

MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF CORK CITY COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY 29th MARCH 2016

PRESENT	An tArd-Mhéara Comhairleoir C. O’Leary.
NORTH EAST	Comhairleoirí T. Tynan, T. Brosnan, J. Kavanagh.
NORTH CENTRAL	Comhairleoirí T. Gould, K. O’Flynn, L. O’Donnell, J. Sheehan.
NORTH WEST	Comhairleoirí M. Nugent, T. Fitzgerald, K. Collins, M. O’Sullivan.
SOUTH EAST	Comhairleoirí K. McCarthy, D. Cahill, L. McGonigle, T. Shannon, N. O’Keeffe, S. O’Shea.
SOUTH CENTRAL	Comhairleoirí M. Finn, F. Kerins, P. Dineen, T. O’Driscoll, S. Martin.
SOUTH WEST	Comhairleoirí J. Buttimer, H. Cremin, M. Shields, F. Dennehy, P.J. Hourican, T. Moloney.
ALSO PRESENT	Ms. A. Doherty, Chief Executive. Mr. J. G. O’Riordan, Meetings Administrator, Corporate & External Affairs. Ms. U. Ramsell, Staff Officer, Corporate & External Affairs. Mr. P. Moynihan, Director of Services, Corporate & External Affairs. Mr. J. O’Donovan, Director of Services, Environment & Recreation. Mr. G. O’Beirne, Director of Services, Roads & Transportation. Mr. T. Duggan, City Architect. Mr. B. O’Hare, A/Head of Finance. Mr. K. Lynch, A/Director of Services Mr. T. Keating, Senior Executive Officer, Housing & Community Mr. D. Joyce, Senior Executive Officer, ICT & Business Systems. Ms. C. Kelly, Senior Executive Officer, Housing & Community.

An tArd-Mhéara recited the opening prayer.

1. **VOTES OF SYMPATHY**

- The Stout Family on the death of Ken Stout.
- The Lester Family on the death of Pauline (Coughlan) Lester.
- The Desmond Family on the death of Frank Desmond.
- The Ward Family on the death of Ann Ward.
- The Carroll Family on the death of Mary Carroll.
- The Flynn Stokes Family on the death of Mrs Flynn.
- The Gunn Family on the death of Francis Gunn.
- The Field Family on the death of Mary Field.
- The victims of the Brussels bombings.
- The O’Hea Family on the death of Helen O’Hea.
- The Stout Family on the death of Peggy Stout.

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

- Mitchelstown C.B.S. on winning the All Ireland College Final.
- Cork City & County Council on the 1916 Centenary Celebrations.
- Alan Browne on winning the Under 21 Player of the Year.
- Ciara Hyland & TG4 on the TG4 Documentary on the Life of Diarmuid Lynch.
- Mary McGrath on Barrack Street, Cork born on Easter Monday 1916 and attended the Easter Ceremony on Easter Monday 2016.
- Denise O’Sullivan who won Senior International Player of the Year 2016 and the Evening Echo Sports Personality of the Year. She’s travelling to Spain to play with Ireland, continuing on to Texas to start a new contract with Houston Drachs (Dash) U.S.A.
- Ken Hoey on winning Intermediate Player of the Year for the third time.

3. **ADJOURNMENT**

The members agreed that An tÁrd Mheara would adjourn the meeting at 7.45 p.m. to allow the members to attend the 1916 ceremonies in the Concert Hall.

4. **LORD MAYOR’S ITEMS**

4.1 **CIVIC RECEPTION**

An tÁrd Mheara proposed and An Chomhairle agreed to hold a Civic Reception to honour Olive Loughnane and Rob Heffernan to acknowledge their athletic achievements and their recent retrospective medal upgrading for the 2009 World Championship and the 2012 Olympic Games respectively.

4.2 **FREEDOM OF THE CITY**

An tÁrd Mheara, Comhairleoir C. O’Leary proposed conferring the Freedom of the City on Adi Roche and the proposal was seconded by Comhairleoir H. Cremin.

Following discussion, a vote was called, where there appeared as follows:-

FOR: Comhairleoirí T. Tynan, T. Brosnan, J. Kavanagh, T. Gould, K. O’Flynn, L. O’Donnell, J. Sheehan, M. Nugent, T. Fitzgerald, K. Collins, M. O’Sullivan, K. McCarthy, C. O’Leary, D. Cahill, L. McGonigle, N. O’Keeffe, S. O’Shea, M. Finn, F. Kerins, T. O’Driscoll, H. Cremin, M. Shields, F. Dennehy, P.J. Hourican, T. Moloney (25)

AGAINST: Comhairleoirí T. Shannon, S. Martin

ABSTENTION: Comhairleoir J. Buttimer

An tÁrd Mheara declared the vote carried.

