



Annual Report Tuarascáil Bhliantúil

2008



CORK CITY COUNCIL
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 lead 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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LORD MAYOR'S FOREWORD

It has been a privilege to serve as Lord Mayor of Cork in 2008/2009. This Annual Report marks the progress made in the city during 2008 and particularly the actions of the City Council in furthering the development of our city which will ensure Cork city continues to progress and realise its full potential as a Gateway and largest urban centre in the South West Region.

It was a busy and exciting year for Cork City Council and one which saw the advancement of a number of important projects for the city. Also of particular satisfaction to me was the manner in which the people of Cork have taken the heritage and history of the city closer to their hearts. This year was marked with significant anniversaries, that of the 200th Anniversary of St Mary's and St Anne's being one of the most significant among them. It was marked also by celebrations of remembrance and reconciliation across political divides.

I would like to state my belief in the ability of Cork City Council to meet the challenges of the future and I look forward to working with my colleagues on Cork City Council along with the officials of Cork City Council to shape these.

Finally, I would like to express my appreciation to my fellow councillors for their hard work and enthusiasm and to the City Manager and employees for their dedication and effort without which many achievements in the city could not have occurred during the year.

Cllr Brian Bermingham
Lord Mayor of Cork

RÉAMHRÁ AN ARDMHÉARA



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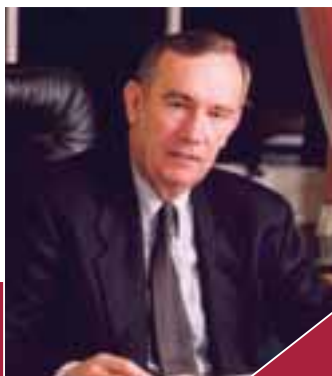
Is pribhléid a bhí ann dom bheith mar Ardmhéara ar Chorcaigh i 2008/2009. Léiríonn an Tuarascáil Bhliantúil seo an dul chun cinn a rinneadh sa chathair i 2008 agus go háirithe gníomhartha na Comhairle Cathrach agus forbairt ár gcathair á chur chun tosaigh acu a chinnteoidh go leanfaidh Corcaigh ar aghaidh ag fás agus go bhfóroídh sé a chumas mar chathair thairsí agus an t-ionad uirbeach is mó sa Réigiún Thiar Theas.

Ba bhliain ghnóthach, bhríomhar a bhí ann do Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí agus ba bhliain í ina ndeachaigh roinnt tionscadal tábhachtacha chun cinn sa chathair. Agus rud a thug sásamh pearsanta domsa ná an chaoi ar ghlac muintir Chorcaí le hoidhreacht agus le stair na cathrach níos gaire dá gcroíthe. Bhí roinnt ceiliúrtha speisialta i mbliana, comóradh 200 bliain Séipéil Naomh Muire agus Naomh Áine ar cheann de na hócáidí is suntasaí díobh sin. Rinneadh ceiliúradh chuimhnimh agus athmhuintearais freisin thar dheighiltí polaitiúla.

Ba mhaith liom mo mhuinín as Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí a chur in iúl le dul i ngleic le dúshlán na todhchaí agus táim ag súil le bheith ag obair le mo chomhghleacaithe ar Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí mar aon le hoifigigh Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí agus na dúshlán seo á sárú againn.

Ar deireadh, ba mhaith liom buíochas a ghabháil leis na comhairleoirí uile as an obair chrua a dhéanann siad agus as a ndíograis agus le Bainisteoir agus fostaithe na Cathrach dá dtiomantas agus dá n-iarracht mar ní bhainfeadh an chathair amach an oiread céanna i rith na bliana dá n-uireasa.

An Comh. Brian Mac Fheorais
Ardmhéara Chorcaí



CITY MANAGER'S FOREWORD

There is no doubt that the local, national and international economic situation means that 2009 will be a challenging year for Cork, but as a city, and particularly as a public body, Cork City Council must not lose sight of the achievements to date and the prospects for the future.

2008 marked the completion of streetscape works that began on St. Patrick's Street and ended on the Grand Parade. The work the Council has done on St. Patrick's Street, St. Oliver Plunkett Street and on Grand Parade is changing the face of the city.

It has made it very attractive and pedestrian friendly and the success in 2008 - our initiative for the winter garden in Bishop Lucey Park and along the Grand Parade - has been an outstanding success. It just demonstrates the outstanding value that we can gather from these new public plazas and public realms with imagination and cooperation.

Plans to transform the city's streets will continue next year and work is due to begin on the renewal of Cornmarket Street. We need to keep the momentum going and complement what the private sector is doing.

By the end of 2009 retail provision for the city will have increased by 150%. Once

completed, people will have access to a range and choice of goods to match those anywhere in the country. The provision of quality retail space is also adding to Cork's potential as a tourist destination, as retail is now part and parcel of the weekend for tourists who come to Cork for a city break.

We are in an era that we haven't seen for 15 or more years and we will have to adjust. We have done it before, when we had difficulties in the Eighties. We worked together then and if we plan for the future and get the co-operation that's needed from all parties in this regard, we will once again prevail.

The true test of our resilience will be not to lose sight of our overall vision for the city by making short terms decisions based on the current economic climate.

Joe Gavin
City Manager

RÉAMHRÁ BHAINISTEOR NA CATHRACH



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Níl aon dabht ach gur bliain dhúshlánach a bheidh i 2009 do Chorcaigh de bharr an staid eacnamaíochta áitiúil, náisiúnta agus idirnáisiúnta, ach mar chathair, agus go háirithe mar chomhlacht stáit, níor chóir do Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí dearmad a dhéanamh ar a bhfuil bainte amach go dtí seo ná ar a bhfuil le teacht sa todhchaí. Críochnaíodh na hoibreacha sráid-dreacha a thosaigh ar Shráid Phádraig Naofa agus a chríochnaigh ar Shráid an Chapaill Bhuí i 2008. Tá an obair atá déanta ag an gComhairle ar Shráid Phádraig Naofa, ar Shráid Oilibhéir Pluincéid Naofa agus ar Shráid an Chapaill Bhuí ag athrú aghaidh na cathrach.

Tá sé anois an-tarraingteach agus inrochtana do choisithe agus d'éirigh thar cionn leis an togra i 2008 – an tionscnamh don ghairdín geimhridh i bPáirc an Easpaig Lucey agus le taobh Sráid an Chapaill Bhuí. Léiríonn sé an luach ar féidir linn a fháil ó na háiteanna agus na réimsí poiblí nua ach samhlaíocht a úsáid agus comhoibriú lena chéile.

Leanfar le pleananna chun sráideanna na cathrach a athrú an bhliain seo chugainn agus tá obair le tosú ar athnuachan Sráid an Mhargadh Arbhair. Caithfimid leanúint ar aghaidh leis an obair agus cur leis an méid atá á dhéanamh ag an earnáil phríobháideach. Faoi dheireadh 2009 beidh soláthar miondíola na cathrach ardaithe 150%. Nuair a chríochnófar é, beidh rochtain ag daoine ar réimse agus rogha leathan earraí chomh maith le háit ar bith sa tír. Tá soláthar an

spáis mhiondíola d'ardchaighdeán ag cur le cumas Chorcaí mar láthair turasóireachta, mar tá miondíol anois tábhachtach do thurasóirí deireadh seachtaine a thagann go Corcaigh do shaoire cathrach.

Táimid i ré anois nach bhfacamar le 15 bliana no níos mó agus caithfimid dul in oiriúint dó. Rinneamar cheana é, nuair a bhí deacrachtaí againn sna hOchtóidí. D'oibríomar le chéile an uair sin agus má dhéanaimid pleananna don todhchaí agus má fhaighimid an comhoibriú a theastaíonn ó gach duine atá páirteach, tiocfaimid as arís.

Is é an dúshlán is mó a bheidh romhainn gan dearmad a dhéanamh ar an bhfís atá againn don chathair trí chinntí gearrthéarma a dhéanamh bunaithe ar an saol eacnamaíoch mar atá anois.

Seosamh Ó Gabháin
Bainisteoir na Cathrach

ELECTED 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, Independent

NORTH CENTRAL ELECTORAL AREA

Cllr. Mick Barry, Socialist
Cllr. Catherine Clancy, Labour
Cllr. Damian Wallace, Fianna Fáil
Cllr. Patricia Gosch, Fine Gael
*Cllr. Gary O'Flynn, Fianna Fáil

NORTH WEST ELECTORAL AREA

Cllr. Jonathan O'Brien, Sinn Féin
Cllr. Dave McCarthy, Independent
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Cllr. Tony Fitzgerald, Fianna Fáil
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SOUTH EAST ELECTORAL AREA

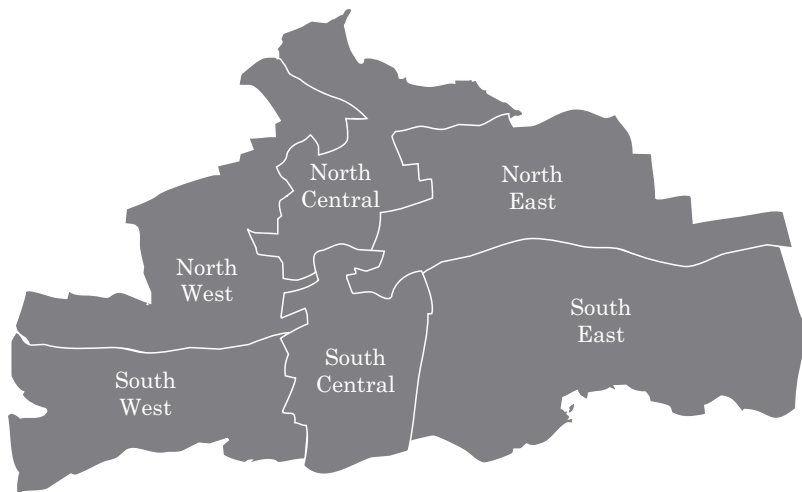
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Cllr. Denis O' Flynn, Labour
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Cllr. Laura McGonigle, Fine Gael

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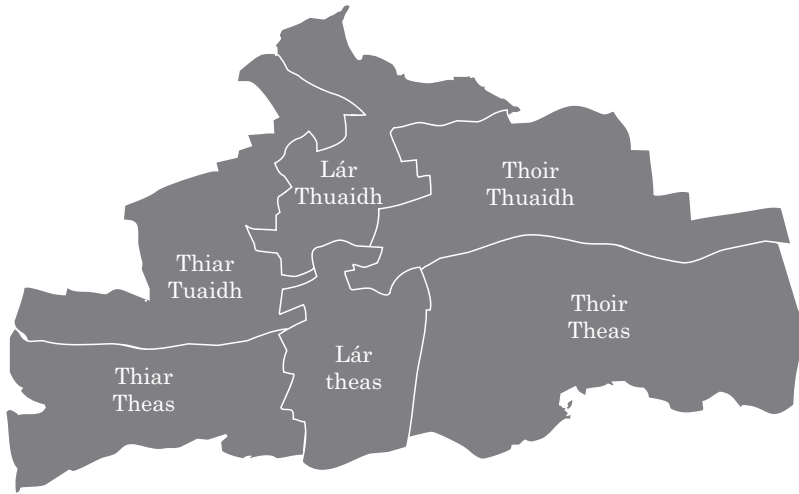
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Cllr. Tom O'Driscoll, Fianna Fáil
Cllr. Denis Cregan, Fine Gael
Cllr. Lorraine Kingston, Labour
Cllr. Fiona Kerins, Sinn Féin

SOUTH WEST ELECTORAL AREA

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



*Cllr. Kenneth O'Flynn, Fianna Fáil, was appointed on 08/12/08 replacing Cllr. Gary O'Flynn, Fianna Fáil



BAILL TOFA CHOMHAIRLE CATHRACH CHORCAÍ

TOGHCHEANTAR THOIR THUaidh

An Comh. Mairín Quill, An Páirtí Daonlathach
An Comh. Tim Brosnan, Fianna Fáil
An Comh. John Kelleher, An Lucht Oibre
An Comh. Dara Murphy, Fine Gael
An Comh. Annette Spillane, Neamhspleách

TOGHCHEANTAR LÁR THUaidh

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An Comh. Catherine Clancy, An Lucht Oibre
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An Comh. Tony Fitzgerald, Fianna Fáil
An Comh. Joe O'Callaghan, Fine Gael

TOGHCHEANTAR THOIR THEAS

An Comh. Donal Counihan, Fianna Fáil
An Comh. Chris O'Leary, (Gan Pháirtí)
An Comh. Denis O' Flynn, An Lucht Oibre
An Comh. Terry Shannon, Fianna Fáil
An Comh. Jim Corr, Fine Gael
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THUADH



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Cllr. Michael O'Connell, Labour



Cllr. Tony Fitzgerald, Fianna Fáil



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Cllr. Terry Shannon, Fianna Fáil



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Cllr. Denis Cregan, Fine Gael

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Cllr. Fergal Dennehy, Fianna Fáil



Cllr. Mary Shields, Fianna Fáil



Cllr. Brian Bermingham, Fine Gael



Cllr. Michael Ahern, Labour

SENIOR MANAGEMENT TEAM OF CORK CITY COUNCIL



Joe Gavin
 Dan Buggy
 Kevin Terry
 Pat Ledwidge
 Valerie O'Sullivan
 Denis O'Mahony
 Stephen Kearney
 Jim O'Donovan
 Gerry O'Beirne
 Tim Healy
 Gerard P. O'Halloran
 Ruth Buckley
 Deborah G. Hegarty
 Jack Healy

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

Front row L to R:
 (line tosaigh C go D)

Denis O'Mahony, Dan Buggy, Joe Gavin, Jim O'Donovan

Back row L to R:
 (line ar cúl C go D)

Tim Healy, Gerard P. O'Halloran, Deborah G. Hegarty, Valerie O'Sullivan,
 Ruth Buckley, Jack Healy, Stephen Kearney.

Inset:
 (intlis)

Kevin Terry, Pat Ledwidge, Gerry O'Beirne

FOIREANN SINSEARACH BHAINISTÍOCHTA CHOMHAIRLE CATHRACH CHORCAÍ

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Dan Buggy
Kevin Terry

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Valerie O'Sullivan
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Ruth Buckley
Deborah G. Hegarty
Jack Healy

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Stiúrthóir Seirbhísí, Comhshaol
Ceannaire Airgeadais
Oifigeach Pearsanra
Ceannaire na gCóras Faisnéise
Gníomhaire Dlí
Ailtire na Cathrach (Gníomhach)



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Cllr. Gary O'Flynn (resigned 10/11/08)

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RECREATION, AMENITY AND CULTURE FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE

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Cllr. Tony Fitzgerald
Cllr. Jim Corr
Cllr. Dara Murphy
Cllr. Annette Spillane
Cllr. Chris O'Leary
Cllr. Damien Wallace
Cllr. Dave McCarthy
Cllr. Michael O'Connell

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 An Comh. Fiona Kerins
 An Comh. Kenneth O' Flynn
 An Comh. Gary O'Flynn (éirthe as 10/11/08)

COISTE FEIDHMIÚIL BÓITHRE AGUS IOMPAIR

An Comh. Dara Murphy
 An Comh. Jim Corr
 An Comh. John Kelleher
 An Comh. Denis O'Flynn
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 An Comh. Michael Ahern
 An Comh. Laura McGonigle
 An Comh. Donal Counihan
 An Comh. Brian Bermingham
 (éirthe as 23/06/08)

COISTE INIÚCHÓIREACHTA

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 An Comh. Laura McGonigle
 An Comh. Michael Ahern

COISTE FEIDHMIÚIL COMHSHAOIL

An Comh. Sean Martin
 An Comh. John Buttimer
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COISTE FEIDHMIÚIL PLEANÁLA & FORBARTHA

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 An Comh. Fiona Kerins
 An Comh. Kenneth O'Flynn
 An Comh. Donal Counihan
 An Comh. Gary O'Flynn
 (éirthe as 10/11/08)

COISTE FEIDHMIÚIL ÁINEASA, CONLÁISTE AGUS CULTÚIR

An Comh. Terry Shannon
 An Comh. Mary Shields
 An Comh. Tony Fitzgerald
 An Comh. Jim Corr
 An Comh. Dara Murphy
 An Comh. Annette Spillane
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Cllr. Fergal Dennehy
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ROADS AND TRANSPORTATION STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE

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CONFERENCES ATTENDED 2008

Title	Location	Date	No. of Councillors
Antrim Tourism Conference	Dunadry Hotel & Country Club, Muckamore	1 – 2 February	3
Local Government Planning Service	Clonea, Dungarvan, Co. Waterford	1 – 3 February	8
Merriman Winter School	Hotel Westport, Co. Mayo	1 – 3 February	1
Mid-West Regional Authority “Planning For Renewable Energy”	Woodlands House Hotel, Adare, Co. Limerick	7 – 8 February	10
AMAI Spring Seminar	Trim Castle Hotel, Co. Meath	5 – 16 February	4
Ireland’s Newest Immigrants – Ensuring Their Participation in the 2009 European & Local Elections	The Silver Tassie Hotel, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal	21 – 23 February	3
Drive for Growth	Malton Hotel, Killarney, Co. Kerry	27 February	1
19th Colmcille Winter School	The Colmcille Heritage Centre, Gartan, Letterkenny	29 February – 2 March	4
Association of County & City Councils Annual Conference	Roganstown Country Club, Swords, Dublin	6 – 8 March	2
Annual Energy Seminar	Raheen House Hotel, Clonmel	7 – 9 March	7
LAMA Annual Spring Seminar	Knightsbrook Hotel, Trim, Co. Meath	27 – 28 March	4
Kerry Environmental Recognition Conference	Golf Hotel, Ballybunion, Co. Kerry	2 – 6 April	9
Effective Communication for Councillors	Silver Tassie Hotel, Milford Road, Letterkenny	4 – 6 April	1
Theories & Concepts of Social Policy	Respond Campus, High Park, Drumcondra, Dublin	9 – 10 April	1
Racial Harassment in Housing	Respond Campus, High Park, Drumcondra, Dublin	17 April	1
Planning Seminar for Councillors	Patrick Punch Hotel, Limerick	25 – 26 April	3
The Implementation of Phase 2 of RAPID	Tullamore Court Hotel, Co. Offaly	30 April	4
The Role of Local Government in Community & Rural Development	Listowel Arms Hotel, Co. Kerry	8 – 9 May	6
The 9th Annual Regional Assembly Conference	Marriott Druids Glen Hotel, Co. Wicklow	16 May	1
Local Government & the Environment	The Burren Coast Hotel, Ballyvaughan, Co. Clare	16 – 18 May	2

