COMHAIRLE CATHRACH CHORCAÍ HALLA NA CATHRACH CORCAIGH



CORK CITY COUNCIL CITY HALL CORK

Bíodh a fhios agat go dtionólfar cruinniú de Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí ar an data thíosluaite, ar a **5.30 A CHLOG I.N., I SEOMRA NA COMHAIRLE, HALLA NA CATHRACH, CORCAIGH** chun na gnóthaí seo a leanas a dhéanamh:-

Take notice that a Meeting of Cork City Council will be held on the undermentioned date, at the hour of **5.30 P.M., IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, CORK** for the transaction of the following business:-

GNÁTHCHRUINNIÚ – DÉ LUAIN, 12^ú FEABHRA 2024 ORDINARY MEETING – MONDAY, 12th FEBRUARY 2024

- 1. **VOTES OF SYMPATHY**
- 2. VOTES OF CONGRATULATIONS/BEST WISHES
- 3. <u>LORD MAYOR'S ITEMS</u>

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

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

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

5. **MINUTES**

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

Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held, 8th January 2024.

6. **QUESTION TIME**

Questions submitted enclosed.

7. <u>STATUTORY ITEMS</u>

7.1 CORK UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL BUS TERMINUS - SECTION 38 APPROVAL

An Chomhairle to consider the report and recommendation of the Director of Services, Infrastructure Development, following public consultation, on the proposed *Cork University Hospital Bus Terminus Scheme* pursuant to Section 38 of the Road Traffic Act, 1994, as amended by Section 46 of the Public Transport Regulation Act, 2009.

7.2 <u>CLONTARF STREET BUS STOPS - SECTION 38 APPROVAL</u>

An Chomhairle to consider the report and recommendation of the Director of Services, Infrastructure Development, following public consultation, on the proposed *Clontarf Street Bus Stops Scheme* pursuant to Section 38 of the Road Traffic Act, 1994, as amended by Section 46 of the Public Transport Regulation Act, 2009.

7.3 MARDYKE BUS TERMINUS - SECTION 38 APPROVAL

An Chomhairle to consider the report and recommendation of the Director of Services, Infrastructure Development, following public consultation, on the proposed *Mardyke Bus Terminus Scheme* pursuant to Section 38 of the Road Traffic Act, 1994, as amended by Section 46 of the Public Transport Regulation Act, 2009.

7.4 RIVERSTOWN BUS TERMINUS - SECTION 38 APPROVAL

An Chomhairle to consider the report and recommendation of the Director of Services, Infrastructure Development, following public consultation, on the proposed *Riverstown Bus Terminus Scheme* pursuant to Section 38 of the Road Traffic Act, 1994, as amended by Section 46 of the Public Transport Regulation Act, 2009.

7.5 PARNELL PLACE BUS TERMINUS - SECTION 38 APPROVAL

An Chomhairle to consider the report and recommendation of the Director of Services, Infrastructure Development, following public consultation, on the proposed *Parnell Place Bus Terminus Scheme* pursuant to Section 38 of the Road Traffic Act, 1994, as amended by Section 46 of the Public Transport Regulation Act, 2009.

7.6 **PROPERTY DISPOSALS**

An Chomhairle to consider the reports of the Chief Executive, dated 1st February 2024 on the following property disposals:-

- 1. Disposal by way of extension to lease of "The Lodge" (known as "The Lord Mayor's Pavilion"), Fitzgerald Park, Mardyke Walk, Cork to Sample Studio CLG, c/o David Ryan CKT Solicitors, 2, Georges Quay, Cork, up to 31st December 2026, at a rent of €100.00 per annum.
- 2. Disposal of the leasehold and freehold interest in an area of land (32.9m² approximately) situated to the rear of No. 11, East View Terrace, Quaker Road, Cork to Althea O'Sullivan c/o Noonan Linehan Carroll Coffey Solicitors, 54, North Main Street, Cork for the sum of €500.00 plus costs of €1,500.00 plus VAT.

3. Disposal of the freehold interest in an area of ground (33.6m² approximately), situated to the rear of No. 26, Gould Street, Cork to Mark Stryker and Lori Iaboni c/o Halpin & Co. Solicitors, 7, South Mall, Cork for the sum of €500.00 plus costs of €1,500.00 plus VAT.

7.7 PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT AT HOLLYVILLE, HOLLYHILL CORK

In accordance with Section 179(4)(a) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, An Chomhairle to consider the proposed residential development at 101 and 102 Hollyville, Hollyhill, in the City of Cork and the report of the Chief Executive thereon as required under Section 179(3) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended) dated 6th February 2024.

7.8 <u>ADOPTION OF THE DRAFT CORK CITY COUNCIL CLIMATE ACTION PLAN</u> 2024–2029

That the Members of Cork City Council, in accordance with Section 16 of the Climate Action and Low Carbon Development (Amendment) Act 2021, having considered the Draft Cork City Council Climate Action Plan 2024–2029, published on 20th November 2023, and the Chief Executive's Report, dated 25th January 2024, having engaged in a online briefing on 1st February 2024, and having determined that the Plan shall not adversely affect the integrity of a European Site(s) in line with SI 477 (EU Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011, as amended, RESOLVES to approve the Draft Cork City Council Climate Action Plan 2024–2029.

7.9 VACANCIES ON BOARDS/COMMITTEES

An Chomhairle to fill the vacancies on the Boards/Committees listed below arising from the resignation of Comhairleoir J. Kavanagh.

Board of Leisureworld Regional Health Forum

8. **CORPORATE POLICY GROUP – 6th FEBRUARY 2024**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Corporate Policy Group, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held, 6th February 2024.

8.1 **MOTIONS**

8.1.1 <u>UPLOAD NON-PERSONAL FOI DISCLOSURES</u>

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Corporate Affairs & International Relations, dated 2nd February 2024 on the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council recognises the importance of free and accessible information in increasing transparency in public bodies and thus agrees to upload all non-personal FOI disclosures.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 24/030)

Decision of the Group

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

9. **PARTY WHIPS – 22nd JANUARY 2024**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Party Whips from its meeting held, 22nd January 2024.

10. <u>INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS & TOURISM STRATEGIC POLICY</u> <u>COMMITTEE – 15th JANUARY 2024</u>

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the International Relations & Tourism Strategic Policy Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held, 15th January 2024.

10.1 RECENT ACTIVITIES IN TOURISM

Members considered the report from the Director of Services, Strategic and Economic Development, dated 4th January 2024 on recent activities in tourism.

Decision of Committee

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

10.2 **RECENT ACTIVITIES IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS**

Members considered the report from the Director of Services, Corporate Affairs and International Relations, dated 8th January on recent activities in International Relations.

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to accept the report of the Director of Services, and to refer it to An Chomhairle for consideration.

