COMHAIRLE CONTAE CHORCAÍ

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**Minutes of Proceedings at Meeting of Cork County Council held in the Council Chamber, County Hall, Cork on 24th June, 2019**

**I LATHAIR**

Comhairleoir ,Cristóir Ó Suilleabháin Méara Chontae

Uí Chochláin G, Ó Murchú Caoimhín, Ó Suilleabháin Seán, Uí Shuilleabháin Máire, Ó Coileáin Dónal, Ó Murchú Pádraig Gearóid, Uí Mhurchú Cáit, Mac Craith, Ui Daltún, Lombard, Uí Bhuachalla, Ó Conchubair Liam, Daltún Ó Suilleabháin, Ó Suilleabháin Pádraig, Barra, Sheppard, Rasmussen, Ó Conchubair Séan, Ó Conchubair Alan, MacCarthaigh Nollaig, Ó Floinn, Ui Bhriain, Ó Laoghaire, Dawson, De Róiste, Ó Muineacháin B, Ó Dubhghaill, Ó Sé Séan Pól, Ó Murchú Gearóid, Críod, Ní Mhuineacháin G, Ó Luanaigh, Ó Cochláin M, Uí Loinsigh, Ó Luasa, Ó hAodha Padraig, Ó Murchú Gearóid, Ó Cinnéide, Ó Madaoin, Ó Sé T, Léineacháin Ui Foghlú, O Coileáín Nollaig, Ó Héigeartaigh, Ó Conchubair Séamus, Uí Thuama, MacCarthaigh Susan, Mac Uaid, Ó Suilleabháin Cristóir, Ó Cearbhaill, Ó Muirthile, Uí Chaochlaoich.

**PRESENT**

Councillor, Christopher O’Sullivan, County Mayor presided.

Councillors G Coughlan, Kevin Murphy, J O’Sullivan, M O’Sullivan, Collins, PG Murphy, Katie Murphy, McGrath, D’Alton, Lombard, Buckley, O’ Connor L, Dalton – O’Sullivan, O’Sullivan P, Barry, Sheppard, Rasmussen, O’Connor S, O’Connor A, McCarthy, O’Flynn, O’Brien, O’ Leary, Dawson, Roche, Moynihan B, Doyle, O’Shea J.P, Murphy Gerard, Creed, Moynihan G, Looney, Coughlan M, Lynch, Lucey, Hayes Pat, Murphy Gearóid, Kennedy, Madden, O’Shea T, Linehan-Foley, Collins N, Hegarty, O’Connor J, Twomey, McCarthy S, Quaide, O’Sullivan C, Carroll, Hurley, Coakley.

Chief Executive, Senior Executive Officer.

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**1/6-2**

Proposed by Councillor Michael Hegarty

Seconded by Councillor Noel McCarthy

**RESOLVED:**

“That the minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 7th June 2019, be confirmed and signed by the Mayor.”

Proposed by Councillor Michael Hegarty

Seconded by Councillor Kay Dawson

**RESOLVED:**

“That the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 10th June 2019, be confirmed and signed by the Mayor.”

**VOTES OF SYMPATHY**

**2/6-2**

TO: Councillor Holly Cairns on the death of her step-brother, Sam

TO: Bernie Kelly on the death of her husband, Councillor Manus Kelly

TO: Marie Sheehan on the death of her uncle, John

**STATUTORY BUSINESS**

**3(a)/6-1**

**Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001:**

Members noted the following disposal.

**MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF CARRIGALINE**

**Section 179(3) of the Planning & Development Act, 2000 (As amended)**

* Notice under Article 179(3) of the Planning & Development Act 2000, Construction of 15 No. Residential Units Ferney Road, Kilnagleary, Carrigaline, Co. Cork

Proposed by Councillor Aidan Lombard

Seconded by Councillor Kevin Murphy

During the discussion Members made the following points:

* Welcome amendments to include downstairs bedrooms
* 10% is a small number but very effective
* Should form part of policy for all schemes
* Can members be notified of any further developments in Kilnagleary as further lands are owned by Cork County Council.

**4. APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES:**

**4/6-2**

**L.C.DC NORTH**

Four vacancies to be filled.

**Group 1:** Councillor John Paul O’Shea proposed Councillor Gerard Murphy, seconded by Councillor Michael Hegarty

**Group 2:** Councillor Seamus McGrath proposed Councillor Bernard Moynihan, seconded by Councillor Frank O’Flynn

**Nominations** were called for the Full Council Vacancies: Two number.

Councillor John Paul O’Shea proposed Councillor John Paul O’Shea, seconded by Councillor Michael Hegarty.

Councillor Seamus McGrath proposed Councillor Gearóid Murphy and Councillor Pat Hayes, seconded by Frank O’Flynn

The Mayor called for a vote to be taken to fill the 3rd position which resulted as follows:

**For Councillor John Paul O’Shea: Councillors:** Murphy Kevin, O’Sullivan J, O’Sullivan M, Murphy Katie, Lombard, O’Connor L, Barry, Sheppard, McCarthy N, Dawson, O’Shea J.P, Murphy Gerard, Creed, Lynch, Lucey, Madden, O’Shea T, Collins N, Hegarty, McCarthy S, Coakley.

