

MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF CORK CITY COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 22nd MARCH 2010

- PRESENT** An t-Ardmhéara Comhairleoir D. Murphy in the Chair.
- NORTH EAST** Comhairleoirí J. Kelleher, T. Brosnan, T. Tynan.
- NORTH CENTRAL** Comhairleoirí M. Barry, K. O'Flynn, T. Gould.
- NORTH WEST** Comhairleoirí J. O'Brien, M. O'Connell, T. Fitzgerald.
- SOUTH EAST** Comhairleoirí D. Cahill, L. McGonigle, D. O' Flynn, C. O' Leary, K. McCarthy, J. Corr.
- SOUTH CENTRAL** Comhairleoirí E. O'Halloran, S. Martin, M. Finn, F. Kerins.
- SOUTH WEST** Comhairleoirí J. Buttimer, M. Shields, M. Ahern, B. Bermingham, H. Cremin, G. Gibbons.
- APOLOGIES** Comhairleoirí C. Clancy, L. Kingston.
- ALSO PRESENT** Mr. J. Gavin, City Manager.
Mr. T. Duggan, City Architect.
Mr. D. O'Mahony, Director of Services, Corporate Affairs.
Mr. S. Kearney, Director of Services, Housing & Community.
Mr. D. Joyce, Senior Executive Officer, Roads & Transportation.
Mr. N. Fitzpatrick, Senior Executive Officer, Housing & Community.
Ms. A. Bogan, Senior Planner, Planning & Development.
Mr. P. Moynihan, Senior Executive Officer, Corporate Affairs.
Mr. N. Carroll, Staff Officer, Corporate Affairs.

An t-Ardmhéara recited the opening prayer.

1. **SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS**

On the proposal of Comhairleoir S. Martin, seconded by Comhairleoir J. Corr, An Chomhairle agreed to suspend Standing Orders and to consider the business of An Chomhairle as set out in the Agenda.

1.1. **VOTES OF SYMPATHY**

A vote of sympathy was passed unanimously with An Chomhairle standing in silence to:-

- The O'Donoghue Family on the death of Michael O'Donoghue.
- The O'Sullivan Family on the death of John J. O'Sullivan.
- The McCarthy Family on the death of Patrick McCarthy.
- The O'Leary Family on the death of Jim O'Leary.
- The Leahy Family on the death of Mrs. Leahy.
- The McAllen Family on the death of Jerry McAllen.

1.2 **VOTES OF CONGRATULATIONS**

An Chomhairle extended a vote of Congratulations to the following:-

- St. Angelas Transition Year students, Cliona & Charlotte on their survey and project about teenage ageism.
- Mr. Denis Barry, on the publication of his book “Donnchadh De Barra”.
- Mr. Ronnie Herlihy on the publication of his book on the History of the South Parish.
- Ms. Valerie O’ Sullivan, Director of Services and the staff of Recreation, Amenity and Culture on the success of staging the St. Patrick’s Day Parade and Festival.
- Comhairleoir K. McCarthy on the launch of his book “Inheritance – Heritage & Memory in the Lee Valley, Co. Cork”
- Mr. Jim O’Donovan, Director of Services, Community & Enterprise, volunteers and sponsors, who have organised and supported this year's Lifelong Learning Festival.
- Mr. Bryan Flynn, on his production of “West Side Story” in the Cork Opera House.

1.3 **VOTE OF BEST WISHES**

An Chomhairle extended a vote of Best Wishes to Comhairleoir D. McCarthy on a speedy recovery from his illness.

2. **MINUTES**

The minutes of Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held on 8th March 2010, were considered and approved with the following amendments:-

- An Chomhairle unanimously agreed that a Book of Condolences be opened for the victims of the Chilian Earthquake.
- At Item 12 Comhairleoir C. O’Leary proposed and Comhairleoir J. O’Brien seconded the vote on Conferences & Seminars.

3. **QUESTIONS**

3.1 **ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR**

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir T. Brosnan, which was deferred from meeting of An Chomhairle held on 8th March, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

Can the Manager please confirm the number of prosecutions over the last 5 years for the following offences:

- a) Anti Social behaviour

Anti Social Behaviour:

		Evicted	Surrendered
Year	2005	1	7
	2006	2	9
	2007	1	4
	2008	3	10
	2009	0	6
Totals		7	36

3.2 **NUMBER OF VEHICLES THAT WERE CLAMPED/ TOWED ON MARDYKE AND MIDDLE PARISH**

In response to the following question submitted by Comhairleoir E. O'Halloran, which was deferred from meeting of An Chomhairle held on 8th March, a written reply was circulated as outlined below:-

Can the Manager confirm how many vehicles were clamped/towed away in the Mardyke and Middle Parish areas in the two weeks after November 19th, 2009?

How many fines from same (if any) were subsequently cancelled?

Four vehicles were either clamped or towed away in the Mardyke and Middle Parish areas in the two week period after the 19th November 2009.

An owner of one of the vehicles was subsequently refunded the release fee.

3.3 **PARK AND RIDE ON THE STRAIGHT ROAD**

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

- a) How does the Manager envisage the programme for developing the Park and Ride on the Straight Road?
- b) Will the Manager, at the earliest convenience, convey a meeting of the relevant Sporting Bodies, Council officials and the five Ward Councillors in South Central with a view to bringing this development to conclusion and to the satisfaction of all concerned?
- a) It is proposed to appoint engineering consultants in Q2 of 2010. Subject to statutory requirements being fulfilled, it is programmed to start construction during Q4 of 2010 with a view to completion in Q3 2011.
- b) The Recreation, Amenity & Culture Directorate will have discussions with the relevant parties on the matter.

3.4 **WALL LIGHTING IN SHANDON STREET**

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

Could the Manager please inform the Council when the wall lighting will be turned on in Shandon Street and when the ESB polls be removed from same?

Two of the four wall lights are now working and the other two will be working by Friday 26th March.

All surplus lights (temporary and old) will then be removed from the ESB poles along Shandon Street.

The cost of undergrounding the E.S.B. network in Shandon Street is being examined at present. Underground conduits were provided when the street was renewed.

