

**COMHAIRLE CATHRACH CHORCAÍ
HALLA NA CATHRACH
CORCAIGH**



**CORK CITY COUNCIL
CITY HALL
CORK**

Bíodh a fhios agat go dtionólfar cruinniú de Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí ar an dáta thíosluaite, ar a **5.30 A CHLOG I.N., I SEOMRA NA COMHAIRLE, HALLA NA CATHRACH, CORCAIGH** chun na gnóthaí seo a leanas a dhéanamh:-

Take notice that a Meeting of Cork City Council will be held on the undermentioned date, at the hour of **5.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, CORK** for the transaction of the following business:-

GNATHCHRUINNIU – DÉ LUAIN, 27 Eanáir 2014.

ORDINARY MEETING – MONDAY, 27 JANUARY 2014.

- 1 Votes of Sympathy.
- 1.2 Votes of Congratulations/ Best Wishes.
- 1.3 **LORD MAYORS ITEMS**
 - 1.3.1 To consider any item the Lord Mayor may wish to raise.
- 1.4 **CITY MANAGERS ITEMS**
 - 1.4.1 To consider any item the City Manager may wish to raise.
2. **MINUTES**

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

 - Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held on 13th January 2014.
3. Question time – Questions submitted enclosed.

4. **HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE – 23rd JANUARY, 2014.**

To note the minutes of the Housing and Community Services Strategic Policy Committee and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held on the 23rd January 2014.

4.1 **DRAFT TRAVELLER ACCOMMODATION PROGRAMME 2014-2018**

Members considered the Draft Traveller Accommodation Programme 2014-2018. Members thanked the officials for the work done by staff on the preparation of the Draft Programme. Members raised a number of queries which were clarified by the Senior Executive Officer.

Decision of Committee

It was agreed to recommend the Draft Traveller Accommodation Programme to An Chomhairle for approval.

4.1.2 **CHOICE BASED LETTINGS**

Members considered the report of the Assistant City Manager dated 16th January, 2014 on Choice Based Lettings. Members were updated on the Scheme by Ms. Catherine Kelly, Administrative Officer and raised queries which Ms. Kelly responded to.

Decision of Committee

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

5. **CORPORATE POLICY GROUP – 20th JANUARY 2014.**

To note the minutes of the Corporate Policy Group from its meeting held on the 20th January 2014.

6. **TOURISM ARTS & CULTURE FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 20th JANUARY 2014**

To note the minutes of the Tourism Arts & Culture Functional Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held on the 20th January 2014.

6.1 **ARTS GRANTS 2014**

The committee considered the Arts Grants recommendations from Arts Committee meeting held on 13th January 2014

Decision of Committee

On the proposal of Cllr. K. O’Flynn and seconded by Cllr. E. O’Halloran, the schedule of arts grants as recommended were approved.

6.2 MOTIONS

Members considered the reports of the Director of Services dated 16th January 2014 on the following motions which were referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:

6.2.1 UPGRADE OF LIBRARY ON THE GRAND PARADE

‘That this Council considers it appropriate and a sign of renewed confidence in our region to re-commence all efforts to upgrade The Central Library on the Grand Parade based on the plans previously agreed.’

(Proposer: Cllr. B. Bermingham 13/392)

Decision of Committee

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

6.2.2 EQUITABLE PAY FOR ARTISTS UNDERTAKING WORK ON BEHALF OF CORK CITY COUNCIL

‘Artists in all art forms undertaking work on behalf of Cork City Council or its institutions are paid in an equitable manner, and that a further policy is put in place requiring any organisation or group applying for funding from Cork City Council to clearly show that artists employed as part of the applicants projects are paid in an equitable manner as a condition of the funding provision.’