COMHDHÁLACHA A nDEARNADH FREASTAL ORTHU I 2008

Teideal	Suíomh	Dáta	Líon na gComhairleoirí
Comhdháil Turasóireachta Aontroma	Dunadry Hotel & Country Club, Maigh Chomair	1– 2 Feabhra	3
Seirbhís Pleanála an Rialtais Áitiúil	Cluain Fhia, Dún Garbhán, Co. Phort Láirge	1– 3 Feabhra	8
Scoil Gheimhridh Mherriman	Óstán Chathair na Mart, Co. Mhaigh Eo	1– 3 Feabhra	1
Údarás Réigiúnach an Iarthair Láir “Pleanáil d’Fhuinneamh In-athnuaite”	Óstán Woodlands House, Áth Dara, Co. Luimní	7– 8 Feabhra	10
Seimineár Earraigh AMAI	Óstán Chaisleán Bhaile Átha Troim, Co. na Mí	15– 16 Feabhra	4
Ireland’s Newest Immigrants – Ensuring Their Participation in the 2009 European & Local Elections	Óstán an Silver Tassie, Leitir Ceanainn, Co. Dhún na nGall	21– 23 Feabhra	3
Drive for Growth	Óstán Malton, Cill Airne, Co. Chiarraí	27 Feabhra	1
An 19ú Scoil Gheimhridh Cholm Cille	Ionad Oidhreacht Cholm Cille, Gártán, Leitir Ceanainn	29 Feabhra – 2 Márta	4
Comhdháil Bhliantúil Chumann Comhairlí Contae & Cathrach	Roganstown Country Club, Sord, Baile Átha Cliath	6 – 8 Márta	2
Seimineár Fuinnimh Bliantúil	Raheen House Hotel, Cluain Meala	7 – 9 Márta	7
Seimineár Earraigh Bliantúil LAMA	Knightsbrook Hotel, Baile Átha Troim, Co. na Mí	27 – 28 Márta	4
Comhdháil um Aitheantas Timpeallachta Chiarraí	Golf Hotel, Baile an Bhuinneánaigh, Co. Chiarraí	2 – 6 Aibreán	9
Cumarsáid Éifeachtach do Chomhairleoirí	Óstán Silver Tassie, Bóthar Bhaile na nGallóglach, Leitir Ceanainn	4 – 6 Aibreán	1
Teoiricí & Coincheapa an Bheartais Sóisialta	Respond Campus, An Pháirc Ard, Droim Conrach, Baile Átha Cliath	9 – 10 Aibreán	1
Ciapadh Ciníoch i dTithíocht	Respond Campus, An Pháirc Ard, Droim Conrach, Baile Átha Cliath	17 Aibreán	1
Seimineár Pleanála do Chomhairleoirí	Óstán Patrick Punch, Luimneach	25 – 26 Aibreán	3
Forfeidhmíú Chéim 2 de RAPID	Óstán Tullamore Court, Co. Uíbh Fhailí	30 Aibreán	4
Ról an Rialtais Áitiúil i bhForbairt Pobail & Tuaithe	Óstán Listowel Arms, Co. Chiarraí	8 – 9 Bealtaine	6
An 9ú Comhdháil Bhliantúil den Tionól Réigiúnach	Óstán Marriott Druids Glen, Co. Chill Mhantáin	16 Bealtaine	1
An Rialtas Áitiúil & an Timpeallacht	Óstán Burren Coast, Baile Uí Bheacháin, Co. an Chláir	16 – 18 Bealtaine	2

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Literacy & the Local Authority: <i>How to develop literacy-friendly policies & practices across the organisation</i>	Galway Bay Hotel, Galway	21 May	1
Trevor/Bowen Summer School	Mitchelstown, Co. Cork	23 – 25 May	3
The Local Government Housing Service	Bellingham Castle Hotel, Castlebellingham, Co. Louth	6 – 8 June	1
Success on your Doorstep – Managing your Local Environment for Tourism Growth	Ramada Hotel & Suites at Killerig Golf Resort, Killerig, Co. Carlow	18 – 20 June	1
Byrne/Perry Summer School	Gorey, Co. Wexford	27 – 29 June	12
The Local Government Planning Service	The West Cork Hotel, Skibbereen, West Cork	4 – 6 July	5
28th Annual MacGill Summer School & Arts Week	Glenties, Co Donegal	12 – 19 July	7
The John Hewitt International Summer School	The Market Place Theatre & Arts Centre, Armagh	28 July – 1 August	1
Parnell Summer School	Avondale House, Rathdrum, Co. Wicklow	10 – 15 August	3
Merriman Summer School	Ennis, Co. Clare	17 – 23 August	3
Humbert Summer School	Ballina, Killala, Lacken, Kilcummin, Co. Mayo	21 – 24 August	2
Local Government & the Arts	Dooley’s Hotel, Birr, Co. Offaly	22 – 24 August	1
95th AMAI Annual Conference	Sligo Park Hotel, Sligo	10 - 13 September	12
Water Services National Training Group 12th Annual Conference “On Tap – Training, Affordability, Planning”	Whites Hotel, Wexford	11 September	1
Society for Folk Life Studies Annual Conference	The Lake Hotel, Killarney, Co. Kerry	18 – 21 September	4
Councillors Training Seminar “Energy Efficiency”	Mannin Bay Hotel, Clifden, Co. Galway	19 – 21 September	1
Local Government & Sustainable Economic Development	The Lord Bagenal Hotel, Leighlinbridge, Co. Carlow	23 – 25 September	2
Citizen First International Conference	Ennis, Co. Clare	25 – 26 September	1
Getting a Grip “Addiction Proofing our Communities”	The Malton, Killarney, Co. Kerry	2 – 3 October	1
2008 La Touche Legacy Seminar	Charlesland Golf & Country Club Hotel, Co. Wicklow	3 – 5 October	1
Freedom of Information Seminar	Patrick Punch Hotel, Limerick	10 – 11 October	2
Local Authority Financing “A Crisis is Brewing – The Challenges for Councillors”	Killarney Plaza Hotel, Kenmare Place, Co. Kerry	16 – 18 October	6

Tuarascáil Bhliantúil 2008		Balraíocht na mBord/na gCoistí		
Teideal	Suíomh	Dáta	Líon na gComhairleoirí	
Litearthacht & an tÚdarás Áitiúil: <i>Conas beartais & cleachtais a thacaíonn le litearthacht ar fud na heagraíochta a fhorbairt</i>	Óstán Chuan na Gaillimhe, Gaillimh	21 Bealtaine	1	
Scoil Samhraidh Trevor/Bowen	Baile Mhistéala, Co. Chorcaí	23 – 25 Bealtaine	3	
Seirbhís Tithíochta an Rialtais Áitiúil	Óstán Bellingham Castle, Baile an Ghearlánaigh, Co. Lú	6 – 8 Meitheamh	1	
Success on your Doorstep – Do Thimpeallacht Áitiúil a Bhainistiú le haghaidh Fáis Turasóireachta	Óstán & Seomraí Ramada ag Ionad Gailf Chill Dheirge, Cill Dheirge, Co. Cheatharlach	18 – 20 Meitheamh	1	
Scoil Samhraidh Byrne/Perry	Guairne, Co. Loch Garman	27 – 29 Meitheamh	12	
Seirbhís Pleanála an Rialtais Áitiúil	Óstán Iarthar Chorcaí, An Sciobairín, Iarthar Chorcaí.	4 – 6 Iúil	5	
An 28ú Scoil Samhraidh MacGill & Seachtain Ealaíon Bliantúil	Na Gleanntaí, Co. Dhún na nGall		7	
Scoil Samhraidh Idirnáisiúnta John Hewitt	The Market Place Theatre, Ard Mhacha	28 Iúil – 1 Lúnasa	1	
Scoil Samhraidh Parnell	Teach Avondale, Ráth Droma, Co. Chill Mhantáin	10 – 15 Lúnasa	3	
Scoil Samhraidh Mherriman	Inis, Co. an Chláir	17 – 23 Lúnasa	3	
Scoil Samhraidh Humbert	Béal an Átha, Cill Ala, An Leacain, Cill	21 – 24 Lúnasa	2	
An Rialtas Áitiúil & na hEalaíona	Chuimín, Co. Mhaigh Eo	22 – 24 Lúnasa	1	
An 95ú Comhdháil Bhliantúil AMAI	Óstán Dooley, Biorra , Co. Uíbh Fhailí.	10 – 13 Meán Fómhair	12	
An 12ú Comhdháil Bhliantúil de Ghrúpa Oiliúna na Seirbhísí Náisiúnta Uisce “On Tap – Training, Affordability, Planning”	Óstán Sligo Park, Sligeach Óstán Whites, Loch Garman	11 Meán Fómhair	1	
Comhdháil Bhliantúil Society for Folk Life Studies	Óstán an Locha, Cill Airne, Co. Chiarraí	18 – 21 Meán Fómhair	4	
Seimineár Oiliúna na gComhairleoirí “Éifeachtacht Fuinnimh”	Óstán Mannin Bay, An Clochán, Co. na Gaillimhe	19 – 21 Meán Fómhair	1	
An Rialtas Áitiúil & Forbairt Eacnamaíoch Inbhuanaithe	Óstán Lord Bagenal, Leithghlinn an Droichid, Co. Cheatharlach	23 – 25 Meán Fómhair	2	
Comhdháil Idirnáisiúnta Citizen First	Inis, Co. an Chláir	25 – 26 Meán Fómhair	1	
Getting a Grip “Addiction Proofing our Communities”	Óstán Malton, Cill Airne, Co. Chiarraí	2 – 3 Deireadh Fómhair	1	
Seimineár La Touche Legacy 2008	Charlesland Golf & Country Club Hotel, Co. Chill Mhantáin	3 – 5 Deireadh Fómhair	1	
Seimineár um Shaoráil Faisnéise	Óstán Patrick Punch, Luimneach	10 – 11 Deireadh Fómhair	2	
Maoiniú an Rialtais Áitiúil “Tá Tubaiste ag Teacht – Dúshlán do na Comhairleoirí”	Óstán Plaza Chill Airne, Plás Chinn Mhara, Co. Chiarraí	16 – 18 Deireadh Fómhair	6	

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Dr. Douglas Hyde Conference “Lost in Translation”	Abbeyfield Hotel, Co. Roscommon	17 – 19 October	1
North/South Confederation of Councillors “The Good Friday Agreement – 10yrs on”	Clifden Station House Hotel, Galway	24 – 25 October	2
Anti Social Behaviour & Associated Health & Safety Issues	The Carraig Hotel, Carrick – on Suir, Co. Tipperary	31 October – 1 November	4
AOIFE Conference	Carlton Shearwater Hotel, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway	6 – 8 November	2
Local Government Social Inclusion Showcase & Anti Poverty Learning Network	Tower Hotel, Waterford	12 – 13 November	2
The Open Door Network – “A Time to Tell”	Siamsa Tire, Tralee, Co. Kerry	21 November	1
Information & Communication	Carlton Millrace Hotel, Buncloody	21 – 23 Nov.	5
LAMA Annual Winter Conference	TF Royal Hotel, Castlebar, Co. Mayo	26 – 27 November	4
National Tourism Conference “Co-operation & Integration – Key to Successful Tourism”	Falls Hotel, Ennistymon, Co. Clare	27 – 29 November	7
Homelessness in Ireland	City West, Dublin	5 – 6 December	3
Effective Communication for Councillors Training Seminar	Sligo Park Hotel, Pierce Road, Sligo	12 – 14 December	1

Tuarascáil Bhliantúil 2008		Ballraíocht na mBord/na gCoistí	
Teideal	Suíomh	Dáta	Líon na gComhairleoirí
Comhdháil an Dr Dubhghlas de hÍde “Imithe Amú san Aistriúchán”	Óstán Abbeyfield, Co. Ros Comáin	17 – 19 Deireadh Fómhair	1
Cónaidhm Thuaidh/Theas Comhairleoirí “Comhaontas Aoine an Chéasta – tar éis 10 mbliana”	Station House Hotel, An Clochán, Gaillimh	24 – 25 Deireadh Fómhair	2
Iompar Frithshóisialta & na Saincheisteanna Sláinte & Sábháilteachta a bhaineann leis	Óstán Carrick, Carraig na Siúire, Co. Thiobraid Árann	31 Deireadh Fómhair – 1 Samhain	4
Comhdháil AOIFE	Óstán Carlton Shearwater, Béal Átha na Sluaighe, Co. na Gaillimhe	6 – 8 Samhain	2
Local Government Social Inclusion Showcase & Anti Poverty Learning Network	Óstán Tower, Port Láirge	12 – 13 Samhain	2
The Open Door Network – “A Time to Tell”	Siamsa Tíre, Trá Lí, Co. Chiarraí	21 Samhain	1
Faisnéis & Cumarsáid	Carlton Millrace Hotel, Bun Clóidí	21 – 23 Samhain	5
Comhdháil Bliantúil an Gheimhridh Chumann Chomhaltaí na nÚdarás Áitiúil (LAMA)	Óstán TF Royal, Caisleán an Bharraigh, Co. Mhaigh Eo	26 – 27 Samhain	4
An Comhdháil Náisiúnta Turasóireachta “Co-operation & Integration – Key to Successful Tourism”	Óstán Falls, Inis Diomáin, Co. an Chláir	27 – 29 Samhain	7
Easpa Dídine in Éirinn	City West, Baile Átha Cliath	5 – 6 Nollaig	3
Seimineár Oiliúna um Chumarsáid Éifeachtach do Chomhairleoirí	Óstán Sligo Park, Bóthar Phiarais, Sligeach	12 – 14 Nollaig	1

MEETINGS OF COUNCIL

Ordinary Council Meeting	21
Special Meetings	10
Annual Meeting	1
Budget Meeting	1
Housing & Community Functional Committee	11
Housing & Community Strategic Policy Committee	4
Roads & Transportation Functional Committee	11
Roads & Transportation Strategic Policy Committee	6
Recreation, Amenity & Culture Functional Committee	5
Recreation, Amenity & Culture Strategic Policy Committee	3
Environment Functional Committee	4
Environment Strategic Policy Committee	4
Planning & Development Functional Committee	6
Planning & Development Strategic Policy Committee	6
Corporate Policy Group	8
Intoxicating Liquor on the Streets Committee	0
Schools Meals Committee	1
Twinning Committee	4
An Grúpa Stiúrtha	0

FREEDOM OF THE CITY

20th June 2008. Mr. Albert Reynolds & Rt. Hon. Sir John Major KG CH.



CRUINNITHE NA COMHAIRLE

Gnáthchruinnithe Comhairle	21
Cruinnithe Speisialta	10
Cruinniú Bliantúil	1
Cruinniú Buiséid	1
Coiste Feidhmiúil Tithíochta & Pobail	11
Coiste an Bheartais Straitéisigh Tithíochta & Pobail	4
Coiste Feidhmiúil Bóithre & Iompair	11
Coiste an Bheartais Straitéisigh Bóithre & Iompair	6
Coiste Feidhmiúil Áineasa, Conláiste Cultúir	5
Coiste an Bheartais Straitéisigh Áineasa, Conláiste & Cultúir	3
Coiste Feidhmiúil Comhshaoil	4
Coiste an Bheartais Straitéisigh don Chomhshaoil	4
Coiste Feidhmiúil Pleanála & Forbartha	6
Coiste an Bheartais Straitéisigh Pleanála & Forbartha	6
An Grúpa um Bheartas Corparáideach	8
An Coiste um Deochanna Meisciúla ar na Sráideanna	0
Coiste na mBéilí Scoile	1
Coiste Nasctha na mBailte	4
An Grúpa Stiúrtha	0

SAOIRSE NA CATHRACH

20 Meitheamh 2008 An tUasal Albert Reynolds & an Ró-Onórach an Tiarna John Major KG CH.



CIVIC RECEPTIONS 2008

- 24th January, 2008 - Cork City F.C. on winning the F.A.I. Ford Cup
- 12th February –30th Anniversary of the Commissioning of P21 L.E. ‘Emer’
- 26th February 2008 - Bord na nÓg and the four successful teams who represented the County in 2007: U14 Footballers in the Tom Power Cup, U15 Footballers in the Jim Mackey Cup & the Humphrey Kelleher Cup, U15 Hurlers in the Carrigdhoun Inter Championship, U16 Footballers in the Munster U16 Championship
- 7th March, 2008 - International Women’s Day
- 15th April, 2008 - Commissioner Fachtna Murphy on his appointment as Commissioner of An Garda Síochána
- 21st April 2008 - Pat Falvey, Dr. Clare O’Leary, Shaun Menzies and Jonathan Bradshaw to honour the achievement of their Beyond Endurance expedition in reaching the South Pole
- 23rd April, 2008 - David Marcus: Writer, Memoirist, Editor, Anthologist
- 13th May, 2008 - Former Members of Cork City Council
- 27th May, 2008 - Munster Rugby Team on winning the Heineken Cup Final
- 10th December 2008 - 130th Anniversary of The Butter Exchange Brass and Reed Prize Band.

