

**MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF CORK CITY COUNCIL**  
**HELD ON MONDAY 9<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2015**

<b>PRESENT</b>	An Ardmhéara Comhairleoir M. Shields and subsequently in the Chair An Leas-Ardmhéara Comhairleoir K. O’Flynn.
<b>NORTH EAST</b>	Comhairleoirí S. Cunningham, T. Tynan, T. Brosnan, J. Kavanagh.
<b>NORTH CENTRAL</b>	Comhairleoirí T. Gould, M. Barry, L. O’Donnell, J. Sheehan.
<b>NORTH WEST</b>	Comhairleoirí M. Nugent, T. Fitzgerald, K. Collins, M. O’Sullivan.
<b>SOUTH EAST</b>	Comhairleoirí K. McCarthy, C. O’Leary, D. Cahill, L. McGonigle, T. Shannon N. O’Keeffe,
<b>SOUTH CENTRAL</b>	Comhairleoirí M. Finn, F. Kerins, T. O’Driscoll, S. Martin.
<b>SOUTH WEST</b>	Comhairleoirí J. Buttimer, H. Cremin, F. Dennehy, P.J. Hourican, T. Moloney.
<b>ALSO PRESENT</b>	Mr. P. Ledwidge, Director of Services, Strategic Planning & Economic Development & Enterprise. Mr. T. Keating, Meetings Administrator, Corporate & External Affairs. Ms. N. Mulcahy, Administrative Officer, Corporate & External Affairs. Mr. T. Healy, Head of Finance, Finance. Mr. J. O’Donovan, Director of Services, Environment & Recreation. Mr. G. O’Beirne, Director of Services, Roads & Transportation. Mr. B. Cassidy, Senior Executive Engineer, Housing & Community.

An tArd-Mhéara recited the opening prayer.

**1.1 VOTES OF SYMPATHY**

A vote of sympathy was passed unanimously with An Chomhairle standing in silence to:-

- The Beale family on the death of Mary Beale
- The Hallam family on the death of Bill Hallam
- The Hoare family on the death of Daniel Hoare
- The Lane family on the death of Paddy Lane.
- The McCabe family on the death of Marjorie McCabe.
- The Kirwin family on the death of Catherine Kirwin.

**1.2 VOTES OF CONGRATULATIONS / BEST WISHES**

- Arch Bishop Kieran O’Reilly on his recent installation as Archbishop of Cashel and Emly.
- Cork Martial Arts Promotions on 5 years of awards to Martial Arts Organisations in the City and County.

### 1.3 **LORD MAYORS ITEMS**

#### 1.3.1 **FREEDOM OF THE CITY**

An tArdmhéara nominated Mr. Niall Tóibín for the Freedom of the City of Cork, An tArdmhéara stated that:-

##### **Niall Tóibín**

Niall Tóibín is a Cork born actor born into an Irish speaking family and grew up on the North side of the City in Bishop's Field. He is 85 years old. He was educated in the North Monastery after which he left Cork for a job in the Civil Service. He started acting in the 1950's and appeared in many films and stage appearance at local, national & international levels. He appeared in such films as Ryan's Daughter, Ballroom of Romance, the Irish RM, Brides Head Revisited, Caught in a Free State and more recently Far & Away, Ballykissangel and Veronica Guerin. He also played in many TV programmes including the Clinic.

##### **Awards**

He was awarded a Jacops Award in 1973  
Best Actor Award in Dublin 2002  
Honorary Doctorate of Arts UCC 2010  
IFTA Award 2011 - The Award meant Niall Toibín became an honorary IFTA Life Member.

Following discussion, on the proposal of Comhairleoir T. Shannon, seconded by Comhairleoir S. Martin, a vote was called for/against the awarding of the Freedom of the City of Cork where there appeared as follows:-

A vote was called for where there appeared as follows:-

**FOR:** Comhairleoirí S. Cunningham, T. Tynan, J. Kavanagh, T. Gould, M. Barry, K. O'Flynn, L. O'Donnell, J. Sheehan, M. Nugent, T. Fitzgerald, K. Collins, M. O'Sullivan, K. McCarthy, D. Cahill, L. McGonigle, N. O'Keeffe, F. Kerins, T. O'Driscoll, H. Cremin, Ardmhéara M. Shields, F. Dennehy, P.J Hourican, T. Moloney. (23)

**AGAINST:** Comhairleoirí T. Shannon, M. Finn, S. Martin.

**ABSTAIN:** Comhairleoirí C. O'Leary, J. Buttimer.

As the numbers voting in favour of the Freedom of the City were greater than those voting against, An tArd-Mhéara declared the vote carried and the Freedom of the City to be awarded to Mr. Niall Tóibín.

### 1.3 **CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S ITEMS**

There were no items raised.

2. **MINUTES**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the following Minutes:-

- Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held on the 26<sup>th</sup> January 2015.

3. **QUESTION TIME**

3.1 **MAHON LIBRARY**

*The following question submitted by Comhairleoir K. McCarthy, was deferred to the next meeting of An Chomhairle.*

To ask the CE for an update on the ongoing preparation work for Mahon Library.

3.2 **CAPWELL AVENUE**

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

Can the Manager update Council on the situation at Capwell Avenue, Turners Cross where residents have previously requested for sound barriers to be erected due to level of noise coming from the South Link Road which runs behind their back gardens.

The Noise Action Plan 2013-2018 for the Cork Agglomeration Area continues to list Capwell/ South City Link as an area requiring ‘further assessment’.

National Roads Authority (NRA) responded that they don’t have funding in place to carry out the works at this time in 2014.

Is there currently funding in place for this?

**REPLY**

The National Roads Authority has provided no specific funding in 2015 to carry out further assessment of the areas listed in the Noise Action Plan 2013-2018.

**Gerry O’Beirne,  
Director of Services,  
Roads & Transportation.**

3.3 **EVENT CENTRE**

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

How much has been spent to date on the advertising and tendering in relation to the Event Centre?

## **REPLY**

The tender process was led by PWC, business consultants and included KMCS, chartered quantity surveyors and the IMD Group, international consultants on venue design and management. Total fees to date in relation to tendering amounted to € 369,537 inclusive of Vat.

