

**MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF CORK CITY COUNCIL**  
**HELD ON MONDAY, 23<sup>rd</sup> APRIL 2007**

- PRESENT** An Leas Ardmhéara, Comhairleoir M. O'Connell in the chair.
- NORTH EAST** Comhairleoirí M. Quill, T. Brosnan, J. Kelleher, D. Murphy, A. Spillane.
- NORTH CENTRAL** Comhairleoirí M. Barry, C. Clancy, D. Wallace, P. Gosch.
- NORTH WEST** Comhairleoirí J. O'Brien, D. McCarthy, C. Burke, T. Fitzgerald.
- SOUTH EAST** Comhairleoirí D. Clune, C. O' Leary, D. O' Flynn, T. Shannon, J. Corr.
- SOUTH CENTRAL** Comhairleoirí C. O'Connell, C. Lynch, S. Martin, T. O' Driscoll.
- SOUTH WEST** Comhairleoirí F. Dennehy, M. Shields.
- APOLOGIES** Comhairleoir J. Buttimer.
- ALSO PRESENT** Mr. J. Gavin, City Manager.  
Mr. J. Kennelly Director of Services, Recreation Amenity & Culture  
Mr. T. Healy, Head of Finance  
Ms. N. Mulcahy, A/Senior Executive Officer, Corporate Affairs.  
Ms. P. Hourihan, A/ Staff Officer, Corporate Affairs

An tArdmhéara recited the opening prayer.

1.(a) **VOTES OF SYMPATHY**

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

- Regina Donnelly & family on the death of Ray Donnelly
- O'Mahony family on the death of Alice O'Mahony
- Healy family on the death of Rita Healy
- Buttimer family on the death of Andy Buttimer
- Shanahan family on the death of Richard Shanahan
- Callanan family on the death of Ellen Callanan

1.(b) **VOTES OF BEST WISHES**

An Chomhairle extended a vote of Best Wishes to Deputy Dan Wallace, T.D. on his recent retirement.

An Chomhairle extended a vote of best wishes to Joe Kennelly, Director of Service, Recreation Amenity & Culture on his impending retirement.

1.(c) **VOTE OF CONGRATULATIONS**

An Chomhairle extended a vote of congratulations to:-

- Cork U.21 football Team on winning the All Ireland Semi-Final
- Dolphin RFC on retaining their Division 1 status, having been promoted last year.
- David Ronayne & Ronayne Shopping Ltd. On their efforts in commencing clean-up of the River Lee.

2. **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held on 10<sup>th</sup> April 2007 were considered and approved.

3. **QUESTIONS**

3.1 **ELECTRICAL PROBLEM AT RATHMORE LAWN AND CLARKES ROAD**

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

What has been done by City Hall officials to have the ongoing electrical problem at

- (a) Rathmore Lawn, Greenhills Estate and a section of the South Douglas Road and
- (b) Clarkes Road along with section of Connolly Road and Pearse Road and Friars Walk rectified.

Every time we have a combination of wind and rain these areas are completely blacked out. It is my understanding that if bundle were used it would alleviate the ongoing problems, thus dispensing with the constant maintenance which is presently required?

The situation as described in the question refers to two or more of the ESB wires between poles becoming in contact with each other and the supply is tripped or “blacked out”. Strong winds can cause these wires to become in contact with each other. While it sometimes can cause disruption to domestic and commercial supplies, it is more usual that the supply to the public lighting system is only affected.

The problem can be alleviated by the bundling of the cables or the use of separators between the wires. It is understood that the bundling of the cables is part of an on going process of upgrading and renewal of the ESB network. The issue has been raised as a matter of concern on a number of occasions, with the business managers and area managers of ESB Contracts and ESB Networks, who are responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of the ESB power supply.

We will again contact the relevant authorities in the ESB in connection with the problem of switching out in the South Douglas Road and Ballyphehane areas with a request for the use of separators, at least until the final upgrade works are carried out.

### 3.2 **PAY AND DISPLAY PARKING IN THE CITY**

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

Will the Manager please inform me as to the outcome of the trial period for pay and display parking machines in the city?

