

MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF CORK CITY COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 26th MARCH 2018

PRESENT	Ard-Mhéara Comhairleoir T. Fitzgerald.
NORTH EAST	Comhairleoirí T. Tynan, T. Brosnan, J. Kavanagh.
NORTH CENTRAL	Comhairleoirí T. Gould, F. Ryan, K. O'Flynn, L. O'Donnell, J. Sheehan.
NORTH WEST	Comhairleoirí M. Nugent, K. Collins, M. O'Sullivan.
SOUTH EAST	Comhairleoirí K. McCarthy, C. O'Leary, D. Cahill, L. McGonigle, T. Shannon, N. O'Keeffe.
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. C. Currid, Staff Officer, Corporate & External Affairs. Mr. G. O'Beirne, Director of Services, Roads & Transportation. Ms. V. O'Sullivan, Director of Services, Housing & Community Services Directorate. Mr. B. O'Hare, Management Accountant.

An tArd-Mhéara recited the opening prayer.

1. **VOTES OF SYMPATHY**

- The Hickey Family on the death of Eileen Hickey.
- The Daly Family on the death of Mary Daly.
- The Woods Family on the death of Mary Woods.
- The McGregor Family on the death of Finbarr McGregor.
- The Mealy Family on the death of Emily Mealy.
- The MacGiolla Family on the death of May MacGiolla.
- The Kenneally Family on the death of Dolores Kenneally.
- The O'Driscoll Family on the death of Robert O'Driscoll.
- The Cremin Family on the death of Charlie Cremin.
- The Beltrame Family on the death of Lt. Col. Arnaud Beltrame.
- The O'Brien Family on the death of Tommy O'Brien.
- The Frost Family on the death of Betty Frost.
- The Ahern Family on the death of Daisy Ahern.
- The Good Family on the death of Rev. Dr. James Good.

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

- Corofin GAA on winning the All Ireland Club Football Championship.
- Mayfield GAA on fundraising for the family of Jack O’Driscoll.
- Shine a Light Suicide and Mental Health Awareness on hosting a Cork production of the play “Bring me back Alive” at the C.A.T. Club.
- Tiny Neylon and Siobhán McCarthy for the Lifelong Learning Festival 2018.
- Cork City Council Staff on the organisation of the St. Patrick’s Day Parade.
- Lord Mayor, Comhairleoir T. Fitzgerald on the success of the Lord Mayor’s Ball.
- Callum Walsh on reaching the National Boxing Final.
- Glenstal Abbey school on winning the Munster Senior Schools Cup.

3. **LORD MAYOR’S ITEMS**

3.1 **GDPR TRAINING**

An tArd-Mhéara referred An Chomhairle to a memo on GDPR Training which was tabled at the meeting.

3.2 **50th ANNIVERSARY OF THE TUSKAR ROCK AIR DISASTER**

An tArd-Mhéara informed An Chomhairle that he attended a commemorative mass on Sunday 25th March 2018, to mark the 50th Anniversary of the Tuskar Rock air disaster.

3.3 **VISIT OF PRESIDENT MICHAEL D. HIGGINS**

An tArd-Mhéara advised An Chomhairle of a visit by President Michael D. Higgins to him in the Lord Mayor’s Chambers on Saturday, 24th March 2018, in advance of attending a Music Generation Concert as part of the Life Long Learning Festival at the City Library.

4. **CHIEF EXECUTIVE’S ITEMS**

No items raised.

5. **MINUTES**

On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Sheehan, seconded by Comhairleoir C. O’Leary, An Chomhairle considered and approved the minutes of:-

- Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held 26th February 2018 (as amended).

On the proposal of Comhairleoir N. O’Keeffe, seconded by Comhairleoir K. O’Flynn, An Chomhairle considered and approved the minutes of:-

- Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held 12th March 2018.

6. **QUESTION TIME**

6.1 **COMPENSATION PAYMENTS MADE BY CORK CITY COUNCIL**

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir C. O’Leary, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

Could the Chief Executive please give details on the compensation payments made against Cork City Council to road users due to poor road conditions including potholes etc, for the years 2014,2015,2016,2017 and to include the following for each year,

- a) List the name of each road in which a claim was made against in each ward,
- b) The number of claims in each ward,
- c) The amount compensation payment made in each claim by ward
- d) Was compensation made to any individual or 3rd party more than once and if so how many times was payment made in each ward?
- e) Give a breakdown per ward of the type of road user’s involved i.e. pedestrians, cyclists, motorists, vehicle passengers, horse-riders and passengers of on-road and public transport.
- f) List claims in regards to personal injury and or damage to property i.e. car tyres.

(Cllr Chris O’Leary)

Deferred from meeting of 26 Feb

REPLY

The City Council does not record claims per Ward, so we are unable to provide the information in this format. However the City Council is able to provide the information by claim location – Northern Suburb, City Centre, Southern Suburbs.

Number of claims – Reported in the years

	North		South		Centre	
	Personal	Property	Personal	Property	Personal	Property
2014	69	6	45	31	45	10
2015	47	11	41	25	35	7
2016	52	11	49	29	38	8
2017	44	2	39	20	22	1

Amounts paid including legal costs in respect of those reported

	North		South		Centre	
	Personal	Property	Personal	Property	Personal	Property
2014	1,035,269	545	967,897	4,520	789,000	33,471
2015	440,408	257	695,432	5,338	304,913	130
2016	105,751	8,990	166,237	2,283	81,911	2,028
2017	0	537	115	1,880	3,323	0

D. No compensation was paid to any individual more than once in the years in question.

E. It is not possible to breakdown the type of road user in the manner requested.

F. The majority of personal injury claims relate to Pedestrians and the majority of property damage relate to motorists.

JOHN HALLAHAN
HEAD OF FINANCE

6.2 **TOTAL COST OF PUBLIC LIABILITY CLAIMS**

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir H. Cremin, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

Can the CE inform the Council what was the total cost to Cork City Council from public liability claims taken by claimants, due to falling on footpaths alone, across the city for each individual year 2010 to 2017?