Advertising was carried out by way of electronic tendering on the Irish Government public procurement portal ‘e-tenders’ and on the Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU). Advertising in this way does not carry any cost.

**Tim Healy**  
**Head of Finance**

### 3.4 **AUDITS COMMISSIONED BY AND FOR THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT 2010-2015**

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

Will the CE publish by way of reply all internal and external reports and audits commissioned by and for the Housing Department over the past 5 years for the period of 2010 – 2015?

## **REPLY**

A report issued from Consultants engaged to carry out a walkthrough audit of Housing Maintenance Operations in October 2013.

The report has not been published to date as it was intended that the report would be used for internal purposes only. Initiatives as to how internal processes and service delivery might be improved are being considered.”

**Dan Buggy,**  
**Assistant Chief Executive,**  
**Housing & Community.**

### 3.5 **VACANT HOUSES**

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

Using 2014 figures from both Cork City Council Housing Maintenance Department and private contractors can the Chief Executive give the average cost of repairing a vacant house?

Also what was the average time those houses were vacant?

What was the shortest period a house was vacant and what was the longest period a house was vacant from the houses allocated in 2014?

## **REPLY**

The average cost of repairing a vacant house in 2014 was €23,261.

The average time that these houses were vacant for was 644 days.

The shortest period that a property refurbished in 2014 was on the vacancy list for was 1 day

The longest period a property refurbished in 2014 list on the vacant house for was on the vacant list for was 2,282 days.

**Dan Buggy,  
Assistant Chief Executive,  
Housing & Community.**

### 3.6 **TRAMORE VALLEY PARK**

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

What is the plan for Tramore Valley Park for 2015?

Would the Chief Executive consider changing the name of the Park?

What work will take place in 2015 & 2016?

## **REPLY**

A contractor is on site at present finalising Contract 9 which involves remediation of 7.5 hectares in the North Western part of the site, construction of a changing pavilion, BMX Track, All Weather Events Area, underground piles etc . This work is scheduled for completion in mid summer. Other works are also being progressed and a Working Group in place to prepare a Management Plan for the facility with a view to having it open to the public by the autumn.

The Tramore River meanders through the new park and it was considered appropriate when preparing a Master Plan for the new amenity to have it called the Tramore Valley Park, the name having a strong local connection . There is broad general awareness of the name of the new park at present.

A new cycle /walkway will be provided from Douglas West Roundabout along the Tramore

River through the Park within the next year, exiting at Half Moon Lane. Additional landscaping works will also be carried out on the Central Dome area. Further paths, trails play area etc will be developed in the coming years as resources permit.

**Jim O Donovan  
Director of Services  
Environment & Recreation**

3.7 **PLAYGROUND IN BISHOPSTOWN**

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

Can the CE tell me if the long overdue Playground in Bishopstown is going to be built this year?

**REPLY**

Considerable improvement and enhancement works have been carried out at Bishopstown Park/Murphy's Farm in recent years and include the provision of a sports changing pavilion, pitch & putt club house, parks depot, renewal of the perimeter footpaths and the planting of over one thousand indigenous trees. Improvement works (widening & resurfacing) to the existing car park and internal paths within the park are underway at present. Provision of traffic calming measures along the main access road from Chestnut Grove is also under consideration.

There is no provision in the 2015 Parks Capital Programme for the provision of a playground.

**Jim O'Donovan,  
Director of Services,  
Environment & Recreation.**

3.8 **REVIEW PLUMBERS CONTRACTS**

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

Can the CE give Council a guarantee that the 6 plumbers currently employed by the Council will have their contracts renewed when they fall due for renewal later this month?

**REPLY**

The Council will be in contact directly with the staff members in relation to their contracts of employment as this is an executive function.

**Michael Burke,  
A/Director of Services,  
Human Resource Mgt &  
Organisational Reform**

3.9 **REINSTATEMENT OF CITY CENTRE FOOTPATHS**

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

Chief Executive, there are a number of areas on St Patrick Street and other city centre streets, where the footpaths have been dug up to facilitate necessary works, however, the

reinstatement of the footpaths in these locations has been substandard and in the main, the footpath has been infilled with tar, rather than having the original brick reinstated.

Can you outline the reasons for this? If the works in these locations were undertaken by Cork City Council or a third party and if proper reinstatement will be conducted as a matter of urgency.

To have the main thoroughfares in our city in such a shoddy condition, following significant investment in recent years, is simply not acceptable.

#### **REPLY**

The excavations referred to typically relate to utility repairs. The companies carrying out the utility repairs do not always have the necessary expertise or materials to permanently reinstate the natural stone pavements in the area in question. The utility providers are required to provide a sum of money to cover the permanent reinstatement costs as part of their road opening licence.

Cork City Council uses the reinstatement receipts to permanently reinstate the pavement to its original standard. This work is carried out by contractors and the next reinstatement contract will be carried out in late spring/early summer 2015.

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

#### 3.10 **TRAVEL AND SUBSISTENCE EXPENSES PAID TO CITY COUNCIL EMPLOYEES IN 2014**

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

Can the CE please advise the following in relation to Travel and Subsistence expenses paid to City Council employees in 2014

The total number of employees who claimed either Travel or Subsistence allowances.

The total amount of travel expenses paid.

The total amount of subsistence expenses paid.

The average claim amount.

The lowest claim amount

The highest claim amount.

#### **REPLY**

The total amount of Travel and Subsistence that was claimed in 2014 was €270,581.

The number of employees who claimed either Travel or Subsistence Allowances was 420.

For 2014, we are not able to analyse the amount claimed between travel and subsistence, and individual claims can be in respect of multiple journeys / periods.

The average claim amount was €168.59.

The lowest claim amount was for €3.59

The highest claim amount was for €2,674.18 (5 month period.)

A new “Expenses Module” was added to the Financial System in late 2014 and this will enable greater analysis for the current and future years.