10.3 MOTIONS

10.3.1 <u>INVITATION TO THE PALESTINIAN AMBASSADOR, DR JILAN WAHBA ABDALMAJID</u>

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Corporate Affairs and International Relations, dated 8th January 2024 on the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council invite the Palestinian Ambassador, Dr Jilan Wahba Abdalmajid, to address a public meeting of Cork City Council, with an opportunity afterwards to network with elected members and Council staff with an agenda of further developing links

between Cork City and the State of Palestine and to receive an update from the Ambassador on the situation in Palestine.'

(Proposers: Cllr. M. Nugent, Cllr. K. Collins, Cllr. O. O'Leary, Cllr. F. Kerins 24/027)

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to accept the report of the Director of Services, and to refer it to An Chomhairle for consideration.

11. <u>ENVIRONMENT, WATER & AMENITY STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE –</u> 16th JANUARY 2024

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Environment, Water & Amenity Strategic Policy Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held, 16th January 2024.

11.1 **MOTIONS**

11.1.1 **RE-MUNICIPALISATION OF THE BIN SERVICES**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Roads & Environment Operations, dated 15th January 2024 on the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council notes the huge increases in the cost of living for ordinary people currently and agrees to begin the process of re-municipalisation of the bin services to ensure fair pricing for waste collection.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 23/347)

Decision of Committee

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

11.1.2 OWNERSHIP OF ROADSIDE TREES

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Roads & Environment Operations, dated 15th January 2024 on the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council will revise the standard letter issued to property owners advising them of their responsibilities with regards to ownership of roadside trees in a way that reflects the tone and content of the Landowners Guide for Managing Roadside Trees published by the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine in 2021.'

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 23/508)

Decision of Committee

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

11.1.3 PILOT THE USE OF HYDROTREATED VEGETABLE OIL (HVO)

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Roads & Environment Operations, dated 15th January 2024 on the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council will pilot the use of Hydrotreated Vegetable Oil (HVO) with diesel-fuel vehicles and plant machinery in its fleet as a climate-mitigation measure; and prepare a report for consideration on the outcomes and issues associated.'

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 23/509)

Decision of Committee

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

11.1.4 **PORTAL FOR REPORTING ISSUES WITH STORM DRAINS**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Roads & Environment Operations, dated 15th January 2024 on the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council will develop a portal for the reporting of issues with storm drains by members of the public; and provide traders groups and residents associations with advice on maintaining and clearing storm drains in the public realm.'

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 23/510)

Decision of Committee

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

11.1.5 DEVELOPING PLANTING AREAS WHEN CREATING INFRASTRUCTURE

Members considered the report of the Directors of Services, Roads & Environment Operations, Housing Capital & Regeneration and Infrastructure Development dated 15th January 2024 on the following motion:-

'That given the success of the inclusion of a planting area when creating a raised zebra crossing at Grattan Street, it become the ongoing policy of this Council to develop such planting areas when creating any similar scale infrastructure.'

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boyle 23/582)

Decision of Committee

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

12. <u>COMMUNITY, CULTURE & PLACEMAKING STRATEGIC POLICY</u> COMMITTEE – 18th JANUARY 2024

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Community, Culture & Placemaking Strategic Policy Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held, 18th January 2024.

12.1 **MOTIONS**

12.1.1 PUBLIC GATHERING FOR SWITCHING ON THE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Community, Culture & Placemaking, dated 18th January 2024 on the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council allow discussion on the events being organised by Cork City Council to mark the Christmas festivities. This year again does not include a public gathering for the switching on of the Christmas lights. Cork City Council should examine proposals to allow for such a public event to take place in 2024 and every year thereafter.'

(Proposers: Cllr. K. Collins, Cllr. M. Nugent, Cllr. J. Maher 23/541)

Decision of Committee

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

12.1.2 BENEFIT CONCERT FOR PALESTINIAN SOLIDARITY

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Community, Culture & Placemaking, dated 18th January 2024 on the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council will host a benefit concert for Palestinian solidarity in the Concert Hall in Cork City Hall with proceeds going to the Palestinian Red Crescent Society, the UN's Occupied Palestinian Territory Humanitarian Fund and the UNRWA for Palestinian refugees in the Near-East.'

(Proposer: Cllr. L. Bogue 23/555)

Decision of Committee

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

12.1.3 <u>CCTV ON THE PEDESTRIAN AND CYCLE LANE FROM THE GRANGE ROAD</u> TO TRAMORE VALLEY PARK

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Community, Culture & Placemaking, dated 18th January 2024 on the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council, in consultation with the Joint Policing Committee, write to the Commissioner of An Garda Síochána, Drew Harris, requesting authorisation pursuant to Section 38 of the Garda Síochána Act 2005 in respect of the installation and operation of CCTV on the pedestrian and cycle lane from the Grange Road to Tramore Valley Park for the sole or primary purpose of securing public order and safety there by facilitating the deterrence, prevention, detection and prosecution of offences.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. O'Callaghan 23/556)

Decision of Committee

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

12.1.4 STREET OR PLACE NAME FOR FREDRICK DOUGLAS

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Community, Culture & Placemaking, dated 18th January 2024 on the following motion:-

'Given that the 175th anniversary of the visit of Frederick Douglass to Cork is on October 11th, that Cork City Council will investigate marking the occasion by naming a street or place for Frederick Douglass.'

(Proposer: Cllr. L. Bogue 20/253)

Decision of Committee

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

12.1.5 ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE 2024 CORK MARATHON

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Community, Culture & Placemaking, dated 18th January 2024 on the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council requires a briefing from the Council Executive on the present contractual situation with the Davis Event Agency and the arrangements for the 2024 Cork Marathon following the termination of said contract.'

(Proposer: Cllr. L. Bogue 24/037)

Decision of Committee

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

12.1.6 <u>LGBTQ+ SAFE SPACE IN THE CITY CENTRE</u>

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Community, Culture & Placemaking, dated 18th January 2024 on the following motion:-

'That Council work in conjunction with the LGBTQ+ community and representative groups like the Gay Project, LINC and others to identify a suitable publicly owned building in the City Centre to provide an LGBTQ+ safe space, both during the day and for nightlife, as a matter of urgency. Our LGBTQ+ community is under increasing threat and the massive public support for the recent protest outside Chambers showed the lack of safe spaces in the City is of huge concern to everyone.'

(Proposer: Cllr. B. McCarthy 23/424)

Decision of Committee

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

12.1.7 ST. LUKE'S CHURCH

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Community, Culture & Placemaking, dated 18th January 2024 on the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council will facilitate use of St. Luke's Church as a community meeting place, especially for issues relating to culture and placemaking.'

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 23/441)

Decision of Committee

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

12.1.8 <u>ALLOCATION OF €20,000 TO DOUGLAS COMHALTAS</u>

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Community, Culture & Placemaking, dated 18th January 2024 on the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council allocate the sum of €20,000 to the Douglas Branch of Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann so as to enable Douglas Comhaltas to successfully host the Cork County Fleadh Cheoil in Douglas in May 2024. A once-off payment of €20,000 would provide vital funding to Douglas Comhaltas and would virtually guarantee the success of the Cork County Fleadh Cheoil in Douglas in May 2024.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. O'Callaghan 23/504)

Decision of Committee

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

12.1.9 TAKING IN CHARGE ISSUE WITH HOUSING ESTATES

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Community, Culture & Placemaking, dated 18th January 2024 on the following motion:-

'To call on Cork City Council to take immediate and necessary action to address the taking in charge issue with housing estates in the City that are not taken in charge due to outstanding works to be carried out and that are not covered by existing planning bond arrangements. I would ask that an assessment be made of the number of estates involved, their location and the scope of works required to bring them to a standard that is acceptable and the costs associated with such. The funding for this should be sought from central government in order that this issue is dealt with once and for all.'

