

**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, 8<sup>ú</sup> BEALTAINE 2023**

**ORDINARY MEETING – MONDAY, 8<sup>th</sup> MAY 2023**

1. **VOTES OF SYMPATHY**

2. **VOTES OF CONGRATULATIONS/BEST WISHES**

3. **LORD MAYOR'S ITEMS**

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

4. **CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S ITEMS**

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, 11<sup>th</sup> April 2023.

6. **QUESTION TIME**

Questions submitted enclosed.

7. **STATUTORY ITEMS**

7.1 **CAPITAL ASSISTANCE SCHEME: 16 MEADOW WALK, THE MEADOWS, HOLLYHILL - PETER MCVERRY TRUST CLG**

An Chomhairle to consider the report of the Director of Services, Housing, dated 20<sup>th</sup> April 2023 in relation to a loan facility for Peter McVerry Trust CLG in respect of the provision of one unit of accommodation at 16 Meadow Walk, The Meadows, Hollyhill, Cork and if so decided to adopt the following Resolution:-

“Resolved that, pursuant to the provision of Section 6 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1992, a loan facility not exceeding €305,100 be granted to Peter McVerry Trust CLG, subject to the terms of the Capital Assistance Scheme for the provision of one unit of accommodation at 16 Meadow Walk, The Meadows, Hollyhill, Cork.”

7.2 **PROPOSED VARIATION NO. 1 (REVISED CAR PARKING STANDARDS ON A CITYWIDE BASIS) OF THE CORK CITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2022-2028**

Following consideration by the Corporate Policy Group at their meeting held, 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2023, An Chomhairle to consider the report of the Chief Executive, dated 13<sup>th</sup> April 2023 on the Proposed Material Alterations to Variation No. 1 (Revised Car Parking Standards on a Citywide basis) of the Cork City Development Plan 2022-2028, and if so decided to adopt the following Resolution:-

“Resolve under section 13 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 as amended to make Proposed Variation No 1 (Revised Car Parking Standards on a City-wide basis) of the Cork City Development Plan 2022-2028 with a material amendment as recommended in the Chief Executive’s Report.”

8. **CORPORATE POLICY GROUP – 2<sup>nd</sup> MAY 2023**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Corporate Policy Group, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held, 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2023.

8.1 **FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO 31/03/2023**

J. Hallahan presented the Financial Statement to 31/03/2023.

**Decision of the Group**

It was agreed to refer the Financial Statement to 31/03/2023 to An Chomhairle for consideration.

8.2 **ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

J. Hallahan outlined the Annual Financial Statement for 2022 (unaudited).

### **Decision of the Group**

On the proposal of Comhairleoir F. Dennehy, seconded by Comhairleoir T. Fitzgerald, it was agreed to refer the following Resolution to An Chomhairle for approval:-

‘That the Annual Financial Statement for 2022 and, pursuant to Section 104 of the Local Government Act 2001, the over expenditure as outlined in note 16 are hereby approved.’

### 8.3 **MOTIONS**

#### 8.3.1 **REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF SERVICES DATED 26<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2023 IN RELATION TO PUBLISHING DATA TABLES**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Corporate Affairs & International Relations, dated 26<sup>th</sup> April 2023 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council will publish data tables from the Chief Executive's Monthly Management Report in a machine-readable format and publish these to the city's open data portal.’

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 23/164)

### **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.

#### 8.3.2 **REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF SERVICES DATED 26<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2023 IN RELATION TO CARD ONLY BUSINESS**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Corporate Affairs & International Relations, dated 26<sup>th</sup> April 2023 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council introduce bylaws not to allow 'card only' businesses and ensures that all legal tender is accepted in any businesses operating in the Cork City Council authority.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O’Flynn 23/155)

### **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 – 24<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2023**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Party Whips, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held, 24<sup>th</sup> April 2023.

9.1 **SETTING DATE FOR ANNUAL MEETING 2023**

Party Whips discussed the setting of a date for the 2023 Annual Meeting.