**Tim Healy**  
**Head of Finance**

3.11 **ADAPTION GRANTS FOR OLDER PEOPLE AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITY SCHEME**

*The following question submitted by Comhairleoir C. O’Leary was deferred to the next meeting of An Chomhairle.*

Under the Scheme for Adaption Grants for Older People and People with Disability Scheme to Cork City Council housing stock;

- a) How many applications in total are awaiting programme of works to our own housing stock in regards to Adaption for Older People and People with Disability Scheme?
- b) How many applicants are priorities in this scheme?
- c) How are priorities decided in order of illness/ Disability, please give details?
- d) What policy is in place to keep applicants up to date on their application?
- e) How often are applicants given a written up date on their applications progress?
- f) How much capital would it take to clear this waiting list?
- g) How long would it take with current funding level from the department to clear this waiting list?
- h) How many priority 1’s programme of works have been completed in 2011,2012,2013,2014?
- i) How many priority 2’s programme of works have been completed in 2011,2012,2013,2014?
- h) What is the longest length of time applicants are waiting on our priority 1list, on our priority 2 list currently?
- k) What level of funding has been spent in 2011,2012,2013,2014?
- l) What level of funding has been grant aid from central government regarding work to our own housing stock under this scheme in 2011,2012,2013,2014 and 2015

3.12 **CURRENT STATUS OF ROAD PROJECTS**

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

Can the CE please give an update on the current status of the proposed realignment and widening Project of the Ballyhooley Road between Keatings Furniture and the junction with the North Ring Road.

Can the CE also give an update on the proposed realignment of the Tinkers Cross junction in Mayfield.

Can the CE please advise on when these projects are likely to proceed?



## **REPLY**

Cork City Council has sought grant funding for realignment/widening of Ballyhooley Road and for the realignment of Tinker's Cross junction.

The detailed design and preparation of tender documents for the realignment and widening of Ballyhooley Road will be undertaken this year. It is hoped that funding will be provided to enable the scheme to be commenced in 2016.

Significant work has been undertaken on the detailed design and preparation of tender documentation for Tinker's Cross Junction. A grant of €10,000 has been allocated by the NTA for 2015 to enable this work to be completed. It is hoped that the project will attract grant funding in 2016/2017 to enable works to be undertaken.

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

### 3.13 **INCOME GENERATED FROM THE ISSUING OF DOG LICENCES**

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

To ask the CE how much income has been generated from the issuing of dog licences on a yearly basis since 2010 and where this money has been allocated and spent?

## **REPLY**

The following are the income figures received from dog licenses for the past 5 years:

2010	€ 18703
2011	€ 26733
2012	€ 50039
2013	€ 52,817
2014	€ 56124

It should be noted that the annual license fee was increased by the Department from €12.70 to € 20 in 2012. It is now possible to purchase dog licenses online from the Council at [www.corkcity.ie/doglicensing](http://www.corkcity.ie/doglicensing) which should increase income further.

All income received goes to part fund the statutory functions of the Council in relation to the Control of Dogs Acts, ie provision of a Dog Shelter and Dog Warden service, the full cost of which is € 70,000 approx per annum

**Jim O Donovan,  
Director of Services ,  
Environment and Recreation.**

### 3.14 **HOUSING ASSISTANCE PAYMENT (HAP)**

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

Can the Chief Executive provide a report on the Housing Assistance Payment (HAP) and the implications for social housing applicants that will be placed on the scheme? When will HAP be administered by Cork City Council?

## **REPLY**

Following the enactment of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2014 in July 2014, the first stage of the statutory pilot for the new Housing Assistance Payment (HAP) scheme came into operation on Monday, 15 September 2014 and has been operated, in this first instance, by Cork County Council, Limerick City and County Council and Waterford City and County Council since that date.

The second stage of the statutory pilot was extended from 1 October 2014 to cover the county councils of Kilkenny, Louth, Monaghan and South Dublin which was the last ministerial directive received by Cork City Council from the DECLG in relation to HAP.

The authorities currently operating HAP are working closely with their counterparts in the Department of Social Protection (DSP) to actively transition HAP eligible applicants, which are households in receipt of rent supplement on a long-term basis that are deemed by a local authority to have a long-term social housing need. The introduction of the HAP scheme brings all long-term housing supports under administration of the local authorities. The DSP will continue to administer rent supplement for those who require support on a short-term basis which was always its intended purpose.

In local authorities where HAP has been introduced there has been clear standard guidelines issued to each authority in how HAP must be administered to ensure standard application of the scheme across all authorities. In the pilot authorities the approach has been to merge Rental Accommodation Scheme (RAS) and HAP operations under one section. Once HAP commences in a local authority RAS as an offering to applicants is stood down and HAP becomes the social housing offering to HAP eligible tenants in the private rented sector. Existing RAS tenancies must continue to be administered by the local authority also.

HAP eligible tenants are obligated under the legislation to join the scheme and will be considered socially housed and have their housing application closed. However, those joining the scheme who wish to transfer to other forms of social housing support may apply for a transfer and be placed on a transfer list.

There has been no indication to date as to when HAP will be extended to other local authorities the current understanding is that this will occur at some stage during 2015.

**Dan Buggy,  
Assistant Chief Executive,  
Housing & Community.**

### 3.15 **BICYCLE LANES**

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

Can the CE advise how many bicycle lanes are currently located in Cork City?

When were each of these put in place?

What was the cost of the provision of each bicycle lane?

Are there any plans for future bicycle lanes in the City?

#### **REPLY**

There is approximately 23.7km of cycle lanes and tracks in Cork City. These facilities were constructed over the last 20years. 9.2km were constructed within the last 5 years. Cycle lanes are typically constructed as part of a larger road/street renewal contract therefore the component cost of a cycle lane varies from scheme to scheme. For example cycle lanes equate to 14% of the area renewed on the UCC to City Centre Cycle Project. The remaining 86% consisted of renewed carriageways and pavements.

The extent of potential for future cycle lanes provision is being assessed as part of the three Strategic Corridor Studies and will be available later in the current year.

**Gerry O’Beirne,  
Director of Services,  
Roads & Transportation Directorate.**

### 4. **PARTY WHIPS – 2<sup>nd</sup> FEBRUARY 2015**

An Chomhairle noted the minutes of the Party Whips from its meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2015.