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boylan 23/495)

Decision of Committee

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

12.1.10 <u>IMPROVE ACCESSIBILITY AND INCLUSIVITY FOR THOSE WITH</u> DISABILITIES

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Community, Culture & Placemaking, dated 18th January 2024 on the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council recognises that:

- Significant change is needed to improve accessibility and inclusivity for those with disabilities in Cork City
- The City is not currently compliant with the UNCRPD and specific work by Council could improve compliance with Articles 9, 19, 20, 28, 29 and 30
- The current 'Access Group' are not empowered as a decision-making body within the Executive
- The existing role of 'access officer', while important, is not fully meeting the needs of those with disabilities
- The partnership of Wicklow County Council and the Disability Federation of Ireland, and particularly the establishment of a Disability and Inclusion Steering Committee, employment of a Disability and Inclusion Officer and publishing of a Disability and Inclusion Strategy, should be replicated in Cork City

And agrees to:

- Write to Wicklow County Council and the Disability Federation of Ireland commending them on their achievements and seeking a meeting before the end of Q1 2024 to explore the process behind this and how this could be replicated in Cork City
- Report back to Council at the first full Council session after the meeting with a plan to implement a similar partnership and strategy.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 23/515)

Decision of Committee

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

12.1.11 COMMUNITY GROUPS' ASSISTANCE IN REPAINTING STREET SIGNS

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Community, Culture & Placemaking, dated 18th January 2024 on the following motion:-

'That the CE will advise how community groups can assist to repaint street signs that have become faded and unsightly.'

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Finn 23/272)

Decision of Committee

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

12.1.12 <u>INTRODUCING A DEDICATE A TREE PROGRAMME – A GIFT THAT LIVES YEAR AFTER YEAR</u>

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Community, Culture & Placemaking, dated 18th January 2024 on the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council introduce a Dedicate a Tree Programme in our city. The programme would allow citizens to honour their loved ones, relatives, or special friends by dedicating a tree in their name, which would then be planted in a designated area in the city.

Trees are essential for maintaining a healthy environment, and the Dedicate a Tree Programme would provide people with an opportunity to contribute to the city's greenery while also honouring their loved ones. It would also create a unique and lasting legacy for the individuals commemorated through the programme.

The dedication would be recognized through a personalized plaque or marker near the tree, which could include the name of the honouree, the donor's name, and a brief inscription. Additionally, the programme could be used to acknowledge special events such as weddings, anniversaries, or graduations.

Other cities around the world have successfully implemented similar Dedicate a Tree Programmes, and I believe that Cork City could benefit from this initiative as well. It would promote a sense of community involvement and environmental responsibility while creating a beautiful and long-lasting tribute to loved ones.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O'Flynn 23/292)

Decision of Committee

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

12.1.13 **CITY PRIDE AWARDS**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Community, Culture & Placemaking, dated 18th January 2024 on the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council introduce City Pride Awards.

The City Pride Awards are an initiative aimed at rewarding local businesses for their contribution in maintaining, enhancing, and preserving the public realm outside of their establishments.

The goal of these awards is to encourage a sense of responsibility and pride among business owners towards the environment and public property.

The awards will be given out quarterly to businesses that maintain clean and tidy storefronts with well-painted facades and structures, such as awnings or shutters, that complement the City's overall aesthetics.

Businesses that go above and beyond in terms of enhancing the public realm, such as adding planters, benches, or lighting, will also be considered for the award.

Privileges for the businesses receiving the City Pride Awards will include recognition on the City's website and social media platforms, a certificate of recognition, and signage they can display in their windows to showcase their achievement.

The City Pride Awards will not only incentivise businesses to take care of their surroundings, but also instil a sense of civic pride and responsibility among business owners towards the environment and public spaces.

Additionally, these awards will help improve the overall appearance of the city, making it more attractive to current and potential residents, as well as tourists.

We envision the City Pride Awards as a collaborative effort between the CCC business associations, and the general public, where we can all work together to create a cleaner, more vibrant, and welcoming place to live, work, and visit.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O'Flynn 23/295)

Decision of Committee

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

12.1.14 SUSTAINABLE EVENT PRACTICES IN CORK CITY

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Community, Culture & Placemaking, dated 18th January 2024 on the following motion:-

'That all applications for festivals or public events be subject to the submission of a sustainability report, which must be made available upon application.

As the vibrant hub of cultural and social activities, Cork City host various festivals and public events that contribute significantly to the overall vibrancy and appeal of our community. However, it is crucial that we address the environmental impact of these events and strive towards a more sustainable future.

In order to ensure that events in Cork City align with sustainable practices, I propose that event organizers be required to submit a comprehensive sustainability report along with their application. This report would outline the measures and strategies that will be employed to minimize environmental impact, reduce waste, conserve resources, and promote eco-friendly practices throughout the event planning and execution process.

By implementing this requirement, we can provide a framework that encourages event organizers to incorporate sustainable practices into their planning and operations. It will also enable the City Council to assess the environmental impact of proposed festivals or public events, allowing for informed decision-making and prioritization of sustainability.

The sustainability report should encompass elements such as waste management plans, energy consumption strategies, transportation arrangements, water conservation measures, and any other relevant initiatives that aim to minimize the event's ecological footprint. It should also outline the steps being taken to engage attendees in sustainable behaviours and promote environmental awareness during the event.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O'Flynn 23/305)

Decision of Committee

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

13. CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE – 9th JANUARY 2024

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Climate Action Committee from its meeting held, 9th January 2024.

14. <u>FINANCE & ESTIMATES COMMITTEE – 6th FEBRUARY 2024</u>

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Finance & Estimates Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held, 6th February 2024.

14.1 **FINANCE RELATED REPORTS**

14.1.1 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO END OF NOVEMBER 2023

Members considered the Financial Statements to the end of November 2023.

Decision of Committee

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

14.2 **MOTIONS**

14.2.1 RATE DISCOUNT FOR BUSINESSES THAT BRING HISTORIC BUILDINGS INTO PUBLIC USE

Members considered the report of the Chief Financial Officer on the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council considers an extra rate discount for businesses that bring historic buildings into greater public use via investment in restoration, erecting of info plaques, creation of displays etc that in turn contributes significantly more to the heritage value and attractiveness of the City for locals and tourists alike (Frederick Douglass work at the Imperial Hotel being a recent prime example).'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 23/485)

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to accept the report of the Chief Financial Officer, and to refer it to An Chomhairle for information.