Pay and Display (P&D) machines have been on trial in the White Street Car Park since last September. Several issues arose during the trial and it is only recently that the performance of the machines has reached satisfactory levels. However the main possible use for P&D machines in Cork is “on the street”, and it proposed to carry out a second pilot scheme with machines on the street. The area proposed is the South Mall/Morrison’s Quay and Mathew Quay Area.

In connection with the above, we are proposing to advertise for tenders/systems for the latest state-of-the-art cashless pay parking systems which may include further use of mobile phones, smart cards etc. The results of the pilot trials of the P&D machines will be taken into account when a final recommendation is made on the pay parking system for Cork City. The recommendation may involve the combination of systems in order to give the paying public the widest choice and the best value for money in the context of an appropriate parking policy for the well being of the commercial and social life of the City.

### 3.3 **DECENTRALISED SERVICES/ PROJECTS WHICH HAVE COME TO THE C.A.S.P. AREA**

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

Request the Manager to outline, since 1979, the decentralised services/projects which have come to the C.A.S.P. area.

How many / what services are now scheduled?

The only major Government decentralization project in Cork City in recent years has been the relocation of the Central Statistics Office to Mahon Business Park. I understand that there may be plans for minor relocations to towns within the C.A.S.P. area.

At present we are not aware of any Government proposals to decentralize further Government services/projects to the Cork City area.

### 3.4 **TAKING IN CHARGE OF HEATHERTON PARK**

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

To ask the City Manager to provide a report for City Council on the value of outstanding works required to take in charge Heatherton Park, to confirm the current situation of the bond and what efforts are being taken to draw it down and to advise when the residents of this estate can expect to finally have the estate taken in charge?

In 1994, Cork City Council requested ASTRA Construction to lodge a bond or such other security to the value of £164,000 in compliance with Condition 3 of TP 17768/92 in respect of housing development at Heatherton, South Douglas Road, Cork. This condition was duly complied with the furnishing of cash bond in 1994.

As works were progressing in the development to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority, a reduction on the value of the bond to £104,000 was granted in February 1995. A further reduction was granted on the value of the bond to £46,000 in August 1995. In 1997 a further reduction was granted on the value of the bond to £22,000, at a time when the outstanding remedial works were valued at £7,500. The current value of this cash bond is €30,035.11.

With the intention of calling in the bond, the outstanding works have been re-assessed in the last number of weeks and have been valued at €85,300. This figure includes a possible €45,000 amount in respect of works to the pumping station and €24,500 in respect of ancillary road works following the unforeseen malfunction in the current drainage pumping facility within the estate. This matter is also the subject of an investigation by the City Council's Environment Directorate.

Following consultation with the City Council's Law Agent, the necessary documentation and procedures in relation to lodging a formal claim on a bond have been agreed over the past fortnight. The Planning Authority are preparing to issue a formal claim on the bond within the next week and thereafter the relevant certification will be forwarded to the Roads and Transportation Directorate to initiate the formal taking in charge process as set out in the Roads Act 1993.

### 3.5 **LANDS AT MAHON THAT WERE SOLD TO O'CALLAGHAN PROPERTIES**

The City Manager issued a report to An Chomhairle as follows:-

In March 1999 an agreement between Cork City Council and the purchasers of lands at Mahon included a provision that the purchasers would expend the sum of €6,094,742 on the construction of a Trade Centre on part of the Mahon lands. This provision was subject to a Trade Centre Agreement being negotiated. The sale of the Mahon lands was subject to planning permission being secured. This proved to be a protracted process and meant that the sale was not concluded until December 2002.

Items to be negotiated under the Trade Centre Agreement included:

- (a) Agreement as to whether the land upon which the Trade Centre is to be built should be demised by lease and if so what terms and conditions should attach thereto.
- (b) Arrangements by which the City Council may exercise an option to acquire the Trade Centre, and all the interests therein, at an option cost or price not to exceed £100.
- (c) Arrangements for the management of the Trade Centre.

Since the provision of a Trade Centre was first put forward a momentum and a consensus have developed on the need to provide a Conference Centre in the city. Such a facility would be twice as large as the accommodation proposed for Mahon. The City Council would like to see such a Conference Centre located close to the City Centre and, in this regard, included an objective in the Local Area Plan for the North Docklands for the provision of a Conference Centre in the Kent Station area.