(Cllr. Henry Cremin)
Deferred from meeting
of 12th March.

REPLY

The following is the total number of claims reported in the years 2010 to 2017 and the cost of the payments in relation to footpaths:

Year	No. of Claims	Amount €
2010	48	1.165m
2011	45	1.033m
2012	54	1.106m
2013	55	1.228m
2014	77	1.555m
2015	69	0.980m
2016	78	0.159m
2017	65	2k

JOHN HALLAHAN
HEAD OF FINANCE

6.3 **TAKE OVER RIVERVIEW RISE**

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir K. O'Flynn, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

Could Cork City please confirm that they have taken over the common areas of Riverview Rise as they indicated they would do in 2017, both by question and reply from Cork City CE?

(Cllr. Kenneth O'Flynn)
Deferred from meeting of 12th
March.

REPLY

Riverview Rise is on the list for estates to be taken in charge. However, the developer is in receivership and has not finished out the outstanding works to the required standard. I have been contacted on a few occasions by a resident Seán Kavanagh, who has a visual impairment, about the lack of public lighting.

In addition to public lighting works, there are minor snags and wayleave issues that also need to be addressed prior to taking in charge. There is no bond in place.

Pat Ledwidge,
Director of Services,
Strategic Planning & Economic Development.

6.4 **FAMILIES IN HOMELESS SERVICES FOR SOCIAL HOUSING**

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir F. Ryan, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

Does Cork City Council have any plans to follow suit with proposals by Dublin City Council to no longer prioritise families in homeless services for social housing and if so, has the Council considered the implications in terms of this policy forcing homeless families to accept the first offer of HAP's tenancies, regardless of whether it is substandard accommodation as well as the loss of potentially substantial years on the waiting list?

(Cllr. Fiona Ryan)

REPLY

Cork City Council's adopted Allocations Scheme remains the means for determining the order of priority to be employed in the allocation of dwellings among households whose eligibility and need for accommodation has been established. Persons who are homeless remain the highest priority grouping in the current scheme, and there is ongoing liaison between the Housing Allocation and Homeless Management divisions in this regard.

Applicants approved for accommodation under the HAP scheme are considered to have their housing needs met, but may choose to remain on the City Council's housing transfer list. Such applicants may bid on available properties through the Choice Based Letting (CBL) System in the same manner as other qualified households, with no less favourable terms than if they had remained on the waiting list, and retain their credit time while benefiting from the same differential rent scheme as tenants in City Council owned properties.

V. O'Sullivan,
Director of Services,
Housing & Community.

6.5 **PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DIRECTORATE CONDITIONS**

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir T. Gould, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

Can the CE outline Planning and Development Directorate procedures and process for the overseeing of signed conditions that need to be completed between Developers and Cork City Council Planners before development begins.

(Cllr. Thomas Gould)

REPLY

Planning permissions often include conditions requiring the applicant to carry out certain actions prior to the commencement of development. Typically these can relate to matters such as agreement of construction management plan for the development or submission of samples of proposed material to be used for external facades. The procedure for dealing with these conditions is that the applicant submits their response to the condition (prior to commencement of development). This is scanned to the system and referred to the relevant section that the condition relates (for example Roads and Transport, Environment, Architects, SPED) for assessment and response. Where the condition is considered in compliance the applicant is advised that written agreement has been achieved. Where there is no agreement on the condition the applicant is advised of the issues of concern and advised to address these. The response is recirculated to the relevant section until they are satisfied that compliance is achieved.

Ann Bogan,
A/Director of Services,
Strategic Planning & Economic Development.

6.6 **UNITS IN FARRANLEA ROAD**

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir S. Martin, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

How many units did we purchase in Farranlea Road?

Were they fire and safety proofed?

How much is the remedial work costing?

Who is paying the bills?

(Cllr. Sean Martin)

REPLY

(a) Cork City Council did not purchase any units at Downview, Farranlea Road. NAMA has established a special purpose vehicle, NARPS (National Asset Residential Property Services) to take direct ownership of properties where there is an established housing need and then lease the properties to an Approved Housing Body, in this case, Co-operative Housing Ireland. A total of 23 properties are currently occupied by applicants in need of social housing support with another 6 units to be tenanted by April, 2018.

- (b) Considerable fire safety and general upgrade/improvement works were undertaken by the Receiver prior to NARPS acquiring the properties.
- (c) The City Council has no knowledge of the remedial works costs as the City Council does not own the properties.
- (d) The Receiver/NAMA incurred the costs of the remediation works.

V. O'Sullivan,
Director of Services,
Housing & Community Services.

6.7 **MANHOLE COVERS AT LOONEY'S CROSS JUNCTION, BISHOPSTOWN**

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir M. Shields, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

Would the Roads Directorate please access and rectify the loose manhole covers on roads in the vicinity of the very busy junctions at Looneys Cross in Bishopstown?

There is an ongoing and significant noise problem arising from traffic hitting those covers especially at night time when residents need to sleep in this built up area.

(Cllr. Mary Shields)

REPLY

The covers belonging to Cork City Council will be repaired in the coming weeks. However, one of the covers belongs to a utility company and they have been informed that this cover requires repair.

Gerry O'Beirne,
Director of Services,
Roads & Transportation.

6.8 **DISCUSSION OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS AT COUNCIL MEETINGS**

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir M. Nugent, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

Can the CE advise on the implications, if any, for the Elected Members and the City Council Executive of a recent circular by officials at the Department of Housing, Planning & Local Government pertaining to the discussion of planning applications at Council Meetings?