15. SOUTH CENTRAL LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE – 22nd JANUARY 2024

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the South Central Local Area Committee from its meeting held, 22nd January 2024.

16. SOUTH WEST LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE – 22nd JANUARY 2024

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the South West Local Area Committee from its meeting held, 22^{nd} January 2024.

17. NORTH WEST LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE – 22nd JANUARY 2024

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the North West Local Area Committee from its meeting held, 22^{nd} January 2024.

18. NORTH EAST LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE – 22nd JANUARY 2024

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the North East Local Area Committee from its meeting held, 22nd January 2024.

19. SOUTH EAST LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE – 23rd JANUARY 2024

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the South East Local Area Committee from its meeting held, 23rd January 2024.

20. **CORRESPONDENCE**

An Chomhairle to note correspondence, if any.

21. <u>CONFERENCE/SEMINAR SUMMARIES</u>

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

22. <u>SECTION 141 REPORTS</u>

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

23. <u>CONFERENCES/SEMINARS</u>

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

24. **TRAINING**

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

25. <u>CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S MONTHLY MANAGEMENT REPORTS</u>

An Chomhairle to note the Chief Executive's monthly management reports for November and December 2023.

26. MOTIONS REFERRED TO COMMITTEES

An Chomhairle to note the motions on Appendix 1 attached, that have been referred to the relevant Committees as determined by the Meetings Administrator, due notice of which has been given.

27. **MOTIONS**

27.1 <u>RECENT COMMENTS ABOUT AN GARDA SÍOCHÁNA</u>

'That Cork City Council condemns recent comments made by a Cork City Councillor that An Garda Síochána's priority is to provide protection for private businesses and to act as security for capitalist interests rather than to protect and defend public safety and the public good. That Cork City Council also condemns the recent post on social media by a Cork City Councillor, which included a photograph showing a clearly identifiable member of An Garda Síochána standing outside a McDonald's restaurant and which included untrue and derogatory comments implying that the member of An Garda Síochána's reason for being there was to provide private security for a multi-national company.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. O'Callaghan 24/053)

27.2 FULL CONFIDENCE IN AN GARDA SÍOCHÁNA

'That Cork City Council expresses full confidence in An Garda Síochána and commends An Garda Síochána for its many years of exemplary service to the State and its citizens in a variety of areas including crime detection and prevention, road traffic enforcement, witness protection and community policing. That Cork City Council also commends An Garda Síochána for the fair and impartial manner in which it acts in furtherance of its primary goal, which is to protect and defend public safety and the public good.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. O'Callaghan 24/054)

27.3 FINAL ALLOCATION OF BASELINE FUNDING TO CORK CITY COUNCIL

'That Cork City Council call on the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage, Darragh O'Brien, to provide Cork City Council with a detailed report outlining how and upon what basis he reached the conclusion that consideration of the annual €15 million payment by Cork City Council to Cork County Council would not have increased the final allocation of baseline funding to Cork City Council in circumstances where every Local Authority (not just Cork City Council) benefited from the application of the model on a no-reduction basis and benefited from the application of a minimum increase.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. O'Callaghan 24/061)

27.4 €15 MILLION ANNUAL PAYMENT TO CORK COUNTY COUNCIL

'Given that the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage, Darragh O'Brien's response to the written submission made by the City Council Executive in November 2023 recommended that Cork City Council refer its concerns regarding the €15 million annual payment to Cork County Council to the Oversight Committee in accordance with section 24 of the Local Government Act 2019, I would ask that Cork City Council write to Minister O'Brien asking him to advise Cork City Council of:

- the identities of the current chairperson and other two members of the Oversight Committee;
- the date on which the current chairperson and other two members of the Oversight Committee were appointed to their positions;
- the date on which the Oversight Committee last held a formal meeting;
- the process by which the Minister proposes that Cork City Council should refer its concerns to the Oversight Committee, to include the address or email address to which

the City Council should send any written submission and who said written submission should be addressed to.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. O'Callaghan 24/062)

27.5 <u>CURRENT STATUS OF THE GLANMIRE GARDA STATION</u>

'That Cork City Council write to the Garda Chief Superintendent, the Minister and the Department of Justice requesting an update on the current status of the Glanmire Garda Station, its current opening hours and future plans, if any, to improve this local Garda service for the people of Glanmire and surrounding areas.

Glanmire urgently needs a full time Garda Station.

In recent years, this fantastic modern building was refurbished and transformed to a Garda Station in the Sallybrook area of Glanmire. Since its opening, it has been opened on a somewhat restricted basis from a timing perspective.

With the ever increasing population of Glanmire and surrounding areas, this relatively recently opened Garda station urgently needs to be opened on a full time basis and adequately resourced in order to provide a much needed Garda service to this rapidly growing community in our City. Residents of Glanmire and surrounding areas currently have to call Mayfield or Anglesea Street if they need a Garda. I know we have the 999 service, but this should be used for emergencies. There is an urgent need for this Garda Station to be opened on a full time basis in the Glanmire area as this has been acknowledged as one of the fastest growing areas in our City and a well functioning full time Garda Station is now an absolute necessity in our Community.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 24/067)

27.6 BUS CONNECTS PLAN FOR DOUGLAS VILLAGE

'That Cork City Council writes to the NTA reiterating its call for a third round of submissions for the Bus Connects plan for Cork.

Specifically the Douglas village plan needs more consideration and further engagement with the residents/business owners.

The option of using the Douglas relief road for a designated bus lane rather than the proposed bus gate on East Douglas Street needs urgent consideration. This will provide designated bus lanes at minimal cost while affording the opportunity to enhance the East Douglas Street area to improve the village feel for Douglas.

A holistic view of Douglas village needs to be at the forefront of the plan as for too long various "improvements" have had a detrimental effect on the village.'

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Cahill 24/071)

27.7 <u>DEVELOPMENT OF THE NATIONAL CAMERA-BASED ENFORCEMENT STRATEGY</u>

'That Cork City Council agrees the urgency of camera-based enforcement of junctions and bus/cycle lanes and utilising bus-mounted cameras to detect and enforce illegal parking in bus lanes (actions 67 and 122 of the Phase 1 Action Plan 2021–2024 of the Road Safety Strategy 2021–2030); and will forward this motion to the Road Safety Transformation Partnership Board seeking an update on the development of the National Camera-Based Enforcement Strategy that is being led by Transport Infrastructure Ireland; and requests the implementation of camera-based enforcement of junctions, bus/cycle lanes and utilising bus-mounted cameras in Cork as soon as possible to protect transport investments and to assist the City in reaching its climate action ambitions.'

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 24/079)

27.8 MAINTENANCE OF CYCLE ROUTES

'That the CE will write to the Minister for Transport to ascertain if the need for the maintenance of the increased number of cycle routes has been factored into exchequer funding to local authorities.'

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Finn 24/083)

27.9 <u>INVESTIGATION OF</u> UISCE ÉIREANN

'That Cork City Council writes to the European Commission's Directorate General for Environment to request that Uisce Éireann be investigated under the terms of the Drinking Water Directive 2020 (2020/2184) with regard to quality monitoring, contamination and risk management strategy, and other relevant aspects in respect of unacceptable provision of drinking water in Cork City.'