3.5 **GO CAR SCHEME**

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

To ask the City Manager for a report on the Go Car Scheme in the City, year on year since its inception.

- The revenue and costs generated each year.
- The original outlay on the vehicles.
- The number of subscribers / users per year.

Background - Setting up the GoCar Club in Cork

In 2008 Cork City Council commissioned a feasibility study (paid for by the Department of Transport), on the setting up a car sharing club in Cork City. These kinds of clubs are in use in the UK and throughout Europe. When the feasibility study was completed, a company called Mendes Limited, who were involved in the feasibility study, submitted a proposal to start up a car club in Cork as the first in Ireland. The proposals included:

- Cork City Council would block book 3 cars during business hours for a period of three years. This costs €40,800 (including VAT) per year for the three year period.
- Cork City Council would undertake a marketing programme for the pilot scheme. This would be under the umbrella of promoting mobility in the City. Cost is €20,000/annum for the three years.

The project was formally launched by the Minister of Transport in September 2008 and is part funded by the Department of Transport (€20,000 per year). The project is run as a private venture and the only liabilities to Cork City Council are the costs referred to above.

The scheme is very well worthwhile from a City Council aspect because:

- a. The net financial costs are not very high and the scheme strongly supplements our overall transportation strategy of promoting alternative modes of transport other than the private car.
- b. It shows that Cork City Council is still very much involved in innovative and modern schemes in the effort to ensure we have long term sustainable measures to deal with the travel demands of the future.

- c. The three year period of the scheme will allow the City Council to fully assess the potential benefits of the scheme.

As the scheme is run by a private company, the actual costs involved are commercially sensitive and are not directly available to the City Council. It can be stated though that the venture to date is a loss making venture for the company involved and they are hoping that it may break even by September 2011. The table below shows the total current number of members. It includes 15 companies based mainly in the City Centre:

Customer	Number of customers	Number of additional drivers
Cork City Council	1	44
All Private	43	3
All Business	15	34
UCC	1	8

3.6 **FLOWER PLANTING PROGRAMME**

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

Recognising the very good work already being done can the Manager please arrange for a major flower planting programme to be initiated throughout the City in conjunction with Residents Associations, Community Associations and Parks Staff as a means of showing the City at its best throughout the year.

The City Council plants in excess of 600,000 Spring and Summer Bedding plants and approximately 150,000 spring flowering bulbs each year.

The floral displays are situated at prominent locations and entrances to the City, City Centre locations and selected locations within residential areas. The number of floral displays has increased considerably over the past 10 years, made possible by a substantial increase in the budget for this service.

Many of the displays in residential areas are done in association with Residents Associations and community groups and the Council is committed to continuing this partnership. Extending the existing programme of floral displays will be addressed in the review of the Council's Parks Strategy, this review currently underway and scheduled for completion by late Autumn. Whilst it is fully appreciated that an increase in floral displays would further enhance the visual attractiveness of the City, any increase must be considered in the context of available manpower and financial resources, and other commitments in the parks services.

3.7 **DUNDANION CASTLE, BLACKROCK**

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

- Who owns Dundanion Castle, Blackrock?
- What state of repair is it in?
- Has the City Council plans for restoration?

- d) What does it consider its future to be?
- a) Dundanion Castle is a protected structure (PS492) and is included on the Record of Monuments and Places (CO 074-049). The structure is in private ownership and is believed to be in the ownership of Brideview Development.
- b) The structure is a castle in ruins. Works are required to stabilize the structure as a ruin. The owners of the property commissioned a study in 2006, with the support of the Heritage Council, to identify the scope of the necessary works. On the basis of this report the applicants applied for a conservation grant in 2007 towards the cost of the stabilization works. A grant of €9,000 was offered to the owners in 2007 but was not taken up.
- c) The City Council has no plans for restoration of the structure.
- d) The future of the structure is considered to be as a stabilized ruin.

3.8 **POST OF CITY MANAGER**

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

With the utmost respect to the City Manager and with regard to his upcoming retirement from his post, when will the post be advertised in the media and the changeover to a new Manager be effected?

There are a number of matters which I wish to see advanced before my contract of employment is complete and I am devoting my energies to these at present. There is a set procedure whereby the Public Appointments Service is requested to recruit and recommend persons for appointment to senior posts in Local Government. The matter will be approached in a timely manner.

3.9 **COMPLAINTS MADE TO THE OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN**

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

Could the Manager please make a statement to Council on the complaints made to the Office of the Ombudsman against Cork City Council or their Agents?

- a) How many complaints were made to the Office of the Ombudsman in 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010?
- b) What was the nature of each of these complaints?
- c) Who filed the complaints to the Office of the Ombudsman against Cork City Council or their agents?
- d) What was the Office of the Ombudsman's interpretation of each complaint?
- e) What were the recommendations of the Office of the Ombudsman in each complaint?
- f) What changes have been adopted since in each complaint area with regards to policies, procedures and the relevant guidelines?

Statistics on valid complaints are published annually in the Office of the Ombudsman's Annual Report and available to view and download from their website.

a)

	<i>Brought forward from previous year</i>	<i>Received during the year</i>	<i>On hand for the year</i>
2005	12	30	42
2006	13	23	36
2007	1	41	42
2008	16	29	45

The Annual Report for 2009 is not yet published but our records show that 15 valid written complaints were referred to Cork City Council in 2009.

8 valid written complaints have been received to date in 2010.

b) Complaints related to the following Directorates and Functional Areas

2005	Housing, Planning & Development, Roads & Transportation, Finance, Recreation, Amenity & Culture.
2006	Roads & Transportation, Planning & Development, Environment, Recreation, Amenity & Culture, Finance, Housing.
2007	Environment, Planning & Development, Corporate Affairs, Housing, Roads & Transportation, Planning & Development, Law.
2008	Environment, Roads & Transportation, Housing, Planning & Development, Corporate Affairs, Recreation, Amenity & Culture.
2009	Planning & Development, Housing, Environment, Roads & Transportation, City Architects.
2010	Roads & Transportation, Housing.

c) This information cannot be disclosed – S9 of the Ombudsman Act 1980

d & e)

	Resolved	Part Resolved	Assistance Provided	Discontinued	Withdrawn	Not Upheld	Total Completed
2005	6	0	8	9	1	5	29
2006	12	0	3	11	2	7	35
2007	9	1	4	7	0	5	26
2008	7	1	6	10	0	10	34
2009	2	0	2	0	0	2	6
2010	0	0	1	0	0	0	1

f) Procedures have been revised to minimise Temporary Convenience Lettings relating to Affordable Housing.