(Cllr. Michael Nugent)

REPLY

The Circular Letter in question is being brought to the Strategic Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise Functional Committee Meeting on 3 April 2018.

The Circular Letter clarifies the existing situation and is consistent with the advice given to the Elected Members in relation to Council considering the merits of a recent planning application before it had been decided.

In essence, the assessment of a planning application and reaching a decision on it is an Executive Function. The correct way in which the Elected Members participate in this process is through submitting their views formally within five weeks of the application being validated.

The only exception is where the Executive proposed that a planning permission be granted that materially contravenes the Cork City Development Plan. In that case, the Elected Members make the decision.

Patrick Ledwidge
Director of Services
Strategic Planning and Economic Development

6.9 **HOWARD HOLDINGS LANDS, CORK DOCKLANDS**

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir K. McCarthy, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

To ask the CE about progress in unlocking the NAMA lands of formerly Howard Holdings in Cork's Docklands?

(Cllr. Kieran McCarthy)

REPLY

NAMA have indicated that it intends bringing the former Ford Depot site in the South Docks to the market in Quarter 2 2018. Cork City Council will work with any new owners to secure the development of this key site.

The planning framework for the area will be updated via the new City Docklands Local Area Plan that is in preparation at present.

The development of Cork Docklands is strongly supported in the National Planning Framework and funding will be sought via the National Development Plan to provide supporting infrastructure including new bridges, upgraded access roads and public transport.

The development of Marina Park, including the revamped Pairc Uí Chaoimh, adjacent to the site is a catalyst for the redevelopment of these lands.

The funding currently available under the LIHAF initiative will also support the redevelopment of this important site.

Patrick Ledwidge
Director of Services
Strategic Planning and Economic Development

6.10 **PART 8 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir T. Brosnan, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

In relation to the manner in which Cork City Council officials process a Part 8 planning permission can the manager please explain why officials do not allow submissions to be viewed by either the general public or elected Councillors as is the case with ordinary planning applications. Surely the Planning Authority (the City Manager) should be equally transparent in Part 8 applications as the Planning authority is in normal planning applications, in the interest of a Transparency and more particularly because the Planning process must be transparent beyond question. It is not acceptable that the City Council officials summarise submissions and protest transparency on ground of 'data protection' when such grounds are not applied in the normal Planning process.

(Cllr. Tim Brosnan)

REPLY

The Part 8 planning process is operated in accordance with the law relating thereto: viz. section 179 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended and Part VIII of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 as amended. This process is distinct from that which applies to applications for planning permission which are made under section 34 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended and the relevant planning regulations. In relation to such applications, written submissions or observations made within the statutory period are placed on the relevant Planning file which is open for public inspection and copies of which are available for purchase in accordance with the relevant provisions of section 38 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 with regard to the proposed development.

In respect of the procedure operated under section 179 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended and Part VIII of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 as amended, the Chief Executive is required under section 179 (3) (a) within 8 weeks after the expiration of the period during which Submissions or observations with regard to the proposed development may be made, in accordance with the Planning Regulations, to prepare a written report in relation to the proposed development and submit the report to the Elected Members.

This report, in terms of content is required under section 179(3) (b) to -

- (i) describe the nature and extent of the proposed development and the principal features thereof, and shall include an appropriate Plan of the Development and appropriate map of the relevant area,
- (ii) evaluate whether or not the proposed development would be consistent with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area to which the Development relates, having regard to the provisions of the Development Plan and giving the reasons and the considerations for the evaluation,
- (iii) list the persons or bodies who made Submissions or observations with respect to the proposed Development in accordance with the regulations under subsection (2),

- (iv) summarise the issues with respect to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area in which the proposed development would be situated, raised in any such Submissions or observations, and give the response of the Chief Executive thereto, and
- (v) recommend whether or not the proposed development should be proceeded with as proposed, or as varied or modified as recommended in the report, or should not be proceeded with, as the case may be.

As you will note, there is no statutory requirement to make available the submissions or observations of the persons or bodies who made same in accordance with the Planning regulations. It is also important to note as appears from paragraph (iv) above that the Chief Executive's report is required to summarise the issues with respect to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area in which the proposed development would be situated, raised in any such Submissions or observations and give the response of the Chief Executive thereto.

DEBORAH G. HEGARTY
LAW AGENT

6.11 **PAYMENT TO CONSULTANTS, 2014 TO 2017**

The following question submitted by Comhairleoir C. O'Leary was deferred to the next meeting of An Chomhairle to be held 9th April 2018.

Could the Chief Executive please give details per service division as to how much Cork City Council paid consultants during the years 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 (Anyone who was paid directly or indirectly by the Council to carry out work on their behalf) .

- (i) Give a breakdown on the services and purpose of the consultants work and /or published and unpublished reports.
- (ii) In each of consultancies engaged, was the oversight policy and procedure applied to all purchased goods, services and / or works, as outlined and in accordance with Planned Procurement approach and guidelines. If not why not and how many did this involve?

(Cllr. Chris O'Leary)

6.12 **PLAYGROUND AT BLACKROCK VILLAGE**

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir N. O'Keeffe, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

Can the Chief Executive please provide an update on plans to install a playground at Blackrock Village?

(Cllr. Nicholas O'Keeffe)

REPLY

The most suitable location for a playground to serve Blackrock, Ballintemple and the South Docklands is Marina Park. A site has been identified within the park, development of the playground is identified for Marina Park Phase 2. Phase 1 works are scheduled to

commence in late May. Detail design for phase 2 including the playground will commence when the necessary resources are available.

David Joyce,
Director of Services,
Environment & Recreation.

