# MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF CORK CITY COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 11<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2017

PRESENT	Ard-Mhéara Comhairleoir T. Fitzgerald.	
NORTH EAST	Comhairleoirí S. Cunningham, T. Tynan, T. Brosnan, J. Kavanagh.	
NORTH CENTRAL	Comhairleoirí T. Gould, F. Ryan, K. O'Flynn, L. O'Donnell, J. Sheehan.	
NORTH WEST	Comhairleoirí M. Nugent, M. O'Sullivan.	
SOUTH EAST	Comhairleoirí K. McCarthy, D. Cahill, L. McGonigle, T. Shannon, N. O'Keeffe, S. O'Shea.	
SOUTH CENTRAL	Comhairleoirí M. Finn, 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	<ul> <li>Ms. A. Doherty, Chief Executive.</li> <li>Mr. J. G. O'Riordan, Meetings Administrator, Corporate &amp; External Affairs.</li> <li>Mr. J. Hayes, Administration Officer, Corporate &amp; External Affairs.</li> <li>Mr. P. Moynihan, Director of Services, Corporate &amp; External Affairs.</li> <li>Mr. D. Joyce, Director of Services, Environment &amp; Recreation Directorate.</li> <li>Mr. J. Hallahan, Head of Finance.</li> <li>Ms. C. O'Sullivan, Communications &amp; PR Officer.</li> </ul>	

An tArd-Mhéara recited the opening prayer.

# 1. **VOTES OF SYMPATHY**

- The O'Sullivan Family on the death of Kathleen O'Sullivan.
- The Galgey Family on the death of Paddy Galgey.
- The O'Sullivan Family on the death of Bernard "Bones" O'Sullivan.
- The Mahon Family on the death of Dan Mahon.
- The Curtin Family on the death of Thomas Curtin.
- The O'Callaghan Family on the death of Maura O'Callaghan.
- The Murphy Family on the death of Mary Murphy.
- The Lane Family on the death of Mary Lane.
- The Burke Family on the death of Patsy Burke.

# SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

On the proposal of Comhairleoir F. Dennehy, seconded by Comhairleoir N. O'Keeffe, An Chomhairle agreed to suspend Standing Orders to discuss the death of a member of the Homeless Community in Cork last week.

# 2. VOTES OF CONGRATULATIONS/BEST WISHES

- Sergeant Deborah Marsh who was honoured with a Bravery Award.
- Knocknagree GAA on the Munster Junior Football Title.
- Bishopstown Community Association on the Successful Christmas Fair.
- Tracey Kennedy for being elected Chairperson to the Cork GAA County Board.
- Environment and Recreation Department in Cork City Council on the Turning on of the Christmas Lights at the Lough and around Local Communities.
- O'Briens Amber Gause Costcutter on being Awarded Forecourt of the year at the recent Shelf Life Awards in Dublin.
- Conor Lally of the Irish Times Newspaper on a magnificent feature of Investigative Journalism on Sunday Irish Times on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2017 highlighting the high level of criminality exposed in the Rickshaw Trade in Dublin.
- Environment and Recreation Department in Cork City Council on the launch at the "Dog Fouling Free Zones" Signage put up around areas of Mayfield/Montenotte.

# 3. LORD MAYOR'S ITEMS

# 3.1 LETTER TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OVERSIGHT GROUP

A copy of letter dated 5<sup>th</sup> December 2017 from the Lord Mayor to Mr. John O'Connor, Chair of the Implementation Oversight Group was tabled for noting.

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

# 4.1 OUTLINE PERMISSION FOR A RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT AT THE FORMER HORMANN ELECTRONICS SITE, MAHON INDUSTRIAL ESTATE, BLACKROCK, CORK – PLANNING REF. NO. 17/37349

An Chomhairle considered the Report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise dated 6<sup>th</sup> December 2017 on Outline Permission for a Residential Development at the Former Hormann Electronics Site, Mahon Industrial Estate, Blackrock, Cork – Planning Ref. No. 17/37349.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir N. O'Keeffe, seconded by Comhairleoir S. O'Shea, a vote was called for the approval of the Report and the adoption of the Resolution where there appeared as follows:-

**FOR:** Comhairleoirí S. Cunningham, T. Brosnan, J. Kavanagh, F. Ryan, L. O'Donnell, M. Nugent, T. Fitzgerald, M. O'Sullivan, T. Shannon, N. O'Keeffe, S. O'Shea, F. Kerins, P. Dineen, T. O'Driscoll, S. Martin, J. Buttimer, H. Cremin, M. Shields, F. Dennehy, P.J. Hourican, T. Moloney (21)

**AGAINST:** Comhairleoir K. McCarthy (1)

**ABSTENTION:** Comhairleoir T. Tynan (1)

Consideration of this Item was subsequently revisited later in the meeting (see page 12).

