# MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF CORK CITY COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 25<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2018

**PRESENT** Ard-Mhéara Comhairleoir M. Finn.

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

**NORTH CENTRAL** Comhairleoirí K. O'Flynn, 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, L. McGonigle, T. Shannon, N.

O'Keeffe.

**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

Mr. J. G. O'Riordan, Meetings Administrator, Corporate & External

Affairs.

Mr. D. Hickey, Senior Staff Officer, Corporate & External Affairs.

Mr. D. Joyce, Director of Services, Transition Directorate.

Mr. G. O'Beirne, Director of Services, Roads & Transportation.

Mr. M. Burke, A/Director of Services, H.R. Management &

Organisation Reform.

Mr. T. Duggan, City Architect.

Mr. B. O'Hare, Financial Accountant.

An tArd-Mhéara recited the opening prayer.

### 1. **VOTES OF SYMPATHY**

- The Bickerstaffe Family on the death of John Bickerstaffe.
- The Ó'Loinsigh Family on the death of Seán Ó'Loinsigh

### 2. VOTES OF CONGRATULATIONS/BEST WISHES

- Cork City Council on organising the events for Bonfire Night/ St. John's Eve, opening of outdoor at Fairfield, Fairhill.
- Cork City Fire Brigade on Bonfire Night.
- Linda O'Halloran and Shandon Street Festival on organising the Shandon Street Festival.
- Cork Ladies Senior Football Team on Munster Senior Football Championship.
- Fr. Tom Deenihan on Appointment as Bishop of Meath.

# 3. **LORD MAYOR'S ITEMS**

# 3.1 <u>MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES</u>

As required under Standing Orders, An tArd-Mhéara advised An Chomhairle that he is resigning as a member of Functional Committees and Strategic Policy Committees to which he is a member of.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir T. Shannon, seconded by Comhairleoir S. Martin, An Chomhairle approved the appointment of Comhairleoir T. Fitzgerald as a member of the following:-

- Housing & Community Strategic Policy Committee.
- Roads & Transportation Functional Committee.
- Environment & Recreation Functional Committee.
- Tourism, Arts & Culture Functional Committee.

An tArd-Mhéara advised An Chomhairle that Comhairleoir S. Martin is resigning as Chair of the Housing and Community Strategic Policy Committee as and from the 1<sup>st</sup> July 2018.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir T. Shannon, seconded by Comhairleoir M. Shields, An Chomhairle approved the appointment of Comhairleoir T. Fitzgerald as Chair of the Housing and Community Strategic Policy Committee as and from the 1<sup>st</sup> July 2018.

# 3.2 **ECAD CONFERENCE**

An tArd-Mhéara proposed and An Chomhairle approved the holding of an ECAD Conference in Cork next year.

### 3.3 **CONNECTING FOR LIFE**

An Chomhairle noted the update which An tArd-Mhéara gave in relation to a meeting he had with Martin Ryan (Suicide Prevention Resource Officer...HSE) relating to "Ireland's National Strategy to Reduce Suicide 2015-2020 ... Connection for Life".

# 3.4 **STANDING ORDERS**

An tArd-Mhéara reminded An Chomhairle that Cork City Council's Standing Orders (for the regulation of the Business of Council and of the Committees thereof) would be reviewed at an appropriate time after the summer recess.

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

No items raised.

# 5.1 **MINUTES**

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 11<sup>th</sup> June 2018.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Buttimer, seconded by Comhairleoir N. O'Keeffe, An Chomhairle considered and approved the minutes of:-

• Annual Meeting of An Chomhairle held 15<sup>th</sup> June 2018.

### 5.2 **BOUNDARY EXTENSION**

D. Joyce, Director of Services, Transition Directorate answered a number of queries which the Elected Members had raised regarding documentation and maps relating to the Boundary Extension which had issued in advance of the meeting. On the proposal of Comhairleoir M. Nugent, An Chomhairle approved that a Workshop would take place, facilitated by D. Joyce, Director of Services, Transition Directorate, in relation to this matter.

## 6. **QUESTION TIME**

# 6.1 <u>PUBLIC PARKS WITH PLAYGROUNDS TARGETED BY ANTI-SOCIAL</u> <u>BEHAVIOUR</u>#

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

"Could the CE give an update on the number of Public Park with playgrounds *and M.U.G.A.* (*multi-user games area*) facilities in Cork City and *suburbs* that has been targeted and damaged as result of Vandalism and Anti-social behaviour including;

- a) What has been the investment made by Cork City Council in each park on the equipment and facilities, give a breakdown on equipment and each Park in each year 2012,2013,2014,2015,2016,2017,2018;
- b) What has been the investment made by Cork City Council in each park on the replacement/repair of equipment and facilities damaged, give a breakdown on equipment and each Park in each year 2012,2013,2014,2015,2016,2017,2018;
- c) How many individuals has Cork City Council pursued for the damages of the Park equipment /facilities in each year 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018?
- d) Has Cork City Council pursued legal action for damages against person or persons responsible for the Vandalism and Anti-social behaviour which lead destruction/damage of equipment at the public facilities in each year 2012,2013,2014,2015,2016,2017,2018;
- e) If Cork City Council has not pursued legal action for damages against person or persons responsible why not and give a breakdown of cost in each case for the year 2012,2013,2014,2015,2016,2017,2018;
- f) List the different kinds of damage to Public Park equipment and facilities and the overall cost to Cork City Council.

(Cllr. Chris O'Leary) Deferred from meeting of 14<sup>th</sup> May

#### **REPLY**

a) What has been the investment made by Cork City Council in each park on the equipment and facilities, give a breakdown on equipment and each Park in each year 2012,2013,2014,2015,2016,2017,2018;

2012 – Safer Surfacing all Playgrounds - €75k 2015 – Fitzgerald's Park - €653k (€200k contribution from Bon Secours Hospital) 2018 – Bishopstown Playground - €625

b) What has been the investment made by Cork City Council in each park on the replacement/repair of equipment and facilities damaged, give a breakdown on equipment and each Park in each year 2012,2013,2014,2015,2016,2017,2018;

See attached schedule of costs for replacement/repairs.

c) How many individuals has Cork City Council pursued for the damages of the Park equipment /facilities in each year 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018?

No individuals were identified as associated with the wanton damage so the Council was unable to pursue for damages.

d) Has Cork City Council pursued legal action for damages against person or persons responsible for the Vandalism and Anti-social behaviour which lead destruction/damage of equipment at the public facilities in each year 2012,2013,2014,2015,2016,2017,2018;

*No for the explanation given at c) above.* 

e) If Cork City Council has not pursued legal action for damages against person or persons responsible why not and give a breakdown of cost in each case for the year 2012,2013,2014,2015,2016,2017,2018;

Explanation given at c) above.

f) List the different kinds of damage to Public Park equipment and facilities and the overall cost to Cork City Council.

Repairs arising from wanton damage are not recorded separately from general playground repairs so the overall cost of repairs is as shown on the attached schedule of costs.

# 6.2 TRAFFIC AND MOBILITY PLANS FOR EVENTS/MATCHES

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

Will the CE inform Council on:

What, if any, traffic and mobility plans for the various events/matches that have taken place in Páirc Uí Chaoimh since its opening? Please lay before Council any that have?

