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Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí



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# Mission Statement

We will be a responsive and innovative local authority, central to improving the quality of life in Cork and take the leading role in meeting the needs of our communities.

# Ráiteas Misin

Beimid inár n-údarás áitiúil freagrach agus nuálaíoch, beidh ról lárnach againn i bhfeabhsú cháilíocht na beatha i gCorcaigh, agus beimid ar thús cadhnaíochta agus sinn ag freastal ar riachtanais ár bpobail.



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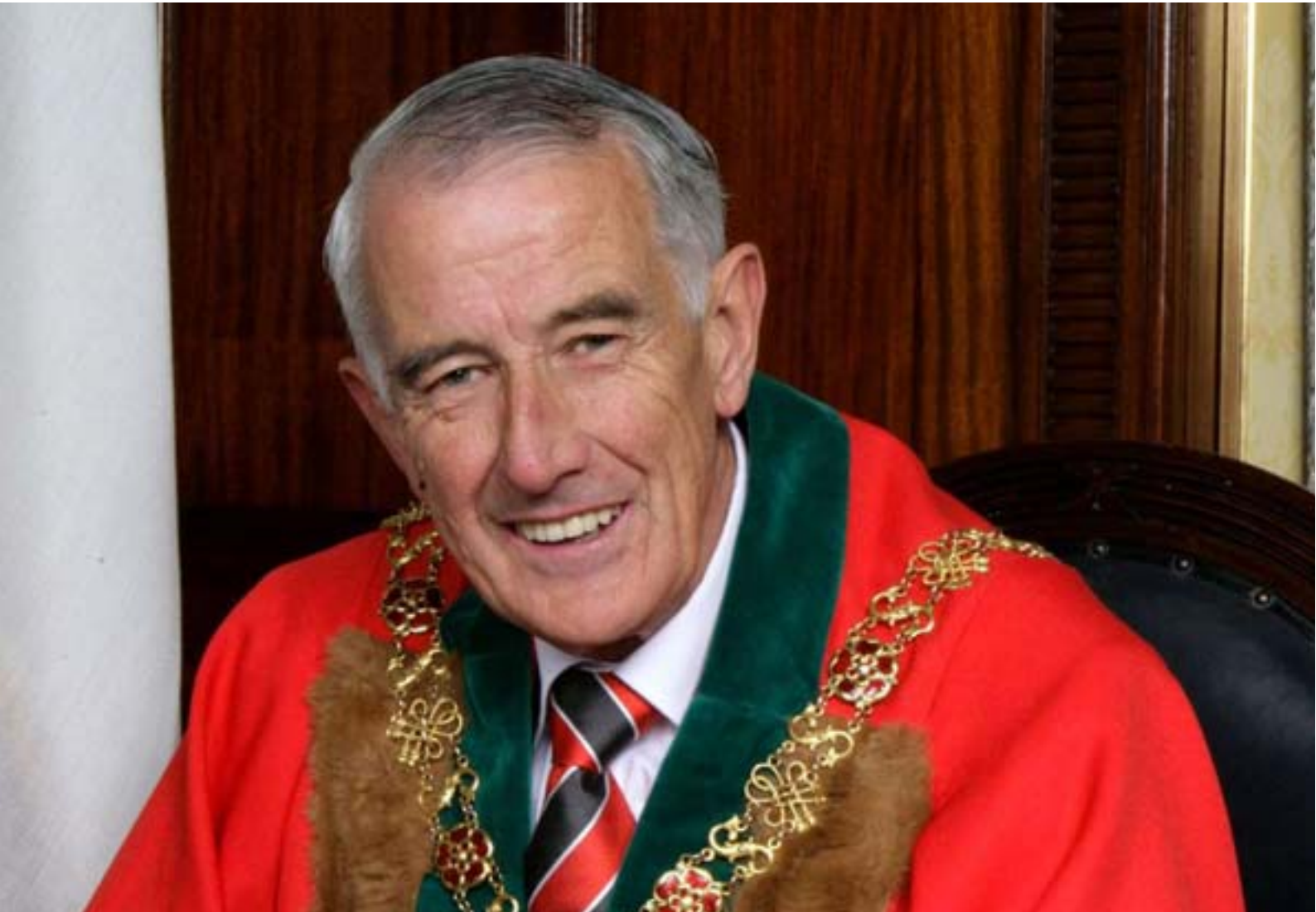


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## Lord Mayor's Foreword

It was a great honour to be elected Lord Mayor of Cork in June 2007 and a great privilege to have an opportunity to serve the citizens of our illustrious city at a time of great changes in the city's history. Having taken over the office of Lord Mayor from my distinguished colleague Cllr. Michael Ahern who launched the Cork City Centre Strategy Area Plan, I was honoured to hold the historic office from the second half of 2007.

During this year we were privileged to receive from Professor Timothy Counihan (Dublin), the original charter by Queen Victoria dated 1901 whereby the title of Mayor of the city was changed to Lord Mayor. This Charter joins Cork and the cities of Dublin and Belfast who alone hold these designations.

The City Development Plan is under review for the period 2009 – 2015. This provides an opportunity for all citizens to make an input into the review. Along with public

participation, National policies and Regional strategies have to be taken into account.

Following the St. Patrick's Day Parade 2007 the city hosted a Reception at which aspects of our own national culture were on display and our fellow citizens from Eastern Europe and other foreign countries put on a display of their diverse cultures which provided Cork with an opportunity to welcome and to interact with our new fellow Europeans who have come to live and work in our community. The importance of our own national heritage was recognised with the publication of the City Council's Irish Language Scheme and the launch of the first ever Heritage Plan for Cork city in November 2007. 'S é bun-aidhm na Scéime ná roctain níos fearr agus caighdeán níos aidre seirbhísí Pobail trí mean na Ghaeilge a chomhlíonú."

During this period of my year in office I have become even more aware of the

tremendous input of those working in the community and voluntary sector. The contribution of these volunteers cannot be measured and it can safely be stated that the absence of this contribution would leave our city vastly poorer in many ways.

I would like to thank all our very dedicated staff under the City Manager's guidance at the City Hall for their great input into the many projects undertaken for the benefit of the city. Their professional expertise has been recognised by the various awards achieved for a variety of excellent projects undertaken. To conclude I would like to warmly compliment and thank all my Council colleagues and their predecessors for their ongoing dedication and commitment to public life for the benefits of the citizens whom we all serve.

Cork is a great city. Let us hope that by all working together, Councillors, staff and general public, we can all keep it so.

**Cllr Donal Counihan**  
Lord Mayor of Cork



## Réamhfhocal ón Ardmhéara

Ba mhór an onóir í bheith tofa mar Ardmhéara ar Chathair Chorcaí i Mí an Mheithimh 2007 agus b'iontach an phribhléid í deis a bheith agam freastal ar shaoránaigh inár gcathair cháiliúil tráth ina bhfuil go leor athruithe ag titim amach i stair na cathrach. Ba mhór an onóir dom bheith i seilbh na hoifige stairiúla don dara cuid den bhliain 2007 i ndiaidh dom glacadh le hoifig an Ardmhéara ó mo chomhghleacaí iomráiteach an Comhairleoir Michael Ahern a lainseáil Plean Straitéiseach Lár Cathrach Chorcaí.

Bhíomar faoi phribhléid, i mbliana, an chairt bhunúil a fháil ón Ollamh Timothy Counihan (Baile Átha Cliath), a d'eisigh an Bhanríon Victoria sa bhliain 1901 inar athraíodh teideal Mhéara na Cathrach go teideal an Ardmhéara. Cuireann an chairt seo Cathair Chorcaí ar aon dul le Cathair Bhaile Átha Cliath agus Bhéal Feirste – an t-aon dá chathair ag a raibh an teideal seo.

Tá Plean Forbartha na Cathrach don tréimhse 2009 – 2015 á athbhreithniú faoi láthair. Cuireann sé seo an deis ar fáil do gach saoránach lámh a bheith acu san athbhreithniú. I dteannta rannpháirtíocht an phobail caithfear beartais Náisiúnta

agus straitéisí Réigiúnacha a chur san áireamh.

Tar éis Pharáid Lá Fhéile Pádraig na bliana 2007 bhí ócáid fáiltithe ar siúl sa chathair inar léiríodh gnéithe dár gcultúr náisiúnta féin. Sa mhullach air sin, rinne ár gcomhshaoránaigh ón Eoraip Thoir agus ó thíortha eachtrannacha eile taispeántas ina raibh a gcultúr éagsúla le feiceáil. Thug an taispeántas seo deis do mhuintir Chorcaí fáilte a chur roimh ár gcomhshaoránaigh Eorpacha chomh maith le deis casadh leis na daoine seo a tháinig anseo chugainn d'fhonn bheith ag obair agus ag maireachtáil inár bpobal. Thug foilsíú Scéim Gaeilge na Comhairle Cathrach aird ar thábhacht ár n-oidhreacht féin chomh maith le lainseáil an chéad Phlean Oidhreacht do Chathair Chorcaí riamh i Samhain na bliana 2007. Is é bun-aidhm na Scéime ná rochtain níos fearr agus caighdeán níos airde seirbhísí Pobail trí mheán na Gaeilge a chomhlíonadh.

Thug mé suntas níos mó fiú, i rith mo thréimhse den bhliain seo de sheilbh m'oifige, don tréaniarracht a dhéanann na daoine a oibríonn in earnáil an phobail agus san earnáil dheonach ar son na

cúise. Is rímhór í rannpháirtíocht na n-oibrithe deonacha seo agus is féidir é a fhógairt, go deimhin, go mbeadh ár gcathair níos gainne ar go leor bealaí murach an rannpháirtíocht seo.

Ba mhian liom mo bhuíochas a ghabháil lenár mbaill foirne dhúthrachtacha go léir atá faoi stiúir ag Bainisteoir na Cathrach i Halla na Cathrach as ucht ar chuir siad le go leor tionscadal a rinneadh ar mhaithe le leas na cathrach. Aithnítear a saineolas proifisiúnta tríd na gradaim éagsúla a bhain siad amach de bharr na n-ardthionscadal éagsúla a bhí ar bun acu. Mar fhocal scoir ba mhaith liom mo bhuíochas a léiriú agus moladh a thabhairt do mo chomhghleacaithe uile agus dá réamhtheachtaithe as ucht a ndíograis agus a ndúthracht leanúnach i dtaca le saol an phobail ar mhaithe le leas na saoránach uile a ndéanaimid freastal orthu.

Is ardchathair í Cathair Chorcaí. Le cúnamh Dé coinneoidimid amhlaidh í trí bheith ag obair as lámh a chéile, Comhairleoirí, baill foirne agus an pobal i gcoitinne.

**An Comhairleoir Dónal Ó Cuanacháin**  
Ardmhéara Chathair Chorcaí





## City Manager's Foreword

The year 2007 saw steady progress on many fronts.

In June our new Civic Offices on Anglesea Street built at a cost of €35m were officially opened. The city now has a civic headquarters which accommodates all the services of the Council on the one campus to the benefit of the public, the Elected Members and Council staff. It is a modern, attractive and welcoming building and has already been the recipient of prestigious awards for design and sustainability.

The magnificent new School of Music at Union Quay opened its doors for business in September. This is a most prestigious building and adds greatly to the cultural infrastructure of the city.

October saw the fully refurbished historic Blackrock Castle launched as a Visitor Centre with the theme of science and astronomy.

In the centre of the city construction work commenced on the provision of 300,000 sq.ft. of new retail outlets at St. Patrick's Street, Bowling Green and Academy Street.

A very comprehensive Local Area Plan for the regeneration of the Docklands was published and the Council made its bid to the Gateway Innovation Fund for the provision of a new bridge linking Glanmire Road to Páirc Uí Chaoimh which will open up the South Docklands.

The Year 2008 will bring new challenges and opportunities. We will continue the process of the review of our City Development Plan, and the Cork Area Strategic Plan to set a clear course for future development. We can look forward to the completion of the renewal of Grand Parade and the advancement of renewal proposals in Cornmarket Street, to the start of construction work on the Midleton rail line and to continued regeneration of local authority housing schemes.

Work will commence on the restoration of Christchurch and its development as a Cultural Centre.

In early 2008 we can look forward to planning applications for major developments in both the North and South Docklands, including proposals for a Conference/Events Centre.

2008 will also see decisions made on the route of the proposed outer Northern Ring Road.

We can look forward with confidence to an eventful and productive 2008

**Joe Gavin**  
City Manager



## Réamhfocal ó Bhainisteoir na Cathrach

Bhí dul chun cinn leanúnach le sonrú i go leor earnálacha i 2007.

Osclaíodh ár nOifigí Cathrach ar Shráid Anglesea go hoifigiúil a chosain €35 milliún i mí an Mheithimh. Tá ceanncheathrú cathrach sa chathair anois ina ndéantar freastal ar sheirbhísí uile na Comhairle san aon ionad amháin ar mhaithe le leas an phobail, na mBall Tofa agus bhaill na Comhairle. Is foirgneamh nua-aimseartha, tarraingteach agus fáilteach é agus bhain sé gradaim mhóra le rá amach cheana féin i dtaobh a dheartha agus a chothabhála.

D'oscail doirse na Scoile Ceoil nua ag Cé na hAontachta den chéad uair le haghaidh gnó i mí Mheán Fómhair. Is foirgneamh thar a bheith galánta é agus cuireann sé go mór le bonneagar cultúrtha na cathrach.

Osclaíodh Caisleán na Carraige Duibhe, atá go hiomlán athchóirithe, mar Ionad Cuairteoirí agus téama na heolaíochta agus na réalteolaíochta mar théama ann.

Cuireadh tús le hobair tógála le haghaidh soláthair 300,000 troigh cearnach de

shlopaí miondíola ar Shráid Naomh Pádraig,

ar Shráid Fhaiche na mBollaí agus ar Shráid an Acadaimh.

Foilsíodh Plean Áitiúil atá fíorchuimsitheach maidir le hatógáil na nDuganna agus chuir an Chomhairle iarratas isteach ar an gCiste um Nuálaíocht Tairsí chun cúnamh airgid a fháil maidir le droichead nua a thógáil idir Bóthar Ghleann Maghair agus Páirc Uí Chaoimh. Tionscnamh é seo a chuirfeadh Ceantar na nDuganna Theas ar bhealach a leasa.

Beidh deiseanna nua le tapú chomh maith le dúshlán le sárú sa bhliain 2008. Leanfaimid linn le hathbhreithniú Phlean Forbartha na Cathrach agus le Plean Straitéiseach Cheantar Chorcaí chun ár gcuid spriocanna don todhchaí ó thaobh na forbartha de a leagan amach go cruinn. Táimid ag dréim go mór leis na nithe seo leanas: críochnú na hathnuachana ar Shráid an Chapaill Bhuí agus cur ar aghaidh tograí athnuachana ar Sráid Mhargadh an Arbhair; tosú na hoibre tógála ar iarnród Mhainistir na Corann;

athnuachan leanúnach ar scéimeanna tithíochta an údaráis áitiúil.

Cuirfear tús le hathchóiriú agus forbairt Eaglais Chríost mar Ionad Cultúrtha. Beifear ag súil le hiarratais pleanála do mhórfhorbairtí sna Duganna Thuaidh agus Theas araon go luath sa bhliain 2008, lena n-áirítear tograí i dtaca le hIonad Imeachtaí/Comhdhála.

Déanfar cinntí maidir le bealach an Chuarbhóthair Thuaidh Amuigh atá beartaithe i 2008.

**Seosamh Ó Gabháin**  
Bainisteoir na Cathrach





# Members of Cork City Council

## North East Electoral Area

Cllr. Mairín Quill	Progressive Democrats
Cllr. Tim Brosnan	Fianna Fáil
Cllr. John Kelleher	Labour
Cllr. Dara Murphy	Fine Gael
Cllr. Annette Spillane	Sinn Féin

## South East Electoral Area

*Cllr. Deirdre Clune	Fine Gael
Cllr. Donal Counihan	Fianna Fáil
Cllr. Chris O’Leary	Green Party
Cllr. Denis O’Flynn	Labour
Cllr. Terry Shannon	Fianna Fáil
Cllr. Jim Corr	Fine Gael

## North Central Electoral Area

Cllr. Mick Barry	Socialist
Cllr. Catherine Clancy	Labour
Cllr. Patricia Gosch	Fine Gael
Cllr. Gary O’Flynn	Fianna Fáil
Cllr. Damien Wallace	Fianna Fáil

## South Central Electoral Area

*Cllr. Con O’Connell	Non-Party
*Cllr. Ciarán Lynch	Labour
Cllr. Seán Martin	Fianna Fáil
Cllr. Tom O’Driscoll	Fianna Fáil
Cllr. Denis Cregan	Fine Gael

## North West Electoral Area

Cllr. Jonathan O’Brien	Sinn Féin
Cllr. David McCarthy	Independant
*Cllr. Colm Burke	Fine Gael
Cllr. Michael O’Connell	Labour
Cllr. Tony Fitzgerald	Fianna Fáil

## South West Electoral Area

*Cllr. Jerry Buttimer	Fine Gael
Cllr. Fergal Dennehy	Fianna Fáil
Cllr. Mary Shields	Fianna Fáil
Cllr. Brian Bermingham	Fine Gael
Cllr. Michael Ahern	Labour

\*Cllr. Laura Mc Gonigle, Fine Gael, was appointed on 18/06/07 replacing Cllr. Deirdre Clune, Fine Gael

\*Cllr. Lorraine Kingston, Labour, was appointed on 18/06/07 replacing Cllr. Ciarán Lynch, Labour

\*Cllr Joe O’Callaghan, Fine Gael, was appointed on 09/07/07 replacing Cllr. Colm Burke, Fine Gael

\*Cllr. Fiona Kerins, Sinn Féin, was appointed on 09/07/07 replacing Cllr. Con O’Connell, Non Party (RIP)

\*Cllr John Buttimer, Fine Gael, was appointed on 24/09/07 replacing Cllr. Jerry Buttimer, Fine Gael



# Baill de Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí

## Toghcheantar Thoir Thuaidh

Clr. Mairín Quill	Páirtí Daonlathach
Clr. Tim Brosnan	Fianna Fáil
Clr. John Kelleher	An Lucht Oibre
Clr. Dara Murphy	Fine Gael
Clr. Annette Spillane	Sinn Féin

## Toghcheantar Thoir Theas

*Clr. Deirdre Clune	Fine Gael
Clr. Donal Counihan	Fianna Fáil
Clr. Chris O'Leary	Comhaontas Glas
Clr. Denis O'Flynn	An Lucht Oibre
Clr. Terry Shannon	Fianna Fáil
Clr. Jim Corr	Fine Gael

## Toghcheantar Lár Thuaidh

Clr. Mick Barry	Páirtí Sóisialach
Clr. Catherine Clancy	An Lucht Oibre
Clr. Patricia Gosch	Fine Gael
Clr. Gary O'Flynn	Fianna Fáil
Clr. Damien Wallace	Fianna Fáil

## Toghcheantar Lár Theas

*Clr. Con O'Connell	Neamh-pháirtí
*Clr. Ciarán Lynch	An Lucht Oibre
Clr. Seán Martin	Fianna Fáil
Clr. Tom O'Driscoll	Fianna Fáil
Clr. Denis Cregan	Fine Gael

## Toghcheantar Thiar Thuaidh

Clr. Jonathan O'Brien	Sinn Féin
Clr. David McCarthy	Neamhspléach
*Clr. Colm Burke	Fine Gael
Clr. Michael O'Connell	An Lucht Oibre
Clr. Tony Fitzgerald	Fianna Fáil

## Toghcheantar Thiar Theas

*Clr. Jerry Buttimer	Fine Gael
Clr. Fergal Dennehy	Fianna Fáil
Clr. Mary Shields	Fianna Fáil
Clr. Brian Bermingham	Fine Gael
Clr. Michael Ahern	An Lucht Oibre

\*Cmhlr. Ceapadh Laura Mc Gonigle, Fine Gael, an 18/06/07 in ionad Cllr. Deirdre Clune, Fine Gael  
 Ceapadh \*Cmhlr. Lorraine Kingston, an 18/06/07 in ionad Cmhlr. Ciarán Lynch, Páirtí an Lucht Oibre  
 Ceapadh \*Cmhlr. Joe O'Callaghan, Fine Gael, an 09/07/07 in ionad Cmhlr. Colm Burke, Fine Gael  
 Ceapadh \*Cmhlr. Fiona Kerins, Sinn Féin, an 09/07/07 in ionad Cmhlr. Con O'Connell, Neamhpháirtí (RIP)  
 Ceapadh \*Cmhlr. John Buttimer, Fine Gael, an 24/09/07 in ionad Cllr. Jerry Buttimer, Fine Gael



# Members of Cork City Council

## North-East Electoral Area Toghcheantar Thoir Thuaidh



Cllr. Maureen Quill  
PD



Cllr. Tim Brosnan  
FF



Cllr. John Kelleher  
Lab



Cllr. Dara Murphy  
FG



Cllr. Annette Spillane  
SF

## North-Central Electoral Area Toghcheantar Lár Thuaidh



Cllr. Mick Barry  
SP



Cllr. Catherine Clancy  
Lab



Cllr. Gary O'Flynn  
FF



Cllr. Damian Wallace  
FF



Cllr. Patricia Gosch  
FG

## North-West Electoral Area Toghcheantar Thiar Thuaidh



Cllr. Jonathan O'Brien  
SF



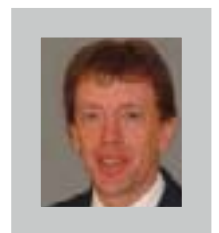
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Ind



Cllr. Colm Burke  
FG



Cllr. Michael O'Connell  
Lab



Cllr. Tony Fitzgerald  
FF

## South-East Electoral Area Toghcheantar Thoir Theas



Cllr. Deirdre Clune  
FG



Cllr. Donal Counihan  
FF



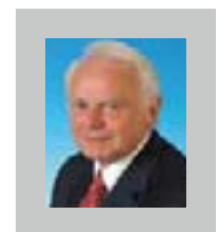
Cllr. Chris O'Leary  
GP



Cllr. Denis O'Flynn  
LAB



Cllr. Terry Shannon  
FF



Cllr. Jim Corr  
FG

# Baill de Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí

## South-West Electoral Area Toghcheantar Thiar Theas



Cllr. Con O'Connell  
NP



Cllr. Ciarán Lynch  
Lab



Cllr. Seán Martin  
FF



Cllr. Tom O'Driscoll  
FF



Cllr. Denis Cregan  
FG

## South-West Electoral Area Toghcheantar Thiar Theas



Cllr. Jerry Buttimer  
FG



Cllr. Fergal Dennehy  
FF



Cllr. Mary Shields  
FF



Cllr. Brian Bermingham  
FG



Cllr. Michael Ahern  
Lab



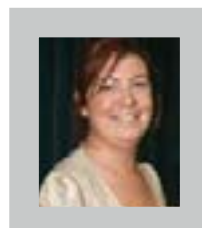
Cllr. Laura Mc Gonigle <sup>\*1</sup>  
FG



Cllr. Lorraine Kingston <sup>\*2</sup>  
Lab



Cllr. Joe O'Callaghan <sup>\*3</sup>  
FG



Cllr. Fiona Kerins <sup>\*4</sup>  
SF



Cllr. John Buttimer <sup>\*5</sup>  
FG

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# Senior Management Team of Cork City Council

Joe Gavin  
 Dan Buggy  
 Kevin Terry  
 Pat Ledwidge  
 \*Joe Kennelly  
 Jim O'Donovan  
 Denis O'Mahony  
 Stephen Kearney  
 Gerry O'Beirne  
 Tim Healy  
 Gerard P. O'Halloran  
 Ruth Buckley  
 Deborah G. Hegarty  
 Mick McDonagh

City Manager  
 Assistant City Manager, Roads and Transportation  
 Director of Services, Planning & Development & City Engineer  
 Director of Services, Docklands  
 Director of Services, Recreation, Amenity & Culture  
 Director of Services, Community & Enterprise  
 Director of Services, Corporate Affairs  
 Director of Services, Housing & Community  
 Director of Services, Environment  
 Head of Finance  
 Personnel Officer  
 Head of Information Systems  
 Law Agent  
 City Architect

\*Retired on 4th July 2007. John Dromey, Acting Director of Services.



# Foireann Sinsearach Bhainistíochta Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí

Joe Gavin  
Dan Buggy  
Kevin Terry  
Pat Ledwidge  
\*Joe Kennelly  
Jim O'Donovan  
Denis O'Mahony  
Stephen Kearney  
Gerry O'Beirne  
Tim Healy  
Gerard P. O'Halloran  
Ruth Buckley  
Deborah G. Hegarty  
Mick McDonagh

Bainisteoir na Cathrach  
Bainisteoir Cúnta na Cathrach, Bóithre agus Iompar  
Stiúrthóir Seirbhísí, Pleanáil agus Forbairt agus Innealtóir na Cathrach  
Stiúrthóir Seirbhísí, Cheantar na nDuganna  
Stiúrthóir Seirbhísí, Áineas, Conláiste & Cultúr  
Stiúrthóir Seirbhísí, Pobal agus Fiontar  
Stiúrthóir Seirbhísí, Gnóthaí Corparáideacha  
Stiúrthóir Seirbhísí, Tithíocht agus Pobal  
Stiúrthóir Seirbhísí, Comhshaol  
Ceannasaí Airgeadais  
Oifigeach Pearsanra  
Ceannasaí na gCóras Faisnéise  
Gníomhaire Dlí  
Ailtire na Cathrach

\*D'éirigh an duine seo as an bpost seo an 4 Iúil 2007. John Dromey, Stiúrthóir Seirbhísí Gníomhach.