7. **CORPORATE POLICY GROUP – 20th MARCH 2018**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the minutes of Corporate Policy Group from its meeting held 20th March 2018.

7.1 **TO NOTE CIRCULAR LETTER F.04/18 REGARDING THE 31st MARCH DEADLINE FOR THE REPORTING OF POLITICAL DONATIONS BY THIRD PARTIES**

An Chomhairle considered and noted Circular Letter F.04/18 regarding the 31st March deadline for the reporting of political donations by Third Parties.

7.2 **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

7.2.1 An Chomhairle considered and noted Circular Letter PL02/18 regarding the discussion of planning applications at Council Meetings.

8. **JOINT MEETING OF THE ROADS & TRANSPORTATION FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE AND STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE – 20th MARCH 2018**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the minutes of the Joint Meeting of the Roads & Transportation Functional Committee and Strategic Policy Committee from its meeting held 20th March 2018.

9. **ROADS & TRANSPORTATION FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 20th MARCH 2018**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the minutes of the Roads & Transportation Functional Committee from its meeting held 20th March 2018.

9.1 **ROADWORKS PROGRAMME**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, dated 15th March 2018 on the progress of the ongoing Roadwork's Programme for the month ending February 2018.

9.2 **REPORT ON WARD FUNDS PAID IN 2017**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the report of the Director of Services, dated 15th March 2018 on the report on Ward Funds paid in 2017.

9.3 **LOLLIPOP LADY AT ST. LUKE'S CROSS**

An Chomhairle considered the report of the Director of Services, dated 15th March 2018 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘In the interest of public safety, that the position of Lollipop Lady be re-instated at St. Luke’s Cross during the School term. This unregulated junction has become extremely busy and with so many school children using this junction the introduction of a Lollipop Lady at St. Luke’s Cross would be most welcome in the interest of the safety of the many children who use this junction every day during the school term.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 17/453)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the Transportation Division is unable to deploy a School Warden at St. Luke’s National School as there are insufficient resources available currently to support the recruitment of additional School Wardens.

Notwithstanding this the junction layout does not lend itself to a suitable, safe, location for a School Warden other than at the existing signalised pedestrian crossings on Ballyhooley Road and Middle Glanmire Road.

It is recommended that parents/guardians utilise these pedestrian crossings as the safest route through the junction and create the habit for the children, many of whom, when older may be walking without a parent/ guardian to/from school.

An Chomhairle agreed that the Motion would be referred back to the Roads and Transportation Functional Committee.

9.4 **PEDESTRIAN PATH AT SOUTHRIDGE**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, dated 15th March 2018 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council put in place a pedestrian path adjacent to No 40 Southridge through the small Green area which leads to the adjacent Bus Stop. This Bus services Ashmount, Southridge, Silversprings Lawn, Silversprings Court and surrounding areas.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 18/006)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the footpath route will be assessed to determine the extent of works required and Roads Maintenance will liaise with Cork County Council as the path will extend into the County Council area.

9.5 **RESURFACE PATHWAY AT BISHOPSTOWN COMMUNITY SCHOOL**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, dated 15th March 2018 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That City Council would carry out remedial resurfacing works immediately on the pedestrian pathway that runs parallel with the Bishopstown Community School from

Upper Leesdale as the school children are absolutely soaked and their clothes destroyed from trying to walk this pathway to school.’

(Proposer: Cllr. Henry Cremin 18/016)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the area will be inspected to investigate what works are required to resolve the issue.

9.6 **REPAIR POTHOLES**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, dated 15th March 2018 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That large potholes outside:-

(A) Ashgrove/Beechgrove, South Douglas Road.

(B) Outside 1 Heatherton Park.

(C) Crater between entrance to Greenhills Estate and Rhodeville Estate be immediately repaired.

There needs to be a proper area repaired to slow these ongoing erosions which are now a safety and health hazard to motorists and pedestrians alike.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 18/020)

The report of the Director of Services stated that Roads Maintenance will survey the locations highlighted above and carry out repairs as necessary

9.7 **RAISED TRAFFIC TABLE AT ST. LUKES CROSS**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, dated 15th March 2018 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council would in the interests of public safety erect a raised traffic table at St Lukes Cross as it would greatly slow traffic approaching the junction from all sides.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 18/044)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the inclusion or otherwise of a raised traffic table at St Lukes Cross will be considered as part of the Northern Strategic Corridor Study. The Consultants will be asked to assess the merits of this proposal and if warranted add this measure to the recommended works in the area.

9.8 **PARKING IN THE HILLGROVE LANE AREA**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, dated 15th March 2018 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council engage with local businesses and residents in Blackpool Village relating to dangerous parking in the Hillgrove Lane area. Blocked lane ways remain a constant in the area and has the strong potential for impeding emergency services.’

(Proposer: Cllr. F. Ryan 18/048)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the Hillgrove Lane area will be assessed to determine the extent of the problems that exist in order to identify any possible mitigation measures that can be provided there.

In addition the Traffic Warden Service will be requested to pay additional attention to the Hillgrove Lane area in order to deter any illegal parking incidents.

9.9 **CROSSING LIGHTS ON ALBERT ROAD**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, dated 15th March 2018 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council recognises that an accident could very easily happen on Albert Road and could cause serious injury to members of the public owing to the fact that the crossing lights near the roundabout have been out of working order for a prolonged period of time and also that the road markings have worn away. Cork City Council therefore commits to resolving these issues as a matter of immediate concern.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. O’Shea 18/051)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the power supply ducting which crosses the road to supply the Beleisha beacons at the Albert Rd. Zebra crossing has collapsed and damaged the cabling to power the lights. Airtricity Utility Solutions have been contracted to undertake remediation and are currently programming the works. ESB Networks will then be required to provide a new supply to the installation to get the installation back in operation. The lining renewal will be programmed in line with the completion of the works.