EXPENSES

Councillors – Conference/Seminars	€119,582.28
Councillors - Travel and Subsistence within State	€59,019.59
Councillors - Travel and Subsistence outside State	€15,379.07
Councillors – Annual Expenses allowance	€218,968.27

ENTERTAINMENT EXPENSES

In 2008 Cork City Council expended € 52,592.52 on Civic Receptions

In 2008 Cork City Council expended € 31,920.34 on the Freedom of the City

TWINNING EXPENSES

In 2008 Cork City Council expended € 32,331.22 on Twinning activities

FÁILTITHE CATHARTHA 2008

- 24 Eanáir, 2008 – Cumann Sacair Chathair Chorcaí tar éis dóibh Corn Ford F.A.I. a bhuachan
- 12 Feabhra – Comóradh 30 Bliain Choimisiúnú P21 L.É. Emer
- 26 Feabhra 2008 – Bord na nÓg agus an ceithre fhoireann a rinne ionadaíocht thar ceann an Chontae in 2007: Peileadóirí Faoi 14 i gCorn Tom Power, Peileadóirí Faoi 15 i gCorn Jim Mackey & i gCorn Humphrey Kelleher, Iománaithe Faoi 15 i gCraobh Carrigdhoun, Peileadóirí Faoi 16 i gCraobh na Mumhan Faoi 16
- 7 Márta, 2008 – Lá Idirnáisiúnta na mBan
- 15 Aibreán, 2008 – An Coimisinéir Fachtna Murphy a ceapadh mar Choimisinéir an Gharda Síochána
- 21 Aibreán, 2008 – Pat Falvey, an Dr Clare O'Leary, Shaun Menzies agus Jonathon Bradshaw chun ceiliúradh a dhéanamh ar a dturas taiscéalaíochta 'Beyond Endurance' a chuaigh chomh fada leis an Mol Theas
- 23 Aibreán, 2008 - David Marcus: Scríbhneoir, Údar Cuimhní Cinn, Eagarthóir, Díolamóir
- 13 Bealtaine, 2008 – Iar-Bhaill Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí
- 27 Bealtaine, 2008 – Foireann Rugbaí na Mumhan tar éis dóibh Corn Heineken a bhuachan
- 10 Nollaig, 2008 – Comóradh 130 Bliain an Butter Exchange Brass and Reed Prize Band

COSTAIS

Comhairleoirí – Comhdhálacha/Seimineáir	€119,582.28
Comhairleoirí – Taisteal agus Cothabháil sa Stát	€59,019.59
Comhairleoirí – Taisteal agus Cothabháil taobh amuigh den Stát	€15,379.07
Comhairleoirí - liúntas Bliantúil Costas	€218,968.27

COSTAIS SIAMSAÍOCHTA

I 2008 chaith Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí € 52,592.52 ar Fáiltithe Cathartha

I 2008 chaith Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí € 31,920.34 ar Shaoirse na Cathrach

COSTAIS NASCTHA NA MBAILTE

I 2008 chaith Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí € 32,331.22 ar ghníomhaíochtaí Nasctha

A photograph of two men in professional attire and hard hats. The man on the left wears a white hard hat and a dark suit jacket over a light-colored shirt. The man on the right wears a yellow hard hat and a light blue shirt with a patterned tie. They are both looking down at a large set of blueprints held by the man in the yellow hard hat. The background shows an interior space with wooden paneling and a staircase.

CITY ARCHITECT'S DEPARTMENT



ROINN AILTIRE NA CATHRACH





SUSIE'S FIELD HOUSING SCHEME

Susie's Field is a social and affordable Housing Scheme situated in the Glen area of Cork city. The development commenced on site in January 2007 and is due for completion in early 2009. The main contractors are McInerney Contracting Ltd., building on behalf of Cork City Council.

The scheme is housed on a three hectare/seven acre site and comprises of 107 housing units all of varying types and sizes. Units include 3 and 4 bed semi-detached houses, 2-bed sheltered houses, 2 and 3-bed apartments, duplex units, as well as a creche. There are 26 dwellings (both 3 and 4-bed), allocated as affordable-type units.

The layout of the scheme was dictated by the sloping nature of the site, which resulted in a terraced development from a north-westerly to a south-easterly direction. Many of the units take advantage of views of the city and of north Cork.

It was the vision of Cork City Council to provide high spec units that were comparable to, if not better than, private residential development. The units are spacious and contemporary in their design both internally and externally. The materials used throughout the scheme were mainly red/yellow brick, monocouche render, rheinzinc, capco slates and parklex timber cladding. Private parking facilities and bin storage areas are being provided for each tenant. Open areas were designed for recreation to enhance the lives of the residents.

KNOCKNAHEENY REGENERATION PROJECT – BLOCKS E, F, G AND H

The Knocknaheeny housing development commenced in the early 1970s to address the critical housing waiting lists and demands of the period. A housing refurbishment programme in 1997, however having consulted with the Members it was agreed that a Masterplan was necessary to define the overall strategy and programme for the regeneration of the Hollyhill and Knocknaheeny Area. This was completed and approved by Cork City Council in 2001. The first phase of this Masterplan is currently nearing completion and includes a new neighbourhood centre at the junction of Courtown Drive and Harbour View Road.

The next phase to be implemented is the area identified as Blocks E, F, G and H in the Masterplan. The scope of this work involves the refurbishment of 213 City Council housing units including curtilage works to existing tenant purchased units, the refurbishment and extension of 30

existing units and the construction of 29 new residential units, together with new site services and landscaping.

In line with the aim of the regeneration strategy, it is also intended to draw parallels with older parts of Cork city, which will help reinforce the idea of Knocknaheeny's 'coming of age' as an established city suburb. This regeneration project is intended to build on the well-established social infrastructure of the area by improving the existing housing stock, infrastructure, landscaping and general physical environment. The work is intended to commence on site, subject to funding being available, in early 2010.

REINSTATEMENT OF HUGUENOT BURIAL GROUND AT CAREY'S LANE

The Huguenot burial ground on Carey's Lane dates back to the early 1700s with the revoking of the "Edict of Nantes 1685" and the fleeing of French Protestants from France, to avoid religious persecution. Approximately 5000 came to Ireland, and of those, 300 settled in Cork, making a significant contribution to the commercial and civic life of the city, with no less than 11 members of the Huguenot community serving as Mayors of Cork City between 1694 and 1840.

By 1712 the Huguenot Community had established its church at Lumley Street, which soon became known as French Church Street, and in 1733 acquired the adjoining almshouse which became the Huguenot burial ground. In 2006 Cork City Council acquired a property off Carey's Lane, on French Church Street, which was formerly the Huguenot burial ground. Despite being one of the only two Huguenot cemeteries remaining in Ireland and of significant historical interest, the site had become neglected and overgrown. In 2007, the City Manager and Council gave approval for reinstatement work to be carried out to the burial ground. This work was designed, planned and overseen by the City Architect's Department, in collaboration with the Planning & Development and RAC Directorates, specialist design consultants and contractors, and "Friends of the Huguenot" representatives.

The overall desired effect was to achieve a fitting reinstated memorial garden/burial ground to re-establish the missing link in the Huguenot Quarter of Cork, to awaken an interest both visually and informatively of the Huguenot history and presence in Cork and to save for posterity their Cork burial ground on behalf of the national and international Huguenot descendants, Friends of the Huguenots and the people of Cork.

SCÉIM TITHÍOCHTA PHÁIRC SUSIE

Is Scéim Tithíochta sóisialta agus inacmhainne atá i bPáirc Susie atá suite i gceantar an Ghleanna i gcathair Chorcaí. Thosaigh an fhorbairt ar an suíomh seo i mí Eanáir 2007 agus táthar ag súil go mbeidh sé críochnaithe ag tús 2009. Is iad McInerney Contracting Ltd. na príomhchonraitheoirí atá ag tógáil ar son Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí.

Tá an scéim lonnaithe ar shuíomh trí heicteár/seacht n-acra agus tá 107 aonad tithíochta de gach cineál agus méid inti. Tá tithe 3 agus 4 sheomra leathscote, sciath-tithe 2 sheomra, árasáin 2 agus 3 sheomra, aonaid déphléacsacha, chomh maith le crèche san fhorbairt. Tá 26 áit chónaithe (idir 3 agus 4 sheomra), curtha i leataobh mar aonaid inacmhainne.

Bhí tionchar ag an bhfána sa suíomh ar leagan amach na scéime, agus dá bhall sin tá an fhorbairt sraithe ag dul ón iarthuaisceart go dtí an oirdheisceart. Tá radhairc ar an gcathair agus ar thuaisceart Chorcaí ó go leor de na haonaid.

Bhí sé mar fhís ag Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí aonaid ardsónraíochta a chur ar fáil a bhí ar chomhchéim le, nó níos fearr ná, forbairt chónaitheach phríobháideach. Tá na haonaid fairsing agus comhaimseartha ina ndearadh taobh istigh agus taobh amuigh. Is ábhair cosúil le brice dearg/buí, rindreáil monocouche, rheinzinc, sclátaí capco agus cumhdach adhmaid parklex a úsáidtear ar fud na scéime. Tá áiseanna páirceála príobháideacha agus limistéir stórais bruscair á gcur ar fáil do gach tionónta. Dearadh limistéir oscailte áineasa chun saoil na gcónaitheoirí a bhreisiú.

TIONSCADAL ATHGHINIÚNA CHNOC NA HAOINE – BLOIC E, F, G AGUS H

Tosaíodh forbairt tithíochta Chnoc na hAoine go luath sna 1970idí le dul i ngleic leis na liostaí feithimh fada agus an t-éileamh mór sa tréimhse. Tosaíodh clár athchóirithe tithíochta i 1997, ach tar éis dul i gcomhairle lena Baill, áfach, d'aontaigh an Chomhairle go raibh Máistirphlean

riachtanach chun an straitéis agus clár foriomlán d'athchóiriú Cheantar Chnoc na Chuilinn agus Chnoc na hAoine a leagan amach. Críochnaíodh é seo agus d'fhaomh Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí é i 2001. Tá an chéad chéim den Mháistirphlean beagnach críochnaithe anois agus áirítear ann ionad comharsanachta nua ag aomhal Chéide Bhaile na Cúirte agus Bóthar Radhairc an Chuain.

Is iad Bloic E, F, G agus H sa Mháistirphlean na chéad chéimeanna eile le forfheidhmiú sa limistéar seo. I measc na hoibre seo tá athchóiriú ar 213 aonad tithíochta de chuid na Comhairle Cathrach lena n-áirítear oibreacha cúirtealaiste ar aonaid a cheannaigh tionóntaí, athchóiriú agus fairsingiú ar 30 aonad agus 29 aonad cónaithe nua a thógáil, mar aon le seirbhísí agus tírdhreach suímh nua.

De réir aidhme na straitéise athghiniúna, tá sé i gceist chomh maith go mbeadh an limistéar cosúil le limistéir ársa chathair Chorcaí, a chabhroídh le coincheap 'nua' Chnoc na hAoine mar bhuachbhaile cathrach bunaithe. Tá sé i gceist go mbeiseodh an tionscadal athghiniúna seo infreastreachtúir sóisialta an limistéir tríd na tithe, an t-infreastreachtúir, an tírdhreach agus an timpeallacht fisiceach ghinearálta atá ann a fheabhsú.

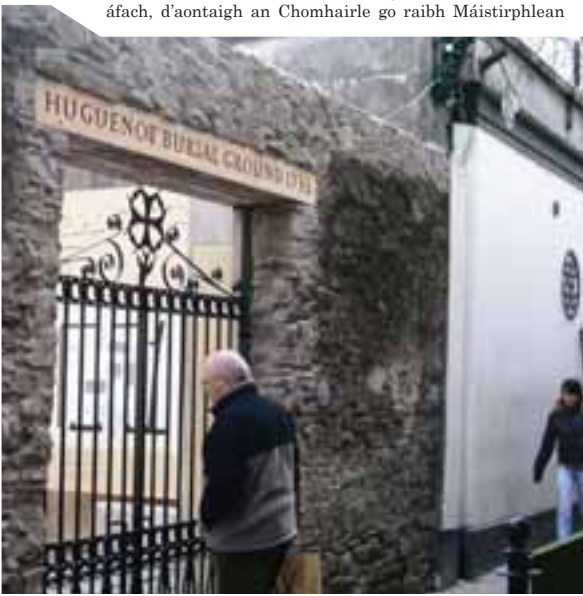
Tá sé i gceist go dtosódh an obair ar an suíomh seo, faoi réir an mhaoinithe a bheith ar fáil, go luath in 2010.

ATHCHÓIRIÚ AR REILIG HUGUENOT AG LÁNA UÍ CHIARDHA

Téann reilig Huguenot ag Lána Carey siar chomh fada siar le tús na 1700idí le cúlghairm "Edict Nantes 1685" agus éalú na bProtastúnach Francach ón bhFrainc, chun ciapadh reiligiúin a sheachaint. Tháinig timpeall 5000 duine go hÉirinn, agus lonnadh 300 díobh sin i gCorcaigh, ag cur go mór le saol tráchtála agus cathartha na cathrach, agus bhí 11 duine den phobal Huguenot ina Méaraí ar Chathair Chorcaí idir 1694 agus 1840.

Faoi 1712 bhí séipéal bunaithe ag an bPobal Huguenot ar Shráid Lumley, ar a tugadh Sráid an tSéipéil Fhrancaigh, agus i 1733 d'éirigh leo ceannas a fháil ar an teach almsan in aice láimhe agus úsáideadh mar reilig Huguenot é. In 2006 d'aimsigh Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí áitreabh a fháil in aice le Lána Uí Chiardha, ar Shráid an tSéipéil Fhrancaigh, ina mbeadh an reilig Huguenot roimhe sin. Cé gurb é seo ceann den dá reilig Huguenot atá fágtha in Éirinn agus go bhfuil spéis stairiúil shuntasach ann, tá an suíomh fián agus imithe i léig. In 2007, thug Bainisteoir agus Chomhairle na Cathrach faomhadh don obair athchóirithe atá le déanamh ar an reilig. Rinne Roinn Ailtire na Cathrach dearadh, pleanáil agus maoirseacht ar an obair seo, i gcomhpháirtíocht le Stiúrthóirreachtaí Pleanála & Forbartha agus RAC, comhairleoirí deartha speisialta agus conraitheoirí, agus ionadaithe ó "Friends of the Huguenot".

Is éard a bhí ag teastáil ná gairdín cuimhneacháin/reilig athchóirithe a bheadh feilúnach ann nase a bhí in easnamh i gCeathrú Huguenot Chorcaí a atógáil, chun spéis a mhúscailt ó thaobh amhairc agus eolais i stair agus láithreach mhuintir Huguenot i gCorcaigh agus a reilig i gCorcaigh a shábháil do ghlúine le teacht thar ceann sliochaigh náisiúnta agus idirnáisiúnta Huguenot, Cairde Huguenot agus muintir Chorcaí.





COMMUNITY AND ENTERPRISE





POBAL AGUS FIONTAR



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DISCOVERY 2008

'Discovery' - Cork's interactive science event – was held 16th-19th November 2008. The focus of the event was the City Hall exhibition although there were also a range of site visits, workshops and talks available to schools. The main target audience was 10-15 year old students. The event has grown from its inception in 2005 to become one of the key events of Science Week Ireland. Attendance figures of 8,100 attendees were recorded for City Hall with a 15% increase in interest on 2007. Principal sponsors in 2008 were Cork City Council, Cork City Enterprise Board, Forfás, CIT, UCC, FÁS, Schering Plough, IBEC, Pharmachem Ireland, Pfizer and FMC. Evening Echo again stood as media sponsor. Expenditure on Discovery 2008 was just under €100,000 but added to the cash budget was at least €75,000 in voluntary contributions and in-kind activities.



RAPID

Highlights for 2008 included the opening of the new Gurranabraher Community Centre on the site of the former 'hut' building. The architecturally designed, landmark building was completed in winter 2008. The eagerly awaited Centre is home to a range of services and activities from dances to yoga to training courses and events. The Gurranabraher Community Development project is based in the Centre, the HSE South have a dedicated room to deliver a range of health-related projects and the Gurranabraher Youth Development Project have used the third floor of the building to deliver a range of programmes and activities for young people. The development of the new facility has been in planning since 2003 when local residents came together with agencies, through RAPID, to look after the future of the building. Cork City Council who owns the building managed the construction and made a significant investment of €745,000 in the project. The HSE, Dormant Accounts Fund and the Department of Community, Rural & Gaeltacht Affairs also made significant financial contributions, bringing the total cost of the project to €1.4m.

CONNECTING COMMUNITIES

As part of Ireland's National Action Plan Against Racism (NPAR) 2005 – 2008, and in keeping with the Cork City Development Board's Integrated Strategy – Imagine our Future 2009 – 2012, a Cork City Integration Strategy (CCIS) 2008 – 2011 was prepared which seeks to welcome diversity, promote an intercultural society and break down some of the barriers to integration between communities in Cork.