(Proposer: Cllr. L. Bogue 24/099)

27.10 TEST DRINKING WATER FOR RESIDENTS OF BOREENMANNA ROAD

'That Cork City Council write to the Minister for Local Government, Darragh O'Brien, to demand that Uisce Éireann be instructed to urgently implement testing for manganese and other harmful substances in drinking water for residents of the Boreenmanna Road in Cork City following a recent Council briefing on water quality.'

(Proposer: Cllr. L. Bogue 24/100)

27.11 <u>BUSCONNECTS SCHEME AROUND BALLINTEMPLE GRAVEYARD/BEAUMONT COTTAGES/CHURCHYARD LANE</u>

'That Cork City Council write to BusConnects Cork in relation to the mapping of the scheme around Ballintemple Graveyard/Beaumont Cottages/Churchyard Lane to request complete and accurate mapping of this area as mapping provided to date has been inadequate.'

(Proposer: Cllr. L. Bogue 24/102)

ALMA MURNANE MEETINGS ADMINISTRATOR

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APPENDIX 1

MOTIONS

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

1. ZEBRA CROSSING BETWEEN KILBARRY COTTAGES AND DELANEY PARK

'That Cork City Council install a zebra crossing between Kilbarry Cottages and Delaney Park. This measure is necessary to ensure the safety and convenience of residents in Dublin Hill who need to cross the road and access the bus services. Additionally, the zebra crossing can serve as a traffic-calming measure to address the increasing speed of vehicles along this hill.

Rationale:

- 1. Safety enhancement: The installation of a zebra crossing at Kilbarry Cottages will greatly enhance pedestrian safety, especially for residents of Dublin Hill. This will provide them with a designated and clearly marked area to cross the road safely, reducing the risk of accidents and improving overall pedestrian safety.
- 2. Accessibility for bus services: A zebra crossing at this location will benefit those residents who rely on public transportation services. It will facilitate their access to nearby bus stops, allowing for easier and safer commuting options. This will encourage the use of public transport, promoting sustainable transportation practices and reducing traffic congestion.
- 3. Traffic-calming measure: The increasing speed of vehicles on Dublin Hill has become a pressing concern for the community. By installing a zebra crossing, we can introduce a traffic-calming element that compels drivers to slow down, promoting safer driving habits and reducing the risk of accidents or incidents caused by excessive speed.

Proposal:

- 1. Conduct a thorough feasibility study to assess the suitability and viability of installing a zebra crossing at the specified location.
- Engage with relevant stakeholders, including residents of Dublin Hill, Kilbarry Cottages, and Delaney Park, to gather their input and address any concerns or suggestions regarding the proposed zebra crossing.
- 3. Develop a comprehensive plan for the installation, including the necessary street markings, signage, and safety measures to be implemented.
- 4. Allocate the required budget and resources to support the installation and maintenance of the zebra crossing.
- 5. Collaborate with relevant departments or agencies to ensure a coordinated effort in implementing this project in a timely manner.

6. Regularly review the effectiveness of the zebra crossing and make any necessary adjustments to enhance its functionality and address potential issues or concerns raised by residents or pedestrians.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O'Flynn 23/475)

North East Local Area Committee – 26/02/2024

2. **REVIEW OF KEMPTON PARK'S FLOODING CAPACITY**

'Whereas, recent flooding incidents in Kempton Park have resulted in considerable damage to the park and surrounding areas, causing concerns among residents and visitors;

Whereas, the lack of adequate drainage systems in Kempton Park has been identified as a contributing factor to the flooding issues experienced;

Whereas, it is the responsibility of Cork City Council to ensure the safety and well-being of its residents, and to maintain and improve public spaces for recreational purposes;

Whereas, a comprehensive review of the park's flooding capacity and a health and safety risk assessment are necessary to fully understand the challenges faced by Kempton Park and mitigate future flood-related issues;

Therefore, be it resolved that Cork City Council shall carry out a full roof and branch review of Kempton Park's flooding capacity, taking into account recent flooding incidents and the observed lack of adequate drainage systems.

Further resolved, that the review shall be conducted by adequately qualified professionals with expertise in civil engineering and water management, in consultation with relevant environmental agencies and water management authorities.

Further resolved, that the health and safety risk assessment shall cover the entire area of Kempton Park and evaluate potential risks associated with flooding, including but not limited to public safety hazards, damage to infrastructure, and impact on wildlife and the environment.

Further resolved, that the findings and recommendations from the review and risk assessment shall be shared with the public, stakeholders, and relevant city officials in a transparent and timely manner.

Further resolved, that based on the findings and recommendations, Cork City Council shall take appropriate measures to address the identified flooding and drainage issues, which may include infrastructure improvements, drainage system upgrades, and other flood mitigation strategies.

Further resolved, that an allocated budget be established to fund the necessary review, assessment, and subsequent implementation of any identified solutions.

Further resolved, that the results of the review and risk assessment, as well as any subsequent actions taken, be regularly monitored and evaluated to ensure the effectiveness of the implemented measures and to maintain the park's flood-resilient status.

It is hereby motioned that Cork City Council commits to the comprehensive review of Kempton Park's flooding capacity and the undertaking of a health and safety risk assessment.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O'Flynn 23/487)

North East Local Area Committee – 26/02/2024

3. **REVIEW OF TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT AT KILCULLY**

'I hereby move that Cork City Council undertake a comprehensive review of the Kilcully area with regards to traffic management. This review should be conducted by the relevant departments within the City Council, in collaboration with the NTA, with the aim of identifying and implementing necessary traffic measures to enhance the safety of pedestrians, drivers, and cyclists using the Kilcully roads.

Background:

Over the past ten years, Kilcully has unfortunately witnessed six fatalities on its roads. These tragic incidents highlight a pressing need to address the traffic management issues in this area promptly and efficiently. The safety of all road users should be our highest priority as a responsible local authority.

Proposed Action:

- 1. The City Council conduct a thorough review of the Kilcully area to identify current traffic management shortcomings. This review should seek to identify areas where improvements can be made to enhance the safety of pedestrians, drivers, and cyclists.
- 2. Once the review is complete, the City Council should allocate sufficient funding to implement the necessary traffic measures identified during the review process. These measures may include but are not limited to, improved signage, road layout modifications, enhanced visibility, and adequate provision for pedestrian and cycling infrastructure.
- 3. The review and subsequent implementation of traffic measures must be carried out as a matter of urgency, given the history of fatalities that have occurred on Kilcully roads. Timely action is crucial to prevent any further loss of life and ensure the safety of all residents and visitors in the area.

Conclusion:

In order to address the significant safety concerns and reduce the risk of accidents in the Kilcully area, I urge my fellow Council Members to support this motion for a comprehensive review of traffic management. By identifying and implementing necessary

measures, we can create a safer road environment that prioritizes the protection of pedestrians, drivers, and cyclists.

