works are needed to secure the backs of the houses on Churchfield Road.'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 19/095)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the properties owned by Cork City Council on Churchfield Avenue whose back gardens are bounded by Churchfield Road will have the boundary fence inspected and secured where necessary.

10.10 **BED & BREAKFAST ACCOMMODATION**

An Chomhairle considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 11th April 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That Cork City Council immediately adopt a policy that persons referred to emergency housing/accommodation be provided with a breakfast where the accommodation already provides breakfast to other persons stayed at the accommodation, as suggested by PJ Coogan of Corks 96fm.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 19/102)

On the proposal of Comhairleoir T. Brosnan, seconded by Comhairleoir T. Gould, a vote was called for the approval of the report of the Director of Services, where there appeared as follows:-

FOR: Comhairleoirí S. Cunningham, T. Tynan, F. Ryan, L. O'Donnell, M. Nugent, K. Collins, M. O'Sullivan, C. O'Leary, F. Kerins, J. Buttimer, H. Cremin, T. Moloney. (12)

AGAINST: Comhairleoirí T. Brosnan, T. Gould, K. McCarthy, S. Martin, F. Dennehy. (5)

ABSTAIN: (0)

As those voting in favour of the report of the Director of Services was greater than those voting against, Leas Ard-Mhéara declared the vote carried and the report of the Director of Services approved.

The report of the Director of Services stated that it is the policy of Cork City Council, when booking emergency accommodation, to include breakfast in the booking whenever this is possible. Breakfast is always provided at the discretion of the accommodation provider concerned.

At the outset, the Housing & Community Directorate will endeavour to source bed and breakfast accommodation. It may happen, on occasion, particularly when a presentation is made late in the day, that room only bookings are the only option available.

The City Council has received one complaint in relation to breakfast not being provided in hotel/bed & breakfast accommodation.

10.11 PROPERTIES AT DUNMANUS PARK AND COPPINGERS ACRE

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 11th April 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'Given the poor rendering at properties at Dunmanus Park and Coppingers Acre I request Cork City Council to put in place a scheme that would enhance the public realm of these areas and address the rendering issues.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Fitzgerald 19/103)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the Housing & Community Directorate will inspect the rendering of council owned properties at Dunmanus Park and Coppingers Acre and will address any areas of concern.

11. ROADS & TRANSPORTATION FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 15th APRIL 2019

An Chomhairle considered and noted the minutes of the Roads and Transportation Functional Committee from its meeting held 15th April 2019.

CHANGE TO THE CHAIR

At this junction An tArd-Mhéara Comhairleoir M. Finn resumed the duties of the Chair and Leas Ard-Mhéara Comhairleoir T. Moloney returned to the Chamber floor.

11.1 ACCESS TO TRABEG STATION

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Roads and Transportation dated 11th April 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That Cork City Council enter into discussions with the E.S.B with a view to allowing access to the Trabeg Station via Half Moon Lane instead of Palaceanne Lawn as is the present arrangements which is unsuitable and has led to delays in bringing power back to residents because of difficulties in gaining access due to parking.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 18/323)

The report of the Director of Services stated that in relation to access to Trabeg Station, the E.S.B should engage with local residents as well as the city Council local representatives and the Community Gardaí to collectively discuss their concerns in relation to access via Palaceanne Lawn, identify the issues as well as potential solutions that would be acceptable to all.

A motion was put forward in July 2018 regarding the painting of double yellow lines in Palaceanne Lawn adjacent to the ESB Sub Station. This was to facilitate ease of access to the Trabeg Station via Palaceanne Lawn and was completed by the Transportation Depot in July 2018.

11.2 INCLUDE KILBARRY PLACE IN THE 2019 RESURFACING PROGRAMME

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Roads and Transportation dated 11th April 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That Cork City Council includes Kilbarry Place on the 2019 resurfacing programme.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 19/058)

The report of the Director of Services stated that Kilbarry Place was not selected for the 2019 road resurfacing programme. However, the area will be inspected and localised repairs will be carried out if required. The road will be considered for resurfacing in a future resurfacing programme.

11.3 PATHWAY LINKING SOUTHRIDGE AND ASHMOUNT

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Roads and Transportation dated 11th April 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That Cork City Council construct a pathway on the Green area linking Southridge and Ashmount leading to the bus stop. I have raised this a number of times previously and was assured that this was going to be addressed. That was some months ago and no progress has been made on this since.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 19/080)

The report of the Director of Services stated that quotations to provide a footpath at this location will be sought from contractors over the coming weeks. It is expected that the work will be carried out during this summer.