(Proposer: Cllr. L. Kingston 13/394)

Decision of Committee

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

6.2.3 AMENDMENT OF BYE LAWS FOR THE CONTROL OF HORSES

‘That the Joint Policing Committee requests Cork City Council to amend the Bye Laws for the Control of Horses to reflect Equine Identity Legislation - SI 357 of 2011 in order to require that all horses leaving the Pound either have a passport or an application has been made.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Fitzgerald 13/364)

Decision of Committee

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

6.2.4 COMMUNITY FORUMS TO ADDRESS ABUSE OF DRUGS IN LOCAL COMMUNITIES

‘That Cork City Council, through the Joint Policing Committee (JPC), organise a number of community forums that would be information meetings on heroin & measures taken by all the relevant agencies to address abuse of the drug in local communities across Cork City.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 13/383)

Decision of Committee

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

6.2.5 GUIDELINES ON COUNCIL’S MANAGMENT OF ALCOHOL

‘That this Council will examine and update if necessary its guidelines on the management of alcohol and its related harms at festivals and events.

In such matters, amongst others, as Knowing the Law, responsible serving of alcohol, promotion of a safe event, alcohol free family zones, Event Marshals etc.

(Proposer: Cllr. B. Bermingham 13/345)

Decision of Committee

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

6.2.6 JOINT POLICING COMMITTEE

‘That the joint Policing Committee would, invite two members from the business community to join the committee in order to give a voice to local and international business operating within the City and therefore strengthen the enterprise input into the Policing Forum.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O’ Flynn 13/349)

Decision of Committee

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

6.2.7 REPORT ON PROPERTIES ON THE DERELICT REGISTER IN THE SOUTH WEST WARD

‘That Cork City Council would produce a full and comprehensive report on properties on the derelict register in the South West Ward and measures undertaken to remediate this problem.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 13/335)

Decision of Committee

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

7. FINANCE FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 20th JANUARY 2014

To note the minutes of the Finance Functional Committee, and if so decided to approve the following recommendations from its meeting held on the 20th January 2014.

7.1. REPORT BY DAMIEN O’MAHONY, SENIOR EXECUTIVE OFFICER CORPORATE AND EXTERNAL AFFAIRS ON SERVICE D05 TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AND PROMOTION.

Members considered the report of the Senior Executive Officer who also made a presentation to the committee following which a discussion took place.

Decision of Committee:

It was agreed to note the report of the Senior Executive Officer and refer to An Chomhairle for noting.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

To note correspondence, if any.

9. CONFERENCES/ SEMINARS SUMMARIES

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

- Cllr Patricia Gosch – Financing of Local Government - The Critical Issue-

Letterkenny, Co. Donegal – 10/12 January 2014.

- Cllr Michael O’Connell – Accessing EU Sports Funding for Irish Communities in Ireland – Bunratty, Co. Clare – 10/11 January 2014.
- Cllr Sean Martin – Tourism Technology and Competitive Strategies for 2014 - Rosscarbery, Co. Cork – 13/14 December 2013.
- Cllr Sean Martin –Microsoft Excel Training Workshop- Rosscarbery, Co. Cork – 20/22 December 2013.
- Cllr Brian Bermingham –Employment Law Mediation and Litigation Rosscarbery, Co. Cork - 10/12 January 2014.
- Cllr Brian Bermingham –Local Government Bill 2013 – Tralee, Co. Kerry - 17/18 January 2014.
- Cllr Ger Gibbons –Volunteering in the Community-Killarney, Co. Kerry 17/19 January 2014.

10. **CONFERENCES/ SEMINARS**

To approve attendance at the following Conferences/ Seminars:-

THE BUILDING CONTROL AMENDMENT REGULATIONS 2013

An Chomhairle to approve the attendance of Comhairleoir M. Ahern at the “The Building Control Amendment Regulations 2013” seminar, held in the Four Seasons Hotel, Carlingford, Co. Louth, on the 10th – 12th January 2014.