5. **CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S ITEMS**

5.1 **CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S MONTHLY MANAGEMENT REPORT**

An Chomhairle approved the Monthly Report of the Chief Executive dated February 2016 and a discussion ensued. Having agreed to the 7.45 adjournment of the meeting it was agreed that the matters raised would be addressed at the various Functional Committees.

6. **ITEM DEFERRED FROM THE ORDINARY MEETING OF AN CHOMHAIRLE HELD 14th MARCH 2016**

6.1 **SECTION 19(2) LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2001 – CASUAL VACANCIES**

6.1.1 **CASUAL VACANCY IN CORK CITY COUNCIL**

An tÁrd-Mheara informed the members that since the deferral of this item from the last meeting of An Chomhairle held on 14th March 2016, the Meetings Administrator had received details of proposed nominations in respect of the casual vacancy created by the election of Councillor Mick Barry to Dáil Éireann.

The Director of Services for Corporate and External Affairs, advised An Chomhairle that an issue had arisen as regards its authority to ratify the co-option, and outlined the provisions of Section 19 of the Local Government Act, 2001. He indicated that some doubt existed regarding the status of the registration of political parties, which would require further clarification. Given the circumstances, the Director stated his view that the necessary legal certainty was not in place to enable the co-option to be made.

The Director indicated that he would be looking to achieve greater clarity as regards the issues involved, and that he was advising An Chomhairle to defer consideration of the matter until this clarity was achieved.

A vote was called for to defer this item pending clarification of matters, where there appeared as follows:

FOR: Comhairleoirí J. Kavanagh, K. McCarthy, C. O'Leary, D. Cahill, L. McGonigle, T. Shannon, N. O'Keefe, P. Dineen, T. O'Driscoll, S. Martin, J. Buttimer, M. Shields, F. Dennehy, P.J. Hourican (14)

AGAINST: Comhairleoirí T. Tynan, T. Brosnan, T. Gould, K. O'Flynn, L. O'Donnell, M. Nugent, K. Collins, M. O'Sullivan, S. O'Shea, M. Finn, F. Kerins, H. Cremin, T. Moloney (13)

ABSTENTION: Comhairleoirí J. Sheehan, T. Fitzgerald

7. **MINUTES**

An Chomhairle considered and approved as correct record the Minutes of:-

- Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held on the 14th March 2016.

8. **QUESTION TIME**

This item was deferred until the next meeting of An Chomhairle on the 11th April 2016.

9. **CORPORATE POLICY GROUP – 21ST MARCH 2016**

9.1 **FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO 29TH FEBRUARY 2016**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the Financial Statements to end of February 2016.

9.2 **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUDITOR'S STATUTORY REPORT ON THE ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2014 AND THE AUDIT COMMITTEE'S REPORT UNDER SECTION 121**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the contents of the Local Government Auditors letter.

9.3 **AUDIT COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2015**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Audit Committee Annual Report for 2015 on the proposal of Comhairleoir S. Martin, seconded by Comhairleoir J. Buttimer.

9.4 **AUDIT COMMITTEE CHARTER**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the adoption of the Audit Committee Charter on the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Buttimer, seconded by Comhairleoir K. McCarthy.

9.5 **REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR OF MUNICIPAL RATE ON RATE COLLECTION FOR 2015**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Collector of Municipal Rate on Rate Collection for 2015 on the proposal of Comhairleoir S. Martin, seconded by Comhairleoir K. McCarthy.

10. **ROADS AND TRANSPORTATION STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE – 21ST MARCH 2016**

This item was deferred until the next meeting of An Chomhairle on the 11th April 2016.

11. **ROADS AND TRANSPORTATION FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 21ST MARCH 2016**

An Chomhairle deferred the minutes of the Roads & Transportation Functional Committee to the next meeting of An Chomhairle held on the 11th April 2016.

11.1 **ROADWORKS PROGRAMME**

An Chomhairle deferred the consideration of the Roadworks Programme for the month ending February 2016 to the next meeting of An Chomhairle on the 11th of April 2016.