11.4 <u>FOOTPATHS AT TRACTON ESTATE, MIDDLE GLANMIRE ROAD</u>

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Roads and Transportation dated 11th April 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That the footpaths in Tracton Estate on the Middle Glanmire Road be included in the 2019 footpath resurfacing programme.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 19/081)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the area will be inspected and any essential repairs will be carried out.

11.5 ROAD RESURFACING IN CAHERGAL PARK, CAHERGAL AVENUE AND CAHERGAL LAWN

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Roads and Transportation dated 11th April 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhaire:-

'That all remaining road resurfacing work and footpath reinstatement in Cahergal Park, Cahergal Avenue and Cahergal Lawn be completed under the 2019 Roads programme.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 19/090)

The report of the Director of Services stated that sections of Cahergal Lawn and Avenue have been included in the 2019 Road Resurfacing Programme but there is insufficient funding available to resurface all of remaining areas mentioned in 2019.

Footpaths in these areas will be inspected for possible remedial works.

11.6 RAMPS AT ASHGROVE VIEW AND MEADOW PARK

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Roads and Transportation dated 11th April 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That ramps be placed on the road from Ashgrove View and Meadow Park to slow down the increased speed of ongoing traffic on the Ballyvolane Road.'

(Proposer: K. O'Flynn 19/092)

The report of the Director of Services stated that Ashgrove View will be added to the list of areas where a request for traffic calming has been received. Meadow Park has already been added to the traffic calming request list.

The areas will be assessed to determine the extent of the problems that exist in order to identify any possible mitigation measures that can be provided there.

Any identified traffic calming solutions will be put forward for inclusion in the Roads Programme, subject to funding being available.

11.7 TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES ON BALLYHOOLEY ROAD

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Roads and Transportation dated 11th April 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That Cork City Council seek traffic calming measures on the Ballyhooley Road, outside Meelick Park and Meadow Park.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O'Flynn 19/093)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the Road Design Section are currently preparing a brief for the appointment of a consultant to assess and design the next phase of the Ballyhooly Road Upgrade. The scheme will stretch from the R635 North Ring Road to the link road to Dublin Hill in Ballincolly.

The area on the Ballyhooley Road outside Meelick Park and Meadow Park is included as part of this scheme.

11.8 **FLOODING ON MELBOURN ROAD**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Roads and Transportation dated 11th April 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That City Council would carry out an inspection on the constant flooding on Melbourn Road near the pedestrian crossing at the community school as this flooding is now impeding pedestrians on the footpath when this is also flooded.'

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 19/096)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the area will be inspected and assessed with a view to improving surface water drainage.

11.9 RESURFACING PROGRAMME FROM LEESDALE TO MELBOURN ROAD

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Roads and Transportation dated 11th April 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That City Council would carry out a proper resurfacing programme on the walkway that runs from Leesdale to Melbourn Road that runs along by the perimeter wall with the community school.'

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 19/097)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the walkway has been inspected by Roads. It is a hardcore track, located in a public green area connecting Leesdale to Melbourn Road. Due to the location in the green, this matter has been referred to the Environment Department.

11.10 **RENAME SHANDON BRIDGE AFTER MARY "MOTHER JONES" HARRIS**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Roads and Transportation dated 11th April 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That Cork City Council will seek to rename the traditional "Shandon Bridge" after Mary "Mother Jones" Harris following the huge community response and support around the recent Harley St. bridge naming.'

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Ryan 19/104)

The report of the Director of Services stated that this motion has been referred to Party Whips for consideration.

11.11 RENAME SHANDON BRIDGE TO MOTHER JONES BRIDGE

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Roads and Transportation dated 11th April 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That consideration be given to renaming Shandon Bridge to that of Mother Jones Bridge. This would reflect the growing debate on the importance of her life and times.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 19/108)

The report of the Director of Services stated that this motion has been referred to Party Whips for consideration.