What ongoing contact/meetings regarding mobility and traffic issues have taken place between the management of the Stadium and City Council officials?

Regarding the Environmental Impact Study that was carried out as part of the planning application, what levels of traffic were envisioned, what levels of environmental impact were envisioned and what proposals were identified in the EIS to mitigate their impacts?

Are the Management of Páirc Uí Chaoimh complying with all their conditions of planning i.e. infrastructure and EIS issues?

Will Council in conjunction with the Gardai and other bodies investigate the possibility of introducing new protocols to alleviate the major traffic and parking problems that now are part and parcel of events/matches taking place in the Stadium, including introducing a 2km parking exclusion zone around the Stadium, manned barriers at housing estates in Ballinlough/Boreenmanna Road/Skehard Road/Well Road/ Beaumont Park & Ride facilities and promote the use of city centre car parks, active enforcement of parking regulations and other measures deemed necessary by authorities?

(Cllr. Terry Shannon) Deferred from meeting of 11<sup>th</sup> June

#### REPLY

The Environmental Impact Assessment (EIS) submitted with the planning application for the redevelopment of Páirc Uí Chaoimh included specific information in relation to traffic and transportation. It noted that the proposed redevelopment would comprise a modest increase in maximum capacity from 43,500 persons to 45,000 persons (an increase of around 3.5%), and that an increase in frequency of large sporting events is limited. The EIS concluded that there would be no significant adverse impact from the redevelopment in terms of traffic. The key mitigation measure proposed was a traffic and mobility management plan, an outline of which was included with the EIS. This outline set out several measures for various match-day scenarios, from small matches with up to one thousand person attendance up to maximum capacity.

A mobility management plan was subsequently prepared in compliance with the planning conditions for the Páirc Uí Chaoimh development. This mobility management plan set out detailed information in relation to options to travel to the stadium via walking & cycling, public transport as well as by car. The traffic management arrangements for six different scenarios, varying from typical non match days to full attendance matches form part of the mobility management plan. Measures vary between match-day scenarios and include access restrictions, public information dissemination on accessible travel options and liaison. It is a matter for the developer to carry out and comply with the proposed mitigation measures. The plan is intended to be a live document which is reviewed and adapted on an ongoing basis. Various meetings were held between GAA representatives, their consultants and Cork City Council for the purposes of compliance with the relevant planning conditions. Copies of mobility management plans are recorded on the planning file and available for public view through the Councils offices or the Councils website.

In addition to the foregoing a separate event license is required for major events such as the recent concerts. As part of the related application process the applicant/operator is required to prepare an individual traffic management plan. Again copies of such plans are available for public inspection.

There are no major concerns with respect to compliance with planning conditions in relation to infrastructure and EIS issues. Condition 18 of An Bord Pleanála's decision relates to a mobility management plan. The plan is intended to be a live document which is reviewed and is to adapted on an ongoing basis. Condition 20 of An Bord Pleanála's decision related to a special financial contribution in relation to street lighting in the surrounding area, and this has not yet been resolved.

As noted at the recent functional meeting discussions, the traffic restrictions associated with individual matches are agreed and enforced by An Garda Síochána. Cork City Council attends all meetings as requested and provides facilities as and where requested in support of the arrangements in place. This includes parking and enforcement facilities.

P Ledwidge Strategic Planning & Economic Development G O' Beirne Roads & Transportation

### 6.3 **ROAD WORKS AT THE GUS HEALY SWIMMING POOL**

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

Can the CE provide the following information concerning the Gus Healy Swimming Pool in Ballinlough including associated road works, how much money including all government grants has been spent maintaining, running and upgrading this facility over the past five years?

(Cllr. Des Cahill)

#### **REPLY**

The Gus Healy Pool is open 6 days a week from 7am until 10pm Monday to Friday and 7 am until 3.45pm on Saturday. The pool caters for demand from private swimming clubs and schools in the main, with a number of public hours also available. The facility is managed by Leisureworld on the Council's behalf with the City Council responsible for maintenance.

Last year, over 101,000 visits were recorded at the facility, which was up 10% on the previous year.

The nett cost of operating the pool per annum for the past 5 years has been € 168,000, broken down as follows;

2013	Expenditure 361k	2013 Income	179k	2013 Nett cost	182k
2014	369k	2014	170k	2014	199k
2015	373k	2015	194k	2015	179k
2016	351k	2016	235k	2016	116k
2017	362k	2017	196k	2017	166k*
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In the period 2011/2012, the Council received € 400k Department Energy Upgrade and Disability Grants to upgrade the pool, allowing installation of new double glazed windows, roof installation, new condensed boiler, new BMS unit etc. The Council also spent an additional € 140k from its own resources carrying out electrical upgrades and decorative work. In 2017, a complete new water filtration system was installed by the Council at a cost of € 110k.

Last year as well, the road and car park serving the complex was renewed, with provision of a new pathway, at a cost of € 320k.

Valerie O Sullivan Director of Services Environment & Recreation

### 6.4 **PROGRESS REPORT ON TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT**

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

To ask the CE for an update and progress report for traffic management and treatment of the public realm at Dennehy's Cross, Wilton Road and Model Farm Road, the costs and funding source associate for these plans, when it is hoped to commence the plans and if there is a requirement for further public consultation?

(Cllr. John Buttimer)

#### REPLY

The procurement of the design team for the upgrade of Dennehy's Cross (up to and including the Wilton Gardens Junction) is complete. The design team is required to review the approved Wilton Corridor layout as agreed during the Part 8 planning process. Following this review the costs, precise scope of work, delivery programme and planning status will be confirmed including any required consultation. The Project is funded by the National Transport Authority. The Authority recently provided its first allocation of grant funding (€0.5m) for the project.

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

### 6.5 **UPGRADING PUBLIC LIGHTS**

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

Is there a financial or contractual problem with upgrading public lights that have been out for the entire winter? e.g. Curragh Road, South Douglas Road.

(Cllr. Sean Martin)

#### REPLY

The lighting on Curragh Road and South Douglas Road, as with many other areas in the city, use lanterns which are mounted on ESB Networks poles and columns. The lanterns are owned by the local authority and maintained by a specialist contractor on its behalf. The energy account is also managed by the local authority. In accordance with the available budgets the Council undertakes route lighting upgrades where possible and these upgrades generally incorporate replacement of brackets or degraded ironwork, electrical interface equipment and LED lanterns to achieve significant energy saving.

The issue of street lighting switching out intermittently during the winter period, especially in adverse weather conditions, occurs as a result of the overhead cables which have not

been isolated in the context of unbundling of the asset. Such asset unbundling necessitates work by the Distribution System Operator which in this case is the owner, ESB Networks. The arrangements to undertake a more comprehensive rollout of the unbundling of the lighting asset by ESB Networks is subject to ongoing discussion as between ESB Networks, the Road Management Office (on behalf of local authorities generally) and Transportation Infrastructure Ireland, TII.