# 4.2 <u>PERMISSION FOR A NEW PUMPING STATION AND ASSOCIATED SITE</u> WORKS AT HARBOUR VIEW ROAD, CORK – PLANNING REG. REF. NO. <u>17/37541</u>

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise dated 6<sup>th</sup> December 2017 on Permission for a New Pumping Station and Associated Site Works at Harbour View Road, Cork – Planning Reg. Ref. No. 17/37541.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir M. Nugent, seconded by Comhairleoir M. O'Sullivan, An Chomhairle unanimously agreed to adopt the following Resolution:-

"Having considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning, Economic Development, it is hereby RESOLVED under Section 34(6) (iv) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) to approve the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning and Economic Development that permission be granted to Irish Water under Planning Register 17/37541 for a new pumping station and associated site works at Harbour View Road."

# 5. <u>MINUTES</u>

On the proposal of Comhairleoir S. Martin, seconded by Comhairleoir J. Buttimer, An Chomhairle considered and approved the minutes of:-

• Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held 27<sup>th</sup> November 2017.

# 6. **QUESTION TIME**

# 6.1 **CROSS-DIRECTORATE FUNDING RECEIVED FROM EU**

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

Can the CE list and detail how much cross-directorate funding the Council has received from EU funded initiatives over the past 3 years?

(Cllr. Nicholas O'Keeffe) Deferred from meeting of 27<sup>th</sup> November

# REPLY

A list of EU funded initiatives currently ongoing is listed below together with the funding received over the last three years relating to these projects.

		EU Funding	Received in
Directorate	Detail	Allocation	last 3 years
<b>Corporate Affairs</b>	Interreg Atlantic Areas programme	172,000	
	Parks & Recreation received for Marina Park (Designated		
Environment	Urban Centre Grant Scheme under the Southern & Eastern	3,500,000	
	ERDF funded S&EROP Housing Maintenance : energy		
Housing	efficiency measures with DHPLG as the intermediate body	1,962,000	1,962,000
ІСТ	GrowSmarter EU H2020 Project	€99,813	49,889
Roads	Green eMotion EU project on electromobility	56,326	56,326
SPED	Innova Foster, EU Interreg project 2017 - 2020	170,000	
SPED	H2020 Smart Resilience	95,428	
SPED	Interreg Europe Innova Foster	145,725	
SPED	Interreg Atlantic Area Atlantic Food Export	191,813	
SPED	Interreg Atlantic Area Atlantic Digital StartUp Academy	130,311	
SPED	Interreg Atlantic Area Military Maritime Industrial & Atlantic	230,625	
SPED	Interreg Atlantic Area Atlantic Social Lab	129,000	
SPED	ERDF DUCGS Marina Park & Harley St Bridge	5,000,000	

John Hallahan, Head of Finance.

#### 6.2 ROADS RESURFACED IN THE SOUTH WEST WARD FROM 2014

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

To ask the CE to identify roads resurfaced in the South West Ward from 2014 to present?

(Cllr. P.J. Hourican)

#### REPLY

Sections of the roads listed below have been resurfaced by way of the annual Resurfacing Contracts since the start of 2014.

Bishopstown Avenue West College Road., jn. with Gaol Walk Curraheen Drive Gaol Walk Halldene Avenue Halldene Drive Halldene Estate Melbourn Road Model Farm Road at Inchigaggin Bridge Roselawn St. Finnbarrs Road, on border with South Central Vicars Road Industrial Estate Wilton Rd, at Liam Lynch Park Wilton Rd, Dennehys Cross to Wilton Gardens.

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

# 6.3 **PROGRESS OF THE EVENTS CENTRE SAGA**

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

Conscious of the fact that no timeline in the process has ever been listed, can the CE update Council on the progress of the Event Centre saga, i.e., whether or not the recommendation for extra funding has been approved by Government and in turn accepted by the developers?

(Cllr. Mick Finn)

# REPLY

The recommendation for extra funding has not been approved for funding by Government. Cork City Council is working with BAM Contractors to determine how additional funding can be delivered to the project whilst complying with the relevant regulations.