I kindly request that this motion be discussed and voted upon in the upcoming Council meeting, recognizing the urgency and importance of this matter.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O'Flynn 23/489)

North East Local Area Committee – 26/02/2024

4. FORUM ON THE FUTURE OF CORK CITY CENTRE

'Given concerns about the future of the City Centre including vacancies, cost of parking, anti-social activities - and a wish to ensure a vibrant future - that Cork City Council initiates a forum early in 2024 in the Concert Hall to include all business interests operating in the centre with a view to looking at the changes, challenges and opportunities that are impacting on the City and to develop strategies to address those; this process to include the various business groupings, the Gardaí and to include a look at re-calibrating the Council's core group.'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 23/545)

Strategic, Economic Development, Enterprise & Planning Strategic Policy Committee – 19/02/2024

5. <u>SAFETY REVIEW ON THE N27 RAMP OFF THE SOUTH LINK ROAD</u>

'That a safety review, and action if required, is carried out on the N27 ramp off the South Link Road at the junction of the South Douglas Road where vehicles travelling uphill are forming an unofficial second turning lane on the downhill lane; the work to include slow down measures on both lanes as vehicles tend to speed up particularly as they approach the junction.'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 23/559)

South Central Local Area Committee – 26/02/2024

6. REPAIR AND RESURFACE TRAVER'S STREET

'As it is a major route into the City Centre, and currently in awful and dangerous condition, that the road surface at Traver's Street (commonly known as Traver's Hill) is prioritised for repair and resurfacing.'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 24/012)

South Central Local Area Committee – 26/02/2024

7. REPAIR FOOTPATHS AT MOUNT SION ROAD, GREENMOUNT

'That the footpaths along the entire stretch of Mount Sion Road, Greenmount be surveyed with a view to repair or replacement.'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 24/013)

South Central Local Area Committee – 26/02/2024

8. ACCESS AND EGRESS THROUGH PEARSE PLACE, BALLYPHEHANE

'Following a meeting with the residents of Pearse Place, Ballyphehane I have been asked to submit a request to have works initiated so as to provide better access and egress through Pearse Place.

The request is as follows:-

- 1. Remove the grassy/weed margin that is currently in situ at Pearse Place.
- 2. Provide car parking within the said margin in lieu of the grassy/weed margin.

Notes:-

Access in and out of Pearse Place is problematic. Because of this the residents park on the grassy/weed margin. This permits traffic to flow freely while accessing and or egressing the area particularly for emergency vehicles and large utility trucks. The removal of the grassy/weed margin would be most welcome by the residents and it would provide a cleaner fresher aesthetic look and feel to Pearse Place.

I ask that this request be added to the programme of works for 2024.

A petition requesting same by the residents of Pearse Place has been acquired and shall be handed to the Director for his/her attention.'

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Dineen 24/042)

South Central Local Area Committee – 26/02/2024

9. **GRAFFITI IN CORK CITY**

'That Cork City Council put in place a plan to clean up many areas of our City streetscape which is currently horribly defaced with various types of Graffiti. Tourists visiting our City as well as residents of our City are continually appalled at the growing levels of this disgraceful levels of horrendous Graffiti on public facades of buildings in the City. This is a form of littering which defaces the public streetscape in a very negative way.

In order to prevent the growing levels of Graffiti in public places, maybe the implementation of CCTV monitoring and a policing strategy put in place could endeavour to get the scourge of Graffiti under control. This Graffiti is generally applied by individuals with little or no concern or pride for the beauty and general maintenance of our wonderful City.'

(Proposers: Cllr. J. Kavanagh, Cllr. D. Cahill 24/043)

Environment, Water & Amenity Strategic Policy Committee – 20/03/2024

10. NAMING OF GROUND LOCALLY KNOWN AS LANE'S WOOD

'I ask that this Council and the Parks Directorate would support my request on behalf of the Coleman family that the southern pathway from the access point for the Douglas entrance to the Bring Site situated to the west be named (Charlie Coleman's Way) or (Charlie's Way) so as to mark the area of ground locally known as Lane's Wood and an area that was frequented by Charlie Coleman aka (Charlie the Bogman) who was himself a local man from Ballyphehane and a character of times past.'

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Dineen 24/045)

South Central Local Area Committee – 26/02/2024

11. TRAFFIC SIGNALS AT JUNCTION OF CLASHDUV ESTATE AND GLASHEEN ROAD

'Can I ask the Director to assess signals and possibly readjust the timings at the junction of Clashduv Estate and Glasheen Road. Traffic is constantly building up over the last two years since the traffic signals were changed. For residents, it's getting worse to exit and enter their homes in Clashduv Estate and Glasheen Road, also for emergency vehicles.'

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Kelleher 24/046)

South West Local Area Committee – 26/02/2024

12. ELECTRONIC SPEED SIGNS ON WELL ROAD

'That Council accede to residents' request for electronic speed signs on Well Road particularly to act as a reminder/deterrent to fast traffic coming down the hill.'

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Forde 24/047)

South East Local Area Committee – 27/02/2024

13. POLICY TO ENCOURAGE BUSINESSES TO REMOVE SINGLE USE CUPS

'That Cork City Council adopt a policy to encourage businesses to remove take away single use cups i.e. tea, coffee and other beverages within the administrative area.

In addition, Cork City Council set up a working group to connect with the environmental groups, hotels and businesses, to gather funding to make this project sustainable.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 24/048)

Environment, Water & Amenity Strategic Policy Committee – 20/03/2024

14. **FILTER LIGHT AT THE LOUGH**

'To reinstate the filter light at the Lough lights turning right off Togher Road onto Pearse Road.

The filter light is on the lights but it is not turned on and it is causing major traffic backlogs on the Togher Road.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Moloney 24/052)

South West Local Area Committee – 26/02/2024

15. **FOOTPATH AT CONNOLLY ROAD**

'That this Council examine the condition of the footpath from 101-141 Connolly Road and add to list of repairs.'

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Kerins 24/056)

South Central Local Area Committee – 26/02/2024

16. **RESURFACE LOWER KENT ROAD**

'That this Council add Lower Kent Road to the road resurfacing programme.'

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Kerins 24/057)

South Central Local Area Committee – 26/02/2024

17. BIKE LANE AT JUNCTION OF KINSALE ROAD AND TRAMORE ROAD

'That this Council examine the drainage issues in the bike lane at the junction of Kinsale Road and Tramore Road.'

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Kerins 24/058)

South Central Local Area Committee – 26/02/2024

18. <u>RETROFIT HOUSES IN THE ROSSALEE HOUSING SCHEME</u>

'Dear Cork City Council, would it be possible please to consider fitting external and internal insulation (retrofitting) the houses in the Rossalee Housing Scheme in Mayfield. This complex was opened in 1986 and elderly tenants find their homes to be extremely cold.'

