



Comhairle Contae Chorcaí

Cork County Council

Minutes of Proceedings at Meeting of Cork County Council held in the Council Chamber, County Hall, Cork and by Microsoft Teams on Monday 11th November 2024

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Comhairleoir Mairtín O’Cochláin, Leas Mhéara Chontae

Comhairleoiri: Uí Bhambaire, Ó Coileáin S, Ó Colmáin, Uí Chochláin G, Ó Foghlú, Uí Shúilleabháin M, Ní Chróinín, Ó hArrahtáin, Ó Murchú PG, Daltún Ó Súilleabháin, Ó Fathaigh Ní Charthaigh U, Mac Craith, De Faoite, Barra, Mac Iorlla, Ó Finn, Ní Cheallacháin, Rasmussen, Mac Coitir, Mac Carthaigh N, Ó Donnchú, Ó Floinn, Ó Laoghaire, Ó Dubhghaill, Críod, Ó Luanaigh, Ó Luasa, Ó Haodha, Ní Heachthigheirn, Ó Buachalla S, Cocking, Ó Héighheartaigh, Léineacháin Uí Foghlú, Ó Maolchathaigh, Quaide, Ní Cheallaigh, Ó Seasnáin, Towse.

PRESENT

Councillor Martin Coughlan, Deputy County Mayor, presided.

Councillor: Bambury, Collins J, Coleman, Coughlan G, Foley, O’Sullivan M, Cronin, Harrington, Murphy PG, Dalton O’Sullivan, Fahy, McCarthy U, McGrath, White, Barry, Curley, Finn, O’Callaghan, Rasmussen, Cotter, McCarthy N, O’Donoghue, O’Flynn, O’Leary, Doyle, Creed, Looney, Lucey, Hayes, Ahern, Buckley J, Cocking, Hegarty, Linehan Foley, Mulcahy, Quaide, Kelly, Sexton, Towse.

Chief Executive, Divisional Managers, Senior Executive Officer, Corporate Services.

[a] CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES DEIMHNIÚ MIONTUAIRISCÍ

1/11-2

*Proposed by Cllr. Michael Hegarty
Seconded by Cllr. Finbarr Harrington*

RESOLVED:

“That the minutes of the Meeting held on 11th November 2024 be confirmed and signed by the Mayor.”

[b] VOTES OF SYMPATHY RÚN CHOMHBHRÓIN

2/11-2

TO: Catherine Buckley on the passing of her brother Billy Buckley

TO: Nora & Joe Morgan on the passing of their son Ger Morgan

TO: Marita Foster on the passing of her brother Dominic Foster.

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

To discuss the below motion put forward by the Western Committee.

“The Members of the Western Committee raised the proposed closure of the South Doc service in Clonakilty and highlighted the need for this service to remain. Members noted that transferring the service to Bandon would be detrimental to Clonakilty town, it would put increased pressure on ambulance services, and it was also noted that it would affect GP services who would have to deal with backlogs created from no South Doc service in the town. Members are calling for the decision to close the Clonakilty South Doc service to be revoked and they are requesting increased supports to be given by the HSE to allow the service to remain open.”

Proposed by Councillor Alan Coleman

Seconded by Councillor Deirdre Kelly

Members agreed to discuss this matter at the end of the meeting.

[c] STATUTORY BUSINESS

3. DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY SECTION 183 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2001:

3/11-2

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF KANTURK MALLOW:

Grant of Right of Way at Barna, Newtownshandrum, Charleville, Co. Cork

Situation: Grant of Right of Way at Barna, Newtownshandrum, Charleville, Co. Cork

Area: 26m Length X 6m Width approx.

From Whom Acquired: Registered to Cork County Council since 1949

Consideration: €1

4. “FURTHER TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 128E (4) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2001 AS AMENDED BY SECTION 36 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT REFORM ACT 2014, AND AS SPECIFICALLY PROVIDED FOR UNDER THE LOCAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REGULATIONS 2014 (GUIDELINES)”

4/11-2

Approval of the Members of Council is hereby sought to the following membership of Local Community Development Committees for the Divisions of North, South and West Cork.

Proposed by Councillor Deirdre Kelly

Seconded by Councillor Finbarr Harrington

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

5/11-2

POSSIBLE CLOSURE OF SOUTHDOC CLONAKILTY

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ambulance services, and it was also noted that it would affect GP services who would have to deal with backlogs created from no South Doc service in the town. Members are calling for the decision to close the Clonakilty South Doc service to be revoked and they are requesting increased supports to be given by the HSE to allow the service to remain open.”

During this discussion the Members made the following points:

- There are no assurances that this facility will be kept open.
- Same language used before previous closures of other facilities.
- Much needed service in Clonakilty.
- If this service is lost there will be over reliance on the West Cork Rapid Response.
- An extremely worrying situation.
- Primary care is essential.
- Will not be sustainable to centralise this service in Bandon.
- First responders are doing fantastic work.
- Clarity and assurances are needed.

Members agreed to write to the Minister for Health, HSE and South Doc requesting clarity and assurances that this facility will not be closed.

**[1] ANY OTHER BUSINESS
AON GHNÓ EILE**

STORM BERT

6/11-2

Deputy Mayor, Cllr Martin Coughlan acknowledged the efforts of everyone involved in dealing with the impact of Storm Bert over the last few days. He particularly wanted to thank:

- Cork County Staff and the crews of outdoor staff.
- The Severe Weather Assessment Team.
- Cork County Councils Communication Team for the excellent public messaging.
- The Army, Gardaí, and Fire Service.

He added we are currently in a clean-up phase and are assessing damage. We will be seeking funding for any remedial works needed.

MEETING DATES

7/11-2

Karina Cremin informed members of the upcoming meeting dates:

Corporate Policy Group – 3rd of December 10.30am

Development Committee – 3rd of December 11.30am

Annual Budget Meeting – 4th of December 11am