11.12 ACCESS AND RIGHT OF WAY AT NURSERY LANE, MODEL FARM ROAD

An Chomhairle considered the report of the Director of Services, Roads and Transportation dated 11th April 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That Cork City would support the residents of Farranlea Park, Model Farm Road, to enable and facilitate Nursery Lane, Model Farm Road to come under the jurisdiction of Cork City Council, hence protecting the residents' access and right of way. It is understood that Nursery Lane, Model Farm Road, given to Cork County Council by the Jennings Estate (1953) was not included in the last boundary expansion of Cork City Council in 1965. The houses on the western side of Farranlea Park have access to Nursery Lane through access gates at the rear of their properties. This allows direct access to the Model Farm Road. This access is a right of way set out in each of the property's Title Deeds (circa1940).

This right of way is registered with the Land Registry, through the property Title Deeds. Due to the recent disposal by Cork County Council of part of Nursery Lane (649 m2) to a private resident of Nursery Lane, Farranlea Park residents are concerned about the remaining portion of Nursery Lane, which remains Cork County Council's property.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 19/109)

An Chomhairle agreed that the report be referred back to Roads and Transportation Functional Committee for further consideration.

11.13 **2019 ROAD RESURFACING PROGRAMME**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Roads and Transportation dated 11th April 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That the roadway adjacent to the Red Abbey be included in the 2019 road resurfacing programme given the historical significance of this area adjacent to South Parish Church and Nano Nagle Centre.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 19/001)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the roadway in question is not included in the 2019 Resurfacing Programme. However this area will be added to the list for assessment for the 2020 programme.

11.14 TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES ON BALLINCOLLIE ROAD

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Roads and Transportation dated 11th April 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That Cork City Council seek traffic calming measures on the lower part of Ballincollie Road outside Glen Rovers Hurling and Football Club.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O'Flynn 19/099)

The report of the Director of Services stated that Ballincollie Road has already been added to the traffic calming request list.

The area will be assessed to determine the extent of the problems that exist in order to identify any possible mitigation measures that can be provided there.

Any identified traffic calming solutions will be put forward for inclusion in the Roads Programme, subject to funding being available.

11.15 **DISABLED DRIVERS**

An Chomhairle considered the report of the Director of Services, Roads and Transportation dated 11th April 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That designated disabled drivers be permitted to exit from the disabled parking bays on Academy St. (4), and SS Peters and Pauls St. (2) onto St. Patrick's Street between 3:00 pm and 6:30 pm and that there should be no restriction on disabled persons being dropped off on St. Patrick's Street between 3pm and 6:30 pm.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 19/105)

An Chomhairle agreed that the report be referred back to Roads and Transportation Functional Committee for further consideration.

11.16 **DISHED/SLOPED FOOTPATHS**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Roads and Transportation dated 11th April 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That City Council would investigate putting dished/sloped footpaths at their entrance gates for people with mobility disabilities to facilitate wheelchairs and ambulance stretchers.'

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 19/113)

The report of the Director of Services stated that where a particular need arises or has been identified efforts will be made to increase accessibility. Locations will need to be assessed on a case by case basis. Contact should be made with Cork City Council's Road Maintenance Dept., and following assessment and where resources allow, works will be carried out.

11.17 <u>ISLAND ON PEDESTRIAN CROSSING, MELBOURN ROAD CROSSING TO COMMUNITY SCHOOL</u>

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Roads and Transportation dated 11th April 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That this island is very dirty and should be cleaned and kerbs painted (black and yellow) in the interest of road safety.'

(Proposer: Cllr. P.J. Hourican 19/116)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the request to renew the painting of the island at the pedestrian crossing on Melbourn Road will be added to the Roads Painting programme and undertaken subject to suitable weather conditions, funding and resources being available.

11.18 FOOTPATH REPAIR, DRAINAGE 1-16 MELBOURN ROAD, BISHOPSTOWN

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Roads and Transportation dated 11th April 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That this length of path be repaired including for drainage flooding after heavy rain, leaving the surface slippery and dangerous to pedestrians using same.'

(Proposer: Cllr. P.J. Hourican 19/117)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the area will be inspected and assessed with a view to improving surface water drainage.