11.2 **CORK CITY COUNCIL BYE LAWS 2016: SURFACE LEVEL CAR PARKS, PARKING & APPOINTED STANDS (TAXI)**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the Report of the Director of Services dated 16th March 2016;

Cork City Council Surface Level Pay Parking Bye Laws 2016

An Chomhairle adopted the following resolution on the proposal of Comhairleoir S. Martin, seconded by Comhairleoir J. Buttimer:-

“Now Council hereby **RESOLVES THAT IN THE MATTER OF THE PROPOSED “CORK CITY COUNCIL SURFACE LEVEL PAY PARKING CAR PARK BYE-LAWS 2016”** Cork City Council having consulted with the Garda Commissioner and having complied with the provisions of Section 101 of the *Road Traffic Act 1961* as amended and having considered the proposed Bye-Laws and the report of the Director of Services, Roads & Transportation, it is hereby **resolved** to **make** the proposed Cork City Council Surface Level Pay Parking Car Park Bye-Laws 2016 in accordance with the draft attached hereto subject to Article 2 thereof being amended to read:-

“These Bye-Laws shall come into operation on the 16th day of May 2016.”

Cork City Parking Bye Laws 2016

An Chomhairle adopted the following resolution on the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Kavanagh, seconded by Comhairleoir K. McCarthy:-

“Now Council hereby **RESOLVES THAT IN THE MATTER OF THE PROPOSED “CORK CITY PARKING BYE-LAWS 2016”** Cork City Council having consulted with the Garda Commissioner and having complied with the provisions of Section 101 of the *Road Traffic Act 1961* as amended and having considered the proposed Bye-Laws and the report of the Director of Services, Roads & Transportation, it is hereby **resolved** to **make** the Cork City Parking Bye Laws 2016 in accordance with the draft attached hereto subject to Article 2 thereof being amended to read:-

“These Bye-Laws shall come into operation on the 16th day of May 2016.”

Cork City Appointed Stands (Taxi) Bye Laws 2016

An Chomhairle adopted the following resolution on the proposal of Comhairleoir S. Martin, Seconded by Comhairleoir J. Kavanagh:-

“Now Council hereby **RESOLVES THAT IN THE MATTER OF THE PROPOSED “CORK CITY APPOINTED STANDS (TAXI) BYE-LAWS 2016”** Cork City Council having consulted with the Garda Commissioner and having complied with the provisions of by Section 25 of the Taxi Regulation Act 2013 (No. 37 of 2013). and having considered the proposed Bye-Laws and the report of the Director of Services, Roads & Transportation it is hereby **resolved** to **make** the proposed Cork City Appointed Stands (Taxi) Bye-Laws 2016 in accordance with the draft attached hereto subject to Article 2 thereof being amended to read:-

“These Bye-Laws shall come into operation on the 16th day of May 2016.

11.3 **MOTIONS WHICH WERE REFERRED BY COUNCIL TO THE COMMITTEE**

An Chomhairle deferred the following motions until the next meeting of An Chomhairle on the 11th April 2016;

11.3.1 **SURVEY OF PEARSE ROAD**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 16th March 2016 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Pearse Road be surveyed and have its broken footpath included in a renewal programme, and its broken road surface included in an non-national Road Resurfacing Programme.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 15/336)

11.3.2 **ROAD WORKS PROGRAMME 2016**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 16th March 2016 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council include the following in the Road Works Programme 2016:-
O’Connell Crescent
Friars Road
Father Mathew Road
Derrynane Road
Upper Derrynane Road
St. Anne’s Park and Beaufort Park’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 15/337).

11.3.3 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES ON APPROACHES TO DEERPARK SCHOOL ON ST. PATRICK’S ROAD, CORK**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 16th March 2016 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘Following a serious accident where a student was knocked down, Cork City Council needs to install traffic calming measures - or speed warning/curtailment signs - on the approaches to Deerpark School on St Patrick’s Road. Similar measures removed during works near St Marie’s of the Isle on Bishop St. also need to be replaced immediately.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 16/026)

11.3.4 **AWARENESS PROGRAMME FOR SAFER TRAVEL TO SCHOOLS**

Members noted the Report of Director of Services dated 16th March 2016 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council would engage proactively with all primary and secondary schools in the South West Ward to develop and put in place awareness programmes for safer travel to schools, changes in transport modality and appropriate parking in the vicinity of schools.’

