

**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:-

GNÁTHCHRUINIÚ – DÉ LUAIN, 13^ú EANÁIR 2025

ORDINARY MEETING – MONDAY, 13th JANUARY 2025

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:-

- Budget Meeting of An Chomhairle held, 4th December 2024.
- Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held, 9th December 2024.
- Special Meeting of An Chomhairle held, 17th December 2024.

6. **QUESTION TIME**

Questions submitted enclosed.

7. **STATUTORY ITEMS**

7.1 **PROPERTY DISPOSALS**

An Chomhairle to consider the reports of the Chief Executive, dated 2nd January 2025 on the following property disposals:-

1. Disposal of the freehold interest in an area of land (83m² approximately) located at Tower, Blarney, Cork to Blarney United Football Club CLG c/o Patrick Buckley & Co., LLP, 5-6, Washington Street West, Cork for the sum of €500.00.
2. Disposal by way of exchange of the freehold interest in a plot of ground (29m² approximately) situated adjacent to 48/48A, McGrath Park, Skehard Road, Cork to Bernadette Kennedy (Administratrix of the Estate of Ursula Power deceased), c/o Niall Colgan & Co. Solicitors, 20, South Mall, Cork, for the sum of €7,500.00.

7.2 **CORK CITY ROAD TRAFFIC (SPECIAL SPEED LIMITS) BYE-LAWS 2024**

An Chomhairle to consider the report of the Director of Services, Roads & Environment Operations, dated 28th November 2024 in relation to the proposed Cork City Road Traffic (Special Speed Limits) Bye Laws 2024 No. 2 and approve the **Cork City Road Traffic (Special Speed Limits) Bye Laws 2024 No. 2**, in accordance with Section 9 of the Road Traffic Act 2004 as amended by Section 22 of the Road Traffic Act and if so decided to adopt the following Resolution:-

In the matter of the proposed Cork City Road Traffic (Special Speed Limits) Bye-Laws 2024 No.2 Cork City Council having given notice to the elected Members of Cork City Council and the Garda Commissioner and having complied with the provisions of Section 9 of the Road Traffic Act, 2004 as amended by Section 22 of the Road Traffic Act 2016 and having considered the proposed Bye-Laws, representations received following publication of notices and the Director of Services Report dated the 09th day of January 2025 and having considered the written submission with respect thereto, it is hereby resolved to make the proposed Cork City Road Traffic (Special Speed Limits) Bye-Laws 2024 No.2 in accordance with the draft attached hereto.

7.3 **ARTS GRANTS 2025**

An Chomhairle to consider and approve the report of the Director of Services, Corporate & Community Affairs, dated 11th December 2024 on the Arts Grants 2025.

8. **CORPORATE POLICY GROUP – 6th JANUARY 2025**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Corporate Policy Group, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held, 6th January 2025.

8.1 **FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO 31/11/2024**

Mr. J. Hallahan gave a brief update to Members and highlighted key issues from the financial statement to 31st November 2024.

Decision of the Group

It was agreed to refer the Financial Statement to 31/11/2024 to An Chomhairle for consideration.

9. **TRANSPORT & MOBILITY STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE / COISTE BEARTAIS STRAITÉISIGH - IOMPAR & SOGHLUAISTEACHT – 16th DECEMBER 2024**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Transport & Mobility Strategic Policy Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held, 16th December 2024.

9.1 **MOTIONS**

9.1.1 **INSTALL CAMERAS AT ALL MAJOR JUNCTIONS IN THE CITY**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Operations, dated 16th December 2024 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council pursues the necessary steps to install cameras at all major junctions in the city in order to fine those who block these vital junctions, resulting in long delays for both private cars and public transport.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Cahill 24/492)

Decision of Committee

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

9.1.2 **INTRODUCE TOWING INTO THE CITY**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Operations, dated 16th December 2024 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council introduce towing into the city to address the ongoing issues of illegal parking on our streets, footpaths and bus stops.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 24/522)

Decision of Committee

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

9.1.3 **COMMITTEE TO REVIEW CURRENT TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Operations, dated 16th December 2024 on the following motion:-

‘I ask that a sub committee of the relevant agencies i.e. Cork City Council, Taxi Federation, Bus Éireann, An Garda and others as deemed required plus one Councillor from each ward be set up with a remit to review our current traffic management systems and bring forward and introduce the changes required to alleviate the current traffic chaos in all areas and the chaos endured by motorists following an incident under the jurisdiction of Cork City Council. I would further ask that this committee if set up would discuss and implement a traffic management strategy for all areas should an incident occur whereby a road closure is necessary.