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

### 6.6 **POSSESSORY TITLE ON A PORTION OF THE TANK FIELD**

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

Can the CE please advise or confirm that in view of the recent reply to Cllr. Tim Brosnan's recent Question to the CE in relation to registering Possessory Title on a significant portion of the Tank Field, being the 10% statutory green area of what was formerly known as Mayfield Heights, which stated that no Possessory title was Registered, then is it not then the case that the Council did not hold a valid title to the aforementioned land which is placed before the Council for disposal and therefore that such disposal is in fact invalid??

(Cllr. Joe Kavanagh)

#### **REPLY**

At the time of approval of the relevant disposal notices by Council to the Department of Education at Brian Dillons Hurling and Football Club in Marcy and October of 2005 respectively and at the time of the Part VIII Planning in February 2006 Cork City Council was the owner of the lands at the Tank Field. The greater part of the Tank Field was then and is held by Cork City Council in fee simple under and by virtue of a Deed of Conveyance dated the 9<sup>th</sup> of October 2001, made between The Unknown and The Unascertained Owner of the Fee Simple and other Intermediate Interest(s) (if any), the Chief Clerk of the Circuit Court of the one part and The Lord Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of Cork of the other part.

As advised by the Law Agent the area of land within the Tank Field previously registered in the name of MF Holdings Limited, the company that developed the Mayfield Heights housing estate, was at the time of the Disposal Notices held in possessory title by Cork City Council and had been so held for over 40 years. Cork City Council had been in possession and occupation of the lands since the mid to late 1960's. There was and is no legal requirement to register possessory title.

This land was subsequently the subject of the Iona road – Murmont Road Compulsory Acquisition Order No. 1 of 2013 ("Order No. 1") measuring an area approx. 345sqm or 0.85 acres. The purpose of Order No. 1 was to improve Cork City Council's existing title by acquiring a freehold interest in the subject lands. This Order was subsequently granted by An Bórd Pleanála.

I am satisfied that at all relevant times the lands in question were within City Council ownership and control allowing the relevant disposal notices and Part VIII to be prepared and validly brought before Council for approval.

John Ger O'Riordan A/Director of Services, Corporate & External Affairs.

### 6.7 COSTS PROVIDING EMERGENCY ACCOMMODATION FROM 2016

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

Can the CE outline the costs involved from 2016 in providing emergency accommodation such as hotels and B & B's to homeless families and individuals in the Cork region and the number involved?

(Cllr. Michael Nugent)

#### REPLY

The emergency Hotel and B&B costs from 2016 to April 2018 was €2,856,557.13.

There were a total of 855 unique residents in emergency accommodation for varying periods of time including 343 family units.

It is anticipated that the recent opening of the Family Hub will have a significant positive impact on these figures.

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

### 6.8 TRAFFIC LIGHTS ONTO ST. PATRICK'S BRIDGE

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

Can the CE please advise why the timing of the traffic lights so poor that only 4 or 5 vehicles can exit north to St. Patrick's Bridge even at peak times and the timing therefore is also creating congestion on St. Patrick's Street. The road markings on the left filter lane to Lavitt's Quay are also a contributing factor to exiting St. Patrick's Street?

# **REPLY**

The operation of traffic signals in the city centre which includes the network comprising of St. Patrick's Street, Lavitt's Quay, Merchants Quay is managed with the use of the SCOOT Urban Traffic Control system.

Signal timings are calculated in real time based on the flows and average speed of vehicles travelling over induction loops on the main approaches to key junctions. Timings therefore are provided for each approach following a process of validation within parameters which

are in line with recommended UTC operations and comply with the Traffic Signs Manual published by the Department of Transport.

The assignment of lanes on St. Patrick's Street has not changed since the renewal of the main thoroughfare and the construction of improved pedestrian footpaths some years ago. However the operation of St. Patrick's Street, especially at peak time as referred to in the Question will be further monitored. I will also be reviewed and monitored in the context of the implementation of the various measures associated with the implementation of the City Centre Movement Strategy.

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

# 6.9 **KEEP CORK CLEAN**

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

Can the CEO inform me if the Council intends to reintroduce a programme to have the pavements within the city centre washed and kept clean from ground in dirt. During a recent walk about in the city centre local traders brought it to my attention that the pavements have not been washed in many months. The result of this is that the pavements in the city centre are filthy and, in some if not most cases, they are so filthy that the granite pavements are blackened from ground in dirt. This is not acceptable and taking into consideration the slogan "Keep Cork Clean" that the City Council adopted some years back, I believe that we "the City Council" should lead by example.

(Cllr. Paudie Dineen)

#### **REPLY**

A deep clean programme has commenced and will continue on city centre streets.

Oliver Plunkett Street power washing is ongoing at present with 80% complete, the remainder should be finished tomorrow, Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September.

It is estimated that the Grand parade area should be finished by next Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> July.

Power washing of Patrick Street pavement was completed on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> June.

The mechanical sweeper will be introduced in July.

Following a prolonged dry spell during which a number of large scale events were held in the city, this level of deterioration in cleanliness of streets is to be expected. However, the appearance and cleanliness of the city centre is top priority for this Directorate and we are putting in place measures, which are already underway, to ensure the city is presented to the best possible standards of cleanliness.

Valerie O'Sullivan
Director of Services
Environment & Recreation

### 6.10 GDPR ON COUNCILLOR REPRESENTATIONS

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

How is the Council responding to GDPR?

What impact has GDPR on Councillor representations?

(Cllr. Nicholas O'Keeffe)

#### **REPLY**

1. As a data controller, Cork City Council has been preparing for the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and is taking a proactive approach to the implementation of the regulations. In early 2018 Ronan Daly Jermyn Solicitors were engaged to provide advisory services and a Data Protection Officer has been appointed for the organisation.

A DRAFT readiness Assessment Report / Gap Analysis has been prepared. Our policies have been reviewed and will be updated on an on-going basis around Data Protection.

We have developed a Privacy Statement and a Data Protection Policy for the organisation and work is on-going on the drafting of GDPR notifications to include a reference to the Council's privacy statement for individual business units.

We have a procedure in place for dealing with data access requests which are provided for under the rights of the data subject.

2. Prior to the introduction of GDPR the office of the Data Protection Commissioner advised that where a public representative makes a written representation on behalf of a constituent, the organisation can generally assume that the constituent has given consent for the release of personal data necessary to respond to the representation.

However, given the requirement for specific consent under GDPR the Data Protection Commissioner's Office is currently in the process of providing clarification in this area and it is hoped to have this finalised by the end of September 2018.

John Ger O'Riordan, A/Director of Services, Corporate & External Affairs.

# 7. <u>CORPORATE POLICY GROUP – 18<sup>st</sup> JUNE 2018</u>

An Chomhairle considered and noted the minutes of Corporate Policy Group from its meeting held 18<sup>th</sup> June 2018.

# 7.1 **FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO 31<sup>st</sup> MAY 2018**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the Financial Statement to 31st May 2018.

# 7.2 **CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S ITEMS**

# 7.2.1 <u>CITY CENTRE MOVEMENT STRATEGY BRIEFING</u>

An Chomhairle considered and noted that a Briefing had been held for Full Council in Committee in relation to the City Centre Movement Strategy (including Public Awareness and Marketing) at 5.00 p.m. on Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> June 2018.

# 8. HOUSING & COMMUNITY STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE – 12<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2018

An Chomhairle considered and noted the minutes of the Housing and Community Strategic Policy Committee from its meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> June 2018.