(Proposers: Cllr. J. Buttimer, Cllr. F. Dennehy, Cllr. H. Cremin, Cllr. T. Moloney, Cllr. M. Shields, Cllr. P.J. Hourican 16/027)

11.3.5 **TAKE IN CHARGE WILLOW BANK, CHURCH ROAD, BLACKROCK**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 16th March 2016 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council starts the process to ‘take in charge’ Willow Bank, Church Road, Blackrock, Cork.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Cahill 16/030)

11.3.6 **TRAFFIC MEASURES TAKEN AT ST LUKES**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 16th March 2016 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council reverse the traffic measures taken at St Lukes.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 16/034)

11.3.7 **REPLACE BROKEN SLABS AT THE CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, GURRANABRAHER**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 16th March 2016 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘Can Cork City Council replace all the broken slabs that are very badly damaged due to illegal parking at the front entrance to the Church Of the Ascension Gurrabraher.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 16/035)

11.3.8 **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT CARDINAL WAY, WILTON**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 16th March 2016 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That City Council would give an update on the status of the request from various Councillors in the South West Ward for a pedestrian crossing at Cardinal Way Wilton. This pedestrian crossing was to facilitate schoolchildren attending Gael Scoil Ui Riada to cross the road safely from the Church to the Wilton Bar.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 16/036)

11.3.9 **TRAFFIC LIGHTS ON AVENUE DE RENNES, AT HOLY CROSS CHURCH AND AT FORMER ABODE BUILDING IN MAHON**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 16th March 2016 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council roads department reports on the status of the traffic lights on Avenue de Rennes, the traffic lights next to the Holy Cross Church and the traffic lights next to the former Abode building in Mahon. Where maintenance or upgrading is required can the director outline when works will be undertaken.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Keeffe 16/037)

11.3.10 **FEASABILITY OF MAKING THE MARINA, BLACKROCK A PEDESTRIANISED AREA**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 16th March 2016 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council reports on the feasibility of making the Marina, Blackrock a pedestrianised area on weekends, perhaps as a pilot scheme.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Keeffe 16/038)

11.3.13 **ROADWORK PROGRAMME 2016**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 16th March 2016 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council include the following in the Roadworks Programme 2016:-
Green Street
Mount Carmel Road
Townsend Place
Bonaventure Place
Presentation Place.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 15/338)

11.3.12 **REFURBISH THE TWO PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS ON THE MELBOURNE ROAD**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 16th March 2016 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council would refurbish the two pedestrian crossings on the Melbourn Road and approach road to same to ensure that all road markings are in place, the islands are repainted and public lighting restored.’

(Proposers: Cllr. J. Buttimer, Cllr. H. Cremin, Cllr. F. Dennehy, Cllr. T. Moloney, Cllr. M. Shields, Cllr. P.J. Hourican 16/029)

11.3.13 **FOOTPATHS IN ARD NA LAOI ESTATE, MIDDLE GLANMIRE ROAD**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 16th March 2016 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘Can the footpaths in Ard na Laoi Estate on Middle Glanmire Road be added to the Estate Footpath Renewal Programme for 2016.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 16/039)

11.3.14 **MARY STREET TO BE INCLUDED IN THE ROAD RESURFACING PROGRAMME 2016**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 16th March 2016 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Mary’s Street be included in the Road Resurfacing Programme for 2016, the road surface has deteriorated somewhat in the past few months and is in need of repair, particularly the upper section near Red Abbey.’

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Dineen 16/040)

11.3.15 **RESURFACING THE ROAD LEADING INTO MURPHY’S FARM**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 16th March 2016 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council undertake re surfacing to the road leading into Murphy’s Farm.’

(Proposers: Cllr. J. Buttimer, Cllr. T. Moloney, Cllr. P. J. Hourican, Cllr. H. Cremin, Cllr. F. Dennehy, Cllr. M. Shields 16/041)

11.3.16 **TAKING IN CHARGE OF ARD SIONNACH ESTATE**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 16th March 2016 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council will initiate the process of taking in charge Ard Sionnach Estate, Shanakiel.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 16/046)

11.3.17 **EXTEND THE COCA COLA BIKE SCHEME TO INCLUDE BIKES AND A BIKE STAND IN BLACROCK VILLAGE**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 16th March 2016 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council extend the Coca Cola Bike Scheme to include bikes and a bike stand in a suitable location within Blackrock Village. This would be of great benefit for the

many people who wish to use both the Marina and the Mahon Estuary Walkway for recreation & leisure cycling.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Keeffe 16/048)