9.10 **BLACKROCK PIER REGENERATION PROJECT**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, dated 15th March 2018 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That the trees due to be planted on the Blackrock Pier regeneration project be put in place.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 17/450)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the new trees for the Blackrock Harbour area have been ordered and are scheduled to be planted within the next month.

An Chomhairle further noted that a Ward Meeting with the Roads and Transportation, and Environment and Recreation Directorates would take place to discuss this matter further.

9.11 **RESURFACE ROADWAY AT GREENHILLS ESTATE**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, dated 15th March 2018 on the following Motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Greenhills Estate from the South Douglas Road to Greenhills Court be immediately resurfaced. The roadway here is in appalling condition.

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 18/021)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that the area will be inspected, with repairs being carried out as deemed necessary.

9.12 **RESURFACE SOUTH DOUGLAS ROAD**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, dated 15th March 2018 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That the section of road i.e. South Douglas Road be immediately resurfaced outside the Centra Super Market.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 18/022)

The report of the Director of Services stated that this section of road (Ashdale Park to Rosebank) is proposed to be resurfaced in 2018.

9.13 **UPGRADE LIGHTING IN LANDSDOWNE COURT**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, dated 15th March 2018 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That lighting be upgraded in Lansdowne Court, Cork and that additional lighting be placed adjacent to no 40 Lansdowne Court.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O’Flynn 18/038)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the lighting scheme in Lansdowne Court will be reviewed for a complete replacement within the 2018 capital works program. The scheme will reviewed in line with other estates of a similar nature once the quotations for works are submitted and prioritised accordingly based on available funds.

9.14 **REPLACE CRASH BARRIERS ON THE NORTHERN RING ROAD**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, dated 15th March 2018 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That the damaged crash barriers on the footpath on the Northern Ring Road be replaced by galvanised reinforced railings similar to what is already in place adjacent to this as a public safety measure. Also can the vegetation, i.e. the bushes and trees, which often overhang the footpath at this location be seriously cut back or even removed, hence cleaning up this very busy pedestrian walkway.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 18/040)

The report of the Director of Services stated that Roads Maintenance will obtain quotations for the replacement of this safety barrier and carry out the works in the near future. The landscaping and cutting back of vegetation at this location will also be addressed.

9.15 **EXPAND BIKE SCHEME TO SUBURBS**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, dated 15th March 2018 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That City Council would expand the Bike Scheme to the Suburbs Particularly to areas like C.I.T. and Páirc Uí Chaoimh, and that secure bike stands would be introduced immediately around Páirc Uí Chaoimh for cyclists who presently attend G.A.A. matches.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 18/054)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the request to expand the Coke Zero public bike scheme to the suburb areas like CIT and Páirc Uí Chaoimh is noted and will be passed onto the National Transport Authority for their attention.

The provision of secure bike stands around Páirc Uí Chaoimh was part of the conditions of the grant of planning for the redevelopment of the stadium.

9.16 **ROAD SURFACE OUTSIDE POST OFFICE ON MODEL FARM ROAD**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, dated 15th March 2018 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That City Council would remove all the loose bricks outside the Model Farm Road P.O. and replace them with a proper road surface for the safety of pedestrians who use this facility.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 18/055)

The report of the Director of Services stated that this area will be inspected for possible inclusion in the 2018 Resurfacing Programme if sufficient funding is available.

9.17 **PEDESTRIAN SAFETY IN BALLINTEMPLE VILLAGE**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, dated 15th March 2018 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That the City Council review the safety of pedestrians in Ballintemple Village. Regular speeding is not helped by fact it is still 50kph through the village. It suffers from poor design with zero traffic calming features. Sweeping bends, irregular parking, limited crossings points, dangerous bus stops all feature. Crab Lane road to the local school is also devoid of footpaths making it very dangerous at school times.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 18/065)

The report of the Director of Services stated that Ballintemple Village will be assessed to determine the extent of the problems that exist in order to identify any possible mitigation measures that can be provided there.

Any identified solutions will be put forward for consideration to be included in the Roads Programme, subject to funding being available.

Crab Lane will be surveyed to investigate if it is wide enough to accommodate a footpath.

9.18 **POTHOLES IN GREENHILLS ESTATE**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, dated 15th March 2018 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That the City Council patch as appropriate the larger potholes in Greenhills Estate.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 18/066)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the area will be inspected, with repairs being carried out as deemed necessary.

9.19 **TRAFFIC SAFETY ASSESSMENT ON BALLINLOUGH ROAD**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, dated 15th March 2018 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council roads department carry out a full safety assessment of traffic, speeding and parking in the vicinity of Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School on Ballinlough Road, with a view to proposing suitable measures that will provide safe crossings for students of the school and enhance the safety of all road users and pedestrians using the road and footpaths in the vicinity of the school.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Keeffe 18/070)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the vicinity of Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School on Ballinlough Road will be assessed to determine the extent of the problems that exist in order to identify any possible mitigation measures that can be provided there.

Any identified solutions will be put forward for consideration to be included in the Roads Programme, subject to funding being available.

9.20 **ALLEVIATE DANGERS AT BALTIMORE LAWN**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, dated 15th March 2018 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council roads department takes action to alleviate the dangers associated with exiting Baltimore Lawn onto the Douglas Road. The view is very limited. Can the possibility of traffic lights, or assistive mirrors or any suitable alternative method be provided before a serious accident occurs.’

(Proposer: Cllr. N. O’Keeffe 18/071)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the exit of Baltimore Lawn onto the Douglas Road will be assessed to determine the extent of the problems that exist in order to identify any possible mitigation measures that can be provided there.