This committee should meet every 3 months.’

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Dineen 24/545)

Decision of Committee

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

9.1.4 **SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Corporate & Community Affairs, dated 16th December 2024 on the following motion:-

‘That this Council will engage in a public relations campaign on the benefits of leaving the car at home for school commutes and encourage families and schools to apply and engage with safe routes to school to lessen school traffic jams and encourage active travel options where possible.’

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Horgan 24/551)

Decision of Committee

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

9.1.5 **PATRICK'S STREET BUS LANE**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Operations, dated 21st October 2024 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council will extend the hours of operation of the Patrick's Street bus lane from 6:00am to 9:00pm each day in line with the short term mitigation measures identified by the Minister for Transport.’

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 24/569)

Decision of Committee

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

9.1.6 **LEE TO SEA GREENWAY PROJECT**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Operations, dated 16th December 2024 on the following motion:-

‘That the CE provide an update on the Lee to Sea Greenway project.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Lynch 24/582)

Decision of Committee

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

9.1.7 **ISSUES WITH RELIABILITY OF THE BUS SERVICE**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Operations, and the Director of Services, Infrastructure Development, dated 16th December 2024 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council will write to the Minister for Transport and the NTA outlining: that Cork City Council recognises that:

- issues with reliability of the bus service have become worse in recent months
- many of these issues are caused by increased traffic congestion and illegal parking in the City Centre
- people deserve reliable, efficient and accessible public transport
- the great work bus drivers do to serve the people of Cork City under very difficult circumstances
- bus drivers deserve to be able to do their work without the increased pressure of constant delays in their schedules or anti-social behaviour
- the Council, the NTA and Bus Éireann all have a role to play in ensuring the City’s public transport is reliable, efficient, accessible and safe

And resolves to:

- fully review the impact of the MacCurtain Street Public Transport Improvement Scheme on bus reliability
- publish details on the number of parking enforcement officers currently employed and the number considered a full cohort
- meet with an Garda Síochána and bus drivers to identify and tackle existing ‘pinch-points’ where illegal parking is causing delays to the buses
- write to the NTA requesting an urgent review of timetables by the end of October and the credibility of delivering these timetables given the consistent delays.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 24/488)

Decision of Committee

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

9.1.8 **SOUND BARRIER ALONG THE NORTHBOUND CORRIDOR OF THE M8**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Operations, dated 16th December 2024 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council will work with Transport Infrastructure Ireland to install a sound barrier along the northbound corridor of the M8, including provision of a noise barrier at Chestnut Meadows.’

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 24/571)

Decision of Committee

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

9.1.9 **REPAIR AND RESTORE MAIN PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS IN THE CITY**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Infrastructure Development, dated 21st October 2024 on the following motion:-

‘That the main pedestrian crossings in the city, including the ones at Finn's Corner and by Nano Nagle Bridge (which poses a major trip hazard) are repaired and restored as a matter of urgency.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 24/070)

Decision of Committee

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

9.1.10 **DISC PARKING HOURS**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Operations, dated 21st October 2024 on the following motion:-

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

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

Decision of Committee

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

9.1.11 **SAFE SCHOOL ZONES**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Operations, dated 21st October 2024 on the following motion:-

‘That this Council set a target of establishing Safe School Zones outside every school in this city, within the next five years.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boyle 24/177)

Decision of Committee

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

9.1.12 **VALIDATED PARKING SCHEME**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Operations, dated 21st October 2024 on the following motion:-

‘That given high costs of parking in and around the city centre, especially in facilities operated privately, Cork City Council investigates the possibility of a validated parking scheme in co-operation with private parking owners where goods receipts can be validated and used for discounted parking. This to be supported by the economic fund derived from rates and other incomes.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 24/167)

Decision of Committee

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

9.1.13 **COMPREHENSIVE POLICY ON ACCESS AND PERMEABILITY**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic and Economic Development, dated 21st October 2024 on the following motion:-

‘That this Council instigate a comprehensive policy on access and permeability, stressing which walking routes are most encouraged and when.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Boyle 24/270)

Decision of Committee

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

9.1.14 **REPAINTING OF ROAD MARKINGS**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Operations, dated 21st October 2024 on the following motion:-

‘That this Council will undertake, in the immediate short-term - a repainting of road markings in at junctions of regular roads under Council control and also within estates across all Wards to help alleviate traffic issues and safety.’