#### 4.1 **LORD MAYOR’S ITEMS**

##### 4.1.1 **ANNUAL MEETING**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the recommendation from Party Whips that the Annual Meeting take place on June 12<sup>th</sup> 2015 at 7.00 p.m.

#### 4.2 **SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS**

An Chomhairle considered the recommendation of the Party Whips that the Schedule of Meetings previously approved by An Chomhairle for 2015 not be amended to include a second Council Meeting in July.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir T. Brosnan, seconded by Comhairleoir S. Martin, a vote was called on the recommendation wherein there appeared as follows:-

**FOR:** Comhairleoirí S. Cunningham, J. Kavanagh, T. Gould, L. O'Donnell, M. Nugent, K. Collins, M. O'Sullivan, K. McCarthy, C. O'Leary, D. Cahill, L. McGonigle, M. Finn, F. Kerins, T. O'Driscoll, S. Martin, J. Buttimer, H. Cremin, P.J Hourican, T. Moloney. (19)

**AGAINST:** Comhairleoirí T. Tynan, T. Brosnan, K. O'Flynn, T. Fitzgerald, N. O'Keeffe, F. Dennehy. (6)

**ABSTAIN:** Comhairleoir J. Sheehan.

As the numbers voting in favour of the recommendation were greater than those voting against the recommendation, An tÁrd-Mhéara declared the vote carried and the recommendation of the Party Whips approved.

5. **ROADS & TRANSPORTATION FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 2<sup>nd</sup> FEBRUARY 2015**

An Chomhairle noted the minutes of the Roads & Transportation Functional Committee, from its meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2015.

5.1 **ROADWORKS PROGRAMME**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services, dated 29th January, 2015 on the progress of the ongoing Roadworks Programme for the month ended January, 2015.

5.2 **NATIONAL ROADS GRANTS 2015**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of Director of Services dated 29th January, 2015 regarding the National Roads Grants 2015 with the exception of the following items on the schedule:-

Item No.13	Project 1 – SE Strategic Corridor: Mahon Point Bus Gate plus new access to gateway.
Item No. 14	Project 2 – SE Strategic Corridor: Skehard Road/ Church Road junction.
Item No. 15	Project 3 – SE Strategic Corridor: Park Hill to Bessboro Road junction.

It was agreed to defer these 3 items.

5.3 **TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING MOTIONS WHICH WERE REFERRED BY COUNCIL TO THE COMMITTEE.**

5.3.1 **TRAFFIC SURVEY ON WALLACE AVENUE, BALLINLOUGH**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of Director of Services dated 29th January, 2015 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council in consultation with local residents carry out a traffic survey on Wallace Avenue, Ballinlough with a view to installing traffic calming measures.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Shannon 14/417)

The Report stated that, Wallaces Avenue, Ballinlough will be assessed to determine the extent of the problems that exist there, in order to identify the most appropriate mitigation measure that can be provided.

Any identified measure will be put forward for consideration to be included in the Roads Programme, subject to funding being available.

### 5.3.2 **TRAFFIC SURVEY IN BROWNINGSTOWN EAST**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of Director of Services dated 29th January, 2015 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council in consultation with local residents carry out a traffic survey in Browningstown East, with a view to installing traffic calming measures.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Shannon 14/418)

The Report stated that, Browningstown East area will be assessed to determine the extent of the problems that exist there, in order to identify the most appropriate mitigation measure that can be provided.

Any identified measure will be put forward for consideration to be included in the Roads Programme, subject to funding being available.

### 5.3.3 **RESURFACE STRETCH OF BANDON ROAD FROM GREEN STREET TO LOUGH ROAD**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of Director of Services dated 29th January, 2015 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That the stretch of Bandon Road from Green Street to Lough Road be resurfaced, which would effectively complete the resurfacing of the roadway from the end of Barrack Street to Denroche’s Cross.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 14/432)

The Report stated that, Bandon Road from Lough Road to Green Street will be assessed and considered for inclusion in the 2015 Roadwork’s Programme.

### 5.3.4 **DOUBLE YELLOW LINES BE PLACED ADJACENT TO THE GREEN AREA OF ARDMANNING LAWN OPPOSITE HOUSE NUMBERS 11 TO 15**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of Director of Services dated 29th January, 2015 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That double yellow lines be placed adjacent to the Green area of Ardmanning Lawn opposite House numbers 11 to 15 as residents are finding it very difficult to exit from their driveways due to parked cars.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O’Driscoll 14/449)

The Report stated that, the appropriateness of placing of double yellow lines adjacent to the Green area of Ardmanning Lawn opposite house numbers 11 to 15 will be investigated.

If deemed appropriate, it will be put forward for consideration to be included in the Roads Programme, subject to funding being available.

5.3.5 **SYNCHRONISED TRAFFIC LIGHTS ON THE SOUTH CITY QUAYS**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of Director of Services dated 29th January, 2015 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That traffic lights on the South City quays be synchronized so that vehicles using this route can move through as quickly as possible.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O’Driscoll 14/450)

The Report stated that, the traffic signals and pedestrian crossings installed between the South Terrace and Sharman Crawford St were either installed or upgraded on a series of separate NTA funded contracts in recent times. Further works related to communications and linking, on couple of these sites, has been identified as an issue to be progressed this year. When completed, the coordination along the ‘South Quays’ and on Sullivan’s Quay, in particular, will be improved.

5.3.6 **INSTALL DOUBLE YELLOW LINES AT BALLINLOUGH**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of Director of Services dated 29th January, 2015 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council would install double yellow lines and bollards on the corners of Pic Du Jer Park & Knockrea Lawn, Ballinlough.

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Shannon 14/419)

The Report stated that, the appropriateness of installing double yellow lines and bollards on the corners of Pic Du Jer Park & Knockrea Lawn, Ballinlough will be investigated.

If deemed appropriate, it will be put forward for consideration to be included in the Roads Programme, subject to funding being available.