# Membership of Boards/Committees

## HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE

Cllr. Patricia Gosch  
Cllr. Sean Martin  
Cllr. Denis Cregan  
Cllr. Michael O'Connell  
Cllr. Catherine Clancy  
Cllr. Dave McCarthy  
Cllr. Fergal Dennehy  
Cllr. Tony Fitzgerald  
Cllr. Gary O'Flynn  
Cllr. Mairín Quill  
Cllr. Jonathan O'Brien  
Cllr. Mick Barry  
Cllr. Lorraine Kingston  
Cllr. Joe O'Callaghan  
Cllr. Fiona Kerins  
Cllr. Ciarán Lynch (resigned – 26.05.07)  
Cllr. Con O'Connell (RIP 09.06.07)  
Cllr. Colm Burke (resigned – 13.06.07)

## ROADS & TRANSPORTATION FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE

Cllr. Dara Murphy  
Cllr. John Buttimer  
Cllr. Brian Bermingham  
Cllr. Jim Corr  
Cllr. John Kelleher  
Cllr. Denis O'Flynn  
Cllr. Damien Wallace  
Cllr. Terry Shannon  
Cllr. Mary Shields  
Cllr. Tim Brosnan  
Cllr. Tom O'Driscoll  
Cllr. Annette Spillane  
Cllr. Chris O'Leary  
Cllr. Michael Ahern  
Cllr. Laura Mc Gonigle  
Cllr. Deirdre Clune (resigned – 26.05.07)  
Cllr. Donal Counihan (resigned – 25.06.07)  
Cllr. Jerry Buttimer (resigned – 23.07.07)

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Cllr. Jim Corr (resigned 06.09.07)

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Cllr. Ciarán Lynch (resigned – 26.05.07)  
Cllr. Deirdre Clune (resigned – 26.05.07)  
Cllr. Con O'Connell (RIP – 09.06.07)  
Cllr. Colm Burke (resigned – 13.06.07)  
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Cmhlr. Lorraine Kingston  
Cmhlr. Joe O'Callaghan  
Cmhlr. Fiona Kerins  
Cmhlr. Ciarán Lynch (d'éirigh sé as – an 26.05.07)  
Cmhlr. Con O'Connell (RIP 09.06.07)  
Cmhlr. Colm Burke (d'éirigh sé as – an 13.06.07)

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Cmhlr. Donal Counihan (d'éirigh sé as – an 25.06.07)  
Cmhlr. Jerry Buttimer (d'éirigh sé as – an 23.07.07)

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Cmhlr. Catherine Clancy  
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Cmhlr. Jim Corr (d'éirigh sé as – an 06.09.07)

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Cmhlr. Joe O'Callaghan  
Cmhlr. Fiona Kerins  
Cmhlr. Ciarán Lynch (d'éirigh sé as – an 26.05.07)  
Cmhlr. Deirdre Clune (d'éirigh sí as – an 26.05.07)  
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Cmhlr. Colm Burke (d'éirigh sé as – an 13.06.07)  
Cmhlr. Donal Counihan (d'éirigh sé as – an 25.06.07)  
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Cllr. Sean Martin  
Cllr. Michael Ahern  
Cllr. Lorraine Kingston  
Cllr. John Buttimer  
Cllr. Ciarán Lynch (resigned – 26.05.07)  
Cllr. Donal Counihan (resigned – 25.06.07)  
Cllr. Jerry Buttimer (resigned – 23.07.07)

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Cllr. Sean Martin  
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Cllr. Denis O'Flynn  
Cllr. Jim Corr  
Cllr. Fiona Kerins  
Cllr. Con O'Connell (RIP – 09.06.07)

## ROADS AND TRANSPORTATION STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE

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Cllr. Chris O'Leary  
Cllr. Terry Shannon  
Cllr. Catherine Clancy  
Cllr. Ciarán Lynch (resigned 26.05.07)

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Cllr. Patricia Gosch  
Cllr. Dave Mc Carthy  
Cllr. Michael Ahern  
Cllr. Joe O'Callaghan  
Cllr. Colm Burke (resigned – 13.06.07)  
Cllr. Donal Counihan (resigned – 25.06.07)

## PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE

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Cllr. Gary O'Flynn  
Cllr. Annette Spillane  
Cllr. Denis Cregan  
Cllr. Lorraine Kingston  
Cllr. Laura Mc Gonigle  
Cllr. Deirdre Clune (resigned – 26.05.07)  
Cllr. Catherine Clancy (resigned – 18.06.07)

## RECREATION AMENITY & CULTURE STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE

Cllr. John Buttimer  
Cllr. Dara Murphy  
Cllr. Michael O'Connell  
Cllr. Tony Fitzgerald  
Cllr. Jonathan O'Brien  
Cllr. Tom O'Driscoll  
Cllr. Jerry Buttimer (resigned – 23.07.07)

## JOINT CORK CITY COUNCIL/CORK COUNTY COUNCIL COMMITTEE

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Cllr. Damien Wallace  
Cllr. Mary Shields  
Cllr. Fergal Dennehy  
Cllr. Jonathan O'Brien  
Cllr. Lorraine Kingston  
Cllr. Joe O'Callaghan  
Cllr. Ciarán Lynch (resigned – 26.05.07)  
Cllr. Colm Burke (resigned – 13.06.07)

## JOINT GOLF COURSE MAHON

Cllr. Denis Cregan  
Cllr. Dara Murphy  
Cllr. Denis O'Flynn  
Cllr. Michael O'Connell  
Cllr. Fergal Dennehy  
Cllr. Michael Ahern  
Cllr. Donal Counihan (resigned – 25.06.07)

## SOUTH WEST REGIONAL AUTHORITY

Cllr. Brian Bermingham  
Cllr. Joe O'Callaghan  
Cllr. Jim Corr  
Cllr. Tom O'Driscoll  
Cllr. Sean Martin  
Cllr. Michael O'Connell  
Cllr. Mary Shields  
Cllr. Con O'Connell (RIP 09.06.07)  
Cllr. Jerry Buttimer (resigned – 23.07.07)

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Cllr. Sean Martin  
Cllr. Lorraine Kingston  
Cllr. Ciarán Lynch (resigned – 26.05.07)

## ACCC (ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY AND CITY COUNCILS)

Cllr. Denis Cregan  
Cllr. Catherine Clancy  
Cllr. Dave McCarthy

## L.A.M.A. (LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERS ASSOCIATION)

Cllr. Michael Ahern  
Cllr. Donal Counihan (resigned – 25.06.07)



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**CORK/KERRY TOURISM**

Cllr. Mary Shields

**MUNSTER AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY**

Cllr. Jim Corr

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Cllr. Tony Fitzgerald

**CORK CITY ENTERPRISE BOARD**

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Cllr. Michael Ahern

Cllr. Laura Mc Gonigal

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Cllr. Deirdre Clune (resigned – 26.05.07)

**CORK CITY PARTNERSHIP**

Cllr. Catherine Clancy

Cllr. Tony Fitzgerald

Cllr. Dara Murphy

Cllr. Patricia Gosch (resigned – 04.07.07)

**CORK CITY CHALLENGE**

Cllr. Sean Martin

Cllr. Deirdre Clune (resigned – 25.06.07)

**LEISUREWORLD COMMITTEE**

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Cllr. Brian Bermingham

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Cllr. Dave Mc Carthy

Cllr. Patricia Gosch

Cllr. Michael O'Connell

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**CORK OPERA HOUSE COMMITTEE**

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Cllr. Mairín Quill

Cllr. Michael O'Connell

Cllr. Damien Wallace

Cllr. Sean Martin

Cllr. Terry Shannon

**EVERYMAN PALACE**

Cllr. Dara Murphy

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**NATIONAL SCULPTURE FACTORY**

Cllr. Catherine Clancy

Cllr. Fergal Dennehy

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Cllr. Donal Counihan (resigned – 26.05.07)

**SCHOOL MEALS COMMITTEE**

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Cllr. Catherine Clancy

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**MAYFIELD SPORTS COMPLEX**

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Cllr. Jonathon O'Brien

Cllr. Chris O'Leary

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Cllr. Michael O'Connell

Cllr. Mary Shields

Cllr. Michael Ahern

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Cllr. Jerry Buttimer (resigned – 23.07.07)

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DISTRICT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

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Cllr. Lorraine Kingston  
Cllr. Laura Mc Gonigle  
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Cllr. Ciarán Lynch (resigned – 26.05.07)  
Cllr. Patricia Gosch (resigned – 04.07.07)

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Cllr. Michael Ahern  
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Cllr. John Kelleher  
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Cllr. Lorraine Kingston  
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Cllr. Deirdre Clune (resigned – 26.05.07)

## SOUTHERN & EASTERN REGIONAL ASSEMBLY

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Cllr. Joe O'Callaghan  
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## RAPID – KNOCKNAHEENY/CHURCHFIELD

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## RAPID – BLACKPOOL/THE GLEN/MAYFIELD

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Cllr. Catherine Clancy

## RAPID – TOGHER/MAHON

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Cllr. Terry Shannon  
Cllr. Brian Bermingham  
Cllr. Jerry Buttimer (resigned 23.07.07)

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Cllr. Jim Corr  
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## CORK MARKETING PARTNERSHIP

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## SPORTS COMMITTEE

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Cllr. Denis Cregan  
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Cllr. Laura Mc Gonigle  
Cllr. Michael Ahern





# Conferences Attended 2007

Title	Location	Date	No of Councillors
LAMA Awards Local Government Principals, Practice and Success	The Burlington Hotel Dublin	19/20 January	1
Merriman Winter School 2007	Hotel Westport Westport Co Mayo	26-28 January	5
The Local Government Planning Service	Clonea Strand Hotel Clonea, Dungarvan Co Waterford	1-3 February	7
Antrim Tourism Conference-Food for Thought	Dunadry Hotel & Country Club Muckamore	2/3 February	1
AMAI Spring Seminar 2007	Brandon Hotel Tralee	9/10 February	8
Implementing the National Development Plan 2007-2013 The Role of the Regions	Woodlands House Hotel, Adare Co Limerick	15/16 February	5
Planning Seminar For Councillors	Earl of Desmond Hotel Tralee Co Kerry	16/17 February	6
Wicklow County Tourism Conference	Marriott Druids Glen Hotel & Country Club Newtownmountkennedy Co Wicklow	21/22 February	3
The Role of Local Authorities in Building Peace and Reconciliation	Park Inn Hotel Dundalk Co Louth	23 February	2
Colmcille Winter School - The Contribution of the GAA to the Sporting and Social life in Ireland	Colmcille Heritage Gartan, Church Hill Letterkenny Co Donegal	23-25 February	5

# Comhdhála a Ndearnadh Freastal Orthu sa Bhliain 2007

Teideal	Suíomh	Dáta	Líon Comhairleoirí
Gradaim LAMA Rialtas Áitiúil Prionsabail, Cleachtadh agus Rath	Óstán Burlington Baile Átha Cliath	19/20 Eanáir	1
Scoil Gheimhridh Merriman 2007	Óstán Westport Cathair na Mart Co. Mhaigh Eo	26-28 Eanáir	5
An tSeirbhís Pleanála Rialtais Áitiúil	Óstán Clonea Strand Cluain Fhía, Dún Garbhán Co. Phort Láirge	1-3 Feabhra	7
Turasóireacht Aontroma Comhdháil – Ábhar Machnaimh	Óstán Dunadry & Club Tuaithe Maigh Chomair	2/3 Feabhra	1
Seimineár Earraigh an AMAI 2007	Óstán Brandon Trá Lí	9/10 Feabhra	8
Cur i bhfeidhm Phlean Forbartha Náisiúnta Woodlands, 2007-2013	Óstán Teach Áth Dara Co. Luimnigh	15/16 Feabhra	5
Seimineár Pleanála Ról na Réigiúin do Chomhairleoirí	Óstán an Earl of Desmond Trá Lí Co Chiarraí	16/17 Feabhra	6
Comhdháil Thurasóireacht Chontae Chill Mhantáin	Óstán agus Club Tuaithe Marriot Druids Glen Baile an Cinnéidigh Co. Chill Mhantáin	21/22 Feabhra	3
Ról na nÚdarás Áitiúil i gCothú Síochána agus Athmhuintearais	Óstán an Park Inn Dún Dealgan Co. Lú	23 Feabhra	2
Scoil Gheimhridh Cholm Cille - An ról a bhí ag an CLG i saol Sóisialta agus Spóirt na hÉireann	Scoil Oidhreachta Cholm Cille Gartáin, Mín an Lábáin Leitir Ceanainn Co. Dhún na nGall	23-25 Feabhra	5

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Rural & Regional Development Conference	Bayview Hotel & Leisure Centre Killybegs Co Donegal	2/3 March	1
Energy and The Development Plan Clonmel Sustainable, Renewable Efficient.	Clonmel Park Hotel  Co Tipperary	2- 4 March	3
Association of County & City Councils Annual Conference 2007	Park Hotel Dungarvan Co Waterford	8-10 March	12
Kerry Environmental Conference	Golf Hotel Ballybunion Co Kerry	28 March – 1April	9
“On Message: Communication the Political Campaign”	O’Rahilly Building Room 2.55 UCC	29 March	1
Enforcement of Environmental Regulations	Carrigaline Court Hotel Carrigaline Co Cork	29/30 March	2
Tourism – Fostering Local and Regional Regeneration	Seven Oaks Hotel Athy Road Carlow	29 – 30 March	1
L.A.M.A Annual Spring Conference “Meeting the Challenge- Providing the Solutions” National Development Plan 2007 – 2013	Gleneagle Hotel Killarney Co Kerry	12-13 April	12
Irish Rural Dwellers Association Planning Conference 2007- Last call for Rural Planning	Brehon Hotel Killarney Co Kerry	18 – 20 April	6
A vision for sport in Ireland 2012. Strategic Planning, Design, Funding & Management.	Killashee House Hotel Naas, Co Kildare	15-16 May	1
Annual Irish Public Private Partnership	The Gresham Hotel Dublin	26 June	1
Byrne/Perry Summer School	Gorey Co Wexford	29 June – 1July	9





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12th Annual Dr Douglas Hyde Summer School	Ballaghadereen Co Roscommon	30 June – 7 July	2
The Local Government Planning Service	The Baltimore Harbour Hotel, Baltimore West Cork	5-7 July 2007	5
MacGill Summer School & Arts Week 2007	MacGill Summer School Glenties Co Donegal	15-20 July	6
Leading Minds – Leadership through the power of presence	Newtown Castle Ballyvaughan Co Clare	20- 23 July	1
Sliabh Luachra Summer School 2007	Bruach Na Carraige Cultural & Heritage Centre, Rockchapel Co Cork	6-12 August	4
The Parnell Summer School 2007	Avondale House and Forest Park, Rathdrum Co Wicklow	12 – 17 August	4
Merriman Summer School 2007	Merriman Summer School, Lisdoonvarna Co Clare	19 – 25 August	3
Humbert Summer School	Ballina, Killala Lacken & Kilcummin Co Mayo	23-26 August	2
Local Government and the Arts	Dooleys Hotel, Birr Co Offaly	24 – 26 August	1
Developing Local Heritage for Tourism Purposes	Listowel Arms Hotel Listowel Co Kerry	6 – 7 September	1
Rural Tourism 2007 – 2013	Kilkee Bay Hotel Kilkee, Co Clare	7 September	3
AMAI Annual Conference 2007	Brandon House Hotel New Ross Co Wexford	13 – 15 September	10
City in Motion- Town, Twinning, Traffic Urban Growth	Berlin, Templehof Airport	19 – 21 September	2
The Changing Ireland Are local Authorities Prepared?	Charlesford Golf & Country Club Hotel Greystones Co Wicklow	28-30 September	3



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Getting a Grip 2007 Winning or Losing? The Battle Against Substance and Alcohol Misuse	The Malton Killarney Co Kerry	4 – 5 October	6
3rd Annual Frank Mc Gann Seminar	Strokestown Co Roscommon	4-7 October	1
Planning Seminar For Councillors	Earl of Desmond Hotel, Tralee	12/13 October	8
The Challenge of Climate Change for the Island of Ireland	The Malton Hotel Killarney Co Kerry	19 October	4
“Sharing the task” Achieving Child Protection and Welfare through inter-agency working	Ormonde Hotel Kilkenny	23/24 October	1
Health and Safety in Local Government	The Carraig Hotel Main Street Carrick - on - Suir Co Tipperary	26-27 October	2
Local Government Anti-Poverty learning Network “An inclusive Approach to the integration of new communities”	Tullamore Court Hotel Tullamore Co Offaly	8 November	1
Tracking the Tiger A Decade of Change	West County Hotel & Conference Centre Ennis, Co Clare	6 - 7 November	2
Association of Irish Festival Events 15th Annual Conference	Carlton, Shearwater Plaza Hotel, Ballinsloe, Co Galway	8 - 10 November	3
LAMA Annual Winter Conference	The Dolmen Hotel Kilkenny Road, Carlow	9 /10 November	5
Effective Communications For Councillors	Silver Tassie Hotel Milford Road Letterkenny Co Donegal	16 – 18 November	1
19th National Tourism Conference – Tourism for Changing Lifestyles	Falls Hotel Ennistymon Co Clare	22 – 24 November	4
The Local Government Budget 2008	The Carlton Millrace Hotel, Bunclody Co Wexford	1 December	3





# Meetings of Council

Name	No.
Ordinary Council Meetings	22
Special Meetings	9
Annual Meeting	1
Budget Meeting	1
Housing & Community Functional Committee Meetings	11
Housing & Community Strategic Policy Committee Meetings	3
Roads & Transportation Functional Committee Meetings	11
Roads & Transportation Strategic Policy Committee Meetings	4
Recreation, Amenity & Culture Functional Committee Meetings	5
Recreation, Amenity & Culture Strategic Policy Committee Meetings	4
Environment Functional Committee Meetings	6
Environment Strategic Policy Committee Meetings	3
Planning & Development Functional Committee Meetings	6
Planning & Development Strategic Policy Committee Meetings	3
Corporate Policy Group	8
Intoxicating Liquor on the Streets Committee	0
School Meals Committee	1
Twinning Committee	4
An Grúpa Stiúrtha	1

## Freedom of the City

2nd June 2007 Michael Flatley



# Cruinnithe na Comhairle

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Líon

Gnáthchruinnithe Comhairle	22
Cruinnithe Speisialta	9
Cruinniú Bliantúil	1
Cruinniú Buiséid	1
Cruinnithe an Choiste Fheidhmiúil um Thithíochta & Pobail	11
Cruinnithe an Choiste um Beartais Straitéiseacha Tithíochta & Pobail	3
Cruinnithe an Choiste Fheidhmiúil um Bóithre & Iompar	11
Cruinnithe an Choiste um Beartais Straitéiseacha Bóithre & Iompar	4
Cruinnithe an Choiste Fheidhmiúil um Áineas, Conláiste & Cultúr	5
Cruinnithe an Choiste um Beartais Straitéiseacha Áineasa, Conláiste & Cultúir	4
Cruinnithe an Choiste Fheidhmiúil um Chomhshaoil	6
Cruinnithe an Choiste um Beartais Straitéiseacha Comhshaoil	3
Cruinnithe an Choiste Fheidhmiúil um Pleanáil & Forbairt	6
Cruinnithe an Choiste um Beartais Straitéiseacha Pleanála & Forbartha	3
An Grúpa um Beartais Chorporáideacha	8
An Coiste um Deochanna Meisciúla ar na Sráideanna	0
An Coiste um Béilí Scoile	1
An Coiste Nasctha na mBailte	4
An Grúpa Stiúrtha	1

## Saoirse na Cathrach

2 Meitheamh 2007

Michael Flatley



## Civic Receptions 2007

18th January - St. Finbarr's Camogie Team on winning the Cork County Senior Camogie Championship 2006

31st January - St. Vincent's Football Team - Intermediate County Champions 2006 and Glanmire Football Team - Intermediate County Finalists

7th February - Prof. Áine Hyland on her retirement as Vice-President, UCC

20th February - The achievements in Business Studies at C.I.T

8th March - to celebrate International Women's Day

13th March - to celebrate the 150th Anniversary of the Mercy University Hospital

30th March - to honour John Coghlan on becoming Worldwide President of C.I.M.A

12th April - Bishopstown Intermediate Hurling Team, Cork County Premier Intermediate Hurling Champions 2006 and Bishopstown U21 Hurling Team, Cork County U21 A Hurling Champions 2006

30th May - Glanmire Basketball Team on winning the Women's Senior National Cup and the U. 20 and U.18 National Cups

20th June - to honour the staff of the former maternity sections of St. Finbarr's, Erinville and Bon Secours Hospitals

21st June - Cork Harlequins Club European Cup Winners 2007

26th July - to acknowledge the contribution of Sponsors, Volunteers and Staff in organizing the very successful Cork City Marathon and Ocean to City/An Rás Mor on the June Bank Holiday weekend 2007

16th October - To mark the 30th Anniversary of Bruac Community Training Centre

23rd October - To honour Stephen Comerford for his fundraising efforts to provide defibrillators for Cork Sporting Clubs

3rd December - The sixteen Cork Athletes who were on Special Olympics Team Ireland in the World Summer Games 2007 on World Disability Day

11th December - Muskerry Golf Club on winning the Irish Junior Cup and also the Jimmy Bruen Shield in their Centenary Year of 2007

12th December - In honour of Cork Anti Poverty Resource Network to celebrate their 30th Anniversary



## Expenses

Councillors – Conferences/Seminars	€104,906.34
Councillors – Travel within State	€151,621.46
Councillors – Travel outside State	€4,187.12
Councillors – Annual Expenses Allowance	€209,649.07

In 2007 Cork City Council expended €86,906.29 on Twinning activities

## Entertainment Expenses

In 2007 Cork City Council expended €21,252.42 on the Freedom of the City.

In 2007 Cork City Council expended €63,135.10 on Civic Receptions.



# Fáiltithe Cathartha 2007

Eanáir – Foireann Camógaíochta Naomh Fionnbarra as Craobh Camógaíochta Sinsir Chorcaí 2006 a bhuachan

Eanáir – Foireann Peile Naomh Uinsionn – Curaidh Idirmheánacha an Chontae 2006 agus Foireann Peile Ghleann Maghair – Iomaitheoirí i gCluiche Ceannais an Chontae

7 Feabhra – an tOllamh Áine Hyland as scor d'oifig na Leas-Uachtaránachta COC

20 Feabhra – éachtaí na ranna Staidéir Gnó ag ITC

8 Márta – Lá Idirnáisiúnta na mBan a cheiliúradh

13 Márta – Comóradh 150 bliain Ospidéal na Trócaire

30 Márta – John Coghlan a onórú as Uachtaránach CIMA Domhanda a bhaint amach

12 Aibreán – Foireann Idirmheánach Iománaíochta Bhaile an Easpaig, Céadchuraidh Idirmheánacha Iománaíochta Chontae Chorcaí 2006 agus Foireann Iománaíochta faoi 21 Bhaile an Easpaig, Curaidh Iománaíochta Chontae Chorcaí faoi 21 2006

30 Bealtaine – Foireann Cispheile Ghleann Maghair as Corn Náisiúnta Sinsir na mBan agus Corn Náisiúnta faoi 20 agus faoi 18 a bhuachan

20 Meitheamh – foireann na n-iar-rannóige máithreachais Ospidéal Fhionnbharra, Erinville agus Bon Secours a onórú

21 Meitheamh – Club Harlequin Chorcaí, Buaiteoirí Chorn na hEorpa 2007

26 Iúil – tionchar urraitheoirí, oibrithe deonacha agus foirne a aithint as Maratón Cathrach Chorcaí agus an Rás Mór a eagrú ar dheireadh seachtaine saoire bainc mhí an Mheithimh 2007

16 Deireadh Fómhair – Comóradh 30 bliain Ionad Oiliúna Pobail BRUAC

23 Deireadh Fómhair – Stephen Comerford a onórú as a iarrachtaí tiomsaithe airgid chun dífhibrileoirí a sholáthar do chlubanna spóirt Chorcaí

3 Nollaig – an sé lúthchleasaí dhéag as Corcaigh ar fhoireann Oilimpeacha Speisialta na hÉireann sna Cluichí Samhraidh Domhanda 2007 ar Lá Domhanda do Dhaoine faoi Mhíchumas

11 Nollaig – Galfclub Mhúscaí as Corn Sóisir na hÉireann agus Jimmy Bruen Shield a bhuachan i rith a gcomóradh céad bliain 2007

12 Nollaig – Gréasán Acmhainne Frithbhochtaineacht Chorcaí a onórú ar a gcomóradh 30 bliain



## Costais

Comhairleoirí – Comhdhálacha/Seimineáir	€104,906.34
Comhairleoirí – Taisteal laistigh den Stát	€151,621.46
Comhairleoirí – Taisteal lasmuigh den Stát	€4,187.12
Comhairleoirí – Liúntas Costais Bliantúil	€209,649.07

Chaith Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí €86,906.29 ar ghníomhaíochtaí nasctha i 2007

## Costais Siamsaíochta

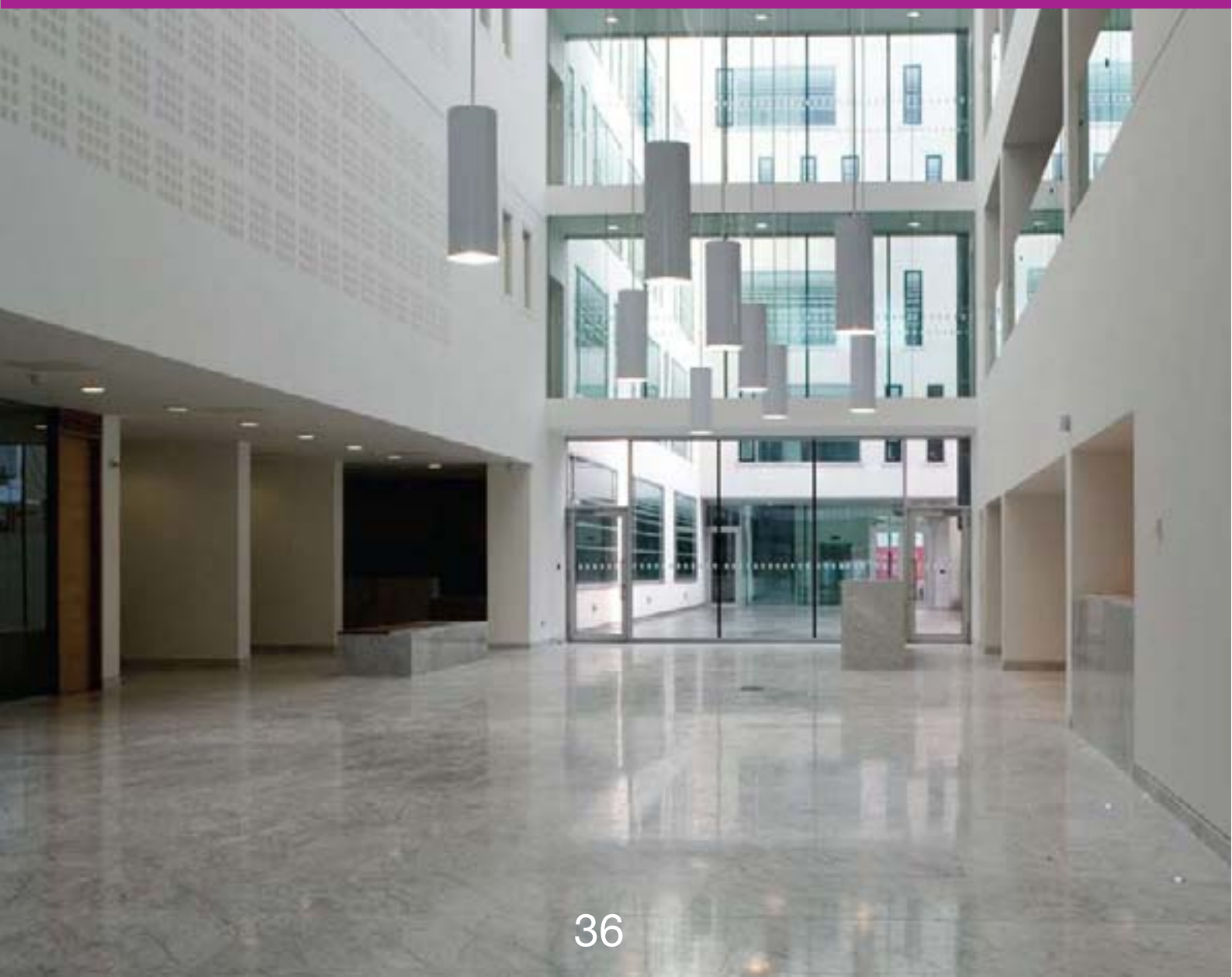
Chaith Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí €21,252.42 ar Shaoirse na Cathrach i 2007.