11.19 ENFORCEMENT OF SPEED LIMITS ON THE OLD YOUGHAL ROAD

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Roads and Transportation dated 11th April 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by an Chomhairle:-

'I propose that this Council will call for stricter enforcement of speed limits on the Old Youghal Road, particularly the section of the road between St. Joseph's Church and

Mayfield Village/Tinkers Cross, which I have described as "an accident waiting to happen". Since the road widens out beyond the church, many drivers have a tendency to put their foot on the accelerator and some were treating the road as a speedway. Not only is this a busy stretch of road, but it is also an access point to a number of schools, and hundreds of children use it daily. In addition, there is a large cohort of elderly citizens in the area. I have had regular reports of people complaining about cars and other vehicles failing to stop at the pedestrian crossings, which are adjacent to schools, shops and homes. I call on the City Council Roads Department to take appropriate measures to enforce the speed limit on the Old Youghal Road, and to ensure that those exceeding the speed limit or failing to obey traffic lights are penalised for this reckless behaviour.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Tynan 19/123)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the default speed limit within the City administrative area is 50kph unless signed otherwise.

Old Youghal Road will be assessed to determine whether the installation of additional signs/markings including a speed display sign is appropriate at this location.

Please be advised however that An Garda Síochána are responsible for enforcing road traffic legislation to ensure that citizens comply with speed limits.

11.20 YELLOW HATCHED BOX AT BRAMPTION COURT, BISHOPSTOWN

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Roads and Transportation dated 11th April 2019 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That a yellow hatched box be placed at the end of Brampton Court, Bishopstown to allow residents and emergency services to turn vehicles.'

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Dennehy 19/125)

The report of the Director of Services stated that Cork City Council will assess the road lining request for Brampton Court in Bishopstown. If deemed appropriate it will be inputted into the road painting programme and will be undertaken subject to suitable weather conditions.

12. **CORRESPONDENCE**

An Chomhairle noted the following correspondence:-

- Letter from Donegal County Council dated 1st April 2019.
- Letter from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade dated 3rd April 2019.
- Email from Kilkenny County Council dated 5th April 2019.
- Letter from the Department of Children and Youth Affairs dated 12th April 2019.
- Letter and report from Mr. D. Joyce, Director of Transition to Mr. T. Barry, Oversight Committee, regarding Chief Executive's Oversight Committee Monthly Report – April 2019.

13. **CONFERENCE/SEMINAR SUMMARIES**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the following Conference/Seminar summary:-

• Comhairleoir M. Shields at the AILG Training Module 2 – Marine Spatial Planning Strategy & Met Eireann, Forecasting Services and Local Authorities held in Arklow Bay Hotel, Co. Wicklow on the 23rd March 2019.

14. **CONFERENCES/ SEMINARS**

None received.

15. **TRAINING**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the attendance at the following Training:-

• Comhairleoir S. Martin at the I.P.B Annual General Meeting held in Ashleigh Hotel, Dublin on 3rd May 2019.

16. CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S MONTHLY MANAGEMENT REPORT

An Chomhairle considered and noted the Chief Executive's Monthly Management report for March 2019.

17. **MOTIONS**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the referral to the relevant Committee of the following motions, due notice of which has been given:

17.1 **2019 ESTATE ROAD AND FOOTPATH RENEWAL PROGRAMME**

'That Cork City Council include The Acre in the 2019 estate road and footpath renewal programme.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 19/004)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

17.2 **REPAIR GENERAL TOM BARRY'S GRAVESTONE**

'That the gravestone belonging to General Tom Barry and his wife be done up, the writing has faded on the headstone and both these people did the State great service.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 19/005)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

17.3 <u>TURN RIGHT ARROW AT JUNCTION ON NORTH RING ROAD, BALLYVOLANE</u>

'That Cork City Council install a turn right arrow on the junction of Applegreen SuperMacs service station on the North Ring Road, Ballyvolane, Cork.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O'Flynn 19/119)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

17.4 TRAFFIC SURVEY OF THE LOTAMORE AREA

'That Cork City Council make a traffic survey of the Lotamore area and possibly making a pedestrian crossing available for residents of Lotamore to access the Banduff Road.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O'Flynn 19/135)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

17.5 <u>LANEWAYS OFF NORTH MAIN STREET</u>

'That a plan is considered for the laneways off North Main St. with a view to breathing new life into the ones that are capable of regeneration (closures and gated lanes to be reexamined in co-operation with residents and businesses).'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 19/140)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

17.6 GREENERY AND OVERGROWTH ON THE CARRIGROHANE ROAD

'Can City Council give a full report on what's happening with the section of greenery and overgrowth / trees that has been cut just inside the railing on the west bound side of Carrigrohane Road.'

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 19/153)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

17.7 YELLOW BOX ON SARSFIELD ROAD

'That City Council Roads and Transportation would put in place a yellow box on the section of roadway outside the main gate of S.M.A. House on Sarsfield Road to facilitate the motorists to exit safely.'