5.3.7 **REPAIR THE TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT THE JUNCTION AT THE TOP OF FAIR HILL AND MOUNT AGNES ROAD**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of Director of Services dated 29th January, 2015 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘To ask Council to repair the traffic lights at the junction at the top of Fair Hill and Mount Agnes Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Fitzgerald 14/459)

The Report stated that, the detection equipment at the Fairhill junction gave rise to intermittent faults on the on the traffic signal controller and the location has been listed for attention.

#### 5.3.8 **EVENT CENTRE**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of Director of Services dated 29th January, 2015 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

That Cork City Council in consultation with the Gardai prepare an appropriate Traffic Management plan for the South Parish, Greenmount, Gillabbey and other areas that are in close proximity to the proposed Event Centre, so as to ensure that disruption to local residents during concerts and conferences will be kept to a minimum.

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O'Driscoll 14/461)

The Report stated that, in accordance with the conditions associated with the grant of planning for the proposed Event Centre on the old Beamish & Crawford site, a detailed and agreed mobility and delivery plan for each major event (where the attendance is expected to be more than 50% of the Event Centre capacity) shall be agreed with Cork City Council, An Garda Síochána and the HSE, in advance of an event being held.

It is also worth noting that, in general terms, the proposed Event Centre will not attract a significant amount of 'direct trips' because of the very low number of car parking spaces being proposed for the development. The proposed Event Centre is envisaged to be served by the City Centre's transportation network as it is within walking distance of the all the city bus services and a large selection of multi-storey car parks.

#### 5.3.9 **ST. ANNE'S DRIVE**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of Director of Services dated 29th January, 2015 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

'That Cork City Council paint double yellow lines on the northern side of roadway near the Post Office on St Anne's Drive.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 15/002)

The Report stated that, the appropriateness of painting double yellow lines on the northern side of roadway near the Post Office on St Anne's Drive will be investigated.

If deemed appropriate, it will be put forward for consideration to be included in the Roads Programme, subject to funding being available.

#### 5.3.10 **TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT TOGHER RD/LOUGH ROAD/PEARSE ROAD**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of Director of Services dated 29th January, 2015 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That beeping traffic lights be installed at the major junction of Togher Rd/Lough Rd/Pearse Rd at the Lough and that line painting (lines are currently invisible) be completed as a matter of urgency at this high traffic volume junction.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 15/005)

The Report stated that, audio-tactile push-buttons will be installed as requested and the lining will be listed for inclusion on this years programme. The location has been listed for inspection with a view to inclusion on the programme of work. Road lining will commence as soon as weather conditions permit.

#### 5.3.11 **JACK LYNCH TUNNEL**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of Director of Services dated 29th January, 2015 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council request in writing a commitment from the government that they will not put a TOLL on the Jack Lynch Tunnel’.

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Moloney 15/006)

The Report stated that, tolls are levied in accordance with the provisions of Tolling Schemes made pursuant to the provisions of the Roads Act 1993 as amended by the Planning & Development Act 2000.

#### 5.3.12 **REVIEW OF THE PARKING SITUATION IN THE VICINITY OF U.C.C**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of Director of Services dated 29th January, 2015 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That City Council would undertake a review of the parking situation in the vicinity of U.C.C. particularly on Highfield Avenue as residents are having huge problems trying to enter / exit their driveways due to reckless parking by inconsiderate drivers and that in the meantime that Council would begin remedial work by replacing / repainting the double yellow lines outside peoples properties on this Avenue.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 15/013)

The Report stated that, the repainting of the double yellow lines on Highfield Avenue will be inputted into the road painting programme and will be done as soon as is practical.

In addition the Traffic Warden Service will be requested to pay additional attention to the Highfield Avenue area in order to deter illegal parking incidents referred to in the Motion.

#### 5.3.13 **RESURFACE ALL THE PEDESTRIAN PATHWAYS IN LEESDALE ESTATE**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of Director of Services dated 29th January, 2015 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.



‘That City Council would resurface all the pedestrian pathways in Leedale Estate particularly the ones that need urgent attention. Such as the pathway that runs parallel with the Bishopstown Community School perimeter wall near Melbourn Road, also the pathway that runs from Leedale to Greenfield's is another one that's in a terrible condition.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 15/014)

The Report stated that, the footpaths adjacent to public roads in the Leedale Area will be assessed and essential repairs programmed as required.

5.4 **TO RECONSIDER THE FOLLOWING MOTIONS WHICH WERE HELD IN COMMITTEE.**

5.4.1 **FACILITATE THE PARK AND RIDE**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of Director of Services dated 29th January, 2015 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That UCC be requested to facilitate the park and ride bus either somewhere in its grounds or make provisions to recess the footpath outside the main entrance on College Road in order to minimise the traffic disruption caused by the bus stopping on the main road at peak times of the day.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M Finn 14/431)

The Report stated that, the UCC Park & Ride bus stops on College Road to drop off and collect passengers as do any of the Bus Eireann buses that serve College Road. The bus stop is adjacent to the existing pedestrian access gates to UCC campus and close to the Boole Library.

There is no capacity within the grounds of UCC to facilitate the Park & Ride bus due to limited turning space and the need therefore to undertake significant reversing movements in a predominantly pedestrian environment.

Due to the high pedestrian volumes and restricted width of footpath available, it is not feasible to provide a recessed bus lay-by at this location.

By providing a Park & Ride facility, UCC is ‘shuttling’ the staff and students to the campus and thereby ensuring that even more vehicular traffic is not attracted to College Road area.

It should be noted that UCC accommodates approximately 3,000 staff, 20,000 full time students and 2,000 part -time students. UCC is the first University in Ireland to operate a Park & Ride scheme. UCC has been an active ‘Smarter Travel’ Campus Partner for the past number of years and it engages in a number of initiatives during the year, including the Park & Ride bus facility, to promote smarter travel amongst staff and students. It also has a dedicated Commuter Plan Manager.