Pat Ledwidge, Director of Services, Strategic Planning, Economic Development & Enterprise.

#### 6.4 **BUSMAN'S HUT ON PATRICK STREET**

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

Can the CE confirm where is the Busman's hut that was taken from Patrick Street during its regeneration and what condition it is in now and what future plans she has to bring it back in the city public realm?

(Cllr. Kenneth O'Flynn)

# REPLY

The Busman's hut is presently stored in Fitzgerald's Park.

The intention was to restore and re-use as a security hut in the park. Unfortunately the hut was extensively damaged by wanton vandalism and set on fire (18 months ago) resulting in extensive structural damage. The extent and cost of repairs is now considerable and , in the context of the Council's present tight finances, it is not deemed appropriate to undertake repairs at present.

David Joyce Director of Services Environment & Recreation

# 6.5 LITTER WARDENS RELATING TO SPORTING CLUBS

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

What instructions have been given to Litter Wardens in relation to fining sporting clubs who are advertising street leagues, cul camps or summer camps?

(Cllr. Sean Martin)

# REPLY

No specific instructions have been given to the Litter Wardens in relation to advertising by sporting clubs. The Litter Wardens apply and enforce the provisions of both the Litter Pollution Act 1997 and Cork City Council's postering protocol, in a uniform manner, across all sectors of society. Litter fines for illegal or unauthorized postering are issued without fear or favour.

Section 19.1 of the litter Pollution Acts 1997 to 2009 states that all posters are deemed litter with some exceptions. However, under the Act, these exceptions require written authorization from the owners, occupiers or controllers of the property, either private or public, on which they are to be displayed. The purpose of the protocol and license mechanism put in place by Council is to facilitate such displays on Cork City Council property. There is no provision in the Act or Protocol for sporting clubs or organizations to be treated uniquely.

During 2016, litter fines were issued to a number of sporting clubs and associations who erected posters without applying for permission to Cork City Council, only some of which would have been eligible for treatment under the protocol.

Cork City Council recognizes the unique position sporting clubs occupy in society and the great community spirit that they promote and foster. In light of this, those fines were reviewed on the understanding that, in future, any postering by the clubs would be carried out within the terms of Cork City Councils protocol. The Clubs were advised of this and a copy of the protocol was sent to each club.

Whilst the leagues and camps run by the clubs are income generating activities, and per se would be precluded from receiving permission. Nonetheless, because of the unique position the clubs occupy within society Cork City Council would pragmatically consider applications on a case by case basis.

However it is important to stress that sporting clubs unique position in society does not entitle them to act outside the terms of Cork City Council's postering protocol or those of the Litter Pollution Act 1997.

DAVID JOYCE DIRECTOR OF SERVICES ENVIRONMENT & RECREATION

# 6.6 **DAMAGE TO PUBLIC REALM POST STORM OPHELIA**

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

To ask the CE what plans are in place to address damage to the public realm post Storm Ophelia and what strategy will be implemented to plant trees and shrubs in the South West Ward, South Central Ward and South East Ward?

(Cllr. John Buttimer)

# REPLY

An application for funding has been made to the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government to cover the costs of response and clean-up following Storm Ophelia.

Further applications for funding may also be made to the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport if that Department similarly makes funding available. Localised repairs will be made at various locations from the City Council's existing budget and any funds forthcoming from Central Government.

The application for funding to the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government referenced above also included a request for funding to cover the cost of a "Replacement Tree Planting Scheme".

Should funding be secured from the Department a replacement tree planting plan will be prepared commensurate with the level of funding provided. At present there is no provision in the City Council's 2018 Estimates to finance a tree replacement planting programme and so the delivery of same will be solely dependent on Department funding being provided.

Gerry O'Beirne Director of Services Roads & Transportation David Joyce, Director of Services, Environment & Recreation.

#### 6.7 ADVISE RELATING TO LITTLE CROSS STREET

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

Can the CE please advise Council in relation to Little Cross Street and while heretofore the street was given over as a drinking area for a few months of the summer it now seems that the western half of the street is being used as part of a restaurant. Were these arrangements put to Council? Is Council receiving payment? Can we have a full statement please?