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Horgan 24/346)

Decision of Committee

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

9.1.15 **PEDESTRIANS SIGNALS AT JUNCTIONS WITH ONE-WAY STREETS**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Operations, dated 21st October 2024 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council will modify the sequencing of pedestrians signals at junctions with one-way streets (e.g. the junction of Bridge Street and Patrick's Quay) to allow a green signal for pedestrians on one side (e.g. the Patrick's Quay side when crossing from Bridge Street to Patrick's Bridge) when a red signal is shown to one-way motor traffic (e.g. on Patrick's Quay).’

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 24/364)

Decision of Committee

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

9.1.16 **REVIEW OF BUS SHELTERS IN THE CITY**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Operations, dated 21st October 2024 on the following motion:-

‘That Council engage with the NTA, Bus Éireann and all relevant stakeholders to conduct a review of bus shelters in the city. Many have not been maintained properly; these should be repaired where possible and replaced where necessary. Modern signage should also be provided as at many bus shelters it is outdated, inadequate or not present at all.’

(Proposer: Cllr. B. McCarthy 24/397)

Decision of Committee

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

9.1.17 **ACCESSIBILITY AUDIT OF FOOTPATHS AND PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Operations, dated 21st October 2024 on the following motion:-

‘That this Council will fund an accessibility audit of the city’s footpaths and pedestrian crossings in the city centre and suburbs to show the extent of repairs needed to be carried out, the cost of same and the total amount of footpaths under the responsibility of this local authority.’

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Horgan 24/415)

Decision of Committee

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

9.1.18 **STREET FURNITURE POLICY**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Operations, dated 21st October 2024 on the following motion:-

‘Can the Council confirm that there will be no charge for street furniture in 2025 as has been the policy for the last number of years. In addition to this, a proper review of permissible furniture and wind breakers to reflect what is practical for use in Cork.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Cahill 24/422)

Decision of Committee

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

9.1.19 **FOOTPATH RENEWALS / REPAIRS AND ESTATE ROAD RESURFACING**

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Services, Operations, dated 21st October 2024 on the following motion:-

‘That the CE confirm the additional level of funding required in Budget 2025 to make good all outstanding footpath renewals / repairs, and estate road resurfacing, across all five Local Electoral Areas.’

(Proposer: Cllr. A. Deasy 24/449)

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. **STRATEGIC, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, ENTERPRISE & PLANNING STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE / COISTE BEARTAIS STRAITÉISIGH - STRAITÉISEAIGHT, FORBAIRT EACNAMAÍOCH, FIONTAR & PLEANÁIL – 16th DECEMBER 2024**

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, 16th December 2024.

10.1 **UPDATE ON VACANCY AND DERELICTION**

The Committee considered the presentation on vacancy and dereliction.

Decision of Committee

The Committee welcomed the presentation and agreed to refer this item to An Chomhairle for information.

10.2 **MOTIONS**

10.2.1 **CORK CITY LIVING CITY INITIATIVE**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Planning and Integrated Development, dated 13th December 2024 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council implement a review of the Living City Initiative Special Regeneration Areas (SRAs) boundaries in Cork City.

There is a huge amount of pre-1915 housing stock in the St. Lukes area (including Gardiner’s Hill, Ballyhooley Road and Old Youghal Road) that would hugely benefit from being included in the St. Lukes SRA boundary. These pre-1915’s properties which are predominantly traditional construction, typically don’t qualify for many SEAI grants (as the B2 BER target is too onerous), or indeed the vacant homes grant - but nonetheless these properties are extremely costly and complex to renovate.

I believe the Living City Initiative is not being applied to anywhere near its full potential in Cork City. It is within Cork City Council’s gift to extend the LCI Special Regeneration Areas (SRAs) to which the Tax Relief applies by updating the boundaries.

This could be done with immediate effect.

I would propose adding Gardiner’s Hill, Ballyhooley Road, Old Youghal Road, Middle Glanmire Road and Lovers Walk area (if not already included) to the St. Lukes SRA for maximum effectiveness.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 24/443)

Decision of Committee

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

10.2.2 **DERELICTION**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Planning and Integrated Development, dated 13th December 2024 on the following motion:-

‘Cork City Council recognises that dereliction is a serious problem for Cork City. The Council will, therefore, seek to use the Derelict Sites Act to its full effect. The Council will also write to the Minister for Housing to highlight operational issues with the Derelict Sites Act and provide recommendations for law reform in this area.’