4. **PÁIRC UÍ CHAOIMH STADIUM**

An Chomhairle unanimously agreed to refer the report of the City Manager dated 18th March 2010, on the development of Páirc Uí Chaoimh Stadium to the Planning & Development Strategic Policy Committee for consideration.

5. **PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE – 15th MARCH 2010**

5.1 **SOUTH PARISH AREA ACTION PLAN**

An Chomhairle considered the Managers report dated 5th March 2010 on the Draft South Parish Area Action Plan. On the proposal of Comhairleoir K. McCarthy, seconded by Comhairleoir M Finn, An Chomhairle unanimously approved the adoption of the Draft South Parish Area Action Plan subject to the amendments as set out in the Managers report dated 5th March 2010.

5.2 **BLACKPOOL VILLAGE AREA ACTION PLAN**

An Chomhairle considered the Draft Blackpool Village Area Action Plan dated March 2010.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir K. O’Flynn, seconded by Comhairleoir J. Corr An Chomhairle unanimously agreed to proceed to public consultation on the Draft Blackpool Village Area Action Plan dated March 2010.

5.3 **NORTH BLACKPOOL LOCAL AREA PLAN 2010**

An Chomhairle considered the progress report of the Director of Services, Planning & Development & City Engineer dated 5th March 2010 on the North Blackpool Local Area Plan 2010.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir K. O’Flynn, seconded by An tArdmhéara Comhairleoir D. Murphy, An Chomhairle unanimously agreed to proceed with the progression of the Draft North Blackpool Local Area Plan, having regard to the issues highlighted in the report of the Director of Services, Planning & Development & City Engineer dated 5th March, 2010.

5.4 **SOUTH MAHON LOCAL AREA PLAN 2011 - 2017**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Planning & Development & City Engineer dated 5th March, 2010 on the South Mahon Local Area Plan 2011 – 2017 on the commencement of consultation on issues.

5.5 **FARRANFERRIS LOCAL AREA PLAN**

An Chomhairle considered the report of the Director of Services, Planning & Development & City Engineer dated 3rd March 2010 on Proposed Amendment No. 1, to the Farranferris Local Area Plan 2009.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Corr, seconded by Comhairleoir S. Martin An Chomhairle unanimously approved the making of the amendment to the text (Section 4.39) of the Farranferris Local Area Plan as set out in the report of the Director of Services, Planning & Development & City Engineer dated 3rd March, 2010.

6. **HOUSING & COMMUNITY STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE – 15th MARCH 2010**

6.1 **ON LINE FACILITY FOR HOUSING APPLICANTS**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community dated 3rd March, 2010 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That this Council would adopt the system already implemented by South Dublin County Council whereby housing applicants would be provided with an online facility to inform them of their placing on the housing list.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. O’Brien 09/353)

The report of the Director of Services stated that the Housing Department will arrange to have the IS Department examine the current housing software system to see if it can support an on-line facility similar to that adopted by South Dublin County Council.

7. **HOUSING & COMMUNITY FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 15th MARCH 2010**

7.1 **MONTHLY REPORT**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services on Housing for the month of February, 2010.

An tArdmhéara agreed to write to the Minister for Social and Family Affairs to request an all party meeting to discuss Housing Issues of Cork City Council.

7.2 **DEVELOPMENT AT ERRIGAL HEIGHTS, THE GLEN**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community dated 11th March 2010, on the proposed development at Errigal Heights, The Glen.

7.3 **GRAFFITI REMOVAL PROJECT**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Director of Services, Housing & Community dated 11th March, 2010 on the Graffiti Removal Project.

7.4 **DISPOSALS**

Members considered the reports of the City Manager dated 11th March, 2010 in relation to the following property disposals:

Property Disposals

- a. The disposal of site adjacent to 19 Argideen Lawn, Togher, Cork (approximately 43.3 square metres in area) to Brian & Mary Clarke, c/o Edmund J Burke & Co., Solicitors, No 2 Courthouse Street, Cork, for the sum of €100.00. On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Corr, seconded by Comhairleoir M. Ahern the disposal was unanimously approved.
- b. The disposal of Freehold Interest in property situated at and known as Unit 1, Hollymount Industrial Estate, Blarney Road, Hollyhill, Cork to Jerry O’Riordan Limited c/o M J Horgan & Sons, Solicitors, 50 South Mall, Cork for the sum of €3,500 plus costs. On the proposal of Comhairleoir K. O’Flynn, seconded by Comhairleoir J. Buttimer the disposal was unanimously approved.

8. ROADS & TRANSPORTATION FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 15th MARCH 2010

8.1 ROADWORKS PROGRAMME

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Assistant City Manager, dated 11th March, 2010 on the progress of ongoing Roadworks Programme for month ended February, 2010.

8.2 ROADWORKS PROGRAMME 2010

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the Assistant City Manager, dated 11th March, 2010 regarding Roadworks Programme 2010.

8.3 TAKING IN CHARGE OF “LINDVILLE”, BLACKROCK ROAD, CORK {1-60 Lindville, (including Lindville House and Lodge)}

Members considered and approved the report of the Assistant City Manager, dated 11th March, 2010 regarding the taking in charge of “Lindville”, Blackrock Road, Cork (1-60 Lindville, (including Lindville House and Lodge)) and on the proposal of Comhairleoir D. O’Flynn, seconded by Comhairleoir K. McCarthy, unanimously agreed to adopt the following resolution:-

‘Now Council hereby **RESOLVES THAT** having considered the representations and objection which were received in writing within the prescribed statutory period set out in section 11 (1) (b) of the Roads Act 1993, it is hereby ordered that the roads at “Lindville”, Blackrock Road in the City of Cork are declared to be public roads and in pursuance of section 180 (4) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended by the Water Services Act 2007, it is hereby further Ordered that the open spaces, car parks, sewers, water mains or service connections within the attendant grounds of the development at “Lindville”, Blackrock Road, Cork, {1-60 Lindville (including Lindville House and Lodge) be taken in charge forthwith.’