**Decision of Party Whips**

It was agreed to recommend to An Chomhairle that the Annual Meeting of Council be held on June 23<sup>rd</sup> 2023. Arrangements regarding the commencement time to be agreed by Party Whips.

9.2 **CLIMATE ACTION CONVERSATION WITH ELECTED MEMBERS**

P. McGuirk informed Party Whips that a series of workshops called Cork Climate Conversations, will be held with various sectors in May and early June. The purpose of the workshops is to help inform our climate action plan. A proposal to hold an event, facilitated by Change by Degrees with the elected members was proposed.

**Decision of Party Whips**

Party Whips agreed to hold a workshop with Elected Members and to refer it to An Chomhairle for approval.

9.3 **MOTION**

9.3.1 **INSCRIBE ‘JOHN SWINEY’ ON THE NATIONAL MONUMENT, GRAND PARADE**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic & Economic Development, dated 20<sup>th</sup> April 2023 on the following motion:-

‘That the name John Swiney, one of the core leaders in Cork of the United Irishmen in 1798, be inscribed on the 1798 panel on the National Monument on the Grand Parade.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 23/072)

**Decision of Party Whips**

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

10. **ROADS & TRANSPORTATION STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE – 17<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2023**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Roads & Transportation Strategic Policy Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held, 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023.

## 10.1 **MOTIONS**

### 10.1.1 **MODAL SHIFT IN ACTIVE TRAVEL PROJECTS**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Infrastructure Development, dated 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2023 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council will use metrics to evaluate the achievement of modal shift in active travel projects.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Finn 23/070)

#### **Decision of Committee**

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

### 10.1.2 **CITY WIDE FOOTPATH AUDIT**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Roads & Environment Operations, dated 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2023 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council would undertake a city-wide audit on the current condition of our footpaths. Our footpaths in many places across the city are currently in appalling condition and are in urgent need of refurbishment.

This is as a result of general neglect in terms of ongoing maintenance, various utility companies digging them up to undertake various works and, in many cases, not reinstating them to the original standard and of course, general wear and tear.

I ask Cork City Council to urgently undertake an audit in the five LEAs across the city and produce a planned and focussed footpath renewal programme across the city with the agreement of each LAC and the Full Council of Elected Members in the coming months.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 23/047)

#### **Decision of Committee**

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

### 10.1.3 **CONSULTING WITH THE PUBLIC ON ACTIVE TRAVEL SCHEMES**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Infrastructure Development, dated 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2023 on the following motion:-

‘That the CE will examine more effective ways of consulting with the public in relation to active travel schemes. At present the process is insufficiently iterative and transparent and does not lend itself to a solutions focused approach.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Finn 23/122)

**Decision of Committee**

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

10.1.4 **CONSIDER ANIMAL CROSSING WHEN DESIGNING ROAD SCHEMES**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Infrastructure Development, dated 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2023 on the following motion:-

‘That the CE will ensure that animal crossing is considered when designing road schemes particularly where bridges are involved.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Finn 23/123)

**Decision of Committee**

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

10.1.5 **HGV TRAFFIC SIGNAGE ON MIDDLE GLANMIRE ROAD**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Roads & Environment Operations, and the Director of Services, Strategic & Economic Development, dated 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2023 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council would put in place signage restricting any "through traffic" of HGV traffic on Middle Glanmire Road, Montenotte from Colmcille Avenue through to St. Lukes Cross. That Cork City Council would put in place similar signage restricting any "through traffic" of HGV traffic on Lover’s Walk, Montenotte from Lower Glanmire Road, Tivoli linking Middle Glanmire Road, Montenotte.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 23/046)

**Decision of Committee**

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

11. **STRATEGIC, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, ENTERPRISE & PLANNING STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE – 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Strategic, Economic Development, Enterprise & Planning Strategic Policy Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held, 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023.