(Cllr. Tim Brosnan)

# REPLY

In 2015 and again in 2016, Cork City Council closed Little Cross St for an overall period of approx seven months. Public consultation was undertaken in advance of the street closures and Members were briefed about same. The closures were put in place to enable the establishment of an open air amenity space including facilities for the service of food and drink. The space was licensed to the adjoining business owner. The licensee discharged the Council's costs and was responsible for establishing, operating and removing the facility as well as putting in place appropriate insurances etc. In accordance with the relevant provisions and following consultation with the Garda Siochanna an exemption was granted from the requirements of the Cork Corporation (Prohibition of Consumption of Intoxicating Liquor on Streets and in Public Places) Byelaws 2001.

In 2017 the operator implemented a smaller scheme linked to the adjoining restaurant. The licensed area was reduced to that necessary to create a temporary decking for an outdoor dining area. A bye law exemption order and street closure order were not required for the reduced area/scheme. In accordance with the terms of the license, the operator paid a fee

which was based on the normal rates payable for tables and chairs licenses. The operator was responsible for the establishment costs and conditioned to comply with the general conditions applicable to tables and chair licenses. The operator is understood to be reviewing the operation of the scheme. He has sought a temporary extension of this license and this is being processed at present.

G O BEIRNE DIRECTOR OF SERVICES ROADS AND TRANSPORTATION

#### 6.8 **OUTDOOR GYM EQUIPMENT IN THE CITY**

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

Can the CE outline what plans are in place to provide outdoor gym equipment in the City? Can the Loughmahon Walkway be considered as a pilot project for same?

(Cllr. Nicholas O'Keeffe)

# REPLY

An application for funding for an outdoor gym at the Fairfield Park was submitted recently under the Healthy Ireland Fund Initiative. The proposal is for a cluster of outdoor gym equipment within an enclosed area at the Park. The application was successful and the project will also be part funded by the City Council and the HSE. It is intended to have the gym in place by April 2018.

The City Council also applied for a Sports Capital Grant from the Department of Transport Tourism and Sport earlier in the year to develop 2 outdoor gyms in City parks, one on the Northside and the other at the Lough. A grant of  $\notin$  18k was approved last week for the project. The proposed gyms will again consist of clusters of exercise equipment in one block at the two locations. Further clarification is awaited from the Department before plans are finalized and these projects commenced.

Depending on the success of the above projects, the City Council will look to add additional gyms in the future, including at the Mahon Walkway, should funding opportunities arise.

David Joyce Director of Services Environment & Recreation

# 6.9 DEAL WITH VAYU ENERGY COMPANY

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

As part of the creation of Tramore Valley Park, a deal was struck between the City Council and Vayu Energy Company to sell the gas from the landfill to this energy company, yielding an income for the Council each year. What has been the return for the City Council to date? (Cllr. Kieran McCarthy)

# REPLY

Tramore Valley Park is located on the site of the disused Kinsale Road City landfill site. This site is thus still, and will be for sometime still to come, subject to an EPA license. One of the conditions of the EPA License is the need to process the gas being produced by the degradation of the landfill matter under the capping material. The decision to generate electricity at TVP from the landfill gasses was a direct result of this requirement. Generating electricity from this gas is a much better environmental alternative to just simply flaring to the atmosphere. Procurement processes were undertaken which involved the hiring of a suitable 'engine' and the sale of the electricity generated. These contracts covered the initiation of the electricity-generation process, management of the process and provision of planned preventative maintenance (PPM) on the system (engine, pumps, pipelines, SCADA etc) as well as the purchase the electricity from the City Council (Vayu).

The income generated to date from the sale of the electricity have gone towards the capital costs associated with the setting up and maintenance of the infrastructure and hardware required for the electricity generation. It is anticipated that during 2018 the project capital costs will be fully repaid and that going forward the income from the sale of electricity will be put towards the ongoing costs associated with the maintenance of the equipment.

It is important to note that the quantity and quality of the gasses at the site are already falling (normal and natural trend as the site matures) and as such the annual income to the City Council will decrease year on year at a rate yet to be identified. It will thus become uneconomical (and ultimately not technically feasible due to the quality and quantity of gas) to continue to produce electricity at this site. It is expected that this point will be reached in the next 3-5 years but given the uncertainty surrounding the prediction of gas quality and quantity these figures are only estimates.

To date the cumulative income from the sale of electricity from the site is approximately  $\in$  565,000. The cumulative expenditure to date on the project is in the region of  $\in$  610,000.

David Joyce, Director of Services, Environment & Recreation.