(Proposers: Cllr. G. Keohane, Cllr. T. Tynan 24/059)

North East Local Area Committee – 26/02/2024

19. **RENAME SECTION OF GURRANABRAHER ROAD**

'That Cork City Council would rename a section of Gurranabraher Road to Con's Hill. The section of road that would be considered for renaming would be from the junction of Mount Nebo Avenue to Friars Avenue.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 24/060)

North West Local Area Committee – 26/02/2024

20. SPEEDING TRAFFIC ON BALLYHOOLY ROAD

'On behalf of the residents of Ballyhooly Road, I wish to bring to the attention of the Council, the very grave issue of speeding traffic in the area.

In particular, I highlight the following priorities to be addressed as a matter of urgency:

- 1. A reduction of the speed limit to 30 km per hour.
- 2. Signage to indicate this speed limit.
- 3. Signage to indicate that this is a residential zone.
- 4. Signage to indicate that there are children crossing.
- 5. Signage to indicate that this is a school zone.
- 6. Signage to urge drivers to reduce speed.
- 7. Appropriate traffic calming measures.
- 8. Solar powered speed monitors.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Tynan 24/063)

North East Local Area Committee - 26/02/2024

21. **30 KM PER HOUR SPEED LIMIT ON LOWER GLANMIRE ROAD**

'I am calling on Cork City Council to impose a 30 km per hour speed limit on the Lower Glanmire Road, as a matter of urgency.

The residents of the area have reported that they find it extremely difficult and dangerous to cross the road, even at crossings operated by pedestrian lights. The location is a residential area.

A 30 km per hour speed limit would help make the road safer, calmer and reduce both air and noise pollution in the local area.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Tynan 24/064)

North East Local Area Committee – 26/02/2024

22. <u>HEATING SUPPLY FOR HOMES IN ARD BHAILE AND GLENAMOY LAWN</u>

'I am calling on Cork City Council to recognise the negative impact of the installation of an air-to-air heat pump system to homes in Ard Bhaile and Glenamoy Lawn, Mayfield. The heating system, installed in 2016/2017, has proven to be ineffective and entirely inappropriate for the residences that it has been installed in.

The inadequacy of this heating system has forced residents to rely instead on out-dated and expensive heating systems to heat their homes.

I have heard reports of residents relying on electric heaters, Superser heaters with bottled gas and kerosene heaters. These alternatives are very energy inefficient, unsafe, and costly to run.

In addition, the installed air-to-air heat pump does not have the capacity to heat the domestic water supply, and so residents have to rely instead on expensive electric immersion systems to heat water for showering and domestic use.

The original heating system, which was built in the 1970's, had a hot air system which was ineffective. This heating system was then replaced with a hot water system, which supplied hot water to radiator heaters, allowing for each room in the residence to have a reliable heat source, as well as providing hot water for domestic use. This heating system worked well until its replacement in 2016/2017.

The inadequate nature of the newer air-to-air heat pump system has been a disaster for the residents, leaving them with the need for other costly, inefficient and dangerous alternatives to heat their homes, which has led to poor health and respiratory illness amongst residents.

I urge the Council to urgently review and replace the heating supply for the affected residents.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Tynan 24/068)

North East Local Area Committee – 26/02/2024

23. <u>FOOTPATHS AT MADDEN'S BUILDINGS, BLACKPOOL</u>

'That Cork City Council replace the footpaths on both sides of the road in Madden's Buildings, Blackpool. The footpaths are unfit for the elderly living in Madden's Buildings as they are currently causing trip hazards.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 24/072)

North West Local Area Committee – 26/02/2024

24. RENAME GURRANABRAHER HILL AS CON'S HILL

'That Cork City Council rename Gurranabraher Hill from the junction of Mount Nebo Avenue to Friar's Avenue as Con's Hill.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O'Flynn 24/073)

North West Local Area Committee – 26/02/2024

25. CRASH BARRIER AT FAIRFIELD AVENUE

'That Cork City Council extend the crash barrier at the end of Fairfield Avenue to prevent vehicles crashing through the wall at this dangerous bend.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 24/075)

North West Local Area Committee - 26/02/2024

26. MOBILE SPEED-ACTIVATED RADAR SIGNS

'That Cork City Council will periodically locate mobile speed-activated radar signs within special 30km/h zones (such as housing estates) to emphasise the speed limit in these areas and communicate to motorists their speed.'

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 24/076)

Roads & Transportation Strategic Policy Committee – 19/02/2024

27. DOUBLE YELLOW LINES AT THE ENTRANCE TO BRANDON CRESCENT

'That Cork City Council will extend the double yellow lines at the entrance to Brandon Crescent, off the Old Youghal Road, to maintain vehicular access; and install traffic calming measures within the estate.'

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 24/077)

North East Local Area Committee - 26/02/2024

28. RAISED TABLE AT THE COURTESY CROSSING NEAR RIVERVIEW ON HAZELWOOD AVENUE

'That Cork City Council will install a raised table for traffic calming and pedestrian safety at the courtesy crossing near Riverview on Hazelwood Avenue in Glanmire.'

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 24/078)

North East Local Area Committee - 26/02/2024

29. <u>STEPS AT REAR OF THE SPRINGMOUNT ESTATE DOWN TO THE</u> RIVERSTOWN ROAD

'Dear Cork City Council, would it be possible please to make safe the steps leading from the rear of the Springmount estate down to the Riverstown Road under health and safety concerns. The steps have become a trip hazard and one injury to date has been reported.'

(Proposer: Cllr. G. Keohane 24/080)

North East Local Area Committee – 26/02/2024

30. <u>TIMELINE FOR TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES FOR COOLGARTEN PARK</u>

'That the CE will give a timeline for the traffic calming measures for Coolgarten Park.'

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Finn 24/081)

South West Local Area Committee – 26/02/2024

31. LIST OF REQUESTS FOR ROAD PAINTING IN THE SOUTH WEST WARD

'That the CE will provide a list of requests for road painting in the South West ward and how they are prioritized.'

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Finn 24/082)

South West Local Area Committee – 26/02/2024

32. WASTE SEGREGATION BINS AT ST. FINBARR'S CEMETERY

'That the CE will look to implement waste segregation bins in St. Finbarr's cemetery, Glasheen Road.'

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Finn 24/084)

South West Local Area Committee – 26/02/2024

33. PUBLIC LIGHTING AT HOLLYVILLE, HOLLYHILL

'That Cork City Council increase public lighting at Hollyville, Hollyhill.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Fitzgerald 24/085)

North West Local Area Committee - 26/02/2024

34. **FOOTPATH OUTSIDE 203 CONNOLLY ROAD**

'That this Council repair / replace the footpath outside 203 Connolly Road as it is in a dangerous condition.'

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Kerins 24/086)

South Central Local Area Committee – 26/02/2024

35. PUBLIC REALM OF GREENHILLS COURT

'That the public realm of Greenhills Court, a housing estate nearly 50 years in existence be renewed.'

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boyle 24/087)

South Central Local Area Committee - 26/02/2024

36. FOOTPATH AT CLERMONT TERRACE, SOUTH DOUGLAS ROAD

'That a wider, stronger footpath be provided at Clermont Terrace, South Douglas Road.'