11.3.18 **REINSTATE DOUBLE YELLOW LINES ADJACENT TO ‘SANDY LANE’ HOUSING ESTATE ON CASTLE ROAD**

Members considered Report of Director of Services dated 16th March 2016 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council reinstates the double yellow lines that previously ran adjacent to the ‘Sandy Lane’ housing estate on Castle Rd. Residents of the estate are finding it extremely difficult to turn out on the estate due to cars parked along the road as visibility has been reduced considerably.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Keeffe 16/049)

12. **HOUSING AND COMMUNITY FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 21ST MARCH 2016**

An Chomhairle deferred the minutes of Housing & Community Functional Committee to the next meeting of An Chomhairle on the 11th of April 2016.

An Chomhairle approved the following recommendations from the Housing & Community Functional Committee meeting held on the 21st March 2016.

12.1 **PROPERTY DISPOSALS**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the reports of the Chief Executive dated 16th March, 2016 in relation to the following property disposals

- a. On the proposal of Comhairleoir T. Fitzgerald, seconded by Comhairleoir J. Buttimer An Chomhairle approved the disposal of property known as “The Cottage”, Coolmaine Crescent, Knocknaheeny, Cork to Scouting Trust Property Limited, c/o Kevin Hegarty Solicitor, Brian Dillon House, Dillons Cross, Cork by way of lease for a period of 4 years and 9 months subject to an annual rent of €100.00.
- b. On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Kavanagh, seconded by Comhairleoir J. Buttimer An Chomhairle approved the disposal of No. 3, Heather Walk, Ard Sionnach, Shanakiel, Cork to Richard Casey and Catherina Dunne, c/o Finbarr Murphy Solicitors, Lee White House, No. 8, Washington Street, Cork in exchange for the property owned by the said Richard Casey and Catherina Dunne at No. 21, Glandore Park, Knocknaheeny, Cork.
- c. On the proposal of Comhairleoir S. Martin, seconded by Comhairleoir J. Sheehan An Chomhairle approved the disposal of No. 26, Kilmore Road Lower, Knocknaheeny, Cork to Christine Feeney c/o Foley Turnbull Solicitors, Joyce House, Barrack Square, Ballincollig, Co. Cork in exchange for the property owned by the said Christine Feeney at No. 74, Harbour View Road, Knocknaheeny, Cork.

An Chomhairle also considered the report of the Chief Executive dated 16th March, 2016 in relation to the following property disposal:

- d. Disposal of premises known as No. 5C & 5D, Bakers Road, Gurrabraher, Cork together with a shared Right of Way to Probian Ltd., c/o O'Donovan Baker Solicitors, No. 15, South Mall, Cork, for the sum of €210,000.00 (plus VAT if applicable).

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

FOR: Comhairleoirí J. Kavanagh, J. Sheehan, T. Fitzgerald, K. McCarthy, D. Cahill, L. McGonigle, T. Shannon, N. O'Keeffe, P. Dineen, T. O'Driscoll, S. Martin, J. Buttimer, F. Dennehy, P.J. Hourican (14)

AGAINST: Comhairleoirí T. Tynan, T. Gould, L. O'Donnell, M. Nugent, K. Collins, M. O'Sullivan, C. O'Leary, S. O'Shea, M. Finn, F. Kerins, H. Cremin, T. Moloney (12)

As the numbers voting in favour of the disposal were greater than those voting against, An tÁrd Mheara declared the vote carried.

12.2 **DEFERRALS**

An Chomhairle deferred consideration of the following items, other than 12.2.2 to the next meeting of An Chomhairle on the 11th April 2016.

12.2.1 **MONTHLY REPORT**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services on Housing for February 2016.

Decision of Committee

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

12.2.2 **RESPOND! – ACCOMMODATION AT DUBLIN STREET, BLACKPOOL, CORK**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 16th March, 2016 on the provision of 10 units of accommodation at 27-29, Dublin Street, Blackpool, Cork by Respond!

An Chomhairle also adopted the following resolution on the proposal of Comhairleoir K. McCarthy, seconded by Comhairleoir J. Buttimer.

“Resolved that, pursuant to the provision of Section 6 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1992, a loan facility not exceeding €2,165,024.51 be granted to Respond! subject to the terms of the Capital Assistance Scheme”.