The steering group recognised the need for a strategy to embrace the new and existing cultural and ethnic diversity in the city and contribute to the creation of a dynamic and socially cohesive Cork city. Promoting participation was recognised as paramount to the development of the strategy and thus the inclusion of ethnic minorities and support organisations was vital in forming the Advisory Group. The following values underpin the strategy: Equality, Participation and Recognition and Respect for Diversity. Research so far has highlighted the need to challenge traditionally held beliefs, stereotypes and prejudices and the need for anti racist practice and pro-active working to build an intercultural society. An Action Plan with 43 Actions has been put in place. A progress report will be submitted to the City Development Board on a six monthly basis.

POBAL AGUS FIONTAR

DISCOVERY 2008

Reachtáladh 'Discovery' – ócáid idirghníomhach eolaíochta Chorcaí – idir an 16-19 Samhail 2008.

Dhírigh an ócáid ar thaispeántas i Halla na Cathrach cé go raibh réimse cuairteanna suímh, ceardlanna agus cainteanna ar fáil do scoileanna. Is ar dhaltaí idir 10-15 bliana d'aois a díródh an ócáid. Tá forás tagtha ar an ócáid ónar tionscnaíodh é in 2005 agus tá sé ar cheann de phríomhimeachtaí Sheachtain Eolaíochta Éireann anois. Tuairiscíodh gur fheastal 8,100 duine ar Halla na Cathrach i mbliana, ardú 15% ó 2007.

Ba iad Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí, Bord Fiontar Cathrach Chorcaí, Forfás, CIT, UCC, FÁS, Schering Plough, IBEC, Pharmchem Ireland, Pfizers agus FMC na príomhurráithe i 2008. Ba é an Evening Echo an t-urra meán arís.

Caitheadh díreach faoi bhun €100,000 ar Discovery 2008 ach cuireadh ar a laghad €75,000 leis an mbuiséad airgid ó ranníocaíochtaí deonacha agus gníomhaíochtaí comhchineáil.

RAPID

I measc phríomhimeachtaí 2008 bhí oscailt Ionad Pobail Gharrán na mBráthar ar an suíomh ina raibh an foirgneamh 'hut'. Críochnaíodh an foirgneamh críochoimhartha a dhear ailtire i ngeimhreadh 2008.

Tá réimse seirbhísí agus gníomhaíochtaí ar fáil san Ionad ó dhamhsa go ioga go chúrsaí agus imeachtaí oiliúna. Tá Tionscadal Forbartha Pobail Gharrán na mBráthar bunaithe san Ionad, tá seomra ag FSS an Deiscirt ann atá tiomanta do réimse tionscadal a bhaineann le sláinte agus d'úsáid Tionscadal Forbartha Pobail Gharrán na mBráthar an tríú urlár chun réimse clár agus gníomhaíochtaí do dhaoine óga a chur ar fáil.

Tá an áis nua seo a pleanáil ó 2003 nuair a tháinig cónaitheoirí áitiúla le chéile le gníomhaireachtaí, trí RAPID, chun todhchaí na tógála a bhainistiú. Rinne Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí, ar leo an foirgneamh, bainistiú ar an tógáil agus rinne siad infheistiú suntasach €745,000 sa tionscadal. Thug FSS, Ciste na gCuntas Diomhaoin agus an Roinn Gnóthaí Pobail, Tuaithe & Gaeltachta ranníocaíochtaí suntasacha airgid chomh maith, rud a thug costas iomlán an tionscadail go dtí €1.4m.

POBAIL A CHEANGAL

Mar chuid den Phlean Gníomhaíochta Náisiúnta i gcoinne an Chinióchais (NPAR) 2005 – 2008, agus de réir Straitéis Chomhtháite Bhord Forbartha Chathair Chorcaí – Samhlaigh ár dTodhchaí 2009 – 2012, cuireadh Straitéis Chomhtháithaithe do Chathair Chorcaí (CCIS) 2008 – 2011 i dtoll a chéile chun fáilte a chur roimh éagsúlacht, agus chun sochaí ilchultúrtha a chur chun cinn agus roinnt bac ar chomhtháthú a bhriseadh idir pobail éagsúla i gCorcaigh.

D'aithin an grúpa stiúrtha an gá a bhí le straitéis chun an éagsúlacht chultúrtha agus eitneach atá sa chathair a chuimsiú agus cuidiú le cathair dhinimiciúil agus chomhtháite go sóisialta a chruthú i gCorcaigh. Aithníodh rannpháirtíocht a chur chun cinn mar ghné fíorthábhachtach i bhforbairt na straitéise agus dá bharr sin tá sé ríthábhachtach mionlaigh eitneacha agus eagraíochtaí tacaíochta a chur san áireamh agus an Grúpa Comhairleach á chur le chéile. Tá na luacha seo a leanas mar bhonn ag an straitéis: Comhionannas, Rannpháirtíocht agus Aitheantas agus Meas ar Éagsúlacht. Léirigh taighde go dtí seo go bhfuil gá tuairimí, steiréitíopaí agus claontachtaí traidisiúnta a athrú agus go bhfuil gá cleachtas le hobair frithchiníocht agus réamhghníomhach chun sochaí idirchultúrtha a thógáil. Tá Plean Gníomhaíochta socraithe ina bhfuil 43 Gníomh. Cuirfear tuairise ar dhul chun cinn an Phlean chuig Bord Forbartha an Chontae gach sé mhí.



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANT LIST 2008

GROUP	AMOUNT €
Ballinlough Community Association	€25,000
Ballyphehane Community Association	€20,000
Blarney Street & Surrounding Areas Community Association	€10,000
Bishopstown Community Association	€15,000
Farranree Community Association	€26,000
Farranree Summer Play Scheme	€8,000
Lough Community Association	€2,200
Ógra Chrocaí	€57,758
South Parish Community Association	€15,000
St. Joseph's (Mayfield) Community Association	€12,000
Togher Community Association	€11,000
Turner's Cross Community Association	€8,000
Douglas Senior Group	€2,000

DEONTAIS FORBARTHA POBAIL 2008

GRÚPA	MÉID €
Cumann Pobail Bhaile an Locha	€25,000
Cumann Pobail Bhaile Féitheán	€20,000
Cumann Pobail Sráid an Bhlárna & na Limistéar Mórthimpeall	€10,000
Cumann Pobail Bhaile an Easpaig	€15,000
Cumann Pobail Fhearann an Rí	€26,000
Scéim Spraoi Samhraidh Fhearann an Rí	€8,000
Cumann Pobail an Locha	€2,200
Ógra Chrocaí	€57,758
Cumann Pobail Pharóiste an Deiscirt	€15,000
Cumann Pobail Naomh Seosaimh (Baile na mBocht)	€12,000
Cumann Pobail an Tóchair	€11,000
Cumann Pobail Chroaire Tuirnéir	€8,000
Grúpa Seanóirí Dhúglas	€2,000

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FREEDOM OF THE CITY

At its meeting on Monday, 12th March 2008, Cork City Council approved a resolution to confer the Freedom of the City of Cork on Albert Reynolds and The Rt. Hon. Sir John Major CH KG.

The resolution recommended the granting of the Freedom of the City on Albert Reynolds and The Rt. Hon. Sir John Major CH KG "in recognition of their combined

contribution to the process which led to the establishment of a lasting democratic solution in Northern Ireland equally respectful of the hopes and aspirations of both communities. In honour of their qualities of leadership, integrity, negotiation, and common sense in so doing; for their statesmanship, diplomacy, energy and commitment to the initiative despite the prevailing climate at the time and their unfailing and unwavering belief in the value of the process; for all this and much more the Lord Mayor and Councillors of the County Borough of Cork consider them worthy to be enrolled in the Roll of its Honorary Citizens."

The Freedom of the City was conferred on the recipients at a special ceremony in City Hall, Cork on Friday, 20th June 2008.



VISIT BY PRESIDENT OF THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION, JOSÉ MANUEL BARROSO

European Commission President, José Manuel Barroso, visited City Hall, Cork, on 18th April 2008 as part of his 2-day visit to Ireland. The President met with Lord Mayor, Cllr. Donal Counihan, City Manager, Joe Gavin, Cork City Council's Party Whips, Chair of the Docklands Policy Committee, Chair of the Docklands Development Forum and senior officials from Cork City Council. Following a presentation in the Council Chamber on the City Council's regeneration plans for the docklands, President Barroso spent some time viewing a model of the docklands on view to the public in the City Hall atrium. This was followed by a Question & Answer session with media and a tour of the docklands. Minister for Enterprise, Trade & Employment, Micheál Martin, who accompanied the President on his visit to Cork, said that the Irish Government was 'very happy with the constructive engagement' with EU officials. The visit by the President of the European Commission was managed by Cork City Council, Department of Foreign Affairs and the European Commission.

BEYOND ENDURANCE POLAR EXPEDITION TEAM HONOURED

Cork City Council hosted a Civic Reception in City Hall, Cork on Monday, 21st April 2008 to honour the four team members of the Beyond Endurance Polar Expedition 2008 – Pat Falvey, Dr. Clare O'Leary, Shaun Menzies and Jonathon Bradshaw - for their achievement in being the first Irish team to reach the South Pole earlier this year.

The Lord Mayor, Cllr. Donal Counihan, on behalf of the people of Cork, thanked the team for the excitement and pride the expedition brought to Cork and the rest of the country. "More than once the Beyond Endurance expedition was almost abandoned due to injury of one or more parties but each showed their true resolve in their refusal to abandon and taking up the slack where necessary until their team-mates were well enough to carry their own load. You have all shown us that the only thing we have to fear is not failure but complacency and that no dream, however crazy or seemingly impossible it may seem is ever beyond our capabilities. What is needed more than anything is the unfailing belief in oneself, one's team and goal."

FÁILTITHE CATHARTHA 2008

SAOIRSE NA CATHRACH

Ag a cruinniú Dé Luain an 12 Márta, 2008, rinne Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí faomhadh ar an réiteach Saoirse na Cathrach a bhronnadh ar Albert Reynolds agus ar an Ró-Onórach an Tiarna John Major CH KG.

Mhol an réiteach go mbronnfaí Saoirse na Cathrach ar Albert Reynolds agus ar an Ró-Onórach an Tiarna John Major CH KG "mar aitheantas ar a ranníocaíocht chomhnasctha i bpróiseas a chur tús le réiteach daonlathach fadtéarmach i dTuaisceart Éireann agus meas acu beirt ar dhóchas agus mianaidhmeanna an dá phobal. In onóir a gáilíochtaí

ceannaireachta, a macántacht, idirbheartaíocht, agus a gciall; dá státaireacht, taidhleoireacht, fuinneamh agus tiomantas don tionscnamh in ainneoin na gcúinsí deacra ag an am agus an creideamh a bhí acu, nár ghéill riamh, i luach an phróisis; mar gheall ar an méid seo agus go leor eile measann Ardmhéara agus Comhairleoirí Chontaebhuirg Chorcaí go bhfuil siad i dteideal bheith cláraithe ar Liosta na Saoránach Oinigh."

Bronnadh Saoirse na Cathrach ar na faighteoirí ag ócáid speisialta i Halla na Cathrach, Corcaigh, Dé hAoine an 20 Meitheamh, 2008.



CUAIRT UACHTARÁN AN CHOIMISIÚIN EORPAIGH, JOSÉ MANUEL BARROSO

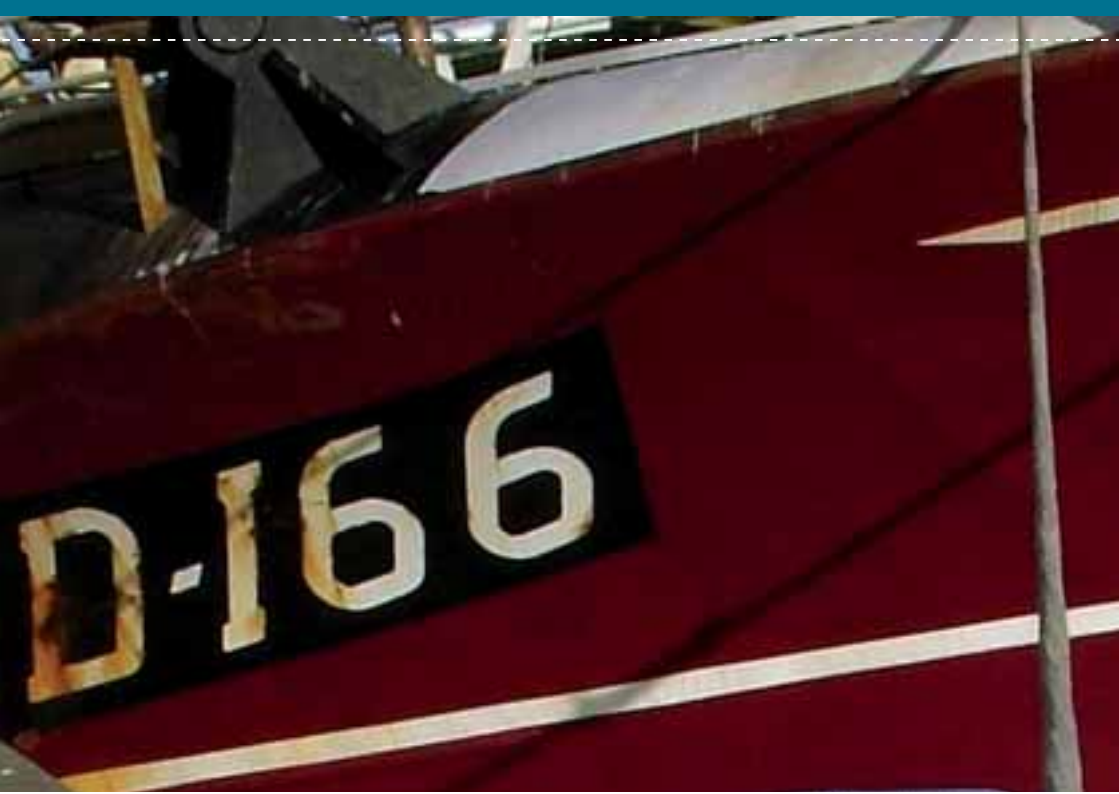
Thug Uachtarán an Choimisiúin Eorpaigh, José Manuel Barroso, cuairt ar Halla na Cathrach, Corcaigh ar an 18 Aibreán 2008 le linn a chuairt dhá lá in Éirinn. Bhuaill an tUachtarán leis an Ardmhéara, an Comh. Donal Counihan, Bainisteoir na Cathrach, Joe Gavin, Aoirí na bPáirtithe i gComhairle Cathrach Chorcaí, Cathaoirleach Choiste Beartais Cheantar na nDuganna, Cathaoirleach Fóram Forbartha na nDuganna agus oifigigh sinsearacha ó Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí. Tar éis searmanas bronnata i Seomra na Comhairle maidir le pleananna athghiniúna na Comhairle Cathrach do cheantar na nDuganna, chaith an tUachtarán Barroso roinnt ama ag féachaint ar shamhail de cheantar na nDuganna atá ar taispeáint don phobal i Halla na cathrach. Ina dhiaidh sin, rinne sé seisiún Ceisteanna & Freagraí leis na meáin agus chuaigh sé ar thuras i gceantar na nduganna. Dúirt an tAire Fiontar, Trádála & Fostaíochta, Micheál Ó Máirtín, a bhí i dteannta an Uachtaráin ar a chuairt a Chorcaigh, go raibh Rialtas na hÉireann "fíorshásta leis an bpáirtíocht chuiditheach" a bhí acu le feidhmeannaigh an AE. Rinne Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí, an Roinn Gnóthaí Eachtracha agus an Coimisiún Eorpach bainistíú ar chuairt Uachtarán an Choimisiúin Eorpaigh.

ONÓRÚ AR FHOIREANN AN TURAIS TAISCÉALAÍOCHTA PHOLAIGH 'BEYOND ENDURANCE'

Bhí Fáiltiú Cathartha i Halla na Cathrach ag Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí, Dé Luain an 21 Aibreán 2008 chun onóirú a dhéanamh ar an gceathrar ball den fhoireann Taiscéalaíochta Pholaigh 'Beyond Endurance' 2008 – Pat Falvey, an Dr Clare O'Leary, Shaun Menzies agus Jonathon Bradshaw – as an éacht a rinne siad; ba iad an chéad fhoireann Éireannach iad a chuaigh chomh fada leis an Mol Theas.

Ghlac an tArdmhéara, an Comh. Donal Counihan buíochas leo, thar ceann mhuintir Chorcaí, as ucht an éirí croí agus an bród a thug an turas taiscéalaíochta go Corcaigh agus an chuid eile den tír. "Ba bheag nár tréigeadh 'Beyond Endurance' níos mó ná uair amháin de bharr gortaithe a bhain do bhaill éagsúla na foirne ach léirigh an fhoireann uile a misneach nuair a dhiúltaigh siad é a thréigean agus nuair a d'oibrigh siad níos crua nuair a bhí gá go dtí go raibh a gcomhghleacaithe sách aclaí lena gcuid féin a iompar. Léirigh sibh dúinn ar fad nach ga dúinn faitíos a bheith orainn roimh theipeadh ach roimh bhogás agus gur féidir linn bríonglóid ar bith, is cuma cé chomh gealtach nó dodhéanta is atá sé, a bhaint amach. Is é atá ag teastáil níos mó ná rud ar bith eile muinín asat féin, as an bhfoireann agus as an sprioc."

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A photograph of a red boat with white stripes and a logo, sailing on blue water under a clear sky. The boat's hull is visible, featuring a large white 'S' logo with a small 'V' and a star. The background shows a calm sea and a distant shoreline with some buildings.