**[21]**

**For Councillor Gearóid Murphy:**

**[0]**

**For Councillor Pat Hayes: Councillors:** Collins D, Murphy PG, McGrath, Buckley, D’Alton- O’Sullivan, O’Sullivan P, Rasmussen, O’Connor S, O’Flynn, O’Brien, O’Leary, Roche, Moynihan B, Doyle, Moynihan G, Looney, Coughlan M, Hayes Pat, Murphy Gearóid, O’Connor J, O’Sullivan C, Carroll, Hurley.

**[23]**

**Abstain: Councillors:** D’Alton, O’Connor A, Twomey, Quaide

**[4]**

The Mayor declared Councillor Pat Hayes nominated to fill the **3rd** position on L.C.D. C North.

The Mayor called for a vote to be taken to fill the final position which resulted as follows:

**For Councillor John Paul O’Shea: Councillors:** Murphy Kevin, O’Sullivan J, O’Sullivan M, Murphy Katie, Lombard, O’Connor L, Barry, Sheppard, McCarthy N, Dawson, O’Shea J.P, Murphy Gerard, Creed, Lynch, Lucey, Madden, O’Shea T, Collins N, Hegarty, McCarthy S, Coakley.

**[21]**

**For Councillor Gearóid Murphy: Councillors:** Collins Danny, Murphy P.G, McGrath, Buckley, Dalton-O’Sullivan, O’Sullivan P, Rasmussen, O’Connor S, O’Flynn, O’Brien, O’Leary, Moynihan B, Doyle, Moynihan G, Looney, Coughlan M, Hayes Pat, Murphy Gearóid, O’Connor J, O’Sullivan C, Carroll, Hurley.

**[22]**

**Abstain: Councillors:** D’Alton, O’Connor A, Roche, Twomey, Quaide

**[5]**

The Mayor declared Councillor Gearóid Murphy nominated to take the final position on the L.C.D.C North.

The Mayor declared the following four members appointed to the L.C.D.C North Councillor Gerard Murphy, Councillor Bernard Moynihan, Councillor Pat Hayes and Councillor Gearóid Murphy.

**L.C.DC SOUTH**

Four vacancies to be filled.

**Group 1:** Councillor John Paul O’Shea proposed Councillor Michael Hegarty, seconded by Councillor Kevin Murphy

**Group 2:** Councillor Seamus McGrath proposed Councillor Seamus McGrath, seconded by Councillor Frank O’Flynn

**Nominations** were called for the Full Council Vacancies: Two number.

Councillor John Paul O’Shea proposed Councillor Susan McCarthy, seconded by Councillor Michael Hegarty

Councillor Declan Hurley proposed Councillor Marcia D’Alton, seconded by Councillor Martin Coughlan

Councillor Seamus McGrath proposed Councillor Cathal Rasmussen, seconded by Councillor Frank O’Flynn

The Mayor called for a vote to be taken to fill the **3rd** position which resulted as follows:

**For Councillor McCarthy S: Councillors**: Murphy Kevin, O’Sullivan J, O’Sullivan M, Murphy Katie, Lombard, O’Connor L, Barry, Sheppard, McCarthy N, Dawson, O’Shea J.P, Murphy Gerard, Creed, Lynch, Lucey, Madden, O’Shea T, Collins N, Hegarty, McCarthy S, Coakley

**[21]**

**For Councillor D’Alton: Councillors:** Collins D, Murphy P.G, McGrath, D’Alton, Buckley, D’Alton – O’Sullivan, O’Sullivan P, Rasmussen, O’Connor S, O’Connor A, O’Flynn, O’Brien, O’Leary, Roche, Moynihan B, Doyle, Moynihan G, Looney, Coughlan M, Hayes Pat, Murphy Gearóid, O’Connor J, Twomey, Quaide, O’Sullivan C, Carroll, Hurley.

**[27]**

**For Councillor Rasmussen: Councillors:**

**[0]**

**Abstain: Councillors:**

**[0]**

The Mayor declared Councillor Marcia D’Alton nominated to fill the **3rd** position to L.C.D.C South

The Mayor called for a vote to be taken to fill the final position which resulted as follows:

**For Councillor McCarthy S: Councillors:** Murphy Kevin, O’Sullivan J, O’Sullivan M, Murphy Katie, Lombard, O’Connor L, Barry, Sheppard, McCarthy N, Dawson, O’Shea J.P, Murphy Gerard, Creed, Lynch, Lucey, Madden, O’Shea T, Collins N, Hegarty, McCarthy S, Coakley.

**[21]**

**For Councillor Rasmussen: Councillors:** Collins D, Murphy P.G, McGrath, Buckley, D’Alton-O’Sullivan, O’Sullivan P, Rasmussen, O’Connor S, O’Flynn, O’Brien, O’Leary, Moynihan B, Doyle, Moynihan G, Looney, Coughlan M, Hayes Pat, Murphy Gearóid, O’Connor J, O’Sullivan C, Carroll, Hurley.

**[22]**

**Abstain: Councillors:** D’Alton, O’Connor A, Roche, Quaide

**[4]**

The Mayor declared Councillor Cathal Rasmussen nominated to take the final position on the L.C.D.C South.

The Mayor declared the following four members appointed to the L.C.D.C South Councillor Michael Hegarty, Councillor Seamus McGrath, Councillor Marcia D’Alton and Councillor Cathal Rasmussen.