Any identified solutions will be put forward for consideration to be included in the Roads Programme, subject to funding being available.

9.21 **REVIEW PARKING POLICY IN THE CITY**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, dated 15th March 2018 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council undertakes a complete review and overhaul of its parking policy including its charges (onstreet, shopping centre car parks, residential) with a view to addressing the major imbalance between the city versus suburban shopping centres in a bid to ensure the survival of the city centre and its ratepayers. Creative initiatives such as a substantially discounted validated parking regime for customers/shoppers linked with paid-up rate payers to be rolled out as part of the solution as well as the possibility of the use of private multi-storey car parks for residents' parking in central areas of high parking demand and low provision of spaces.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 17/241)

The report of the Director of Services stated that policies on parking provision and demand management impact on a variety of issues including traffic congestion and mobility, road safety, travel behaviour and economic development.

Parking demand management is controlled through a combination of pricing, time restrictions and enforcement to achieve a number of objectives including -

- Maximise space turnover in the central shopping and business area;
- Reflect the parking needs of residents within the Pay Parking Control Zone;
- Reflect the need for Disabled Parking, Loading Bays and Taxi Ranks;
- Accommodate all-day commuters in the Park & Ride site;
- Encourage use of non-motorised and public transport solutions.

Parking space is a limited and valuable resource, which must be priced appropriately to encourage desired levels of use, balanced between the competing needs of residents, businesses, visitors and the disabled. Demand management must also support Cork City Council's commitment to promoting sustainable modes of transport including public transport, walking, cycling and car pooling.

Cork City Council is constantly reviewing its policies in relation to parking. Recent examples where Members have approved new/updated policies include -

- Review of Parking Bye-Laws
- Review of Parking Permit Policy
- Review of parking arrangements in Middle Parish
- Annual free parking initiative

The Council has also introduced a pilot discounted purchase system for retailers so as to facilitate customer reward. It has also upgraded, modernised and extended the park by phone system. Pricing policies were reviewed by Council in 2017 and will be considered again in the coming months as part of the 2018 Budgetary process. Any additional specific proposals put forward for consideration can be assessed and reported upon as requested.

9.22 **REDUCE GREEN AREA IN TIFFANY DOWNS, BISHOPSTOWN**

An Chomhairle considered the report of the Director of Services, dated 15th March 2018 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘I am requesting that Cork City Council consider the reduction of the large green open space in Tiffany Downs, Bishopstown by about three feet and incorporate it into the roadway to facilitate safe parking of cars. At present if cars are parked on both sides of the narrow roadways in the estate, it would be impossible for emergency services to gain access. In many cases car owners have no choice but to park on footpaths which in turn make it difficult for residents to access and egress their driveways.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Shields 17/386)

The report of the Director of Services stated that there was no budgeting allocation for carrying out green areas to parking works in 2017. The matter can be considered further in the context of future programmes subject to the availability of funding.

An Chomhairle agreed that the Motion would be referred back to the Roads and Transportation Functional Committee.

10. **HOUSING & COMMUNITY FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 20th MARCH 2018**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the minutes of the Housing and Community Functional committee from its meeting held 20th March 2018.

10.1 **MONTHLY REPORT**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services on Housing for February 2018.

10.2 **RESPOND! CLG – ACCOMMODATION AT NORTH ABBEY STREET SUNDAY’S WELL**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 15th March 2018 in relation to loan facility for Respond! CLG in respect of the provision of 6 units of accommodation at North Abbey Street, Sunday’s Well, Cork.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir T. Moloney, seconded by Comhairleoir J. Buttimer, An Chomhairle further agreed to adopt the following Resolution:-

“Resolved that, pursuant to the provision of Section 6 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1992, a loan facility not exceeding €327,000 be granted to Respond! CLG

for the acquisition of 6 no. units of accommodation at 11 North Abbey Street, Sunday's Well, Cork subject to the terms of the Capital Advance Leasing Facility Scheme”.

10.3 **TÚATH HOUSING ASSOCIATION – ACCOMMODATION AT ELDERWOOD PARK, BOREENMANNA ROAD**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 15th March, 2018 in relation to loan facility for Túath Housing Association in respect of the provision of 1 unit of accommodation at 47 Elderwood Park, Boreenmanna Road, Cork.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir F. Dennehy, seconded by Comhairleoir C. O’Leary, An Chomhairle further agreed to adopt the following Resolution:-

“Resolved that, pursuant to the provision of Section 6 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1992, a loan facility not exceeding €37,600 be granted to Túath Housing Association for the acquisition of 1 no. unit of accommodation at 47 Elderwood Park, Boreenmanna Road, Cork subject to the terms of the Capital Advance Leasing Facility Scheme”.

10.4 **REBUILDING IRELAND 2017-2021**

An Chomhairle considered and noted the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 15th March 2018 on targets for delivery under Rebuilding Ireland 2017-2021.

10.5 **TREE AT MANGERTON CLOSE**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 15th March, 2018 on the following motion referred to the Committee by the Environment & Recreation Functional Committee:-

‘That the tree that is causing a nuisance on or around 49 Mangerton Close, The Glen be removed without further ado.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O’Flynn 17/351)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that the tree that is the subject of the request will be removed by Housing Maintenance. It should be noted, however, that Housing Maintenance do not have the appropriate skills/resources to do so directly and are currently in the process of engaging with a tree specialist to assess and propose the necessary measures required and the cost of same.

10.6 **LOAN FROM EUROPEAN INVESTMENT BANK**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 15th March, 2018 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council will consider applying for a loan from the European Investment Bank (EIB) for the purpose of building social and affordable-type housing, this would be advantageous in the context of the boundary extension.’