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 19/154)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

17.8 <u>BUS ROUTE TO MILESTREAM, CLOGHEEN AND KERRYPIKE</u>

'Given the growth in population in the North West Ward including the new communities in Kerrypike that Cork City Council supports an application to the National Transport Authority via Bus Eireann with a view to providing a public transport bus route to Milestream, Clogheen and Kerrypike in the North West Ward.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Fitzgerald 19/158)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

17.9 **NW REGENERATION PROJECT**

'That Cork City Council reviews the NW Regeneration Project in terms of policy, determining the emerging needs of the residents, in particular older residents moving homes at an older age. Consider the existing phases with a view to reviewing with the Department the timeframe of each phase and remove red lines that are hindering the needs of residents in the area.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Fitzgerald 19/159)

Housing & Community Functional Committee

17.10 STANDING ORDER GOVERNING REPLACEMENT OF COUNCILLORS

'Mindful of changes in the way the current council is being run from previous years, with more groupings now involved in the rotation of chairs and outside committees, that the standing order governing the replacement of councillors following resignation of their seats (for reasons such as election to the Oireachtas or European Parliament, sickness, death etc) be changed to afford non party members the same rights as the larger parties to nominate their replacements in such eventualities.'

(Proposers: Cllr. T. Moloney, Cllr. M. Finn, Cllr. K. McCarthy 19/161)

Party Whips

17.11 <u>DISPOSAL OF GRATTAN HOUSE TO THE MIDDLE PARISH ASSOCIATION</u>

'I call on Cork City Council to consider the disposal of Grattan House to the Middle Parish Association for a nominal annual fee so as to address the issue of possible dereliction at Grattan House. The residents have expressed that they would be interested in setting up a museum highlighting the Marsh and Coal Quay in by gone days at this location and I would urge the Council to consider this proposal. In recent times Grattan house has been attracting a lot of drug use and anti social behaviour and it has become a sorry site over the years and is blighting the area. Putting Grattan House into good use would offset any further dereliction and enhance the area while at the same time create another tourist attraction within the city centre.'

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Dineen 19/164)

Finance & Estimates Functional Committee

17.12 ESTATES NOT TAKEN IN CHARGE

'That Cork City Council obtain a list from Cork County Council of estates not yet taken in charge from developers and obtain an undertaking from Cork County Council in relation to Ard Na Coille, Lotamore that all outstanding works will be completed. Cork County Council should not release any developer from their bond from 23rd April 2019.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 19/169)

Strategic Planning, Economic Development & Enterprise Functional Committee

17.13 IN FILL HOUSES AT GLENAMOY LAWN

'That Cork City Council when designing the three new infill houses at Glenamoy Lawn would also provide car parking outside nos. 25 to 30 Glenamoy Lawn by cutting back the green in front of those houses. In addition a pedestrian rail should be erected on the path from the car park to nos. 25 to 30 near no. 27 and finally, measures should be taken to impede mini scramblers etc using footpaths in the area.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 19/170)

Housing & Community Functional Committee

17.14 **LOCAL AREA HOUSING OFFICES**

'That Cork City Council will re-open local area housing offices, or new offices if required. These could be staffed by any newly appointed housing officers and would complement new housing schemes and would be of assistance to community development and safety.'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 19/174)

Housing & Community Functional Committee

18. **MOTIONS**

18.1 **REFERENDUM ON OWNERSHIP OF THE WATER SYSTEM**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council call's on the government to have a referendum on ownership of the water system. Put the question to the Irish people whether or not Ireland's water supply should be publicly owned and place it in the constitution.

There are a number of different questions being asked in the upcoming election and there is no reason why this question could not be put to the people as well.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Moloney 19/160)

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

On the proposal of Comhairleoir C. O'Leary, seconded by Comhairleoir T. Moloney, An Chomhairle agreed to suspend Standing Orders to allow the meeting to continue beyond 8 p.m.

18.2 PENSIONS FOR COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT (CE) SCHEME SUPERVISORS

An Chomhairle considered and approved the following motion:-

'Cork City Council demands the Government to take immediate steps towards implementing a labour court recommendation to provide pensions for Community Employment (CE) Scheme supervisors. The recommendation, which would apply to 1250 workers, has been outstanding for 11 years.'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 19/173)

This concluded the business of the meeting

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