8.4 **TRAFFIC CALMING RAMPS ON REDEMPTION ROAD**

An Chomhairle considered and approved the report of the City Manager, dated 11th March, 2010, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council put traffic calming ramps on Redemption Road, near Laffins Court as requested by residents.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O’Flynn 09/226)

The report of the City Manager stated that ramps were installed on Redemption Road as part of the 2006 traffic calming schemes. The area will be assessed in order to determine the extent of the problems that exist in order to identify any possible further mitigation measures that could be provided there.

Any identified traffic calming solutions will be put forward for consideration to be included in the Roads Programme.

8.5 **INCLUDE ST. CLARES AVENUE IN ROADS RESURFACING PROGRAMME 2010**

Members considered the report of the Assistant City Manager, dated 11th March, 2010, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That St. Clares Avenue be included in the Roads Resurfacing Programme for 2010.’

(Proposer: Cllr. G. Gibbons 10/07)

The report of the Assistant City Manager stated that St. Clare’s Avenue is not on the 2010 Resurfacing Programme. However it will be considered for inclusion in the 2011 Programme. In the meantime we will carry out any remedial works considered necessary.

8.6 **INCLUDE MAGAZINE ROAD IN TRAFFIC CALMING PROGRAMME**

Members considered the report of the City Manager, dated 11th March, 2010, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Magazine Road be included in the Traffic Calming Programme for 2010.’

(Proposer: Cllr. G. Gibbons 10/08)

The report of the City Manager stated that Magazine Road is already on the list of areas where a request for traffic calming has been received. The area will be assessed to determine the extent of the problems that exist in order to identify any possible mitigation measures that could be provided there.

Any identified traffic calming solutions will be put forward for consideration to be included in the Roads Programme.

8.7 **EXTRA FUNDS FOR REPAIR OF ROADS**

Members considered the report of the Assistant City Manager, dated 11th March, 2010, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council calls on the Departments of Finance and Transport to immediately make additional monies available to fund the exceptional and extraordinary damage done to the national and local roads network in the wake of recent flooding and freezing conditions.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 10/13)

The report of the Assistant City Manager stated that we have recently received notification from the Department of Transport of our Road Grants allocation for 2010. We had applied for significantly increased funding due to weather damaged roads and increased winter maintenance costs. The Department’s grant contribution towards the cost of maintenance of roads, including resurfacing, has increased by 11% over the corresponding figure for 2009.

On the expectation that the high costs of salting and gritting incurred this winter will be funded locally, the increase in the grant will assist in addressing the cost of resurfacing weather damaged roads. Whereas we will not be in a position to resurface all of those roads, we will implement a resurfacing programme of roads in poorest condition and also ensure ongoing repairs to other roads. Though the overall budget for roads maintenance has been reduced over the past year or so due to an ongoing reduction in roads staff numbers, we intend to ensure that the roads in the city will be maintained to a reasonable level of service for all of their users.

8.8 **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING ON SARSFIELD ROAD**

Members considered the report of the City Manager, dated 11th March, 2010, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council would investigate the ongoing health and safety needs at the pedestrian crossings on the Sarsfield Road between the Wilton Roundabout and the Sarsfield Road Roundabouts so as to determine if overhanging suspended lights are required given that some motorists fail to obey these signals, and that the junction box outside Wilton Court on the Sarsfield Road be reinstated.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 10/14)

The report of the City Manager stated that the pedestrian crossing facility between the Wilton and Sarsfield Roundabouts is currently being assessed in conjunction with the Gardaí in order to determine if there are any additional necessary measures required to improve the road safety there.

Any identified improvement measures will be put forward for consideration to be included in the roads programme.

8.9 **DISABLED PARKING SPACES**

Members considered the report of the City Manager, dated 11th March, 2010, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘When issuing disabled parking discs to suitable applicants, could they also be provided with a map stating the areas where disabled parking spaces are situated in the City Centre – both private and public.’

(Proposer: Cllr. H. Cremin 10/24)

The report of the City Manager stated that disabled driver permits (or blue badges) are not issued by Cork City Council but by either:

- Irish Wheelchair Association
- Irish Disabled Driver Association.

Information on public disabled parking facilities in Cork City is available on the City Council’s website. We do not have any records of provided disabled driver spaces in private car parks.

8.10 **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT THE TOP OF CATHEDRAL ROAD**

Members considered the report of the City Manager, dated 11th March, 2010, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That a pedestrian crossing be installed at the top of Cathedral Road near the Church of the Ascension to ensure safety for the entire community.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O’Flynn 09/227)

The report of the City Manager stated that Cathedral Road is on the City Bus Service no. 2 Green Route and all issues relating to safe movement of cars, buses, pedestrians, etc. would have been addressed when the Green Route was installed. The consultants for the scheme will again be requested to re-examine pedestrian safety issues on Cathedral Road, from the entrance of the Church of the Ascension to the junction at Gurranabraher Road, with a view of identifying further appropriate road safety measures.

Any identified measures, including if deemed appropriate the provision of a controlled pedestrian crossing at the entrance to the church on Cathedral Road, will be carried out under the Green Routes Project programme.

8.11 **MOURNE AVENUE – TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES**

Members considered the report of the City Manager, dated 11th March, 2010, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That traffic calming measures be introduced in Mourne Avenue to slow down the increased traffic in the area.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O’ Flynn 09/240)

The report of the City Manager stated that Mourne Avenue will be added to the list of areas where a request for traffic calming has been received. The area will be assessed to determine the extent of the problems that exist in order to identify any possible mitigation measures that could be provided there.