The City Council recently invited proposals from the private sector for the provision of a Conference Centre, ideally to be located within two to three kilometres of the city centre and in respect of which the Council is prepared to take an equity stake of up to 25% subject to a maximum of €12m. The closing date for submissions is the end of June 2007.

Arising from the desirability of securing a Conference Centre discussions seeking to reach agreement on a Trade Centre in Mahon were left in abeyance. The land for the proposed Trade Centre in Mahon is still undeveloped. No decision has been taken to terminate the provision of a Trade Centre.

In order to bring finality to the matter it will be necessary for the City Council and the purchasers of the Mahon lands to enter into formal discussions on a Trade

Centre Agreement. We must await the outcome of these negotiations before a final decision is made on the Trade Centre proposal.

In default of agreement being reached on the Trade Agreement the contract of sale provides for the payment of €6,094,742 to the City Council as an agreed fixed sum which is not subject to indexation.

On the issue of the land on which the Trade Centre was to be built the position is that the sale contract provided for the entire lands to be sold to the purchasers and subsequently the terms on which lands were to be provided for the Trade Centre were to be negotiated in the Trade Centre Agreement as referred to at (a) above. There is no provision for the return of lands to the City Council in the event of the Trade Centre not proceeding. The payment of €6,094.742 which was the money to be expended on the Trade Centre by purchasers was the agreed default situation.

The contract of sale is available for inspection by any member of the Council who wishes to do so.

This report is issued arising from questions submitted by two members of the Council. The City Council will be kept fully informed on the issue of the Trade Centre and no decision will be made prior to the Council having the opportunity to consider a report on the outcome of the negotiations on the Trade Centre Agreement.

### 3.6 **STATUS OF THE ROADWAY FROM SKEHARD RD TO CLOVER HILL HOUSE AND KILBRACK LAWN AND CLOVERLAWN**

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

To ask the City Manager what is the status of the roadway from the Skehard Road to Clover Hill House between Kilbrack Lawn and Cloverlawn. Is there a HGV restriction on this roadway and is it one-way exiting onto the Skehard Road as understood by the residents?

The road linking Skehard Road to Clover Hill House is a two-way roadway with no restrictions on Heavy Goods Vehicles (HGV). It is a very narrow laneway and it is used by the Parks Department of the Recreation and Amenity Directorate to access their nursery and by vehicles servicing the Clover Hill House pub/restaurant. It has been suggested that the roadway be made one-way because of its narrowness but this is not recommended because one-way systems can result in the following:

1. Increased traffic speeds in the one-way direction.
  2. Reduction in local accessibility by service vehicles (refuse collection, deliveries etc.). i.e. local journeys in a particular direction can be made more difficult
  3. Increased volumes of traffic in the direction of flow (becomes more attracted as a rat run in that particular direction.
  4. A less friendly environment for pedestrians because of the increased speeds.
- There are a series of small sharp ramps on the roadway and combined with the narrowness and the two-way system, the incidence of high speeds should be very low. There are currently no plans to change the current status of the roadway.

### 3.7 **PARKING AT BISHOPSTOWN HOUSE**

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

Bishopstown House and its courtyard is Cork City Council property leased to Bishopstown Community Association for community use, and in that context would it be possible to have the area fenced off and only allow parents and staff of St. Gabriel's Special School, the elderly members attending the Family Centre and the Tennis Club to park there during the daytime? Students from CIT are now using it almost exclusively and denying the above organisations (with handicapped and elderly people) of a place to park?

Discussions will be held with Bishopstown Community Association shortly to look at possible measures to control indiscriminate parking at Bishopstown Park House.

### 3.8 **TRADE CENTRE AT MAHON**

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

To ask the Manager to explain why in the case of the sale of the City Council land at Mahon, the bond of 6,094,742 agreed to in 1997 was not index linked.

When was the decision made not to proceed with the Trade Centre?

What development has taken place on the site proposed for the Trade Centre?

When exactly will the bond be claimed?