# 9. HOUSING & COMMUNITY FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 18<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2018

On the proposal of Comhairleoir N. O'Keeffe, An Chomhairle agreed to refer the minutes back for further consideration to the Housing and Communication Functional Committee at their next meeting.

An Chomhairle further agreed that the following Items would be addressed by An Chomhairle at this meeting:-

#### 9.1 **MONTHLY REPORT**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services on Housing for May 2018.

# 9.2 **FAMILY HUB**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the Report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 in relation to the acquisition of a premises for a Family Hub.

# 9.3 SUMMARY SOCIAL HOUSING ASSESSMENT (SSHA) 2018

An Chomhairle considered and noted the Report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 in relation to the Summary Social Housing Assessment (SSHA) 2018.

#### 9.4 HOUSING ASSISTANCE PAYMENT (HAP) SCHEME

An Chomhairle considered and noted the Report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 in relation to the Housing Assistance Payment (HAP) Scheme.

# 9.5 <u>CLÚID HOUSING ASSOCIATION – ACCOMMODATION AT OLD MALLOW ROAD, CORK</u>

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 in relation to loan facility for Clúid Housing

Association in respect of the provision of 6 units of accommodation at Old Mallow Road, Cork.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir C. O'Leary, seconded by Comhairleoir S. Martin, 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 €502,500 be granted to Clúid Housing Association for the acquisition of 6 no. units of accommodation at Old Mallow Road, Cork subject to the terms of the Capital Advance Leasing Facility Scheme".

# 9.6 <u>GALTAN CLG – ACCOMMODATION AT 14, LOWER GLANMIRE ROAD, CORK</u>

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 in relation to loan facility for Galtan CLG in respect of the provision of 3 units of accommodation at 14 Lower Glanmire Road, Cork.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Buttimer, seconded by Comhairleoir P. Dineen, 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 €550,000 be granted to Galtan CLG, subject to the terms of the Capital Assistance Scheme for the provision of 3 units of accommodation at 14, Lower Glanmire Road, Cork".

# 9.7 <u>GALTAN CLG – ACCOMMODATION AT 7, ST. PATRICK'S TERRACE, LOWER GLANMIRE ROAD, CORK</u>

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 in relation to loan facility for Galtan CLG in respect of the provision of 3 units of accommodation at 7, St. Patrick's Terrace, Lower Glanmire Road, Cork.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir C. O'Leary, seconded by Comhairleoir J. Sheehan, 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 €550,000 be granted to Galtan CLG, subject to the terms of the Capital Assistance Scheme for the provision of 3 units of accommodation at 7 St. Patrick's Terrace, Lower Glanmire Road, Cork."

# 9.8 <u>GALTAN CLG – ACCOMMODATION AT PYNES VALLEY, BALLYVOLANE, CORK</u>

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 in relation to the loan facility for Galtan CLG in respect of the provision of 1 unit of accommodation at 35, Pynes Valley, Ballyvolane, Cork.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Buttimer, seconded by Comhairleoir K. Collins, 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 €330,000 be granted to Galtan CLG, subject to the terms of the Capital Assistance Scheme for the provision of one unit of accommodation at 35 Pynes Valley, Ballyvolane, Cork".

#### 9.9 WALLS AT ILEN GARDENS, DEANROCK ESTATE

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That City Council would do up a full report for Ward Cllrs on the condition of the back and gable end walls at Ilen Gardens Deanrock Estate and what actions will be taken to rectify this ongoing deteriorating of the outside plasterwork.'

(Proposers: Cllr. H. Cremin, Cllr. T. Moloney 18/134)

An Chomhairle agreed that all Ward Councillors would receive the Reports.

The Report of the Director of Services stated that Cork City Council is satisfied in accordance with the documentation furnished to it from the manufacturers of the system that there are no health and safety issues with same.

The following would support the above:

- The machine installed are for domestic application and are used across Europe as a primary residential heating system, within Mitsubishi Electric these products are referred to a RAC Residential Air Conditioner, with the intended purpose being for a residential application.
- In 2016, Mitsubishi commemorated the production of their 50 millionth indoor unit (as installed in Ard Bhaile). With well in excess of 50 million of this style of unit produced and sold, the product is tried and tested.
- The main model used in Ard Bhaile conforms to EU standards and is CE certified as per the attached.
- All units have an ErP (energy related products) label and as such exceed the minimum requirements of the EU commission for energy related products.
- The existing room air is circulated through the system, filtered, cleaned and heated. The air, after the exchange of heat, is cleaner than prior to entering the system.
- The system needs to be maintained to operate effectively. An annual service is currently being concluded.

#### 9.10 **DEVELOPMENT AT BOHERBOY ROAD**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

"The Council recognises its previous excellent record from the 1930s to the 1980s in providing high quality public housing in estates such as Mayfield, Ballyphehane, Gurranabraher and Mahon, and further recognises that the state, through fundamental changes in policy at national level since the 1980s has abrogated the role of housing provision to predominantly private interests whose prime interest is the creation of profit for themselves and their investors.

In recognising that the private sector and massive subsidisation of landlords and developers has failed to address the housing crisis, Cork City Council accepts that a severe housing crisis now exists. This crisis affects thousands of low and middle income households in this city. In view of this, this Council supports the development of a pilot scheme of 100% public, mixed-income housing on publicly owned lands at Boherboy Road, Mayfield.

Under the scheme, all housing on the site will be built by and rented from the City Council, with 50% of housing units rented at current differential rents to households currently on housing waiting lists, while 50% of housing units will be rented to households earning above the waiting list threshold, but with demonstrated housing need, and paying higher but fair rents in line with their income"

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Tynan 18/173)

Comhairleoir T. Tynan's objection was noted.

The Report of the Director of Services stated that it is acknowledged that the former Cork Corporation had an excellent record in the provision of social housing in the City during the earlier and later parts of the last century. Today, however, as it approaches the third decade in this century the Council is facing a completely different set of circumstances with inward migration, non-traditional family structures, demographics and norms, increased diversity and mobility together with modern technical and procurement requirements as EU citizens. Social housing provision is delivered today under a diverse array of strands comprised in the five pillars of Rebuilding Ireland including the involvement of Approved Housing Bodies. Social Housing services range in complexity depending on individual family circumstances and Cork City Council is still to the forefront nationally in these areas; for example, in housing delivery under EU procurement instruments and on-line choice based letting.

The Council has once again been proactive in progressing lands for housing just outside the existing City boundary at Boherboy Road and has recently been successful in acquiring planning permission to build housing on these lands. The Council is now commencing the detailed design of these units and associated comprehensive enabling works and services and the economic/viability assessment and procurement of this very large capital scheme in order that public resources are managed safely and efficiently. The Council will be working as usual under the guidance of the Department of Housing, Planning & Local Government in this regard in order to provide housing solutions where they are needed.

As the development of these lands progresses, Council Members will be appraised of progress and indeed Council approval, sanction and support will be required at certain stages.

The project at Boherboy Road is a major undertaking for the Council together with its other plans and it will require effective engagement and collaboration with many key stakeholders including the Members in order to provide new homes and communities sustainably.