**L.C.DC WEST**

Four vacancies to be filled.

**Group 1:** Councillor John Paul O’Shea proposed Councillor John O’Sullivan, seconded by Councillor Michael Hegarty

**Group 2:** Councillor Seamus McGrath proposed Councillor Patrick Gerard Murphy, seconded by Councillor Frank O’Flynn

**Nominations** were called for the Full Council Vacancies: Two number.

Councillor Declan Hurley proposed Councillor Declan Hurley and Councillor Alan Coleman seconded by Councillor Seamus McGrath

Councillor John Paul O’Shea proposed Councillor Marie O’Sullivan, seconded by Councillor

Councillor Michael Hegarty

The Mayor called for a vote to be taken to fill the **3rd** position which resulted as follows:

**For Councillor Hurley: Councillors**: Coughlan G, Collins D, Murphy P.G, McGrath, Buckley, D’Alton – O’Sullivan, O’Sullivan P, Rasmussen, O’Connor S, O’Flynn, O’Brien, O’Leary, Roche, Moynihan B, Doyle, Moynihan G, Looney, Coughlan M, Hayes Pat, Murphy Gearóid, O’Connor J, O’Sullivan C, Carroll, Hurley

**[24]**

**For Councillor Coleman: Councillor:**

**[0]**

**For Councillor O’Sullivan M: Councillors:** Murphy Kevin, O’Sullivan J, O’Sullivan M, Murphy Katie, Lombard, O’Connor L, Barry, Sheppard, McCarthy N, Dawson, O’Shea J.P, Murphy Gerard, Creed, Lynch, Lucey, Madden, O’Shea T, Collins N, Hegarty, McCarthy S, Coakley.

**[21]**

**Abstain: Councillors:** D’Alton, O’Connor A, Twomey, Quaide

**[4]**

The Mayor declared Councillor Declan Hurley nominated to fill the **3rd** position to L.C.D.C West

The Mayor called for a vote to be taken to fill the final position which resulted as follows:

**For Councillor Coleman:** Councillors: Coughlan G, Collins D, Murphy P.G, McGrath, Buckley, D’Alton- O’Sullivan, O’Sullivan P, Rasmussen, O’Connor S, O’Flynn, O’Brien, O’Leary, Roche, Moynihan B, Doyle, Moynihan G, Looney, Coughlan M, Hayes Pat, Murphy Gearóid, O’Connor J, O’Sullivan C, Carroll, Hurley.

**[24]**

**For Councillor O’Sullivan M: Councillors:** Murphy Kevin, O’Sullivan J, O’Sullivan M, Murphy Katie, Lombard, O’Connor L, Barry, Sheppard, McCarthy N, Dawson, O’Shea J.P, Murphy Gerard, Creed, Lynch, Lucey, Madden, O’Shea T, Collins N, Hegarty, McCarthy S, Coakley

**[21]**

**Abstain: Councillors:** D’Alton, O’Connor A, Twomey, Quaide

**[4]**

The Mayor declared Councillor Alan Coleman nominated to take the final position on the L.C.D.C West.

The Mayor declared the following four members appointed to the L.C.D.C Councillor John O’Sullivan, Councillor Patrick Gerard Murphy, Councillor Declan Hurley and Councillor Alan Coleman.

**COASTAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

Fourteen vacancies to fill:

**Group 1**: Councillor John Paul O’Shea proposed Councillor Michael Hegarty, Councillor Karen Coakley, Councillor Liam O’Connor, Councillor Sinead Sheppard and Councillor Kevin Murphy, seconded by Councillor Michael Hegarty

**Group 2:** Councillor Seamus McGrath proposed Councillor Joe Carroll, Councillor James O’Connor, Councillor Christopher O’Sullivan and Councillor Audrey Buckley seconded by Councillor Frank O’Flynn

**Group 3:** Councillor Declan Hurley proposed Councillor Mary Linehan Foley and Councillor Danny Collins, seconded by Councillor Martin Coughlan

**Group 4:** Councillor Alan O’Connor proposed Councillor Holly Cairns, seconded by Councillor Danielle Twomey

**Nominations** were called for the Full Council Vacancies: Two number.

Councillor Seamus McGrath nominated Councillor Cathal Rasmussen, seconded by Frank O’Flynn

Councillor Declan Hurley nominated Councillor Marcia D’Alton, seconded by Councillor Martin Coughlan

The Mayor declared the following fourteen members appointed to the Coastal Management Committee: Councillor Michael Hegarty, Councillor Karen Coakley, Councillor Liam O’Connor, Councillor Sinead Sheppard, Councillor Kevin Murphy, Councillor Joe Carroll, Councillor James O’Connor, Councillor Christopher O’Sullivan, Councillor Audrey Buckley, Councillor Mary Linehan Foley, Councillor Danny Collins, Councillor Holly Cairns, Councillor Cathal Rasmussen and Councillor Marcia D’Alton.

**COUNTY LIBRARY COMMITTEE**

Eight vacancies (One from each Municipal District)

Group 1: Councillor John Paul O’Shea proposed Councillor Noel Collins, Councillor Noel McCarthy and Councillor Anthony Barry.

Group 2: Councillor Seamus McGrath proposed Councillor James O’Connor and Councillor Ian Doyle, seconded by Councillor Frank O’Flynn.