Chaith Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí €63,135.10 ar Fáiltithe Cathartha i 2007.





# City Architect's Department



# Roinn Ailtire na Cathrach



## New Civic Offices

Since taking possession of the new extension in February 2007 and the subsequent opening ceremony in June 2007, the City Architect's Dept worked closely with the Facilities Manager and the Main Contractor to address the inevitable teething problems that arise during the first year of occupation. For example, it was found that the installed Geothermal System was being affected by the corrosive effects of salt water and had to be modified and overhauled by the contractor to ensure the long-term sustainability of this very energy efficient installation. The relocation of all office-based staff from a variety of premises around the south side of the city into the New City Hall extension started in March and was complete by May 2007. The new open plan office arrangement for the great majority of staff represented a marked change from the more cellular accommodation they had come from, but in the main, feedback from staff has been very positive and complimentary.

## Awards

In addition to being awarded the RIBA European Award, the building was runner-up for the RIBA Sustainability Award. The

building also received an OPUS Award and was shortlisted for an Irish Concrete Society Award.

## Refurbishment of Ringmahon House and New Sheltered Housing Scheme

Ringmahon House was built around the beginning of the nineteenth century and is one of the most historic houses in the Blackrock area. James Murphy, brother of Bishop John Murphy of Cork, was granted a 21 year lease on the building in 1821. The Murphy family were prominent merchants in Cork, involved in tanning, establishing a distillery in 1825 and later founding the famous brewery in 1856. More recently, the house became home to the Dunne family (of retail fame), who financed extensive refurbishment works, including demolition of the adjoining caretaker's annex, carried out in 2007.

Parallel to these works, a new sheltered housing scheme, designed by City Architect's Dept., was constructed within the grounds of Ringmahon House. This development on two floors includes 14 one-bed apartments and 2 two-bed apartments and was built on the footprint of the former stables and workshops.

The sheltered housing provides individual accommodation units capable of sustaining independent living with some communal space provision to support interaction between residents. The design, materials and architectural expression have been carefully considered in the context of the site, particularly its proximity to Ringmahon House.

## Glen Master Plan

The Glen was developed in the late 1960s and early 70s as a direct response to the housing crisis of that time and its experimental design approach is evident. It lacked recreational facilities and had very little secure private space, resulting in many areas being prone to vandalism and anti social behaviour. The need for a Master Plan to inform the direction and programme for regeneration was identified and beginning in the late 1990s, The Glen Master Plan was developed by City Architect's Dept. evolving from lengthy and detailed public consultation. A process was set up to involve the community, helping to build trust and support for the regeneration of the area and developing an insight into the community's requirements and needs. By building strong local support for the Master Plan, the planning process for Phase 1 proceeded without objection. This also led to a high level of support and co-operation during the construction process for the first phase.

Designed and Project Managed by City Architect's Dept., Glen Phase I was the first of four phases of the Master Plan. This phase commenced on site in 2002 and was completed early in 2006. This scheme was the largest social housing project in the country to use Solar Panels extensively, reducing the carbon footprints (and the energy bills) of the units. Design and consultation work for the next phase is largely completed and awaiting funding approval. Demolition of 4 blocks of flats took place during 2006/7 as part of the enabling works for Phase II.



## Oifigí Cathartha Nua

Ónar bhog siad isteach sa síneadh nua i mí Feabhra 2007, agus ón searmanas ina dhiaidh sin i mí an Mheithimh 2007, tá Roinn Ailtire na Cathrach ag comhoibriú go dlúth leis an mBainisteoir Saoráidí agus an Príomhchonraitheoir chun dul i ngleic leis na fadhbanna a tharlaíonn i rith na chéad bliana in áit nua. Mar shampla, fuarthas go raibh an tsáile ag cruthú fadhbanna creimneacha don Chóras Geoiteirmeach agus bhí ar an gconraitheoir é a athrú agus mionscrúdú a dhéanamh air chun inbhuanaitheacht fhadtéarmach an fhearais sin atá tíosach ar fhuinneamh a chinntiú.

Thosaigh an fhoireann oifige ag bogadh ó áitribh éagsúla i ndeisceart na cathrach go dtí síneadh nua Halla na Cathrach i mí Márta agus bhí siad ar fad bogtha faoi mhí na Bealtaine 2007. Ba athrú suntasach é an plean oscailte oifige ó na hoifigí ceallacha a raibh formhór na foirne i dtaithí orthu ach ba dhearfach agus ba mholtach an t-aiseolas don chuid is mó.

## Dámhachtainí

Chomh maith le Dámhachtain RIBA na hEorpa a bhuachan, tháinig an foirgneamh sa dara háit do Dhámhachtain Inchothaithe RIBA. Bronnadh Dámhachtain OPUS ar an bhfoirgneamh freisin agus bhí sé ar an

ngearrliosta do Dhámhachtan Chumann Coincréite na hÉireann.

## Athchóiriú Theach Rinn Mhachan agus an Scéim nua Sciath-thithíochta

Tógadh Teach Rinn Mhachan thart ar thús an naoú haois déag agus is ceann de na tithe is stairiúla i gceantar na Carraige Duibhe é. Tugadh léas 21 bliain do James Murphy, deartháir an Easpaig John Murphy, ar an bhfoirgneamh sa bhliain 1821.

Ba cheannaithe tábhachtacha iad teaghlach Murphy i gCorcaigh a bhí bainteach le súdaireacht, agus bhunaigh siad drioglan i 1825 agus an ghrúdlann cháiliúil níos déanaí sa bhliain 1856. Le blianta beaga anuas, is teaghlach Dunne (cáiliúil de bharr na miondíola) atá ina gcónaí ann agus i 2007 mhaoinigh siad oibreacha fairsinge athchóirithe, scartáil lóistín an airígh san áireamh.

I gcomhtharlú leis na hoibreacha sin, tógadh scéim nua sciath-thithíochta, a dhear Roinn Ailtireachta na Cathrach, i bhfeirann Theach Rinn Mhachan. Cuimsítear 14 árasán aonleapa agus 2 árasán dhá-leapa sa scéim agus tógadh iad san áit chéanna is a bhí na stáblaí agus na ceardlanna uair amháin.

Cuireann an sciath-thithíocht aonaid aonair lóistín ar fáil inar féidir le daoine maireachtáil go neamhspleách, ach le spás comónta freisin chun caidreamh a chothú idir cónaitheoirí. Tugadh dianmhachnamh don dearadh, ábhair agus léiriú ailtireachta i gcomhthéacs an tsuímh, go háirithe ó thaobh a ghairachta do Theach Rinn Mhachan.

## Mórfhlean an Ghleanna

Tógadh an Gleann mar fhreagra ar an ngéarchéim tithíochta a bhí ann sna seascaidí agus sna seachtóidí, agus tá an cur chuige trialach deartha a bhí aige le brath go soiléir. Bhí easpa áiseanna ann agus ganntanas spáis shábháilte phríobháidigh agus bhí creachadóireacht agus iompraíocht fhrithshóisialta mar thoradh air sin. Aithníodh an gá Mórfhlean a bheith ann chun treo agus clár na hathghiniúna a stiúradh agus ag deireadh na nóchaidí, forbraíodh Mórfhlean an Ghleanna ag Roinn Ailtire na Cathrach a d'eascair as comhairliúchán fada poiblí. Cuireadh próiseas ar bun le go mbeadh páirt á ghlacadh ag an bpobal ann agus chuidigh sin le muinín agus le tacaíocht a chruthú d'athghiniúint an cheantair agus léargas a fhorbairt ar riachtanais an phobail. Chuaigh an próiseas pleanála ar aghaidh go Céim I gan agóid mar thoradh ar an tacaíocht láidir áitiúil sin a chruthú. Bhí leibhéal ard tacaíochta agus comhoibrithe mar thoradh air freisin le linn an phróisis tógála don chéad chéim.

Ba chuid amháin de cheithre cinn sa Mhórfhlean í Céim I an Ghleanna, ar a raibh Roinn Ailtire na Cathrach ina ndearthóir agus ina mbainisteoir tionscadail. Thosaigh an chéim ar an láthair i 2002 agus críochnaíodh é i 2006. Ba é an scéim is mó tithíochta sóisialta sa tír a d'úsáid grianphainéil go forleathan, rud a laghdaigh lorg carbóin (agus billí aibhléise) na n-aonad. Tá dearadh agus obair comhairliúcháin na chéad céime eile beagnach críochnaithe agus táthar ag feitheamh ar fhaomhadh maoinithe. Scartáladh 4 bloc árasán i rith 2006/7 mar chuid d'ullmhúcháin do Chéim II.

A photograph of a modern building facade with large glass windows and a light-colored stone or concrete wall. The windows reflect the surrounding environment, including other buildings and the sky. A purple rectangular overlay is positioned in the upper left quadrant, containing the title text.

# Community and Enterprise

# Pobal agus Fiontar





## Cork City Marathon 4th June 2007

Bank Holiday Monday, 4th June 2007, saw Cork city host its first Marathon since 1986 with nearly 5,000 runners participating on the day. 2nd June 2008 has been officially announced as the date for the next marathon which will incorporate the very successful team relay event and also a wheelchair category.

2007 saw over 1,600 individual entries recorded and nearly 3,000 took part in the relay. These numbers are set to increase as more than 8,000 runners are expected to start in 2008.

The relay element of the race was completed by nearly 700 teams in 2007 and proved to be a great way for people to raise money for their favourite charities while ensuring that everyone could take part in the Cork City Marathon.

Next year's marathon will follow the same successful format with individual events for ladies and gents and the team relay where up to five team members can run between two and five stages to complete the marathon. Online entry is now open for the 2008 Cork City Marathon and organisers are urging all those wishing to take part to enter as early as possible.

## City of Learning Lifelong Learning Festival

The 4th Cork Lifelong Learning Festival took place from March 26th to April 1st

and proved a huge success with more than 200 free events taking place across the city - such as puppet shows, nature walks, demonstrations, performances. This year the programme reflected changes in the city's population and also included organisations catering for new arrivals to Cork (The Eastern European Association and the Welcome English centre). Each branch of the City Library organised and hosted events and all the nine local Community Education networks were involved, along with the Disability Education Network who showcased their activities.

They were joined by the recently established Community Music Network, with its members performing at a number of venues - including Mahon Point and Fitzgerald's Park. The National Learning Network, together with the City Council's Connect Cork project, hosted a number of events on its Mobile Classroom, visiting Blackpool, Mahon Point and Wilton shopping centres during the week. The Lifelong Learning Festival continues to showcase and celebrate the huge range of learning opportunities available in Cork city and to encourage all to get involved. It has become an eagerly anticipated annual event.

## Discovery 2007

Now recognised as one of the key events of Science Week Ireland, Discovery in 2007 encouraged the uptake of sciences at second level and beyond with an interactive exhibition in City Hall, plus a range of site visits and workshops. Supported by Forfás, Cork City Council, local companies and third level institutions, the event was organised by Cork City Learning Forum. The budget for 'Discovery 2007' was €127,000, but added to this is at least €50,000 in voluntary contributions. The Lord Mayor, Cllr. Donal Counihan, Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment Micheál Martin, Peter Brabizon (Forfás) and Leo Enright (science communicator) attended the launch event. Participating groups included Techniquet from Wales, Madlabs from Scotland, Cork Electronics Industry Association, Lifetime Lab, Blackrock Castle Observatory, Cork City Council's Water Department, UCC, CIT, Fota and Millstreet Wildlife parks, the Janssen group of Companies, EMC2 and the Defence Forces. Attendance (approx): City Hall 6000, Offsite events 1000.

## Sustainable Communities

In 2007 Community and Enterprise was successful in securing funding under the Sustainable Communities Grant Scheme. A range of projects are now underway and will be developed over the three year duration of the funding programme.

The integrated initiatives supporting the RAPID Priorities in Cork city are outlined as follows-

### Community Safety

€38,000 or 90% of the salary element was awarded for the employment of six community wardens. These have been employed to support the RAPID Community Safety Initiative across the four RAPID areas.

### Family Support

€25,000 was allocated towards family support and research to develop a more sustainable approach towards issues of disadvantage.

### Environmental Improvement

€38,000 or 90% of the salary element was allocated towards the employment of three environmental workers. This will enable the existing initiative supported by Cork City Council to be rolled out across the north side of the city.

### Traveller Employment Project

The interagency traveller employment programme was successful in securing €31,200 or 90% of the salary element for six general operatives. Cork City Council also approved funding for a further six workers to be employed under this project. Training will be provided by FAS for the twelve workers and this initiative is being supported by a number of City Council Directorates.

### Community Building

€38,000 or 90% of the salary expenditure was awarded for the employment of a community facility worker in the newly developed Gurranabraher Community Building.

All of these projects reflect the ongoing work and commitment of Community and Enterprise, towards developing, together with the statutory agencies and the community and voluntary sector, integrated responses and innovative working practices, to serve the needs of communities in Cork.

# Maratón Cathrach Chorcaí, 4 Meitheamh 2007

Tionóladh an chéad mharatón i gCathair Chorcaí ón mbliain 1986 ar an Luan Saoire Bainc, 4 Meitheamh 2007, agus ghlac 5,000 reathaí páirt ann. Tá 2 Meitheamh 2008 fógartha go hoifigiúil don chéad mharatón eile ina mbeidh an mhír rathúil sealáiocht foirne chomh maith le catagóir chathaoir rothaí.

Bhí breis is 1,600 iontráil aonair agus ghlac beagnach 3,000 páirt sa rás sealáiochta i 2007. Táthar ag súil go mbeidh borradh ar an bhfigiúr sin sa bhliain 2008 agus go dtosódh 8,000 reathaí.

Chríochnaigh beagnach 700 foireann an rás sealáiochta i 2007. Ba chaoi iontach é do dhaoine airgead a bhailiú dá gcumann carthanach is fearr agus chinntigh sé go raibh gach duine in ann páirt a ghlacadh i Maratón Cathrach Chorcaí

Beidh an leagan amach céanna ag maratón na bliana seo chugainn a chuimseoidh míreanna aonair d'fhir agus do mhná, chomh maith le mír shealaíochta foirne ina bhféadfaí suas le cúigear ball foirne idir dhá agus cúig chuid den mharatón a rith chun é a chríochnú. Is féidir iarratas a chur isteach ar an maratón ar líne anois agus molann eagraithe clárú chomh luath agus is féidir.

## An Chathair Léinn Féile don Fhoghlaim ar feadh an tSaoil

Tionóladh an ceathrú Féile don Fhoghlaim ar feadh an tSaoil Chorcaí ón 26 Márta go dtí 1 Aibreán agus bhí rath mór leis. Tharla 200 imeacht saor in aisce ar fud na cathrach – ar nós drámaí puipéid, siúlóidí dúlra, taispeántas agus taibhíthe. Léirigh clár na bliana seo na hathruithe i ndaonra na cathrach agus cuimsíodh eagraíochtaí atá bainteach leis na daoine nua i gCorcaigh (an Eastern European Association agus an ionad Welcome English).

Rinne gach craobh de Leabharlann na Cathrach imeachtaí a eagrú agus a chur i láthair agus bhí baint ag gach ceann de na naoi ngréasán áitiúla Oideachais

Pobail, chomh maith leis an nGréasán Oideachais Míchumais a chur a imeachtaí i láthair. Sheinn an Gréasán Ceoil Pobail nua-bhunaithe leo ag roinnt láithreacha – Mahon Point agus Páirc an Ghearltaigh san áireamh. Chuir an Gréasán Náisiúnta Foghlama, i gcomhar le tionscadal Nasc Corcaigh na Comhairle Cathrach, roinnt imeachtaí i láthair ina seomraí ranga soghluaiste agus thug siad cuairt ar ionaid siopadóireachta Mahon Point agus Wilton i rith na seachtaine. Leanann an Fhéile don Foghlaim ar feadh an tSaoil ar aghaidh ag taispeáint agus ag ceiliúradh an réimse leathan deiseanna foghlama atá le fáil i gCathair Chorcaí agus spreagann sé rannpháirtíocht gach duine. Bíonn daoine ag tnúth go mór leis an ócáid gach bliain anois.



## Discovery 2007

Aithnítear Discovery mar chuid lárnach de sheachtain eolaíochta na hÉireann anois, agus i 2007 mhol sé staidéar na n-eolaíochtaí ag dara leibhéal agus ar aghaidh le taispeántas idirghníomhach ag Halla na Cathrach, chomh maith le réimse cuairteanna láithreacha agus ceardlann. D'eagraigh Fóram Foghlama Chathrach Chorcaí an imeacht agus thacaigh Forfás, Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí, cuideachtaí áitiúla agus institiúidí tríú leibhéal leis. Bhí €127,000 curtha ar leataobh do Discovery 2007 ach tháinig €50,000 breise isteach i ranníocaíochtaí deonacha. Bhí an tArdmhéara, an Comhairleoir Donal Counihan, an tAire Fiontair, Trádála agus Fostaíochta, Micheál Martin, Peter Brabizon (Forfás) agus Leo Enright (cumarsáidí eolaíochta) i láthair ag an ócáid seolta. Áirítear ar na grúpaí a bhí páirteach Techniquist ón mBreatain Bheag, Madlabs ón Albain, Cumann Tionsclaíochta Leictreonach Chorcaí, Lifetime Lab, Caisleán agus Réadlann na Carraige Duibhe, an Roinn Uisce Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí, COC, ITC, páirceanna fiabheatha Fota agus Shráid an Mhuilinn, grúpa cuideachtaí Janssen, EMC² agus Óglaigh na hÉireann. Tinreamh (thart ar): Halla na Cathrach 6,000, Áiteanna eile 1,000

## Pobail Inchothaithe

D'éirigh leis an Roinn Pobail agus Fiontair maoiniú a fháil faoin Scéim Deontais Pobail Inchothaithe. Tá réimse tionscadail ar bun anois agus forbrófar iad thar thréimhse trí bliana an chlár mhaoinithe.

Imlínítear na tionscnaimh chomhtháite a thacaíonn le tosaíochtaí RAPID i gCathair Chorcaí mar seo leanas –

**Sábháilteacht Pobail**  
€38,000 nó 90% de chostais tuarastail bronnta d'fhostú seisear maor pobail. Fostaíodh iad chun tacú leis an Tionscnamh Sábháilteachta Pobail RAPID sna ceithre réimse de chuid RAPID.

**Tacaíocht Teaghlaigh**  
€25,000 bronnta i gcomhair tacaíocht agus taighde teaghlaigh chun cur chuige inchothaithe a fhorbairt ó thaobh míbhuntáiste de.

**Feabhsú Comhshaoil**  
€38,000 nó 90% de chostais tuarastail dáilte d'fhostú triúr oibrí comhshaoil. Ciallóidh sin go mbeidh an tionscnamh a thacaíonn Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí leis in ann scaipeadh go tuisceart na cathrach.

**Tionscadal Fostaithe Taistealaithe**  
D'éirigh leis an gclár idirghníomhaireachta fostaithe taistealaithe €31,200 nó 90% de chostais tuarastail a fháil i gcomhair seisear oibrí ginearálta. D'fhaomh Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí maoiniú i gcomhair seisear oibrí eile a bheith fostaithe faoin tionscadal sin. Cuirfidh FÁS oiliúint ar fáil don dáréag oibrí agus tacaíonn roinnt Stiúrthóireachtaí Comhairle Cathrach leis.

**Forbairt Pobail**  
€38,000 nó 90% de chostais tuarastail bronnta d'fhostú oibrí éascaitheoir pobail san Fhoirgneamh nuafhorbartha Pobail Gharrán na mBráthar.

Léiríonn na tionscnaimh seo ar fad obair agus tiomantas leanúnach na Ranna Pobail agus Fiontair, i gcomhar le gníomhaireachtaí reachtúla agus an earnáil phoiblí agus dheonach, i dtaobh freagairt comhtháite agus cleachtais nuálacha oibre a fhorbairt chun freastal ar riachtanais pobail Chorcaí.

## Community Development Grant List 2007

Group	Director's Recommendation	Purpose of Grant
Ballinlough Community Association	€6,000	Completion of extension
Ballyphehane Community Association	€12,000	Equipment for Community Centre
Blackrock Community Association	€3,000	Refurbishments to centre
Blarney Street & Surrounding Areas Community Association	€8,000	Repairs to sewage works
Churchfield & Gurrabraher Community Association	€5,000	Costs associated with transport, equipment and administration of association's activities
Cork C.A.N.	€47,000	Setting affairs of C.A.N. in order
Farranree Community Association	€16,000	Redecoration/refurbishment of Centre
Farranree Summer Playscheme	€6,000	Running costs of play-scheme
Lough Community Association	€4,000	Installation of Closed Circuit Television
Mahon Community Association	€15,000	Repairs and equipment for centre
Mayfield East Community Association	€20,000	Refurbishment of Kerrigan Tyrell Centre
Ógra Chorcaí	€49,000	Assisting the financing of summer play-schemes
South Parish Community Association	€15,000	Ongoing refurbishment
St Joseph's (Mayfield) Community Association	€15,000	Refurbishment of Community Association
Togher Community Association	€22,000	Construction of canteen
Turner's Cross Community Association	€7,000	Office Furnishings
Total	€250,000	

## Community Development Grant List 2007

Grúpa	Moladh Stiúrtóra	Cúis an Deontais
Cumann Pobail Bhaile an Locha	€6,000	Síneadh a chríochnú
Cumann Pobail Bhaile Féitheáin	€12,000	Fearais don Ionad Pobail
Cumann Pobail na Carraige Duibhe	€3,000	Athchóirithe ar an Ionad
Cumann Pobail Shráid na Blárnán agus an ceantar máguaird	€8,000	Deisithe ar oibreacha séarachais
Cumann Pobail Chnoc Cille & Gharrán na mBráthar	€5,000	Costais a bhaineann le taisteal, fearais agus riarachán imeachtaí an chumainn
CAN Chorcaí	€47,000	Gnóthaí CAN a chur in eagar
Cumann Pobail Fearann Riabhach	€16,000	Athmhaisiú/athchóiriú an Ionaid
Scéim Súgartha Samhraidh Fearann Riabhach	€6,000	Costais reatha na scéime súgartha
Cumann Pobail an Locha	€4,000	CCTV a chur isteach
Cumann Pobail Machan	€15,000	Deisithe agus fearais don ionad
Cumann Pobail Bhaile na mBocht Thoir	€20,000	Athdheisiú Ionad Kerrigan Tyrell
Ógra Chorcaí	€49,000	Ag cabhrú le maoiniú do scéimeanna súgartha samhraidh
Cumann Pobail an Pharóiste Theas	€15,000	Athchóiriú leanúnach
Cumann Pobail Naomh Iosaf (Baile na mBocht)	€15,000	Athchóiriú an Chumainn Pobail
Cumann Pobail Tóchair	€22,000	Ceaintín a thógáil
Cumann Pobail Chrotaire Tuirnér	€7,000	Troscáin oifige
Iomlán	€250,000	





# Corporate Affairs

# Gnóthaí Corparáideacha





## New Extension to City Hall

Encased in Italian marble, City Hall's €35m extension was officially opened on 8th June 2007. Together with the 'old' City Hall, the completed premises provides a central hub for all City Council services in a project that has already attracted much architectural acclaim.

From the signing of the contracts in late 2004, it took just two years to complete the extension project which has been hailed as an overwhelming success. Born of City Manager, Joe Gavin's desire to amalgamate all City Council services to a city centre premises, the project was spearheaded by a team of project managers who outlined a design brief for what the new building should encompass. Following much interest, the design, build and finance contract was awarded to Wexford based developers, Cleary Doyle Contracting Ltd., whose project team were Dublin based ABK Architects.

The four storey building, encompassing approximately 100,000 sq ft of space, clad in carerra marble and glass, stretches from Anglesea Street to Eglinton Street. The building has already been the recipient

of prestigious awards for design and sustainability. The central atrium stretches from the ground floor to the roof, flooding all departments with natural light. The atrium also features as part of the 'internal street' aspect, designed to open up the extended City Hall to regular public use, providing a through way from Eglinton Street to Anglesea Street. The City Hall's southern facing Concert Hall wall has been integrated as a design feature of the new building, visible alongside a marble stairway leading to the upper floors. The choice of carerra marble, a white marble with flecks of grey, was specifically chosen to co-exist in harmony with the limestone used in City Hall.

And just as limestone is permeable, the extension to City Hall is a living, breathing structure, designed to the highest environmentally sustainable specifications.

Speaking at the official opening ceremony, the City Manager said that "this new extension symbolises the confidence and vibrancy of the city today as it undergoes a period of sustained development and extends eastwards to regenerate its historic docklands."

## Freedom of the City

At its meeting on Monday, 10th April 2007, Cork City Council approved a resolution to confer the Freedom of the City on Michael Flatley.

The resolution recommended the granting of the Freedom of the City of Cork on Michael Flatley in recognition of his personal achievements as a worldclass dancer, musician, performer and as a person of outstanding artistic talent and capability; in recognition of his exceptional vision and achievement of raising the profile of Ireland abroad by bringing Irish dance and music to a new level and to a worldwide audience through the phenomenal international success of his shows and in recognition of his pursuit of pushing boundaries and passion for his heritage.

The Freedom of the City of Cork was conferred on Michael Flatley at a special ceremony in City Hall, Cork, on Saturday, 2nd June 2007.



## Síneadh nua ar Halla na Cathrach

Osclaíodh síneadh Halla na Cathrach, clúdaithe le marmar lodálach, go hoifigiúil ar an 8 Meitheamh 2007. I dteannta le 'Sean' Halla na Cathrach, cuireann an t-áitreabh críochnaithe lárionad ar fáil do sheirbhísí uile na Comhairle Cathrach. Tá cáil ailtireachta ar an tionscadal cheana féin.

Thóg an tionscadal sínte dhá bhliain le críochnú ón uair a síníodh na conarthaí go déanach i 2004 agus d'éirigh thar cinn leis. D'eascair an tionscadal ó dhúil a bhí ag Bainisteoir na Cathrach, Joe Gavin, seirbhísí uile na Comhairle Cathrach a chomhtháthú in áitreabh amháin i lár na cathrach. Bhí foireann bainisteoirí tionscadail i gceannas ar an tionscadal agus thug siad achoimre deartha de leagan amach an fhoirgnimh nua. Tar éis suim mhór a bheith léirithe ann, bronnadh an conradh deartha, tógála agus airgeadais ar fhorbróirí lonnaithe i Loch Garman, Cleary Doyle Contracting Ltd., agus a fhoireann tionscadail Ailtirí ABK ó Bhaile Átha Cliath.

