

**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, 10 FEABHRA 2014.**

**ORDINARY MEETING – MONDAY, 10 FEBRUARY 2014.**

- 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 **CITY MANAGERS ITEMS**
  - 1.4.1 To consider any item the City Manager may wish to raise.
  - 1.4.2 **RECENT FLOOD EVENTS IN THE CITY**

Report of City Manager on recent flood events in the City. (To be tabled).

2. **MINUTES**

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

- Special Meeting of An Chomhairle held on the 27<sup>th</sup> January 2014.
- Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held on 27<sup>th</sup> January 2014.

3. Question time – Questions submitted enclosed.

4. **TOURISM, ARTS AND CULTURE STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE – 28<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2014**

To note the minutes of the Tourism, Arts and Culture Strategic Policy Committee – 28<sup>th</sup> January 2014 and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held on the 28<sup>th</sup> January 2014.

4.1 **PROPOSED BYE-LAWS FOR THE ENGLISH MARKET**

The Report of the Director of Services dated 28<sup>th</sup> January 2014 on proposed bye-laws for The English Market was considered by the Committee.

**Decision**

The Committee decided to refer the Report of the Director of Services to An Chomhairle for consideration.

5. **HOUSING AND COMMUNITY FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 3<sup>rd</sup> FEBRUARY 2014**

To note the minutes of the Housing and Community Functional Committee and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2014.

5.1 **DISPOSALS**

Members considered the reports of the City Manager dated 30<sup>th</sup> January, 2014 in relation to the following property disposals:

- a. Disposal of Stall No. 42, Grand Parade Market, Grand Parade, Cork by way of lease at an annual rent of €8,035.88 to Iago Food Company Limited, c/o Fitzgerald Solicitors, No. 6, Lapps Quay, Cork.
- b. Disposal of premises known as Jack Lynch House, Bob and Joan's Walk, Shandon, Cork, by way of Lease to The Firkin Crane Limited, c/o Ronan Daly Jermyn, Solicitors, No. 2 Park Place, Citygate Park, Mahon, Cork, at a nominal rent of €5.00 per annum.
- c. Disposal of property situated at No. 107 and No. 108, Douglas Street, Cork by way of lease to Sophia Housing Association, c/o Helen O'Boyle & Co., Solicitors, No. 64, Booterstown Avenue, Blackrock, Co. Dublin at a nominal rent of €40.00 per month plus VAT if applicable.
- d. Disposal of freehold interest in land approximately 1.89 acres at Hollyhill, Cork to IDA Ireland, Athlone Business & Technology Park, Garrycastle, Dublin Road, Athlone, Co. Westmeath for the sum of €85,000.00 plus VAT if applicable.

**Decision of Committee**

It was agreed to recommend the above disposals to An Chomhairle for approval.

5.2 **MONTHLY REPORT**

Members considered the report of the Assistant City Manager on Housing for the month of January, 2014. At the meeting, the Assistant City Manager updated members on Spriggs Road and actions taken on 3<sup>rd</sup> February at the Spring Lane Halting Site.

**Decision of Committee**

It was agreed to accept the report of the Assistant City Manager and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

5.3 **2014 CAPITAL ALLOCATIONS FOR HOUSING ADAPTATION GRANT SCHEMES FOR OLDER PEOPLE AND PEOPLE WITH A DISABILITY**

Members considered the report of the Assistant City Manager dated 30th January, 2014 on the Grants Capital Allocation 2014.

**Decision of Committee**

It was agreed to accept the report of the Assistant City Manager and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

5.4 **OPEN AREA BETWEEN 66 AVONMORE PARK & 19 GLENAMOY LAWN**

Members further considered the report of the Assistant City Manager dated 2<sup>nd</sup> January, 2014 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That Cork City Council would draw up and implement plans to fence off the open area between No. 66 Avonmore Park and 19 Glenamoy Lawn or, preferably, to build an infill housing unit there.