Group 3: Councillor Declan Hurley proposed Councillor Marcia D’Alton

**Nominations** were called for the Full Council Vacancies: Two number.

It was agreed to defer to fill the last two remaining positions on the Library Committee to Full Council on Monday 8th July.

**INTERNATIONAL & EUROPEAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

Thirteen vacancies to fill:

**Group 1:** Councillor John Paul O’Shea proposed Councillor Kay Dawson, Councillor Eileen Lynch, Councillor Susan McCarthy and Councillor Gerard Murphy, seconded by Councillor Michael Hegarty.

**Group 2:** Councillor Seamus McGrath proposed Councillor Frank O’Flynn, Councillor William O’Leary and Councillor Joe Carroll, seconded by Councillor Frank O’Flynn.

**Group 3:** Councillor Declan Hurley proposed Councillor Alan Coleman, seconded by Councillor Martin Coughlan.

**Group 4:** Councillor Alan O’Connor proposed Councillor Alan O’Connor, seconded by Councillor Danielle Twomey.

**Nominations** were called for the Full Council Vacancies: Four number.

Councillor Declan Hurley proposed Councillor Ben D’Alton-O’Sullivan, seconded by Councillor Martin Coughlan.

Councillor Seamus McGrath proposed Councillor Audrey Buckley, Councillor Ian Doyle and Councillor Gearóid Murphy.

The Mayor declared the following thirteen members Councillor Kay Dawson, Councillor Eileen Lynch, Councillor Susan McCarthy, Councillor Gerard Murphy, Councillor Frank O’Flynn, Councillor William O’Leary, Councillor Joe Carroll, Councillor Alan Coleman, Councillor Alan O’Connor, Councillor Ben D’Alton-O’Sullivan, Councillor Audrey Buckley, Councillor Ian Doyle and Councillor Gearóid Murphy.

**JOINT POLICING COMMITTEE:**

Fifteen members to be nominated **(At least one per each Municipal District)**

**Group 1:** Councillor John Paul O’Shea proposed Councillor Ted Lucey, Councillor Aidan Lombard, Councillor Kay Dawson, Councillor Karen Coakley and Councillor Kevin Murphy, seconded by Councillor Gerard Murphy.

**Group 2:** Councillor Seamus McGrath proposed Councillor Ian Doyle, Councillor Michael Looney, Councillor Sean O’Donovan and Councillor Gearóid Murphy, seconded by Councillor Frank O’Flynn.

**Group 3:** Councillor Declan Hurley proposed Councillor Frank Roche and Councillor Ben D’Alton – O’ Sullivan, seconded by Councillor Martin Coughlan.

**Group 4:** Councillor Liam Quaide proposed Councillor Danielle Twomey, seconded by Councillor Alan O’Connor.

**Nominations** were called for the Full Council Vacancies: Three number.

Councillor Seamus McGrath nominated Councillor Cathal Rasmussen, Councillor Joe Carroll and Councillor Deirdre O’Brien, seconded by Councillor Frank O’Flynn.

The Mayor declared the following members appointed to the Joint Policing Committee Councillor Ted Lucey, Councillor Aidan Lombard, Councillor Kay Dawson, Councillor Karen Coakley, Councillor Kevin Murphy, Councillor Ian Doyle, Councillor Michael Looney, Councillor Sean O’Donovan, Councillor Gearóid Murphy, Councillor Frank Roche, Councillor Ben D’Alton-O’Sullivan, Councillor Danielle Twomey, Councillor Cathal Rasmussen, Councillor Joe Carroll and Councillor Deirdre O’Brien.

**TRAVELLER CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE**

Eight vacancies to fill **(One per each Municipal District)**

Councillor John Paul O’Shea proposed to defer these appointments to each Municipal District to discuss further, seconded by Councillor Seamus McGrath.

**CASP JOINT POLICY COMMITTEE**

Ten vacancies to fill:

**Group1:** Councillor John Paul O’Shea proposed Councillor Noel McCarthy, Councillor Susan McCarthy and Councillor Liam Madden, seconded by Councillor Michael Hegarty

**Group 2:** Councillor Seamus McGrath proposed Councillor Seamus McGrath, Councillor Padraig O’Sullivan and Councillor Pat Hayes

**Group 3:** Councillor Declan Hurley proposed Councillor Marcia D’Alton, seconded by Councillor Martin Coughlan

**Nominations** were called for the Full Council Vacancies: Three number.

Councillor Alan O’Connor nominated Councillor Liam Quaide, seconded by Councillor Seamus McGrath.

Councillor Seamus McGrath nominated Councillor Gearóid Murphy, Councillor James O’Connor, seconded by Councillor Frank O’Flynn.

The Mayor declared the following 10 members appointed to CASP. Councillor Noel McCarthy, Councillor Susan McCarthy, Councillor Liam Madden, Councillor Seamus McGrath, Councillor Padraig O’Sullivan, Councillor Pat Hayes, Councillor Marcia D’Alton, Councillor Liam Quaide, Councillor Gearóid Murphy and Councillor James O’Connor.

**BOTTLEHILL LIAISON COMMITTEE**

Three vacancies (One from Fermoy, Cobh & Mallow LEA’s)

Councillor John Paul O’Shea proposed Councillor Noel McCarthy (Fermoy M.D), seconded by Councillor Michael Hegarty.