## 11.1 **ARCHITECTURAL CONSERVATION GRANTS SCHEME**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, dated 14<sup>th</sup> April 2023 on the Architectural Conservation Grants Scheme.

### **Decision of Committee**

On the proposal of Cllr. J. Sheehan and seconded by Cllr. T. Tynan, it was agreed to accept the report of the Director of Services, and to refer the grant payments to An Chomhairle for approval.

## 11.2 **MOTIONS**

### 11.2.1 **CORK CUSTOM HOUSE**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic & Economic Development, dated 12<sup>th</sup> April 2023 on the following motion:-

‘In view of their heritage, architectural and historical significance to the city of Cork, I propose that Cork City Council acquire, by compulsory purchase order, if necessary, the Cork Custom House and adjoining warehouses and develop them in an appropriate manner to reflect the role they played in the history of the Port of Cork.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Tynan 23/118)

### **Decision of Committee**

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

### 11.2.2 **UNUSED COMMERCIAL BUILDING SPACE**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic & Economic Development, dated 12<sup>th</sup> April 2023 on the following motion:-

‘That this Council conduct a study of unused commercial building space that can be converted into residential use.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boyle 23/132)

### **Decision of Committee**

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

### 11.2.3 **NATURE IN THE CITY DAY**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic & Economic Development, dated 13<sup>th</sup> April 2023 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council will include a Nature in the City Day as part of Heritage Week or Biodiversity Week activities.’

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 23/165)

**Decision of Committee**

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

11.2.4 **CONVERT DERELICT PROPERTIES**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic & Economic Development, dated 13<sup>th</sup> April 2023 on the following motion:-

‘That where derelict properties cannot be easily brought back in to use for residential purposes, that consideration be given to converting for important pieces of social infrastructure.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boyle 23/177)

**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. **HOUSING STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE – 19<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2023**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Housing Strategic Policy Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held, 19<sup>th</sup> April 2023.

12.1 **HOUSING PROGRESS REPORT**

Members considered the Housing Progress report for February 2023.

**Decision of Committee**

It was agreed to accept the report and to recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

12.2 **MOTIONS**

12.2.1 **TURNAROUND IN RETURNING VACANT HOUSING TO STOCK**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing, dated 18<sup>th</sup> April 2023 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council ensure a programme is in place to tackle the long turnaround in returning vacant housing units to available stock.’



‘Go gcinnteoidh Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí go bhfuil clár i bhfeidhm chun dul i ngleic leis an moill in aonaid fholmha tithíochta a chur ar ais sa stoic.’

(Proposers: Cllr. M. Nugent, Cllr. E. Rynge 23/018)

#### **Decision of Committee**

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

#### **12.2.2 LDA REPORT ON AFFORDABLE HOUSING**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing, dated 18<sup>th</sup> April 2023 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council request a copy of the recent LDA report confirming affordable housing per unit costing more than €120,000 and create a report in terms of its relevance to Cork City Council social and affordable housing plans.’

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Ryan 23/031)

#### **Decision of Committee**

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

#### **12.2.3 PILOT SOCIAL AND AFFORDABLE APARTMENT SCHEME**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing, dated 18<sup>th</sup> April 2023 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council proceed towards developing a pilot social and affordable apartment scheme to launch housing in the Docklands given the slowdown of the private sector in apartment constructions due to financial viability issues.’

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Ryan 23/032)

#### **Decision of Committee**

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

#### **12.2.4 PILOT DIRECT BUILDING OF SOCIAL AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing, dated 18<sup>th</sup> April 2023 on the following motion:-

‘Within Cork City Council’s own resources, we have land, solicitors, engineers, quantity surveyors, architects etc which places the Council in a position to support the direct building of social and affordable housing.’

We ask that Cork City Council puts a team in place to look at this as a viable option and put out tenders for building firms to do the building works directly for the Council with the company allowed an agreed maximum profit margin of 10-12pc. It would effectively be taking on a construction company as a state building entity, would significantly reduce the cost of housing for the Council and reap rewards for the company also. Can Cork City Council investigate the viability of this and perhaps start a pilot?'

