

**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 dáta 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:-

GNATHCHRUINNIU – DÉ LUAIN, 26 EANÁIR 2015.

ORDINARY MEETING – MONDAY, 26 JANUARY 2015.

1. Votes of Sympathy.
- 1.2 Votes of Congratulations/ Best Wishes.
- 1.3 **LORD MAYORS ITEMS**
 - 1.3.1 To consider any item the Lord Mayor may wish to raise.
- 1.4 **CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S ITEMS**
 - 1.4.1 To consider any item the Chief Executive may wish to raise.

2. **MINUTES**

To consider, and if so decided to approve as correct record and sign Minutes of:-

- Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held on the 12th January 2015.
- Special Meeting of An Chomhairle held on the 22nd December 2015.

3. **QUESTION TIME**

Questions submitted enclosed.

ITEMS DEFERRED FROM MEETING OF THE 12th JANUARY 2015

4. HOUSING & COMMUNITY FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 5th JANUARY 2015

To note the minutes of the Housing & Community Functional Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held on the 5th January 2015.

4.1 DISPOSALS

Members considered the report of the Chief Executive dated 31st December, 2014 in relation to the following property disposals:

- a. Disposal of freehold interest in property known as No. 34, McSwiney Villas, Gurrabraher, Cork to Marcella Murphy, c/o Barry C. Galvin & Sons Solicitors, No. 91, South Mall, Cork for the sum of €6.35 plus costs of €460.00 plus VAT.
- b. Disposal of freehold interest in property known as No. 59, Loretto Park, Ballyphehane, Cork to Carol Hennessy, c/o Kieran Riordan & Co., Solicitors, No. 14, Princes Street, Cork, for the sum of €6.35 plus costs of €460.00 plus VAT.
- c. Disposal of property known as No. 3, Heather Walk, Ard Sionnach, Shanakiel, Cork to Patrick Casey and Catherina Dunne, c/o Finbarr Murphy Solicitors, Lee White House, No. 8, Washington Street, Cork in exchange for the property owned by Patrick Casey and Catherina Dunne at No. 21, Glandore Park, Knocknaheeny, Cork.
- d. Disposal of property known as No. 30, Mount St. Josephs Heights, Gurrabraher, Cork to Pauline Walsh, c/o Noonan Linehan Carroll Coffey, Solicitors, No. 54, North Main Street, Cork, in exchange for the property owned by Pauline Walsh at No. 66, Harbour View Road, Knocknaheeny, Cork.
- e. Disposal of property known as No. 47, Glencurrig, South Douglas Road, Cork, to Mary Harvey, c/o Joyce & Co., Solicitors, No. 9, Washington Street West, Cork, in exchange for the property owned by Mary Harvey at No. 22, Glandore Park, Knocknaheeny, Cork.
- f. Disposal of property known as No. 59, Spriggs Road, Gurrabraher, Cork to Denis and Paula McSweeney, c/o Hannon Solicitors, No. 70, Shandon Street, Cork, in exchange for the property owned by Denis and Paula McSweeney at No. 96, Harbour View Road, Knocknaheeny, Cork.
- g. Disposal of property known as No. 60, Spriggs Road, Gurrabraher, Cork to Alan and Noreen Good, c/o Barry O'Meara & Sons, Solicitors, No. 18, South Mall, Cork, in exchange for the property owned by Alan and Noreen Good at No. 16, Glandore Park, Knocknaheeny, Cork.
- h. Disposal of property known as No. 58, Templeacre Avenue, Gurrabraher, Cork to Christopher and Christine Coleman, c/o Timothy Hegarty & Sons, Solicitors, No. 58, South Mall, Cork, in exchange for the property owned by Christopher and Christine Coleman at No. 17, Glandore Park, Knocknaheeny, Cork.
- i. Disposal of premises known as No. 13, North Main Street, Cork by way of lease to Cork Volunteer Centre Limited c/o Noonan Linehan Carroll Coffey Solicitors, No. 54, North Main Street, Cork at an initial rent of €7,500.00 per annum.
- j. Disposal of an area of land situated at No. 6, St. Mary's Road to Sheila Wolfe, c/o Dunlea Mulpeter & Company Solicitors, No. 6, Strand Street, Passage West, Co. Cork for the sum of €1.00.