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Rice 24/577)

Decision of Committee

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

10.2.3 **REGENERATION OF CORK’S DOCKLANDS**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Planning and Integrated Development, dated 13th December 2024 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council notes with disappointment the consequences for the development of more than 1,300 homes in the regeneration of Cork’s docklands due to the recent decision of An Bord Pleanála to refuse permission for Goulding Chemicals to develop port facilities at Marino Point in Cork Harbour, and resolves to work constructively to support the development of housing and the regeneration of Cork’s docklands.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Kamegni 24/606)

Decision of Committee

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

10.2.4 **PROPERTY DERELICTION**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic and Economic Development, dated 18th October 2024 on the following motion:-

‘The current laws and enforcement mechanisms may not be sufficient to address the entire scope of the dereliction problem. This motion seeks to formally urge Cork City Council

draft and enact stronger laws aimed at effectively fighting against property dereliction and hold property owners accountable for neglect.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Kamegni 24/457)

Decision of Committee

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

10.2.5 **TREE PRESERVATION ORDER**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic and Economic Development, dated 18th October 2024 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council will apply a Tree Preservation Order to all areas zoned as a Landscape Preservation Zone for reason of tree canopy, to compliment the objectives of the Cork City Development Plan in preserving the amenity of these areas.’

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 24/363)

Decision of Committee

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

10.2.6 **LIVING OVER THE SHOP SCHEME**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Strategic and Economic Development, dated 18th October 2024 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council will develop and promote its own ‘Living Over the Shop’ scheme for businesses and property owners to make effective use of vacant 'over-the-shop' spaces for housing; that this scheme will include providing advice and support in navigating regulations, grants and other finance options, and best practices to enable owners bring such spaces back into use.’

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 24/365)

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. **HOUSING STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE / COISTE BEARTAIS STRAITÉISIGH - TITHÍOCHT – 17th DECEMBER 2024**

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, 17th December 2024.

11.1 **HOUSING PROGRESS REPORT**

Members considered the Housing Progress report for October 2024.

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to accept the Housing Progress report and to recommend it to An Chomhairle for noting.

11.2 **MOTIONS**

11.2.1 **INCLUDE ALL HOUSES IN CHURCHFIELD IN THE RETROFITTING PROGRAMME**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing, dated 19th September 2024 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council would include all houses in Churchfield for retrofitting. It is extremely unfair on the residents who were excluded from the original retrofitting scheme, and I would ask that these houses would now be included in the retrofitting programme.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Gould 24/478)

Decision of Committee

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

11.2.2 **AUDIT OF COMMUNITY ROOMS / SPACES**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing, dated 12th December 2024 on the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council in conjunction with the Approved Housing Bodies conduct an audit of the multiple Community Rooms / Spaces with a view to developing a policy for enhanced usage of these spaces.

While there have been many recent welcome housing developments that include Community Rooms, often these spaces are underused with no clear function and purpose.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Sheehan 24/425)

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. **CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE – 10th DECEMBER 2024**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Climate Action Committee from its meeting held, 10th December 2024.

13. **FINANCE & ESTIMATES COMMITTEE – 6th JANUARY 2025**

An Chomhairle to note the minutes of the Finance & Estimates Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held, 6th January 2025.

13.1 **FINANCE RELATED REPORTS**

13.1.1 **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO END OF NOVEMBER 2024**

Members considered the Financial Statements to the end of November 2024.

Decision of Committee

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

14. **CORRESPONDENCE**

An Chomhairle to note correspondence, if any.

15. **CONFERENCE/SEMINAR SUMMARIES**

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

16. **SECTION 141 REPORTS**

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

17. **CONFERENCES/SEMINARS**

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

18. **TRAINING**

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

19. **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.

20. **MOTIONS**

20.1 **BUS SCHEDULE MONITOR AT ASHMOUNT ESTATE**

‘That Cork City Council write to Bus Éireann and request that a “real time” bus schedule monitor, which are currently in use on many bus shelters across the city, be erected on the recently installed bus shelter at the bottom of Ashmount Estate in Tivoli.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 25/006)

20.2 **UNRWA**

‘That this Council supports the work of UNRWA and condemns attempts by Israel to denigrate its work and condemns the normalisation of the killing of children that is happening in Palestinian Territories.’