# 9.11 MARCH HOMELESS REPORT

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That Cork City Council report on whether the Minister for Housing had instructed Council to remove individuals from the March Homeless Report whom the Council believed to be homeless and whether the Minister plans to remove more categories of people, Council to report on current numbers of those registered as homeless in the Cork area and the categories involved.'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 18/176)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that Cork City Council was not instructed by the Minister for Housing to remove individuals from the March Homeless Report. Numbers registered as homeless in the Cork area are set out below:

County	Total
Cork City	312
Cork County	12
Total	324

Accommodation Type	Total
Private Emergency Accommodation (PEA)	253
Supported Temporary Accommodation	187
(STA)	
Temporary Emergency Accommodation (low	0
support)(TEA)	
Other	0
Unique Total (note, clients may have	324
accessed multiple accommodation types	
during the week)	

# 10. ROADS & TRANSPORTATION FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 18<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2018

An Chomhairle considered and noted the minutes of Roads and Transportation Functional Committee from its meeting held 18<sup>th</sup> June 2018.

### 10.1 **ROADWORKS PROGRAMME**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, dated 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 on the progress of the ongoing Roadworks Programme for the month ending May 2018.

# 10.2 CORK AGGLOMERATION NOISE ACTION PLAN 2018-2023

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, dated 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 regarding Cork Agglomeration Noise Action Plan 2018-2023.

### 10.3 LOW COST SAFETY SCHEMES – HANOVER PLACE SECTION 38

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, dated the 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 on the Low Cost Safety Schemes – Hanover Place Section 38.

# 10.4 <u>TAKING IN CHARGE OF DEVELOPMENT AT MOREMILES, DUBLIN STREET, CORK</u>

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services dated the 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 on the Taking in Charge of Development at Moremiles, Dublin Street, Cork.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir S. Martin, seconded by Comhairleoir J. Buttimer, An Chomhairle further agreed to adopt the following Resolution:-

Now Council hereby RESOLVES THAT

"Having considered the Report of the Director of Services, Roads and Transportation Directorate, dated 14<sup>th</sup> June, 2018, and the provisions of Section 11 (1) of the Roads Act 1993, it is now hereby declared by this Order that the said roads serving Moremiles, Dublin Street, Cork are public roads."

# 10.5 <u>INCLUDE CONNOLLY ROAD IN THE ROAD RESURFACING PROGRAMME</u> 2018

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services dated 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That Connolly Road from Pearse Road to Tory Top Road be included in the 2018 road resurfacing programme.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 18/030)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that the Road selection for the 2018 road resurfacing programme has already been completed and does not include Connolly Road. However, his section of road will be assessed for consideration for the 2019 roads programme.

# 10.6 <u>INCLUDE O'CONNELL AVENUE AND DOYLE ROAD IN THE ROAD RESURFACING PROGRAMME 2018</u>

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, dated the 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That O'Connell Avenue and Doyle Road be included in 2018 road resurfacing programme. They are in extremely poor condition.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 18/031)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that sections of O'Connell Avenue and Doyle Road are included in the 2018 road resurfacing programme. O'Connell Avenue is proposed to be resurfaced at its junction with Curragh Road along with a considerable section between Derrynane Road and Doyle Road (443 square metres in total). Doyle Road is proposed to be resurfaced from O'Connell Avenue to 23 Doyle Road (481 square metres total). This represents a total of approx. 15% of the allocated budget for road resurfacing for Estate Roads in the South Central Ward, under the 2018 roads programme.

# 10.7 <u>ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR ON ROCKBORO ROAD</u>

An Chomhairle considered the Report of the Director of Services, dated the 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 on the following Motion and agreed to refer it back for further consideration to the next meeting of Roads and Transportation Functional Committee:-

'That Cork City Council along with other responsible agencies take all necessary steps to alleviate and resolve the ongoing anti social behaviour, which includes drinking in public, drug distribution and drug taking on Rockboro Road. One of the measures that must be considered is the closure of the pedestrian bridge from Rockboro Road over to Anglesea Street.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Shannon 18/098)

### 10.8 POWERED TWO WHEELERS ACCESS TO PATRICK STREET

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, dated the 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That Cork City Council would allow PTWs (Powered Two Wheelers, motorcycles and scooters) to use Patrick Street during the 3:00pm – 6:30pm bus lane times. Motorcycles are allowed into bus lanes on most of the Capital's red routes. It presents no significant safety issues for other road users. Other benefits include reduced motorcycle journey times and fewer carbon dioxide emissions, and it could also lead to less road traffic serious injuries and deaths. The evidence is that PTWs don't contribute to congestion, they have lower emissions, and they take up far less space than cars both on the road and in parking.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Moloney 18/136)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that the operation of Bus Lanes is specified in legislation and Section 32 of the Road Traffic (Traffic and Parking) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2012, does not permit powered two wheelers, motorcycles or scooters to use Bus Lanes.

### 10.9 **INSTALL BARRIER ON THE SOUTH MALL**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, dated the 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That Cork City Council would, on the South Mall, just after the junction / islands with Princes Street, place a barrier down the middle of the road, traffic could merge further down on South Mall where the road widens. This would allow traffic coming from Georges Quay across Parliament Bridge turning left onto Grand Parade or right onto South Mall, to have free access to both and the traffic lights could be kept green all of the time, allowing the traffic to free flow onto these two areas.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Moloney 18/137)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that this area of South Mall has been assessed and the installation of a barrier is not considered to be appropriate. As part of the City Centre Movement Strategy works were undertaken last summer to remove the pinch point, reduce the size of the island, upgrade the traffic signals and controller to ensure that the two lanes of traffic coming from Grand parade could proceed onto South Mall as smoothly as possible. The installation of a barrier along the centre line of the road would restrict the flow from Grand Parade back into one lane. Furthermore a separate green stage would still be required for both South Mall and Parliament Bridge to facilitate access of vehicles from Parliament Bridge to Princes Street as well as to cater for pedestrian phase at this junction.

# 10.10 PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT CARDINAL WAY, WILTON

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, dated the 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That City Council would once again revisit the request for a pedestrian crossing at Cardinal Way Wilton. This was requested through a motion some years ago from myself on behalf the local school and parents of the schoolchildren for their safety due to the lack of a proper pedestrian crossing in this area. I have now been approached by some elderly residents living in Cardinal Court who are also looking for this crossing to visit their local shopping centre or their parish church. I would ask that serious consideration be given to this request.'

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 18/142)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that Cardinal Way, Wilton has been assessed and a pedestrian crossing is deemed appropriate Unfortunately however there is no funding available for the installation of pedestrian crossing facilities at present. Notwithstanding this, the request for a pedestrian crossing on Cardinal Way, Wilton will be put forward for consideration for future roads programmes.

# 10.11 CREATION OF 'DROP ZONES' OUTSIDE THE CAR-BAN AREA

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, dated the 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That as part of the pausing of the CCMS, initiatives such as the creation of 'drop zones' outside the car-ban area (i.e. in South Mall, Grand Parade, Merchant's Quay, Emmet Place) as well as a rebooting of park and rides systems to facilitate continued access to city centre'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 18/150)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that there are currently set down areas on Drawbridge Street and Parnell Place. The introduction of additional set down areas in the city centre is being examined as requested.