(Proposers: Cllr. T. Moloney, Cllr. M. Finn 23/039)

### **Decision of Committee**

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

#### 12.2.5 **CULTURALLY APPROPRIATE HOUSING FOR TRAVELLERS**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing, dated 18<sup>th</sup> April 2023 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council, accepting the findings of the report of the Cork and Kerry Regional Traveller Accommodation Working Group, Traveller Homelessness: A Hidden Crisis advising that Traveller children are 12 times more likely to be homeless resolves to address this issue immediately.

To provide Travellers with culturally appropriate housing in line with international human rights obligations Cork City Council will explore borrowing an appropriate amount of money. This borrowing is pursuant to section 25 of the Traveller Accommodation Act 1998:

- 25.—(1) *Subject to subsection (2), a housing authority may make a loan for the—*
- (a) acquisition or repair of a caravan within the meaning of section 13 of the Act of 1988 (as amended by section 29), or*
  - (b) acquisition of land for the purpose of providing a site and any construction works required for such purpose.*
- (2) The Minister shall, with the consent of the Minister for Finance, specify terms and conditions for loans made under subsection (1)*
- (3) Subsections (2) to (14) of section 11 of the Act of 1992 shall apply, to such extent as may be appropriate and with any necessary modifications, to a loan made under this section.*

Cork City Council would consider that under the provided definition of "caravan" that this funding can be used for modular housing or other forms of Traveller specific accommodation with the agreement of the Traveller community.

*(6) In this section “caravan” means any structure designed or adapted for human habitation which is capable of being moved from one place to another, whether by towing*

*or transport on a vehicle or trailer, and includes a motor vehicle so designed or adapted and a mobile home, but does not include a tent.'*

(Proposer: Cllr. L. Bogue 23/083)

**Decision of Committee**

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

12.2.6 **EVICTIION NOTIFICATIONS**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing, dated 18<sup>th</sup> April 2023 on the following motion:-

'Can Cork City Council give a report on how many evictions they've been notified of ahead of the lifting of the eviction ban.'

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 23/100)

**Decision of Committee**

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

12.2.7 **REFURBISHMENT AND RETROFITTING OF FLATS**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing, dated 18<sup>th</sup> April 2023 on the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council will outline a plan for the future refurbishment and retrofitting of the flats at Clashduv Road and all other similar complexes in the City, with an estimated timeline.'

(Proposer: Cllr. E. Ryng 23/104)

**Decision of Committee**

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

13. **CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE – 12<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2023**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Climate Action Committee from its meeting held, 12<sup>th</sup> April 2023.

14. **SOUTH CENTRAL LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE – 24<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2023**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the South Central Local Area Committee from its meeting held, 24<sup>th</sup> April 2023.

15. **SOUTH WEST LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE – 24<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2023**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the South West Local Area Committee from its meeting held, 24<sup>th</sup> April 2023.

16. **NORTH WEST LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE – 24<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2023**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the North West Local Area Committee from its meeting held, 24<sup>th</sup> April 2023.

17. **NORTH EAST LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE – 24<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2023**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the North East Local Area Committee from its meeting held, 24<sup>th</sup> April 2023.

18. **SOUTH EAST LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE – 25<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2023**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the South East Local Area Committee from its meeting held, 25<sup>th</sup> April 2023.

19. **CORRESPONDENCE**

An Chomhairle to note correspondence received, if any.

20. **CONFERENCE/SEMINAR SUMMARIES**

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

21. **SECTION 141 REPORTS**

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

22. **CONFERENCES/SEMINARS**

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

22.1 **ECAD CONFERENCE, MALTA**

An Chomhairle to approve the attendance of Comhairleoir J. Kavanagh at the ECAD Conference to be held in Malta, 10th May 2023.