Any identified traffic calming solutions will be put forward for consideration to be included in the Roads Programme.

8.12 **REVIEW OF ROADS RESURFACING PROGRAMME**

Members considered the report of the Assistant City Manager, dated 11th March, 2010, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That there be a complete review of the Roads Resurfacing Programme in light of the recent bad weather.’

(Proposer: Cllr. G. Gibbons 10/21)

The report of the Assistant City Manager stated that we have assessed our roads following the severe weather this winter and have formulated a resurfacing programme of roads in poorest condition. The draft Roadworks Programme 2010 provides the details.

8.13 **CONDITION OF ROADS**

Members considered the report of the Assistant City Manager, dated 11th March, 2010, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council Roads Department carry out an immediate survey of the condition of the roads following the severe weather, quantifying what needs to be done.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 10/27)

The report of the Assistant City Manager stated that we have assessed our roads following the severe weather this winter and have formulated a resurfacing programme of roads in poorest condition. The draft Roadworks Programme 2010 provides the details.

8.14 **JUNCTION AT PEARSE ROAD & KINSALE ROAD**

Members considered the report of the City Manager, dated 11th March, 2010, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council carry out a survey with a view to making safer the Pearse Road, Tory Top Road and Kinsale Road Junction. This junction has become increasingly more dangerous since the development of additional retail in the area.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 10/28)

The report of the City Manager stated that the junction of Pearse Road/Tory Top Road/Kinsale Road will be assessed and examined in conjunction with the Gardaí, and any necessary measures required to improve road safety at the location will be put forward for consideration to be included in the roads programme.

8.15 **TRAFFIC CALMING AT HILLSIDE LAWN**

Members considered the report of the City Manager, dated 11th March, 2010, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council install traffic calming measures at the junction of Hillside Lawn and Earlwood Estate adjacent to 70, 71 and 72 Earlwood Estate on the Corner.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin & Cllr. M. Shields 10/29)

The report of the City Manager stated that Ramps were installed in Earlwood Estate as part of the 2005 traffic calming schemes. The section of Earlwood Estate at the junction with Hillside Lawn will be assessed in order to determine the extent of the problems that exist in order to identify any possible further mitigation measures that could be provided there.

Any identified traffic calming solutions will be put forward for consideration to be included in the Roads Programme.

8.16 **FOOTPATH REPAIRS IN PALACEANNE LAWN**

Members considered the report of the Assistant City Manager, dated 11th March, 2010, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council would undertake to carry out footpath repairs in Palaceanne Lawn as a matter of urgency. While I accept that full footpath renewals cannot be carried out due to budgetary constrain, remedial works should be done to make the area safe.’

(Proposer: Cllr. L. McGonigle 10/46)

The report of the Assistant City Manager stated that the footpaths in Palaceanne Lawn are on the 2010 Footpath Renewal Programme.

8.17 **LOWER SPEED LIMITS IN SELECTED AREAS**

Members considered the report of the City Manager, dated 11th March, 2010, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council introduce lower speed limits in selected areas to judge their effectiveness as opposed to speed ramps which are costly to the city and limited and only suitable to specific roads due to necessary use of the emergency services.’

(Proposer: Cllr. L. Kingston 10/47)

The report of the City Manager stated that 50 kph is the ‘normal’ or default speed limit in the City. Special speed limits at particular locations can be installed to change this and

this requires the implementation of bye-laws by Council. A special speed limit available lower than 50 kph is 30kph (20 mph approx), however the guidelines for the installation of such a special speed limits include the following:

- The roads with the special speed limit have been provided with appropriate traffic calming measures to ensure that that vehicle speeds are constrained to 30kph.
- All other relevant engineering safety measures should have been tried or considered not sufficient or appropriate before applying such a special speed limit.

The intention will be that this low speed limit will be used only in conjunction with traffic calming measures and will generally be self enforcing. Providing low speed limits at locations where there would not be a high level of 'natural compliance' could bring the principle of the special speed limits into disrepute and would be counter-productive.

A 30kph special speed limit in conjunction with other traffic calming measures may be appropriate adjacent to particular schools and it is proposed to progress this matter this year subject to funding becoming available.

For traffic calming schemes it is better that each location is assessed separately and appropriate traffic calming measures (in conjunction with possible special speed limits) are identified and put forward for consideration to be included in the roads programme.

8.18 **ESTATE ROADS RESURFACING PROGRAMME**

Members considered the report of the Assistant City Manager, dated 11th March, 2010, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council would undertake a survey of Westgate Road and Central Avenue in Bishopstown and include them in the Estate Roads Resurfacing Programme.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 10/49)

The report of the Assistant City Manager stated that Central Avenue is on the 2010 Resurfacing Programme. Westgate Rd. is not on the 2010 Resurfacing Programme. However it will be considered for inclusion in the 2011 Programme. In the meantime we will carry out any remedial works considered necessary.

8.19 **NO BALL PLAYING’ SIGNS IN PEARSE SQUARE**

Members considered the report of the Assistant City Manager, dated 11th March, 2010, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council erect signs stating ‘No Ball Playing’ in Pearse Square to alleviate the anti social behavior that is causing problems for customers and traders.’

(Proposer: Cllr. L. Kingston 09/436)

The report of the Assistant City Manager stated that Arrangements will be made for the erection of a “No Ball Playing” sign in Pearse Square.

8.20 **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT JUNCTION OF BLARNEY STREET AND SHANDON STREET**

Members considered the report of the City Manager, dated 11th March, 2010, on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle.

‘That Cork City Council put in place a pedestrian crossing at the junction of Blarney Street and Shandon Street, opposite Shandon Street Post Office, where a lady was recently knocked down.

Given that this is not an isolated incident, I would request that a traffic survey be carried out in the area. While a pedestrian crossing does exist at the junction of Cattlemarket Street, Shandon Street and Church Street, it must be borne in mind that one is in the middle of Shandon Street while the other is entirely at the beginning and vehicles obviously build up speed on the incline.’