(Proposers: Cllr. M. Nugent, Cllr. T. Gould, Cllr. F. Kerins, Cllr. H. Cremin 18/035)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that the City Council is advancing housing proposals at a number of locations around the City to construct social housing and increase the supply of housing available to eligible persons in need of social housing supports. The Council also has an enabling role to facilitate Approved Housing Bodies (AHBs) to advance their own proposals through the approval of schemes under the Capital Advance Leasing Facility (CALF) and the Capital Assistance Scheme (CAS). This is in line with current Government policy. The City Council also uses the Part 8 Planning Process, where possible, to facilitate new housing developments in partnership with AHBs.

It is anticipated that delivery mechanisms to increase the supply of affordable housing will be made by Government, in addition to the current Local Infrastructure Housing Activation Fund (LIHAF) scheme in operation.

The City Council is in a position to borrow monies from the Housing Finance Agency (HFA) at competitive interest rates for housing purposes, including the purchase of lands to be used for the provision of new housing.

The borrowing of money is a reserved function and the approval of Members of Council will be required should the City Council purchase lands for housing purposes.

It is not intended at this stage to apply to the European Investment Bank (EIB) for the purposes of building social and affordable housing due to the reasons outlined above.

10.7 **PAINTING OF FLATS AT FARRANCLEARY PLACE & MOUNT FARRAN**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 15th March, 2018 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That the flats in Farranleary Place & Mount Farren be repainted as soon as practical.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O’Flynn 17/451)

The Report of the Director of Services stated that the housing complex is a mix of private and social housing, with almost 50% of properties in Farranleary Place privately owned. At this point in time, Housing Maintenance resources do not permit the painting of these properties. This is not to negate the fact that we acknowledge that painting should be addressed and done so in a timely manner in order to mitigate against deterioration of the properties and improve the appearance of same. Housing Maintenance applies resources as best as possible in a very demanding area of service delivery, but the reality is that it does so with finite resources. The position will be reviewed in the summer months.

10.8 **PROCEDURES FOR HOUSING ADAPTATIONS**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 15th March, 2018 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council calls for procedures to be put in place that will ensure the prompt delivery of housing adaptations that are deemed necessary for local authority tenants on grounds of age or disability.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O’Driscoll 18/046)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the City Council has made significant progress in 2017 in completing a total of 42 adaptation works including extensions, as required, to existing Council owned properties. The Council is advancing plans for the current list of Priority 1, 2 & 3 categories, which involves 35 adaptations including extensions. The tendering process will commence shortly for same with a view to commencing works by May of the current year. The approval of the Department of Housing, Planning & Local Government to fund the works will be sought when the tendering process is concluded.

10.9 **REPRESENTATION ON TRAVELLER INTER-AGENCY GROUPS**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community Services dated 15th March, 2018 on the following motion referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council will seek representation on the various Traveller Inter-Agency Groups in Cork for members of the Local Traveller Accommodation Consultative Committee (LTACC), Council to report on the ongoing work of the groups.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 18/058)

The report of the Director of Services stated that we will make contact with the groups to see if representation can be arranged for members of the Local Traveller Accommodation Consultative Committee (LTACC) and report on progress as soon as possible. In addition, a report on the activities of the Traveller Inter-Agency Groups will be sought by Cork City Council and, should same be forthcoming, a report will issue to members thereafter.

11. **CORRESPONDENCE**

An Chomhairle noted correspondence received.

12. **CONFERENCE/SEMINAR SUMMARIES**

An Chomhairle noted summaries by Members of Conferences/Seminars attended.

13. **CONFERENCES/SEMINARS**

None received.

13.1 **25th ECAD MAYORS FORUM**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the attendance of Comhairleoir M. Shields at the 25th ECAD Mayors Forum in Gothenburg, Sweden on the 14th – 15th May, 2018.

14. **TRAINING**

An Chomhairle considered and approved attendance at Training as follows:-

- Comhairleoir T. O’Driscoll at Seminar 2 Border & Western Region to be held in Westport on the 19th May 2018.
- Comhairleoir T. Shannon at Seminar 2 Southern Region to be held in Ennis on the 24th May 2018.
- Comhairleoir T. Shannon at Seminar 3 Dublin, Eastern and Midlands Region to be held in Dundalk on the 23rd June 2018.

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

An Chomhairle considered and noted the Chief Executive’s Monthly Management Report for February 2018.

16. **MOTIONS**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the referral to the relevant Committee of the following motions, due notice of which has been given:

16.1 **RESURFACE PEARSE ROAD/POULADUFF ROAD JUNCTION**

‘That the Pearse Road/Pouladuff Road Junction be immediately resurfaced. It is in an appalling condition for a very busy junction.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 18/025)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

16.2 **INCLUDE CONNOLLY ROAD IN THE ROADS RESURFACING PROGRAMME**

‘That Connolly Road from Pearse Road to Friars Walk be included in the 2018 Road Resurfacing Programme.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 18/026)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

16.3 **REFURBISHMENT OF THE GRATTAN HILL/O’MAHONY’S AVENUE PLAYGROUND**

‘That Cork City Council allocate funding for the much needed refurbishment of the Grattan Hill/O’Mahony’s Avenue Playground. This is long overdue and there are quite a few new young families after moving into the area and this playground while regularly

used by these families has fallen into disrepair in recent years. It is located in an isolated and secluded area and tends to attract certain elements of antisocial behaviour so refurbishment and subsequent security enhancement would be an important part of this much needed project.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 18/063)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

16.4 **RESURFACE ARD BHAILE ESTATE, MAYFIELD**

'That the estate road in Ard Bhaile in Mayfield be repaired in the short term and be added to the estate resurfacing list for 2018.'

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 18/064)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

16.5 **PARKING AT BLACKWATER GROVE, DEANROCK**

'That City Council would look again at the Blackwater Grove area of Deanrock with the intention of providing more parking with the removal of some green area.'