Despite repeated clean-ups by City Council staff, and vigilance from local residents, this space continues to be used for the dumping of all kinds of rubbish and filth, and is also prone to low-level drug-dealing and anti-social behaviour.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Tynan 13/311)

**Decision of Committee**

It was agreed to accept the report of the Assistant City Manager and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

5.5 **MEETING BETWEEN THE PARTICIPATION OFFICER AND THE MIDDLE PARISH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**

Members considered the report of the Assistant City Manager dated 30th January, 2014 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That this Council facilitate a meeting between the participation officer and the middle parish community association to discuss issues in the area.’

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Kerins 13/393)

**Decision of Committee**

It was agreed to accept the report of the Assistant City Manager and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

5.6 **CORK CITY COUNCIL RENTAL INCOME**

Members considered the report of the Assistant City Manager dated 30th January, 2014 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That Cork City Council which receives of the order of €18 million in rents from its tenants each year examine where all the rent revenue goes and advise why Council cannot give an even basic maintenance service to its tenants. What additional annual revenue would Council need in order to function as a good landlord’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 13/405)

**Decision of Committee**

It was agreed to accept the report of the Assistant City Manager and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

5.7 **NO. 1 CHURCHFIELD TERRACE EAST**

Members considered the report of the Assistant City Manager dated 30th January, 2014 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That Cork City Council's Housing Department will provide a report on No 1 Churchfield Terrace East, in which it will clarify its ownership, outline what measures are proposed, if any, to remove illegally dumped rubbish & secure the property, previously shuttered by council, from further vandalism.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 13/411)

**Decision of Committee**

It was agreed to accept the report of the Assistant City Manager and recommend it to An Chomhairle for approval.

6. **ROADS & TRANSPORTATION FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 3<sup>rd</sup> FEBRUARY 2014**

To note the minutes of the Roads & Transportation Functional Committee from its meeting held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2014.

6.1 **ROADWORKS PROGRAMME**

Members considered Report of the Director of Services, dated 30th January, 2014 on the progress of the ongoing Roadworks Programme for the month ended January, 2014.

**Committee Decision**

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

6.2 **ROAD GRANT ALLOCATIONS 2014**

Members considered Report of the Director of Services, dated 30th January, 2014 on the Road Grant Allocations 2014.

**Committee Decision**

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

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

6.3.1 **RE-PAINT THE YELLOW BOX JUNCTION AT SOUTH DOUGLAS ROAD**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 30th January, 2014 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council re-paint the yellow box junction on the South Douglas Road adjacent to Half Moon Lane and Christ the King Girls Secondary School.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 13/391)

**Committee Decision**

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

6.3.2 **KILMORE ROAD/KILMORE HEIGHTS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE ROAD RESURFACING PROGRAMME 2014**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 30th January, 2014 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council include Kilmore Road and Kilmore Heights in the road resurfacing programme 2014 and paint the traffic calming measure in the centre of the road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. Tony Fitzgerald. 13/396)

**Committee Decision**

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

6.3.3 **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING BE PUT IN PLACE ADJACENT TO THE BUS STOP NEAR KEATINGS FURNITURE, BALLYHOOLEY ROAD**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 30th January, 2014 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘As part of the forthcoming development of Ballyhooley Road, a pedestrian crossing be put in place adjacent to the bus stop near Keatings Furniture.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 13/401)

**Committee Decision**

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

6.3.4 **PAINTING OF DOUBLE YELLOW LINES ON THE WESTERN SIDE OF GREEN STREET**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 30th January, 2014 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘Painting of double yellow lines on the western side of Green Street, perpendicular to its junction of Mount Sion Road, to remedy a huge traffic build-up problem.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 13/417)

**Committee Decision**

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

6.3.5 **PAINTING OF DOUBLE YELLOW LINES ON THE NORTHERN SIDE OF BARRACK STREET**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 30th January, 2014 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘Painting of double yellow lines on the Northern side of Barrack Street, perpendicular to Griffin's Court, to allow sufficient space for vehicles to exit the Court (as part of the improvement scheme)’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 13/418)

**Committee Decision**

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

6.3.6 **OAK PARK HOUSING ESTATE , BALLYHOOLEY ROAD**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 30th January, 2014 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Oak Park Housing Estate on Ballyhooley Road be added to the 2014 Estates Resurfacing Programme.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 14/007)

**Committee Decision**

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

6.3.7 **PATHWAYS ACROSS THE GREEN AREAS AT LEESDALE AND MODEL FARM ROAD**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 30th January, 2014 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council would give immediate attention to the Pathways across the Greens Areas in Leesdale and Model Farm Road as two of them are in a dreadful state.