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Gosch 09/395)

The report of the City Manager stated that a major refurbishment scheme has recently been completed in Shandon Street. The junction with Blarney Road was part of this scheme. The project involved major upgrading of the public realm and the new footpaths and surfacing has improved the pedestrian facilities in the area.

In the design of the new scheme, the provision of a pedestrian crossing at the junction of Blarney Road and Shandon Street was not envisaged. A pedestrian crossing cannot be provided close to a junction and if pedestrian signals are to be provided here, the junction would have to be fully signalised for road safety reasons.

A signalised junction here would be too close to the traffic signals at North Gate Bridge and are also now not appropriate because of the large costs involved in excavating the new surfaces for ducting, etc. Accordingly, the provision of a pedestrian crossing at the junction of Shandon Street and Blarney Street is not recommended.

9. **CORRESPONDENCE**

An Chomhairle noted correspondence from the following:-

- Letter from Dublin City Council, dated 3rd March 2010, regarding notice of motion.
- Letter from Kildare County Council, dated 4th March 2010, regarding notice of motion.
- Letter from South Tipperary County Council, dated 3rd March 2010, regarding notice of motion.
- Letter from Permanent TSB, dated 5th March 2010, regarding branches in Cork.
- Letter from Donegal County Council, dated 11th March 2001, regarding notice of motion.
- Letter from John Daly, dated 6th March 2010.
- Letter from Office of the Minister Environment, Heritage & Local Government, dated 10th March 2010, regarding flooding in Cork City.
- Letter from Richard T. Cooke, dated 5th March 2010.

10. **CONFERENCE/ SEMINAR SUMMARIES**

An Chomhairle noted the following summaries by Members of Conferences/Seminars attended:-

- Cllr. D. O’Flynn – “*Waste Management and the Law*” – 22-24 January, Dublin Rd, Galway.
- Cllr. D. O’Flynn – *AMAI Spring Seminar* – 12-13 February, Sligo Park Hotel, Sligo.
- Cllr. D. O’Flynn – “*Change Management in Local Government*”- 19-21 February, Westport, Co. Mayo.
- Cllr. D. O’Flynn – *Atlantic Conference* – 25 February, Tullamore, Co. Offaly.
- Cllr. D. O’Flynn – *21st Colmcille Winter School* – 26-28 February, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal.
- Cllr. E. O’Halloran – *Irish Museums Association Conference* – 26-28 February, the Malton Hotel, Killarney.
- Cllr. E. O’Halloran – “*19th Annual Kerry Environmental Recognition Conference*” – 4-7 March, Tralee, Co. Kerry.
- Cllr. J. Kelleher – *ACCC Annual Conference* – 4-5 March, Limerick Junction, Co. Tipperary.
- Cllr. J.Kelleher – *Clonakilty Tourism Conference* – 12-14 March, Rosscarbery, Co. Cork.
- Cllr. M. Shields – *21st Colmcille Winter School* – 26-28 February, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal.
- Cllr. M. Ahern – *21st Colmcille Winter School* – 26-28 February, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal.
- Cllr. M. Ahern – *ACCC Annual Conference* – 4-5 March, Limerick Junction, Co. Tipperary.
- Cllr T.Brosnan – “*Flood Management & Local Government*” – 5-6 February, Ennistymon, Co. Clare.
- Cllr. T. Brosnan – *AMAI Spring Seminar* – 12-13 February, Sligo Park Hotel, Sligo.
- Cllr. T. Brosnan – “*Public Liability, Health & Safety Issues in Local Government*”– 12-14 March, Bunclody, Co. Wexford.

11. **CONFERENCES & SEMINARS (ITEMS 11 & 12)**

On the proposal of Comhairleoir C. O’Leary, seconded by Comhairleoir M. Finn, a vote was called for whether to approve the attendance of Councillors listed at Items 11 & 12 at the various seminars and conferences listed, where there appeared as follows:-

FOR: Comhairleoirí J. Kelleher, D. Murphy, K. O’Flynn, M. O’Connell, T. Fitzgerald, L. McGonigle, D. O’Flynn, J. Corr, E. O’Halloran, S. Martin, J. Buttimer, M. Shields, M. Ahern, B. Bermingham, G. Gibbons. (15)

AGAINST: Comhairleoirí T. Tynan, D. Cahill, C. O’Leary, K. McCarthy, M. Finn, H. Cremin. (6)

ABSTAIN: Comhairleoirí M. Barry, T. Gould, J. O’Brien, F. Kerins (4)

An tArd-Mhéara declared the vote carried and the attendance of the Councillors at the various seminars and conferences approved, as listed hereunder:-

SEMINARS

11.1 THE COUNCILLOR, COMMUNICATIONS & LOCAL DEVELOPMENT

The attendance of Comhairleoir P. Gosch at the “Councillor, Communications & Local Development” Seminar, held in the Day’s Hotel, 1 Merchants Quay, Waterford, on the 26th – 28th February 2010.

11.2 IMPACTS AND STRATEGIES - GOING FORWARD

The attendance of Comhairleoir M. Ahern at the “Impacts and Strategies - Going Forward”, held in the Silver Tassie Hotel, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal on the 26th – 28th March 2010.

11.3 BANKING, INSURANCE AND NAME – THE EFFECT ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

The attendance of Comhairleoir T. Brosnan at the “Banking, Insurance and NAMA. The effect on Local Government” Seminar, held in the Carlton Hotel, Tralee, Co. Kerry on the 16th – 18th April 2010.

11.4 WELFARE OF CHILDREN – A GUIDE TO CHILD PROTECTION

The attendance of Comhairleoir M. O’Connell at the “Welfare of Children – A Guide to Child Protection” Seminar, held in the Round Tower Hotel, Ardmore, Co. Waterford on the 16th – 19th April 2010.

12. CONFERENCES

12.1 LISTOWEL CONFERENCE 2010 – EXPLORING ARTS & CULTURE THROUGH TOWN TWINNING

The attendance of Comhairleoir M. O’Connell at the Listowel Conference 2010 – “Exploring Arts & Culture through Town Twinning”, held in Kerry Literary & Cultural Centre, Listowel, Co. Kerry on the 25th – 27th March 2010.