Nominations were called for the Full Council Vacancies: Two number.

Councillor Seamus McGrath nominated Councillor Padraig O’Sullivan (Cobh M.D) and Councillor Gearóid Murphy (Mallow M.D), seconded by Councillor Frank O’Flynn.

The Mayor declared the following three members appointed to the Bottlehill Liaision Committee Councillor Noel McCarthy, Councillor Padraig O’Sullivan and Councillor Gearóíd Murphy.

**AUDIT COMMITTEE**

Three vacancies to fill:

Councillor John Paul O’Shea proposed Councillor John O’Sullivan, seconded by Councillor Michael Hegarty

Nominations were called for the Full Council Vacancies: Two number.

Councillor Frank O’Flynn nominated Councillor Declan Hurley, seconded by Councillor Declan Hurley.

Councillor Seamus McGrath nominated Councillor James Kennedy, seconded by Cathal Rasmussen

The Mayor declared the following three members appointed to the Audit Committee Councillor John O’Sullivan, Councillor Declan Hurley and Councillor James Kennedy.

**CORK SPORTS PARTNERSHIP**

Three vacancies to fill:

Councillor John Paul O’Shea proposed Councillor Kay Dawson, seconded by Councillor Michael Hegarty.

Nominations were called for the Full Council Vacancies: Two number.

Councillor Seamus McGrath nominated Councillor Declan Hurley and Councillor Gobnait Moynihan, seconded by Councillor Frank O’Flynn.

The Mayor declared the following three members appointed to Cork Sports Partnership Councillor Kay Dawson, Councillor Declan Hurley and Councillor Gobnait Moynihan.

**MONUMENT COMMITTEE**

Eight vacancies to fill (One from each Municipal District)

**Group 1:** Councillor John Paul O’Shea proposed Councillor Kevin Murphy, Councillor Susan McCarthy and Councillor Liam Madden, seconded by Michael Hegarty

**Group 2:** Councillor Seamus McGrath proposed Councillor Audrey Buckley and Councillor Michael Looney seconded by Councillor Frank O’Flynn

**Group 3:** Councillor Declan Hurley proposed Councillor Danny Collins, seconded by Councillor Martin Coughlan.

**Nominations** were called for the Full Council Vacancies: Two number.

Councillor Danielle Twomey nominated Councillor Alan O’Connor, seconded by Councillor Liam Quaide.

Councillor Seamus McGrath nominated Councillor Deirdre O’Brien, seconded by Councillor Frank O’Flynn.

The Mayor declared the following eight members appointed to Monuments Committee Councillor Kevin Murphy, Councillor Susan McCarthy, Councillor Liam Madden, Councillor Audrey Buckley, Councillor Michael Looney, Councillor Danny Collins, Councillor Alan O’Connor and Councillor Deirdre O’Brien.

**COMMEMORATION COMMITTEE**

Eleven vacancies to fill:

**Group 1:** Councillor John Paul O’Shea proposed Councillor Eileen Lynch, Councillor Anthony Barry, Councillor Noel McCarthy and Councillor Susan McCarthy, seconded by Councillor Michael Hegarty

**Group 2:** Councillor Seamus McGrath proposed Councillor Frank O’Flynn, Councillor Gobnait Moynihan and Councillor Ian Doyle, seconded by Councillor Frank O’Flynn.

**Group 3:** Councillor Declan Hurley proposed Councillor Declan Hurley, seconded by Councillor Martin Coughlan

**Group 4:** Councillor Danielle Twomey proposed Councillor Paul Hayes, seconded by Councillor Liam Quaide

**Nominations** were called for the Full Council Vacancies: Two number.

Councillor Declan Hurley nominated Councillor Alan Coleman, seconded by Councillor Martin Coughlan.

Councillor Seamus McGrath nominated Councillor Deirdre O’Brien, seconded by Councillor Frank O’Flynn.

The Mayor declared the following eleven members appointed to the Commemoration Committee Councillor Eileen Lynch, Councillor Anthony Barry, Councillor Noel McCarthy, Councillor Susan McCarthy, Councillor Frank O’Flynn, Councillor Gobnait Moynihan, Councillor Ian Doyle, Councillor Declan Hurley, Councillor Paul Hayes, Councillor Alan Coleman and Councillor Deirdre O’Brien.

**WEST CORK ISLAND INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE**

Senior Executive Officer gave the following information to all West Cork Members:

All West Cork Members are invited to attend the West Cork Island Interagency Committee.

**THE FOLLOWING VACANCIES WILL ALL BE FILLED BY FULL COUNCIL NOMINATIONS:**

**ÚDARÁS NA GAELTACTA**

One vacancy to be filled by Full Council Nomination:

Councillor Seamus McGrath proposed Councillor Gobnait Moynihan, seconded by Councillor Frank O’Flynn

Councillor John Paul O’Shea proposed Councillor Eileen Lynch, seconded by Councillor Michael Hegarty.