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to recommend the above disposals to An Chomhairle. It was further recommended that, in relation to Item 2 (i), the commemorative plaque in the front of the building at 13 North Main Street relating to 1750s Cork be removed and placed at/near the railings of the Cork Vision Centre.

4.2 **MONTHLY REPORT**

Members considered the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services on Housing for December 2014.

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to accept the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

4.3 **ANNUAL REPORT**

Members considered the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services on Housing for the year ended 31st December 2014.

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to accept the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

4.4 **CHOICE BASED LETTING SCHEME**

Members considered the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services dated 31st December, 2014 on the Choice Based Letting Scheme.

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to accept the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval. It was agreed to nominate two members of the Housing Functional Committee to sit on the Choice Based Letting Focus Group as follows:

1. Comhairleoir M. Nugent - proposed by An Cathaoirleach Comhairleoir T. Gould
- Seconded by Comhairleoir F. Kerins
2. Comhairleoir K. McCarthy - Proposed by Comhairleoir P. J. Hourican
- Seconded by Comhairleoir J. Sheehan

4.5 **ENERGY EFFICIENCY UPGRADE SCHEME - FLATS**

Members considered the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services dated 31st December 2014 on the following motion referred to the Committee An Chomhairle:

‘That Cork City Council seek funding from the Energy Efficiency Fabric Upgrade Scheme for the flats on Ballyphehane, Pouladuff and Noonan Road, Fort Street and St. Finbarr’s Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 14/318)

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to accept the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

4.6 **DATABASE OF MAINTENANCE WORKS**

Members considered the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services dated 31st December, 2014 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That Cork City Council would keep a database of the maintenance works required in all houses that become vacant in order to readily ascertain the costs associated with renovation of each house in City Council stock. This database should also include the costs associated with standing utility charges, security & any miscellaneous charges on each property to fully estimate the ongoing costs to City Council of vacant houses.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Keeffe 14/396)

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to accept the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

4.7 **GARAGES ON FARRANFERRIS AVENUE**

Members considered the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services dated 31st December, 2014 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘Can Cork City Council secure and carry out any necessary repairs to the 5 garages on Farranferris Ave and that Cork City Council facilitate the use of the garages to members of the community.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 14/397)

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to accept the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

4.8 **FLATS/APARTMENTS ON TOGHER ROAD**

Members considered the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services dated 31st December, 2014 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That City Council would include the Council owned Flats / Apartments on Togher Road in the insulation / Warmer Home Scheme in the next programme if / when funding is allocated from the Dept. of Environment.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 14/398)

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to accept the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

4.9 **CORRESPONDENCE WITH IRISH WATER**

Members considered the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services dated 31st December, 2014 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That this Council calls on management to produce a report including all correspondence, if any, received from and sent to Irish Water, relating to any request for information of Council tenants.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Cunningham 14/400)

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to accept the report of the Assistant Chief Executive, Housing & Community Services and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

5. **CORPORATE POLICY GROUP – 19th JANUARY 2015**

To note the minutes of the Corporate Policy Group, from its meeting held on the 19th January 2015.

6. **FINANCE & ESTIMATES FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 19th JANUARY 2015**

To note the minutes of the Finance & Estimates Functional Committee, from its meeting held on 19th January 2015.

7. **TOURISM ARTS & CULTURE FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 19th JANUARY 2015**

To note the minutes of the Finance & Estimates Functional Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held on 19th January 2015.

7.1 **ARTS GRANTS 2015**

The Committee considered the Arts Grants recommended from Arts Committee meetings.