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Horgan 25/018)

20.3 **COMMUNITY POLICING VAN INITIATIVE**

‘That this Council praises the initiative of the Anglesea Street Garda community policing van initiative prior to Christmas and that discussion would happen with the Garda Station on a similar roll-out of the van at busy times of the city’s events calendar.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 25/022)

20.4 **CONNECTION TIMES OF BUS AND RAIL SERVICES AT KENT STATION**

‘That Cork City Council will write to the National Transport Authority to align the connection times of bus and rail services by Bus Éireann and Irish Rail at Kent Station.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Kamegni 25/024)

20.5 **RECENT CONDOLENCES ON THE DEATH OF HITLER**

‘That, on the occasion of 80 years since the liberation of Auschwitz, remembering the genocide of the Jewish people of Europe and those called 'gypsies' (Roma and Sinti), and the persecution of homosexuals, disabled people, trade unionists, political activists and many others by the Nazi government, that the incoming Government of Ireland will recant condolences on the death of Hitler conveyed by President Douglas Hyde and Taoiseach Éamon de Valera; and that this motion will be forwarded to An Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs, Micheál Martin.’

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 25/032)

20.6 **POLLUTION AND DEGRADATION OF THE GLASHEEN RIVER**

‘This Council notes the recent report: 'Freshwater Ecology Survey of the Glasheen Stream in Cork City' by Litzia Cocchiglia. This report highlights the pollution and degradation of the Glasheen River and its impact on biodiversity and flooding. This Council will write to

Maria Young of the Cork River Alliance to deliver a presentation to Councillors on the report and the potential solutions.’

(Proposer: Cllr. L. Harmon 25/042)

20.7 **STATE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY**

‘That this Council will write to the incoming Taoiseach and Housing Minister to recommend that a state construction company be set up to build public housing alongside local authorities. This state-led approach will act as a counterbalance to the for-profit model, providing stability and meeting the real housing needs in Cork City and across the country.’

(Proposer: Cllr. L. Harmon 25/043)

20.8 **PRIMARY CARE CENTRES FOR MAYFIELD, BALLYVOLANE AND GLANMIRE**

‘That Cork City Council writes to the new Minister of Health to get an update on progress on the proposed Primary Care Centres for Mayfield, Ballyvolane and Glanmire. I would ask that the Minister updates us on locations / funding allocated / start dates and expected completion dates for each centre.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 25/048)

ALMA MURNANE
MEETINGS ADMINISTRATOR

Chuíg gach ball de Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí,

9^ú Eanáir 2025

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. **GREENMOUNT AVENUE**

‘That Cork City Council include Greenmount Avenue in the road and footpath renewal scheme.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 24/325)

South Central Local Area Committee – 27/01/2025

2. **SURVEY OF PUBLIC LIGHTING AND TRAFFIC**

‘That Cork City Council carry out a survey of public lighting at St. Nessian Street, St. Kevin’s Street and Square, Upper Tower Street, Industry Street and Place with a view to ensuring that the public lighting is of the highest standard to ensure public safety.

2. A traffic survey to confirm the best use of the road structure with pedestrian safety being given priority (traffic calming stop signs and inclusion in 30 kph zone).’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 24/330)

South Central Local Area Committee – 27/01/2025

3. **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING ON FRIARS WALK**

‘That Cork City Council install a pedestrian crossing on Friars Walk adjacent to Loretto Park and Tory Top Park.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 24/331)

South Central Local Area Committee – 27/01/2025

4. **TURNING CIRCLE AT HILLGROVE, SOUTH DOUGLAS ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council resurface the turning circle at Hillgrove on the South Douglas Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 24/332)

South Central Local Area Committee – 27/01/2025

5. **MEADOW PARK ESTATE BALLYVOLANE**

‘Can Cork City Council re-instate the double yellow lines at the entry/exit point of Meadow Park Estate in Ballyvolane.

There were double yellow lines there in the past, but the road was recently resurfaced and the yellow lines were never re-instated.