The Mayor called for a vote to be taken to fill the position which resulted as follows:

**For Councillor Moynihan G: Councillors**: Coughlan G, Collins D, Murphy P.G, McGrath, Buckley, D’Alton-O’Sullivan, O’Sullivan P, Rasmussen, O’Connor S, O’Flynn, O’Brien, O’Leary, Moynihan B, Doyle, Moynihan G, Looney, Coughlan M, Hayes Pat, Murphy Gearóid, O’Connor J, O’Sullivan C, Carroll, Hurley

**[23]**

**For Councillor Lynch: Councillors:** Murphy Kevin, O’Sullivan J, O’Sullivan M, Murphy Katie, Lombard, O’Connor L, Barry, Sheppard, McCarthy N, Dawson, O’Shea J.P, Murphy Gerard, Creed, Lynch, Lucey, Madden, O’Shea T, Collins N, Hegarty, McCarthy S, Coakley.

**[21]**

**Abstain: Councillors:** D’Alton, O’Connor A, Roche, Twomey, Quaide

**[5]**

The Mayor declared Councillor Gobnait Moynihan appointed to Údarás na Gaeltacta.

**SOUTHERN REGIONAL DRUG & ALCOHOL TASK FORCE**

One vacancy to be filled by Full Council Nomination:

Councillor Seamus McGrath proposed Councillor Gobnait Moynihan, seconded by Councillor Frank O’Flynn

Councillor John Paul O’Shea nominated Councillor Kay Dawson, seconded by Councillor Michael Hegarty.

The Mayor called for a vote to be taken to fill this position which resulted as follows:

**For Councillor Moynihan G: Councillors**: Coughlan G, Collins D, Murphy P.G, McGrath, Buckley, D’Alton-O’Sullivan, O’Sullivan P, Rasmussen, O’Connor S, O’Flynn, O’Brien, O’Leary, Moynihan B, Doyle, Moynihan G, Looney, Coughlan M, Hayes Pat, Murphy Gearóid, O’Connor J, O’Sullivan C, Carroll, Hurley.

**[23]**

**For Councillor Dawson : Councillors:** Murphy Kevin, O’Sullivan J, O’Sullivan M, Murphy Katie, Lombard, O’Connor L, Barry, Sheppard, McCarthy N, Dawson, Roche, O’Shea J.P, Murphy Gerard, Creed, Lynch, Lucey, Madden, O’Shea T, Collins N, Hegarty, McCarthy S, Coakley.

**[22]**

**Abstain: Councillors:** D’Alton, O’Connor A, Twomey, Quaide

**[4]**

The Mayor declared Councillor Gobnait Moynihan appointed to Southern Regional Drug and Alcohol Task Force.

**IRISH PUBLIC BODIES**

One vacancy to be filled by Full Council Nomination:

Councillor Cathal Rasmussen proposed Councillor James Kennedy, seconded by Councillor Seamus McGrath

Councillor John Paul O’Shea proposed Councillor Noel McCarthy, seconded by Councillor Michael Hegarty

The Mayor called for a vote to be taken to fill this position which resulted as follows:

**For Councillor Kennedy: Councillors**: Coughlan G, Collins D, Murphy P.G, McGrath, Buckley, D’Alton-O’Sullivan, O’Sullivan P, Rasmussen, O’Connor S, O’Flynn, O’Brien, O’Leary, Moynihan B, Doyle, Moynihan G, Looney, Coughlan M, Hayes Pat, Murphy Gearóid, O’Connor J, O’Sullivan C, Carroll, Hurley.

**[23]**

**For Councillor McCarthy N: Councillors:** Murphy Kevin, O’Sullivan J, O’Sullivan M, Murphy Katie, Lombard, O’Connor L, Barry, Sheppard, McCarthy N, Dawson, Roche, O’Shea J.P, Murphy Gerard, Creed, Lynch, Lucey, Madden, O’Shea T, Collins N, Hegarty, McCarthy S, Coakley.

**[22]**

**Abstain: Councillors:** D’Alton, O’Connor A, Quaide

**[3]**

The Mayor declared Councillor James Kennedy appointed to Irish Public Bodies.

**COBH HERITAGE TRUST**

One vacancy to be filled by Full Council Nomination:

Councillor Declan Hurley proposed Councillor Sean O’Connor, seconded by Councillor Martin Coughlan.

Councillor John Paul O’Shea proposed Councillor Sinead Sheppard, seconded by Councillor Michael Hegarty.

The Mayor called for a vote to be taken to fill this position which resulted as follows:

**For Councillor O’Connor S: Councillors**: Coughlan G, Collins D, Murphy P.G, McGrath, Buckley, D’Alton-O’Sullivan, O’Sullivan P, Rasmussen, O’Connor S, O’Flynn, O’Brien, O’Leary, Roche, Moynihan B, Doyle, Moynihan G, Looney, Coughlan M, Hayes Pat, Murphy Gearóid, Kennedy, O’Connor J, O’Sullivan C, Carroll, Hurley.

**[25]**

**For Councillor Sheppard: Councillors:** Murphy Kevin, O’Sullivan J, O’Sullivan M, Murphy Katie, Lombard, O’Connor L, Barry, Sheppard, McCarthy N, Dawson, O’Shea J.P, Murphy Gerard, Creed, Lynch, Lucey, Madden, O’Shea T, Collins N, Hegarty, McCarthy S, Coakley.

**[21]**

**Abstain: Councillors:** D’Alton, O’Connor A, Twomey, Quaide

**[4]**

The Mayor declared Councillor Sean O’Connor appointed to Cobh Heritage Trust.

**BOARD OF CORK OPERA HOUSE**

One vacancy to be filled by Full Council Nomination:

Councillor Seamus McGrath proposed Councillor Gearóid Murphy, seconded by Councillor Frank O’Flynn.