23. **TRAINING**

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

24. **CHIEF EXECUTIVE’S MONTHLY MANAGEMENT REPORT**

An Chomhairle to note the Chief Executive’s monthly management report for March 2023.

25. **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.

26. **MOTIONS**

26.1 **LEGISLATION ON COLOUR BLINDNESS**

‘I propose that this Council recognises the fact that thousands of people resident in the State are colour blind, and that there are many workers who wish to train and study for a wide range of trades and professions. However, they are then denied access to these areas of work due to the current health and safety legislation.

In the UK and Northern Ireland, spectacles are legally available which allow people with colour blindness to successfully train and work in their career of choice.

I urge this Council to call on the Ministers for Health and Labour to introduce legislation to allow these people to pursue their chosen profession.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Tynan 23/193)

26.2 **HOUSING NEEDS OF CHILDREN WITH AUTISM**

‘At this time, thousands of families are on the City Council housing waiting list. Amongst these families, there are well over one thousand children with autism.

Many of these children have reports from qualified professionals in this field who recommend to the housing authority at City Hall that the needs of these children are met regarding residential space and safety.

I urge this Council to call on the Minister for Housing to recognise the plight of these children and to act with urgency to provide the necessary staff and funding to Cork City Council so that the needs of these children are met.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Tynan 23/194)

26.3 **REMOVE SALE OR REFURBISHMENT AS REASONS TO END A TENANCY**

‘That Cork City Council supports removing sale or refurbishment as reasons to end a tenancy, where there is a risk of homelessness, and will write to the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage requesting he immediately progresses legislation to this effect.’

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 23/195)

26.4 **DELAYS BY AN BORD PLEANÁLA**

‘That Cork City Council is very concerned that delays in An Bord Pleanála are affecting the delivery of infrastructure projects; including timely decisions on compulsory purchase orders and risks to projects such as the Cork Area Commuter Rail programme in meeting deadlines for European and other funding opportunities; and will write to the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage and the Minister for Transport on the matter.’

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 23/196)

26.5 **CONSULTATIVE FORUM ON INTERNATIONAL SECURITY POLICY**

‘Cork City Council shall write to the Minister of Foreign Affairs to indicate that it will not cooperate with the Consultative Forum on International Security Policy. The forum is a thinly-veiled exercise to legitimate an erosion of the State's constitutional neutrality in international affairs and is a wholly inappropriate and inadequate means by which to address a possible change in State policy on a core constitutional provision.’

(Proposer: Cllr. L. Bogue 23/212)

26.6 **FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR TRACKER MORTGAGES**

‘That Cork City Council call on the Government to introduce financial support for those who are struggling with tracker mortgages due to the significant increase of 20% since July 2022 across the nation.

The current situation has left many families in financial hardship, and it is time for the Government to step in and provide the necessary assistance to alleviate the burden of this ever-increasing mortgage cost. We call upon the Government to take swift action and introduce policies that will provide a safety net for those affected.

And recognize that there is no one-size-fits-all solution to such a complex issue, and financial assistance alone may not be enough, given the fluctuating economic climate.

However, a combination of financial aid and the introduction of long-term policies will help ease the burden for those affected.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O’Flynn 23/220)

26.7 **HOUSING FOR INTERNATIONAL PROTECTION APPLICANTS**

‘That Cork City Council write to the Minister for Integration and the Minister for Public Works and ask them both to meet with all Councillors with Department officials to outline the programme of works for any further housing developments for international protection applicants and refugees fleeing the despicable war on Ukraine.