**See “Proposed Trade Centre Mahon” report as outlined in reply to question 3.5**

### 3.9 **FISHERIES PROTECTION AND MANAGEMENT OF THE LOUGH**

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

In light of the recent situation whereby a licence was granted for the removal and transportation of 250 Carp from the Lough, to two individuals by the Department of the Marine with the consultation of the Southern Fisheries Board, without the expressed permission of the lake owner, namely Cork City Council;

Does the City Manager now consider it advisable in the interest of proper fisheries protection and management of The Lough, that Council would now correspond to the Department of the Marine and request that they change the current licensing system to one which can only be granted when written approval from the owner of the fisheries water is obtained?

It is the Councils understanding that the Department of the Marine only granted a licence to transport carp from the Lough to fisheries in Cavan and Monaghan, following consultation with the South West Regional Fisheries Board, and that the licence stipulates that the consent of the lake owner must be sought prior to any fish being removed. In this case, the City Council were not consulted at any stage in relation to the proposal to remove carp, but immediately instructed the removal operation cease when brought to our attention. Evidence of the agreement of the facility owner, in this case the City Council, should be produced when applying for a licence and the matter will be taken up with the Department to prevent any further such incidences.

### 3.10 **PRESENTATION AND COLLECTION OF DEMESTIC REFUSE**

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



To ask the Manager if he is satisfied that the current arrangements re the presentation and collection of domestic refuse is achieving the intended outcome – in respect of dwellings rented (multiple) or if some more tailored specific system needs to be put in place?

The legal obligations of owners of rented accommodation in respect of waste are set out in the Waste Management Act 1996. Cork City Council takes appropriate action under the Litter Pollution Acts 1997 to 2003 against either the occupier or the owner, as appropriate, of private rented accommodation where domestic refuse is presented for collection in such a manner as to be considered litter. This could consist of *inter alia* overloaded wheel bins, plastic sacks, incorrect day or time etc. it should be noted that where a rented premises comprises more than one dwelling the owner of such premises is obliged to keep the land free of litter that is to any extent visible from a public place.

### 3.11 **CONVICTIONS FOR LITTER OFFENCES**

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

With regard to the ongoing illegal dumping of rubbish in the city.

How many successful convictions for Litter Offences did Cork City Council Environment Department have in 2005/2006 and January to April 2007?

<b>Year Imposed</b>	<b>Fines Imposed</b>	<b>Range of Fines Imposed</b>	<b>Range of Legal Costs Imposed</b>	<b>Range of Clean Up Costs</b>
2005	4	125 to 500 Euro	None	None
2006	18	20 to 500 Euro	None	None
2007 (to 31 <sup>st</sup> March)	33	120 to 600 Euro	50 to 100 Euro	75 to 200 Euro

### 4. **SECTION 85 AGREEMENT WITH CORK COUNTY COUNCIL – DOUGLAS SHOPPING CENTRE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the City Manager dated 19<sup>th</sup> April, 2007 on the Section 85 Agreement with Cork County Council in relation to Douglas Shopping Centre.

The report of the City Manager stated that:-

1. Canmont Limited (hereinafter called 'the Developer') intends to carry out renovations and extensions to Douglas Village Shopping Centre ('the proposed development');
2. Seventy five per cent of the proposed development is situated in the County of Cork and twenty five per cent of the proposed development is situated in the City of Cork;
3. The Developer has made separate applications for Fire Safety Certificates in respect of the proposed development to Cork County Council (reference 06/11346) and to Cork City Council (reference 06/31315);
4. Cork City Council believes that there will be much overlap of work for Cork County Council and Cork City Council if the said respective applications are to be assessed separately by each Authority and is of the opinion that its function in respect of the consideration of said application reference 06/31315 and the grant or refusal of a fire safety certificate in accordance with the provisions of the Building Control Regulations 1997 should be performed on its behalf by Cork County Council it being able and willing to perform the said function. To facilitate the performance by Cork County Council of the function of Cork City Council with respect to the foregoing application, Cork City Council hereby resolves to make an agreement with Cork County Council for the purposes of Section 85 of the Local Government Act, 2001.

On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Corr, seconded by Comhairleoir D. Wallace, An Chomhairle also adopted the following resolution:-

**'RESOLVED** in accordance with Section 85 of the Local Government Act 2001, that Cork City Council enter into an agreement with Cork County Council for the purpose of facilitating the granting of a Fire Safety Certificates in relation to the proposed development at Douglas Village Shopping Centre.'