In 2010 UCC became the first 3rd level educational institution in the world to be accredited with the prestigious international ‘Green Flag’ award. In 2014 UCC’s approach

to sustainability saw seen it climb to 2nd place in the Universitas Indonesia (UI) Greenmetric World University Rankings,

Cork City Council has confirmed that UCC had engaged a consultant and all options were reviewed for an on campus location for the Park & Ride Bus. Significant safety concerns were highlighted due to turning and reversing of vehicles in close proximity to pedestrians and no viable alternative was available. The Park & Ride Bus drops and collects only from College Road. It does not wait at any stage on College Road.

## 6. **HOUSING & COMMUNITY FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 2<sup>nd</sup> FEBRUARY 2015**

An Chomhairle noted the minutes of the Housing & Community Functional Committee, from its meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2015.

### 6.1 **DISPOSALS**

An Chomhairle considered the report of the Chief Executive dated 29th January, 2015 in relation to the following property disposals:

- a. Disposal of interest in the property known as the former P.T.S.B. Branch Office, Iona Road, Mayfield, Cork to Cormac O'Connor (Pork & Bacon) Limited, c/o Eamonn Murray & Co., Solicitors, No. 6/7 Sheares Street, Cork for the sum of €3,000.00, (plus VAT if applicable), plus costs of €1,500.00 plus VAT. On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Buttimer, seconded by Comhairleoir J. Kavanagh the disposal was approved.
- b. Disposal by way of Consent in respect of property situated at Deanrock, Togher, Cork to St. Finbarr's Hurling & Football Club, as Lessee, granting a consent to a wayleave to the ESB subject to a consent fee of €300.00 plus VAT plus costs of €1,500.00 plus VAT. On the proposal of Comhairleoir F. Dennehy, seconded by Comhairleoir N. O'Keeffe the disposal was approved.
- c. Disposal of an area of ground situated to the rear of No. 16, Mercier Park, Curragh Road, Cork to Eddie and Julianne Kelly, c/o Patrick A. Hurley & Co., Solicitors, No. 15, Adelaide Street, Cork for the sum of €250.00, (plus VAT if applicable), together with Cork City Council's costs of €1,000.00 plus VAT. On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Buttimer, seconded by Comhairleoir K. McCarthy the disposal was approved.

### 6.2 **Monthly Report**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services on Housing for January 2015.

### 6.3 **CARBERY HOUSING ASSOCIATION – BANTRY PARK ROAD**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services dated 29th January, 2015 on the provision of 1 unit of accommodation at No. 4, Coppingers Acre, Bantry Park Road, Fairhill, Cork by Carbery Housing Association.

The report of the Assistant Chief Executive stated that the Department of the Environment, Community & Local Government had approved a funding application from Carbery Housing Association under the Capital Advance Leasing Facility for a loan not exceeding €55,125 in respect of the provision of 1 unit of accommodation at No. 4, Coppingers Acre, Bantry Park Road, Fairhill, Cork.

The report further stated that the scheme involves the Local Authority advancing a loan to the voluntary body to cover 30% of total capital outlay plus 1.5% of expenses incurred for the purchase of No. 4, Coppingers Acre, Bantry Park Road, Fairhill, Cork for social housing use under the Mortgage to Rent Scheme. The granting of assistance in the manner proposed is a reserved function.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir T. Fitzgerald, seconded by Comhairleoir N. O’Keeffe, An Chomhairle also approved the adoption of the following Resolution:-

“Resolved that, pursuant to the provision of Section 6 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1992, a loan facility not exceeding €55,125 be granted to Carbery Housing Association, subject to the terms of the Capital Advance Leasing Facility Scheme”..

#### 6.4 **CARBERY HOUSING ASSOCIATION – CHURCHFIELD ROAD**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services dated 29th January, 2015 on the provision of 1 unit of accommodation at No. 35, Churchfield Road, Churchfield, Cork by Carbery Housing Association.

The report of the Assistant Chief Executive stated that the Department of the Environment, Community & Local Government had approved a funding application from Carbery Housing Association under the Capital Advance Leasing Facility for a loan not exceeding €24,293 in respect of the provision of 1 unit of accommodation at No. 35, Churchfield Road, Churchfield, Cork.

The report further stated that the scheme involves the Local Authority advancing a loan to the voluntary body to cover 19% of total capital outlay plus 1.5% of expenses incurred for the purchase of No. 35, Churchfield Road, Churchfield, Cork for social housing use under the Mortgage to Rent Scheme. The granting of assistance in the manner proposed is a reserved function.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Buttimer, seconded by Comhairleoir J. Kavanagh, An Chomhairle also approved the adoption of the following Resolution:-

“Resolved that, pursuant to the provision of Section 6 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1992, a loan facility not exceeding €24,293 be granted to Carbery Housing Association, subject to the terms of the Capital Advance Leasing Facility Scheme”.

## 6.5 **PROPERTIES ON BARRACK STREET & BLACKPOOL**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services dated 29<sup>th</sup> January, 2015 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That Cork City Council, mindful of its initiative to improve private properties across the city currently in disrepair, gets its own house in order relating to extremely poorly-planned council properties on Barrack St (opposite Brown Derby and on Noonan Rd) and Blackpool, instigating painting and other improvements.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 14/385)

The report of the Assistant Chief Executive stated that as per the current plan for the Fabric Upgrade Programme, the Council plans to assess the social housing properties in these areas for inclusion in the Programme. Any property deemed suitable will have attic and cavity wall insulation measures installed. All improvements will be undertaken commensurate with resources.

## 6.6 **SURVEY OF HORGANS BUILDINGS**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services dated 29<sup>th</sup> January, 2015 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That City Council would undertake a survey in Horgans Buildings Magazine Road in relation to the remaining houses that do not have double glazing windows installed with a view to replacing them immediately for the elderly residents who live there.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 14/429)

The report of the Assistant Chief Executive stated that when Phase One of the Fabric Upgrade Programme is complete, the Department of the Environment, Community & Local Government may consider a roll out of a Phase Two Scheme which is likely to include window and door upgrades to reduce heat loss from properties. Should this Scheme become a reality the properties at Horgans Buildings will be surveyed for suitability for inclusion in the Scheme.