It's important to point out that I am in favour of housing refugees, but it would help if Councils were consulted to help us answer questions to the public and stop the spread of false news and rumour.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 23/224)

**ALMA MURNANE**  
**MEETINGS ADMINISTRATOR**

Chuig gack ball de Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí,

4<sup>ú</sup> Bealtaine 2023

## **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. **SKIDDY'S HOMES**

‘That Cork City Council engage with the above with a view to redeveloping the housing sites at Pouladuff Road and Vicars Road. They are dated and Council, with Government funding, working with an existing voluntary housing agency could reimagine both complexes.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 23/154)

**Housing Strategic Policy Committee – 20/06/23**

2. **RESURFACE MIDDLE GLANMIRE ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council would include the stretch of road on Middle Glanmire Road from COPE to the junction with Colmcille Avenue for resurfacing. As a result of recent construction in Ennismore on Middle Glanmire Road, the aforementioned road surface has significantly deteriorated and urgently needs to be resurfaced.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 23/187)

**North East Local Area Committee – 22/05/23**

3. **RESURFACE SLIP ROAD FROM NORTHERN LINK ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council would include the slip road from the Northern Link Road to the Lower Glanmire Road, which passes the main entrance to Silver Springs Hotel, for urgent resurfacing as it has significantly deteriorated in recent months.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 23/188)

**North East Local Area Committee – 22/05/23**

4. **REMOVE TELEPHONE KIOSK AT ST. LUKE'S CROSS**

‘That Cork City Council would engage with Eir and request that they immediately remove the long defunct telephone kiosk currently located at St. Luke's Cross at the junction of Middle Glanmire Road.’



(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 23/189)

**North East Local Area Committee – 22/05/23**

5. **BALLINCOLLIG FIRE STATION**

‘I ask this Council to provide an undertaking to commit to an increase in the budgetary needs of Cork City Fire Service so as to allow the recruitment of full time fire fighters to man Ballincollig Fire Station.

I would further ask that in the meantime and while we await adequate funding and subsequent training that the fire station in Ballincollig be manned by our existing full time personnel thereby providing adequate cover and better response times in the event of an emergency.’

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Dineen 23/190)

**Community, Culture & Placemaking Strategic Policy Committee – 18/05/23**

6. **MAGLIN/KILLUMNEY INTERSECTION, BALLINCOLLIG**

‘Can the Director please let me know if and when traffic lights are being placed at this intersection. In the last number of years, the increase of traffic from three estates and coming from Waterfall, Ballinora has made this intersection dangerous.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Canty 23/191)

**South West Local Area Committee – 22/05/23**

7. **RESURFACE KEMPTON PARK**

‘That Cork City Council resurface the tennis courts at Kempton Park, and additionally, resurface the car park at Kempton Park.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O’Flynn 23/192)

**North East Local Area Committee – 22/05/23**

8. **HGV RESTRICTIONS AT DUBLIN HILL**

‘That Cork City Council will place HGV restrictions between the IDA on Dublin Hill and Blackpool village, and/or install appropriate warning signs at the IDA on Dublin Hill warning HGV drivers of the height restrictions at the railway bridge ahead.’

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 23/197)

**North East Local Area Committee – 22/05/23**

9. **BUILD NETWORKS WITH PALESTINE**

‘That Cork City Council will commemorate the anniversary of the killing of Palestinian-American journalist, Shireen Abu Akleh, by progressing our policy agreed on 26 October 2021 to build networks with a city in Palestine; re-affirming the solidarity that already exists between the people of Cork and the people of Palestine; and will forward this message to the Minister for Foreign Affairs and the Mission of the State of Palestine in Dublin.’

(Proposers: Cllr. O. Moran, Cllr. D. Boyle, Cllr. E. Ryng 23/198)

**International Relations & Tourism Strategic Policy Committee – 15/05/23**

10. **GREENMOUNT AVENUE/CRESCENT**

‘That Cork City Council inspect the road and footpaths at the above location with a view to resurfacing the road and reinstating the footpaths. Greenmount Crescent should also be inspected.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 23/199)

**South Central Local Area Committee – 22/05/23**

11. **CORK CITY DATA DASHBOARD**

‘That Cork City data dashboard be reconstructed and hosted online in association with the aims of the City Council’s digital strategy.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 23/200)