The Mayor declared Councillor Gearóid Murphy appointed to Board of Cork Opera House.

**BOARD OF VISIT CORK**

One vacancy to be filled by Full Council Nomination:

Councillor Declan Hurley proposed Councillor Alan Coleman, seconded by Councillor Martin Coughlan.

The Mayor declared Councillor Alan Coleman appointed to Board of Visit Cork.

**BOARD OF LEISURE WORLD**

One vacancy to be filled by Full Council Nomination:

Councillor Seamus McGrath proposed Councillor Audrey Buckley, seconded by Frank O’Flynn.

The Mayor declared Councillor Audrey Buckley appointed to Board of Leisure World.

**REPORTS & RECOMMENDATIONS OF OFFICERS**

**5. CHIEF EXECUTIVE’S MANAGEMENT REPORT TO COUNCIL**

**5/6-2**

1. Report of the Economic Development, Enterprise & Tourism Directorate for the period up to 31 March, 2019

Members noted the report of the Economic Development, Enterprise and Tourism Directorate.

1. Cork County Library Report for the period up to 31st March, 2019

Members welcomed this report and commended all Library staff.

**6. DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE**

Members agreed to defer this item to Full Council Meeting on Monday, 8th July

**NOTICE OF MOTION**

**COUNCILLOR NOEL COLLINS**

**7/6-2**

“That this Council call on Minister for Finance to amend the Valuation Act, 2001 to allow small – shopkeepers to improve, extend and reconstruct their shops without excess increase in valuations.”

During the discussion members made the following points:

* Valuation system is unfair, unjust and needs to be amended
* Appeal system is very rarely used

Members agreed to write to the Minister to amend the Valuation Act, 2001

**COUNCILLOR DANIELLE TWOMEY**

**8/5-2**

“That this Council will write to the Minister for Housing requesting he implement an immediate rent freeze on all areas within the County boundary currently not under the RPZ’s.”

During the discussion members made the following points:

* Supply and demand remains a huge issue nationally
* Increase pressure on working families
* Air B&B must also be looked at
* Entire Housing system must be assessed by Government.

Members agreed to write to the Minister to implement immediate rent freeze on all areas with Cork County boundary currently not under the RPZ’s.

**COUNCILLOR BEN D’ALTON O’SULLIVAN**

**9/6-2**

“In view of the growing waiting lists for Ophthalmology procedures in County Cork, that this Council writes to the Minister for Health and asks him to immediately recruit a consultant ophthalmologist to carry out ophthalmology procedures at an appropriate community hospital in County Cork.”

During the discussion members made the following points:

* Currently a 5 years waiting list for cataracts procedures
* Buses of people travelling to Belfast to avail of service
* Need a cataract specialist in Cork as 8 hour commute is too long for elderly
* Damning indictment of our health service that we cannot provide these services

Members agreed to write to the Minister to recruit a consultant ophthalmologist in Cork.

**COUNCILLOR LIAM QUAIDE**

**10/6-2**

“Noting the declaration of a climate and biodiversity emergency by Dáil Éireann and landmark reports of the United Nations on the economic, societal and existential threats posed by the ongoing crises of global warming, wildlife loss and environmental degradation, Cork Co. Council declares a climate and biodiversity emergency, shall establish a Climate and Biodiversity Emergency Committee comprised of elected members and environmental experts to meet within three months, whose remit would include prioritising sustainable transport and energy, along with flood protection and pollution mitigation measures; and furthermore prepares a Biodiversity Policy for Cork Co. Council to be presented to the Chamber for approval within six months.   
  
The Committee would represent a whole-organisation, time-tabled approach to these interlinked crises. The Committee would be proportionate in its composition and remit to the scale of those crises and the urgency of required actions.”

Members noted the response from Louis Duffy, Director of Services Environment Department which outlined as follows:

**RESPONSE:**

Many county councils are dealing with similar motions across the country at present. Globally there is considerable pressure to adopt such motions at every level in politics.

Three County Councils have declared a climate emergency following similar motions (Cork City, DLR and Wicklow). Clare County Council debated the matter on last Monday, with six motions on the matter. They decided to defer the matter to September when their Climate Change Strategy has been completed.

There is no real clarity on what the passing of such a motion will mean in practice. While it would certainly give an indication of Members intent on the matter, it would not provide any additional resources to deal with it. Resources required to deal with matters of climate change and biodiversity will only emerge by working closely with government departments and within the National Adaptation Framework which, among other matters, requires Local Authorities to produce a Climate Adaptation Strategy for their functional area. Working within this framework will allow the Council to develop appropriate measures and ensure that they are supported.

Our current work programme deals primarily with preparing a strategy for Climate Adaptation as is required by statute. Agreeing that Strategy with Council and delivering on the plan on time will engage all available resources within the Climate and energy team of the Council.

The All of Government Climate Action Plan was launched on Monday, 17th June. It covers all sectors and all aspects of Climate Change Action. It proposes a very significant role for the Local Authority Sector and will require extensive inter sectoral engagement before plans can be made and adopted. Many of the actions do not specifically reference the sector, but early examination of the plan indicates that they would not be deliverable without significant involvement of the LA sector.