## 6.7 **HOMELESSNESS IN CORK CITY**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services dated 29<sup>th</sup> January, 2015 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘To request a report from Cork City Council

- detailing the actions & initiatives they are taking to tackle the issue of homelessness in Cork City in conjunction with all the relevant stakeholders working on the issue
- outlining what if any data is in the possession of the Council as regards the number of homeless people in Cork City

- and to detail the funds available for the Council in tackling homelessness in 2015 and to whether the Council's Housing & Community Directorate will need extra funding to deal with this issue in the short-term.'

(Proposer: Cllr M. Nugent 14/442)

The report of the Assistant Chief Executive stated that a Regional Action Plan for Homeless Services in the South West Region was developed by the South West Regional Consultative Forum which comprises Cork City Council, Cork and Kerry County Councils as well as the Health Services Executive and Approved Housing Bodies in the region. The Plan has been adopted by Cork City Council, Cork County Council and Kerry County Council (including Town Councils) in July 2013. The Statutory Management Group for the South West Region which comprises of the three local authorities and the Health Services Executive is chaired by Cork City Council as Lead Authority for the Region and is responsible for overseeing the implementation of the Regional Action Plan for Homeless Services 2013 to 2018.

The report also stated that the South West Homeless Regional Action Plan mirrors the six strategic aims as outlined in the government's national homelessness strategy - The Way Home:-

- To reduce the number of households who become homeless through the further development and enhancement of preventative measures – preventing homelessness.
- To eliminate the need for people to sleep rough.
- To eliminate long-term homelessness and to reduce the length of time people spend homeless.
- To meet the long-term housing needs through an increase in housing options.
- To ensure effective services for homeless people.
- To ensure better co-ordinated funding arrangements and re-orientate spending on homeless services, away from emergency responses to the provision of long-term independent housing and support services.

The report further stated that since the Regional Action Plan was finalized, the following new initiatives have also been put in place:

### **1. Rough Sleeper Initiative**

The Department of the Environment, Community & Local Government has approved €114,600 of expenditure for additional staff and B&B costs until the end of March 2015 to ensure that there is sufficient capacity and support in the city's hostels which will thereby ensure that no one will sleep rough in Cork City unless they choose to do so.

### **2. Interim Tenancy Sustainment Protocol**

The Interim Tenancy Sustainment Protocol which has been operating by Threshold in the Dublin Region has now been approved for roll out in the South West Region. This is to assist rent supplement tenants who may be in danger of losing their tenancy where the prescribed rent limits set down by the Department of Social Protection do not cover possible increases in rents being sought by landlords. Funding in the amount of €165,000 has been approved by the Department of the Environment, Community & Local Government.

### **Accommodation Types**

A breakdown of the types of accommodation available for Homeless persons in Cork City is set out below. These units are provided through various Voluntary Associations and funded by the Department of Environment, Community and Local Government and Cork City Council.

Emergency Accommodation	163 Units
B&B Emergency	20 Units
Transitional Accommodation	132 Units
Long Term Supported	153 Units
TOTAL	468 Units

At the end of 2014 there were 171 persons in emergency accommodation with a further 314 persons in transitional and long term supported accommodation.

Threshold also operate the Access Housing Unit on behalf of the South West region which provides a service to assist individuals in homeless services to access and maintain tenancies.

### **Funds Available for the Council to tackle Homelessness**

The report also stated that two new initiatives as set out above will provide an additional €279,600 in funding for homeless services in Cork in 2015. The allocation of Section 10 funding from the Department of the Environment, Community & Local Government has not yet been advised to Cork City Council for 2015. Members should be aware that the allocation for 2014 for the South West Region was €4,272,197 of which Cork City Council was allocated €3,480,298.74. Each local authority is obliged to make a minimum contribution of 10% of the cost of the provision of homeless services from its own resources.

### **SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS**

An Chomhairle approved the Suspension of Standing Orders to continue the meeting beyond 8.00 p.m.

### **6.8 DISTRICT HEATING SYSTEM IN MAYFIELD**

An Chomhairle considered the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services dated 29<sup>th</sup> January, 2015 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘Council calls on the Chief Executive to order an urgent investigation into the ongoing problems with the district heating system for the flats at Árdbhaile and Glenamoy Lawn, Mayfield. Despite a three month long overhaul of the system during Summer 2013, the system fails to provide adequate heating to dozens of City Council tenants when it is most needed. The lack of heating is causing hardship to and is potentially damaging to the health of tenants, particularly young children and older people. This situation needs to be sorted out as a matter of utmost urgency.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Tynan 14/455)

An Chomhairle agreed to refer this item back to the Housing & Community Functional Committee

6.9 **LAND BORDERED BY THE REAR GARDENS AT PEARSE ROAD, PEARSE PLACE AND FATHER DOMINIC ROAD**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services dated 29<sup>th</sup> January, 2015 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That the land bordered by the rear gardens at Pearse Road, Pearse Place and Father Dominic Road be cleared of overgrowth. It appears to have no independent access and could be re-allocated to various tenants and householders whose property lies adjacent to it.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O’Driscoll 14/367)

The report of the Assistant Chief Executive stated that Housing Maintenance do not have the resources to clear this land at present. The plot of land is bounded largely by properties in private ownership. If funds become available, exploratory contact could be made with all the owners concerned to establish whether they would have an interest in purchasing a small portion of the area concerned.

The report also stated that it should be noted that physical access is very difficult due to the landlocked nature of this plot of land.

7. **CORRESPONDENCE**

An Chomhairle noted the following correspondence:-

- Letter from Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport dated the 29<sup>th</sup> January 2015 regarding tolling at Jack Lynch Tunnel.
- Letter from Office of the Taoiseach dated the 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2015 acknowledging receipt of letter dated the 28<sup>th</sup> January 2015 which was forwarded to Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport for consideration and reply.
- Letter from Office of the Taoiseach dated the 4<sup>th</sup> February 2015 regarding correspondence in relation to Cork Heathrow slots which was forwarded to Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport for consideration and reply.
- Letter from Office of the Taoiseach dated the 4<sup>th</sup> February 2015 acknowledging receipt of letter dated the 28<sup>th</sup> January 2015 which was forwarded to the Minister for Environment Community & Local Government.
- LG Circular 3/2015 regarding revised arrangements for allowances for expenses incurred by elected Members of Local Authorities.