### 10.12 RESURFACE THOMAS DAVIS STREET, BLACKPOOL

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, dated the 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That Cork City Council would resurface Thomas Davis Street, Blackpool.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Sheehan 18/151)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that Thomas Davis St is not included in the 2018 Road Resurfacing programme. However the adjacent Dublin St from Marie McSwiney Bridge (Overbridge) to the junction with Dublin Hill is included in the 2018 programme.

# 10.13 TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PLAN AT ST. MARY'S HEALTH CAMPUS

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, dated the 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'In view of the planned opening of the largest Primary Care Centre in Ireland at the St Marys Health Campus location, I would ask that Cork City Council and An Gardaí Síochána would put in place a comprehensive traffic management plan to ensure the smooth flow of traffic in the area. Especially prior to the full completion of the new bus and road links through the campus.'

(Proposers: Cllr. J. Sheehan, Cllr. T. Fitzgerald 18/152)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that the planning consent for the primary care centre at St. Mary's Health Campus requires the preparation and submission of a Mobility Management Plan. This plan is to cover staff/visitors/patients of the Primary Care Centre. The Mobility Management Plan and its contents are to be agreed with Cork City Council within six months of the opening of the primary care centre.

# 10.14 **STATUS OF PEDESTRIAN COUNTERS**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, dated the 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That Cork City Council prepare a report to Council on the current status of the pedestrian counters erected by the Roads Directorate in recent years. How much was spent on purchasing and erecting the counters throughout the City Centre. Are they functional and if

not why have they not been maintained. Can roads directorate confirm the last time they circulated pedestrian counts to Councillors and if the counters are still functional can that practice be recommenced as soon as possible.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 18/160)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that the original pedestrian counters were piloted as a proof of concept trial of what was then regarded as an emerging technology and with a view to observing trends in pedestrian flows on a number of city centre streets. Fibre optic communications cable was not available throughout this section of the city centre at the time and so a wireless system was deployed. The trial was based on using standard CCTV cameras deployed as an add-on to a dedicated wireless communications network that was also needed to cater for both traffic signal coordination and CCTV monitoring on the St. Patrick's Street junctions. The pedestrian counting element which was layered on the wireless network cost approximately €19,291 per annum inclusive of VAT to maintain and to provide access to the raw data via a web portal. The last "Cork City Pedestrian Counter Report" was issued to Councillors, following a comprehensive offline compilation and analysis, was published in Q1 2016..

A fibre optic communications cable was installed and commissioned as part of the City Centre Public Transport Improvement project as a means of catering for the essential UTC communications. This change in communication made the wireless communication network redundant. Indeed the wireless system was switched out of service as a result of a Road Traffic Accident on the South Mall which demolished a camera and damaged the pole mounting for a number of the wireless routers.

The Transportation Division is now reviewing current systems on the market with a view to deploying a system to cater for pedestrian counting on St Patrick's St as part of the City Centre Public Transport Improvement project.

# 10.15 <u>ELECTRONIC SPEED SIGN ON RINGMAHON ROAD</u>

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, dated the 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That Cork City Council commits to the repairing or up-grading the electronic speed sign on Ringmahon Road, Mahon which is located across the road from Blackrock Garda Station. The sign is also obstructed by trees, both of these concerns need to be addressed on road health and safety grounds.'

(Proposer: Cllr. C. O'Leary 18/164)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that The electronic speed sign on Ringmahon Road will be inspected to ensure the installation is operating correctly and any necessary repairs or adjustments will be undertaken as soon as is practical.

### 10.16 CLOSURE OF LANE BETWEEN PARK COURT AND MEELICK PARK

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, dated the 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That Cork City Council would arrange for the Closure of the Laneway between Park Court & Meelick Park as this has led to anti-social behaviour in the area. This motion is brought on foot of a petition and consultation with Local residents in the area and with the Gardaí.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O'Flynn 18/166)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that This Motion has been referred to the Environment & Recreation Directorate.

# 10.17 ROAD SURFACES AT WESTGATE ROAD AND KENLEY CRESCENT

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, dated the 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That Cork City Council would inspect, repair and reinstate the road surfaces at Westgate Road and Kenley Crescent.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 18/178)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that Roads Maintenance will inspect same with works identified being added to the list of repair works to be completed.

# 10.18 <u>INCLUDE FATHER MATTHEW ROAD IN THE ROAD RESURFACING PROGRAMME</u>

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, dated the 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That Father Matthew Road be included in the 2018 road resurfacing programme. This road no longer constitutes a safe driving location. It is disintegrating on a weekly basis.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 18/032)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that Father Matthew Road has previously been assessed and nominated for inclusion in the 2018 road resurfacing programme. A proposed section of approx 514 square metres is included from the junction of Father Matthew Road and Congress Road (east towards O'Connell Avenue) to No. 25 Father Matthew Road. This represents a total of approx. 8% of the allocated budget for road resurfacing for Estate Roads in the South Central Ward, under the 2018 roads programme.

# 10.19 SURVEY THE ROAD NETWORK FROM SOUTH DOUGLAS ROAD TO NEMO RANGERS

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, dated the 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

"That Cork City Council carry out a survey of the road network from the South Douglas Road to the entrance of Nemo Rangers:-

- (a) Double yellow lines at all intersections should be considered.
- (b) Yellow box junction at entrance to Nemo Rangers.

- (c) Review of traffic light at exit to South Douglas Road which should be sensor driven to allow more cars out.
- (d) Any other measures that would alleviate discriminate parking and dangerous driving.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 18/068)

The Report of the Director of Services stated the following:-

- a) The painting of double yellow lines at the junction of Glencurrig and South Douglas Road if deemed appropriate will be inputted into the roads programme and will be undertaken subject to suitable weather conditions.
- b) The painting of a yellow box at the junction of Glencurrig and South Douglas Road will be assessed. If appropriate, the work will be inputted into the road painting programme and will be done as soon as is practical.
- c) The signalised junction on South Douglas Road does incorporate detection equipment to cater for traffic exiting from the link road from Nemo Rangers. The location will be listed for inspection to ensure the installation is operating correctly and any necessary repairs or adjustments will be completed.
- d) The responsibility for compliance with the rules of the road including parking compliance and safe driving rests with individual drivers, irrespective of road markings and signage. However, the Traffic Warden Service will be requested to pay additional attention to South Douglas Road/Glencurrig area in order to deter any illegal parking incidents.

# 10.20 INCREASE USAGE OF THE BLACKASH PARK AND RIDE

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, dated the 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That Cork City Council would engage with interested parties to increase the usage of the Park and Ride facility at the Black Ash. New incentives that should be introduced might include:-

- (1) Free parking with tickets to be validated with receipts from city shops where sales are on.
- (2) Encourage sporting bodies to use the Park and Ride when events are on.
- (3) Incentives for those employed in the new office developments in the city to use the Park and Ride on a daily basis.
- (4) Introduce an imp bus as an addition to transport the public to different new stops around the City Centre and change times to start at 6.30 a.m. and close at a later time.
- (5) Introduce a loyalty card for those using the Park and Ride on a regular basis.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Shannon 18/102)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that it is the policy of Cork City Council to encourage sustainable modes of transport. In doing so the Council operates and promotes the use of the Black Ash Park and Ride facility. The Park and Ride provides a sustainable

and cost effective option for longer term parking for workers and visitors. The current usage fee of €5 covers all day parking and bus fare for the driver and all vehicle passengers.