These are:-

1. The Pathway that runs along the perimeter wall with the Community School and Leesdale.
2. The Pathway that runs across the main green from Leesdale to Greenfields. [near the shop.]

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 14/010).

### **Committee Decision**

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

#### 6.4 **TO RECONSIDER THE FOLLOWING MOTIONS WHICH WERE HELD IN COMMITTEE**

##### 6.4.1 **COBBLED STREET SECTION ON LOWER GLANMIRE ROAD**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 30th January, 2014 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council does not interfere in any way with the Cobbled Street section on Lower Glanmire Road nor with the nearby Horse Trough at the junction with Ship Street. The recently approved Section 38 improvement scheme did not give Council engineers the authority to destroy these singularly unique heritage features nor should it be interpreted as such since no indication of any such intention was made know under the Public Consultation nor in the papers presented to City Councillors.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 13/404)

### **Committee Decision**

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

#### 6.4.2 **RIGHT HAND FILTER LIGHT AT JUNCTION OF CLASHDUV ROAD, TOGHER ROAD**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 30th January, 2014 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That a right hand filter light be introduced at the junction of Clashdub Road going onto Togher Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. G. Gibbons 13/406)

### **Committee Decision**

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

#### 7. **CORRESPONDENCE**

To note correspondence, if any.

8. **CONFERENCES/ SEMINARS SUMMARIES**

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

9. **CONFERENCES/ SEMINARS**

To approve attendance at the following Conferences/ Seminars:-

**HYDRO POWER: HOW LOCAL AUTHORITIES CAN HARNESS OUR RIVERS AND STREAMS**

An Chomhairle to approve the attendance of Comhairleoir B. Bermingham at the “Hydro Power: How Local Authorities can Harness our Rivers and Streams” training seminar, held in the Kenmare Bay Hotel, Kenmare, Co. Kerry, on the 31<sup>st</sup> January to 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2014.

10. **CONFERENCES/ SEMINARS**

To approve attendance at any conferences/seminars which may be tabled on the night.

11. **MOTIONS**

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

11.1 **PARKING SPACE ON HARTLAND’S AVENUE**

That the following road issue supported by An Gardaí is dealt with speedily:-

‘The removal of the last parking space on Hartland's Avenue closest to the bend in the road on the Hawthorn Bar, to improve visibility at this narrowed bottleneck’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 13/421)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

11.2 **FOOTPATHS ON FRIARS WALK**

That the following road issue supported by An Gardaí is dealt with speedily:-

‘The repair of footpaths on Friars Walk from the Marian Pharmacy to Ballyphehane Church (opposite to the Park) to address a number of trip hazards.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 13/422)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

11.3 **STOP SIGN AT BEAUMOUNT LAWN/BEAUMONT DRIVE**

‘That Cork City Council would install a Stop Sign at the intersection of Beaumont Lawn with Upper Beaumont Drive. There is a large volume of traffic using these roads every day owing the presence of two primary schools in the immediate vicinity. Local residents feel the absence of a stop sign in this local will lead to an accident.’

(Proposer: Cllr. L. McGonigle 14/027)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

11.4 **CHANGE IN STANDING ORDERS**

‘Change in standing orders of Cork City Council to be included, any member who uses *obscenity, vulgarity, profanity* that the Lord Mayor or Cathaoirleach of the meeting whether this be City Council meeting, SPC or Functional Committee, that the Chairman would be entitled to have the member suspended for two meetings.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O’Flynn 14/030)

**Party Whips**

11.5 **COMMUNITY CENTRE/ YOUTH CLUB AT BALLYVOLANE/DUBLIN HILL**

‘That Cork City Council engage with all stakeholders in the Ballyvolane/Dublin Hill area with a view to setting up a Community centre and Youth Club in the area.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O’Flynn 14/031)

**Housing & Community Functional Committee**

11.6 **DOG PARK IN CORK CITY**

"That Cork City Council would seek to provide a 'dog park 'in Cork City, for dogs to exercise and play off-leash in a controlled environment under the supervision of their owners.