The current motion covers climate action and diversity; it is quite extensive and crosses into a number of directorates. While our Environment Directorate is the lead on Climate Action, diversity matters are dealt with primarily through our Planning Directorate and all council operations directorates will be affected by the issues that will emerge from the adoption of our Climate Adaptation Strategy. There will be a need for a cross functional engagement to ensure effective action. The form of such engagement and any committees that are required to support and enhance it will become clearer over the next months as the Climate Adaptation Strategy is completed and we commence the development of broad mitigation planning.

**Councils Draft Climate Adaptation Strategy**

The Councils Draft Strategy will be for on the agenda of full Council at its next meeting on 8th July 2019. Council will be required to finalise the adoption of its Strategy by the 30th September 2019.

The Local Authority Adaptation Strategy takes on the role as the primary instrument at local level to:

1. Ensure a proper understanding of the key risks and vulnerabilities of climate change is attained
2. Advance the implementation of climate resilient adaptation actions in a planned and proactive manner
3. Ensure that climate adaptation considerations are mainstreamed into all plans and policies and integrated into all operations and functions of the Local Authority.

The draft strategy is based on extensive review, research and stakeholder engagement. The public consultation process will also inform the objectives and actions set out in the strategy. Once adopted, the Climate Adaptation Strategy will be the main instrument to achieve the over-arching commitment by Cork County Council towards a low carbon, climate resilient and sustainable environment.

This Climate Change Adaptation Strategy is the first of its type for Cork County Council. It is a high-level document designed to mainstream the issue of climate change in Local Authority plans, policies and operations. In order to prepare for the challenges of climate change and adapting to its effects, seven high level goals were identified:

* Local Adaptation Governance and Business Operations
* Infrastructure and Built Environment
* Landuse and Development
* Drainage and Flood Management
* Natural Resources and Cultural Infrastructure
* Community Health and Wellbeing
* Other Sectors and Agencies

The development of these high level goals, are supported by a number of objectives and actions that form that basis of the strategy.

**Recommended Approach**

The motion before Council calls for the establishment of a Climate and Biodiversity Emergency Committee, comprised of elected Members and environmental experts. While recognising that climate change and diversity are very significant matters to be addressed, it is recommended that the Council should await consideration of the Draft Climate Change Strategy on the 8th July, and its adoption before the end of September, following a period of public consultation, before making any firm decision on how Council would wish to proceed with the implementation of the actions that will emerge from this Strategy document.

In addition, the Council is to appoint a new Environment and Climate Change SPC and it would be prudent to position that Committee of Council as the lead Committee for dealing with such matters. The SPC also provides for external representatives to be approved by Council. It may also be prudent to allow that SPC to consider if there are any further structural additions to our well established Committee structures once the Climate Change strategy is adopted.

Louis Duffy

Director of Services, Environment

24th June, 2019

During the discussion members made the following points:

* Quoted concerns of Greta Thunberg
* The extinction of many species and food systems due to our over exploitation
* A Policy is needed and urgent action is required
* There is abuse and overuse of chemicals being used
* Best environmental principles must be given councils highest action and priority
* Cork could be a National and International model of best practice
* Appointment of Environment and Climate Action Biodiversity

The Chief Executive made the following comments:

* Recognise Climate Action is a significant issue
* Draft Climate Action Strategy and Adaptation Plan on Full Council Agenda 8th July and will need to go for public consultation and adopted by 30th September, 2019
* CPG should ensure that all policies are aligned
* All SPC Chairs have a responsibility to ensure the content of the Climate Action Plan will permeate all policy areas.
* We will place this on CPG agenda for consideration

**COUNCILLOR MARCIA D’ALTON**

**11/6-2**

“That the NTA would establish an office in Cork with the specific remit of furthering the development of an integrated public and sustainable transport network which contributes to environmental sustainability, social cohesion and economic progress in Metropolitan Cork and other urban areas outside of Dublin.”

During the discussion members made the following points:

* NTA doesn’t have a satisfactory interface with Councillors
* Current population of 220,000 generates an average of 820,000 trips each weekday
* Some 86% of trips to work in the Metropolitan area outside of the urban area are by car and Cork is grinding to a halt
* Improvements are being made but are slow
* Lack of integrated and accessible public transport system is contaminating our citizens
* An office in Cork is now essential
* Bring Cork City on board also

Members agreed to write to the Minister requesting the establishment of an office in Cork.

**Extension of time until 2.00pm:**

Proposed by Councillor Declan Hurley

Seconded by Councillor Michael Hegarty

Deputy Mayor assumed chairing of meeting at 1.30pm

**VOTES OF CONGRATULATIONS**

**12/6-1**

TO: All participants/state agencies/volunteers of Ironman

TO: James Sugrue on winning the British Amateur Golf Championship

TO: Ava Healy on winning U 14 Cork Football All Ireland Final winners

TO: James Fogarty, Niall Healy & Mary Hayes on the opening of Doneraile House & Gardens

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

**13/6-2**

**5G**

Councillor Kevin Murphy said a discussion with expertise is required on the introduction of 5G as it is hazardous to health and well being of citizens.

The Chief Executive suggested members all get briefed on potential benefits of 5G to the individual and economy also.

**Ethics Declarations – Newly Elected Councillors**

Mayor reminded Councillors of returning their Ethics Declarations by 12th July, 2019.

**This concluded the business of the Meeting**