12.2.3 **HAP – ELIGIBILITY THRESHOLDS FOR SOCIAL HOUSING APPLICANTS**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 16th March, 2016 on HAP – Eligibility Thresholds for Social Housing Applicants.

Decision of Committee

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

12.2.4 **CAPITAL ALLOCATIONS FOR 2016**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 16th March, 2016 on Capital Allocations for 2016.

Decision of Committee

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

12.2.5 **CHOICE BASED LETTING SCHEME**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 16th March, 2016 in relation to an update on the Choice Based Letting Scheme.

Decision of Committee

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

12.2.6 **HORAN REPORT ON TRAVELLER ISSUES**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 16th March, 2016 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That Cork City Council report on progress being made implementing the recommendations of former South County Dublin Manager Joe Horan on issues relating to the Traveller Community in Cork, the report has now being subsumed within the Traveller Inter-Agency Group workplan.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 16/007)

Decision of Committee

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

12.2.7 **VACANT PROPERTIES AT GEARNEY’S BOREEN & ST. JOHN’S WELL**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 16th March, 2016 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That Cork City Council would seek government funding to repair the existing houses and upgrade vacant properties on Gearney's Boreen and St. John's Well area.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Fitzgerald 16/012)

Decision of Committee

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

12.2.8 **INSPECTIONS OF PRIVATE RENTAL ACCOMMODATION**

Members considered the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 16th March, 2016 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

‘That Cork City Council will report on the rate of inspections of private rental accommodation in 2015 including the level of compliance among inspected properties.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 16/032)

Decision of Committee

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

13. **CORRESPONDENCE**

No correspondence to note.

14. **CONFERENCE/ SEMINAR SUMMARIES**

No Conference/Seminars summaries to note.

15. **CONFERENCES/ SEMINARS**

No Conference/Seminars to note.

16. **TRAINING**

16.1 An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoir D. Cahill and Comhairleoir S. Martin at the Spring Training Seminar: Planning & Flood Plain Insurance and Finding Solutions, to be held at Sligo Park Hotel, Pearse Road, Sligo on the 1st and 2nd April 2016

17. **MOTIONS**

An Chomhairle deferred consideration of the following motions until the next meeting of An Chomhairle on the 11th April 2016;

17.1 **FUNDING ALLOCATED FOR TRAVELLER ACCOMMODATION 2009 TO 2015**

‘That City Council would give a full report to Council on all the funding that was allocated in the years 2009 to 2015 for the purpose of Traveller Accommodation and upgrading/redevelopment of our Travellers Halting sites under the remit of this Council. Was all that funding availed of and used for these projects and if not was their funding returned to the D.E.C.L.G. or to the City Council centrally and reasons for this.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 16/061)

Housing & Community Functional Committee

17.2 **REDUCE SPEED LIMIT ON SOUTH LINK ROAD**

‘That City Council along with the Gardaí would consider reducing the speed limit on the South Link Road approaching the traffic lights at Tramore Valley Park. The speed limit at these lights is 100 k.p.h. and is much too fast as vehicles approaching from either direction are breaking the Red Light constantly.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 16/062)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

17.3 **REPRESENTATIONS MADE TO HOUSING MAINTENANCE**

‘When a representation is made about a Housing Maintenance issue, the Housing Maintenance Department acknowledge the representation and gives an approximate length of time it will be before someone will call to assess the request. Also that every tenant is given a copy of what is the tenants responsibility & what is the councils responsibility to refer to.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Moloney 16/065)

Housing & Community Functional Committee

17.4 **CYCLE LANES AMENDED TO ALLOW TWO WAY TRAFFIC**

‘Following a recent situation on French's Quay where a cyclist in the middle of the road was almost knocked off their bike, despite a contra flow bicycle lane being less than two metres away, the following motion should be considered; "that all cycle lanes installed in Cork City be amended to allow two way traffic and the response that the lanes are not wide

enough not be tolerated, as cyclists using them can surely exercise due caution as they would have to do on unprotected parts of the already narrowed main roadway.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 16/067)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

17.5 **PUBLIC LIGHTING ALONG DISTILLERY WALL**

‘That the public lighting along Distillery Wall be fixed in advance of the Darkness Into Light Walk in May, as requested in 2015.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 16/068)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