Dog parks, promote responsible pet ownership and the enforcement of dog-control laws; give dogs a place to exercise safely, thus reducing barking and other problem behaviours."

(Proposer: Cllr. L. McGonigle 14/032)

**Environment & Recreation Functional Committee**

11.7 **TANK FIELD**

‘In view of the reply by the Manager to my supplementary question, that the recent compulsory purchase orders on lands in the Tank Field were required so that

developments there could proceed, and the recent reports in the press concerning PAC interest in the matter that Cork City Council establish a sub-committee to enquire into the accuracy or otherwise of the information provided to the Council in arriving at its earlier decisions in regard to the Part 8 Planning and the Disposal Orders for lands in the Tank Field. Furthermore that no further action regarding sale or lease of the lands at Tank Field be taken pending the report of the Council sub-committee and PAC.’

(Proposer: Cllr T. Brosnan 14/033)

**Corporate Policy Group**

11.8 **RE-SURFACING OF UAM VAR AVENUE, BISHOPSTOWN**

‘Uam Var Avenue is an estate road but because of its proximity to Cork Institute of Technology has a large volume of traffic driving through it. At the moment it has 32 potholes and it is a useless exercise filling them because of the volume of traffic and therefore re-surfacing is the only solution.

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer, M. Shields, M. Ahern B. Bermingham H. Cremin, G. Gibbons. 14/034)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

11.9 **HEATING SYSTEM AT ARDBHAILE AND GLENAMOY LAWN**

‘Council calls on the City Manager to initiate, as a matter of urgency, repairs and a full assessment of the district heating system for the flats at Ardbhaile and Glenamoy Lawn, Mayfield. Despite recent maintenance of the system, many residents are continuing to experience problems with the heating in their homes. To additionally ask the Manager to investigate the situation where resident’s payment cards are being debited for heat which is not delivered. Given the time of year and the ongoing inclement weather, council calls for this issue to be investigated as a matter of urgency.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Tynan 14/035)

**Housing & Community Functional Committee**

11.10 **INVITE AIRTRICITY TO BRIEF MEMBERS OF COUNCIL**

‘That Roads and Transportation Functional Committee would invite Airtricity Solutions to brief members of council on service level agreements/progress reports in relation to maintenance of public lighting.’

(Proposer: Cllr. E. O’Halloran 14/036)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

11.11 **RECEPTACLES AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS AROUND THE CITY**

‘That Cork City Council would consider placing receptacles at various locations around the City for people to discard unwanted and illegal drugs safely. This would compliment the programme already in place where receptacles are already in public toilets to collect used needles that can then be destroyed safely.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. O’Connell 14/037)

**Environment & Recreation Functional Committee**

11.12 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES IN DOUGLAS STREET**

‘To ask Cork City Council to put in place traffic calming measures in Douglas Street as a priority.’

(Proposer: Cllr. L. Kingston 14/039)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

11.13 **TRAFFIC CONGESTION IN MAIVILLE TERRACE**

To ask Cork City Council to put in place measures to alleviate the traffic congestion in Maiville Terrace causing safety problems and obstructions for residents.’

(Proposer: Cllr. L. Kingston 14/040)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

11.14 **PEDESTRIAN WALKWAY AT SILVERSPRINGS**

‘That Cork City Council secure the pedestrian walkway between Silversprings Avenue and Boherboy Close as it is a source of anti social behaviour during the hours of darkness and City Council’s failure to maintain the public lighting has greatly exacerbated the problem.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 14/041)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

11.15 **ADOPT A ROAD SCHEME**

‘To request that the Council formulate a policy to facilitate companies/commercial businesses who wish to contribute towards the upkeep and maintenance of a particular road / area in terms of litter picking, landscaping and so on. This concept has previously been referred to as the "Adopt a Road Scheme ", whereby a business would commit to maintaining a specified area in return for public acknowledgement /

advertising of their contribution. A list of businesses/companies should be posted on the City Council web site.’