Decision of Committee

On the proposal of Comhairleoir K. McCarthy, seconded by Comhairleoir N. O’Keeffe the Schedule of Grants were approved and it was agreed to refer them to An Chomhairle for approval.

7.2 **MOTIONS**

Members considered the reports of the Director of Services, on the following motions which were referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

7.2.1 **STREET FESTIVAL AT ELIZABETH FORT**

‘That a street festival, centred around Elizabeth Fort, be commissioned to mark the re-opening of Barrack Street following a multi-million makeover.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 14/383)

Decision of Committee

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

7.2.2 **DEVELOP A CORK.IE APP**

‘Following on from the Cork.ie website, that the Council develop a Cork.ie app.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 14/453)

Decision of Committee

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

7.2.3 **CORK CITY LIBRARY**

‘That the roof of local studies in Cork City Library be fixed.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 15/003)

Decision of Committee

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

8. **CORRESPONDENCE**

To note correspondence, if any.

9. **CONFERENCE/ SEMINAR SUMMARIES**

An Chomhairle to note Summaries by Members of Conferences/Seminars attended, if any.

10. **CONFERENCES/ SEMINARS**

To approve attendance at Conferences/Seminars and any tabled on the night, if any

11. **TRAINING**

To approve attendance at training courses and any tabled on the night, if any

12. **MOTIONS**

To approve the referral to the relevant Committee of the following motions, due notice of which has been given:-

12.1 **SIGNAGE ON THE NORTH RING ROAD**

‘That Cork Council would erect signage on the North Ring Road in the Ballyvolane, Pynes valley and Ballyvolane shopping area, advising oncoming traffic of both sides of resident’s traffic. Due to the extreme increase of accidents, that has occurred on the North Ring Road over the last 12mths in those particular areas.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O’Flynn 15/018)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.2 **RESURFACE ACCESS POINTS FROM SKEHARD ROAD ONTO THE BLACKROCK AMENITY WALKWAY**

‘That the access points from Skehard Road onto the Blackrock amenity walkway will be resurfaced as promised by the Director of Services, Environment & Recreation. Also the signage be removed or changed to promote the walkway as promised also.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Cahill 15/019)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.3 **RETAIL STRATEGY**

‘In light of the recent closures of many retail shops, mostly long established old Cork business’s and the fact that the long awaiting retail strategy for the City Council has as yet not come to Council. Would the Council facilitate a public meeting for all the business owners in the City, Primarily to outline the retail strategy and also to take concern directly from the rate payers.

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Cahill 15/020)

Planning & Development Functional Committee

12.4 **REDRAW ROAD MARKINGS**

‘To redraw the lines, arrows etc at the important junction opposite Aldi’s entrance, the turn-off to Mahon Point from Skehard Road. The markings are faded, some cannot be seen and have led to near car collisions.’

(Proposer: Cllr K. McCarthy 15/021)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.5 **OLD YOUGHAL ROAD**

‘That the stretch of road between St Josephs Church and The Library on Old Youghal Road in Mayfield be included in the Road resurfacing programme for 2015.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 15/025)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.6 **MOTION TRACKER SYSTEM**

‘That Cork City Council in Conjunction with the IT Department put in place a "*Motion Tracker System*" which would enable Councillors to log in and check the status and progress of each individual motion that they have submitted and has been approved by Council. Motions should stay on the system indefinitely under the relevant Councillors name until they are completed. All motions are genuine proposals which originate from within our communities through necessity and under the current system are getting lost over time. This proposed Tracker system would be of benefit to Councillors and officials in tracking progress and the status of each individual motion and would enable these issues to be dealt with methodically and efficiently over time.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 15/026)

Corporate Policy Group

12.7 **CORK CITY MARATHON**

‘That Cork City Council will consider holding the Cork City Marathon on an alternate day to the Bank Holiday Monday over the June long weekend, such a move could increase the numbers participating in the marathon and encourage many to stay in Cork over the weekend.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 15/027)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

12.8 **SURVEY CHURCHFIELD TERRACE EAST**

‘That Cork City Council survey Churchfield Terrace East to determine if increased parking spaces can be provided to residents so as to alleviate issues with parking and allow easier access to the terrace.’