Can this be addressed as a matter of public safety?’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 25/001)

North East Local Area Committee – 27/01/2025

6. **IMPROVED HOMELESS SERVICES**

‘That Cork City Council:

- Remembers Vanessa O’Callaghan and all those who have passed on the streets of Cork City.
- requests the Chief Executive utilise all powers available to her to open a temporary facility for those sleeping rough to access basic needs - somewhere to eat, charge phones and shower - over the winter period
- agrees to name this facility in honour of Vanessa as requested by her family
- begins longterm planning for improved homeless services recognising the complexity of rough sleeping
- calls for a more visible Garda presence to prevent attacks on the most vulnerable.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Gould 25/002)

Housing Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Tithíocht – 18/02/2025

7. **IMPROVED PEDESTRIAN CROSSING ON MODEL FARM ROAD**

‘I propose that the local area committee consider the urgent need for a properly monitored pedestrian crossing at the lower end of Model Farm Road, particularly in the vicinity of Carraig Tur and Reldare.

With the recent and ongoing developments in the Poulavone area, including Reldare, Carraig Tur, and Steeplewoods, there has been a significant increase in both residential and vehicular traffic. However, the current pedestrian crossing arrangements—particularly the makeshift crossing outside Carraig Tur—pose considerable risks, as there are no traffic lights in operation, and vehicles travel at speed from both Ballincollig and Model Farm Road.

Given the proximity of these developments to residential areas and schools, it is imperative that a safe and monitored pedestrian crossing be provided to protect residents, children, and others walking in the area.

I request that the committee review this issue and explore options for the installation of a controlled pedestrian crossing to ensure the safety of all pedestrians in this increasingly busy area.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Kelleher 25/003)

South West Local Area Committee – 27/01/2025

8. **LITTER BINS AT BUS SHELTERS**

‘That Cork City Council engage with Bus Éireann and put a plan in place ensuring that the inclusion of litter bins be included in all future specifications on the installation of new bus shelters across the city.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 25/004)

Transport & Mobility Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Iompar & Soghluaisteacht – 17/02/2025

9. **SILVERSPRINGS FLYOVER**

‘That Cork City Council immediately re-instate the original road lining markings on the flyover at Silversprings, Tivoli. This has been recently resurfaced and the original road markings urgently need to be reinstated, especially the traffic stop line.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 25/005)

North East Local Area Committee – 27/01/2025

10. **YELLOW BOX AT COMMUNITY DRIVE, BALLINCOLLIG**

‘That Cork City Council install a yellow box at Community Drive, Ballincollig at the junction with Cleburne Mews.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Lynch 25/011)

South West Local Area Committee – 27/01/2025

11. **TOGHER MEN'S SHED**

‘That Cork City Council liaise with Togher Men's Shed with a view to ensuring the group are provided with space to operate at Clashduv Park, Togher.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Lynch 25/012)

South West Local Area Committee – 27/01/2025

12. **NEW LIBRARY FOR BALLINCOLLIG**

‘That the CE provide an update on the development of a new library for Ballincollig.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Lynch 25/013)

South West Local Area Committee – 27/01/2025

13. **REGENERATION OF MAIN STREET/TIMES SQUARE, BALLINCOLLIG**

‘That the CE provide an update on the delivery of Objective 10.58 of the Cork City Development Plan 2022-2028; namely the development of a regeneration and public realm strategy for Ballincollig aimed at regenerating the Main Street/Times Square area.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Lynch 25/014)

South West Local Area Committee – 27/01/2025

14. **ATMOSPHERIC CHECK IN CORK CITY**

‘That this Council will request through the Climate Action Committee that Google conducts a similar atmospheric check street by street in Cork city centre and suburbs that was conducted in Dublin before Christmas in order to enhance climate mitigation measures and works at local level.’

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Horgan 25/015)

Environment, Water and Amenity Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Comhshaol, Uisce & Áiseanna – 21/01/2025

15. **FUNDING AND CONSTRUCTION OF PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS**

‘That funding and construction for pedestrian crossings be fully devolved from the NTA to Cork City Council directly to deploy on a multi annual basis with staff complements to match the number of crossings required, regardless of Bus Connects proposals.’

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Horgan 25/016)

Transport & Mobility Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Iompar & Soghluaisteacht – 17/02/2025

16. **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING/ ZEBRA CROSSING ON BEAUMONT DRIVE**

‘To request a feasibility study for a pedestrian crossing/ zebra crossing on Beaumont Drive between the junction of Beaumont Drive and Church Road to the junction of Dundanion and Beaumont Drive to assist school commutes and more vulnerable pedestrians.’