(Proposer: Cllr. G. Gibbons 14/042)

**Environment Strategic Policy Committee**

11.16 **SUMMER PILOT PROJECT**

‘That Cork City Council begin to plan to roll out the successful summer school pilot project that happened last summer across the City, with each ward getting a summer school whereby local Clubs/Associations are asked for their support.

(Proposer: Cllr. G. Gibbons 14/043)

**Environment & Recreation Functional Committee**

11.17 **YELLOW HATCH BOX AT KILBRACK LAWN**

‘That Cork City Council install a yellow hatch box at the entrance to Kilbrack Lawn and Clover Lawn, on Skehard Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Shannon 14/044)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

11.18 **PRUNE TREES AT SKEHARD ROAD**

‘That the trees along the Skehard Road be pruned as they have grown to an unacceptable height and are a safety concern especially during inclement weather.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Shannon 14/045)

**Environment & Recreation Functional Committee**

11.19 **CLOSURE OF LANEWAY BETWEEN BOHERBOY CLOSE AND SILVERHEIGHTS AVENUE**

‘That the laneway between Boherboy Close and Silverheights Avenue be closed.’

(Proposer: Cll. J. Kelleher, T. Brosnan, T. Tynan, J. Kavanagh 14/047)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

11.20 **REPORT ON EXTERNAL CONSULTANTS REPORTS COMMISSIONED**

That Cork City Council publish a report on external consultant reports commissioned since 2009 and include the number of such reports, the purpose of such reports report, the cost of such reports, the firm/individual awarded contracts for report, the projected and actual completed time of delivery of reports, reasons for external commissioning of reports and implementation of key recommendations/actions of reports.

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 14/052)

**Finance Functional Committee**

11.21 **TRAFFIC ISSUES SARSFIELD ROAD**

That Cork City Council review significant ponding and pooling of water on the Sarsfield Road between the Wilton Roundabout and the traffic lights into Wilton Court and would extend the junction box on the western side of Sarsfield Road to include the entrance to Wilton Court on Sarsfield Road.

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 14/053)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

11.22 **REVIEW OF STANDING ORDERS IN RELATION TO THE MOTIONS**

‘That City Council would review Standing Orders in relation to the motions that are not referred to any particular committee.

Recently we have seen some Cllr’s motions backed up for months on the agenda due to the Clar not been completed on the night.

I would propose that in future the motions that are carried over from the previous meeting be taken first before any new motions are discussed in this section and thereafter they be taken accordingly as they are logged on the City Council system.’

Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 14/054

**Party Whips**

12. **MOTIONS**

To consider the following motions, due notice of which has been given:-

12.1 **LEGISLATION ON ISSUING VOUCHERS**

‘That this council calls on the Government to enact legislation to require those issuing Vouchers to record the names of those purchasing in the event of loss and honouring the vouchers.’

(Proposer: Cllr. B. Bermingham 14/026)

## 12.2 **PROPERTY LEVY**

‘That Cork City Council welcome the announcement that Council will be able to vary the property charge downward in 2015 by 15% as a direct result of the very high percentage paid by citizens so far. 80% of which will be returned to City Council to provide local services.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. O’Connell 14/038)

## 12.3 **AN GHAELGE MAR AN CHÉAD TEANGA OIFIGIÚIL**

‘Aontaíonn an Chomhairle seo

- Go bhfuil an Ghaeilge mar an chéad teanga oifigiúil sa Stát seo, agus go gcruthaíonn sé sin cearta teanga do Gaeilgeoirí na tíre;
- Go mba chóir go mbeadh fáil ag an bpobal ar seirbhísí poiblí trí mheán na Gaeilge ar an gcaighdeán ceánna is a bheadh trí mheán an Bearla
- Go bhfuil bonn Bunreachtúil agus bonn reachtúil ann dosna cearta sin, ach go háirithe, Acht na dTeangacha Oifigiúla; agus
- Go raibh aontú tras-pháirtí ann don Straitéis Fiche Bliain don Ghaeilge.