Téann an foirgneamh ceithre stór, atá thart ar 100,000 troigh cearnach agus atá clúdaithe le marmar carerra agus gloine, ó Shráid Anglesea chomh fada

siar le Sráid Eglinton. Tá dámhachtainí suntasacha buaite ag an bhfoirgneamh cheana féin mar gheall ar a dhearadh agus a inbhuanaitheacht. Téann an t-aitríam lárnach ón mbunurlár go dtí an díon agus scaipeann sé solas nádúrtha ar gach roinn. Tá sé ar intinn go n-osclóidh an t-aitríam Halla na Cathrach sínte don phobal ar bhonn rialta agus é ina chuid den 'tsráid inmheánach' a nascaídh Sráid Eglinton le Sráid Anglesea. Úsáideadh balla deisiúrach den Halla Ceolchoirme mar ghné lárnach deartha Halla nua na Cathrach, atá le feiceáil taobh le staighre marmair a théann go dtí na hurláir uachtarach. Roghnaíodh an marmar carerra, marmar bán le flioscaí liath, d'aon ghnó ag gabháil le haolchloch Halla na Cathrach.

Agus ar nós na haolchloiche scagaí, is struchtúr beo, beathach é síneadh Halla na Cathrach leis na sonraíochtaí dearaidh is airde inchothaithe comhshaoil.

Ina óráid ag an searmanas oifigiúil oscailte, dúirt Bainisteoir na Cathrach gur "siombal é an síneadh nua do mhuinín agus do bheocht na cathrach agus í ag síorathrú agus ag leathnú soir chun Ceantar na nDuganna a athghiniúnt."

## Saoirse na Cathrach

D'fhaomh Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí an rún Saoirse na Cathrach a bhronnadh ar Michael Flatley ag cruinniú ar 10 Aibreán 2007.

Mhol an rún go n-aithneofaí Michael Flatley le Saoirse na Cathrach mar gheall ar a éachtaí mar rinceoir, ceoltóir agus taibheoir den scoth, agus duine le buanna agus cumais thar cuimse; go n-aithneofaí a léargas agus saothar iontach ó thaobh próifíl Éireann a ardú thar lear trí rince agus trí cheol na hÉireann a thabhairt go leibhéal eile agus go lucht féachana domhanda mar thoradh ar rath iontach a seónna idirnáisiúnta agus a paisean d'oidhreacht.

Tugadh Saoirse na Cathrach do Michael Flatley ag searmanas speisialta ag Halla na Cathrach, Corcaigh ar an Sathairn, 2 Meitheamh 2007.





## Honorary Membership of Cork City Council

The President of the Slovak Republic, Ivan Gašparovic, was awarded Honorary Membership of Cork City Council on 28th March 2007, the first occasion on which a visiting Head of State was conferred with Honorary Membership of the City Council

The President was presented with this Honorary Membership in recognition of his role in strengthening the special relationship between Cork and the Slovak Republic (developed since 1st May 2004 when Cork welcomed the accession of the Slovak Republic to the European Union); in recognition of the integral part played by the Slovak Republic during Cork's reign as European Capital of Culture 2005 and the Enlargement – Bringing the 'new' Europe to Cork project; and of continuing and future collaboration.

Since celebrating its accession to the EU with St. Patrick's Street's first street party, Slovakia has developed a strong relationship with Cork. Other events in which it contributed included an exhibition on the life of Alexander Dubcek at the Cork Public Museum; a photographic exhibition combined with a Slovak Food week in the English Market at the Farmgate Café and the Bodega bar and free concerts at the Cork Vision Centre

Honorary Membership of Cork City Council is granted to Prime Ministers and Heads of State only. Each honorary member has the right to address a meeting of Council once in each Council term. No voting rights attach to honorary membership. Each honorary member will receive a presentation of a framed Honorary Membership Certificate.

## Special Olympics World Summer Games 2007

Having twinned with Shanghai, China in 2005 as part of its Capital of Culture celebrations, Cork City Council was delighted not only to greet the Cork athletes representing Ireland at the Special Olympic World Summer Games before their departure to the games but to host a reception in their honour and that of their colleagues in Team Ireland at a banquet held in Shanghai during the games. Lord Mayor Cllr. Donal Counihan and Assistant City Manager Dan Buggy travelled to Shanghai to host the event which was attended by over 300 athletes coaches and family members.

## Scéim Teanga Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí 2007-2010

Effective from 31st October 2007 Cork City Council agreed an Irish language scheme with the Department of Community Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs. This document is a roadmap for the next three years as to how the Council intends to upgrade, improve or in some cases initiate new services through the medium of Irish in specified directorates and departments of the Council. It has also committed to increasing the use of Irish in the conduct of Council meetings to underline this. The static website information on the homepage of each directorate /department has been available bilingually since October 2007 and the Council is committed to ensuring an increase in the online services of the Council available to the public through Irish in the lifetime of this scheme.

Cork City Council is pleased to commit to these targets and hopes to deliver on many of them inside the time allocated. Progress will be reviewed on an annual basis.



## Ballraíocht Onórach Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí

Bronnadh ballraíocht onórach ar Uachtarán Phoblacht na Slóvaice, Ivan Gašparovic, ar an 28 Márta 2007 – an chéad ócáid a bronnadh ballraíocht onórach den Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí ar cheann stáit cuartaíochta.

Tugadh an bhallraíocht onórach don Uachtarán mar aitheantas ar a ról an caidreamh speisialta idir Corcaigh agus Poblacht na Slóvaice a neartú (a forbraíodh ó 1 Bealtaine i leith nuair a d'fháiltigh Corcaigh teacht Phoblacht na Slóvaice go hAontas na hEorpa); mar aitheantas ar an bpáirt lárnach a ghlac Poblacht na Slóvaice i réimeas Chorcaí mar Phríomhchathair Cultúrtha na hEorpa 2005 agus an tionscadal Enlargement – Bringing the 'New' Europe to Cork, agus mar aitheantas ar chomhoibriú todhchaí.

Tá caidreamh láidir idir an tSlóvaic agus Corcaigh ón am a cheiliúradh siad a theacht san AE leis an gcéad chóisir ar an tsráid de chuid Sráid Naomh Pádraig. Ghlac an tSlóvaic páirt i dtaispeántas faoi shaol Alexander Dubcek ag Iarsmalann Phoiblí Chorcaí; taispeántas grianghrafadóireachta i gcomhar le seachtain an Bhia Slóvacach sa Mhargadh Sasanach ag Café Farmgate agus an beár Bodega agus ceolchoirmeacha saor in aisce ag an Cork Vision Centre.

Tugtar ballraíocht onórach de Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí do Phríomh-Airí agus do Chinn Stáit amháin. Tá an ceart ag gach ball onórach labhairt ag cruinniú na Comhairle uair amháin i ngach téarma na Comhairle. Níl bhaineann aon chearta vótála le ballraíocht onórach. Faigheann gach ball onórach Teastas Ballraíochta Onóraigh i bhfírama.

## Special Olympics World Summer Games 2007

Nascadh Corcaigh le Shanghai na Síne, mar chuid de cheiliúradh Phríomhchathair Chultúrtha. Bhí áthas ar Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí bualadh le lúthchleasaithe Chorcaí a rinne ionadú d'Éirinn ag na Cluichí Domhanda Samhraidh sular fhág siad chun dul chuig na cluichí agus, chomh maith leis sin, fáiltiú a chur i láthair ina n-onóir agus in onóir a gcomhghleacaithe i bhFoireann Éireann ag féasta i Shanghai i rith na gCluichí. Chuaigh an tArdmhéara, an Chomhairleoir Donal Counihan agus Leas-Bhainisteoir na Cathrach, Dan Buggy, chuig Shanghai chun an t-imeacht a chur i láthair agus d'fhreastail breis is 300 duine

## Scéim Teanga Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí 2007-2010

air, idir lúthchleasaithe, chóitseálaithe agus ghaolta.

D'fhaomh an Chomhairle Scéim Teanga leis an Roinn Gnóthaí Pobail, Tuaithe agus Gaeltachta le héifeacht ó 31 Deireadh Fómhair 2007. Taispeánann an cháipéis seo conas a dhéanfaidh an Chomhairle uasghrádú agus feabhsú ar sheirbhísí trí Ghaeilge agus i gcásanna áirithe, conas a chuirfidh siad tús leis na seirbhísí sin i stiúrthóireachtaí agus ranna áirithe thar thréimhse na trí bliana seo chugainn. Chun béim a leagan air sin tá an Chomhairle tiomanta do Ghaeilge a úsáid níos mó i rith a gcruinnithe. Tá leagan dhátteangach de leathanach gréasáin statach ar fáil de leathanach baile gach stiúrthóireacht/roinn ó mhí Dheireadh Fómhair 2007 agus tá sí tiomanta do sheirbhísí na Comhairle ar líne trí Ghaeilge a mhéadú don phobal thar thréimhse na scéime sin.

Is cúis áthais é do Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí tiomantas a thabhairt do na spriocanna sin agus go gcomhlíonfaí cuid mhaith acu laistigh den amchlár a tugadh. Déanfar dul chun cinn a athbhreithniú ar bhonn bliantúil.





# Docklands Directorate



# Stiúrthóireacht Ceantar na nDuganna





The redevelopment of Cork Docklands is a key project for the city and one of the core elements contained in the Cork Area Strategic Plan (C.A.S.P.) and the Cork City Development Plan 2004. The redevelopment of the area is seen as a key factor in growth of Metropolitan Cork and the Cork Gateway.

The following key areas formed the main focus of activity by the Docklands Directorate in 2007:

## South Docks Local Area Plan

South Docks Local Area Plan (incorporating a Public Realm Strategy and an Infrastructure Strategy) was substantially completed in 2007. The team was led by Brady Shipman Martin, Planning and Landscape Architecture Consultants. A Draft Plan was produced in June 2007 and a week long public exhibition was held in City Hall which was attended by over 1,000 members of the public. Following a 10 week period of public consultation during which over 200 submissions were received, a number of amendments were proposed to the Draft Plan. The proposed amendments to the Draft Plan were placed on public display for a further 4 weeks during November 2007. Following receipt of public submission a number of further amendments were proposed in December 2007 with the Docklands Policy Committee successfully steering the final Plan through full Council to its adoption in early February 2008. The Docklands Policy Committee also undertook a number of study visits to Belfast and Newcastle to learn from other regeneration programmes.

The South Docks Local Area Plan will act as a focus for moving the development of the area forward by providing clear guidance for the development and implementation of the agreed planning and development strategy. The Plan also identified through the submissions

received the need to prepare a River Use Management Plan to guide manage the proper use of the River Lee following the re-location of the Port downstream. The first major planning application in the South Docks area is expected in March 2008 involving the development of an Events Centre, an hotel and a number of mixed commercial /residential schemes.

## Gateway Innovation Fund

The Directorate prepared a submission to the Department of Environment Heritage and Local Government for funding under the Gateway Innovation Fund. The submission was made with the support of the Port of Cork and Cork County Council. The bulk of the funding (€80 million) was sought for the development of the Eastern Gateway Bridge – a major element of the proposed transport network for the area linking Tivoli with the South Docks via an opening bridge and an extension to Monahan Road. Further funding was also sought to fund the relocation of the Port of Cork to Ringaskiddy, as well as proposals to develop critical infrastructure in the East Cork area which could also benefit the Docklands by supporting the relocation of existing incompatible uses. A decision on the allocation of funding is due in early 2008.

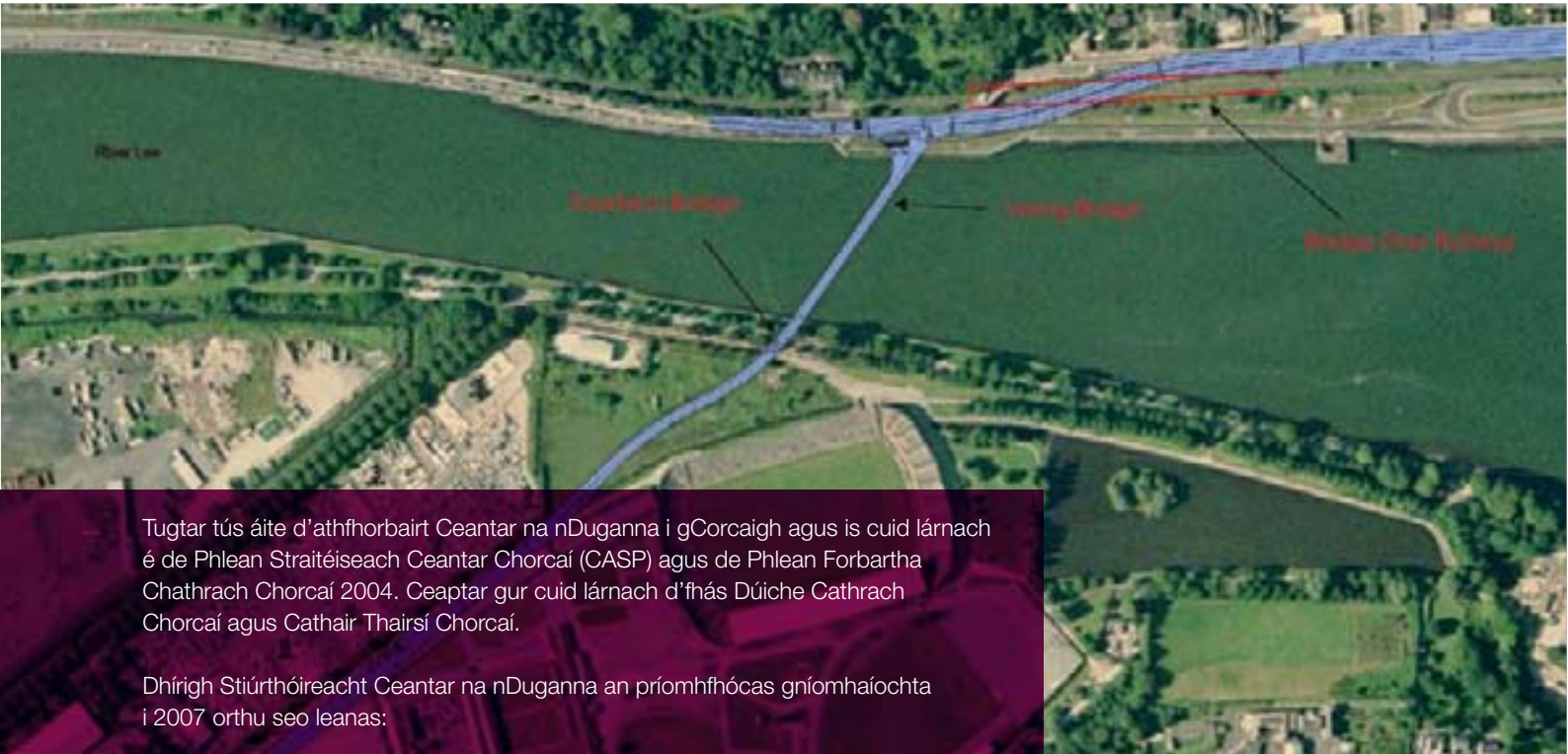
## Compulsory Purchase Order of the Showgrounds

An Bord Pleanála confirmed the Compulsory Purchase Order of the Showgrounds which paves the way for the City Council to pursue the wider area's redevelopment as a sub regional park – to be known as Marina Park. The park will be of great benefit in terms of the recreational uses it will provide for residents and workers in the redeveloped Docklands area and the wider city region. The design principles for the park have been set by the South Docks Local Area Plan (Public Realm Strategy). It is intended to procure the detailed design of the park in 2008 via a competitive process amongst national and international landscape architecture practices.

## Website

Further information on the progress of the above projects can be obtained from the website:

[www.corkcity.ie/DOCKLANDS](http://www.corkcity.ie/DOCKLANDS)



Tugtar tús áite d'athfhorbairt Ceantar na nDuganna i gCorcaigh agus is cuid lárnach é de Phlean Straitéiseach Ceantar Chorcaí (CASP) agus de Phlean Forbartha Chathrach Chorcaí 2004. Ceaptar gur cuid lárnach d'fhás Dúiche Cathrach Chorcaí agus Cathair Thairsí Chorcaí.

Dhírigh Stiúrthóireacht Ceantar na nDuganna an príomhfhócas gníomhaíochta i 2007 orthu seo leanas:

## Plean Ceantair Áitiúil na nDuganna Theas

Críochnaíodh Plean Ceantair Áitiúil na nDuganna Theas (Straitéis Ríochta Phoiblí/Dearaidh Tírdhreacha agus Straitéis Bhonneagair san áireamh) nach mór i 2007. Bhí Brady Shipman Martin, Comhairleoir Pleanála agus Ailtireachta Tírdhreacha, i gceannas ar an bhfoireann. Rinneadh dréachtphlean i mí an Mheithimh 2007 agus bhí taispeántas poiblí a mhair seachtain ar siúl i Halla na Cathrach ar thug breis is 1,000 duine cuairt air. Tar éis tréimhse 10 seachtaine de chomhairliúcháin poiblí agus breis is 200 aighneacht, moladh roinnt leasuithe don dréachtphlean. Cuireadh na leasuithe sin ar thaispeántas poiblí ar feadh 4 seachtaine eile i rith mí na Samhna 2007. Moladh tuilleadh leasuithe i mí na Nollag 2007 tar éis aighneacht phoiblí agus chuir an Coiste um Beartaís Ceantar na nDuganna an Plean deiridh os comhair na Comhairle go dtí gur glacadh leis i mí Feabhra 2008. Thug Coiste um Beartaís Ceantar na nDuganna cuairteanna staidéir ar Bhéal Feirste agus Newcastle chun foghlaim ó chlár athbheochana eile.

Beidh Plean Ceantair Áitiúil na nDuganna Theas mar fhócas chun forbairt an cheantair a chur chun cinn trí threoir shoiléir a chur ar fáil maidir leis an straitéis pleanála agus forbartha a fhorbairt agus a chur i bhfeidhm. D'aithin an Plean freisin, mar thoradh ar na haighneachtaí a fuarthas, an gá a bhí ann Plean Bainistíocht Úsáid Abhann a ullmhú chun ceartúsáid Abhainn na Laoi a chinntiú

tar éis don chaladh a bheith bogtha i dtreo bhéal an abhainn. Tá sé ar intinn go mbeidh an chéad móriarratas pleanála i gCeantar na nDuganna Theas ann faoi mhí Márta 2008 agus go mbeidh ionad imeachtaí, óstán agus scéimeanna measctha tráchtála agus cónaitheacha san áireamh ann.

## Chiste Nuálaíochta Chathair Thairsí

D'ullmhaigh an Stiúrthóireacht aighneacht le cur faoi bhráid na Roinne Comhshaoil, Oidhreacht agus Rialtas Áitiúil i gcomhair maoinithe don Chiste Nuálaíochta Chathair Thairsí. Bhí tacaíocht ag an aighneacht ó Chaladh Chorcaí agus Comhairle Contae Chorcaí. Bhí an chuid is mó den airgead ag teastáil (€80 milliún) le haghaidh forbairt Dhroichead na Cathrach Tairsí Thoir – móreilimint den ghréasán molta iompair don Cheantar a nascfaí Tivoli agus na Duganna Theas via droichead oscailteach agus síneadh ar Bhóthar Uí Mhuineacháin. Bhí tuilleadh maoinithe á lorg d'athlonnú Chaladh Chorcaí go Rinn an Scidígh freisin, chomh maith le moltaí chun bonneagar criticiúil a fhorbairt i gCeantar Chorcaí Thoir a bheadh go maith do Cheantar na nDuganna trí thacaíocht a chur ar fáil d'athlonnú a bhfeidhmeanna reatha. Táthar ag súil le cinneadh maidir le dáileadh maoinithe go luath i 2008.

## Tord um Cheannach Éigeantach na Páirce Taispeántais

Dheimhnigh an Bord Pleanála an tOrd um Cheannach Éigeantach na Páirce Taispeántais agus tugann sin deis do Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí an ceantar a athfhorbairt mar pháirc fo-réigiúnach, ar a dtugfar Páirc Marina. Beidh tairbhe áineasa ag an bpáirc do chónaitheoirí agus d'oibrithe Cheantair Athfhorbatha na nDuganna chomh maith le mór-réigiún na cathrach. Leagadh prionsabail deartha na páirce amach ag Plean Ceantair Áitiúil na nDuganna Theas (Straitéis an Phobail). Tá sé ar intinn go bhfaighfí dearadh sonrach den pháirc i 2008 via próiseas iomaíoch i measc cleachtais náisiúnta agus idirnáisiúnta ailtireachta tírdhreacha.

## Suíomh Idirlín

Tá tuilleadh eolais le fáil faoi dhul chun cinn na tionscadail thuasluaite ón suíomh Gréasáin:

[www.corkcity.ie/DOCKLANDS](http://www.corkcity.ie/DOCKLANDS)



# Environment

# Comhshaol





## Water Production and Distribution

The Environment Directorate operates a major water treatment plant on the Lee Rd. Approximately 50,000 cubic metres of raw water are extracted daily from the River Lee to supply the plant. Treated water is pumped to strategically located reservoirs at Churchfield, Hollyhill and Shanakiel, from where it gravitates through a distribution network of over 650 kilometres of watermain. An on-going monitoring programme ensures that all water supplied is fully compliant with the Drinking Water Regulations. The Provision and Quality of Drinking Water in Ireland Report (2006/2007) published by the Environmental Protection Agency reported that the microbiological and chemical quality of the water supply in Cork city was excellent.

An active leak detection programme carried out in 2007 resulted in a daily saving of 2000 cubic metres of water per day. Significant progress on a number of major capital projects to improve the city's supply was made during 2007. The Little Island to Tivoli Watermain (to augment the city's supply) was put out to tender with construction expected to commence in 2008. In addition, the process of appointing a Consulting Engineer to prepare a Preliminary Report for the Water Supply to Cork Docklands was put in train.

## Government's Water Services Pricing Policy

In accordance with the Government's Water Services Pricing Policy, all local authorities are required to charge non-domestic users for the provision of Water and Waste Water Services. The meter installation programme was completed by the target date of December 2006. Throughout 2007 there was major progress on the installation of an automatic "Walk By" meter reading capability on all meters. The Environment Directorate also worked very closely with Finance Dept to ensure that our customer database was consolidated and that income target levels were achieved.

## Waste Management

The Association for Study of Peak Oil, with support from Cork City Council, held its Annual International Conference in the City Hall in September 2007 with speakers and delegates from all over the world. The conference was officially launched by the Deputy Lord Mayor and speakers included Minister Eamon Ryan T.D. who also paid a courtesy visit to the Lifetime Lab.

The Waste Enforcement Team made presentations to a number of stakeholders during 2007 on the best practices for waste management and carried out many inspections on various activities some

of which resulted in prosecution. 2007 saw the final capping of an additional section of the Municipal Landfill Site, Kinsale Road, on the southside of the site.

## Waste Operations

### Community Maintenance Grants:

A sum of €40,000 was made available to Community and Residents Associations for anti litter initiatives. This funding was spent on items such as purchase of brushes, litter pickers, shovels, lawnmowers, strimmers and helped to improve the appearance of many areas within the city.

### Bulky Goods Collections:

A sum of €65,500 was provided for bulky goods collections. Collections from householders were carried out in Mahon, Mayfield and parts of Togher.

### Gum Litter Task Force:

Cork City Council was one of the local authorities involved in the pilot phase of the National Gum Litter Task Force. The aim of this project was to highlight the correct disposal methods for used chewing gum.

## Environment Strategic Policy Committee

No. of meetings held: 3

Items considered:

- Significant Water Management Issues
- Recycling Report 2006
- Cork City Energy Agency Report 2006
- Lifetime Lab Report 2006
- Draft Litter Management Plan



## Táirgeadh agus Dáileadh Uisce

Baineann an Stiúrthóireacht Comhshaoil feidhm as mór-ionad cóireála uisce atá suite ar Bhóthar na Laoi. Tóghtar thart ar 50,000 méadar ciúbaithe d'amhuisce ó Abhainn na Laoi gach lá chun an t-ionad a sholáthar. Caidéaltar uisce cóirithe chuig taiscumair atá suite go straitéiseach ag Cnoc na Cille, Cnoc an Chuilinn agus an Seanchóill, ónar bhogann sé trí bhreis is 650km den phríomhlíonra dáilte uisce. Cinntíonn clár monatóireachta leanúnach go bhfuil an t-uisce go léir a sholáthraítear ag teacht leis na Rialacháin Uisce Óil. Taispeánann Tuarascáil Soláthar agus Caighdeán Uisce Óil in Éirinn (2006/7) foilsithe ag an nGníomhaireacht um Chaomhnú Comhshaoil go bhfuil chaighdeán micribhitheolaíochta agus ceimiceach an uisce i gCathair Chorcaí thar cinn.

Sábháiltear 2,000 méadar ciúbach uisce gach lá mar thoradh ar chlár gníomhach aimsiú sceiththe i 2007. Rinneadh dul chun cinn suntasach ar roinnt mórthionscadal chun soláthar na cathrach a fheabhsú i rith 2007. Cuireadh Príomhlíonra Uisce Inse Rátha go Tivoli (chun soláthar na cathrach a mhéadú) chun tairisceana agus táthar ag súil go dtosóidh tógáil i 2008. Chomh maith leis sin, cuireadh tús le próiseas chun Innealtóir Comhairliúcháin a cheapadh chun Réamhthuarascáil Soláthar Uisce Ceantar na nDuganna Chorcaí a ullmhú.

## Beartas Praghsála Seirbhísí Uisce an Rialtais

Faoi réir Beartas Praghsála Seirbhísí Uisce an Rialtais, ní mór do gach údarás áitiúil táille a ghearradh ar úsáideoirí tráchtála le haghaidh an soláthar de Sheirbhísí Uisce agus Fuolluisce. Comhlíonadh an clár suiteála méadarthomhais faoin spriocdháta, mí na Nollag 2006. Bhí dul chun cinn maith ar shuiteáil cumas "Siúl Thar" uathoibríoch léamh méadair ar na méadair uile. D'oibrigh an Stiúrthóireacht Comhshaoil go dlúth leis an Roinn Airgeadais chun bunachair sonraí ár gcustaiméirí a dhaingniú agus spriocanna ioncaim a chinntiú.

## Bainistíocht Dramhaíola

Reachtáladh Comhdháil Idirnáisiúnta Bhliantúil an Chumainn Staidéar um Buaicola, le tacaíocht ó Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí, ag Halla na Cathrach i mí Mheán Fómhair 2007 agus bhí cainteoirí agus toscairí ann ó gach chearn den domhan. Sheol an tArdmhéara an chomhdháil go hoifigiúil agus áirítear ar na cainteoirí an tAire Eamon Ryan T.D. a thug cuairt cúirtéise freisin ar an Lifetime Lab.