Discounted monthly and annual tickets are provided to encourage regular use of the facility and it is proposed to introduce weekly tickets in the coming months. The Council engages with existing businesses as well as future employers to promote the use of the facility by workers and visitors. In addition the Council operates a number of promotional events with discounts on the use of the facility throughout the year and will expand these further into the future. The most recent promotion commenced in April 2018 with free parking available for all cars entering the Black Ash Park & Ride after 12 midday. This incentive will be in place for a period of 3 months The Council will continue to engage with business interests in the city including employers, developers and traders to promote use of the facility.

The Park and Ride is also available to <u>all</u> sporting bodies to be used in conjunction with and to assist in the provision of parking facilities for sporting events. Further use of the facility in conjunction with sporting events would be very welcome. The Council has traditionally dealt with any such requests on a non profit basis.

The future development of the service is currently the subject of discussion with the National Transport Authority and all options will be considered as part of this process. The expansion of operational hours beyond the current 12 hours per day can be accommodated subject to the emergence of sufficient demand and budgetary provision.

## 10.21 FOOTPATH AT GLENANAAR, BOREENMANNA ROAD

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, dated the 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That the paving stones/footpath at Glenanaar, Boreenmanna Road be completely repaired, as their present state of disrepair is a public safety hazard for local residents.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Shannon 18/103)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that Glenanaar to be inspected by Roads Maintenance with any necessary works being prioritised as necessary.

### 10.22 PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS IN DEANROCK

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, dated the 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That City Council would include two new Pedestrian Crossings in the proposed Traffic Management Plan for Deanrock on the completion of the new Development.

1st.At or near the Credit Union to facilitate the Elderly population presently living there and the new tenants for the 65 new units.

2nd.At a safe location on Vicars Road to facilitate the workers in Q.D.S. to safely crossover to either the shop or bus stop's as this is a very dangerous road for pedestrians to cross at any time.'

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 18/168)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that the design process for the upgrade of the Deanrock Junction plus Vicars Rd & Clashduv Rd is underway. Controlled pedestrian crossing facilities will be provided on all approaches to the improved junction. The need for additional pedestrian crossing facilities will be assessed following a study of travel patterns in the area. If the assessment concludes that additional crossings are required these will then be provided.

#### 10.23 CYCLE/WALKWAY ALONG THE TRAMORE RIVER

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, dated the 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That City Council would give serious consideration to developing a proper Cycle/Walkway along the Tramore River from [Bishopscourt] Bishopstown to Tramore Valley via Sarsfield Rd./Togher/Pouladuff/Kinsale Rd. with the intentions of linking it up with the Blackrock/Rochestown walkway now that the Boundary Extension would include both sides of this river.'

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 18/169)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that a number of studies were undertaken in the last five years to identify cycle infrastructure requirements throughout the city and beyond. These studies include the Cork Cycle Network Plan in addition to the Strategic Transport Corridor Assessments. The studies were generally focused on commuter cyclists rather than recreational cyclists with a number of the recommendations already complete, i.e. the UCC to City Centre Scheme, the Douglas to City Centre Scheme and the Kent Station to City Centre Scheme etc.

The route from Bishopstown to Rochestown as outlined above was not recommended by the previous studies, however it could be an attractive recreational cycle route. This matter will be referred to the Environment & Recreation Directorate for further consideration and discussion.

# 10.24 TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES IN MCSWEENEY'S VILLAS

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, dated the 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That traffic calming measures should be installed in McSwineys Villas as a matter of urgency.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O'Flynn 18/180)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that McSwiney Villas is on the list of requests for traffic calming but is not on the 2018 construction programme for such works. It can be considered further by Ward Members in the preparation of the next traffic calming programme subject to resources being available.

#### 10.25 **RESURFACE FARRANFERRIS AVENUE**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, dated the 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That Cork City Council resurface Farranferris Avenue from Farranferris Green to Seminary.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 18/184)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that this section of Farranferris Avenue is included in the 2018 road resurfacing programme.

# 10.26 <u>PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS IN BALLINTEMPLE VILLAGE AND BALLINLOUGH ROAD</u>

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, dated the 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'Following on from a recent Ward meeting would Cork City Council investigate the possible installation of controlled pedestrian crossings both in Ballintemple Village and the Ballinlough Road, near O'Driscoll's.'

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Cahill 18/190)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that Ballintemple Village and the Ballinlough Road, near O'Driscoll's shop will be assessed to determine their appropriateness for a controlled pedestrian crossings.

Currently there is no funding available for the installation of pedestrian crossing facilities. However any identified solutions can be put forward for consideration in any future roads programme.

### 10.27 DOUBLE YELLOW LINES ON BLACKROCK ROAD

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, dated the 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'That Cork City Council roads department assess the possibility of extending the double yellow lines a few metres along Blackrock road from the junction of Beaumont Drive or assess other alternatives to improve safety because currently visibility is poor for cars turning right onto Blackrock Road and an accident is likely to happen.'

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O'Keeffe 18/195)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that the extension of double yellow lines along Blackrock road from the junction of Beaumont Drive will be assessed. If appropriate, the work will be inputted into the road painting programme and will be done as soon as is practical.

# 10.28 **UPGRADE PUBLIC LIGHTING AT WOODHILL PARK**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, dated the 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

'Now that Woodhill Park is being taken in charge can the substandard public lighting be upgraded in this estate. Also, can the footpaths that have never been maintained be upgraded and new footpaths put in place and the estate road be resurfaced.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 18/060)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that Woodhill Park is currently not in charge. The condition of footpaths and public lighting will be inspected as part of any taking in charge process.

### 10.29 HERITAGE PIECES UNDER CORK CITY COUNCIL CONTROL

An Chomhairle considered the Report of the Director of Services, dated the 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 on the following Motion and agreed to refer it back for further consideration to the next meeting of Roads and Transportation Functional Committee:-

'That Cork City Council would present Councillors with a written report on heritage pieces under control of the City Council. Per my Motion 13/380 which called for an annual audit of such pieces I have only heard reports of such pieces "going missing", cast aside in Kinsale Road and Mahon Dept (Limestone), cast aside in Fitzgerald's Park (Fireman's Hut and Horse Trough). It is certain that much other valuable heritage of the City has come to be neglected and shamefully cast aside. A group of interested Councillors must visit these sites asap.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 18/189)

# 11 <u>CORRESPONDENCE</u>

An Chomhairle noted correspondence received.

# 12 <u>CONFERENCE/SEMINAR SUMMARIES</u>

None received.

### 13 <u>CONFERENCES/ SEMINARS</u>

None received.

### 14 TRAINING

None received.