Mar sin, aithníonn an Chomhairle seo

- Go bhfuil go leor constaic ann fós do Ghaeilgeoirí chun a gcearta teanga a dhearbhu agus nach bhfuil Acht na Teangacha Oifigiúla á chur i bhfeidhm mar a ba chóir, agus go bhfuil go leor Ranna Stát agus Comhlachtaí pobail nach bhfuil seirbhísí ar fáil as Gaeilge ag caighdeán sásúil
- Go bhfuil easpa dul chun cinn ann ó thaobh an Straitéis Fiche Bliain don Ghaeilge agus go bhfuil seilbh cailte ag pobal na Gaeilge agus na heagraisí pobail ar an bpróiseas.

Mar sin, éilíonn an Chomhairle seo ar an Rialtas

- Cinnte a dhéanamh de go líonfar post An Choimisinéir Teanga go luath, agus go gcinnteoidh sé go gceapfaí duine leis an taithí agus cumas cuí;
- Tacaíocht a thabhairt do pé duine a líonfaidh an post sin Acht na Teangach Oifigiúla a chur i bhfeidhm go héifeachtúil, ionas go mbeidh feabhas leanúnach ar caighdeán na seirbhísí poiblí a bheidh ar fáil do Gaeilgeoirí;
- Tosach nua a dhéanamh ar Straitéis Fiche bliain don Ghaeilge, i gcomhpháirt leis na heagraisí pobail agus pobal na Gaeilge.

That Cork City Council agrees

- That Irish is the first Official Language of the State, and that this creates Language Rights for the Irish Speakers of the Country
- That the public should have access to public services in Irish, at the same standard as the public would in English
- That the rights have a constitutional and legislative basis, in particular, the Official Languages Act, and
- That there was Cross-Party agreement on the 20 Years Strategy for the Irish Language

Therefore, this Council recognises;

- that there remain considerable obstacles for Irish language speakers to vindicate their language rights, and that the Official Languages Act is not being implemented as it should, and that there are many Government Departments and Public Bodies, that do not provide public services to a satisfactory standard.
- that there is a lack of progress as regards the Twenty Years Strategy for the Irish Language, and that the Irish language community and public organisations have lost ownership of the process.

Therefore, this Council asserts that the Government should ;

- Ensure that the position of An Coimisinéir Teanga (Language Commissioner) is filled as a matter of urgency, and that they ensure it is a person of appropriate experience and ability
- Provide support for whatever person fills that position in implementing the Official Languages Act effectively, in order that there will be a continual improvement in the quality of public services which are available in Irish
- Embark on a renewed initiative on the 20 years Irish Language Strategy, in cooperation with the public organisations, and the Irish Language Community.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 14/050)

#### 12.4 **RELEASE MARGARETTA D'ARCY**

That Cork City Council calls on the Minister for Justice to immediately release Margarettta D'arcy, Margarettta (79) who suffers from cancer was convicted in relation to trespassing on the runway at Shannon Airport in protest at the use of the airport by the US military en route to conflicts in the Middle East, Council

recongises that Margaretta is an elderly citizen suffering from Parkinson's disease who requires the use of a Zimmer Frame, is no threat to the public & therefore calls for her release on humanitarian grounds.

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 14/051)

13. **MOTIONS DEFERRED FROM MEETING OF AN CHOMHAIRLE HELD ON THE 27<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2014.**

13.1 **MANDATORY CARDIAC SCREENING FOR ALL TEENAGERS**

‘Cork City Council calls on the Government to make cardiac screening mandatory for all teenagers in Ireland.’

(Proposer: Cllr E. O’Halloran 13/395)

13.2 **DISCLOSURE OF RESTING PLACE OF IRA VICTIMS TO THE GARDAI**

‘That Cork City Council on behalf of the people of Cork call on the leadership of Sinn Fein who may have any knowledge of the final resting place, of murdered victims of the Provisional IRA to disclose this information to the Gardaí/PSNI immediately.’

(Proposer: Cllr. E. O’Halloran 13/372)

**TADHG KEATING**  
**MEETINGS ADMINISTRATOR**

Chuig gach ball de Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí.

6<sup>ú</sup> Feabhra, 2014