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Horgan 25/017)

South East Local Area Committee – 28/01/2025

17. **BIN FOR BLACKROCK PIER / URSULINE CONVENT PLAYGROUND**

‘To ask for a bin for the new Blackrock Pier / Ursuline Convent playground.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 25/019)

South East Local Area Committee – 28/01/2025

18. **THE MARINA PROMENADE**

‘That the Cantillon fountain be restored as well as a feature made of the canon and mound on the Marina Promenade.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 25/020)

South East Local Area Committee – 28/01/2025

19. **LOUGHMAHON PLAYGROUND**

‘That an update be provided to South East LEA on the upgrading of Loughmahon Playground.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 25/021)

South East Local Area Committee – 28/01/2025

20. **PHASEOUT OF FOSSIL FUELS**

‘That Cork City Council will outline its strategy to support the phaseout of fossil fuels in Cork by 2040, which is “absolutely imperative”, according to the Climate Change Advisory Council.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Kamegni 25/023)

Environment, Water and Amenity Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Comhshaol, Uisce & Áiseanna – 21/01/2025

21. **FOOTPATH CONNECTING DONNYBROOK COTTAGES AND THE BALLYBRACK GREENWAY**

‘That Cork City Council will develop a non-trafficable, landscaped footpath to connect Donnybrook Cottages and the Ballybrack Greenway.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Kamegni 25/025)

South East Local Area Committee – 28/01/2025

22. **YELLOW LINES IN BELGARD DOWNS ESTATE**

‘That Cork City Council will paint yellow lines in all appropriate places throughout Belgard Downs Estate, Rochestown Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Kamegni 25/026)

South East Local Area Committee – 28/01/2025

23. **HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ON DOMINICK STREET**

‘That Cork City Council name the housing development on Dominick Street after Margaret Buckley.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 25/027)

North West Local Area Committee – 27/01/2025

24. **INDEPENDENT REVIEW BODY OF CORK CITY COUNCIL’S EXPENDITURE**

‘The most recent independent review of the City Council’s staffing complement was conducted in 2013. This motion calls on the Chief Executive to establish an updated independent review body. Additionally, should the Chief Executive deem it necessary, the remit of this body to be extended to review the non-pay elements of the City Council’s expenditure.

The purpose of the review is to ensure that the City Council’s financial capacity to deliver public services will not be compromised in the event of an economic downturn. The services identified as Members’ Priorities in the Finance and Estimates Committee Report 2024 are:

- Housing Maintenance
- Homeless Services
- Footpath Repairs
- Tree Pruning
- Line Painting
- Local Area Committee (LAC) Funding
- Sports Grants
- Ward Funds’

(Proposer: Cllr. A. Deasy 25/028)

Corporate Policy Group – 04/02/2025

25. **CONDITION OF FOOTPATH ON BISHOPSTOWN ROAD**

‘That the C.E. will investigate what has been done about making safe the badly broken and dangerous footpath running between O’Sullivan’s Pharmacy and O’Connor’s Opticians on the southern side of the Bishopstown Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. A. Deasy 25/029)

South West Local Area Committee – 27/01/2025

26. **FLEXI-BOLLARDS AT ENTRANCE TO BISHOPSCOURT GREEN**

‘That the C.E. advise on the feasibility of installing ‘flexi-bollards’ on the Bishopstown Road to prevent eastbound traffic from using Lower Bishopscourt as a ‘rat run’ to Wilton Shopping Centre and Sarsfield Road, etc. Such installation was suggested by the Garda Sergeant in attendance at the most recent Bishopstown Community Policing Forum.’

(Proposer: Cllr. A. Deasy 25/030)

South West Local Area Committee – 27/01/2025

27. **SPEED RAMPS AT CLARKES ROAD**

‘That this Council repaint the speed ramps at Clarkes Road, Ballyphehane.’

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Kerins 25/031)

South Central Local Area Committee – 27/01/2025

28. **PV SOLAR CAR PARK CANOPIES**

‘That Cork City Council will install PV solar car park canopies at scale at the Black Ash Park & Ride, connecting with the existing electricity generation infrastructure at Tramore Valley Park.’

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 25/033)

South Central Local Area Committee – 27/01/2025

29. **DESIGNATE THE GLEN RIVER PARK AS A ‘DARK SPACE’**

‘That Cork City Council will designate the Glen River Park as a ‘dark space’, free of artificial light, for the benefit of nature and to act as a dark skies location close to the city centre.’

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 25/034)

North East Local Area Committee – 27/01/2025

30. **ATTENUATION OF RAIN WATERS ON SPRING LANE**

‘That Cork City Council will provide infrastructure for the attenuation of rain waters on Spring Lane to prevent flooding at the Dublin Street end of Spring Lane and nearby parts of Blackpool.’