#### 15 **MOTIONS**

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

### 15.1 **DISC PARKING IN CITY CENTRE**

'That Cook Street, Marlboro Street and Princes Street on the South Mall side be reopened for Disc Parking and set down for stopping in the City Centre.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 18/153)

# **Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

### 15.2 INSPECT DANGEROUS BEND AT ROSSBROOK, MODEL FARM ROAD

'That City Council would inspect the very dangerous bend at Rossbrook Model Farm Road. With the new development nearby, this road has been widened and there's an urgent need to erect proper signage at this bad bend to inform drivers of the severity of it, as there are always people standing close by at the new bus stop.'

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 18/170)

## **Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

### 15.3 <u>BOLLARDS NEAR E.S.B. SUBSTATION AT WOODHAVEN, BISHOPSTOWN</u>

'That City Council/County Council or the N.R.A. would erect bollards near the E.S.B. substation at Woodhaven Bishopstown to prevent this beautiful walkway being used by vehicular traffic as has happened recently which resulted in a burnt out car blocking the walkway for a week.'

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 18/191)

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

An Chomhairle agreed that both the County Council and the NRA should be contacted directly in relation to this Motion.

# 15.4 <u>ADDITIONAL DOG WARDEN IN 2019 BUDGET</u>

'That Cork City Council would make provision in the 2019 budget for an additional Dog Warden in the upcoming estimates. Currently one Dog Warden is required to manage the entire city. If additional staff are joining the Council post the merger, the need for an additional would still remain.'

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Cahill 18/208)

**Environment & Recreation Functional Committee** 

# 15.5 RAINBOW CLUB SURVEY ON THE ABODE SITE

'That Cork City Council gives written permission for a third part on behalf of the Rainbow Club survey on the Abode Site in Mahon. While this site may be used for housing, it also may have another use and the Council can then decide on either option in the future.'

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Cahill 18/209)

# Strategic Planning, Economic Development & Enterprise Functional Committee

# 15.6 <u>SUSPENSION OF PATRICK STREET ROAD CLOSURE</u>

'That Cork City Council extend the suspension of the Patrick Street road closure till 31<sup>st</sup> January, until full report is brought before Council including insight from; the Hotel Federation, Restaurant Association, Chamber of Commerce Cork, Cork Business Association, Bus Drivers Union, Cork Taxi Council, Cork City & County Business Federation and all other city trading groups.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O'Flynn 18/210)

# **Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

#### 15.7 INSPECT TREES IN ASHFORD ESTATE

'That Cork City Council would inspect the trees in Ashford Estate and undertake appropriate remedial and pruning works.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 18/212)

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

### 15.8 **EXTENSION TO CITY BOUNDARY**

'That Cork City Council would commence a series of public workshops, meetings and public consultation for the new areas due to join under the extension to the city boundary to explore and understand local issues and how best to deliver public services in those areas.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 18/213)

# **Corporate Policy Group**

### 15.9 **TANK FIELD**

'In view of the fact that the officials did not forward my Motion 16.12 (as listed on Agenda of May 28<sup>th</sup>) in relation to the Tank Field to the Planning Functional Committee, as they were directed to do by the Council at its meeting of 28<sup>th</sup> May 2018, and in view of the consequences of this action, that has not enabled the Planning Functional Committee to consider the issue, the Council hereby directs the Chief Executive Officer, under Section 47 of the Local Government Reform Act 2014, to formally notify, if possible, by an appropriate legal notice, the Department of Education and skills and instruct them to desist

from taking any actions that may restrict in any way the options open to Cork City Council in relation to the future of the Tank Field, until the Cork City Council has considered the issue fully in the Planning Functional Committee and, furthermore, in particular, it directs the Chief Executive to cease all proposed developments on the Tank Field until a final decision on Motion 16.12 is agreed.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 18/214)

Strategic Planning, Economic Development & Enterprise Functional Committee (Property Section)

An Chomhairle agreed that this Motion should be referred to the **Strategic Planning**, **Economic Development & Enterprise Strategic Policy Committee (Property Section)** 

### 15.10 **SAFE CYCLE NETWORK**

'That Cork City Council prepare plans for a Safe Cycle Network from the city suburbs including Glanmire & Ballincollig so that cyclists aren't forced onto dangerously narrowed roads.'

(Proposed: Cllr. T. Brosnan 18/216)

## **Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

# 15.11 **NÍL AON AIRGEAD AGAM**

'I call on Cork City Council to begin a campaign to deter "on street begging" on our streets. In recent months "on street begging" has become an immense problem for retailers, the general public and visitors to our city. The campaign should promote a "NÍL AON AIRGEAD AGAM" slogan that will entice members of the public to refrain from giving money to beggars and consider providing food and water if they so wish as an alternative. Members of the public should further encouraged to say "NÍL AON AIRGEAN AGAM" to beggars and to donate any money to the proper volunteer groups who will see to it that this donated money is spent to relieve the hardship in an equal and controlled manner by providing food, water, shelter and bedding etc. The "NÍL AON AIRGEAD AGAM" Campaign, if so adopted, could be a joint venture with the CBA, Cork Chamber and other interested organisations, retailers and volunteer groups."

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Dineen 18/217)

### **Corporate Policy Group**

#### 15.12 DOUBLE YELLOW LINES AT RINGMAHON ROAD

'That Cork City Council paints double yellow lines along the Ringmahon Road, to the junction of Skehard Raod to alleviate parking issues experienced during sports matches, in particular at the entrance to Ringcroft Avenue.'

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O'Keeffe 18/218)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee** 

### 15.13 TRAFFIC LIGHTS ON UPPER FAIRHILL

'That Cork City Council will ensure that traffic lights on Upper Fairhill are in working order.'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 18/219)

# **Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

# 15.14 <u>ERECTION OF SIGNS AT CASTLE CRESCENT AND RINGCROFT AVENUE</u>

'That Cork City Council erect estate signs for

- 1. 'Castle Crescent' outside Castle Close on Ferney Road, Mahon. Castle Crescent was built behind the original estate (Castle Close) and the park is not directly visible from the road.
- 2. Ringcroft Avenue on Ringmahon Road. Both these estates do not have signage and this can cause confusion for emergency service personnel & others looking for the estate. Can the directorate outline the costs involved in the provision of these signs and the expected timeframe on their delivery.'

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O'Keeffe)

## **Roads & Transportation Functional Committe**

### 16. **MOTIONS**

# 16.1 <u>SEWERAGE AND DRAINAGE PROBLEMS IN CAPWELL</u>

An Chomhairle considered and approved the following Motion:-

'That Cork City Council request Irish Water to look at the sewerage and drainage problem at the junction of Capwell Road and Capwell Avenue and South Douglas Road side with a view to finding a permanent solution to the ongoing problem.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 18/130)

# 16.2 **REGULATIONS GOVERNING SPC MEMBERS**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the following Motion:-

'That Cork City Council calls on the Minister to amend the regulations governing SPC membership to allow non-elected members remain on the committees until their successors are appointed. This will ensure that the work of the SPC's continues without interruption after the Local Elections.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O'Driscoll 18/207)

# 16.3 PUBLIC LIGHT STANDARDS ON WELLINGTON ROAD AND SUMMERHILL

An Chomhairle agreed to refer the following Motion to the Roads & Transportation Functional Committee:-

'That City Council officials liaise with ESB to ensure public light standards on Wellington Road and Summerhill which are in a filthy, rundown and rusty condition be painted immediately.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 18/215)

This concluded the business of the meeting

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