11. **CONFERENCES/ SEMINARS**

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

12. **MOTIONS**

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

12.1 **REMOVAL OF PAVING AT LOWER BARRACK STREET/EVERGREEN STREET**

‘That the following Road issue supported by An Gardaí is dealt with speedily. The removal of some paving at the end of Lower Barrack St and its junction with Evergreen St, to widen the turn to the city (larger vehicles have to cross over the line

in the path of oncoming traffic) and to widen the turn uphill on Evergreen St (as suggested in submissions prior to work being done)’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 13/419)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.2 ‘SPAGHETTI’ JUNCTION AT FRIAR STREET /EVERGREEN STREET /INDUSTRY STREET/ABBEY STREET

‘That the following Road issue supported by An Gardaí is dealt with speedily. A review of the 'spaghetti' junction at Friar Street/Evergreen Street/Industry Street/Abbey Street, to deal with increased traffic volumes, and accidents, following the one-way implementation on Barrack Street.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Finn 13/420)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.3 REPLACEMENT OF SINGLE GLAZED WINDOWS

‘That Cork City Council would replace as a matter of urgency all single glazed windows and doors in Cork City Councils Housing stock starting with aluminum windows first. Single glazed windows are not energy efficient, the aluminum windows also cause condensation, tenants have to pay more to heat their homes and during cold spells it is impossible for tenants to keep their homes warm.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Gould 14/006)

Housing & Community Functional Committee

12.4 2014 ESTATES RESURFACING PROGRAMME

‘That Merrion Court Housing Estate in Montenotte be added to the 2014 Estates Resurfacing Programme.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Kavanagh 14/008)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.5 LAUNCHING OF A CORK DOMAIN

‘In light of the recent launch of the recent Generic Top Level Domains that Cork City Council would engage with the relevant agencies to investigate the possibility of launching a .Cork domain. This has already been rolled out in New York, London & Paris in an effort to give local businesses an opportunity to differentiate their business from international competitors.’

(Proposer: Cllr. E. O ‘Halloran 14/011)

Tourism Arts & Culture Functional Committee

12.6 **AUDIT OF TREES ALONG THE MARINA**

‘That Cork City Council would undertake a safety audit of all the trees along the Marina. Following recent storms a tree of some considerable size crashed across the Marina on to the footpath and could have resulted in a fatality.

That such an audit would be undertaken with regularity as deemed necessary by experts.’

(Proposer: Cllr. L. McGonigle 14/012)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

12.7 **ROAD AND FOOTPATH FROM CHRIST THE KING CHURCH TO CAPWELL ROAD, CORK**

‘That Cork City Council include the road and footpath from Christ The King Church to Capwell Road, Cork in the 2014 Resurfacing Programme.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 14/013)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.8 **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT TORY TOP ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council would install a pedestrian crossing on Tory Top Road by Ballyphehane Community Centre.’

(Proposer: Cllr. E. O’Halloran 14/014)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.9 **REMOVE DUMPED MATERIAL AT THE END OF HILLGROVE LAWN, SOUTH DOUGLAS ROAD**

‘That the Council would remove the untidy and dumped earthen material at the end of Hillgrove Lawn, South Douglas Road as it aligns with Glencurrag Estate wall.’

(Proposer: Cllr K. McCarthy 14/015)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

12.10 **AMERICA'S CUP SAILING COMPETITION**

‘That the Council and City and Region would campaign to host a leg of the America’s Cup sailing competition.’

(Proposer: Cllr K. McCarthy 14/016)

Tourism Arts & Culture Functional Committee

12.11 **PUBLIC BIKE SCHEME**

‘That City Council would now review the proposed sites for the docking stations for the public bike scheme around the city and get all the stakeholders gardai/ taxi drivers/bus eireann/ pedestrians/bicycle enthusiasts representatives and agree the positioning of these docking stations, thus preventing the same scenario that is now happening in Washington Street and Parnell Place.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 14/018)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.13 **13 CHERRY TREE ROAD TOGHER, CORK**

‘That City Council would consult with the tenant living in 13 Cherry Tree Road Togher in relation to the problem she is experiencing with the dampness in her house for a long time now, a contractor called a long time back to examine this and did up a report for council but this tenant has heard nothing since. I would also request that the vacant dwelling next door No.14 be turned around as soon as possible to be reallocated as this property is lying idle for years and cannot be helping matters in relation to the dampness in No. 13.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 14/019)

Housing & Community Functional Committee

12.14 **RESURFACING WORKS IN BEECHWOOD PARK, BALLINLOUGH**

‘That Cork City Council would undertake resurfacing works to improve the road surface in Beechwood Park, Ballinlough. While some works have been undertaken at the entrance to the park - large potholes remain in other parts of the estate.’