#### 6.10 DAMAGE AT NASH'S BOREEN HALTING SITE FOLLOWING STORM OPHELIA

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

Can the CE outline the assessors report surveying damage at Nash's Boreen Halting Site following Storm Ophelia and the actions to be taken as a result?

(Cllr. Michael Nugent)

# REPLY

Storm Ophelia occurred on Monday October 16<sup>th</sup> and on Thursday October 19<sup>th</sup> the Traveller Accommodation Unit received a call from a third party that a mobile home had been damaged in the storm at the unauthorised site at Nash's Boreen.

An Assessor did call to the site on October 24<sup>th</sup> but not at our request.

All our efforts since the storm have been to rectify damage caused at the Spring Lane and Carrigrohane Road sites.

The mobile home at the unauthorised site at Nash's Boreen was not provided by the City Council and will not be replaced by the Traveller Accommodation Unit.

Efforts are continuing to resolve the overall issue, and the problems being experienced by the local community, by means of regular meetings of all Stakeholders facilitated by Gurranabraher Gardai.

V. O'Sullivan, Director of Services, Housing & Community.

#### 6.11 PEDESTRIAN CROSSING, BOREENMANNA ROAD

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

To ask the Chief Executive to agree that the following works be urgently carried out on the Pedestrian Crossing at the city end of the Boreenmanna Road:

- a) The trees and shrubs in its vicinity be pruned back.
- b) The public lighting nearby be upgraded.
- c) The on-street markings and kerbing on the crossing be repaired.
- d) The general area be cleaned up and shores cleaned out.
- e) Double Yellow lines be painted near the corner of Boreenmanna Road and Rockboro Avenue.
- f) Double Yellow lines be completed on all Boreenmanna Road.
- g) That all traffic signage be upgraded and modernised.

(Cllr. Terry Shannon)

#### REPLY

The area at the pedestrian crossing at the city end of Boreenmanna Road will be assessed as requested. In particular:

- a) The need to prune trees and shrubs in the vicinity of the crossing will be referred to the Parks Division for their attention;
- b) The public lighting at the pedestrian crossing has been upgraded to incorporate LED road lanterns. A scheme to replace degraded street lighting columns and renew all of the lighting on Boreenmana Road is now in progress and is due to be completed in 2018;
- c) The status of the on street markings and kerbing at the crossing will be assessed. Where appropriate works will be inputted into the roads programme and will be undertaken subject to suitable weather conditions, resources and funding being available;
- d) The need for the general area to be cleaned up will be referred to the Environment Directorate for their attention and the need for additional cleaning of the shores will be addressed by Asset Management and Maintenance;

- e) The request to paint double yellow lines near the corner of Boreenmanna Road and Rockboro Avenue will be assessed. If deemed appropriate it will be inputted into the road painting programme and will be undertaken subject to suitable weather conditions, resources and funding being available
- f) The request to paint double yellow lines on all of Boreenmanna Road is not warranted. If there are specific requests for double yellow lines at particular locations along Boreenmanna Road, these can be assessed on a merit by merit basis and any deemed appropriate can be inputted into the road painting programme and will be undertaken subject to suitable weather conditions
- g) The appropriateness and need for new traffic signage in the vicinity of the pedestrian crossing at the city end of Boreenmanna Road will be assessed. If deemed suitable, it will be put forward for consideration, subject to funding being available.

It is also to be noted that the South East Corridor Study identified long term improvement proposals for Boreenamanna Road. The improvement works identified in the study will be progressed on the basis of priority with the financial support from the National Transport Authority.

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

# 7. **<u>PARTY WHIPS – 4<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2017</u>**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the minutes of the Party Whips held 4<sup>th</sup> December 2017.

# 7.1 MEETING SCHEDULE 2018

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Draft Meeting Schedule 2018.

Lord Mayor asked Chairs of the Strategic Policy Committees in conjunction with Directors to revert to the Corporate and External Affairs Directorate with the 2018 schedule of meetings before Christmas.

# 7.2 INTERNATIONAL RAOUL WALLENBERG FOUNDATION (Held In Committee)

On the proposal of Comhairleoir S. Martin, seconded by Comhairleoir J. Sheehan, An Chomhairle considered and noted that the title of Honorary Member of the International Raoul Wallenberg Foundation would be accepted by the office of an tArd-Mhéara.

#### 8. CORRESPONDENCE

An Chomhairle noted correspondence received.