5. **DRAFT ANNUAL REPORT 2006**

An Chomhairle approved the Draft Annual Report 2006.

6. **CORPORATE POLICY GROUP – 16<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2007**

6.1 **FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2007**

An Chomhairle approved the Financial Statement to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2007.

## 6.2 **POLICY – LEGAL AND FINANCIAL ADVICE**

An Chomhairle considered the report of the Corporate Policy Group on the following motion which was referred to the Group by An Chomhairle:

‘That Cork City Council consider the position and adopt a policy in relation to the benefits of Councillors having available to them independent Legal and Financial advice in relation to matters brought before Council by officials of Cork City Council e.g. Disposals, Estimates, Material Contraventions of Development Plan etc.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. Brosnan 07/136)

Following discussion, An Chomhairle agreed to refer the motion back to the Corporate Policy Group for further consideration.

## 7. **RECREATION AMENITY & CULTURE FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE – 16<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2007**

### 7.1 **PART 8 REPORT ON MARDYKE SKATEPARK**

On the proposal of Comhairleoir C. Burke, seconded by Comhairleoir T. Shannon An Chomhairle approved the proposed development of a concrete skatepark at the Mardyke, adjacent to the new Mardyke Bridge on the Slí Cumann na mBan, and the report of the Director of Services dated 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2007 thereon.

The report of the Director of Services stated that it is intended to construct a concrete skatepark at the Mardyke, adjacent to the new Mardyke Bridge on the Slí Cumann na mBan. The proposal was advertised in the Irish Examiner on 24<sup>th</sup> January, 2007 in accordance with Part 8 of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Regulations, 2001, with no submissions being received by closing date of 9<sup>th</sup> March 2007 for same.

Tenders have been received in relation to the project and consultation has taken place with skaters and BMX bikers who are very happy both with the location and design of the park, the concrete facility being the most favoured by skaters and being provided by other local authorities such as Waterford City Council, South Dublin County Council (Lucan) and Dublin City Council (Bushy Park). Work is expected to commence in the coming weeks, cost €200K with the park scheduled to open by mid Summer. The proposal is in accordance with proper planning and development of the area enhancing an existing open space.

7.2 **PART 8 REPORT ON VEHICULAR ACCESS TO ST. ANN'S PARK, SHANDON**

On the proposal of Comhairleoir J. Kelleher, seconded by Comhairleoir D. Wallace, An Chomhairle approved the proposal to develop a vehicular access to St. Ann's Park from Eason's Hill, with a small car park area to accommodate three cars, and the report of the Director of Services dated 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2007 thereon.

Comhairleoir M. Barry requested that his objection to the report be noted.

The report of the Director of Services stated that in order to facilitate Church activities it is proposed to develop a vehicular access to St. Ann's Park from Easons Hill, with a small car park area to accommodate three cars. The proposed works will allow hearses access the Church and also accommodate disabled access to the Church. In accordance with Part 8 (Article 81) of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Regulations 2001, the proposal was advertised in the Irish Examiner on the 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2007, with the 16<sup>th</sup> March 2007 being the closing date for submissions in relation to same. As the works include development within the curtilage of a Protected Structure, a copy of the plans were also forwarded to the City Conservation Officer, City Archaeologist, The Heritage Council, and the Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government.

One submission was received from a Kieran Hoare by the 16<sup>th</sup> March, with a further submission from a Nicolas Sanquest on the 11<sup>th</sup> April 2007.

Both Mr. Hoare and Mr. Sanquest object to filling in of open space to provide car park spaces, and state that the proposed development will detract from the quality of life of the people of the area. The present parks at Shandon adjoining St. Ann's have been enhanced recently, with St. Ann's Park scheduled to open shortly providing a valuable amenity for the people of the area, with the proposed works occupying only a small portion of the site, the Church authorities giving the park area to the Council for the benefit of the wider community, but needing access to the Church.

The Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government have responded to the Council in relation to archaeological recommendations, such as pre development tests and these will be complied with.

The City's Conservation Officer and Archaeologist have been consulted prior to completion of plans for the works to minimise the effect on the graveyard. The proposal is in accordance with proper planning and development of the area contributing to the long term sustainable use of the building.