17.6 **OUTDOOR GYM EQUIPMENT**

‘That Cork City Council undertakes a feasibility study on placing outdoor gym equipment at various amenities throughout the city.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O’Driscoll 16/069)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

17.7 **TALL SHIPS RACE TO VISIT THE PORT OF CORK**

‘That Cork City Council renews its efforts to persuade the organisers of the Tall Ships Race to visit the Port of Cork in the near future.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O’Driscoll 16/070)

Tourism Arts & Cultural Functional Committee

17.8 **PUBLIC LIGHTING IN ST. VINCENT’S PLACE, BLARNEY STREET**

‘That new public lighting be placed in St. Vincent’s Place, Blarney Street, Cork’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O’Flynn 16/071)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

17.9 **COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNITY CENTRE IN THE BALLYVOLANE AREA**

‘That Cork City Council recognizes the need for providing basic community infrastructure and community centre to the Ballyvolane area.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O’Flynn 16/072)

Housing & Community Functional Committee

17.10 **MEMBER OF CORK CITY COUNCIL CLEANSING DEPARTMENT BE PERMANENTLY POSTED IN FARRANREE AND FAIRHILL**

‘Can a member of Cork City Council Cleansing Department be permanently posted in Farranree and Fairhill as a result of the negative IBAL reports.’

(Proposers: Cllr. K. Collins, Cllr. M. Nugent 16/073)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

17.11 **SPEEDING ON SILVERHEIGHTS ROAD AND BOHERBOY ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council take immediate measures to curtail speeding on Silverheights Road and Boherboy Road including options such as electronic speed indicator devices, road markings, and occasional Garda speed checks.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 16/075)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

17.12 **LOCAL AREA PLAN FOR THE MAYFIELD AREA**

‘That Cork City Council prepare a Local Area Plan for the Mayfield area as a priority.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 16/076)

Strategic Planning, Economic Development & Enterprise Functional Committee

17.13 **BUILD HOUSES ON LAND OWNED BY CORK CITY COUNCIL**

‘That Cork City Council would immediately start the process of building the 1,300 houses that Cork City Council Housing Department estimated could be built on land banks owned by Cork City Council. That the developments would be a mixture of social housing, affordable housing, and housing for renting.’

That all required infrastructure such as roads, footpaths, public lighting etc. would be included along with other services such as doctors clinics, community centre, shops, park, crèche, schools and any other service that would ensure that these new estates are sustainable.

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Gould 16/077)

Housing & Community Functional Committee

17.14 **REPAIR VACANT BOARDED UP HOUSES ACROSS THE CITY**

‘That Cork City Council would immediately put a program in place to repair all the vacant houses it has boarded up across the city and to allocate them to families that are homeless and on the social housing waiting list.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Gould 16/078)

Housing & Community Functional Committee

17.15 **STATUS OF ELECTRICITY POLE NUMBER 3 ON CHURCH ROAD, BLACKROCK**

‘That Cork City Council reports on the most recent update on the status of Electricity Pole Number 3 on Church Road, Blackrock & that Cork City Council allocates funding to replace the lantern on pole number 26 on Church Road, Blackrock.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Keeffe 16/079)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

17.16 **INFORMATIVE LEAFLET TO RAISE AWARENESS OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIA**

‘That Cork City Council together with the JPC would produce & distribute an informative leaflet that would clearly outline & raise awareness of the steps people are advised to take, in the event of them finding drug taking paraphernalia and materials.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Keeffe 16/080)

Joint Policing Committee

17.17 **ROAD RESURFACING AT LIAM HEALY RD, FARRANREE**

‘That Cork City Council will complete road resurfacing at Liam Healy rd, Farranree.’

(Proposers: Cllr. M. Nugent, Cllr. K. Collins 16/081)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

18. **MOTIONS**

An Chomhairle deferred consideration of the following motion to the next meeting of An Chomhairle on the 11th April 2016.

18.1 **RECOGNISE HOUSING CRISIS AS A NATIONAL EMERGENCY**

‘That Cork City Council calls on any incoming government to recognise that the housing crisis is now a national emergency which requires immediate action and a series of radical and strategic initiatives. Council will demand that a new administration step up to its

responsibility and take charge of the provision of housing as current governmental strategies are clearly failing to alleviate the crisis.’

(Proposers: Cllr. M. Nugent, Cllr. S. O’Shea, Cllr. K. Collins, Cllr. H. Cremin 16/082)

This concluded the business of the meeting

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