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boyle 24/088)

South Central Local Area Committee - 26/02/2024

37. **REINSTATEMENT BY UTILITY COMPANIES**

'That this Council operate as policy that reinstatement made by utility companies in this City should not involve the covering over of any green area/space.'

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boyle 24/089)

Environment, Water & Amenity Strategic Policy Committee – 20/03/2024

38. **BIKE SHARE STATIONS**

'That new locations be found for bike share stations that had been on Washington Street and Sullivan's Quay, as well as requesting that the National Transport Authority provide for more bike share stations across a wider area in the City.'

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boyle 24/090)

Roads & Transportation Strategic Policy Committee – 19/02/2024

39. RIGHTS-BASED ETHICAL PROCUREMENT POLICY (EPP)

'That Cork City Council deplores those corporations that profit from protracted armed conflict and systematic violations of human rights, particularly in the context of Israel's continuing brutal assault on the people of Gaza and escalating settler terrorism in the West Bank, Russia's ongoing war of aggression against Ukraine, and other conflicts around the world. With this motion, the Council encourages companies to meet their obligations to avoid contributing to adverse human rights impacts through their own activities, and to prevent or mitigate human rights abuses linked to their operations.

The Council is aware of the crucial role of local authorities and their public procurement procedures in ensuring respect for human rights by companies, as well as their obligations under widely accepted business and human rights norms – as laid down in the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises, and the Global Sullivan Principles (1999) – to promote respect for human rights by companies with which they do business.

The Council affirms that every endeavour is made to ensure that Council's tender processes are consistent with the above principles, including under the Fourth Geneva convention relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War and under customary international humanitarian law, prohibiting the importation or sale of goods or services originating in occupied territories.

This Council resolves to adopt a rights-based Ethical Procurement Policy (EPP) that takes fully into account existing obligations and standards. The EPP will incorporate widely accepted and precisely formulated international standards and explain clearly how the policy will be implemented. The primary aim of the EPP is to ensure that human rights obligations are properly acknowledged, observed and respected at all stages of the procurement process.'

(Proposers: Cllr. M. Nugent, Cllr. O. O'Leary 24/091)

Finance & Estimates Committee – 02/04/2024

40. KERRY PIKE PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENT SCHEME

'That Cork City Council update on the Kerry Pike Pedestrian Improvement Scheme.'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 24/092)

North West Local Area Committee – 26/02/2024

41. TAKING IN CHARGE OF THE MEADOWS ESTATE

'That Cork City Council report on the process of taking in charge of the Meadows Estate, Hollyhill/Knocknacullen and outline works done to finish out the estate and if further works, such as traffic calming, are being considered.'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 24/093)

North West Local Area Committee - 26/02/2024

42. <u>BUNGALOW SITE BETWEEN ARDMORE AVENUE AND FOYLE AVENUE</u>

'That Cork City Council in partnership with local residents bring forward plans for the old bungalow site between Ardmore Avenue and Foyle Avenue, Knocknaheeny.'

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 24/094)

North West Local Area Committee – 26/02/2024

43. HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AT KILMORE ROAD

'Despite construction starting in 2019, the Phase 2C development of 24 houses on Kilmore Road is still stalled with no explanation being given. The contract should immediately be withdrawn from the current contractor as they have proven that they are either unwilling or unable to deliver the completed project. Cork City Council needs to take control of the site and prioritise its completion as a matter of urgency.'

(Proposer: Cllr. B. McCarthy 24/095)

North West Local Area Committee – 26/02/2024

44. PARKING SIGNS ON THE CURRAHEEN ROAD

'That Cork City Council replaces the parking signs on the Curraheen Road, which are faded, and enforce parking restrictions outside the chemist, GP and physio close to the Melbourn Road junction. Currently, limited time parking spaces are being occupied by cars for hours and days without penalty. This is affecting patients access to essential services.'

(Proposer: Cllr. O. O'Leary 24/096)

South West Local Area Committee – 26/02/2024

45. ROAD MARKINGS AT LOWER BISHOPSCOURT

'That Cork City Council repaint the double yellow lines and white lines throughout lower Bishopscourt (Bishopscourt Drive, Green, Park and Place) as a matter of urgency. Following works throughout the estate, road markings were never replaced. The lack of lining throughout the area is leading to dangerous parking. As a result, children cannot be seen crossing the road and motorists have poor visibility turning onto Bishopscourt Drive.'

(Proposer: Cllr. O. O'Leary 24/097)

South West Local Area Committee – 26/02/2024

46. <u>SPEED RAMP ENTERING INNISHMORE COURT/THE PADDOCKS,</u> BALLINCOLLIG

'That Cork City Council put a speed ramp on the road entering Innishmore Court/the Paddocks, Ballincollig. There are cars, particularly in the morning, travelling at excessive speeds on this road. The road would be used by lots of school children to access Ballincollig Community School, Lé Chéile Secondary School and Scoil Barra, as well as being used by parents dropping children to a creche that operates in the Paddocks.'

(Proposer: Cllr. O. O'Leary 24/098)

South West Local Area Committee – 26/02/2024

47. LIST OF DERELICT SITES IN THE CITY

'That the Chief Executive urgently reviews the Derelict Sites Register in light of information from campaigners indicating that there are upwards of 700 derelict sites in the City; and compiles a list for Councillors of those properties which can within the next three months be served with a Compulsory Purchase Order by Council.'

(Proposer: Cllr. L. Bogue 24/101)

Strategic, Economic Development, Enterprise & Planning Strategic Policy Committee – 19/02/2024

48. PLAY AREA IN THE CITY CENTRE

'That Cork City Council liaise with consultants and stakeholders to identify an area in our City Centre that allows for a play area for young children and families, which is accessible to all.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 24/103)

Environment, Water & Amenity Strategic Policy Committee – 20/03/2024

49. **RESURFACE ROAD INTO THE GLEN RIVER PARK**

'That Cork City Council resurfaces road into the Glen River Park on the Ballyvolane entrance side and creates a new pathway to tie up with existing path in main park to allow people to navigate the park safely.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 24/104)

North East Local Area Committee – 26/02/2024

50. <u>COMMUNITY CENTRE FOR BALLYVOLANE</u>

'That Cork City Council begins a public consultation with the residents, community groups and sporting organisations in Ballyvolane with the hope of finding a suitable location and building a community centre for the area.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 24/105)

North East Local Area Committee – 26/02/2024

51. WALKING/CYCLE ROUTE ALONG THE GLEN RIVER VALLEY LAND

'That Cork City Council develop a walking/cycle route along the Glen River Valley land along the North Ring Road and tie into the proposed new park in Tinkers Cross, Mayfield.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 24/106)

North East Local Area Committee - 26/02/2024

52. **RESURFACE UPPER CLARKES ROAD**

'That Cork City Council include Upper Clarkes Road in the road resurfacing programme. It is completely destroyed following recent cold weather.'

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 24/107)

South Central Local Area Committee - 26/02/2024