STIÚRTHÓIREACHT 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 area's redevelopment 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 2008:

SOUTH DOCKS LOCAL AREA PLAN (SDLAP)

The SDLAP was completed and adopted in February 2008 along with the required amendments to the Cork City Development Plan 2004. The team was led by Brady Shipman Martin, Planning and Landscape Architecture Consultants. A Draft Plan was produced in June 2007 and following a period of public consultation, a number of amendments were proposed to the Draft Plan. Following receipt of many submissions from the public and Councillors, the Docklands Policy Committee successfully steering the final Plan through full Council to its adoption in early February 2008.

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 relocation of the Port downstream. A brief was developed with the input to the scoping of the plan by key stakeholders in September and it is proposed to undertake the preparation of the Plan in 2009.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The first major planning application in the South Docks area was submitted in April 2008 involving the development of an Events Centre, a hotel and a number of mixed commercial/residential schemes at the old Ford Distribution Site. Further information was requested in June and by end of year the applicant, Howard Holdings plc, was still preparing responses to the request with a view to submitting early in 2009.

A second large application was submitted by Origin Enterprises Ltd. for the R&H Hall site in June on Kennedy Quay for a mixed use development comprising mainly residential and offices. Further information was also requested in August and the applicant at year's end was also in the process of preparing responses.

BUSINESS AND IMPLEMENTATION PLAN (BIP)

The Directorate finalised and produced its BIP in mid-2008. This BIP was created to assist with the implementation of the long term redevelopment of Cork Docklands. The key objectives for the BIP are summarised as follows:

Determine the investment priorities required to bring development forward based upon supporting infrastructure requirements and a logical approach towards development phasing;

- Identify the funding and investment inputs required based upon the identified delivery programme; and
- Identify the most appropriate ongoing governance structures that will be required to be in place and define the roles of key stakeholders in delivering the ambitious programme over extended timescales

ROADS AND BRIDGES EIS & CPO

The Roads & Transportation Directorate undertook the preparation of an EIS for the key roads and bridges infrastructure and an oral hearing by An Bord Pleanála (ABP) for the EIA and CPO was begun in November 2008. The hearing was not finalised in 2008 with a final session proposed to be held in early 2009. This process is a key step in putting the necessary statutory approvals in place to allow the infrastructure to proceed which will facilitate the development of Docklands. A decision by ABP is expected in mid-2009.

Further information on the progress of the above projects can be obtained from the website: www.corkcity.ie/docklands

Is tionscadal tábhachtach do chathair Chorcaí agus ceann de na príomhghnéithe i bPlean Straitéiseach Limistéar Chorcaí (C.A.S.P.) agus i bPlean Forbartha Chathair Chorcaí 2004 atá in athghiniúint Cheantar na nDuganna. Meastar gur príomhghné d'fhás Cheantar Uirbeach Chorcaí agus Geata Chorcaí atá in athfhorbairt an cheantair.

Is iad seo a leanas na limistéir ina ndíreoidh Stiúrthóireacht na nDuganna an ghníomhaíocht i 2008:

PLEAN LIMISTÉIR ÁITIÚIL NA NDUGANNA THEAS (SDLAP)

Críochnaíodh agus glacadh leis an SDLAP i mí Feabhra 2008 mar aon leis na leasuithe a theastaigh le Plean Forbartha Chathair Chorcaí 2004.

Ghlac Brady Shipman Martin, Planning and Landscape Architecture Consultants ceannasaíocht ar an bhfoireann. Cuireadh Dréachtphlean ar fáil i mí an Mheithimh 2007 agus tar éis tréimhse chomhairliúcháin phobail, beartaíodh roinnt leasuithe a dhéanamh ar an Dréachtphlean. Tar éis go leor aighneachtaí a fháil ón bpobal agus ó Chomhairleoirí, d'éirigh le Coiste Beartais Cheantar na nDuganna faomhadh na Comhairle a fháil don Phlean i mí Feabhra 2008.

Úsáidfear Plean Limistéir Áitiúil na nDuganna Theas chun forbairt an limistéir a bhogadh chun cinn trí theoiric shoiléir a thabhairt d'fhorbairt agus d'fhorheidhmiú na straitéise um pleanáil agus forbairt a aontaíodh.

D'aithin an Plean chomh maith, trí na haighneachtaí a fuarthas, go raibh gá Plean Bainistithe um Úsáid na hAbhann a réiteach chun úsáid cheart Abhainn na Laoi a theorú agus a bhainistiú tar éis athlonnaithe an Chalaídh i dtreo bhéal na habhann. D'fhorbairt páirtithe leasmhara coimre leis an ionchur maidir le scóip an phlean i Meán Fómhair agus beartaíodh an Plean a réiteach i 2009.

IARRATAIS PHLEANÁLA

Rinneadh an chéad iarratas pleanála i limistéar na nDuganna Theas i mí Aibreán 2008 agus bhain sé le forbairt Ionaí Meachtaí, óstán agus roinnt scéimeanna measctha tráchtála/cónaithe san áit ina mbíodh Suíomh Dáileacháin Ford. Iarradh tuilleadh eolais i mí an Mheithimh agus faoi dheireadh na bliana bhí an t-iarratasóir, Howard Holdings

ple, fós ag réiteach freagraí ar an iarratas ag iad ag súil go mbeadh siad istigh ag tús 2009.

Chuir Origin Enterprises Ltd. an dara iarratas mór isteach do shuíomh R&H Hall ar Ché Uí Chinnéide i mí an Mheithimh d'fhorbairt mheasctha ina mbeidh aonaid chónaithe agus oifig den chuid is mó. Iarradh tuilleadh eolais i mí Lúnasa agus faoi dheireadh na bliana agus ag deireadh na bliana bhí an t-iarratasóir ag réiteach freagraí chomh maith.

PLEAN GNÓ AGUS FORFHEIDHMITHE (BIP)

Chríochnaigh an Stiúrthóireacht a bPlean Gnó agus Forfheidhmithe agus d'fhoilsigh siad é i lár 2008.

Cruthaíodh an BIP seo chun cuidiú le forfheidhmiú na hathfhorbartha fadtéarmaí ag Duganna Chorcaí.

Is iad seo a leanas príomhchuspóirí an BIP:

Na tosaíochtaí infheistíochta a theastaíonn chun an fhorbairt a chur chun tosaigh a dhearbhu bunaithe ar thacú le riachtanais infreastructúir agus cur chuige loighciúil i treo na forbartha a chéimniú:

- An t-ionchur maoinithe agus infheistíochta a theastaíonn a aithint bunaithe ar an glár seachadta aitheanta; agus
- Na struchtúir rialachais leanúnacha is feiliúnaí a aithint a theastóidh chun ról na bpáirtithe leasmhara a shainmhíniú chun an clár uailmhianach a sheachadadh thar tréimhsí ama sínte

BÓITHRE & DROICHID EIS & CPO

Réitigh an Stiúrthóireacht Bóithre & Iompair an EIS i gcomhair an phríomhinfreastructúir bóthar agus droichead agus tosaíodh éisteacht bhéil an Bhoird Phleanála (ABP) don EIA agus an CPO i mí na Samhna 2008.

Níor críochnaíodh an éisteacht i 2008 agus tá seisiún eile beartaíthe go luath i 2009.

Is céim thábhachtach atá sa phróiseas seo chun an faomhadh reactúil riachtanach a fháil chun gur féidir leis an infreastructúr a éascóidh forbairt na nDuganna dul ar aghaidh. Táthar ag súil le cinneadh an Bhoird Phleanála i lár 2009.

Tá tuilleadh eolais ar dhul chun cinn na dtionscadal thuas ar fáil ón láithreán gréasáin: www.corkcity.ie/docklands





ENVIRONMENT



The image is a landscape photograph. The top half shows a clear blue sky with a few wispy clouds. A horizontal dashed white line separates the sky from a solid green rectangular band. In the center of this green band, the word "COMHSHAOL" is written in a white, serif, all-caps font. Below the green band, another horizontal dashed white line separates it from the bottom half of the image. The bottom half shows a sunset scene. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a bright orange and yellow glow that reflects on the water. In the foreground, there are tall green reeds and grasses. The water is calm, and the reflection of the sunset is clear. The overall mood is peaceful and serene.

COMHSHAOL



WATER & DRAINAGE

WATER PRODUCTION

The Environment Directorate operates a major water treatment plant which is located on the Lee Rd. Approximately 50,000 cubic metres of raw water are extracted daily from the River Lee and treated in accordance with the EU Drinking Water Regulations 2007. The 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 ongoing monitoring programme ensures that all water supplied is fully compliant with the Drinking Water Regulations. Water quality reports in recent years show that the overall rate of compliance is above the national average for microbiological and chemical quality. In particular compliance with the E.Coli parametric value is excellent. Compliance with indicator parametric values and the 26 chemical parameters continues to be above the national average.

WATER SERVICES INVESTMENT PROGRAMME

A project office has been established to manage the projects on the Cork city elements of the Water Services Investment Programme. Currently the construction of the Tivoli trunk watermain is under construction, contract value €2.5m, the contract is programmed for completion mid-2009. Work is also continuing on the procurement of a new water treatment plant, a water supply to the docklands and several other water supply related projects.

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 policy framework also required that all non-domestic users be metered by the end of 2006. This meter installation programme was completed by the target date. In addition, a new meter reading, billing and data management system was successfully implemented. Work continues on the installation of an automatic "Walk By" meter reading capability on all meters. The Environment Directorate worked closely with the Finance Dept. to ensure that our customer database was consolidated and that income levels were achieved.

WASTE OPERATIONS

BULKY GOODS COLLECTIONS

A sum of €65,500 was provided for bulky goods collections. Collections from householders were carried out in parts of Ballyphehane/Togher, Bishopstown and Churchfield/Gurranabraher.

CHEWING GUM

Cork City Council participated in the national Gum Litter Task Force scheme. The aim of this task force was to highlight the correct disposal methods for used chewing gum. Chewing gum was also removed from St. Patrick's Street.



COMMUNITY MAINTENANCE GRANTS

A sum of €20,000 was made available to Community and Residents Associations for anti-litter initiatives. This funding helped to improve the appearance of many areas within the city.

WASTE MANAGEMENT

LANDFILL SITE

Increased volumes of waste were accepted at the Landfill Site during 2008 to accelerate its closure by end of July 2009.

LIFETIME LAB

In April 2008 the Lifetime Lab was awarded a Taoiseach's Public Service Excellence Award for its Schools Science Programme. The programme is collaboration between Cork City Council and the Department of Education and Science.

RECOMMENDED MINIMUM CRITERIA FOR ENVIRONMENTAL INSPECTIONS

A review of the Recommended Minimum Criteria for Environmental Inspections (RMCEI) 2007 was carried out in 2008. The purpose of RMCEI is to strengthen compliance with, and contribute to, more consistent implementation and enforcement of Irish and EU environmental law.

ENVIRONMENT STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE

No. of meetings held: 4

ITEMS CONSIDERED:

- Air Quality Report 2007
- Climate Change Strategy
- Lifetime Lab Report 2007
- Various circulars from the Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government.

UISCE & DRAENÁIL SOLÁTHAR UISCE

Féidhmíonn an Stiúrthóireacht Chomhshaoil mór-ionad cóireála uisce atá suite ar Bhóthar na Laoi. Tógтар timpeall 50,000 méadar ciúbaithe d'amhuise ó Abhainn na Laoi gach lá agus déantar é a chóireáil de réir Rialacháin Uisce Óil an AE 2007. Caidéaltar an t-uisce cóirithe chuig taisceumair atá suite go straitéiseach ag Cnoc na Cille, Cnoc an Chuilinn agus An Sean Choill, áit a sníonn sé trí líonra dáilte os cionn 650 ciliméadar de príomhphíobán uisce. Cinntíonn clár monatóireachta leanúnach go bhfuil an t-uisce go léir a sholáthraítear ag teacht leis na Rialacháin Uisce Óil. Léiríonn tuarascálacha caighdeán uisce sna blianta deireanacha go bhfuil an ráta iomlán géilliúntais os cionn an mheáin náisiúnta do chaighdeán micribhitheolaíochta agus ceimiceach. Tá an géilliúntas leis an luach paraiméadrach E.Coli, go háirithe, ar fheabhas. Tá an t-uisce tástáilte do ghéilliúntas le 26 paraiméadrach ceimiceach agus tá sé fós os cionn an mheáin náisiúnta.

CLÁR INFHEISTÍOCHTA NA SEIRBHÍSÍ UISCE

Bunaíodh oifig tionscadail chun tionscadail ar ghnéithe chathair Chorcaí de Chlár Infheistíochta na Seirbhísí Uisce a bhainistiú. Tá príomhphíobán uisce Tivoli á thógáil faoi láthair, le conradh luach €2.5m, atá le bheith críochnaithe i lár 2009. Táthar ag leanúint le hobair chomh maith ar sholáthar ionaid chóireála uisce nua, soláthar chuig limistéar na nDuganna agus roinnt tionscadal eile a bhaineann le soláthar uisce.

BEARTAS PRAGHSÁLA SEIRBHÍSÍ UISCE AN RIALTAIS.

De réir Bheartas Pragsála Seirbhísí Uisce an Rialtais, caithfidh gach údarás áitiúil táille a ghearradh ar úsáideoirí tráchtála le haghaidh na Seirbhísí Uisce agus Fuiolluisce a sholáthraíonn sé. Mar chuid de chreat an bheartais chomh maith, bhí sé ríachtanach go ndéanfaí méadarthomhais ar úsáideoirí tráchtála uile faoi dheireadh 2006. Comhlíonadh an suiteáil mhéadair seo faoin spriocdháta. Anuas air sin, d'éirigh linn córas nua chun méadair a léamh, billí a sholáthar agus bainistíocht a dhéanamh ar shonraí a chur i bhfeidhm. Tá obair ag leanúint ar aghaidh freisin ar ghléas uathoibríoch chun méadair a léamh ar a dtugtar "Síúl Thar" a shuiteáil ar na méadair uile. D'oibrigh an Stiúrthóireacht Chomhshaoil go dlúth leis an Roinn Airgeadais lena chinntiú go raibh ár mbunachar sonraí custaiméirí comhdhlúite agus gur baineadh amach leibhéil ioncaim.

OIBRÍOCHTAÍ DRAMHAÍOLA

Bailiúchán Earraí Toirtiúil

Cuireadh €65,500 ar fáil chun earraí toirtiúla a bhailiú. Rinneadh bailiúcháin ó thithe i gceantair i mBaile Féitheán/An Tóchair, Bhaile an Easpaig agus Chnoc na Coille/Gharrán na mBráthar.

GUMA COGANTA

Bhí Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí páirteach i scéim náisiúnta an Tascfhórsa ar Bhruscar Guma. Bhí sé mar aidhm leis an tascfhórsa na bealaí cearta chun guma coganta a dhiúscairt

a léiriú. Baineadh an guma coganta de Shráid Phádraig Naofa chomh maith.

DEONTAIS CHOTHABHÁLA PHOBAIL

Cuireadh €20,000 ar fáil do Chumann Phobail agus Chónaitheoirí i geomhair tionscnamh in aghaidh an bhruscair. Chuidigh an maoiniú seo le cuma go leor páirteanna den chathair a fheabhsú.

BAINISTIÚ DRAMHAÍOLA

Láitreán Líonta Talún

Bailíodh níos mó dramhaíola sa Láithreán Líonta Talún i rith 2008 chun luas a chur lena dhúnadh ag deireadh mhí Iúil 2009.

SAOTHARLANN SAOIL

I mí Aibreáin 2008 bronnadh Dámhachtain Sármhaitheasa Sheirbhís Phoiblí an Taoisigh ar an Saotharlann Saoil as ucht a Clár Eolaíochta do Scoileanna. Is comhoibriú atá sa chlár idir Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí agus an Roinn Oideachais agus Eolaíochta.

NA HÍOSCHRITÉIR MHOILTA I GCOMHAIR CHIGIREACHTA COMHSHAOIL

Rinneadh athbhreithniú ar na híoschritéir Mholta i gcomhair Chigireachta Comhshaoil (RMCEI) 2007 i 2008. Is i an aidhm atá leis na RMCEI comhlíonadh agus ranníocaíocht le cur i bhfeidhm agus forfheidhmiú dhlí comhshaoil na hÉireann agus an AE a láidriú.

COISTE AN BHEARTAIS STRAITÉISIGH DON CHOMHSHAOIL

An líon cruinnithe a reáchtáladh: 4

NITHE A NDEARNADH BREITHNIÚ ORTHU:

- Tuirisc um Cháilíocht Aeir 2007
- Straitéis ar Athrú Aeráide
- Tuirisc ar an Saotharlann Saoil 2007
- Ciorcaláin éagsúla ón Roinn Comhshaoil, Oidhreacht & Rialtais áitiúil.





HOUSING AND COMMUNITY





TITHÍOCHT AGUS POBAL



HOUSING AND COMMUNITY

THE GATEWAY HOUSE

Cork Homeless Forum identified the need for a 'wet centre' in both the 2001 – 2003 and 2005-2007 Integrated Strategy for Homelessness and in October 2008 the Gateway project became operational. Gateway is a low threshold service and actively seeks out people who, because of addiction or other issues, are currently excluded from homeless and other services and are of risk of becoming street homeless. Recognising the complex needs of the target group, this project has available high levels of support and a multidisciplinary approach and staff work intensively for a defined period of time with a small group of 12 adults, including those who recognise that they have an issue with alcohol and have made some commitment to address it.

RESIDENT PARTICIPATION

The Housing and Community Directorate is strongly committed to supporting resident participation. In meeting this objective, a Resident Participation Officer was appointed in July, 2008. Consultation took place with staff from the local Area Offices and City Hall and with the Elected Members through the Housing & Community SPC to determine the best way forward for the process. A number of meetings with residents took place in the autumn of 2008 with groups of residents in Mayfield and the northwest area of the city. The purpose of these meetings was to support the establishment of residents associations. In 2008 a support pack to advise residents on how to establish a residents associations was also prepared. A draft constitution for residents associations was also prepared.