**Strategic, Economic Development, Enterprise & Planning Strategic Policy Committee – 19/06/23**

12. **MARINA PARK, PHASES 1, 2 AND 3**

‘To ask for a report at the South East Local Electoral Area on the status of Marina Park, Phases 1, 2 and 3.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 23/201)

**South East Local Area Committee – 23/05/23**

13. **TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AT ELIZABETH FORT**

‘That the next phase of tourism development be progressed with in Elizabeth Fort especially with info panels on the ramparts and the rejuvenation of the two fallen down sheds (possible café idea?) in the eastern walls of the parade ground.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 23/202)

**International Relations & Tourism Strategic Policy Committee – 15/05/23**

14. **MAINTENANCE PROGRAMME FOR THE NATIONAL MONUMENT**

‘That a rolling annual maintenance programme be created for the National Monument, so that the cost of maintenance does not build over several years.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 23/203)

**South Central Local Area Committee – 22/05/23**

15. **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT TRAMORE ROAD, TOGHER**

‘That Cork City Council install a pedestrian crossing on Tramore Road, Togher at the entrance to Woodlawn Estate.’

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Dennehy 23/204)

**South West Local Area Committee – 22/05/23**

16. **HOUSING ADAPTATION GRANT FUNDING**

‘That Cork City Council report on what seems to be the lowest drawdown of Housing Adaptation Grant funding since 2016, any issues involved and what can be done to ensure full funding is available to applicants.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 23/205)

**Housing Strategic Policy Committee – 20/06/23**

17. **UPGRADE SPRING LANE PARK**

‘That Cork City Council upgrade Spring Lane Park including provision of a pedestrian crossing to facilitate safe crossing.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 23/206)

**North East Local Area Committee – 22/05/23**

18. **GOOD SHEPHERD CONVENT, SUNDAY'S WELL**

‘That Cork City Council will contact the owners of the former Good Shepherd Convent in Sunday’s Well to seek clarity on security arrangements for the site. Council to report also on the current status of the site and whether there is an option for the Council to acquire.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 23/208)

**North West Local Area Committee – 22/05/23**

19. **EPA GREEN PROCUREMENT GUIDELINES**

‘That Cork City Council adopts the EPA Green Procurement Guidelines as a guiding document for all public procurement within the remit of Cork City Council.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boyle 23/209)

**Corporate Policy Group – 06/06/23**

20. **FULL-TIME FIREFIGHTERS IN LARGE URBAN AREAS**

‘Pursuant to the December 2022 report from the Department of Housing and Local Government "Retained Fire Services in Ireland: A Review of Recruitment and Retention and the Future Sustainability of Service Delivery", Cork City Council shall continue the established practice that "the operational service in large urban areas is primarily provided by full-time firefighters" and ensure that all stations within the City boundary are resourced accordingly.’

(Proposer: Cllr. L. Bogue 23/210)

**Community, Culture & Placemaking Strategic Policy Committee – 18/05/23**

21. **INDEPENDENT STUDY OF THE FIRE SERVICE**

‘Cork City Council executive shall commission an independent study of fire service requirements for projected urbanisation and commensurate population growth in large urban areas as noted in the December 2022 report from the Department of Housing and Local Government "Retained Fire Services in Ireland: A Review of Recruitment and Retention and the Future Sustainability of Service Delivery". The study shall be published as soon as possible.’

(Proposer: Cllr. L. Bogue 23/211)

**Community, Culture & Placemaking Strategic Policy Committee – 18/05/23**

22. **INVITE UACHTARÁN NA HÉIREANN TO CITY HALL**

‘That Cork City Council invites Uachtarán na hÉireann, Michael D. Higgins, to City Hall for a public discussion on alternative political economies following his remarks on Irish economic policy in his Friday 28 April speech at Áras an Uachtaráin.’