12.2 LAMA ANNUAL CONFERENCE – COUNCILLORS ROLE IN CHANGING CLIMATE

The attendance of Comhairleoir L. McGonigle at the LAMA Annual Conference “Councillors Role in Changing Climate”, held in the Sligo Park Hotel, Sligo on the 9th – 10th April 2010.

12.3 KEY STRATEGIES FOR GREATER SUCCESS IN A CHALLENGING ECONOMIC CLIMATE

The attendance of Comhairleoir T. Brosnan at the “Key Strategies for Greater Success in a Challenging Economic Climate” Conference, to be held in the Connemara Coast Hotel, Galway on the 23rd – 25th April 2010.

12.4 **BUSINESS DELEGATION TO SAN FRANCISCO**

An tArdmhéara informed An Chomhairle that he was to lead a business delegation to Corks Sister City of San Francisco.

13. **MOTION DEFERRED FROM THE MEETINGS OF AN CHOMHAIRLE HELD ON 22nd FEBRUARY, 8th MARCH AND SPECIAL MEETING OF AN CHOMHAIRLE HELD ON 15th MARCH, 2010**

13.1 **ORTHOPAEDIC SERVICES**

An Chomhairle approved the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council opposes the Health Service Executive’s plans to move all orthopaedic services from St. Mary’s Orthopaedic Hospital, Gurranabraher and instead calls for the expansion of orthopaedic services on the St Mary’s site.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Barry 10/75)

14. **MOTIONS**

An Chomhairle referred the following motions to the relevant committees:-

14.1 **TRAFFIC CALMING RAMPS ON ASSUMPTION HILL, BLACKPOOL**

‘That Cork City Council introduce Traffic Calming Ramps and other measures, on Assumption Hill, Blackpool.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O’Flynn 09/267)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

14.2 **CLOSE OFF WALKWAY BETWEEN ST. VINCENT’S STREET AND MARY AIKENHEAD PLACE**

‘That Council close off the walkway between St. Vincent’s Street and Mary Aikenhead Place near St. Anne’s Road, Gurranabraher because of the serious anti-social behaviour and criminal acts being carried out by youths gathering in this area.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. O’Flynn 09/270)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

14.3 **TRAFFIC FLOWS IN SOUTH PARISH AREA**

‘That Cork City Council Roads and Traffic Department review traffic flows in the South Parish Area

- (1) Douglas Street one way out to Rutland Street
- (2) Tower Street to Mt. Sion Road – possible reconfiguration of Traffic Flow

- (3) Partial one way system on Barrack Street including a review which would look at Fort Street, Reeds Square etc.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 10/44)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

14.4 SOUTH PARISH AREA ACTION PLAN

‘That the implementation of the South Parish Area Action Plan receive priority funding from Development Charges over the next three years.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 10/45)

Planning & Development Strategic Policy Committee

14.5 CITY TOURISM AMBASSADOR

‘That Cork City Council in consultation with the owners would appoint City Tourism Ambassadors to be appointed to the Julia and Brittney Ferries to promote the many delights of Cork City to the tourists on board before they disembark. This proposal would help to promote Cork City as a tourist destination.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Shannon 10/68)

Corporate Policy Group

14.6 INCLUDE ROAD FROM PARKHILL SKEHARD ROAD TO WELL ROAD IN RESURFACING PROGRAMME

‘That the Road from Parkhill Skehard Road to the Well Road/ Churchyard Lane roundabout be included in this years Resurfacing Programme as this road is in very poor condition after the severe bad weather we had over the last few weeks and is a danger to motorists using this stretch of road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. O’Flynn 10/85)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

14.7 UPGRADE DRESSING ROOMS IN DOUGLAS SWIMMING POOL

‘That the dressing rooms and the shower areas in the Douglas swimming pool be upgraded as a matter of urgency as they are in very poor condition.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. O’Flynn 10/86)

Recreation Amenity & Culture Functional Committee

14.8 **FULL SIZE GAA PITCH FOR BALLYPHEHANE**

It was agreed to deal with the following motion:-

‘That Cork City Council calls on the Manager to provide a full-size GAA pitch for Ballyphehane GAA Club at the new sports campus at Inchigaggin’

(Proposer: Cllr. L. Kingston, Cllr. E. O'Halloran, Cllr. S. Martin, Cllr. M. Finn, Cllr. F. Kerins 10/87)

On the proposal of Comhairleoir S. Martin, seconded by Comhairleoir E. O'Halloran, a vote was called for on the above motion where there appeared as follows:

FOR: Comhairleoirí T. Tynan, K. O'Flynn, T. Gould, J. O'Brien, T. Fitzgerald, D. Cahill, L. McGonigle, D. O'Flynn, C. O'Leary, K. McCarthy, J. Corr, E. O'Halloran, S. Martin, M. Finn, F. Kerins, J. Buttimer, M. Shields, M. Ahern, B. Bermingham, H. Cremin, G. Gibbons – (21)

AGAINST: Comhairleoirí J. Kelleher, Ardmhéara, D. Murphy, M. Barry, M. O'Connell. – (4)

An tArd Mhéara declared the vote carried and the motion approved.

14.9 **DOG FOULING**

‘That Cork City Council will proceed with a public awareness campaign against dog fouling in our City as a matter of urgency. This issue was raised with the City Manager, through question time at full Council on February 22nd 2010.’

(Proposer: Cllr. L. McGonigle 10/88)

Environment Functional Committee

14.10 **BONFIRE FREE ZONE**

‘That Cork City Council in conjunction with the Gardaí, Community Wardens, Community Groups and Residents Associations designate specific green areas as Bonfire Free Zones as a pilot project for the Bonfire Night Celebrations.

This could involve placing signs on green areas and planting flowers (similar to the green areas approaching & exiting Cork Airport), in consultation with local residents, who historically had to witness huge bonfires and illegal dumping in their area, by appointing their specific areas ‘Bonfire Free’.

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Fitzgerald 10/89)

Recreation Amenity & Culture Strategic Policy Committee

It was agreed that the Strategic Policy Committee should meet in good time prior to this years Bonfire Night.