Rinne an Fhoireann Forfheidhmithe Dramhaíola cur i láthair do gheallsealbhoirí i rith 2007 faoi na cleachtais is fearr bainistithe dramhaíola agus rinne siad roinnt mhaith iniúchtaí ar ghníomhaíochtaí

áirithe as a dtáinig roinnt ionchúiseamh. Rinneadh an chaidhepeáil dheireanach ar rannóg breise ar thaobh theas an Láithreáin Líonta Talún, Bóthar Chionn tSáile i 2007.

## Oibríochtaí Dramhaíola

Deontais Cothabhála Pobail: Cuireadh €40,000 ar fáil do Chumainn Phobail agus Chónaithe i gcomhair tionscnaimh fhrithbhruscair. Caitheadh an t-airgead ar earraí ar nós scuaba, piocadh bruscair, sluasaid, lomairí faiche, ciumhaisire agus chabhraigh sé go mór le dreach cuid mhaith ceantair sa chathair a fheabhsú.

Bailiúchán Dramhaíola Téagartha: Cuireadh €65,500 ar fáil i gcomhair bailiúchán dramhaíola téagartha. Rinneadh bailiúcháin teaghlaigh ag Machan, Baile na mBocht agus áiteanna i dTóchar.

Tascfhórsa Bruscair Guma: Bhí páirt ag Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí leis an gcéim phíolótach de Thascfhórsa Náisiúnta um Bruscair Guma Coganta. Bhí sé mar aidhm ag an tionscadal béim a leagan ar mhodhanna cearta chun fáil réidh le guma coganta.

## An Coiste um Beartais Straitéiseacha Comhshaoil

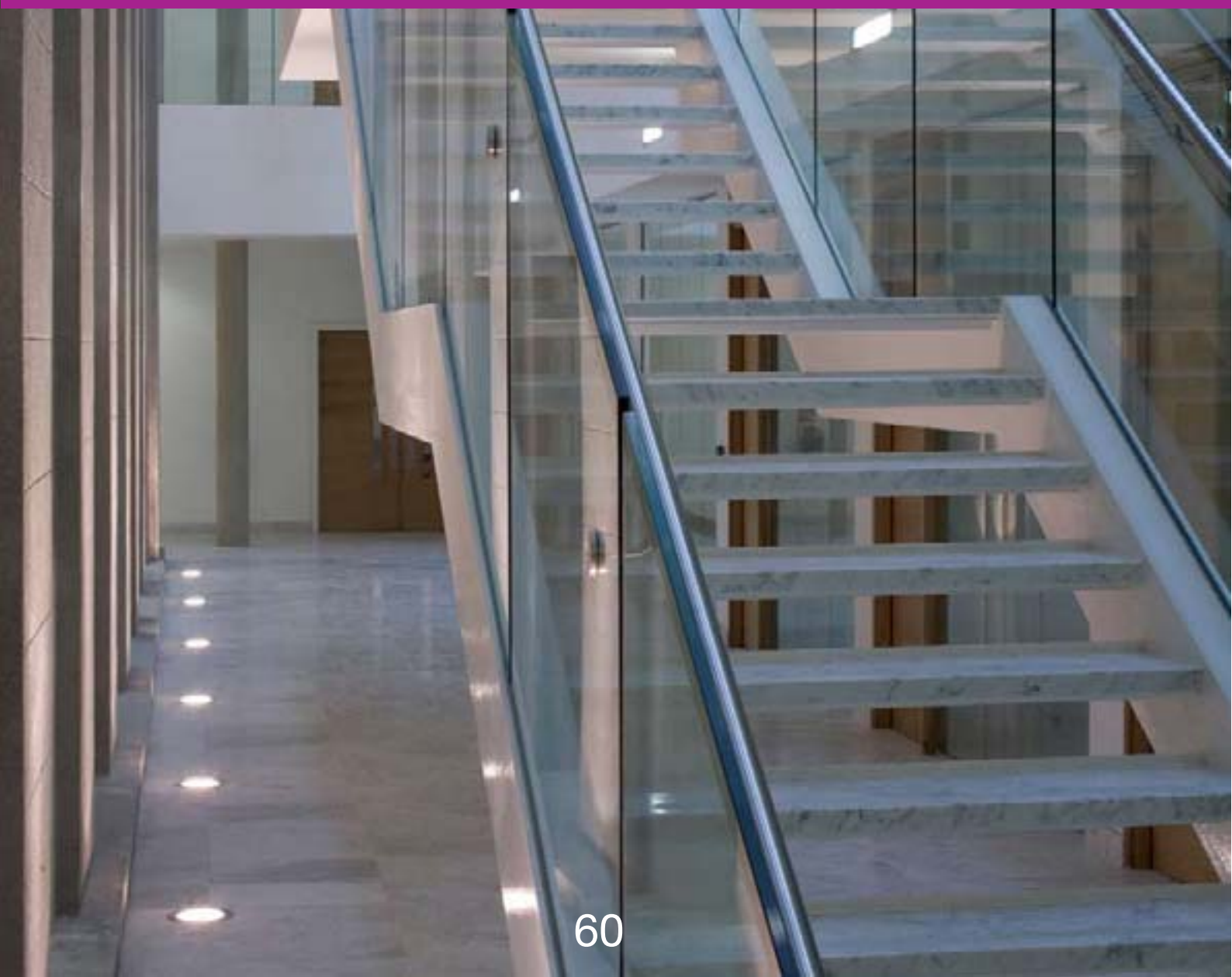
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- Saincheisteanna suntasacha Bainistithe Uisce
- Tuarascáil Athchúrsála na Bliana 2006
- Tuarascáil Chumainn Fuinnimh Chathrach Chorcaí 2006
- Tuarascáil Lifetime Lab 2006
- Dréachtphlean Bhainistíocht Bruscair





# Housing and Community



# Tithíocht agus Pobal



## Cork Foyer Celebrates Accreditation

Cork Foyer, Cork City Council's innovative project to support young people who have found themselves homeless or at risk of being homeless, received a major accolade in the form of Accreditation by the UK Foyer Movement in 2007.

Cork Foyer opened its doors in March 2006 delivering a long-standing objective of the City Council and the Cork Homeless Forum. From its inception the Project has worked tirelessly towards achieving "Accredited Status" and thus meet the high service standards set by the Movement. Cork City Council was the first Foyer to achieve this status outside of the UK and achieved the second highest score ever recorded under the current accreditation system. The Foyer Federation Validator reported; "To have got the Foyer to this stage in such a short period is extremely impressive".

The manner in which the Foyer has involved partner organisations in the delivery of its services also received special acknowledgement. In-house training programmes are delivered to residents through the City of Cork VEC, FAS and organisations such as ABLES and YMCA.

The operation of the Foyer is steered by a Board of Management which includes residents of the facility, Community representatives, as well as the various State Agencies.

## Central Heating Installation Scheme

Work on the central heating installation scheme continued with a total of approximately 1,600 properties covered since the scheme commenced in late 2004 at a total cost of approximately €10m. The installations comprise gas fired heating along with attic insulation and smoke alarms. It is estimated that any remaining properties without heating will have heating installed in 2008 to complete the programme. In addition a programme was commenced to provide attic insulation to older properties where central heating had been installed without attic insulation prior to the current scheme. This programme will continue in 2008.

## Planned Maintenance

The ongoing commitment to planned maintenance programmes was strengthened in 2007 with additional resources applied to window and door replacements and to soffit, fascia and guttering renewals. In addition in 2007, a central heating boiler servicing scheme was implemented for properties where central heating was installed under the current heating scheme and also to older properties designated as Elderly Person dwellings.

## The Rental Accommodation Scheme (RAS)

The Rental Accommodation Scheme (RAS) was introduced in 2006 to cater for the long term accommodation needs of persons who are in receipt of rent supplement, normally for more than 18 months. The Scheme is intended to provide an additional source of good quality rented accommodation for eligible persons and to enhance the response of local authorities to meeting long-term housing need.

### Main Features of the Scheme

The City Council has entered into contractual arrangements with accommodation providers to secure the medium to long-term availability of private rented accommodation for RAS.

The common features of the contracts are:

- the City Council pays the full rent to the landlord on behalf of the tenant
- the Residential Tenancies Act 2004, governs the relationship between the landlord and the tenant
- the landlord must be tax compliant
- the property must meet the statutory standards for private rental accommodation
- the property must meet the appropriate fire safety standards and
- the landlord must register the tenancy with the Private Residential Tenancies Board (PRTB).

Under the Scheme the City Council entered into 102 private contracts with landlords in 2007, housed 248 rent supplement recipients in social housing and transferred 62 voluntary agency tenants to the Rental Accommodation Scheme.

## Housing & Community Strategic Policy Committee

No. of meetings held:

3 (incl. one joint meeting with Planning & Development SPC)

Items considered:

- Housing Waiting List
- Rental Accommodation Scheme
- Social & Affordable Housing Action Plan
- Implications of Towards 2016 on Housing Policy
- Joint Housing Strategy





## Ceiliúrann Cork Foyer creidiúnú

Ba mhór an acaláid do Cork Foyer, an tionscnamh nuálach de chuid Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí a thacaíonn le daoine óga gan dídean nó daoine óga i mbaol easpa dídeana, nuair a fuair sé creidiúniú ó Foyer Movement na Ríochta Aontaithe sa bhliain 2007.

D'oscail Cork Foyer i mí Márta 2006 mar thoradh ar sheanchuspóir na Comhairle Cathrach agus Fóram gan Dídean Chorcaí. Ón am a thosaigh sé, shaothraigh an Tionscnamh gan sos chun stádas creidiúnaithe a bhaint amach agus ardchaighdeán seirbhíse na Gluaiseachta a fháil. Ba é Foyer Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí an chéad cheann taobh amuigh den Ríocht Aontaithe an stádas sin a bhaint amach agus ba é an dara scór is airde riamh a bhfuarthas de réir an chórais creidiúnaithe reatha. Dúirt Bailíochtóir an Foyer Federation, 'gur éacht é don Foyer a bheith ag an staid sin laistigh de thréimhse chomh gearr sin'.

Tugadh aitheantas speisialta don chaoi a n-úsáideann an Foyer eagraíochtaí eile agus a seirbhísí á seachadadh acu. Cuirtear clár oiliúna sa bhaile ar fáil do chónaitheoirí trí Choiste Ghairmoideachas Chathair Chorcaí, FÁS agus eagraíochtaí ar nós ABLES agus YMCA.

Tá Bord Bainistíochta i gceannas ar fheidhmiú an Foyer ar a n-áirítear cónaithe an Foyer, ionadaithe Pobail chomh maith le roinnt Gníomhaireachtaí Stáit.

## Scéim Suiteála Téamh Lárnach

Lean oibreacha na scéime suiteála téamh lárnach ar aghaidh ar chostas €10,000 nó mar sin de agus clúdaíodh thart ar 1,600 áitreabh ón am a thosaigh an scéim go déanach sa bhliain 2004. Tá téamh gáis chomh maith le hinsliú áiléir agus aláiraim deataigh i gceist sa tsuiteáil. Meastar go mbeidh téamh curtha isteach i ngach áitreabh i 2008 chun an clár a chríochnú. Chomh maith leis sin, tosaíodh clár inslithe áiléir i dtithe atá níos sine agus ar cuireadh téamh lárnach iontu gan insliú áiléir roimh an scéim reatha. Rachaidh an clár ar aghaidh i 2008.

## Cothabháil Beartaithe

Neartaíodh an tiomantas leanúnach do chlár beartaithe cothabhála i 2007 agus tugadh breis airgid i gcomhair athchur fuinneoige agus doirse agus athnuachan tairr, éadain agus gáitéar. Chomh maith leis sin, cuireadh scéim coire téamh lárnach i bhfeidhm i 2007 d'áitribh le téamh lárnach faoin scéim reatha chomh maith le háitribh Sheandaoine.

## Scéim um Chóiríocht ar Cíos (RAS)

Tháinig an Scéim um Chóiríocht ar Cíos (RAS) isteach i 2006 chun riachtanais fhadtéarmacha daoine le forlonta cíos, go hiondúil ar feadh breis is 18 mí, a shásamh. Tá an scéim leagtha amach chun foinse bhreise de chóiríocht ar cíos ar ardchaighdeán a sholáthar do dhaoine incháilithe chun feabhas a chur ar fhreagairt na n-údarás áitiúil maidir le riachtanais tithíochta fhadtéarmacha a chomhlíonadh.

### Príomhghnéithe na Scéime

Tá socruithe conartha déanta ag an gComhairle Cathrach le soláthraithe chun cóiríocht phríobháideach ar cíos mheántréimhseach agus fhadtréimhseach a chinntiú don RAS.

### Gnéithe comónta na gconartha:

- íocann an Chomhairle an cíos iomlán don tiarna talún thar ceann an tionónta
- rialaíonn an tAcht um Thionóntachtaí Cónaithe 2004 an gaol ag an tiarna leis an tionónta
- ní mór don tiarna talún a bheith cáin-comhlíontach
- ní mór don áitreabh caighdeán reachtúla cóiríochta phríobháidí ar cíos a shásamh
- ní mór don áitreabh caighdeán chuí sábháilteachta ó dhóiteáin a shásamh agus
- ní mór don tiarna talún clárú leis an mBord um Thionóntachtaí Cónaithe Príobháideacha (PRTB).

Rinne an Chomhairle Cathrach 102 conradh príobháideach le tiarnaí talún i 2007, chuir siad tithe ar fáil do 248 faighteoirí forlonta cíos i dtithíocht shóisialta agus d'aistrigh siad 62 tionónta gníomhaireachta deonacha don Scéim um Chóiríocht ar Cíos.

## Cruinnithe an Choiste um Beartais Straitéiseacha Tithíochta & Pobail

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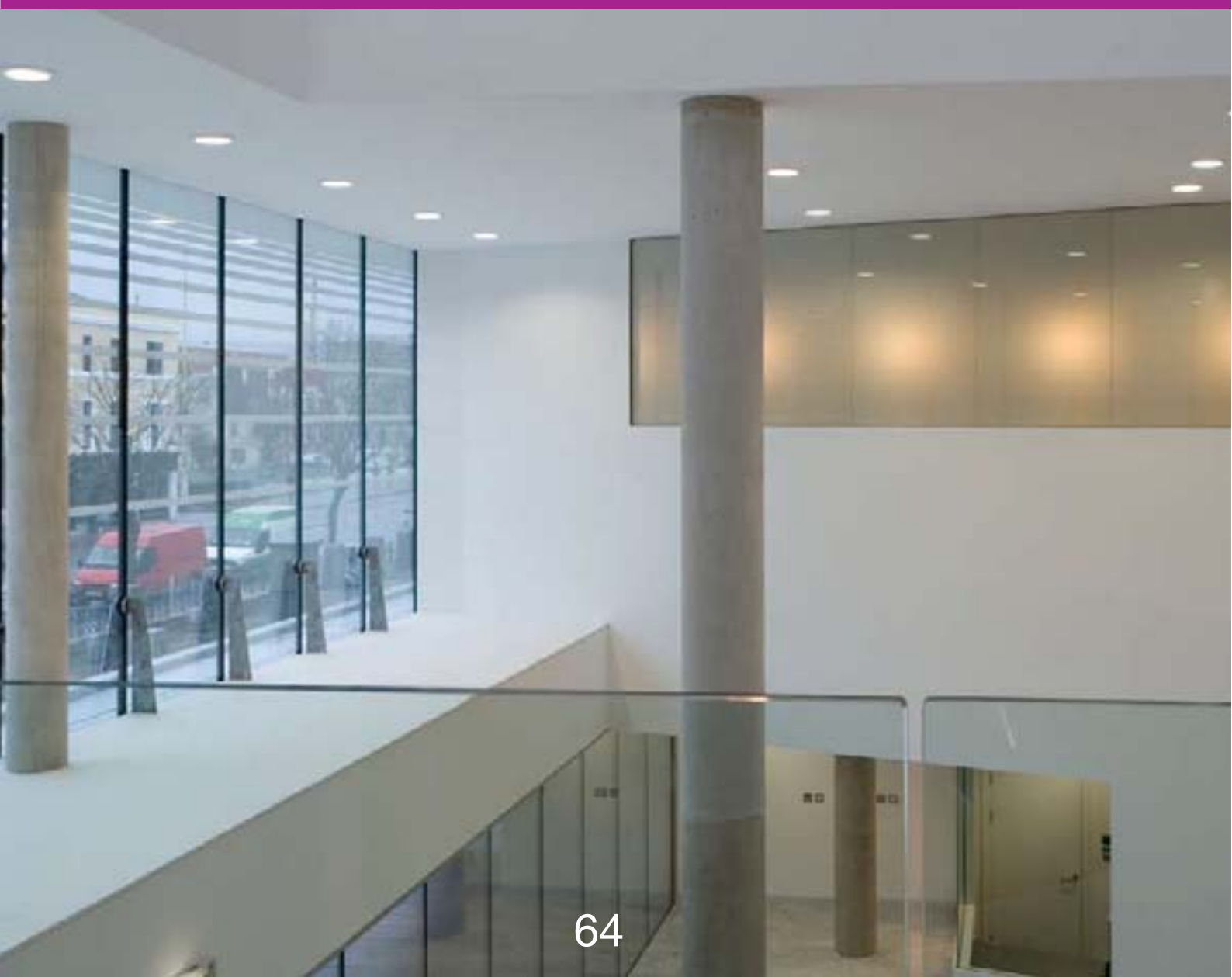
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### Items considered:

- Liosta Feithimh do Thithíocht
- Scéim um Chóiríocht ar Cíos
- Plean Gníomhaíochta Tithíochta Shóisialta & Ar Phraghas Réasúnta
- Impleachtaí 'I dTreo 2016' ar Bheartais Tithíochta
- Comhstraitéis Thithíochta



# Information Systems





# Córais Faisnéise

The IS strategy 2003-2007 was successfully implemented with all major targets being achieved. In conjunction with advances in technology, increased user requirements for data and service accessibility, online services can now be accessed via the web 24/7.



## Operations Team

All departments in external offices were transferred either to the New Extension or to the City Hall offices between April and September. Approximately 650 users, their PCs and associated IT equipment were transferred. The move presented the opportunity to introduce further efficiencies and cost savings of IT equipment. All personnel now have access to two printers but the printer numbers were reduced by 40%.

Two communication rooms in the New Extension were commissioned. These rooms contain the VOIP network hardware and some office servers. The planned maintenance and replacement cycle of old PCs and servers continued.

Virus attacks on our systems continue at an increasing rate. We implement the necessary anti virus software on all systems and have a robust firewall in-place but personnel responsibility remains the key. To make all staff aware of the dangers and to help them become more vigilant of the importance of security in relation to all matters of data, PC usage and accessibility a security seminar was presented and

## Web Services, GIS and Database Management

provided for all staff. In 2007 the team was reorganised and re-branded as "The Web, GIS and Database Team". In the GIS area all directorates completed a GIS Strategy for 2008-2010. The primary aim of the strategy is to improve mapping systems available to staff and the public.

The Database area involved the administration of our ever growing SQL Server presence, while also implementing disaster recovery procedures on priority systems.

The team also implemented a number of new websites including Access Cork [www.accesscork.ie](http://www.accesscork.ie), Cork City Marathon [www.corkcitymarathon.ie](http://www.corkcitymarathon.ie), Cork Merchant City [www.corkarchives.ie/merchantcity](http://www.corkarchives.ie/merchantcity) and Cork 2005 [www.cork2005.ie](http://www.cork2005.ie). The Access Cork website won both the Irish eGovernment Awards for accessibility and project management. The team also rolled out a new content management system which allows staff contribute directly to our twelve websites.

## Enterprise Resource Planning

2007 proved to be an eventful year for the Financial Applications Section. As well as the implementation of a new Financial Management System – JDEdwards EnterpriseOne, a new cash receipting solution supporting the concept of a "One Stop Shop" in City Hall was introduced.

This involved the full training of:

- 350 City Council staff in JDE EnterpriseOne
- 60 staff in Income Manager.

To support this training UPK, an on-line training solution was installed and modules developed.

Both systems were successfully implemented on schedule within the 2nd quarter of 2007.

A document design and routing solution, Optio, was implemented in the second half of the year.

Cuireadh an straitéis Córais Faisnéise (IS) 2003-2007 i bhfeidhm go sásúil agus baineadh gach mórsprioc amach. D'fhéadfaí teacht ar sheirbhísí ar líne anois 24/7 mar thoradh ar dhul chun cinn teicneolaíochta chomh maith le méadú ar riachtanais úsáideoirí le haghaidh sonraí agus rochtain ar sheirbhísí.

## Foireann Oibriúcháin

Aistríodh na ranna ar fad ó oifigí seachtracha go dtí an síneadh nua oifigí Halla na Cathrach idir mí Aibreáin agus mí Mheán Fómhair. Aistríodh thart ar 650 úsáideoirí, chomh maith lena ríomhairí agus agus na fearais atá bainteach le teicneolaíocht faisnéise (IT). Chuir an t-aistriú deis ar fáil éifeachtúlachtaí agus coigiltí costais breise a dhéanamh ar fhearaí IT. Tá rochtain ag baill uile na foirne ar dhá chlódóirí ach laghdáíodh líon na bprintéirí 40%.

Coimisiúnaíodh dhá sheomra cumarsáide sa Síneadh Nua. Tá na crua-earraí gréasáin VoIP agus roinnt freastalaithe oifige sna seomraí seo. Leanadh ar aghaidh leis an timthriall cothabhála agus athsholáthar beartaithe ar sheanríomhairí agus ar sheanfheastalaithe.

Tarlaíonn ionsaithe víris níos minice ar na córais na laethanta seo. Tá bogearraí frithvíris agus ballaí dóiteáin láidir i bhfeidhm againn ach is é freagracht foirne an ghné is tábhachtaí. Chun an fhoireann uile a chur ar an eolas faoi na baol, agus chun cabhrú leo a bheith níos aireach ó thaobh sonraí, úsáid ríomhaire agus rochtain, cuireadh seimineár sábháilteachta i láthair don fhoireann.

## Seirbhísí Gréasáin, Córas Faisnéise Geografaí (GIS) agus Bainistíocht Bhunachair Sonraí

Rinneadh atheagrú agus athbhrandáil ar an bhfoireann i 2007 agus tugtar an "Foireann Gréasáin, GIS agus Bunachair Sonraí" orthu anois. Chomhlíon na stiúrthóireachtaí i réimse GIS ar fad Straitéis GIS 2008-2010. An príomhaidhm atá ag an straitéis feabhas a chur ar chórais léarscáilithe atá ar fáil don fhoireann agus don phobal.

Bhí baint ag réimse an Bhunachair le riarachán an fheastalaithe SQL atá níos forleithne ná riamh, agus nósanna tarrthála tubaiste a chur i bhfeidhm ar gach córas tosaíochta.

Chuir an fhoireann roinnt suíomh gréasáin nua i bhfeidhm freisin ar a n-áirítear Teach ar Chorcaigh [www.accesscork.ie](http://www.accesscork.ie), Maratón Cathrach Chorcaí [www.corkcitymarathon.ie](http://www.corkcitymarathon.ie), Cathair Ceannaithe Chorcaí [www.corkarchives.ie/merchantcity](http://www.corkarchives.ie/merchantcity) agus Corcaigh 2005 [www.cork2005.ie](http://www.cork2005.ie)

## Pleanáil Acmhainní Fiontair

Ba bhliain an-ghnóthach í 2007 don Rannóg Feidhmiúcháin Airgeadais. De bhreis ar Chóras Bainistíochta Airgeadais nua a chur i bhfeidhm - JDEdwards EnterpriseOne, cuireadh réiteach nua i bhfeidhm chun admhálacha ar airgead tirim a sholáthar rud a chuireann leis an gcoincheap 'láthair gach gnó' a dhéanamh de Halla na Cathrach

### San áireamh anseo cuireadh oiliúint iomlán ar:

- 350 ball foirne Chomhairle na Cathrach a oiliúint i JDE EnterpriseOne
- 60 ball foirne a oiliúint i Income Manager.

Suiteáladh réiteach oiliúna ar-líne darbh ainm UPK chun tacú leis an oiliúint seo agus déanadh modúil a fhorbairt.

Cuireadh i bhfeidhm an dá chóras go rathúil agus in am laistigh den 2ú ráithe de 2007.

Cuireadh réiteach deartha doiciméad agus ródúcháin, Optio, i bhfeidhm sa dara leath den bhliain.

A modern office interior featuring a long white desk with several yellow and green ergonomic chairs. Large windows in the background let in bright sunlight, creating a high-contrast, airy atmosphere. The floor is covered with a patterned carpet. The word "Personnel" is overlaid in white text on a magenta rectangular background that spans the width of the image.

# Personnel

# Pearsanra



## Training and Development

This section is responsible for the provision of training for all employees and provides opportunities to further develop and exercise knowledge and skills. Specialist, general and mandatory courses are regularly organised by the Section, facilitated by the Institute of Public Administration, Health and Safety training companies, Regional Training Centre, Cork City Council instructors and various other professional bodies.

The following training was organised and delivered in 2007:

- 69 new First-Aiders were certified
- 10 staff completed the nine day FETAC approved Supervisory Skills Programme
- FAS Safepass training and Manual Handling training was delivered by our in-house trainers
- 95 staff received support under the Study Assistance Scheme for pursuit of approved courses of study in their own time, including 19 staff who completed the IPA/NUI Certificate in Local Government Studies and 18 who completed the IPA/NUI Diploma in Local Government Studies.
- We continued to provide management and technical support to the Regional Training Centre in co-operation with our colleagues from Cork and Kerry County Councils.
- 70 staff received Diversity Awareness Training

- 28 staff completed Effective Communication Across Language Barriers Training.
- 44 staff received Disability Awareness Training
- 49 staff received Public Procurement training
- ECDL exams were held monthly throughout 2007
- 16 outdoor staff completed a one-day Customer Skills course.

## CORE HR

The first part of an integrated Personnel Management System CORE (HR) was implemented in 2007. The project was delivered and implemented on time and within budget and went live in June 2007. This particular module provides a personnel data base on all employees and replaces the PAS system which became obsolete in 2002. The system provides up to date data on current and future employees and facilitates recruitment, establishment and training functions as well as provide the central spine of a fully integrated corporate system incorporating time and attendance, payroll, pensions and employee self service functions. The introduction of the system will be an essential element in the devolution of HR which is a corporate objective in the current Corporate Plan. Payroll and time and attendance modules were progressed through the planning phase in 2007 and are scheduled to go live in 2008.



## Performance Management Development System (PMDS)

2007 saw the embedding of the PMDS system into the organisation and its integration into the Corporate Activity Cycle. Work commenced on the development of a Corporate Competency Framework in 2007 and will be completed in 2008. The framework is intended to help support and sustain PMDS throughout the Council and support the Personal and Team development needs of staff at all levels.