#### 9. CONFERENCE/SEMINAR SUMMARIES

An Chomhairle noted summaries by members of Conferences/Seminars attended.

# 10. CONFERENCES/ SEMINARS

None received.

#### 11. **TRAINING**

An Chomhairle approved the retrospective attendance for Comhairleoir T. Shannon and Comhairleoir M. Shields at the AILG Annual Training Seminar in Sligo held on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> October 2017.

# SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

On the proposal of An tArd-Mhéara, An Chomhairle agreed a meeting of the Housing and Community Functional Committee would be held on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December in order to allow the Homeless issue to be discussed.

# ITEM 4.1

The Lord Mayor reopened this Item advising An Chomhairle that it had been indicated to him that the outcome of the vote taken on this Item earlier in the meeting was not valid having regard to the requirements of the Act. Comhairleoir K. McCarthy sought clarification on the matter. Mr. P. Moynihan, Director of Services, Corporate and External Affairs advised that 23 votes were required under Section 34 (6) (b) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) and only 22 votes were cast (with one abstention).

On the proposal of Comhairleoir M. Nugent, seconded by Comhairleoir M. O'Sullivan, another vote was called for the approval of the Report and the Adoption of the Resolution in Item 4.1 where there appeared as follows:-

**FOR:** Comhairleoirí S. Cunningham, T. Brosnan, J. Kavanagh, T. Gould, F. Ryan, K. O'Flynn, L. O'Donnell, J. Sheehan, M. Nugent, T. Fitzgerald, M. O'Sullivan, D. Cahill, L. McGonigle, T. Shannon, N. O'Keeffe, S. O'Shea, M. Finn, F. Kerins, P. Dineen, J. Buttimer, H. Cremin, M. Shields, F. Dennehy, P.J. Hourican, T. Moloney (25)

AGAINST: Comhairleoirí T. Tynan, K. McCarthy (2)

# **ABSTENTION:** (0)

As those voting in favour of the Report and Resolution was greater than 23 Members in accordance with Section 34 (6) (b) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended), An Chomhairle agreed to approve the Report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise dated 6<sup>th</sup> December 2017 on Outline Permission for a Residential Development at the Former Hormann Electronics Site, Mahon Industrial Estate, Blackrock, Cork – Planning Ref. No. 17/7349 and An Chomhairle further agreed to adopt the following Resolution:-

"Having considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning and Economic Development, it is hereby RESOLVED under Section 34(6) (iv) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) to approve the report of the Director of Services, Strategic Planning and Economic Development that permission be granted to Murphy Transport Ltd. Under Planning Register 17/37349 for outline permission for a residential development comprising 3 no. 4-bed detached units, 8 no. 3-bed semi-detached units, 12 no. 3-bed duplex units, 12 no. 2-bed apartment units, 66 no. car spaces, relocation of ESB substation within site and all associated site development, drainage and landscaping works at Former Hormann Electronics Site, Mahon Industrial Estate, Blackrock, Cork."

# 12. MOTIONS

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

# 12.1 AUDIT OF DANGEROUS TREES

'That Cork City Council undertake an audit with regard to dangerous trees. Many homeowners may not have the resources themselves.

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O'Flynn 17/378)

# **Environment & Recreation Functional Committee**

# 12.2 <u>CUT BACK TREES ON LOWER GLANMIRE ROAD</u>

'That the trees on Lower Glanmire Road be cut back as they are seriously overgrown and are protruding into adjacent wiring.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 17/381)

# **Environment & Recreation Functional Committee**

# 12.3 **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING ON BALLYHOOLEY ROAD**

'In order to compliment the new road development on Ballyhooly Road, that Cork City Council put in place a Pedestrian Crossing on Ballyhooly Road adjacent to the Bus Stop near the former Keatings Furniture premises.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 17/396)

# **Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

# 12.4 TACKLE SOCIAL HOUSING LIST FOR A QUICKTIME TURN AROUND

'That Cork City Council explore the enormous advancements in modular housing procurement to tackle social houses list for a quicktime turn around.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O'Flynn 17/411)

# Housing & Community Functional Committee

# 12.5 <u>YELLOW BOX JUNCTION AND DOUBLE YELLOW LINES AT THE</u> JUNCTION OF CAPWELL ROAD AND CHRIST THE KING CHURCH

'That Cork City Council put a yellow box junction and double yellow lines in place at the junction of Capwell Road and Christ the King Church to enable commuters to exit and enter the local Community Care Centre.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 17/431)