(Proposer: Cllr. L. McGonigle 14/020)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.15 **TIDY DISTRICT COMPETITION**

‘That Cork City Council introduces a tidy district competition, allowing resident association group and community groups to come together and encourage tidiness in their locality.’

Proposer: Cllr. K. O ‘Flynn 14/021)

Environment & Recreation Functional Committee

12.16 **COMMUNITY & YOUTH CENTRE AT FAIRHILL/FAIRFIELD AREA**

That Cork City Council will establish a community & youth centre for the Fairhill/Fairfield area of the Northside of the city.

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 14/022)

Housing & Community Functional Committee

12.17 **TRAFFIC-CALMING MEASURES AT BEECHTREE AVENUE & ARD SIONNACH**

That Cork City Council will install traffic-calming measures in the Beech Tree Avenue, Ard Sionnach area of Shanakiel as previous measures were removed when resurfacing took place, traffic-calming measures could be installed as part of the Sustainable Communities plan for the area.

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 14/023)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.18 **POTHoles IN HALLDENE DRIVE AND HALLDENE AVENUE**

‘That Cork City Council would repair the potholes in Halldene Drive and Halldene Avenue.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 14/024)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

12.19 **REGISTER OF DEVELOPMENTS GRANTED PLANNING PERMISSION BUT NOT COMMENCED**

That Cork City Council would maintain a register of developments granted planning permission but not commenced and include same as part of the schedule of publicly available information.

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 14/025)

Planning & Development Functional Committee

13 **MOTIONS**

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

MOTIONS DEFERRED FROM MEETING OF AN CHOMAHIRLE HELD ON THE 13TH JANUARY 2014

13.1 **CAPITAL FUNDING FOR SCHOOLS**

‘That Cork City Council calls on the Government to allocate funding for Sports Capital Grant to various Local Authorities throughout the country and allow them to make decisions in their own Local Authority area.

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 13/426)

13.2 **CHANGE IN CURRENT SYSTEM OF LEVYING COMMERCIAL RATES ON BUSINESS**

‘That Cork City Council calls on the Environment Minister to bring forward legislation for a change in the current system of levying commercial rates on business to a system based on Turnover. The current system is frankly decimating smaller business and leading to huge vacancy levels in City centre commercial properties.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 13/428)

13.3 **COUNCIL OPPOSES THE NEW 833 EURO CHARGE ON APPRENTICES ATTENDING INSTITUTES OF TECHNOLOGY**

‘Council opposes the new 833 euro charge on apprentices attending Institutes of Technology.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Barry 13/431)

14. **MOTIONS DEFERRED FROM MEETING OF AN CHOMHAIRLE HELD ON THE 9TH DECEMBER 2013.**

14.1 **MANDATORY CARDIAC SCREENING FOR ALL TEENAGERS**

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

(Proposer: Cllr E. O’Halloran 13/395)

14.2 **PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION**

‘Cork City Council calls on the Government and Minister for Environment, Community & Local Government Phil Hogan TD for a property tax exemption for families on social welfare, low incomes and those who have high mortgages on their homes.’

(Proposer: Cllr C. O’Leary 13/402)

14.3 **“RORY RULES”**

‘That Cork City Council call on the Government and Minister for Health Mr. James Reilly to enact and adopt what’s now known as “Rory’s Rules” aggressive procedures for identifying sepsis in patients by the following recommendations:

Hospitals should:

1. Establish a process for screening patients in all hospital settings to facilitate early recognition of patients with possible sepsis;
2. Commence a countdown clock once possible sepsis has been documented; and
3. Establish clear time-based goals for providing treatment once sepsis has been identified: aiming for administration of antibiotics within one hour and full protocol implementation within at least 6 hours.

The evidence shows and experts agree that successful adoption of these procedures at all hospitals would save lives and, for those who survive, reduce the severity of their injuries.’