(Proposer: N. Cllr. M. Nugent 15/028)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.9 **CLEAN ROAD SIGNS AND PUBLIC SIGNAGE THROUGHOUT THE CITY**

‘That Cork City Council undertake a comprehensive programme to clean road signs and public signage throughout the city. A build up of dirt on some signs has rendered them illegible which can be hazardous for road users and pedestrians alike. In addition having some of the public signage in such a condition is a poor reflection on the City.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Keeffe 15/029)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.10 **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING OR APPROPRIATE PAINTED ROAD MARKINGS AND SIGNAGE ON THE ROAD OUTSIDE MAHON COMMUNITY CENTRE**

‘That Cork City Council provide a pedestrian crossing or appropriate painted road markings and signage on the road outside Mahon Community Centre. Currently, there is no differentiation between the footpath and the road leading into the Community Centre, which is a significant hazard for pedestrians.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Keeffe 15/030)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.11 **DOG LITTER BINS**

‘That City Council would erect Dog Litter [Deposit Bins] on all our walkways across the city. Presently there are none on the following Walkway's.

Carrigrohane Road to Model Farm Road.

Bandon Road to Sarsfield Road.

Sarsfield Road to Togher Road.

Togher Road to Kinsale Road.

Curraheen Road to Model Farm Road just the ONE.

All these walkways are very popular in the western suburbs.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 15/031)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

12.12 **TREES IN HARLEY WOOD COMPLEX TO BE CUT DOWN OR TRIMMED**

‘That immediate attention be given to the Residents of 1 to 14 Arrigdeen Lawn and Togher road in their request for the Trees in Harley Wood complex to be cut down or trimmed . These trees are on private property and are causing huge problems for years for these residents, a commitment was given to residents that contact would be made with the owner to rectify this problem.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 15/032)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

13. **MOTIONS**

13.1 **1916 RISING ANNIVERSARY**

‘That the Irish Government to mark the 1916 rising in 2016 give protected structure status to the hundreds of memorials inspired and created by the government commemoration fund in 1966. It would give continuity and build on the aspirations of the fiftieth anniversary year giving status to a wide range of memorials in the 100th anniversary year; that this motion would also be copied to other Councils in the country as well.’

(Proposer: Cllr K. McCarthy 15/022)

13.2 **PUBLISH EXPENSE CLAIMS FOR TRAVEL AND SUBSISTENCE BY PUBLIC SECTOR EMPLOYEES**

‘That details of all expense claims for Travel and Subsistence by public sector employees be published online by all State bodies in a similar manner to how such information is published in respect of all politicians.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 15/023)

13.3 **AMALGAMATION OF UCC AND CIT**

‘That this Council calls on the Minister for Education and Science to initiate a review that would look at the amalgamation of UCC and CIT into a major University which would offer enhanced education opportunities and achieve major savings in administrative costs.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 15/024)

14. **MOTIONS DEFERRED FROM MEETING OF THE 29th NOVEMBER & 8th DECEMBER 2014, 22nd DECEMBER 2014 AND 12th JANUARY 2015**

14.1 **NATIONAL REVIEW BE UNDERTAKEN TO ASCERTAIN IF SEGREGATION ON GENDER GROUNDS AT PRIMARY AND SECONDARY LEVEL IN OUR EDUCATION SYSTEM CAN BE SUSTAINED**

‘That a National Review be undertaken to ascertain if segregation on gender grounds at Primary and Secondary level in our Education system can be sustained or justified as it does sponsor gender based discrimination in our society.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 14/423)

14.2 **IRISH WATER**

‘That Irish Water be wound up. It is an ill conceived FG / Lab super quango set up without a proper national debate.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 14/424)

TADHG KEATING
MEETINGS ADMINISTRATOR

Chuig gach ball de Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí.

22 Eanáir 2015