#### **Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

#### 12.6 STRATEGY FOR THE PLANTING OF TREES AND SHRUBS

'That Cork City Council would develop a strategy for the planting of trees and shrubs in public spaces.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 17/439)

#### **Environment & Recreation Functional Committee**

#### 12.7 <u>REMOVE BRANCHES AND OVERGROWTH BETWEEN CHERRY GROVE</u> <u>AND KENLEY ESTATE</u>

'That City Council would remove the branches and overgrowth from the footpath between Cherry Grove and Kenley Estate on the Model Farm Road. This footpath was put in place recently to facilitate the schoolchildren and residents on the south side of Model Farm Road but now due to the lack of hedge cutting parts of this footpath is now impassable so I would ask that this be sorted for the sake of residents living locally.'

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 17/440)

#### **Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

# 12.8 <u>CITY COUNCIL PROPERTIES WITH BACK GARDENS BORDERING</u> <u>PRIVATE PROPERTIES</u>

'That Cork City Council would carry out a study/inspection on all City Council owned properties where their back gardens are bordered with private properties/land. The fact is that there are some tenants have waste land and overgrowth between these properties and it seems nobody wants to claim ownership of this space and some of our tenants [the elderly in particular] are having huge problems trying to control the growth and the vermin/rats that these conditions are attracting.'

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 17/441)

#### Housing & Community Functional Committee

#### 12.9 **<u>REPAINT DOUBLE YELLOW LINES AT PROSPERITY SQUARE</u>**

'That the double yellow lines at the entrance to Prosperity Square be repainted in order to discourage motorists from parking and to allow emergency vehicles to have unhindered access.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O'Driscoll 17/443)

#### **Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

#### 12.10 CHRISTMAS TREE IN CLASHDUV PARK

'To put a Christmas tree with lights in the Clashduv Park. Decoration around the park would set it off lovely as well.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Moloney 17/445)

#### **Environment & Recreation Functional Committee**

# 12.11 SECURE VICTORIA HOTEL AND MOORE'S HOTEL

'That Cork City Council prepare a report for Council with a view to Council securing both Victoria Hotel, and Moore's Hotel as both buildings have been vacant for many years and their acquisition would help Council with its challenge to provide accommodation for persons in need of same.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 17/448)

# Strategic Planning, Economic Development & Enterprise Functional Committee

# 12.12 IRISH STONE AND TIMBER TO BE USED IN THE RENEWAL OF MORRISON'S ISLANE

'That City Council/OPW specify that only Irish Stone and timber be used in the Morrison's Islane renewal in order to preserve the integrity of the heritage of the area. There is absolutely no need to import lumps of granite from the orient. The design going to Part 8 should firstly be put to the elected Council for approval before being advertised.

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 17/449)

#### Strategic Planning, Economic Development & Enterprise Functional Committee

# 12.13 BLACKROCK PIER REGENERATION PROJECT

'That the trees due to be planted on the Blackrock Pier regeneration project be put in place.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 17/450)

#### **Environment & Recreation Functional Committee**

#### 12.14 **<u>30KM SPEED LIMIT AT FAIRHILL DRIVE</u>**

'Following the implementation of 30Km speed limits at a number of estates in Fairhill, Cork City Council will consider a request in Fairhill Drive, to introduce a 30 Km limit in sections of their estate, (excluding the bus route) appropriate signage and traffic calming measures. Residents are concerned that there is now a divergence in speed limit signage in the general area with a risk of confusing residents who feel it is a safety issue. Council will report on correspondence from residents of 1-92 Fairhill Drive on these issues.'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 17/452)

#### **Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

#### 12.15 **PROGRESS ON THE NORTH WEST REGIONAL PARK**

'That Cork City Council will report on progress on the North West Regional Park & City North-West Regeneration Active Recreation Area.'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 17/453)

#### **Environment & Recreation Functional Committee**

# 12.16 TRAFFIC AND PARKING AUDIT AT GURRANABRAHER AND CHURCHFIELD

'That Cork City Council would carry out a traffic and parking audit near Gurranabraher and Churchfield Community Centre, the Gurranabraher Post Office and commercial units on Gurranabraher Rd, to look at the possibility of widening the width of the road to installing a set down area and parking spaces that would best facilitate the public, local businesses without causing gridlock in the area.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Gould 17/455)

# **Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

This concluded the business of the meeting

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