## Oiliúint agus Forbairt

Pléann an mhír seo leis an soláthar oiliúna d'fhostaithe uile agus cuireann sí deiseanna ar fáil forbairt níos mó a dhéanamh ar eolas agus ar scileanna chomh maith le leas níos mó a bhaint as an dá ní seo. Eagraíonn an Rannóg sainchúrsaí, cúrsaí ginearálta agus éigeantacha ar bhonn rialta, agus tá na cúrsaí seo éascaithe ag an bhForas Riaracháin (IPA), cuideachtaí oiliúna um Shláinte agus Sábháilteacht, an tIonad Réigiúnach Oiliúna, teagascóirí Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí chomh maith le comhlachtaí eile proifisiúnta.

### Eagraíodh agus rinneadh an oiliúint seo leanas sa bhliain 2007

- Bhain 69 duine teastas amach i ngarchabhair
- D'éirigh le deichniúr ball foirne an Clár um Scileanna Maoirseachta a chríochnú a mhair naoi lá
- Chuir ár dtraenálaithé inmheánacha oiliúint de chuid FÁS ar dhaoine i dtaobh an Phas Sábháilteachta 'Safepass' chomh maith le Láimhseáil Sábháilte
- Fuair 95 ball foirne tacaíocht faoin Scéim Cúnaimh Staidéir ionas go mbeidís in ann tabhairt faoi na cúrsaí staidéir laistigh dá gcuid ama féin, lena n-áirítear 19 ball foirne a bhain an Teastas IPA/NUI amach i Staidéar Rialtas Áitiúil agus 18 ball foirne a bhain an Diplóma amach i dtaobh Staidéar Rialtas Áitiúil.

- Leanamar orainn ag soláthar tacaíocht bhainistithe agus theicniúil don Ionad Réigiúnach Oiliúna i gcomhar lenár gcomhghleacaithe ó Chomhairle Contae Chorcaí agus ó Chomhairle Contae Chiarraí.
- Cuireadh oiliúint ar 70 ball foirne i bhFeasacht Ilchineálachta
- Cuireadh oiliúint ar 44 ball foirne i bhFeasacht Mhíchumais
- D'éirigh le 28 ball foirne an cúrsa Cumarsáid Éifeachtach thar na Bacainní Teanga a chur i gcrích
- Cuireadh oiliúint ar 49 ball foirne i Soláthar Poiblí
- Bhí scrúduithe Ceadúnais Eorpaigh Tiomána Ríomhairí (ECDL) ar siúl ar bhonn míosúil le linn 2007
- Chuir 16 bhall foirne allamuigh cúrsa lae i Scileanna Custaiméirí i gcrích.

## CORE AD

Cuireadh an chéad chuid den Córas comhtháite Bainistithe Pearsanra CORE (Acmhainní Daonna) i ngníomh i 2007. Cuireadh an tionscadal i ngníomh faoin spriocdháta agus laistigh den bhuiséad agus bhí feidhm leis i mí an Mheithimh 2007. Cuireann an modúl áirithe seo bunachar sonraí ar fáil maidir le gach fostaí agus cuireadh in ionad an chórais PAS é, córas a d'imigh as feidhm i 2002. Cuireann an córas sonraí cothrom le dáta maidir leis na fostaithe reatha agus amach anseo agus

éascaíonn sé feidhmeanna earcaíochta, bunaithe agus oiliúna mar aon le bheith mar chreatlach ar chóras iomlán comhtháite corparáideach ina bhfuil feidhmeanna ama agus freastail, párolla, pinsean agus feidhmeanna féinfhrestail. Gné lárnach a bheidh i gcur i ngníomh an chórais maidir le déabhlóid acmhainní daonna atá mar chuspóir corparáideach sa Phlean Corparáideach reatha. Cuireadh na modúil párolla, ama agus freastail chun cinn tríd an bpróiseas pleanála i 2007 agus tá siad sceidealaithe le bheith i bhfeidhm i 2008.

## Córas Forbairt Bhainistíochta Feidhmíochta (PMDS)

Ghlac an eagraíocht leis an gcóras PMDS i 2007 chomh maith lena chomhtháthú sa Tintríall Gníomhaíochtaí Corparáideacha. Cuireadh tús le forbairt ar Chreatlach Inniúlachta Corparáidí i 2007 agus beidh sé curtha i gcrích faoin mbliain 2008. Táthar ag súil go mbeidh an chreatlach mar lámh chunta chun tacaíocht a thabhairt don chóras PMDS agus chun é a chothú ar fud na Comhairle. Sa mhullach air sin, táthar ag súil go dtacódh sé leis na riachtanais forbartha Phearsanta agus le riachtanais forbartha na mBall Foirne ag gach leibhéal.

The background image shows a multi-story modern building interior. It features white concrete walls and floors, with glass railings on the upper levels. The ceiling is white with several recessed circular lights. Large windows are visible on the left and right sides, allowing natural light to enter. The overall design is clean and minimalist.

# Planning and Development

# Pleanáil agus Forbairt





## Planning Enforcement

Development Contributions:

% collection: 72%

Total Income 2007

(incl. post-dated cheques): € 28.8m

### Enforcement Statistics:

To secure compliance with planning controls and prevent unauthorised development, the Enforcement Section took the following action in 2007:

No. of cases investigated:	272
No. of Warning Letters issued:	266
No. of Enforcement Notices served:	71
No. of prosecutions:	5

## Planning & Development Strategic Policy Committee

Number of meetings held:  
7 (+ 1 Joint meeting \*)

### Items considered:

- Cork City Development Plan 2009-2015
- Heritage Plan 2007-2012
- Variations No.4 & No.6 to the Cork City Development Plan 2004
- Atlantic Gateway Initiative
- Additions to the Record of Protected Structures
- Bishopstown & Wilton Area Action Plan
- Coburg Street & St Patricks Hill Area Action Plan
- Cork City Employment Survey
- Cork Economic Monitor

\*A joint meeting with the Housing & Community Strategic Policy Committee took place to consider the draft Joint **Housing Strategy**.

## Planning Policy

### Cork City Development Plan:

The process of reviewing the City Development Plan 2004 and preparing a new City Development Plan commenced in October 2007. The current City Plan runs to 2009 and the new Plan will cover the 6 year period to 2015 and will set out a vision and guiding policy for the development of the city in terms of physical growth and renewal, economic, social and cultural activity and environmental protection and enhancement. The first step in the process was a period of public consultation with the general public and other interested bodies, and the issues raised will be considered in the formulation of the new Plan.

The **Cork City Heritage Plan 2007-2012** (Cork city's first Heritage Plan) was launched at the City Hall in November.

The **Bishopstown & Wilton Area Action Plan** and the **Coburg Street & St Patrick's Hill Area Action Plan** were adopted in 2007.

## Development Management

The recent increase in development activity was maintained in 2007 with a total of 945 planning applications decided for all sectors of the city with grants of permission at 84%.

Three major applications for retail redevelopment were permitted at (a) Patrick Street/Emmet Place (O'Callaghan Properties) (b) Patrick Street (Dunnes Stores) and (c) Lavitts Quay (O'Callaghan Properties). Taken in conjunction with the other smaller retail developments permitted in 2007, the physical appearance of the City Centre will soon be transformed and its retail base greatly strengthened.

Permission was also granted by City Council in 2007 for a major mixed use scheme on Grand Parade to include a new City Library. Taken in conjunction with intended redevelopment of the adjacent Grand Parade Car-Park and on-going works by the City Council to the public realm, it is envisaged that this sector of the city will also be transformed in the near future.

Significant consultations began in 2007 with the key landowners in the North and South Docks regarding redevelopment. A significant residential application on Horgans Quay was also adjudicated on.

Suburban development continued apace in 2007 with significant permissions granted at Loughmahon, Blackpool, Douglas Shopping area, Musgrave Park, U.C.C. at Western Road and a motor tax building at County Hall. Residential permissions of interest were granted at Victoria Cross, Cleve Hill, Carmelite Place, former Muskerry Service Station, Western Road and Our Lady's Hospital.



# Forghníomhú Pleanála

## Beartas Pleanála

### Plean Forbartha Chathrach Chorcaí:

Thosaigh an próiseas maidir le hathbhreithniú a dhéanamh ar Phlean Forbartha Chathrach Chorcaí 2004 i mí Dheireadh Fómhair 2007. Mairfidh an Plean Cathrach reatha go dtí an bhliain 2009 agus mairfidh an Plean nua tréimhse sé bliana go dtí 2015. Leagfar amach, sa Phlean nua, fis agus beartas treorach i dtaca le forbairt na cathrach ó thaobh físe agus athnuachan fisiciúil, gníomhaíocht eacnamaíoch, shóisialta agus chultúrtha chomh maith le caomhnú agus feabhsú an chomhshaoil. Is éard a bhí sa chéad chéim den phróiseas ná tréimhse a chaitheamh ag dul i gcomhairle leis an bpobal i gcoitinne agus le comhlachtaí eile ar spéis leo. Déanfar na ceistanna a d'eascair uaidh seo a mheas agus an Plean nua a chur i dtoll a chéile.

Lainseáladh **Plean Oidhreacht** **Chathrach Chorcaí 2007-2012** (An chéad phlean oidhreacht ag Cathair Chorcaí) i Halla na Cathrach i mí na Samhna.

Glacadh le **Plean Gníomhaíochta Bhaile an Easpaig agus Cheantar Wilton** agus le **Plean Gníomhaíochta Shráid Coburg agus Cheantar Chnoc Phádraig Naofa** 2007.

## Bainistíocht Fhorbartha

Coinníodh smacht ar an méadú maidir le gníomhaíocht forbartha i 2007 nuair a rinneadh 945 cinneadh ar an iomlán i dtaca le hiarratais pleanála do gach earnáil sa chathair. Ceadaíodh 84% de na hiarratais a rinneadh.

Ceadaíodh trí mhóirarratas d'athfhorbairt miondíola ag (a) Sráid Phádraig Naofa / Plás Emmet (O'Callaghan Properties) (b) Sráid Phádraig Naofa (Dunnes Stores) agus (c) Cé Lavitt (O'Callaghan Properties). Nuair a chuirtear na forbairt beaga miondíola eile san áireamh beidh cuma fhisiciúil Lár na Cathrach athraithe go mór sna blianta beaga romhainn agus cuirfear go mór le bunachar miondíola na cathrach.

Ina theannta sin, cheadaigh an Chomhairle Cathrach scéim mhór ilúsáideach ar Shráid an Chapail Bhúí i 2007. I measc ábhair na scéime seo bhí Leabharlann nua Cathrach. Meastar go n-athrófar earnáil seo na cathrach sna blianta beaga amach romhainn i gcomhcheangal leis an athfhorbairt atá beartaithe maidir le Carrchlós Shráid an Chapail Bhúí agus le hoibreacha leanúnacha na Comhairle Cathrach in earnáil an phobail.

Thosaigh mór-chomhairliúcháin i 2007 leis na húinéirí móra talún sna Dugaí Thuaidh agus Theas ó thaobh athfhorbartha de. Sa mhullach air sin, rinneadh breithniú ar mhóirarratas cónaithe ar Ché Uí Argáin.

Lean forbairt fo-uirbeach ar luas tapa i 2007 agus ceadaíodh móirarratais ag Loch Machan, an Linn Dubh, Iáthair Siopaí na Dúghlaise, Páirc Musgrave, Coláiste na hOllscoile Corcaigh ag an mBóthar Iartharach agus an foirgneamh mótarchánach ag Halla an Chontae. Ceadaíodh iarratais shuntasacha chónaithe ag Crosaire Victoria, Cnoc na hAille, Plás Carmel, IarStáisiún Seirbhíse Mhúscraí, an Bóthar Iartharach agus ag Ospidéal Mhuire.

Ranníocaíochtaí Forbartha:

% a bailíodh: 72%

Ioncam Iomlán 2007 (lena n-áirítear seiceanna faoi iardhata): € 28.8mm

### Staitisticí Forfheidhmithe:

Bhunaigh an Rannóg Forfheidhmithe na himeachtaí seo leanas i gcoinne neamhchomhlíonta i 2007 le cosc a chur ar fhorbairt neamhúdraithe agus le cinntiú go gcoítear leis na srianta pleanála:

Líon na gcásanna a ndearnadh imscrúdú orthu:	272
Líon na Litreacha Rabhaidh a eisíodh:	266
Líon na bhFógraí Forfheidhmiúcháin a seirbheáladh:	71
Líon na n-ionchúiseamh:	5

## Coiste um Pleanáil agus Forbairt Beartais Straitéisigh

Líon na gcuinnithe a stiúradh: 7 (+ Comhchruinniú amháin \*)

### Nithe a ndearnadh breithniú orthu:

- Plean Forbartha Chathrach Chorcaí 2009-2015
- Plean Oidhreacht 2007-2012
- Athruithe maidir le huimhir a ceathair agus uimhir a sé de Phlean Forbartha Chathrach Chorcaí 2004
- Tionscnamh Thairseach an Atlantaigh
- Nithe breise a cuireadh le Cuntas na Struchtúr atá faoi Chosaint
- Plean Gníomhaíochta Cheantar Wilton agus Bhaile an Easpaig
- Plean Gníomhaíochta Shráid Coburg agus Cheantar Chnoc Phádraig Naofa
- Suirbhé Fostaíochta Chathrach Chorcaí
- Monatóir Eacnamaíoch Chorcaí

\* Bhí cruinniú ann leis an gCoiste Beartais Straitéisigh Tithíocht agus Pobail le breithniú a dhéanamh ar an **Straitéis Comhthithíochta**.



# Recreation, Amenity and Culture

# Áineas, Conláiste agus Cultúr



## New Library Service

Lord Mayor Cllr Michael Ahern launched a new service to housebound persons on 29th March 2007. The launch took place at the home of the Libraries' oldest reader, Mrs. Mary Rohan, born in 1907. Cork City Libraries received an allocation from the National Disability Strategy fund, which covered the cost of the purchase and fit-out of a medium sized van. The van will enable a much enhanced housebound service, covering the entire city. In addition the van will provide a delivery service between the Central Library and local libraries, the first time Cork City Libraries has had its own van.

## Cork Music Archive

The Cork Music Archive was established in September 2007 to give the treasure which is Cork's music heritage a permanent home. Music is woven into virtually every aspect of the life of Cork city and county - its history, sport, politics and above all its sense of itself and what makes it special. The music archive in Cork City Libraries will collect, documents, preserves and makes available the musical heritage and current musical output of the city and region: CDs, DVDs, older formats such as vinyl and tapes, scores, books & articles on music in Cork, ephemera such as posters, tickets, reviews etc. The material features music recorded and/or issued in Cork and music made by Cork people, wherever it is recorded. An archive advisory board will help in its development.

## New Parks

Two new parks opened in 2007 - Pophams Park in Farranree and Kilmore Park in Knocknaheeny. Both parks include walkways and playgrounds with a Multi User Games Area also provided at Pophams Park. Multi User Games Area (MUGAs) are dual basketball/ soccer courts which have proved very successful when installed in other City Council parks in recent years.

## Tree Planting Initiative

As part of the North City Environmental Enhancement Scheme, a major programme of tree planting costing €300k commenced on the north side of the city in 2007. A total of 2,500 trees (20 different varieties) were planted during the year as part of the Scheme. Local consultation took place with various residents associations in relation to the planting programme with the initiative attracting a very positive response from local communities.



## Recreation, Amenity & Culture Strategic Policy Committee

No. of meetings held: 4

Items considered:

- Review of the Libraries Strategic Plan
- Youth cafes
- National Recreational Policy





## Seirbhís Nua Leabharlainne

Lainseáil an tArdmhéara an Comhairleoir Michael Ahern seirbhís nua dírithe ar dhaoine a bhíonn ina dteach i gcaitheamh an lae an 29 Márta 2007. Eagraíodh an lainseáil ag teach an léitheora is sine de chuid na Leabharlainne, Mary Rohan, a rugadh i 1907. Fuair Leabharlanna Chathrach Chorcaí leithdháileadh ó Chiste na Straitéise Náisiúnta Míchumais a chlúdaigh costas agus feistiú veain. Cuirfidh an veain seirbhís fheabhsaithe ar fáil do dhaoine atá gafa sa teach ar fud na cathrach. Ina theannta sin, cuirfidh an veain seirbhís seachadta ar fáil idir an Leabharlann Lárnach agus leabharlanna áitiúla. Is é seo an chéad uair a bhfuil a veain féin ag Leabharlanna Chathrach Chorcaí.

## Cartlann Cheoil Chorcaí

Bunaíodh Cartlann Cheoil Chorcaí i mí Mheán Fómhair 2007 chun an saibhreas atá ag Corcaigh ó thaobh oidhreacht cheoil a chur i dtaisce. Tá an ceol fite fuaite i mbeagnach gach gné den saol i gCathair Chorcaí agus i gContae Chorcaí araon – ina cuid staire, spóirt, polaitíocht agus ina féiniúlacht agus sna nithe a chothaíonn an fhéiniúlacht éagsúil seo. Baillíonn, doiciméadaíonn, caomhnaíonn agus cuireann Leabharlanna Chorcaí an oidhreacht cheoil seo maraon táirgeacht reatha na cathrach agus an réigiúin ar fáil don phobal: CDanna, DVDanna, seanfhormáidí ar nós ceirníní vinile agus téipeanna, scór ceoil, leabhar agus airteagal faoin gceol i gCorcaigh, chomh maith le mionrudaí ar nós póstaer, ticéad, léirmheasanna etc.

## Páirceanna Nua

Osclaíodh dhá pháirc nua i 2007 – Páirc Popham, i bhFearann Rí agus Páirc na Cille Móire i gCnoc na hAoine. Tá siúl bhealaí agus clóis súgartha sa dá pháirc araon agus tá Áit Ilúsáideoirí Cluichí ann i bPáirc Popham freisin. Is éard is Áit Ilúsáideoirí Cluichí ann ná cúirteanna inar féidir cispheil agus sacar a imirt ag an am céanna. Bhí an-tóir ar pháirceanna eile den saghas seo a thóg an Chomhairle Cathrach le blianta beaga anuas.

## Tionscnamh um Chur Crann

Cuireadh tús le clár mór cur crann mar chuid de Scéim Feabhsaithe Timpeallachta na Cathrach Thuaidh (North City Environmental Enhancement Scheme) a chosain €300,000 i dtuaisceart na cathrach i 2007. Ar an iomlán, cuireadh 2,500 crann (20 saghas difriúil) i rith na bliana mar chuid den Scéim. Chuathas i gcomhairle le heagraíochtaí éagsúla na gcónaitheoirí go háitiúil i dtaca leis an gclár um chur crann agus ba mhór an tacaíocht a bhí le sonrú ó na pobail áitiúla i dtaobh an tionscadail.

## Coiste um Bheartas Straitéiseach Áinéis, Conláiste agus Cultúir

Líon na gcrúinnithe  
a stiúradh: 4

Nithe a ndearnadh  
breithniú orthu:

- Athbhreithniú ar Phlean Straitéiseach na Leabharlainne
- Caiféanna na nÓg
- Beartas Náisiúnta um Chaitheamh Aimsire

The background of the entire page is a photograph of a modern building with a glass facade. The building features a grid of windows and is intersected by several vertical black lines, possibly structural elements or reflections. The lighting is soft, suggesting an overcast day.

# Roads and Transportation

# Bóithre agus lompár



## Pedestrian Priority Zone – Automatic Rising Bollards

The establishment of the Pedestrian Priority Zone in the city centre was secured with the completion of the Automatic Rising Bollard scheme in 2007. Each of the entry points to Oliver Plunkett Street from the South Mall, Parnell Place and St. Patrick's Street is restricted between 11:00am and 5:00pm each day to provide a safer and more attractive area for pedestrians. Improving mobility for pedestrians and shoppers by restricting access to motorised vehicles was the key objective and the scheme has contributed to the enhancement of the streetscape. Allowing access to vehicles after 5:00 pm caters for goods deliveries and contributes to improved security at night-time as against having no traffic in the area after dark.

The use of automatic rising bollards has contributed to the management of one of the most successful Pedestrian Priority Zones in the country with the city centre in Cork well established as a destination.

## Roads & Transportation Strategic Policy Committee

No. meetings held: 4

### Items considered:

- Roads Programme 2008
- Demand Responsive Transport (DRT) Scheme
- Review of the Cork City Council Parking Policy
- Fixed Charge Penalty Notice Enforcement System
- Policies on Bus Routes crossing the city centre

## Public Lighting

The installation of replacement public lighting was a focus during 2007 and the Traffic Division incorporated the CANDELON monitoring system for the first time in a number of schemes. The Traffic Division has specified the provision of the SELC remote monitoring, manufactured in Co. Mayo, as supplied to the major lighting equipment manufacturers in Europe. The replacement of obsolete columns, brackets and lanterns on Victoria Road presented the opportunity to use electronic controls in the lanterns with a view to achieving energy savings in excess of 30%. Similar monitoring was used on schemes for the Banks of the Lee Walk lighting and the Carrigrohane Road on the Ballincollig Green Route. The complete scheme known as CANDELON requires the use of Echelon web servers on-site and proprietary software back at the office for access to the data via GPRS communications. While the remote monitoring is not suitable for all lighting schemes, the need to utilise electronic control in lanterns and modern optics is crucial to improving performance and achieving energy savings in line with commitments on Kyoto.

## Grand Parade Pavement Renewal

The Grand Parade Renewal Scheme made very good progress during 2007 with works associated with the paved areas being completed. The liaison with the traders and businesses was a key priority for Cork City Council as such extensive works can be disruptive. Access was provided to premises throughout the construction of the high quality granite pavement and carriageway. Pedestrian crossing facilities were provided and were moved or relocated throughout the course of the works to minimise disruption for the public.

The installation of the specified columns and lighting proceed on the Grand Parade which provides continuity with arrangements for St. Patrick's Street and Daunt's Square and enhances the streetscape of the city centre. The public and customers on Grand Parade have enjoyed the benefits of the improved pedestrian access and we look forward to the same level of progress in 2008 to complete the extension to an Award Winning scheme.



## Soilsiú Poiblí

Cuireadh béim ar shuiteáil soilsiú athsholáthair poiblí i rith 2007 agus d'úsáid an Rannán Tráchtá córas monatóireachta CANDELON don chéad uair i roinnt scéimeanna. Tá soláthar na cianmhonatóireachta SELC sonraithe ag an Rannán Tráchtá. Déantar é i gCo. Mhaigh Eo agus soláthraítear é do mhórdhéantóirí fearas soilse san Eoraip. Nuair a bhíothas ag athrú na colúin, bracanna agus lóchrainn a bhí imithe as feidhm ar Bhóthar Victoria, bhí deis ann rialaitheoirí leictreonacha a úsáid sna lóchrainn ionas go mbeadh breis is 30% de chostas fuinnimh á shábháil. Úsáideadh an saghas monatóireachta chéanna ar scéimeanna soilsithe ar Shiúlóid Bhruach na Laoi agus Bóthar Charraig Ruacháin ar Bhealach Glas Bhaile an Chollaigh. Tugtar CANDELON ar an scéim iomlán agus caitear freastalaí Gréasáin Echelon a úsáid ar an láthair, chomh maith le bogearraí cuí a úsáid san oifig, le rochtain sonraí a bhaint amach trí chumarsáid GPRS. Cé nach féidir an chianmhonatóireacht a úsáid ar gach scéim soilsithe, tá sé riachtanach go n-úsáidfí rialaitheoirí leictreonacha i lóchrainn agus optaic nua-aimseartha eile le feidhmíocht a fheabhsú agus costais fuinnimh a laghdú de réir gealltanais Kyoto.

## Athnuachan Cosáin Shráid an Chapaill Bhuí

Bhí dul chun cinn sásúil i Scéim Athnuachain Shráid an Chapaill Bhuí i rith 2007 agus críochnaíodh na hoibreacha ar na háiteanna pábháilte. Thug Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí tús áite d'idirchaidreamh maith le trádóirí agus gnólachtaí ós rud é go gcuireann an saghas oibre fhairsting seo as do dhaoine. Bhí custaiméirí in ann dul isteach sna foirgnimh i rith thógáil an chosáin agus an charrbhealaigh eibhir d'ardchaighdeán. Cuireadh trasrianta cosaithe ar fáil agus bogadh nó athshuíodh iad le linn na n-oibreacha ionas nach mbeadh siad ag cur as don phobal an iomarca.

Tá suiteáil colún agus soilse sonraithe ar Shráid an Chapaill Bhuí freisin a thugann leanúnachas le socruithe i gcomhair Shráid Naomh Pádraig agus Cearnóg Daunt agus cuireann sin go mór le sráid-dreach lár na cathrach. Tá leas bainte ag an bpobal agus ag custaiméirí Shráid an Chapaill Bhuí as an rochtain feabhsaithe do chosaithe. Táimid ag tnúth leis an léibhéal céanna dul chun cinn sa bhliain 2008 chun síneadh an scéim a chríochnú a bhfuil dámhachtain buaite cheana aici.

## Ceantar Tosaíochta do Chosaithe – Mullaird Uathardaitheacha

Baineadh an Ceantar Tosaíochta do Chosaithe amach nuair a críochnaíodh Scéim Mullaird Uathardaitheacha sa bhliain 2007. Tá srianta rochtana d'fheithiclí ar Shráid Oilibhéir Phluincéid ón Meal Theas, ó Phlás Pharnell agus ó Shráid Naomh Pádraig idir 11:00am agus 5:00pm gach lá ionas go mbeidh ceantar níos sábháilte agus níos áille ann do chosaithe. Cuspóir lárnach a bhí ag an scéim gluaiseacht a fheabhsú do chosaithe agus do shiopaerí trí shrianta rochtana a chur ar fheithiclí agus chuir sin go mór le háilleacht an sráid-dreacha. Is féidir le feithiclí an bóthar a úsáid tar éis 5:00pm. Ciallaíonn sin go bhfuiltear in ann earraí a sheachadadh agus go bhfuil sé níos sábháilte sa dorchadas ná mar a bheadh sé gan fheithiclí.

A bhuí leis na mullaird uathardaitheacha, tá ceann de na Ceantair Tosaíochta do Chosaithe is rathúla sa tír i gCorcaigh agus tá lár Chathair Chorcaí ina ceann sprice tarraingteach.

## Coiste um Beartais Straitéiseacha maidir le Bóithre & Iompar

Líon na gCruinnithe: 4

Míreanna a pléadh:

- Clár Bóithre 2008
- Scéim Iompar de réir Éilimh (DRT)
- Athbhreithniú ar Bheartas Pairceála - Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí
- Córas Forfheidhmithe d'Fhógra um Pionós Socruithe
- Beartais maidir le busbhealaí a théann tríd an gcathair

A low-angle, upward-looking photograph of a modern skyscraper's facade. The building features a repetitive pattern of dark, rectangular window frames and glass panels, creating a strong sense of verticality and geometric rhythm. The sky is visible in the upper left corner, appearing overcast and grey. A solid magenta horizontal band is positioned across the middle of the image, serving as a background for the title text.