8. **CONFERENCE/ SEMINAR SUMMARIES**

An Chomhairle noted the following summaries:-

Comhairleoir S. Martin- Mental Health and Suicide Awareness – Dungarven, Co. Waterford – 31 January – 01 February 2014.

Comhairleoir S. Martin – Crime and its Impact on Quality of Life – Killarney, Co. Kerry – 18/19 April 2014.

9. **CONFERENCES/ SEMINARS**

None Received.

10. **TRAINING**

Members of An Chomhairle were invited to attend LAMA Spring Training Seminar on Friday/Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> April 2015 at Ard Rí House Hotel, Tuam, Co. Galway.

11. **MOTIONS**

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

11.1 **REVIEW OF THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT**

‘That Cork City Council appoints an independent examiner to do a root and branch review of the housing department of Cork City Council, and that all internal and external reports and audits commissioned by the housing department over the past 3yrs for the period of 2012-2015 be made available to each elected member of City Council immediately.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O’Flynn 15/033)

**Housing & Community Functional Committee**

11.2 **COSTS ESTIMATE IN EACH DEPARTMENT FOR WORKS REQUESTED/NEEDED TO BE CARRIED OUT**

‘A motion that each department in Cork City Council submit a costs estimate for works requested/needed to be carried out and the shortfall in the funding received in the budget for such works to become a reality.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Moloney 15/034)

**Corporate Policy Group**

11.3 **RESURFACES THE ROAD AND FOOTPATH IN O’GROWNEY CRESCENT**

‘That Cork City Council resurfaces the road and footpath in O’Growney Crescent.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 15/035)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

11.4 **RESURFACE NUN’S WALK**

‘That Cork City Council resurface Nun’s Walk and carry out a study of the footpaths with a view to re-instatement.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 15/036)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**



11.5 **SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS**

‘That meetings of Committees and Council be scheduled for Monday 20th and Monday 27th July 2015.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 15/042)

**This Motion was withdrawn**

11.6 **BICYCLE STATIONS BE INSTALLED ADJACENT TO CIT CAMPUS IN BISHOPSTOWN**

‘That Bicycle stations be installed adjacent to CIT campus in Bishopstown to facilitate students and staff.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 15/043)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

11.7 **MONTENOTTE PARK**

‘That Cork City Council undertake to Resurface the estate roads within Montenotte Park. This includes the cul de sacs within the park, which are namely, St Christophers Road, St Christophers Walk, St Christophers Avenue, Clifton and Clifton Avenue. This estate road has deteriorated over the years and badly needs to be resurfaced. The footpaths in the Park are also very much in need of repair.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh, T. Brosnan 15/044)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

11.8 **BOYNE CRESCENT**

‘That Cork City Council undertake to cut back the large trees in the Centre of Boyne Crescent as they are overgrown, are blocking light and are a safety concern to local residents.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 15/045)

**Environment & Recreation Functional Committee**

11.9 **STREET SIGNAGE FOR THE MARDYKE**

‘That street signage for the Mardyke be erected; currently the road is not marked by street signs. Historic style signage showcasing the importance of the routeway could be created.’

(Proposer: Cllr K. McCarthy15/046)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

11.10 **ENTRANCE ARCHWAY BE CREATED AT THE TOP AND LOWER END OF OLIVER PLUNKETT STREET**

‘As per one of the suggestions in the Colliers Report that an entrance archway be created at the top and lower end of Oliver Plunkett Street, to denote it a city street quarter.’

(Proposer: Cllr K. McCarthy15/047)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

11.11 **ASSESS THE SECURITY OF THE AREA UNDERNEATH THE BRIDGE OF SKEHARD ROAD ALONG THE OLD RAILWAY LINE**

‘That Cork City Council would assess the security of the area underneath the bridge of Skehard Road along the Old Railway Line, with a view to proposing arrangements that might alleviate the accumulation of hazardous and dangerous litter. This area is a draw for anti-social behavior on weekends and the resultant hazardous litter causes a significant risk to the health and safety of many pedestrians who use the walk as an amenity.’

(Proposer: N. O’Keeffe 15/048)

**Environment & Recreation Functional Committee**

11.12 **ROYAL DE LUXE, 'GIANT SPECTACULAR' EVENT IN CORK.**

‘That Cork City Council would explore the possibilities of hosting a Royal de Luxe, 'Giant Spectacular' event in Cork. To date there has been only one 'Giant Spectacular' event held in Ireland (Limerick in 2014). These shows / spectacles attract huge spectator numbers, media interest, and worldwide audiences. All of which would be a great boost for tourism in Cork.’

(Proposer: N. O’Keeffe 15/049)

**Tourism Arts & Culture Functional Committee**

11.13 **ALL PARTY COMMITTEE TO COMMEMORATE THE CENTENARY OF THE 1916 EASTER RISING**

‘That Cork City Council will action the proposal to establish an all party committee to commemorate the centenary of the 1916 Easter Rising. The committee should include the relevant City Council staff and would seek representatives from the community, voluntary, educational, sporting and other sectors. The committee would strive to have a full calendar of events in 2016 that would encourage maximum public participation and engagement working with whatever budget is available from local and national sources.’

(Proposer: Cllr M. Nugent 15/050)

**Tourism Arts & Culture Functional Committee**

11.14 **RESURFACE THE OLD SCHOOL PATH ADJACENT TO THE OLD GLASHEEN SCHOOL OPPOSITE CLASHDUV RD**

‘That City Council would resurface the old school path adjacent to the old Glasheen school opposite Clashduv Rd and in the event of it been put on the resurfacing programme for 2015 that the huge potholes there presently be filled in the intervening period.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 15/051)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

11.15 **UAM VAR ESTATE IN THE RESURFACING PROGRAMME FOR 2015**

‘That City Council would include Uam Var Estate in the resurfacing programme for 2015 and that in the meantime remedial work would be carried out in certain sections of this estate due to the terrible condition of the roads in particular parts.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 15/052)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

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