(Proposer: Cllr. O. Moran 25/035)

North East Local Area Committee – 27/01/2025

31. **30KM SPEED LIMIT SIGN AT SUNBERRY ESTATE**

‘That Cork City Council would place a 30km speed limit sign at the entrance to Sunberry Estate, Blarney.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Sheehan 25/036)

North West Local Area Committee – 27/01/2025

32. **SIGNALLED PEDESTRIAN CROSSING ON THE SOUTH DOUGLAS ROAD**

‘Cork City Council notes the concerns of residents of Palaceanne Lawn and Kilcolman Lawn about the pedestrian access to their estates off the South Douglas Road.

Due to interruptions in the footpath on that stretch of the South Douglas Road, all residents are required to cross the busy road without any safe way to do so. A number of residents with mobility issues have expressed serious concerns for their health and safety.

To address these concerns, Cork City Council agrees to install a signalled pedestrian crossing on this section of the South Douglas Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Connor 25/037)

South Central Local Area Committee – 27/01/2025

33. **PROVISIONS FOR MOTORHOMES/CAMPERVANS**

‘That Cork City Council report on provisions that can be made for motorhomes/campervans in the city area including in the ongoing development of the Marina.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 25/038)

International Relations and Tourism Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Caidreamh Idirnáisiúnta & Turasóireacht – 20/01/2025

34. **CORKMAS EVENTS**

‘That Cork City Council report on the Corkmas events including the successful Christmas parade and markets, Council to look at options now for a New Years event.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 25/039)

Community, Culture and Placemaking Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Pobal, Cultúr & Comhfhorbairt Áite – 23/01/2025

35. **UPDATE ON THE NORTHERN DISTRIBUTOR ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council update on the Northern Distributor Road including details on route selection and timeline for completion.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 25/040)

Transport & Mobility Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Iompar & Soghluaisteacht – 17/02/2025

36. **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT POULAVONE/LOWER MODEL FARM ROAD**

‘That this Council will ensure a signalised pedestrian crossing is installed at Poulavone/Lower Model Farm Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. L. Harmon 25/041)

South West Local Area Committee – 27/01/2025

37. **SURVEY TARA COURT AND ST. HELEN'S COURT**

‘That this Council will survey Tara Court and St. Helen's Court estates in Glasheen with a view to adding them to the 2025 footpaths and roads resurfacing list.’

(Proposer: Cllr. L. Harmon 25/044)

South West Local Area Committee – 27/01/2025

38. **PUBLIC LIGHTING ON MARY ELMES BRIDGE**

‘That Cork City Council provide better public lighting on Mary Elmes Bridge and include street furniture / trees on the adjoining Harley Street.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 25/045)

North East Local Area Committee – 27/01/2025

39. **FARMER'S MARKET ON THE NORTHSIDE**

‘That Cork City Council work with the various stakeholders and investigate the possibility of providing a farmer's market on the Northside of the city.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 25/046)

Strategic, Economic Development, Enterprise & Planning Strategic Policy Committee / Coiste Beartais Straitéisigh - Straitéiseacht, Forbairt Eacnamaíoch, Fiontar & Pleanáil – 17/02/2025

40. **PATRICK'S HILL FOOTPATHS / STEPS**

‘That Cork City Council carry out an audit of Patrick's Hill footpaths / steps and carry out remedial works as a priority. The condition of the footpaths in the area is terrible and needs immediate attention.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Maher 25/047)

North East Local Area Committee – 27/01/2025

41. **LIOS CARA ESTATE**

‘That Cork City Council install speed ramps/traffic calming measures in Lios Cara Estate and can Cork City Council provide an update in relation to the taking in charge of the estate and a timeline of same.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Gould 25/049)

North West Local Area Committee – 27/01/2025

42. **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES ON SUNDAY'S WELL ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council will install traffic calming measures on Sunday's Well Road including the replacement of the recently broken bollard on Sunday's Well Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M Gould 25/050)

North West Local Area Committee – 27/01/2025

43. **FORMER CONNIE DONOVAN'S PUB**

‘That Cork City Council would compulsorily purchase the site at the former Connie Donovan's pub and develop it for sheltered housing for older people who wish to right size; or for use as a community building. Currently this site is an eyesore and a cause of anti-social behaviour in the area and has been derelict for almost 20 years.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Gould 25/051)

North West Local Area Committee – 27/01/2025