# Financial Statements

# Ráitis Airgeadais

## BALANCE SHEET AT 31st DECEMBER 2007

	Notes	2007 €	2006 €	
<b>Fixed Assets</b>	<b>1</b>			
Operational		1,600,973,107	1,503,850,348	
Infrastructural		1,282,808,547	1,290,692,726	
Community		96,799,382	54,522,100	
Non-Operational		11,377,727	11,377,727	
		<b>2,991,958,763</b>	2,860,442,901	
<b>Work in Progress and Preliminary Expenses</b>	2	275,890,453	302,671,452	
<b>Long Term Debtors</b>	3	58,686,225	58,420,451	
<b>Current Assets</b>				
Stocks	4	219,058	130,634	
Trade Debtors & Prepayments	5	83,005,846	40,546,834	
Bank Investments		26,341,480	79,518,267	
Cash on Hand		19,526	17,716	
Urban Account	7	-	-	
		109,585,910	120,213,451	
<b>Current Liabilities (Amounts falling due within one year)</b>			(6,036,493)	
Bank Overdraft		9,741,119	6,595,015	
Creditors & Accruals	6	23,248,970	57,076,884	
Urban Accounts	7	-	-	
Finance Leases		229,430	110,680	
		<b>33,219,519</b>	63,782,579	
<b>Net Current Assets / (Liabilities)</b>		<b>76,366,391</b>	56,430,872	
<b>Creditors (Amounts falling due after more than one year)</b>				
Loans Payable	8	153,654,646	127,833,932	
Finance Leases		601,104	1,273,901	
Refundable deposits	9	4,218,280	2,564,171	
		<b>158,474,030</b>	131,672,004	
<b>Net Assets</b>		<b>3,244,427,802</b>	3,146,293,672	
<b>Financed by</b>				
Capitalisation Account	10	2,991,958,763	2,860,442,901	
Income WIP	2	249,206,714	271,304,611	
Specific Revenue Reserve		167,367	167,366	
General Revenue Reserve		207,921	(196,141)	
Other Balances	11	2,887,037	14,574,935	
<b>Total Reserves</b>		<b>3,244,427,802</b>	3,146,293,672	



# CLÁR COMHARDAITHE mar a bhí ar 31 NOLLAIG 2007

	Nótaí	2007 €	2006 €
<b>Sócmhainní Seasta</b>	<b>1</b>		
Oibríoch		1,600,973,107	1,503,850,348
Bonneagarach		1,282,808,547	1,290,692,726
Pobal		96,799,382	54,522,100
Neamhoibríoch		11,377,727	11,377,727
		<b>2,991,958,763</b>	2,860,442,901
<b>Obair Leanúnach agus Réamhchostais</b>	2	275,890,453	302,671,452
<b>Féichiúnaithe Fadtéarma</b>	3	58,686,225	58,420,451
<b>Sócmhainní Reatha</b>			
Stoic	4	219,058	130,634
Féichiúnaithe Trádála agus Réamhíocaíochtaí	5	83,005,846	40,546,834
Infheistíochtaí Bainc		26,341,480	79,518,267
Airgead Tirim ar Láimh		19,526	17,716
Cuntas Uirbeach	7	-	-
		109,585,910	120,213,451
<b>Dliteanais Reatha (Méideanna Dlíte taobh istigh de bhliain)</b>			(6,036,493)
Rótharraingt Bhainc		9,741,119	6,595,015
Creidiúnaithe & Fabhruithe	6	23,248,970	57,076,884
Cuntais Uirbeacha	7	-	-
Léasanna Airgeadais		229,430	110,680
		<b>33,219,519</b>	63,782,579
<b>Glansócmhainní Reatha / (Fiachais)</b>		<b>76,366,391</b>	56,430,872
<b>Creidiúnaithe (Méideanna le híoc tar éis bliain amháin)</b>			
Iasachtaí Iníoctha	8	153,654,646	127,833,932
Léasanna Airgeadais		601,104	1,273,901
Éarlaisí inaisíoctha	9	4,218,280	2,564,171
		<b>158,474,030</b>	131,672,004
<b>Glansócmhainní</b>		<b>3,244,427,802</b>	3,146,293,672
<b>Maoinithe ag</b>			
Cuntas Caipitlithe	10	2,991,958,763	2,860,442,901
Ioncam WIP	2	249,206,714	271,304,611
Cúlchiste Sainiúil Ioncaim		167,367	167,366
Cúlchiste Ginearálta Ioncaim		207,921	(196,141)
Comharduithe Eile	11	2,887,037	14,574,935
<b>Iomlán na gCúlchistí</b>		<b>3,244,427,802</b>	3,146,293,672

# INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER 2007

The Income and Expenditure Account Statement brings together all the revenue related income and expenditure. It shows the surplus/(deficit) for the year.

## Expenditure by Programme Group

	Notes	Gross Expenditure 2007 €	Income 2007 €	Net Expenditure 2007 €	Net Expenditure 2006 €
Housing & Building		34,331,786	32,184,665	2,147,121	2,467,919
Roads Transportation & Safety		29,601,583	19,787,780	9,813,803	8,659,724
Water & Sewerage		22,405,905	10,388,030	12,017,875	12,668,232
Development Incentives & Controls		6,935,385	2,104,147	4,831,238	4,837,295
Environmental Protection		38,444,224	15,647,252	22,796,972	20,083,976
Recreation & Amenity		19,999,792	2,151,071	17,848,721	16,434,546
Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare		15,038,587	13,479,665	1,558,922	1,001,094
Miscellaneous		7,872,074	2,106,676	5,765,398	5,149,645
<b>Total Expenditure/Income</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>174,629,336</b>	<b>97,849,286</b>		
<b>Net cost of programmes to be funded from Rates &amp; Local Government Fund</b>				<b>76,780,050</b>	71,302,431
Rates				57,495,613	53,284,561
Local Government Fund - General Purpose Grant				27,959,680	24,267,960
<b>Surplus/(Deficit) for Year before Transfers</b>	17			<b>8,675,243</b>	6,250,090
<b>Transfers from/(to) Reserves</b>	15			(8,271,181)	(6,036,493)
<b>Overall Surplus/(Deficit) for Year</b>				<b>404,062</b>	213,597
<b>General Reserve @ 1st January 2007</b>				(196,141)	(409,738)
<b>General Reserve @ 31st December 2007</b>				<b>207,921</b>	(196,141)

The Prompt Payment of Accounts Act 1997 and the European Communities (Late Payment in Commercial Transactions) Regulation 2002 aims to ensure that all Public Bodies and Contractors pay amounts due to suppliers promptly. Cork City Council's payment practice is to pay its suppliers for goods/services within 30 days unless an alternative payment period is specified in an agreed contract.

# RÁITEAS CUNTAIS IONCAIM & CAITEACHAIS DON BHLIAIN DAR CRÍOCH 31 NOLLAIG 2007

Cuimsíonn an Ráiteas Cuntais Ioncaim agus Caiteachas an t-ioncam agus an caiteachas ioncambhunaithe. Léiríonn sé barrachas/(easnamh) don bhliain.

## Caiteachas de réir Clárghrúpa

	Nótaí	Ollchaitea- chas 2007 €	Ioncam 2007 €	Glanchaitea- chas 2007 €	Glanchaitea- chas 2006 €
Tithíocht & Foirgníocht		34,331,786	32,184,665	2,147,121	2,467,919
Iompar & Sábháilteacht Bóithre		29,601,583	19,787,780	9,813,803	8,659,724
Uisce & Séarachas		22,405,905	10,388,030	12,017,875	12,668,232
Dreasachtaí & Rialuithe Forbartha		6,935,385	2,104,147	4,831,238	4,837,295
Cosaint Timpeallachta		38,444,224	15,647,252	22,796,972	20,083,976
Caitheamh Aimsire & Conláiste		19,999,792	2,151,071	17,848,721	16,434,546
Talmhaíocht, Oideachas, Sláinte & Leas		15,038,587	13,479,665	1,558,922	1,001,094
Ilghnéitheach		7,872,074	2,106,676	5,765,398	5,149,645
<b>Caiteachas/Ioncam Iomlán</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>174,629,336</b>	<b>97,849,286</b>		
<b>Glanhostas clár a bheidh á maoiniú ag Rátaí &amp; an Ciste Rialtais Áitiúil</b>				<b>76,780,050</b>	71,302,431
Rátaí				57,495,613	53,284,561
Ciste Rialtais Áitiúil – Deontas ilfheidhmeach				27,959,680	24,267,960
<b>Barrachas/(Easnamh) don Bhliain roimh</b>	<b>17</b>			<b>8,675,243</b>	6,250,090
<b>Aistrithe ó/(go) Cúlchistí</b>	<b>15</b>			8,271,181)	6,036,493
<b>Barrachas/(Easnamh) Foriomlán don Bhliain</b>				<b>404,062</b>	213,597
<b>Cúlchiste Ginearálta @ 1 Eanáir 2007</b>				(196,141)	(409,738)
<b>Cúlchiste Ginearálta @ 31 Nollaig 2007</b>				<b>207,921</b>	(196,141)

Tá sé mar aidhm ag an Acht um Íoc Pras Cuntas 1997 agus Rialú an Chomhphobail Eorpaigh (Íocaíocht Dhéanach in Idirbheartuithe Tráchtála) 2002 go n-íocfadh gach Comhlacht Poiblí agus Conraitheoir as soláthróirí go tapa. Is é cleachtas Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí a sholáthróirí a íoc as earraí/seirbhísí laistigh de 30 lá, ach amháin sa chás go luaitear tréimhse íocaíochta eile i gconradh comhaontaithe.

A photograph of a modern building with a glass and white facade. The building has multiple levels with glass railings and white panels. The image is used as a background for the title and page number.

# Service Indicators



# Táscairí Seirbhíse

# National Service Indicators (January to December 2007)

## H: Housing

### H.1 Housing Vacancies

Column A:	Column B:	Column C:	Column D:	Column E:	Column F:
Total Number Of dwellings in local authority stock	Overall % of dwellings that are let	Overall % of dwellings that are empty	% of empty dwellings subject to major refurbishment schemes	% of empty dwellings unavailable for letting	% of empty dwellings available for letting
8168	94.1	5.9	39.1	83.5	16.5%

H.2 Average time taken to relet dwellings available for letting (weeks). 5

H.3 Number of repairs completed as a percentage of the number of valid repair requests received. 99.3%

H.4 Average time taken to inform applicants of local authority's decision on applications for (days):

- The shared ownership housing scheme	21
- Housing loans scheme	16
- Local authority housing	28

### H.5 Traveller Accommodation

Total number of traveller families accommodated as a percentage of the targets set in the local travellers accommodation programme. 37.7 \*

\* 15 standard houses became available, however only 5 tenancies were accepted.

## R: Roads

### R.1

Local and regional road surface	Dressed per annum (square metres)
Percentage of local and regional roads	Surface dressed per annum
N/A	N/A

# Táscairí Seirbhíse Náisiúnta (Eanair go Nollaig 2007)

## H: Tithíocht

### H.1 Folúntais Tithíochta

Colún A:	Colún B:	Colún C:	Colún D:	Colún E:	Colún F:
Líon iomlán Dáitribh i stoc an údaráis áitiúil	% iomlán na n-áitreabh a cuirtear amach ar cíós	% iomlán na n-áitreabh atá folamh	% na n-áitreabh folamh atá faoi réir mórscéimeanna athchóirithe	% na n-áitreabh folamh nach bhfuil ar fáil le ligean amach ar cíós	% na n-áitreabh folamh atá ar fáil le ligean amach ar cíós
8168	94.1	5.9	39.1	83.5	16.5%

H.2 Meántréimhse le tionóntaí nua a fháil d'áitribh atá ar fáil le ligean amach ar cíós (seachtainí) 5

H.3 Líon na ndeisthe a cuireadh i gcrích mar chéatadán de na hiarratais bhailí deisthe a fuarthas 99.3%

H.4 Meántréimhse le socruithe an údaráis áitiúil a chur in iúl d'iarratasóirí do na rudaí seo a leanas:

- An scéim thithíochta úinéireachta roinnte	21
- Scéimeanna iasachta tithíochta	16
- Tithíocht údaráis áitiúil	28

### H.5 Cóiríocht Lucht Siúil

Líon iomlán na dteaghlach an lucht siúil a cóiríodh mar chéatadán de na spriocanna a socraíodh sa chlár cóiríochta áitiúil don lucht siúil. 37.7 \*

\* Tháinig fáil ar 15 teach caighdeánach, cé nar glacadh ach le 5 tionóntachtaí.

## R: Bóithre

### R.1

Dromchla bóthar áitiúil agus réigiúnach	Céatadán bóthar áitiúil agus réigiúnach
Cóirithe per annum (méadar cearnógach)	Dromchla Chóirithe per annum
N/A	N/A

# Environmental Services

## Water

### E.1 Percentage of river channel which is:

Type	%
Unpolluted	
Slightly Polluted	
Moderately Polluted	
Seriously Polluted	

Information will be forwarded by the EPA directly to the LGCSB for onward transmission to local authorities and the LGMSB. No additional data is required directly from Local Authorities for this indicator.

### E.2 Percentage of drinking water analyses results in compliance with statutory requirements with regard to:

Type of Scheme	%
Public Scheme	97.99
Private Scheme	95.15

Data for this indicator is supplied directly by the EPA to the Office for Local Authority Management for calculation and verification.

## Fire Service

### E.3 Average time, in minutes, to mobilise fire brigades in:

Station	Average Time in Minutes
Full Time Stations	1.5
Part-Time Stations (retained fire service)	N/A

### E.4 Percentage of attendances at scenes where:

Scene	%
First attendance is at scene within 10 minutes (0-10)	90.2
First attendance is at scene after 10 minutes but within 20 minutes (0-20)	8.7
First attendance is at scene after 20 minutes ( > 20 )	1.1

### E.5 Fire Prevention

Fire Certificates	Number
Total number of fire safety certificate applications received	236
Total number of fire safety certificate applications processed	252





## Waste Management

E.6 Percentage of households provided with segregated waste collection: 100%

E.7 Household waste collected which is sent for recycling

Tonnage of household waste recycled	8989
Percentage of household waste collected	25.30%

E.8 Household waste collected which is sent to landfill

Tonnage of household waste going to landfill	26408
Percentage of household waste collected	74.70%

## E.9 Recycling Facilities

Category	Column A: Number of Bring Sites	Column B: Number of Civic Amenity Sites	Column C: Total Number of Facilities	Column D: Number of locations Per 5,000 of population	Column E: Tonnage of waste collected for recycling per 5,000 of population
Glass	42	1	43	1.8	97.2
Cans	0	1	1	0.0	0.1
Textiles	0	0	0		
Batteries	0	1	1	0.0	0.5
Oils	0	1	1	0.0	0.3
Others**	0	1	1	0.0	13.5

\*\* Others may include a variety of categories.

## Litter Prevention and Environmental Enforcement

### E.10 Litter

Number of Litter Wardens:

Total number of full-time litter wardens	Total number of part-time litter wardens	Number of litter wardens (both full and part-time) per 5,000 of population
4	0	0.17

Number of on-the-spot fines: 1103

Number of prosecution cases taken because of non-payment of on-the-spot fines: 88

Number of prosecutions secured: 88

Percentage of areas within the local authority that are:

Type	%
Unpolluted (i.e. litter-free)	1.0
Slightly polluted with litter	62.00
Moderately polluted with litter	31.0
Significantly polluted with litter	6.0
Grossly polluted with litter	0.0

No additional data is required directly from the Local Authorities for this indicator. Information supplied by TES



## E.11 Environmental Complaints and Enforcement

Complaints and Enforcement	Number
Total number of cases subject to complaints concerning environmental pollution (relating to waste, litter, water pollution, noise pollution, air pollution)	2049
Number of complaints Investigated	1542
Number of Enforcement Procedures taken	1113

## E.12 Percentage of schools participating in environmental campaigns

Type of School	%
Primary Schools	30%
Secondary Schools	46%

# Planning and Building Control

## P.1 Planning Applications – Decision Making

	Individual houses	New Housing Development	Other: not requiring EIA	Other: requiring EIA
Row A: No. of applications decided	70	80	788	7
Row B: No. of decisions in Row A which were decided within 8 weeks	47	54	573	5
Row C: No. of decisions in Row A which required the submission of further information	20	19	197	1
Row D: No. of decisions in Row A where an extension of time was agreed to by the applicant, under section 34 (9) of the Planning & Development Act 2000.	3	7	18	1
Row E: Average length of time taken ( in days) to decide an application where further information was sought.	80	82	80	84
Row F: % of grants	64.3	55.0	88.6	85.7
Row G: % of refusals	35.7	45.0	11.4	14.3
Row H: % of cases where the decision was confirmed, with or without variations, by An Bord Pleanála	60.0	80.0	71.6	100
Row I: % of cases where the decision was reversed by An Bord Pleanála	40.0	20.0	28.4	0.0

## E.11 Gearáin agus Forfheidhmiú Comhshaoil

Gearáin agus Forfheidhmiú	Líon
Líon iomlán cásanna faoi réir gearán a bhaineann le truailliú timpeallachta (truailliú a bhaineann le dramhail, bruscar, truailliú uisce, truailliú torainn, truailliú aeir)	2049
Líon gearán a ndearnadh iniúchadh orthu	1542
Líon na ngnáthamh forfheidhmithe a tógadh	1113

## E.12 Céatadán na Scoileanna a ghlac páirt i bhfeachtais chomhshaoil

Cineál Scoile	%
Bunscoileanna	30%
Meánscoileanna	46%

# Rialú Pleanála agus Tógála

## P.1 Iarratais Phleanála – Déanamh Cinntí

	Tithe Aonair	Forbairt Nua Tithíochta	Eile: nár Theastaigh RTT	Eile: Theastaigh RTT
Sraith A: Líon iarratas a cinneadh	70	80	788	7
Sraith B: Líon cinntí i Sraith A a cinneadh laistigh de 8 seachtaine	47	54	573	5
Sraith C: Líon cinntí i Sraith A a raibh gá le tuilleadh faisnéise ina dtaobh	20	19	197	1
Sraith D: Líon cinneadh i Sraith A ar aontaigh an t-iarratasóir ar shíneadh ama a thabhairt ina dtaobh, faoi alt 34(9) den Acht um Phleanáil agus Forbairt 2000.	3	7	18	1
Sraith E: Meánmhéid ama (laethanta) a thóg sé cás a chinneadh a raibh tuilleadh faisnéise ag teastáil ina thaobh	80	82	80	84
Sraith F: % na ndeontas	64.3	55.0	88.6	85.7
Sraith G: % na ndíúltuithe	35.7	45.0	11.4	14.3
Sraith H: % na gcásanna inar deimhníodh, le hathruithe nó gan athruithe, ón An Bord Pleanála	60.0	80.0	71.6	100
Sraith I: % na gcásanna inar aisiompaíodh an socrú ag an mBord Pleanála	40.0	20.0	28.4	0.0



## P.2 Planning Enforcement

	Number
Total number of cases subject to complaints that were investigated	272
Total number of cases subject to complaints that were dismissed	125
Total number of cases subject to complaints that were resolved through negotiations	187
Number of enforcement procedures taken through warning letters	266
Number of enforcement procedures taken through enforcement notices	71
Number of prosecutions	5

P.3 Average No of Opening hours per week: 35

## P.4 Pre-Planning Consultation

- Number of pre-planning consultation meetings held: 520
- Average length of time from request for consultation with the local authority to actual formal meeting for pre-planning consultation (days): 10

P.5 Buildings inspected as a percentage of new buildings notified to the local authority 14

# Rev: Revenue Collection

## Rev.1 House Rent

a) Amount collected at year end as a percentage of amount due:	92.2%
b) Percentage of arrears:	
i) 4-6 weeks old:	8.1%
ii) 6-12 weeks old:	19.3%
iii) more than 12 weeks old	57.2%

## Rev.2 Housing Loans

a) Amount collected at year end as a percentage of amount due:	89.2%
b) Percentage of arrears:	
i) 1 month old:	19.8%
ii) 2-3 months old:	21.0%
iii) More than 3 months old:	59.3%

## Rev.3 Commercial Rates

Amount collected at year end as a percentage of amount due: 92.5%



## Rev.4 Refuse Charges

Percentage of households paying refuse charges at year end: 93.3%

## Rev.5 Non-Domestic Water Charges

Amount collected at year end as a percentage of amount due: 86.1%

# C: Corporate Issues

## C.1 Percentage of working days lost to sickness absence through

- Certified leave: 4.2  
- Uncertified leave: 1.2

## C.2 Expenditure on Training and Development as a percentage of total payroll costs: 3.8%

# L: Library Services

## L.1 Public Opening Hours:

- Average number of opening hours per week for full-time libraries: 39  
- Average number of opening hours per week for part-time libraries: 6.5

## L.2 Number of registered library members as a percentage of the local population: 18.4%

## L.3 Number of items issued per head of population (county/city wide) for:

a) Books: 5.02  
b) Other Items: 1.72

## L.4 Percentage of libraries that offer Internet access to the public: 100%

## L.5 Number of Internet sessions provided per 1,000 population: 629.9



## A&C: Arts and Cultural Services

### A&C.1 Arts Grants

- Number of arts grants paid:	70
- Total value of arts grants paid per 1,000 population:	€2,999

## Rec: Recreational Services

### Rec.1 Number of children's playgrounds per 1,000 population

- Directly provided by the local authority:	0.11
- Facilitated by the local authority:	0:

### Rec.2 Number of visitors to local authority facilitated swimming facilities per 1,000 population: 4725

## Cp: Community Participation and Cooperation – Your Local Authority

### CP.1 Percentage of local schools involved in the local Youth Council/Comhairle na n-Og scheme: 63







# Recruitment Information

# Eolas Earcaíochta

## RECRUITMENT GENDER BALANCE - 2007

Competition	No. of Applicants		Placed on Panel		Appointed		
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Head Porter (Confined)	5	0	4	0	1	0	
Porter (Confined)	9	0	8	0	5	0	
Library/Driver Attendant(Confined)	7	0	6	0	2	0	
Executive Scientist (Confined)	3	2	2	0	1	0	
Assistant Scientist (Confined)	3	2	2	1	1	0	
Senior Legal Assistant	2	7	2	2	1	0	
Legal Assistant	5	31	1	13	0	3	
Third Fire Officer	9	0	4	0	1	0	
Temporary General Operative	13	0	10	0	8	0	
Executive Librarian	1	15	0	5	0	1	
Assistant Planner	21	13	7	6	0	1	
Partnership Facilitator	1	0	1	0	1	0	
Course Marshall-Mahon Golf Course(Confined)	4	0	1	0	1	0	
Station Officer	8	0	3	0	3	0	
Sub-Station Officer	12	0	3	0	3	0	
Leading Firefighter	19	0	3	0	3	0	
Assistant General Foreperson (Drainage)	13	0	4	0	1	0	
Temporary Production Attendant Waterworks (Confined)	8	0	4	0	1	0	
Junior Foreperson Water distribution (Confined)	4	0	4	0	1	0	
Executive Architect	2	1	2	1	0	1	
Executive Engineer	24	4	13	3	2	1	
Temporary General Operative(Cleansing)	20	0	8	0	5	0	
Temporary General Operative(Water)	6	0	5	0	3	0	
Deputy Foyer Manager	2	4	1	0	0	0	
Night Relief Support Worker	11	4	2	1	0	0	
Executive Solicitor	1	10	1	4	0	2	
Assistant Staff Officer	79	218	Interviews to be held in 2008				
Staff Officer	53	131	Interviews to be held in 2008				
Snr Staff Officer	36	77	Interviews to be held in 2008				
Administrative Officer	31	53	Interviews to be held in 2008				
Temporary Plumber	6	0	3	0	1	0	
Deputy Foyer Manager	6	6	1	1	0	0	
General foreperson Housing Maintenance	55	0	Interviews to be held in 2008				
General Foreperson Roads	16	0	Interviews to be held in 2008				
Local Sports Co-Ordinator 3yr	14	4	3	2	0	0	

# COTHROMAÍOCHT INSCNE san EARCAÍOCHT - 2007

Iomaíocht	Líon na nIarratasóirí		Curtha ar Phainéal		Ceaptha		
	Fir.	Bain.	Fir.	Bain.	Fir.	Bain.	
Príomhphóirtéir (Teoranta)	5	0	4	0	1	0	
Póirtéir (Teoranta)	9	0	8	0	5	0	
Freastalaí Tiomána/Leabharlann (Teoranta)	7	0	6	0	2	0	
Eolaí Feidhmiúcháin (Teoranta)	3	2	2	0	1	0	
Eolaí Cúnta (Teoranta)	3	2	2	1	1	0	
Cúntóir Dlí Sinsearach	2	7	2	2	1	0	
Cúntóir Dlí	5	31	1	13	0	3	
Tríú Oifigeach Dóiteáin	9	0	4	0	1	0	
Oibrí Ginearálta Sealadach	13	0	10	0	8	0	
Leabharlannaí Feidhmiúcháin	1	15	0	5	0	1	
Pleanálaí Cúnta	21	13	7	6	0	1	
Éascaitheoir Comhpháirtíochta	1	0	1	0	1	0	
Galfchúrsa Marshall-Mahon (Teoranta)	4	0	1	0	1	0	
Oifigeach Stáisiúin	8	0	3	0	3	0	
Oifigeach Fothstáisiúin	12	0	3	0	3	0	
Príomhchomhraiceoir Dóiteáin	19	0	3	0	3	0	
Maor Ginearálta Sealadach (Draenáil)	13	0	4	0	1	0	
Cúntóir Táirgeachta Sealadach Oibreacha Uisce (Teoranta)	8	0	4	0	1	0	
Maor Sóisearach Dáileadh Uisce (Teoranta)	4	0	4	0	1	0	
Ailtire Feidhmiúcháin	2	1	2	1	0	1	
Innealtóir Feidhmiúcháin	24	4	13	3	2	1	
Oibrí Ginearálta Sealadach (Glantachán)	20	0	8	0	5	0	
Oibrí Ginearálta Sealadach (Uisce)	6	0	5	0	3	0	
Leasbhainisteoir Forhalla	2	4	1	0	0	0	
Oibrí Tacaíochta Faoiseamh Oíche	11	4	2	1	0	0	
Dlíodóir Feidhmiúcháin	1	10	1	4	0	2	
Oifigeach Foirne Cúnta	79	218	Agallaimh á n-eagrú i 2008				
Oifigeach Foirne	53	131	Agallaimh á n-eagrú i 2008				
Oifigeach Foirne Sinsearach	36	77	Agallaimh á n-eagrú i 2008				
Oifigeach Riaracháin	31	53	Agallaimh á n-eagrú i 2008				
Pluiméir Sealadach	6	0	3	0	1	0	
Leasbhainisteoir Forhalla	6	6	1	1	0	0	
Maor Ginearálta Cothabhála Tithíochta	55	0	Agallaimh á n-eagrú i 2008				
Maor Ginearálta Bóithre	16	0	Agallaimh á n-eagrú i 2008				
Comhordaitheoir Áitiúil Spóirt 3 bliana	14	4	3	2	0	0	