14.11 **BOLLARDS ON THE FOOTPATH OPPOSITE THE HUT, GURRANABRAHER**

‘That bollards be erected on the footpath opposite “The Hut”, Gurranaברה Avenue before St. Rita’s Avenue junction to prevent cars parking on footpaths and allow safe passage for pedestrians and motorists.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Clancy 10/91)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

14.12 **PUBLIC LIGHTING BY ST. JOSEPH’S**

‘That additional public lighting be installed by St. Joseph’s between Derrynane Road and Connolly Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. E. O’Halloran 10/93)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

14.13 **MEMORIAL TO MARY HARRIS JONES**

‘That this Council would install a suitable memorial in the Blarney Street area to Mary Harris Jones, better known as Mother Jones, who was a pioneer of the struggle for the rights of women and working people in the United States in the 19th and early 20th century and who was born in Blarney Street, Cork in 1837’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Tynan 10/94)

Corporate Policy Group

14.14 **YELLOW BOX ON SILVERSPRINGS LANE**

‘That Cork City Council would install a yellow box traffic marking on Silversprings Lane opposite the entrance to Silver Court, Halcon Drive and Silversprings Court as an urgent road safety measure.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Tynan 10/95)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

14.15 **SLIPWAY ON THE MARINA**

‘That Cork City Council take immediate action to repair the slipway on the Marina by the Lee Rowing Club. This slipway is in regular use by the public and is in a very dangerous state of repair.’

(Proposer: Cllr. L. McGonigle 10/99)

Recreation Amenity & Culture Functional Committee

14.16 **PLANNING RESTRICTIONS ON HEAD SHOPS**

‘That planning restrictions and conditions be imposed on Head Shops similar to Gaming Arcades. This would ensure that head shops are not allowed open in the suburbs.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Cahill 10/100)

Planning & Development Strategic Policy Committee

14.17 **CLEANING ARRANGEMENT**

‘That an effective cleaning arrangement between City & County, to address the horrific condition that the County Council is allowing the access roads to Cork City, be addressed. The litter and lack of sufficient signage is having, and will continue to have, a damaging image of Cork City.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Cahill 10/101)

Environment Strategic Policy Committee

14.18 **BLOCKED SEWERS**

‘That the City Council review and fix the blocked sewers on Albert Road by the pedestrian crossing.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 10/103)

Environment Functional Committee

14.19 **REPORT ON SLIPWAY ON THE MARINA**

‘That the Director of Recreation Amenity & Culture give a status report on the repair of the slip way on the Marina for the Lee Rowing Club.’

(Proposer: Cllr. K. McCarthy 10/104)

Recreation Amenity & Culture Functional Committee

14.20 **PLANNING PERMISSIONS AND MATERIAL CONTRAVENTIONS**

‘That Cork City Council will supply full colour photographs and drawings with outlined proposed details of Planning Permissions and Material Contraventions been sought to all members of Council as required before recommendations are made to full Council meetings.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. O’Leary 10/106)

Planning & Development Strategic Policy Committee

14.21 **CORK ENVIRONMENT FORUM BASIC CARBON FOOTPRINT CALCULATOR**

‘That Cork City applies the Cork Environment Forum Basic Carbon Footprint Calculator to establish our current carbon footprint.

This will provide a starting point for Cork City Council in endeavoring to reduce our carbon emissions going forward. The Cork Environmental Forum is part funded by Cork City Council and have made this request to me of Cork City Council’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Murphy 10/107)

Environment Functional Committee

14.22 **ROAD REALIGNMENT ON COLLEGE ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council would survey the effectiveness of the road realignment on College Road adjacent to the main UCC campus and to determine if similar measures are required adjacent to the Bons Secours Hospital, the Poor Claire’s Convent and the UCC Brookfield Campus to ensure pedestrian safety.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 10/109)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

14.23 **CLEAN UP ON BALLYHOOLEY ROAD**

‘That Cork City Council Cleansing Department carry out a major clean up on Ballyhooley Road from the eastern entrance to Glen Amenity Part to its junction with North Ring Road and that the hedged boundary of Oakpark be included in the clean up.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 10/110)

Recreation Amenity & Culture Functional Committee

14.24 **TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT ST. LUKES CROSS**

‘That the dangerous and deceptive traffic/ pedestrian lights recently installed at St. Lukes Cross be removed forthwith and appropriate pedestrian crossings be installed at safe locations away from the cross itself.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 10/111)

Roads & Transportation Functional Committee

15. **MOTIONS**

An Chomhairle deferred the following motions to the next meeting of An Chomhairle:-

15.1 **AN TAOISEACH TO RE-ENTER NEGOTIATIONS WITH SOCIAL PARTNERS**

‘That Cork City Council calls on An Taoiseach to re-enter negotiations with the social partners in order to formulate a programme for national recovery thus eliminating the current industrial guerrilla warfare and terminating the current hostility between the public and private sectors, which is corroding social cohesion in our society.’

(Proposer: Cllr. D. Murphy, Cllr. P. Gosch, Cllr. D. Cahill, Cllr. J. Corr, Cllr. E. O’Halloran, Cllr. J. Buttimer, Cllr. B. Bermingham. 10/92)

15.2 **VOTE OF NO CONFIDENCE IN MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND C.E.O. OF HEALTH SERVICE EXECUTIVE**

‘That Cork City Council supports a vote of no confidence in the Minister for Health, Mary Harney and Prof. Brendan Drumm CEO of the Health Service Executive on the grounds of the failure to adequately address the ongoing extreme seriousness and deficiencies in the Public Health Services. Calling on both the Minister for Health Mary Harney and Prof. Brendan Drumm CEO of the Health Service Executive to resign immediately.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. O’Leary 10/105)

15.3 **24 HOUR EMERGENCY HELICOPTER COVER FOR SOUTH**

‘That Cork City Council calls on the Government to ensure full 24-hour emergency helicopter cover for the South, South West and South East Coast and that the HSE South would immediately bring forward plans to have a helicopter landing pad reinstalled at CUH.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 10/108)

This concluded the business of the meeting.

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