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 18/078)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

16.6 **CUT BACK BRANCHES AT BLACKWATER GROVE, DEANROCK**

'That City Council would cut back the tree branches near the entrance of Blackwater Grove Deanrock. This request is logged now for a few years as this is a huge problem for elderly residents in the Autumn as the leaves gets very slippery when they cover the footpaths in the area.'

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 18/079)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

16.7 **FOOTPATH ON DOUGLAS ROAD**

'That Cork City Council would install a footpath on the Douglas Road between Rose Bank and the Cross Douglas Road in order to improve the public safety of local residents. I have requested this work for many years now but it still has not been done. The yellow hatch box on the Douglas Road at the Cross Douglas Road needs to be repainted urgently and a new yellow hatch box is required at the Cross Douglas Road and South Douglas Road junction.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Shannon 18/093)

Road & Transportation Functional Committee

16.8 **BALLINTEMPLE VILLAGE ON THE 30KPH SCHEME**

‘That Ballintemple Village be included in the next phase of the 30KPH Scheme.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Shannon 18/094)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

16.9 **FULL CONSTRUCTION OF THE NORTH RING ROAD**

‘That the City Council calls for a full North Ring Road to be constructed as part of the Ireland 2040 plan in order to ensure that traffic continues to move around the city in an efficient manner.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O’Driscoll 18/100)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

16.10 **ELECTORAL DIVISIONS UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT REFORM ACT 2014**

‘That Cork City Council implements metropolitan district or borough district respectively, as required and defined by statutory instruments in terms of lower-level units called electoral divisions under the Local Government Reform Act 2014.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. O’Leary 18/105)

Corporate Policy Group

16.11 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES ON BANTRY PARK ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council installs traffic calming measures on Bantry Park Road from Mt Agnes Road to Knockfree Avenue.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. Collins 18/106)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

16.12 **PLANNING CONDITIONS OF WASTE COLLECTION COMPANIES**

‘That Cork City Council will report on the regulatory requirements and planning conditions of waste collection companies at John F. Connolly Rd, Churchfield, including pertaining to City Council permits and/or Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Licences issued, report should also include instances of non-compliance in recent years and planning implications, if any, of same.’

(Proposers: Cllr. M. Nugent, Cllr. T. Gould, Cllr. K. Collins 18/108)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

16.13 **SCHEME OF LOANS AND GRANTS FOR THE PURCHASE OF CARAVANS**

‘Cork City Council will report on the recommendations of the review of the 'Scheme of Loans and Grants for the Purchase of Caravans by Travellers', following on from this review City Council will introduce a new caravan loan scheme which can also deal with the issue of arrears as outlined in the review.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 18/109)

Housing & Community Functional Committee

16.14 **PUBLIC EVENTS IN TRAMORE VALLEY PARK**

‘That because much of the infrastructure is already in place, and not being used, Tramore Valley Park should re-open for public events - a youth run was held very successfully - until the official opening this summer and that a revised timetable for this official process be given also.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 18/110)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

16.15 **PLANS FOR PEDESTRIAN AND CYCLE WAY TO RUN FROM TINKERS CROSS**

‘That Cork City Council make plans for a dedicated pedestrian and cycle way to run from Tinkers Cross, along the contour of the glacial valley through Glen River Park to Blackpool where it will meet a similar route from from Dublin Hill and run through to Camden Quay and Popes Quay. Pedestrians and cyclists can then disperse to work places and cyclists may further travel along to Mercy University Hospital , UCC , CUMH and CIT. Such a cycle way would be safe and direct and not put pedestrians or cram cyclists onto dangerous and narrowed heavy traffic routes.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 18/111)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

16.16 **CHARGING POINTS FOR ELECTRIC VEHICLES**

‘That Cork City Council prepare a report to Council in relation to the charging points for electric vehicles. The report should identify current long charge and fast charge outlets while distinguishing between both. It should also report on the frequency and responsibility for checking that charge points are in working order. Future needs should also be reviewed as the general public cannot expect to buy such cats in advance of the adequate supply of charging points.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 18/112)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

17. **MOTIONS**

17.1 **TENANTS' RIGHT TO PURCHASE THEIR APARTMENTS**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the following motion:-

'That Cork City Council would allow individual tenants with joint access the right to purchase their apartments and if there is not a scheme to facilitate the straightforward purchase of flats / apartments that Cork City Council would ask the Minister to allow Cork City Council to implement a pilot project in Cork.'

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Gould 18/090)

17.2 **REPLACING MOBILE HOMES AFTER STORMS OPHELIA AND ELEANOR**

An Chomhairle considered the following motion:-

'In view of the costs involved, costs in excess of €30K in replacing mobile homes that were damaged beyond repair during the recent unprecedented storms Ophelia & Eleanor. I ask that Cork City Council would call on the Department of housing, planning and local government to put in place a policy that would see shipping containers retrofitted to the same specifications to that of mobile homes and that the said retrofitted containers (housing units) would then become the preferred replacement for any future mobile homes being damaged beyond repair in any future storms. During the recent unprecedented nature of storms Ophelia & Eleanor many families were discommoded overnight resulting in many children being woken up in their sleep to find themselves homeless. Using retrofitted shipping containers set on a concrete platform or stilts (which will also prevent flooding) as an alternative accommodation unit will provide the occupier with a robust structure that will be very strong, durable and well able to withstand the onslaught of future severe storms similar to that of storms Ophelia & Eleanor. This new policy in turn will then prevent any future discommoding of families living in mobile homes.'

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Dineen 18/104)

An Chomhairle agreed to refer this motion to the Local Traveller Accommodation Consultative Committee for a Report.

This concluded the business of the meeting

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