## Competitions held prior to 2007 ( recruited in 2007)

Competition	No. of Applicants		Placed on Panel		Appointed		
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Assistant Staff Officer	99	238	15	23	0	1	
Executive Solicitor	5	14	4	3	0	1	
General Operative Excluding Cleansing	71	2	46	2	16	2	
General Operative Cleansing (Confined)	36	0	32	0	4	0	
Technian Grade 1	19	7	7	4	1	0	
Station Officer	8	0	4	0	3	0	
Sub- Station Officer	12	0	4	0	3	0	
Leading Firefighter	23	0	4	0	3	0	
Executive Engineer	23	4	9	1	4	0	
Probationer Firefighter	498	20	24	0	12	0	
RAPID Co- Ordinator	15	25	1	5	0	2	
Assistant Staff Officer (Museum)	1	0	1	0	1	0	
Second Officer- Fire Brigade	6	1	1	0	1	0	
Temporary Plumber	5	0	3	0	2	0	
Clerical Officer	111	250	9	33	2	18	
Clerical Officer (Confined)	9	20	2	3	2	3	
Clerical Officer (Secretarial)	6	130	2	37	1	7	
Clerical Officer ( Special)	17	27	1	2	1	0	
Library Assistant	75	130	6	10	1	2	
Litter warden	23	1	4	1	0	1	

## COTHROMAÍOCHT INSCNE san EARCAÍOCHT - 2007

Iomaíocht	Líon na nIarratasóirí		Curtha ar Phainéal		Ceaptha		
	Fir.	Bain.	Fir.	Bain.	Fir.	Bain.	
Oifigeach Foirne Cúnta	99	238	15	23	0	1	
Dlíodóir Feidhmiúcháin	5	14	4	3	0	1	
Oibrí Ginearálta seachas Glantachán	71	2	46	2	16	2	
Oibrí Ginearálta Glantacháin (Teoranta)	36	0	32	0	4	0	
Teicneoir Grád 1	19	7	7	4	1	0	
Oifigeach Stáisiúin	8	0	4	0	3	0	
Oifigeach Fothstáisiúin	12	0	4	0	3	0	
Príomhchomhraiceoir Dóiteáin	23	0	4	0	3	0	
Innealtóir Feidhmiúcháin	23	4	9	1	4	0	
Comhraiceoir Dóiteáin Promhóra	498	20	24	0	12	0	
Comhordaitheoir RAPID	15	25	1	5	0	2	
Oifigeach Foirne Cúnta (Iarsmalann)	1	0	1	0	1	0	
Dara Oifigeach - Briogáid Doiteáin	6	1	1	0	1	0	
Pluiméir Sealadach	5	0	3	0	2	0	
Oifigeach Cléireachais	111	250	9	33	2	18	
Oifigeach Cléireachais (Teoranta)	9	20	2	3	2	3	
Oifigeach Cléireachais (Rúnaíochta)	6	130	2	37	1	7	
Oifigeach Cléireachais (Speisialta)	17	27	1	2	1	0	
Cúntóir Leabharlainne	75	130	6	10	1	2	
Maor Bruscair	23	1	4	1	0	1	



# 2004-2009 Corporate Plan Progress Report 2007



CORK CITY COUNCIL  
COMHAIRLE CATHRACH CHORCAÍ

# **2004-2009**

# **Plean Corparaideach**

## Tuarascail Dhul

## Chun Cinn 2007

# This progress report was approved by An Chomhairle at its meeting held on 28th January 2008

## Corporate Plan 2004 - 2009 Progress Report 2007

## Roads & Transportation

Cork City Council's Corporate Plan 2004 - 2009 was adopted by the City Council at its meeting of 22nd November 2004. Following on from the Corporate Plan, each section developed an annual Operational Plan to implement the actions set out in the Corporate Plan.

The following is a report which outlines the progress made by the main service providers, in achieving the targets set out in the Plan in 2007.

## Housing and Community

The housing construction programme of 1223 units by 31st August 2008 is well advanced, with 466 units completed and a further 529 units under construction at the end of 2007.

A total of 791 housing units are to be provided by the voluntary sector and in 2007, 19 units were completed and 111 units were under construction. Targets as set out under the Affordable Housing Scheme are progressing well, and in 2007 a total of 243 units were completed, with a further 231 units under construction.

Work advanced well in 2007 on Block D of the Knocknaheeny Regeneration Project and on the development of the new Town Centre. The first elements of the community facilities, including the new

Area Housing Office will be operational early in 2008. Members approved Part 8 for Blocks E, F, G, H with a view to advancing this to tender and construction stages in 2008. The second phase of the Glen Regeneration Project has proceeded to tender. Further blocks of flats were demolished, contributing a significant visual improvement to the area.

Major schemes for the refurbishment of the Sunvalley Drive and Cushing Road Flat complexes continued in 2007 and plans were brought forward for other remedial and refurbishment improvements to the stock.

2007 also saw Cork City Council, with the assistance of the DOEHLG continue a programme of work to install central heating systems in the local authority rented stock at a cost of approximately €3.5m. By year's end, 1400 dwellings will have benefited since the start of this programme. As well as the heating installation, the work also includes the provision of attic insulation and smoke alarms.

In the area of Homelessness, 2007 saw the Blackpool Foyer receiving accreditation from the UK Foyer Federation. The Wet Shelter at Leitrim Street is close to completion.

To combat anti social behaviour various local improvement projects have been undertaken including the closure of problematic alleyways, and building of infill houses.

Works is ongoing on Grand Parade Urban Renewal Scheme and will be completed by mid 2008. Works on the Peace Park on South Mall and Tobin Street, off Grand Parade, were included as part of the Grand Parade Renewal Scheme.

The following projects were completed in 2007:

- Oliver Plunkett Street Urban Renewal Project.
- Barrack Street Renewal Scheme Project.
- Shandon Street Phase II Project.

Works have commenced on a new Boardwalk at the southern end of Grand Parade. Works are underway on the College Road Renewal Project. It is planned to have this scheme completed in mid 2008.

Work is continuing on the design of the North Ring Road Corridor and the Final Route has now been identified and went on public display in December 2007.

The development of programmes for up-grading of footpaths to facilitate ease of movement for people with disabilities continued during 2007 together with the footpath renewal programme and annual road resurfacing programme.

Work continued on the construction of both the Ballincollig and Knocknaheeny Green Routes. At this stage, 8 of the 10 Green Routes as envisaged in the Cork Area Strategic Plan are now completed.



# D'fhaomh an Chomhairle an plean seo ag cruinniú ar an 28 Eanáir 2008.

## Plean Corparáideach 2004 - 2009 Tuarascáil Faoi Dul Chun Cinn 2007

## Bóithre & Iompar

Ghlac an Chomhairle Cathrach leis Plean Corparáideach Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí 2004-2009 ag cruinniú ar an 22 Samhain 2004. Mar thoradh ar an bPlean, d'fhorbair gach rannán faoi leith Plean Oibriúcháin bliantúil chun bearta an Phlean Chorporáidigh a chur i bhfeidhm.

Sa tuarascáil seo leanas déantar cur síos ar an dul chun cinn atá déanta ag na príomhsholáithreoirí seirbhíse maidir le spriocanna Phlean 2007 a bhaint amach.

## Tithíocht Agus An Pobal

Tá dul chun cinn maith déanta ar an golár tógála tithe ina raibh 1223 aonad in ainm is a bheith tógtha faoi 31 Lúnasa 2008. Bhí 466 aonad críochnaithe agus 529 aonad eile i mbun tógála faoi dheireadh na bliana 2007.

Tá 791 aonad tithíochta le tógáil ag an earnáil dheonach agus bhí 19 díobh críochnaithe agus 111 díobh i mbun tógála i 2007. Tá dul chun cinn maith déanta ar na spriocanna a leagadh amach sa Scéim Tithíochta Inacmhainne agus bhí 243 díobh críochnaithe agus 231 díobh i mbun tógála i 2007.

Chuaigh obair ar aghaidh go maith i 2007 ar Bloc D de Thionscnamh Athghiniúna Chnoc na hAoine agus ar fhorbairt ar an Lár Baile nua. Beidh an chéad chuid de na háiseanna pobail, an Oifig Tithíochta Ceantair san áireamh, ag feidhmiú go luath i 2008. D'fhaomh na Baill Cuid 8 do i gcomhair blocanna E, F, G, H chun é a

chur ar aghaidh go céim tairsceana agus tógála i 2008. Beidh an chéad chuid de na háiseanna pobail, an Oifig Tithíochta Ceantair san áireamh, ag feidhmiú go luath i 2008.

Tá an dara chuid de Thionscnamh Athghiniúna an Ghleanna ag céim na tairsceana anois. Scartáladh blocanna árasán eile, a chur go mór le háilleacht na háite.

Chuaigh mórscéimeanna athghiniúna ar aghaidh do choimpléisc Chéide Ghleann na Gréine agus Bhóthar an Chúisínigh agus cuireadh pleananna i gcomhair feabhsúcháin eile leasúcháin agus athchóirithe na n áitribh ar aghaidh.

I 2007, lean Comhairle Cathrach Corcaí, i gcomhar le DoEHLG, le clár oibriúcháin chun córais téimh lárnaigh a chur isteach in áitribh ar cíós de chuid na Comhairle ar chostas tuairim is €3.5m. Faoi dheireadh na bliana, beidh tairbhe bainte ag 1400 áitreabh as ón am a thosaigh an clár. Chomh maith leis an téamh lárnach a chur isteach, áirítear insliú áiléir agus aláiraim deataigh sna hoibriúcháin.

Ó thaobh easpa dídine de, fuair an Blackpool Foyer creidiúniú ó Foyer Federation na Ríochta Aontaithe i 2007. Tá an Wet Shelter ar Shráid Liatroma beagnach críochnaithe.

Chun dul i ngleic le hiompraíocht fhrithshóisialta, tá tús curtha le tionscadail áitiúla feabhsúcháin éagsúla, lena n-áirítear pasáistí trioblóideacha a dhúnadh agus tithe inlfonta a thógáil.

Tá oibreacha ag dul ar aghaidh ar an Scéim Athghiniúna Shráid an Chapail Bhuí agus beidh siad críochnaithe faoi lár na bliana 2008. Cuimsíodh oibreacha ar Pháirc Peace ar an Meal Theas agus Sráid an Tóibínigh, atá taobh le Sráid an Chapail Bhuí, sa Scéim Athghiniúna Shráid an Chapail Bhuí.

## Críochnaíodh na tionscadail seo leanas i 2007:

- Tionscadal Athghiniúna Uirbeach Shráid Oilibhéir Phluincéid.
- Tionscadal Scéim Athghiniúna Shráid na Beairice.
- Tionscadal Shráid an tSeandúin Céim II.

Cuireadh tús le hoibreacha ar Chlárchosán nua ag an taobh ó dheas de Shráid an Chapail Bhuí. Tá oibreacha ar bun ar an Tionscadal Athghiniúna Bhóthar an Choláiste. Táthar ag súil go mbeidh an scéim seo críochnaithe faoi lár na bliana 2008.

Tá oibreacha ag dul ar aghaidh ar dhearadh Conair an Chuarbhóthair Thuaidh agus tá an Bealach Deireanach aimsithe anois agus cuireadh ar taispeánt é i mí na Nollag 2007.

Lean clár forbartha ar aghaidh i 2007 chun cosáin a fheabhsú do dhaoine faoi mhíchumas ionas go mbeidís in ann gluaiseacht thart níos éasca, chomh maith le clár athghiniúna cosáin agus an clár bliantúil athdhromchlaithe bóithre.

Chuaigh oibreacha ar aghaidh ar thógáil Bealaí Glasa Bhaile an Choilligh agus Chnoc na hAoine. Tá 8 de na 10 mBealach Ghlasa a bhí i bPlean Straitéiseach Cheantar Chorcaí críochnaithe faoin am seo.

## Recreation, Amenity and Culture

Planning Permission for the development of a new Central Library was granted in October 2007. The building will be designed to the highest standards and will be a major addition to the public realm of the city.

Plans to develop a library to serve the Blackrock-Mahon area are ongoing, and an application has been made to the DOEHLG for funding. The library service continued to develop its co-operation with other libraries and agencies in the area and work is ongoing on the Cork Online Bibliography project, a joint venture of Cork City and County Councils, UCC and CIT.

The Arts office continued to work with artists and arts organisations, and launched a series of events including the St. Patrick's Festival 2007 and the Seamus Murphy Centenary Celebrations 2007.

The construction of the Link Point Youth Facility in Knocknaheeny was completed in July 2007. Additional funding was sourced to enable the reconstruction of St. Joseph's community centre, Mayfield.

In the area of Fire Prevention and Safety the annual inspection programme of licensed premises was carried out and involved the inspection of all dance halls, registered clubs and gaming establishments in the city. The National Primary Schools Fire Safety Programme was initiated this year. Thirty nine schools participated and home fire safety training was delivered to 1380 third class pupils. 12 new recruits joined Cork City Fire Brigade as firefighters in March 2007 under a new and extended local recruit training system based on a modular

approach over one year. Training of Fire Officers was undertaken at national level on the introduction of the National Incident Command System with a view to implementation as part of the Fire Services Change Programme.

The implementation of the New Framework for Major Emergency Management is progressing in accordance with DOEHLG guidelines. The Major Emergency Development Committee (MEDC) for Cork City Council was set up this year and has the responsibility of implementing the new Framework for Major Emergency Management within Cork City Council.

The City Civil defence participated in national exercises and responded to calls for assistance to emergencies and civic events. These included the provision of first aid, safety boats and ambulance for Civic events and participated in a number of successful lowland searches.

Work continued in 2007 on the provision of additional recreational and amenity facilities and the enhancement and improvement of existing facilities. Improvement works were well advanced at Glen River Park in 2007. Tramore River Walk/Cycleway improvement works were completed in December 2007 and improvement works on the Mardyke Walk/Cycleway commenced in 2007. Many of the new facilities and improvements to existing facilities have been concentrated in disadvantaged areas to address social inclusion and increase access to facilities and amenities. An initial study on the Lough commenced in October 2007 addressing issues such as water quality, wildfowl, fishing, flora and fauna etc.

## Environment

In 2007, the City Council adopted a new Litter Management Plan for the city placing increased emphasis on improved service provision, local community activity and enforcement action. The year also saw the introduction of a new free bulky goods collection in Knocknaheeny, Mayfield, Togher and Mahon. A new community grants scheme to support residents associations and community groups undertaking litter prevention projects at local level was introduced.

Plans were advanced during the year for a new Civic Amenity Site to serve households in the north of the city. A significant number of customers continued to avail of the Council's waste collection and recycling services. The Cork Main Drainage Scheme ensured that waste water from the city was collected and treated in accordance with the requirements of the Urban Waste Directive. The implementation of the Government's Water Pricing Policy was completed in 2007. The Water Services Investment Programme for the period up to 2009 was published during the year. The Council's water service maintenance and monitoring programmes continued to ensure the supply of good quality water under adequate pressure. The Lifetime Lab Education and Information Centre attracted a large number of visitors in 2007. Over 10,000 school children now visit the centre annually. The Energy Agency also responded to an increased number of queries in relation to Energy Conservation and further expanded its advisory capacity through its new energy audit service.

# Áineas, Conláiste agus Cultúr

Tugadh cead pleanála le haghaidh forbairt Príomhleabharlann nua i mí Deireadh Fómhair 2007. Dearfar an foirgneamh ar an gcaighdeán is airde agus cuirfidh sí go mór le sráid-dreach poiblí na cathrach.

Tá idirbheartaíocht fós ar siúl maidir le leabharlann do cheantar na Carraige Duibhe/Machan agus tá iarratas curtha faoi bhráid an DoEHLG i gcomhair maoinithe. D'fhorbair an tseirbhís leabharlainne an comhoibriú le leabharlanna agus gníomhaireachtaí eile sa cheantar agus tá obair ar bun chun tionscadal bibleagrafaíochta Chorcaí ar líne a bhunú i gcomhar le Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí, Comhairle Contae Chorcaí, COC agus ITC.

Lean an Oifig Ealaíon ag obair le healaiontóirí agus eagraíochtaí ealaíona, agus sheol siad sraith imeachtaí lena n-áirítear Féile Naomh Pádraig 2007 agus an Comóradh Céad Bliain Shéamuis Uí Mhurchú 2007.

Críochnaíodh an Saoráid Óige Link Point i gCnoc na hAoine i mí Iúil 2007. Thángthas ar mhaoiniú breise le go mbeadh atógáil ionad pobail Naomh Iosaf, Baile na mBocht, indéanta.

Ó thaobh Cosc Dóiteáin agus Sábháilteachta de, cuireadh an clár bliantúil cigireachta a dhéantar ar áitribh ceadúnaithe i gcrích agus rinneadh iniúchadh ar na hallaí damhsa, clubanna cláraithe agus ionaid cearrbhachais ar fad sa chathair. Cuireadh tús leis an gClár Náisiúnta Shábháilteachta ó Dhóiteáin do Bhunscoileanna i mbliana. Ghlac 39 scoil páirt sa chlár agus fuair 1380 dalta oiliúint i leith sábháilteacht ó dhóiteáin sa bhaile. Thosaigh 12 earcach nua an Briogáid Dóiteáin Chathrach Chorcaí mar chomhraiceoirí dóiteáin i mí Márta 2007 mar chuid de chóras oiliúna sínte nua d'earcaigh áitiúla a dhéantar go modúlach

thar tréimhse bliana. Fuair Oifigigh dóiteáin oiliúint maidir leis an gCóras Ceannasaíocht Náisiúnta Teagmhas ag leibhéal náisiúnta d'fhonn é a chur i bhfeidhm mar chuid den Chlár Athruithe do na Seirbhísí Dóiteáin.

Tá forfheidhmiú Creat Nua i gcomhair Bainistíocht Mhóréagandálaí ag dul ar aghaidh go maith de réir treoirlínte DoEHLG. Bunaíodh an Coiste Forbartha i gcomhair Mhóréagandálaí (MEDC) do Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí i mbliana agus tá freagracht aige as an gCreat Nua i gcomhair Bainistíocht Mhóréagandálaí a fhorfheidhmiú i gComhairle Cathrach Chorcaí.

Ghlac Cosaint Sibhialta na Cathrach páirt i ngníomhartha náisiúnta agus d'fhreagair siad glaonna cabhracha le linn éigeandálaí agus imeachtaí sibhialta. Bhí soláthair garchabhrach, báid sábháilteachta agus otharchairr le haghaidh imeachtaí sibhialta i measc a n-imeachtaí agus ghlac siad páirt freisin i roinnt cuardach ísealchríche rathúla.

Lean oibreacha ar aghaidh i 2007 ó thaobh saoráidí caitheamh aimsire agus conláistí a sholáthar, agus na saoráidí atá ann cheana féin a leasú agus a fheabhsú. Bhí oibreacha feabhsúcháin forbartha go mór ag Páirc Abhann an Ghleanna i 2007. Cuireadh críoch le hoibreacha feabhsúcháin Siúlbealach/Rotharbhealach Abhann na Trá Móire i mí na Nollag 2007 agus thosaigh oibreacha ar Siúlbealach/Rotharbhealach na Mairdige i 2007. Diríodh cuid mhaith de na saoráidí nua, agus na feabhsúcháin ar shaoráidí a bhí ann cheana féin, ar cheantair faoi mhíbhuntáiste chun dul i ngleic le cuimsiú sóisialta agus rochtain ar shaoráidí agus ar chonláistí a mhéadú. Tosaíodh réamhstaidéar ar an Loch i mí Deireadh Fómhair 2007 lena gcuimsítear ceisteanna ar nós caighdeán an uisce, éanlaithe fiáine, iascaireachta, flóra, fána etc.

## Comhshaol

I 2007, ghlac an Chomhairle Cathrach le Plean nua Bainistíocht Bhruscair don chathair. Cuireann an Plean níos mó béime ar sholáthar seirbhíse feabhasaithe, gníomhaíochtaí áitiúil pobail agus gníomhú forfheidhmithe. Tháinig áis bailiúcháin isteach i mbliana i gcomhair dramhaíl théagartha ag Cnoc na hAoine, Baile na mBocht, an Tóchar agus Machan agus tá an tseirbhís saor in aisce. Tugadh isteach scéim deontais pobail chun tacú le cumann cónaitheoirí agus grúpaí pobail atá ag dul i mbun tionscadail chosc bruscair ag leibhéal áitiúil.

Cuireadh pleananna ar aghaidh i rith na bliana le haghaidh suíomh nua áiseanna cathartha chun freastal ar theaghlaigh i dtuaisceart na cathrach. Lean líon suntasach daoine ar aghaidh ag úsáid bailiú dramhaíola agus seirbhísí athchúrsála na Comhairle. Chinntigh Príomhscéim Draenála Chorcaí gur bailíodh uisce dramhaíola na cathrach agus gur cóireáladh é de réir na Treorach um Dramhaíl Uirbeach. Críochnaíodh forfheidhmiú Bheartas Praghsála Uisce an Rialtais i 2007. Foilsíodh an Clár Infheistithe maidir le Seirbhísí Uisce don tréimhse go 2009 i rith na bliana. Chinntigh clár cothabhála agus monatóireachta na Comhairle maidir leis an tseirbhís uisce go raibh soláthar uisce d'ardchaighdeán ann, chomh maith le brú uisce sásúil. Mheall an tIonad Oideachais agus Eolais Lifetime Lab go leor cuairteoirí i 2007. Tugann breis is 10,000 dalta scoile cuairt ar an ionad anois go bliantúil. Freisin, d'fhreagair an Ghníomhaireacht Fuinnimh níos mó ceisteanna maidir le caomhnú fuinnimh agus chuir siad lena cáil chomhairleach a thuilleadh le seirbhís iniúchta fuinnimh nua.

## Planning & Development

The process of reviewing the City Development Plan 2004-2009 and preparing the new Development Plan 2009-2015 commenced in October, 2007. The Coburg Street and St Patrick's Hill Area Action Plan and the Bishopstown and Wilton Area Action Plan were adopted in 2007. Several variations to the City Development Plan were made during the year.

Increased activity in Planning Enforcement has resulted in compliance being achieved by negotiation in many cases or in successful prosecutions for failure to comply with planning legislation.

The Heritage Plan 2007-2012 was launched in November, 2007 and conservation grants in the amount of €189,000 were paid out in respect of 22 projects.

Decisions in respect of approximately 950 planning applications were made in 2007 and the department has been proactive in meeting prospective applicants for pre-planning consultations. The sustained level of development activity has been evidenced by the volume of Development Contributions collected (approximately €21.3m in 2007).

## Conclusion

November 2007 saw the establishment of the Cork Docklands Development Forum charged with securing and coordinating support from Departments of State and State Agencies towards the development of Cork's docklands. Cork City Council continues to drive and oversee the docklands redevelopment.

The extension at City Hall was officially opened by the then Lord Mayor of Cork Cllr. Michael Ahern on Friday, 8th June, 2007. The extension has resulted in more than doubling the available office space for City Council Directorates and Departments. This has facilitated the location of all our key services in one location for the first time in over 3 decades.

It has also allowed us to build on the One Stop Shop for callers to City Hall. In 2007 staff at the Reception Desk dealt with in excess of 76,000 callers. Public counters for Housing, Finance, Planning and Parking are also located on the ground floor. 11 purpose built interview rooms are also available on the ground floor to enable staff deal with customers in a private and confidential manner.

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## Pleanáil & Forbairt

Thosaigh an próiseas maidir leis an bPlean Forbartha Cathrach 2004-2009 a athbhreithniú, chomh maith leis an bPlean nua Forbartha 2009-2015 a ullmhú, i mí Deireadh Fómhair 2007. Glacadh leis an bPlean Gníomhaíochta Shráid Coburg agus Cheantar Chnoc Naomh Pádraig, agus leis an bPlean Gníomhaíochta Cheantar Bhaile an Easpaig agus Wilton, i 2007. Rinneadh athruithe éagsúla do Phlean Forbartha na Cathrach i rith na bliana.

Mar thoradh ar níos mó gníomhaíochta i réimse Forfheidhmithe Pleanála, tá comhlíonadh bainte amach trí idirbheartaíocht i gcuid mhaith cásanna, nó ionchúisimh de bharr neamhchomhlíonadh na reachtaíochta pleanála.

Seoladh an Plean Oidhreacht 2007-2012 i mí na Samhna 2007 agus íocadh deontais chaomhnaithe ar fiú €189,000 le haghaidh 22 tionscadal.

Rinneadh cinntí maidir le tuairim is 950 iarratas pleanála i 2007 agus bhí an rannán réamhgníomhach ó thaobh bualadh le hiarratasóirí le haghaidh comhairliúcháin réamhphleanála. Is léir go bhfuil gníomhaíocht forbartha ag dul ar aghaidh go leanúnach ón méid Ranníocaíochtaí Forbartha a bailíodh (thart ar €21.3m i 2007).

## Conclúid

Bunaíodh an Fóram Forbartha Cheantar Duganna Chorcaí i mí na Samhna 2007 ar dualgas dóibh tacaíocht na Rannóg Stáit agus Gníomhaireachtaí Stáit a fháil agus a chomhordú d'fhonn cheantar Duganna Chorcaí a fhorbairt. Leanann Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí ar aghaidh maidir le hathfhorbairt cheantar Duganna Chorcaí a spreagadh agus a mhaoirsiú.

D'oscail an tIar-Ardmhéara, an Comhairleoir Michael Ahern, an méadú ar Halla na Cathrach go hoifigiúil ar an Aoine, 8 Meitheamh 2007. Cuireann an méadú níos mó ná a dhá oiread spás d'oifigí ar fáil is a bhí ann do Stiúrthóireachtaí agus do Ranna na Comhairle Cathrach. Ciallaíonn sin go bhfuil ár bpríomhsheirbhísí uile suite in aon láthair amháin don chéad uair le breis is tríocha bliain.

Freisin, is geall le hionad ilfhreastail é Halla na Cathrach anois do chuairteoirí. Sa bhliain 2007, dhéileáil foireann an deasc fáiltithe le breis is 76,000 cuairteoir. Tá deasc poiblí Tithíochta, Airgeadais, Pleanála agus Pairceála suite ar an mbunurlár chomh maith. Tá 11 seomra agallaimh a tógadh le sainchuspóir ar fáil ar an mbunurlár freisin, ionas go mbeidh baill foirne in ann déileáil le custaiméirí ar bhealach príobháideach agus iontaofa.

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