BARNARDOS "BRIGHTER FUTURES" KNOCKNAHEENY

In 2001, following an assessment of the provision of Childcare Services in Cork City Social Housing areas, Cork City Council made provision for a site on Ardmore Avenue for a service in Knocknaheeny. The Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government agreed funding along with the Department of Justice and Law Reform.

Barnardos were appointed to develop and run this service. "Brighter Futures" became an integral part of the Early Childcare and Learning Neighbourhood Centre as expressed by the Knocknaheeny Master Plan.

The Barnardos belief that all children have a right to be supported to reach their potential will be realised through their High Scope and REDI curricula to ensure that children develop appropriately along with Home School Support and Parent Support programmes.

Currently 33 Children are using the service on a daily basis, while 66 children in total avail of the service in any one week. The goal of the service is to provide a service for 100 children in any one week by September of 2009.

HOUSING & COMMUNITY STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE

No. of meetings held: 4

Items considered:

- Housing Needs Assessment 2008
- Social Housing Allocation 2008
- Cork City Development Plan 2009-2015
- Homelessness – An Integrated Strategy for Cork 2008-2011



TITHÍOCHT AGUS POBAL

TEACH AN GHEATA

D'aithin Fóram na nDaoine gan Dídean go raibh ga le 'hionad fíoch' sa Straitéis Chomhtháite de Dhaoine gan Dídean 2001 – 2003 agus 2005 – 2007 agus i mí Dheireadh Fómhair 2008 thosaigh tionscadal an Gheata ag feidhmiú. Is seirbhís le tairseach íseal é an Geata agus lorgaíonn sé daoine nach féidir leo seirbhísí do dhaoine gan dídean na seirbhísí eile a úsáid, de bharr a n-ndúil nó saincheisteanna eile, agus atá anois i mbaol bheith gan dídean.

Agus riachtanais chasta an ghrúpa seo á n-aithint, tá ardleibhéil tacaíochta ar fáil don tionscadal seo agus tá cur chuige ildisciplíneach aige agus oibríonn an fhoireann go dian ar feadh tréimhe ama ar leith le grúpa beag, dáréag duine fasta, lena n-áirítear iad siúd a aithníonn go bhfuil fadhb acu le halcól agus a bhfuil gealltanais éigin tugtha acu dul i ngleic leis.

RANNPHÁIRTÍOCHT CHÓNAITHEOIRÍ

Tá an Stiúrtóireacht Tithíochta agus Pobail tiomanta do thacaíocht a thabhairt do rannpháirtíocht chónaitheoirí. Chun an cuspóir seo a bhaint amach acu, ceapadh Oifigeach um Rannpháirtíocht Chónaitheoirí i mí Iúil, 2008. Bhí comhairliúcháin le baill foirne ó na hOifigí Limistéir Áitiúil agus i Halla na Cathrach agus le Baill Tofa trí Choiste an Bheartais Straitéisigh Tithíocht & Pobail chun an bealach chun tosaigh is fearr don phróiseas a dheimhniú. Reáchtáladh roinnt cruinnithe le cónaitheoirí i bhfómhair na bliana 2008 le grúpaí cónaitheoirí i mBaile na mBocht agus i gceantar iarthuaiscirt na cathrach. Bhí sé mar aidhm ag na cruinnithe tacaíocht a thabhairt do bhunú na gcuimhne cónaitheoirí. I 2008, réitíodh pacáiste tacaíochta chun comhairle a chuir ar chónaitheoirí maidir le cuimhne cónaitheoirí a bhunú. Réitíodh dréacht-bhunreacht do chumhainn chónaitheoirí chomh maith.

“BRIGHTER FUTURES” BARNARDOS I GCNOC NA HAOINE

In 2001, tar éis measúnú a rinneadh ar sholáthar Seirbhísí Chúram Leanaí i limistéir Thithíochta Sóisialta i gCathair Chorcaí, chuir Comhairle Cathrach suíomh ar fáil ar Ascaill Airde Móire i gcomhair seirbhíse i gCnoc na hAoine. D'aontaigh an Roinn Comhshaoil, Oidhreacht & Rialtais Áitiúil, mar aon leis an Roinn Dlí agus Cirt agus Athchóirithe Dlí maoiniú don seirbhís.

Ceapadh Barnardos chun an tseirbhís a fhorbairt agus a rith. Tá “Brighter Futures” anois mar chuid lármach den Ionad Luathchúraim agus Luathfhoghlama Leanaí Comharsanachta mar a fheictear é i Máistirphlean Chnoc na hAoine.

Bainfear amach prionsabal Barnardos, is é sin, go bhfuil se de cheart ag gach leanbh tacaíocht a fháil chun a chumas a chomhlíonadh trína gciocláin High Scope agus REDI lena chinntiú go bhforbróidh gach leanbh ar bhealach cuí leis na cláir Tacaíocht Bhaile is Scoile agus Tacaíocht do Tuismitheoirí.

Faoi láthair, tá 33 leanbh ag úsáid na seirbhíse ar bhonn laethúil agus tá 66 leanbh ina iomláine a úsáideann an tseirbhís gach seachtain. Is é sprioc na seirbhíse bheith ag soláthar seirbhíse do 100 leanbh in aon seachtain amháin faoi Mheán Fómhair 2009.

COISTE AN BHEARTAIS STRAITÉISIGH TITHÍOCHTA & POBAL

An líon cruinnithe a reáchtáladh: 4

Nithe a ndearnadh breithniú orthu:

- Measúnú ar Riachtanais Tithíochta 2008
- Leithdháileadh Tithíochta Sóisialta 2008
- Plean Forbartha Chathair Chorcaí 2009-2015
- Daoine gan Dídean – Straitéis Chomhtháite do Chorcaigh 2008-2011





INFORMATION SYSTEMS

CÓRAIS
FAISNÉISE

INFORMATION SYSTEMS

In 2008 a major review of the City Council's network infrastructure was completed and the Council went to tender for three major components, which will future proof its ICT network, virtualization of its server farm, a new SAN (storage area network) and a new 'high availability' function which will see 6 of the Council's most critical systems 'mirrored' in an off-site location. Although much of the planning work was completed in 2008, the actual implementation will carry into 2009. On the applications side, the entire salaried and pensioners legacy payroll system was retired and replaced by Core Payroll, a new and modern payroll suite. Significant progress was made in terms of data security with new investments in desktop encryption and an independent audit carried out of our financial systems. Some major foundation stones were put in place in 2008 which will 'future proof' and secure both our network and applications environment going forward over the coming years. More importantly a new IS strategy plan 2009 – 2011 was adopted which addresses the needs of the organization particularly in the new economic climate.

OPERATIONS TEAM

During 2008 there were three new programmes of Technology added to the City Council's Network Infrastructure. These components were:

- **NEW STORAGE AREA NETWORK (SAN)**

This programme will ensure adequate secure and recoverable storage is available for the future needs of the organization. The programme will include implementing storage limits and tariffs and work with Directorates to put in place appropriate archival policies for their priority systems. The new SAN has been purchased and installed

- **VIRTUALISATION OF SERVERS**

Virtualisation is relatively new software technology designed to greatly increase the return of investment from expenditure on hardware, server technology. Servers are the large machines which typically host the larger databases and applications which can be accessed by several users simultaneously. This project is underway and will result in a 25% reduction in the number of servers (57) used by the organization by mid 2009. The resultant savings in annual power consumption and staff management time are significant

- **HIGH AVAILABILITY**

The setting up on an off site facility which provides for the high availability of key priority projects. This program is in its infancy and cabinet and storage space has been reserved in the Cork Internet Exchange (CIX) in Knocknaheeny

ENTERPRISE RESOURCE PLANNING

2008 saw the ERP team support the introduction of Core Pay, an integrated Payroll solution, replacing a legacy system that had served the City Council for over 35 years. This built on the implementation of a Personnel solution and will support the introduction of a Time and Attendance

module, in 2009, all fully integrated. Part of this project was the introduction of a comprehensive business continuity scenario with transaction logs posted to the disaster recovery site every 15 minutes. An employee self service module was also introduced which includes on-line access to payslips, replacing the traditional printed slips.

The property manager module of JD Edwards was introduced for the Rental Accommodation Scheme providing an integrated view of properties, landlords and tenants. This will also be extended during 2009.

Transaction processing enhancements during 2008 included the introduction of Chip and Pin at the Cash Desks, the extension of Direct Debit to over €600k in receipts processed each month and automated bank statement processing significantly reducing the time required to import the statement.

Hardware projects undertaken included iSeries and Document Design Servers which included OS upgrades. Application upgrades included House Loans, ICR and JDE tools release.

WEB SERVICES, GIS AND DATABASE MANAGEMENT

The Database, GIS and Web Team have been involved in many projects throughout the year. On the database side the main objective was the migration to SQL Server 2005 and the consolidation and robustness of our database infrastructure. The team has also supported over fifty applications and rolled out Customer Relationship Management using Microsoft Dynamic CRM in the Roads Directorate. The introduction of an online digitiser allowing the staff to spatially represent data in a shared environment is being rolled out. A major project to implement a computerised Property Interest Register with a spatial frontend also commenced. This system will manage the property interests of the City Council and allow directorates to enquire and report directly from the application. The web team is currently completing the migration of the Council's eighteen websites onto its Content Management System. The Council also implemented a number of new websites in 2008 including www.corkstpatricksfestival.ie and <http://www.corkcity.ie/majorities>. The team intends to complete three other new websites for The English Market, Cork Arts and Cork Sports and a major redevelopment of our main website www.corkcity.ie during 2009

CÓRAIS FAISNÉISE

I 2008 críochnaíodh athbhreithniú mór ar líonra infreastruchtúir na Comhairle Cathrach agus chuir an Chomhairle trí mhór-chomhchuid amach ar conradh, a choinneoidh líonra Teicneolaíochta Faisnéise agus Cumarsáide na Comhairle suas chun dáta, is iad sin, fíorúlú a braisle freastalaithe, líonra limistéar stórála nua (SAN) agus feidhm nua ‘ard-infhaighteachta’ a dhéanfaidh scáthánú ar an sé chóras is criticiúla de chuid na Comhairle ag láthair eile. Cé go ndearnadh go leor den phleanáil i 2008, tarlóidh an forfheidhmiú féin i 2009. Ó thaobh na bhfeidhmeanna de, fuarthas réidh le córas tuarastail agus pinsin ‘legacy’ agus cuireadh ‘Core Payroll’, feidhm nua-aimseartha párolla ina áit. Rinneadh dul chun cinn mór i dtéarmaí slándála eolais, rinneadh infheistíocht nua i gcriptiúchán deisce agus rinneadh iniúchadh neamhspleách ar ár gcórais airgeadais. Leagadh síos roinnt dúshraitheanna móra i 2008 a choinneoidh ár líonra agus ár dtimpeallacht feidhmeanna suas chun dáta agus slán sna blianta atá le teacht. Níos tábhachtaí ná sin, glacadh le plean straitéise nua do Chórais

Faisnéise 2009 – 2011 a thugann aghaidh ar riachtanais na heagraíochta, go háirithe sna cúinsí eacnamaíocha nua.

OIBRÍOCHTAÍ FOIRNE

I rith 2008 cuireadh trí chlár Teicneolaíochta nua le hInfreastruchtúir Líonra na Comhairle Cathrach. Ar na comhchodanna seo bhí:

• LÍONRA LIMISTÉAR STÓRÁLA NUA (SAN)

Cinníodh an clár seo go mbeidh dóthain stórais slán agus in-aighabhála ann do riachtanais na heagraíochta sa todhchaí. Áireofar sa chlár teorainneacha táillí stórála a fhorfheidhmiú agus bheith ag obair le Stiúrthóiríochtaí chun beartais chartlainne chuif a chur ar fáil dá gcórais tosaíochta. Tá an SAN nua ceannaithe agus suiteáilte.

• FÍORÚLÚ FREASTALAITHE

Is teicneolaíocht bogearra réasúnta nua é fíorúlú a dearadh chun tordadh ar infheistíocht ó chaiteachas ar chrua-earraí, teicneolaíocht freastalaithe, a mhéadú go mór. Is innill mhóra iad freastalaithe ina mbíonn bunachair shonraí agus feidhmeanna móra go hiondúil, ar féidir le roinnt úsáideoirí rochtain a fháil orthu ag an am céanna. Tá an tionscadal seo ar siúl agus beidh laghdú 25% (57) i líon na bhfreastalaithe a úsáideann an eagraíocht dá bharr faoi lár 2009. Dá bhror seo sábhálfar go leor ó thaobh ídithe cumhachta agus bhainistithe ama foirne bhliantúil.

• ARD-INFHAIGHTEACHTA

Suiteáil áise ar láthaire eile a sholáthróidh ard-infhaighteacht tionscadail tosaíochta. Níl an clár seo ach ina thús agus tá spás cófra agus stórála curtha in áirithe i Malartán Idirlín Chorcaí (CIX) i gCnoc na hAoine.

PLEANÁIL ACMHAINNE FIONTAIR

I 2008 thug an fhoireann um Pleanáil Acmhainne Fiontair tacaíocht do ‘Core Pay’, feidhm chomhtháite párolla, le teacht in áit chóras ‘legacy’ a bhí in úsáid sa Chomhairle Cathrach le 35 bliain. Chuir sé seo le forfheidhmiú feidhme Pearsanra a thacóidh le modúl Ama agus Freastail a thabhairt isteach i 2009, agus é go léir comhtháite. Bhí tabhairt isteach cáis leanúnachais a ghnó chuimsithigh mar chuid den tionscadal seo i gcuirtear tuairiscí idirbhirt chuig láthair athshlánúcháin tubaiste gach 15 nóiméad. Cuireadh modúl féinseirbhíse ar fáil d’fhostaithe chomh maith ina raibh rochtain ar líne ar dhuillíní pá, in áit na nduillíní pá priontáilte.

Tugadh isteach modúl ar bhainisteora maoine de JD Edwards don Scéim Chóiríochta ar Cíos chun amharc comhtháite a chur ar fáil ar mhaoín, tiarnaí talún agus tionntaí. Déanfar fairsingiú ar seo i rith 2009 chomh maith.

Áiríodh le breisithe próiseáil idirbhearta i rith 2008 ‘Chip and Pin’ ag deasca airgid, an dochar díreach a ardu go dtí os cionn €600k i bhfáltais a próiseáladh gach mí agus próiseáil ráiteas bainc uathoibríoch chun an t-am a thógann sé an ráiteas a iompórtáil a laghdú go suntasach.

Áiríodh sna tionscadal crua earraí a rinneadh iSeries agus Freastalaithe Dearadh Cáipéisí ina raibh uasghráduithe OS. Áiríodh le huasghráduithe feidhmeanna uirlisí House Loans, ICR agus JDE a chur ar fáil.

SEIRBHÍSÍ IDIRLÍN, CÓRAS FAISNÉISE GEOGRAFAÍ (GIS) AGUS BAINISTIÚ BHUNACHAIR SHONRAÍ

Bhí an fhoireann Bhunachair, GIS agus Idirlín páirteach i go leor tionscadal i rith na bliana. Ó thaobh na bhunachair de, ba é an t-athrú chuig Freastalaí SQL 2005 agus comhdhlúthú agus stóinseacht ar n-infreastruchtúir bunachair an príomhchuspóir a bhí acu. Thacaigh an fhoireann chomh maith le os cionn caoga feidhm agus chuir siad Bainistiú an Chaidrimh leis an gCustaiméar ar fáil le Microsoft Dynamic CRM sa Stiúrthóireacht Bóithre. Tá digiteoir ar líne le cur ar fáil don fhoireann chun eolas a chuir in iúl go spásúil i dtimpeallacht roinnte. Cuireadh tús chomh maith le tionscadal mór chun Clár Leas Maoine ar an ríomhaire le tosach spásúil a fhorfheidhmiú. Déanfaidh an córas seo bainistiú ar leasa maoine na Comhairle Cathrach agus ceadóidh sé do stiúrthóiríochtaí fiosruithe a dhéanamh agus tuairiscí díreach leis an bhfeidhm seo. Tá an fhoireann idirlín ag cur críoch le 18 láithreán gréasáin na Comhairle a bhogadh go dtí an Córas Bainistithe Ábhar nua. Chuir an Chomhairle roinnt láithreán gréasáin nua i bhfeidhm i 2008 chomh maith lena n-áirítear www.corkcity.ie/majorcities. Tá sé i gceist ag an bhfoireann trí láithreán gréasáin nua a chríochnú don Mhargadh Sasannach, Ealaíona Chorcaí agus Spóirt Chorcaí agus ár bpríomhláithreán gréasáin www.corkcity.ie a athfhorbairt i rith 2009.



PERSONNEL





PEARSANRA

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TRAVEL TO WORK

In the early part of 2008 the Personnel Department introduced a Travel Pass Scheme. This scheme promotes the use of public transport by Cork City Council employees when travelling to and from work. The City Council provides the employee with an annual bus/rail pass and the employee sacrifices part of his/her salary in lieu of the provision of the pass. The scheme which is revenue neutral from the Council's perspective is tax efficient from employees' view, as their repayments to the Council of the costs incurred, made by way of periodic deduction from wages/salaries, are not subject to deduction of income tax.