### 7.3 **IMPROVE – ROAD SURFACE MURPHY’S FARM AND BISHOPSTOWN HOUSE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 16<sup>th</sup> April 2007 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘That Cork City Council would immediately as part of the overall development of Murphy’s Farm and Bishopstown House carry out a development programme of works to include complete resurfacing of the parking area and to improve the road surface in the area adjacent to the house.’

(Proposer: Cllr J. Buttimer 06/561)

The report of the Director of Services stated that Murphy’s Farm measures approximately 40 acres and extends northwards from the Curraheen Estate along the Curraheen River to the Tennis Village at Model Farm Road.

Facilities include 4 no. sports pitches, 18 hole pitch and putt, Scout Hall, riverside walks and informal open areas.

Three major recreational projects: (a) Sports changing pavilion, (b) Pitch & Putt Pavilion (c) Parks Depot are well advanced at present and scheduled to be completed by early summer. The total cost of these projects is €1,350,000.00.

The riverside walk (approx. 2 miles) along the Curraheen river from the Tennis Village to Curraheen Road is scheduled to be widened and upgraded to a cycle/walkway during 2007, funding is in place for this work.

The upgrading of other areas and the provision of additional facilities have been identified and costed and these are as follows:

- (1). Upgrade access road and car park - €195,000.00.
- (2). Construct Playground, MUGA and Informal Play Area - €474,000.00.

Works will involve enclosing an open area adjacent to Curraheen Estate and the School, earthworks, provision of pathways, play equipment and MUGA.

Total cost of (1) and (2) is estimated at €670,000.00. Grant Aid of €150,000.00 has been secured for the provision of play equipment and MUGA, this leaves a balance of €520,000.00 to be funded by the Council. There is no provision in the 2007 Parks Capital Budget for these works.

#### 7.4 **LIGHTING & FOOTPATHS – BISHOPSTOWN HOUSE**

An Chomhairle approved the report of the Director of Services dated 16<sup>th</sup> April 2007 on the following motion which was referred to the Committee by An Chomhairle:-

‘Upgrade courtyard and car park; provide adequate lighting and footpaths at Bishopstown House, Murphy’s Farm, Bishopstown’

Bishopstown House and the scout hall attached are used by many groups especially young boy scouts, youth club members, tennis club members etc and the courtyard and car parks are in a very dangerous condition due mainly to large pot holes full of water. Children have to find their way around these obstacles in the dark as the public lighting is totally inadequate.

High visibility lighting is necessary from a safety viewpoint and also to discourage anti social behaviour in the area. It is imperative these works are carried out as a matter of urgency.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Shields 07/015)

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8. **CORRESPONDENCE**

An Chomhairle noted correspondence.

9. **CONFERENCES**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance at the following Conferences:-

9.1 **LAMA ANNUAL SPRING CONFERENCE – “MEETING THE CHALLENGE – PROVIDING THE SOLUTIONS” NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2007 – 2013**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoirí F. Dennehy, C. Clancy and T. O’Driscoll at the LAMA Annual Spring Conference – “Meeting the Challenge-Providing the Solutions” National Development Plan 2007 – 2013 held in the Gleneagle Hotel, Killarney, Co. Kerry on the 12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup> April 2007.

9.2 **LAST CALL FOR RURAL PLANNING**

An Chomhairle approved the attendance of Comhairleoir D. McCarthy at the Last Call for Rural Planning Conference held in the Brehon Hotel, Killarney, Co. Kerry on the 18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> April 2007.

10. **MOTIONS DEFERRED FROM ORDINARY MEETING OF AN CHOMHAIRLE HELD ON 10<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2007**

10.1 **MARKETING FUNDING – TOURISM UNITED STATES**

**An Chomhairle approved the following motion**

‘That Cork City Council calls for any marketing funding that’s made available to promote tourism in the United States to be distributed on a fair and equitable basis to each region in the country.

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O’ Driscoll 07/126)

10.2 **PLAQUE/MONUMENT – CANTY’S FIELD**

An Chomhairle considered the following motion:-

‘That this Council agrees that the plaque/monument at Canty’s Field, Connaught Avenue, be re-dedicated to specifically commemorate those who fought in Major McBrides Brigade in the Boer War to establish freedom and democracy in South Africa and afterwards returned to Ireland to fight under Major McBride in the Irish Republican Army at the Easter Rising for our own freedom.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. O’ Connell 07/135)

It was agreed to refer the motion to the Monument Committee for consideration.