(Proposer: Cllr. L. Bogue 23/213)

**Corporate Policy Group – 06/06/23**

23. **REPAIR FOOTPATHS AND ROADWAY AT GREENMOUNT AVENUE**

‘That consideration be given to repairing footpaths and the roadway on Greenmount Avenue.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boyle 23/214)

**South Central Local Area Committee – 22/05/23**

24. **BIKE FACILITIES AT WASHINGTON STREET/LANCASTER QUAY**

‘That a replacement share bike stand, bike parking stands, and a bike repair stand be provided on Washington Street/Lancaster Quay.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boyle 23/215)

**South Central Local Area Committee – 22/05/23**

25. **DERELICT SITES**

‘That Cork City Council recognises the transformative effect the €4.2m cumulatively owed in derelict sites could have in resolving dereliction and agrees to publish a report:

- Detailing the actions undertaken to recoup this money and the planned action in the next 12 months.
- Updating Council on any derelict site disposed of in the last 5 years and the current status of same.
- Outlining the target for inspections, additions to the register and CPOs in 2023.
- Provide details on the status of the 15 sites removed from the register in 2022.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 23/216)

**Strategic, Economic Development, Enterprise & Planning Strategic Policy Committee – 19/06/23**

26. **DISPOSAL OF AFFORDABLE HOMES**

‘That Cork City Council notes that nobody is currently living in one of the 135 affordable homes built in Cork City last year, that the scheme for disposal is not working efficiently and that there is no timeline for the disposal of 41 homes delivered last year but that will likely be after the summer Council recess. Cork City Council agrees to engage with the Department to develop an enhanced disposal scheme that allows these homes progress quicker and prevents delays.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 23/217)

**Housing Strategic Policy Committee – 20/06/23**

27. **CIVIC AMENITY CENTRES IN THE NORTHSIDE**

‘That Cork City Council setup publicly owned civic amenity centres on the northside of the city. This would be a good start and improve recycling in the area and to stop fly tipping.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 23/218)

**Environment, Water & Amenity Strategic Policy Committee – 16/05/23**

28. **REOPEN BALLINCOLLIG FIRE STATION**

‘That Cork City Council;

1. Recognise that as of May 2023, recruitment campaigns for retained firefighters have not been successful,

and

2. Call for the re-opening of Ballincollig Fire Station without delay, using full-time firefighters, while maintaining current crewing.’

(Proposers: Cllr. E. Ryng, Cllr. M. Nugent, Cllr. K. Collins, Cllr. F. Kerins 23/219)

**Community, Culture & Placemaking Strategic Policy Committee – 18/05/23**

29. **RESURFACE SOUTH DOUGLAS ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council immediately resurface the South Douglas Road from the Cross Douglas Road to Palaceanne Lawn, and also resurface the entrance of Palaceanne Lawn which was not included in the estate resurfacing programme.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 23/221)

**South Central Local Area Committee – 22/05/23**

30. **ROAD WORKS AT GREENMOUNT AVENUE**

‘That Cork City Council survey the roads and footpaths in Greenmount Avenue and carry out necessary works.’

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Kerins 23/222)

**South Central Local Area Committee – 22/05/23**

31. **TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT STAFF**

‘That Cork City Council trial traffic enforcement staff for Sundays with adequate publicising that such a trial is in operation. The City has spent millions on improving our public realm, cycling infrastructure and public spaces yet continued bad parking habits are disturbing these spaces.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 23/223)

**Roads & Transportation Strategic Policy Committee – 19/06/23**

32. **PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON BUS CONNECTS**

‘That Cork City Council facilitates a third round of public consultation of Bus Connects with the National Transport Authority and extends the current consultation to such a time when traffic data and modelling are published to allow all submissions take account of real time traffic flows.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 23/225)

**Roads & Transportation Strategic Policy Committee – 19/06/23**

33. **RIVER TOURISM**

‘That Cork City Council explores and costs the option of building a pontoon on Patrick’s Quay that allows for the option of water activities and tourist opportunities in the City. The potential of river tourism must be realised by this Council and offering this facility will help open up the city to so many opportunities.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 23/226)

**International Relations & Tourism Strategic Policy Committee – 15/05/23**