(Proposer: Cllr C. O’Leary 13/403)

14.4 **PURCHASE OF LANDBANK AT BISHOPSTOWN FOR DEVELOPMENT OF A LOCAL PARK**

‘That Cork City Council would request NAMA to consider disposing all or part of the landbank held in Bishopstown (area of land between the Curraheen Road, Hawkes Road and the Bishopstown Road) for the development of a local community park.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 13/410)

15. **MOTIONS DEFERRED FROM MEETING OF AN CHOMHAIRLE HELD ON THE 25TH NOVEMBER 2013**

15.1 **LOWER AGE PROFILE FOR ELIGIBILITY FOR COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT SCHEMES**

‘That Cork City Council calls on the Minister for Social Protection to lower the age profile from 25 to 21 for eligibility to community employment schemes to allow young people to develop their skills through training and education and at the same time supporting vital community and social services.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Fitzgerald 13/355)

15.2 **LIST OF DEFIBRILLATORS IN CORK CITY**

‘That Cork City Council calls on the HSE to establish and publish a list of defibrillators in Cork City’.

(Proposer: Cllr. E. O’Halloran 13/371)

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

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

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

16. **MOTIONS DEFERRED FROM MEETING OF AN CHOMHAIRLE HELD ON 11TH NOVEMBER 2013**

16.1 **PRIVATISATION OF THE BUS SERVICE OF BUS EIREANN**

‘That this Council rejects any proposals that could privatise the bus service of Bus Eireann or Dublin Bus.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan, Cllr. K. O’Flynn, Cllr. T. Fitzgerald, Cllr. T. Shannon, Cllr. S. Martin, Cllr. M. Shields 13/320)

16.2 **REVERSE DECISION TO REMOVE ONE PARENT FAMILY TAX CREDIT**

‘That this council calls on the Government and Minister for Finance to reverse the decision to remove the One Parent Family Tax credit in Budget 2014 which if implemented will have disastrous and far reaching consequences for separated fathers and mothers who share parenting of their children.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 13/336)

16.3 **STATUTORY PENSION RIGHTS**

‘That Cork City Council calls on the Government to explain

1. Why it signed off on such a radical change with such far reaching consequences.
2. How it intends to maintain members statutory pension rights in this regard.
3. Who it thinks is liable for ESB staff’s state pension provision based on government agreement with ESB regarding reduced rate PRSI.
4. Who is going to fund 0.5bn need for risk reserves from 2016.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 13/343)

16.4 **PROPERTY TAX (HOME TAX)**

‘That this Council calls on the Government to reverse the decision to compel home owners to pay their property tax (Home Tax) due in 2014, by the middle of November 2013, which will cause great hardship to already struggling families, and will have a devastating negative impact on retail business prior to Christmas. We also call on the Government to live up to its promise to the Irish People when they imposed this tax on families that it would be spent locally on services starting in 2014, and not as recently stated by the Government that it will be 2015 at the earliest. Another broken promise by Fine Geal and Labour.’

(Proposer: Cllr T. Shannon 13/352)

16.5 **FAIR SHOP CAMPAIGN**

‘That Cork City Council would support the Fair Shop Campaign which was recently launched by the Mandate Trade Union . The primary objective of Fair Shop is to support and promote quality employment in the retail sector by encouraging trade union members, their families and supporting organisations to make an informed choice to use Fair shop designated retail outlets.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. O’Connell 13/357)

16.6 **CONFERENCE FOR YOUNGER PEOPLE**

‘Following the success of the 'Cork Towards an Age-Friendly City' conference Cork City Council will hold a similar conference for younger people.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 13/365)

16.7 **BALLYMURPHY MASSACRE CAMPAIGN**

‘That Cork City Council endorses the 'Ballymurphy Massacre Campaign' & supports the victim's families call for a statement of innocence and apology from the British

Government, Council will write to the Taoiseach asking him to raise the issues highlighted by the campaign with the British Prime Minister David Cameron MP.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Nugent 13/366)

TADHG KEATING
MEETINGS ADMINISTRATOR

Chuig gach ball de Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí.

23^ú Eanáir, 2014