10.3 **BUS SERVICE NUMBER 10**

**An Chomhairle approved the following motion**

‘That Cork City Council calls on Bus Eireann not to remove the bus service number 10 thorough the estates of Clashduv, Riverview, Summerstown and Sandymount.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 07/140)

11. **MOTIONS**

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

11.1 **TRAFFIC LIGHTS ON KIELY’S CORNER**

‘That Cork City Council re-adjust the traffic lights on Kiely’s corner to allow traffic up Scabeg while traffic is coming down.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 06/276)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

11.2 **FOOTPATHS AT SARAHVILLE PLACE**

‘That Cork City Council repair the footpaths outside 5 and 6 Sarahville Place and also the footpath between 1 to 55 Plunkett Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. S. Martin 06/277)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**



### 11.3 **TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES – CATHEDRAL WALK**

‘That Cork City Council Roads Department include Traffic Calming measures in the Road Resurfacing Programme 2007 for Cathedral Walk.

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Clancy 07/132)

#### **Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

### 11.4 **SPEED RAMPS ON MOUNT EDEN ROAD**

‘That speed ramps be located on Mount Eden Road and that traffic lights be placed at the junction of Mount Eden Road and Cathedral Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. P. Gosch 07/144)

#### **Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

### 11.5 **RESURFACE O’CONNELL CRESCENT**

‘That Cork City Council will as part of its ongoing Roadworks Programme in the Turner’s Cross area resurface O’Connell Crescent.’

(Proposer: Cllr. C. Lynch 07/145)

#### **Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

### 11.6 **STEPS CONNECTING WELLINGTON ROAD AND SIDNEY PARK**

‘That the “unnamed” steps connecting Wellington Road and Sidney Park be officially named as Sidney Steps and that appropriate designating signs would be erected in both cases and that the roadway connecting Wellington Road to Sidney Park be named Sidney Drive.’

(Proposer: Cllr. M. Quill 07/146)

#### **Recreation Amenity & Culture Functional Committee**

### 11.7 **FOOTPATHS ON SARAHVILLE PLACE**

‘That the former green areas adjacent to the footpaths on Sarahville Place be reinstated or resurfaced as they are presently in an unsightly dangerous condition.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O’Driscoll 07/147)

#### **Recreation, Amenity & Culture Functional Committee**

11.8 **TRAFFIC CALMING ON CONNAUGHT AVENUE**

‘That Connaught Avenue be included in the 2008 Traffic Calming Programme.’

(Proposer: Cllr. T. O’Driscoll 07/148)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

11.9 **FENCING FOR IMAAL COURT AND AVOCA CRESCENT**

‘That the City Council would as a matter of urgency carry on the palisade fencing to Imaal Court and Avoca Crescent to completely block access to the dangerous cliff fall that leads to Gouldings Glen. This is a danger to the health and safety of the people living in the area. It is also being used for illegal dumping and anti-social behaviour.’

(Proposer: Cllr. A. Spillane 07/150)

**Recreation Amenity & Culture Functional Committee**

11.10 **TRAFFIC CALMING AT UPPER LOTABEG ROAD**

‘That the City Council would carry out traffic calming measures at Upper Lotabeg Road. That the Council would carry out an immediate assessment and report back to Council on what type of traffic calming would be most appropriate for this area.’

(Proposer: Cllr. A. Spillane 07/151)

**Roads & Transportation Functional Committee**

11.11 **ROAD MARKINGS AT THE CURRAHEEN RD. & MELBOURN RD. JUNCTION**

‘That Cork City Council would as a matter of priority upgrade the road markings at the Junction of Curraheen Road and Melbourn Road.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 07/152)

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11.12 **OWNERSHIP OF LAND AT GLENDALE ESTATE**

‘That Cork City Council would (1) engage in discussion with the residents of Glendale Estate regarding issue of ownership of lands at rear of gardens by River and (2) as a matter of priority clean up the Glasheen River and its banks.’

(Proposer: Cllr. J. Buttimer 07/153)

**Recreation Amenity & Culture Functional Committee**

This concluded the business of the meeting.

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