Towards the end of 2008, the Personnel Department drafted a Cycle to Work Scheme. In this scheme the City Council provides the employee with a Cycle to Work pack consisting of a bicycle and safety equipment. As with the Travel Pass Scheme the employee sacrifices part of his/her salary in lieu of the provision of the pass. The scheme is again revenue neutral to the Council and employees benefit from the tax breaks available to participants under the terms of the scheme.

The Council, by introducing these schemes, is promoting the use of alternative methods of travel to and from work which provide the following benefits, all of which the Council is committed to support:

- They promote the use of public transport
- They encourage a healthier lifestyle for employees
- They help reduce the number of vehicles on the road network
- They lower emissions that may adversely affect the environment

TRAINING & 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 & Safety training companies, Regional Training Centre, Cork City Council instructors and various other professional bodies.

The following training was organised and delivered in 2008:

- 84 staff received support under the Study Assistance Scheme for pursuit of approved courses of study in their own time, including 10 employees who completed the IPANUI Certificate in Local Government Studies and 10 who completed the IPANUI Diploma in Local Government Studies.
- A series of IPA briefings on Local Government topics
- FAS Safepass training and Manual Handling training was delivered by in-house instructors
- Various CSCS Health & Safety training courses
- Provision of management and technical support to the Regional Training Centre in co-operation with our colleagues from Cork and Kerry County Councils
- Over 200 employees completed Interview or Interviewer Skills training
- 35 employees completed 'Effective Communication Across Language Barriers'
- ECDL exams were held monthly throughout 2008

CORE HR

2008 saw the extension of the CORE HR Project and the new CORE Pay module was introduced and implemented for salaries in 2008. This particular module provides a salaries payroll system fully integrated with the CORE HR Personnel system introduced in 2007. The new system incorporates employee self service permitting staff to access pay details on line and eliminates the issuing of pay cheques or pay statements.

The introduction of the system marks another milestone in the CORE programme which will not be completed until the end of 2010 at which time the Council will have a fully integrated HR IT system involving HR, Pay Time and Attendance and Systems which will integrate fully with the City Council's financial systems



PEARSANRA

TAISTEAL CHUN NA HOIBRE

Go luath i 2008 thug an Rannóg Pearsanra Scéim Pas Taistil isteach. Cuireann an scéim seo úsáid iompair phoiblí chun cinn d'fhostaithe Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí agus iad ag taisteal chun na hoibre agus uaithi. Soláthraíonn an Chomhairle Chathrach pas bus/iarnróid bliantúil don fhostaí agus tugann an fostaí cuid dá thuarastal/tuarastal ar sholáthar an phas. Tá an scéim, atá neodrach ó thaobh cánach don Chomhairle éifeachtúil ó thaobh cánach don fhostaí, de bharr nach bhfuil aisiócáid na gcostas a thabhaítear leis an gComhairle, a ndéantar trí asbhaint thréimhsiúil ó phá/thuarastail, faoi réir asbhaint cháin ioncaim.

I dtreo dheireadh 2008, dhréachtaigh an Rannóg Pearsanra Scéim Rothaíochta chun na hOibre. Sa scéim seo, soláthraíonn an Chomhairle Chathrach pacáiste Rothaíochta chun na hOibre don fhostaí, ina bhfuil rothar agus trealamh sábháilteachta. Mar is amhlaidh leis an Scéim Pas Taistil, tugann an fostaí cuid dá thuarastal/tuarastal ar sholáthar an phas. Tá an scéim seo neodrach ó thaobh cánach don Chomhairle freisin agus baineann fostaíthe leas as na buntáistí cánacha atá ar fáil do rannpháirtithe faoi théarmaí na scéime.

Trí na scéimeanna sin a thabhairt isteach, tá an Chomhairle ag cur malairt roghanna taistil chun na hoibre agus uaithi chun cinn, roghanna a chuireann na buntáistí seo a leanas ar fáil, agus tá an Chomhairle tiomanta tacú le gach ceann díobh:

- Cuireann siad úsáid iompair phoiblí chun cinn
- Spreagann siad stíl mhaireachtála níos sláintiúla d'fhostaithe
- Cabhraíonn siad leis an líon feithiclí ar an líonra bóithre a íoslaghdú
- Íoslaghdaíonn siad astuithe a d'fhéadfadh díobháil a dhéanamh don chomhshaoil

OILIÚINT & FORBAIRT

Tá an Rannóg seo freagrach as ucht soláthar traenála

d'fhostaithe uile agus soláthraíonn sé deiseanna chun tuilleadh forbairt agus cleachtadh a dhéanamh ar eolas agus scileanna, agraíonn an Rannóg cúrsaí speisialtóir, ginearálta agus éigeantach go rialta, éascaithe ag an Institiúid Riaracháin Poiblí, comhlachtaí traenála Sláinte & Sábháilteachta, teagascóirí Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí agus eagrais ghairmiúla éagsúla eile.

Déanadh an oiliúint seo a leanas a eagrú agus a sheachadadh i 2008:

- Fuair 84 ball foirne tacaíocht faoin Scéim Cúnaimh Staidéir chun cúrsaí staidéir ceadaithe a leanúint ina n-am féin, lenár áiríodh 10 fostaí a chríochnaigh an Teastas IPA/NUI i Staidéir Rialtais Áitiúil agus 10 a chríochnaigh an Diplóma IPA/NUI i Staidéir Rialtais Áitiúil.
- Sraith faisnéisithe IPA ar ábhair Rialtais Áitiúil
- Thug teagascóirí in-tí oiliúint sa chúrsa Pas Shábháilte agus Láimhseáil Sábháilte de chuid FÁS
- Cúrsaí oiliúna Sláinte & Sábháilteachta CSCS
- Soláthar tacaíochta bainistíochta agus teicniúla don Ionad Oiliúna Réigiúnach i gcomhar lenár gcomhghleacaithe ó Chomhairle Chontáí Chorcaí agus ó Chomhairle Chontae Chiarraí
- Chríochnaigh os cionn 200 fostaí oiliúint i scileanna Agallaimh nó i scileanna Agallóra
- Chríochnaigh 5 fostaí 'Cumarsáid Éifeachtach thar Theorainneacha Teanga'
- Tionóladh scrúduithe ECDL go míosúil le linn 2008

CORE HR

Leathnaíodh an Tionscadal CORE HR i 2008 agus tugadh an modúl CORE Pay nua isteach agus cuireadh i bhfeidhm é maidir le tuarastail i 2008. Cuireann an modúl sonrach seo córas párolla tuarastal ar fáil atá lánpháirtithe go hiomlán leis an gcóras Pearsanra CORE HR a tugadh isteach i 2007. Cuimsíonn an córas nua féin-seirbhís d'fhostaithe, rud a thugann deis don fhoireann rochtain a dhéanamh ar shonraí pá ar líne agus cuireann sé deireadh le heisiúint seiceanna pá nó ráitis pá. Is ionann tabhairt isteach an chórais agus clochmhíle eile sa chlár CORE, nach mbeidh curtha i gcrích go hiomlán go dtí deireadh 2010 ag tráth ina mbeidh córas IT HR go hiomlán lánpháirtithe ag an gComhairle a chuimseoidh HR, Am Pá agus Tinreamh agus Córais a bheidh lánpháirtithe go hiomlán le córais airgeadais na Comhairle Cathrach.





PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT



PLEANÁIL AGUS FORBAIRT

PLANNING POLICY

CORK CITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN

A draft Cork City Development Plan 2009-2015 was prepared during 2008 and went on public display from August to mid-October 2008. A report on the consultation was prepared following the consultation period for issuing to Council in January 2009. It is envisaged that the new Plan will be adopted by mid-2009. 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 Draft Plan was based on the strategic framework of the CASP update and also incorporated a new landscape strategy for the City and Housing and Retail Strategies prepared jointly with Cork County Council.

A draft Local Area Plan was prepared for Farranferris and work commenced on preparing a Local Plan for the South Parish.

The **Draft Cork City Biodiversity** Plan was completed in October 2008 and a report prepared on the public consultation for Council.

DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT

The recent increase in development activity was maintained in 2008 with a total of 816 planning applications decided for all sectors of the City with grants of permission at 85%. Many of these applications contained proposals of a significant scale with the potential to radically transform the city for years to come.

In the city centre, planning permission was granted for the demolition of the former unsightly government tax offices at Sullivan's Quay and its replacement by a mixed use development. After a lengthy appeal An Bord Pleanála upheld the decision of the local authority to grant permission for a mixed use scheme including a new city library at Grand Parade. Coupled with the recent upgrading of the public realm at Grand Parade these developments will transform this sector of the city.

Key development projects for the city centre were completed or were under construction in 2008 including the Elysian and over 500,000 sq. ft. of new retailing at Cornmarket Street, St. Patrick's Street/Emmett Place and Lavitt's Quay.

Two of the largest ever development proposals in the city were received in 2008 for the South Docklands and decisions on these key-note developments are expected in 2009.

Suburban development continued apace in 2008 with significant commercial redevelopment proposals for Douglas Shopping Centre, Blackpool, Mahon and UCC. Permission was granted for a new hospital at CUH. Significant residential developments were sanctioned on

Douglas Road, Churchyard Lane and on Carrigrohane Road. A controversial residential proposal on a green area at Bishopstown was refused permission.

PLANNING ENFORCEMENT

Development Contributions:

Total Income 2008: € 12.3 m

Key Projects 2008

- Boardwalk, Grand Parade
- St. Luke's Cross Renewal scheme
- Mardyke Walk
- Public Lighting Refurbishment
- Barrack St. Renewal
- Parks/Playgrounds
- Water Rehabilitation
- Car Parking – North City Action Plan

Enforcement Statistics:

To secure compliance with planning controls and prevent unauthorised development, the Enforcement Section took the following action in 2008:

• No. of cases investigated:	200
• No. of Warning Letters issued:	152
• No. of Enforcement Notices served:	53
• No. of prosecutions:	6

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE

Number of meetings held: 6

Items considered:

- Draft Cork City Development Plan 2009-2015
- Draft Farranferris Local Area Plan
- Variations No.7, No.8 & No.9 to the Cork City Development Plan 2004
- Cork City Landscape Study 2008
- Publication: A guide to Protected Structures in Cork City
- Draft Biodiversity Action Plan
- Cork Economic Monitor



POLASÁI PLEANÁLA

PLEAN FORBARTHA CHATHAIR CHORCAÍ

Ullmháíodh dréacht-Phlean Forbarta Chathair Chorcaí 2009-2015 le linn 2008 agus taispeánadh go poiblí é ó Lúnasa go lár mhí Dheireadh Fómhair 2008. Ullmháíodh tuarascáil ar an gcomhairliú tar éis na tréimhse comhairlithe le haghaidh cur faoi bhráid na Comhairle i mí Eanáir 2009. Samhlaitear go nglacfar leis an bPlean nua faoi lár 2009. Cuimseoidh an Plean nua an tréimhse 6 bliain go dtí 2015 agus leagfaidh sé fis agus treoirpholasaí amach d'fhorbairt na cathrach ó thaobh fás fisiciúil agus athnuachan, gníomhaíocht eacnamaíoch, shóisialta agus chultúrtha agus cosaint agus feabhsú comhshaoil. Bunáíodh an dréacht-Phlean ar chreat straitéiseach an nuashonraithe CASP agus áiríodh ann straitéis tirdhreacha nua don Chathair agus Straitéisí Tithíochta agus Miondiola arna n-ullmhú i gcomhar le Comhairle Chontae Chorcaí chomh maith.

Ullmháíodh dréacht-Phlean Ceantair Áitiúil d'Fearann Phiarais agus tosaíodh ag obair ar Phlean Áitiúil don Pháráiste Theas a ullmhú.

Tugadh an Dréacht Phlean Bithéagsúlachta do Chathair Chorcaí i mí Dheireadh Fómhair 2008 agus ullmháíodh tuarascáil faoin gcomhairliú poiblí don Chomhairle.

BAINISTÍOCHT FORBARTHA

Leanadh leis an ardú a tháinig ar ghníomhaíocht forbarta le déanaí i 2008 agus déanadh cinneadh ar líon iomlán de 816 iarratas pleanála maidir le gach earnáil den Chathair le cead á bhronnadh ar 85%. Bhí tograí ar scála suntasach i líon ard de na hiarratais sin a bhfuil an poitéinseal acu athrú ollmhór a dhéanamh ar an gcathair go ceann na blianta fada romhainn.

I lár na cathrach, bronnadh cead pleanála do scartáil na n-iar-oifigí cánach rialtais gránna ag Cé Uí Shúilleabháin agus dá n-athsholáthar le forbairt ilchineálach. Tar éis achomhairle fhada, sheas An Bord Pleanála le cinneadh an údarais áitiúil cead a bhronnadh do scéim ilchineálach lena n-áireofar leabharlann chathrach nua ag Sráid an Chapail Bhuí. Maraon leis an uasghrádú a déanadh le déanaí ar an gcuid poiblí ag Sráid an Chapail Bhuí, déanfaidh na forbairtí sin athrú mór ar an gcuid sin den chathair.

Tugadh príomh-thionscadail fhorbarta do lár na cathrach chun críche i 2008, nó bhí siad á dtógáil, lenar áiríodh an Elysian agus os cionn 500,000 troigh chearnaithe de láthair miondiola nua ag Sráid Mhargadh an Arbhair, Sráid Phádraig Naofa /Plás Emmett agus Cé Lavitt.

Fuarthas dhá cheann de na tograí is mó riamh sa chathair i 2008 do Cheantar na nDuganna Theas agus táthar ag súil le cinní ar na forbairtí lánacha sin i 2009.

Leanadh le forbairt sna bruachbhailtí i 2008 le tograí tráchtála suntasacha ann d'Ionad Siopadóireachta Dúglais, An Linn Dubh, Machain agus UCC. Bronnadh cead d'ospidéal nua ag CUH. Ceadáíodh forbairtí cónaitheacha suntasacha ar Bhóthar Dúglais, Lána na Reilige agus ar Bhóthar Charraig Ruacháin. Diúltáíodh cead do thogra conspóideach ar cheantar glas ag Baile an Easpaig.

FORFHEIDHMIÚ PLEANÁLA

Ranníocaíochtaí Forbarta:

Ioncam Iomlán 2008: € 12.3 m

Príomh-Thionscadail 2008

- Clárchosán, Sráid an Chapail Bhuí
- Scéime Athnuachana St. Luke's Cross
- Siúlán na Muiridige
- Athchóiriú ar Shóisliú Poiblí
- Athnuachan ar Shráid na Beairce
- Páirceanna/Áiteanna Súcarga
- Athshlánúcháin Uisce
- Páirceáil Carranna – Gníomhphlean Thuaisceart na Cathrach

Staitisticí Forfheidhmithe:

Chun comhlíonadh rialuithe pleanála agus dheimhniú agus chun forbairt neamhúdaraith a chosc, rinne an Rannóg Fhorfheidhmithe an méid seo a leanas i 2008:

• Líon na gcásanna a imscrúdáíodh:	200
• Líon na Litreacha Rabhaidh a eisíodh:	152
• Líon na bhFógraí Forfheidhmithe a tugadh:	53
• Líon na n-ionchúiseamh:	6

COISTE POLASÁI STRAITÉISEACH PLEANÁLA & FORBARTHA

Líon na geruinnithe a tionóladh: 6

Rudaí ar breathnaíodh orthu:

- Dréacht Plean Forbarta Chathair Chorcaí 2009-2015
- Dréacht Plean Ceantair Áitiúil Fhearann Phiarais
- Éagsúlachtaí Uimh.7, Uimh.8 & Uimh.9 ar Phlean Forbarta Chathair Chorcaí 2004
- Staidéar Tirdhreacha Chathair Chorcaí 2008
- Foilseachán: Treoir ar Struchtúir Chosanta i gCathair Chorcaí
- Dréacht-Gníomhphlean Bithéagsúlachta
- Monatóir Eacnamaíoch Chorcaí



RECREATION, AMENITY AND CULTURE





AINEÁS, CONLÁISTE AGUS CULTÚR



PARKS AND RECREATION PROJECTS 2008.

Cork City Council completed works on two pavilions at Murphys Farm, Bishopstown - one to serve the four grass pitches and the other to serve the Pitch and Putt course. A number of additional Multi User Games Areas were installed in various parks throughout the city - at St. Michael's Close, Mahon; at Tory Top Park, Ballyphehane and at Meelick Park, Ballyvolane. Work was completed on reconstruction of St. Joseph's Community Centre, Mayfield at a cost of € 850k. Work progressed on development of a new park at the Military Cemetery, Assumption Road, on the Banks of the Lee Walkway at Victoria Cross and on construction of a new concrete skate park at the Mardyke.

CULTURE NIGHT 2008

On the 19th September 2008 the theatres, galleries, observatories, public laboratories, studios, gaols, historic houses and museums of Cork city opened late and for free and presented a special range of programmes for one night only in celebration of the inaugural Cork Culture Night. Cork's cultural organisations all welcomed and supported the event and their staff welcomed in excess of 20,000 individual visits over the course of one evening. Culture Night was a national event in 2009 with Dublin, Cork, Limerick and Galway opening their venues on the same night. The event was organised by the Arts Office of Cork City Council and made possible by the support of our partners in the Department of Arts, Sports and Tourism, Temple Bar Cultural Trust, the Evening Echo, 96 FM and Bus Eireann. We look forward to Culture Night 2009 on Friday night 25th September.

A CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION ON THE GRAND PARADE

The magic of Christmas was celebrated on Cork's Grand Parade with a unique free Christmas event presented by Cork City Council. Running every weekend in December, A Christmas Celebration on the Grand Parade saw Bishop Lucey Park being magically lit and the Grand Parade transformed into a wonderful haven of locally produced food and craft stalls. Franc (Peter Kelly) from Weddings by Franc used his magic on Bishop Lucey Park to create the "Park of Dreams", an illuminated interactive nature winter wonderland. Visitors to the park were greeted by much loved Disney Characters, Peter Pan and Tinkerbell, and children posted their letters to Santa in special magical mail boxes. It is estimated that the event attracted audiences in excess of 50,000 over the course of the three weekends in question.



RECREATION, AMENITY & CULTURE STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE

No. of meetings held: 3

Items considered:

- Draft Bye Laws for Parks and Open Spaces
- Report on the Library Service - North Central Ward
- Draft City Development Plan in relation to Arts and Recreation



TIONSCADAIL PHÁIRCEANNA AGUS ÁINEASA 2008.

Chuir Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí oibreacha i gcrích ar dhá phailliún ag Feirm Uí Mhurchú, Baile an Easpaig – ceann amháin chun freastal ar na ceithre pháirc féir agus an ceann eile chun freastal ar an gcúrsa gailf agus amas. Cuireadh roinnt Ceantair Ilúsáideora Cluichí breise isteach i bpáirceanna éagsúla ar fud na cathrach – ag Clós Mhicil, Machain; ag Páirc Bhóthar na mBuaircíní, Baile Féitheán agus ag Páirc Mhíleac, Bhaile an Bholáin. Críochnaíodh an obair ar atógáil Ionad Pobail Iósaif, Baile na mBocht, ar chostas € 850k. Déanadh dul chun cinn ar obair ar fhorbairt pháirc nua ag an Reilg Mhíleata, Bóthar na Deastógála, ar Bhruach Shiúlan na Lithe ag Crois Victoria agus ar thógáil pháirc scátála choincréite ag an Mhuirdiog.

AN OÍCHE CHULTÚRTHA 2008

An 19 Meán Fómhair 2008 bhí amharclanna, dánlanna, réadlanna, saotharlanna poiblí, stiúideonna, príosúin, tithe stairiúla agus músaeim Chathair Chorcaí oscailte go deireanach agus saor in aisce agus chuir siad raon clár speisialta i láthair ar feadh oíche amháin chun an chéad Oíche Chultúrtha Chorcaí a cheiliúradh. D'fháiltigh eagraíochtaí cultúrtha Chorcaí roimh an imeacht agus thug siad tacaíocht di, agus chuir a gcuid foirne fáilte roimh bhreis agus 20,000 cuairt ar leithligh i gceitheamh na hoíche amháin sin. Bhí an Oíche Chultúrtha mar imeacht náisiúnta i 2009 agus d'oscail Baile Átha Cliath, Corcaigh, Luimneach agus Gaillimh a gcuid láithreán an oíche chéanna. Oifig Ealaíon Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí a d'eagraigh an imeacht agus cuireadh ar bun í trí thacaíocht ónár gcomhpháirtithe sa Roinn Ealaíon, Spóirt agus Turasóireachta, Iontaobhas Cultúir Bharra an Teampaill, an Evening Echo, 96 FM agus Bus Éireann. Táimid ag súil le Oíche Chultúrtha 2009 oíche Dé hAoine, 25 Meán Fómhair.

CEILIÚRADH NA NOLLAG AR SRÁID AN CHAPAILL BHUÍ

Ceiliúradh draíocht na Nollag ar Shráid an Chapaill Bhuí, Corcaigh, le himeacht Nollag speisialta saor in aisce a chuir Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí i láthair. Tionóladh Ceiliúradh na Nollag ar Shráid an Chapaill Bhuí gach deireadh seachtaine i rith mí na Nollag, inar lasadh soilse draíochta ar Sráid an Chapaill Bhuí agus aistríodh í ina margadh de bhia agus ceardaíocht áitiúil. D'úsáid Franc (Peter Kelly) ó Weddings by Franc a chuid scileanna iontacha i bPáirc an Easpaig Lucey chun "Páirc na mBrionglóid", draíochtpháirc gheimhridh idirghníomhach soilsithe, a chruthú. Ba iad na carachtair Disney Peter Pan agus Tinkerbell, a bhfuil cion mór orthu, a chuir fáilte roimh chuairteoirí chun na páirce, agus sheol na leanaí a litreacha chuig Daidí na Nollag i mboscaí poist draíochta speisialta. Meastar gur mheall an imeacht sluaite os cionn 50,000 i gceitheamh na dtrí deiridh seachtaine a bhí i gceist.

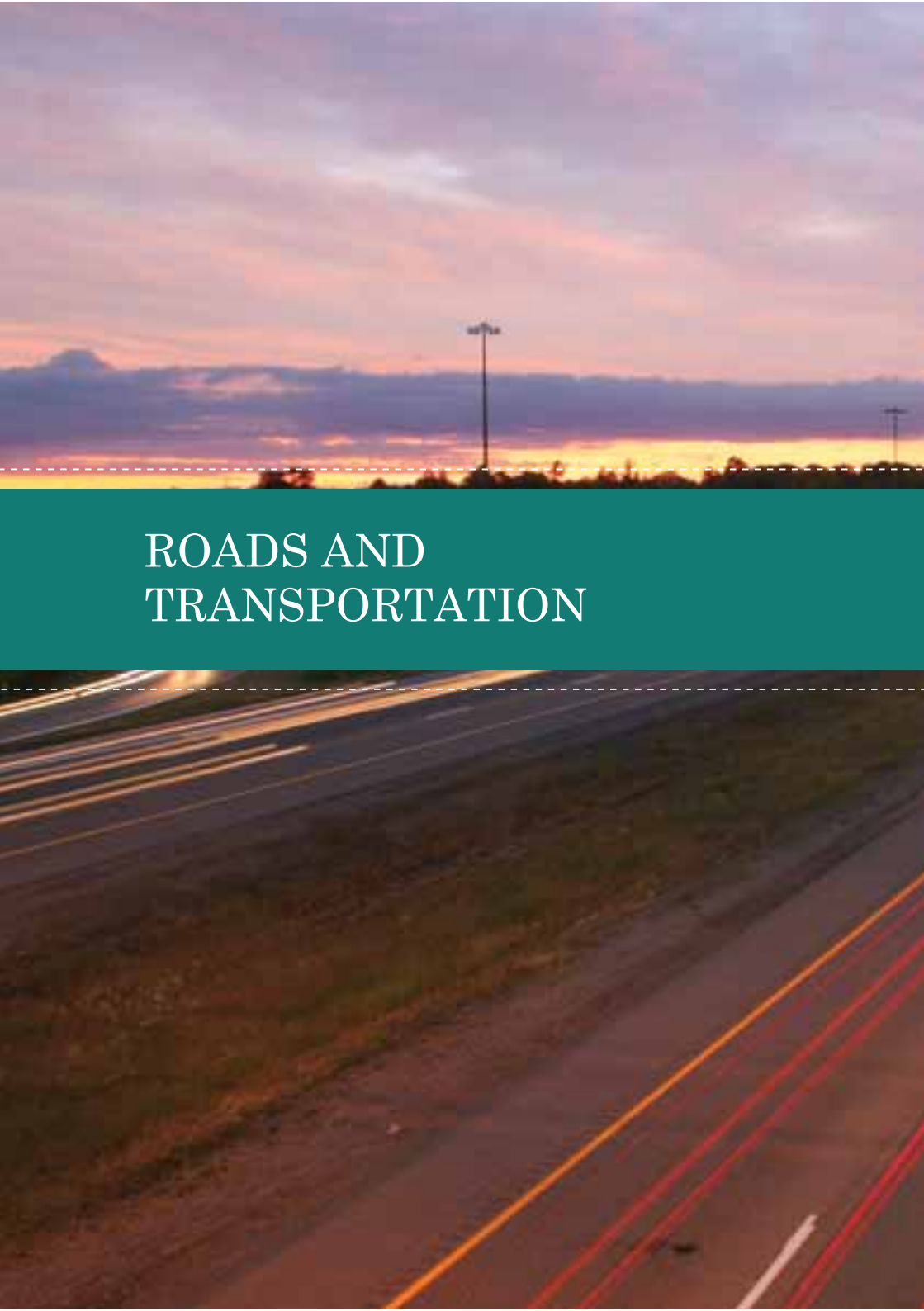
COISTE POLASAÍ STRAITÉISEACH ÁINEASA, CONLÁISTE & CULTÚIR

Líon na gCruinnithe a tionóladh: 3

Rudaí ar breathnaíodh orthu:

- Dréacht-Fhodhlíthe do Pháirceanna agus Spásanna Oscailte
- Tuarascáil ar an tSeirbhís Leabharlainne – Barda Thuaisceart Láir
- Dréachtphean Forbartha Cathrach ó thaobh na nEalaíon agus Áineasa





ROADS AND TRANSPORTATION



BÓITHRE AGUS IOMPAR

ROADS AND TRANSPORTATION

GoCar Car Sharing Club

The GoCar car sharing club was set up in the city with three dedicated parking areas established. A car sharing club provides its members with quick and easy access to a car without the need to own one. A car sharing club makes a positive contribution to the environment because it reduces parking pressure, cuts out unnecessary car journeys and helps to combat pollution and congestion.

DOCKLANDS DEVELOPMENT

The Roads Design Section continued to manage the Docklands Transportation Infrastructure including the Eastern Gateway Bridge, the Water Street Bridge and associated road networks. All preliminary designs are now complete and the associated CPO and Environmental Impact Statements were published in May 2008. Approval from An Bord Pleanála has been sought and the associated Oral Hearing commenced in December 2008.

ROADS & TRANSPORTATION CALL CENTRE

The Roads & Transportation Directorate established a Call Centre to accept complaints in relation to all roads and traffic infrastructure including public lighting. The new Customer Relationship Management System was introduced to ensure customer service requests are dealt with in a robust, transparent and accountable fashion. The Call Centre can be contacted directly on 492 4758 or 492 4189 to report faults or complaints which will be relayed automatically to the appropriate person with backup designated staff also being notified. It is envisaged that a web-based link to the Call Centre or Customer Service Request system will be established to allow access by members of the public to log faults or complaints directly in relation to roads, traffic signal and public lighting complaints.

ROADS & TRANSPORTATION STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE

No. of meetings held in 2008:

6

Items considered:

- Development of Mobility Management Centre
- Review of Cork City Council's Parking Policy
- Consideration of the Draft City Development Plan 2009–2015
- Investigate introduction of night-time taxi stands



BÓITHRE AGUS IOMPAR

Club Roinnte Carranna GoCar

Bunaíodh an club roinnte carranna GoCar sa chathair agus socraíodh trí áit pháirceála tiomnaithe. Tugann club roinnte carranna rochtain tapa agus éasca ar charr dá bhaill, fiú mura bhfuil carr acu féin. Cuireann club roinnte carranna go deirfach leis an gcomhshaol mar laghdaíonn sé an brú ar pháirceáil, gearrann sé siar ar aistir sa chairr nach bhfuil gá leo agus cabhraíonn sé le dul i ngleic le truailliú agus róphlódú.

FORBAIRT CHEANTAR NA NDUGANNA

Lean an Rannóg Deartha Bóithre ar aghaidh ag bainistiú Infrastruchtúr Iompair na nDuganna, lenar áiríodh Droichead an Gheata Thoir, Droichead Shráid an Uisce agus na líonraí bóithre a bhaineann leo. Tá na réamh-dearaí go léir críochnaithe anois agus fóilsíodh na Ráitis faoin Thionchar ar an gComhshaol agus CPO a bhaineann leo i mí Bealtaine 2008. Iarradh cead ón mBord Pleanála agus cuireadh tús leis an Éisteach ó Bhéal a bhaineann leis sin i mí na Nollag 2008.

IONAD GLAONNA NA MBÓITHRE & IOMPAIR

Bhunaigh Stiúrthóireacht na mBóithre & Iompair Ionad Glaonna chun glacadh le gearáin maidir leis an infrastruchtúr go léir do bhóithre agus iompar, lena n-áirítear soilsiú poiblí. Tugadh an Córas Bainistíochta Caidrimh le Custaiméirí nua isteach lena chinntiú go ndéileálar le hiarratais seirbhíse ó chustaiméirí ar bhealach láidir, trédhearcach agus freagrach. Is féidir teagmháil dhíreach a dhéanamh leis an Ionad Glaonna ar 492 4758 nó ar 492 4189 chun lochtanna nó gearáin a chur in iúl. Cuirfear ar aghaidh iad go huathoibríoch go dtí an duine iomchuí agus cuirfear foireann chultaca ar an eolas freisin. Samhlaítear go mbunófar nasc gréasán-bhunaithe go dtí an Ionad Glaonna nó go dtí an Córas Iarratais Seirbhíse do Chustaiméirí le cead a thabhairt don phobal lochtanna nó gearáin a logáil go díreach, maidir le gearáin faoi bhóithre, comharthaí tráchta agus soilsiú poiblí.

COISTE POLASAÍ STRAITÉISEACH BÓITHRE & IOMPAIR

Líon na geruinnithe a tionóladh i 2008:

6

Rudaí ar breathnaíodh orthu:

- Forbairt an Ionaid Bainistíochta Soghluaiseachta
- Athbheithniú ar Pholasaí Páirceála Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí
- Breathnú ar an Dréacht-Phlean Forbartha Cathrach 2009 – 2015
- Imscrúdú a dhéanamh ar thabhairt isteach seastáin tacsai oíche



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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDED

31ST DECEMBER 2008

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 DIVISION

	Notes	Gross Expenditure 2008 €	Income 2008 €	Net Expenditure 2008 €	Net Expenditure 2007 €
Housing & Building		39,686,023	31,649,225	8,036,798	2,147,121
Roads Transportation & Safety		31,367,987	19,713,934	11,654,053	9,813,803
Water Services		23,060,385	10,075,406	12,984,979	12,071,875
Development Management		9,008,073	2,757,772	6,250,301	4,831,238
Environmental Services		39,532,630	15,950,354	23,582,276	22,796,972
Recreation & Amenity		23,791,878	2,915,481	20,876,397	17,848,721
Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare		14,837,344	14,585,149	252,195	1,558,922
Miscellaneous Services		5,953,396	2,334,966	3,618,430	5,765,398
Total Expenditure/Income	16	187,237,716	99,982,287		
Net cost of Divisions to be funded from Rates & Local Government Fund				87,255,429	76,780,050
Rates				59,613,446	57,495,613
Local Government Fund - General Purpose Grant				29,540,759	27,959,680
Surplus/(Deficit) for Year before Transfers	17			1,898,776	8,675,243
Transfers from/(to) Reserves	15			(1,855,280)	(8,271,181)
Overall Surplus/(Deficit) for Year				43,496	404,062
General Reserve @ 1st January 2008				207,921	(196,141)
General Reserve @ 31st December 2008				251,417	207,921

RÁITEAS AR AN gCUNTAS IONCAIM & CAITEACHAIS DON BHLIAIN DAR CHRÍOCH 31 NOLLAIG 2008

Tugann an Ráiteas faoi Chuntas Ioncaim agus Caiteachais an t-ioncam go léir atá bainteach le hioncam agus caiteachas le chéile. Taispeánann sé an farasbarr/(easnamh) don bhliain.

CAITEACHAS DE RÉIR RANNÁIN

	Nótaí	Caiteachas Comhlán 2008 €	Ioncam 2008 €	Caiteachas Glan 2008 €	Caiteachas Glan 2007 €
Tithíocht & Tógáil		39,686,023	31,649,225	8,036,798	2,147,121
Bóithre, Iompar & Sábháilteacht		31,367,987	19,713,934	11,654,053	9,813,803
Seirbhísí Uisce		23,060,385	10,075,406	12,984,979	12,071,875
Bainistíocht Forbartha		9,008,073	2,757,772	6,250,301	4,831,238
Seirbhísí Comhshaoil		39,532,630	15,950,354	23,582,276	22,796,972
Áineas & Conláiste		23,791,878	2,915,481	20,876,397	17,848,721
Talmhaíocht, Oideachas, Sláinte & Leas		14,837,344	14,585,149	252,195	1,558,922
Seirbhísí Ilghnéitheacha		5,953,396	2,334,966	3,618,430	5,765,398
Caiteachas/Ioncam Iomlán	16	187,237,716	99,982,287		
Glan-chostas na Rannán le bheith maoinithe ó Rátaí & Ciste an Rialtais Áitiúil				87,255,429	76,780,050
Rátaí				59,613,446	57,495,613
Ciste an Rialtais Áitiúil – Deontas um Chuspóir Ginearálta				29,540,759	27,959,680
Farasbarr/(Easnamh) don Bhliain roimh Tharchuir	17			1,898,776	8,675,243
Tarchuir ó/(go) Cúlchistí	15			(1,855,280)	(8,271,181)
Farasbarr/(Easnamh) don Bhliain				43,496	404,062
Cúlchiste Ginearálta @ 1 Eanáir 2008				207,921	(196,141)
Cúlchiste Ginearálta @ 31 Nollaig 2008				251,417	207,921

BALANCE SHEET AT 31ST DECEMBER 2008

FIXED ASSETS	Notes 1	2008 €	2007 €	
Operational		1,744,782,684	1,600,973,107	
Infrastructural		1,274,920,670	1,282,808,547	
Community		96,594,208	96,799,382	
Non-Operational		11,377,730	11,377,727	
		3,127,675,292	2,991,958,763	
Work in Progress and Preliminary Expenses	2	260,032,033	275,890,453	
Long Term Debtors	3	71,729,331	58,686,225	
CURRENT ASSETS				
Stocks	4	166,645	219,058	
Trade Debtors & Prepayments	5	83,188,949	83,005,846	
Bank Investments		44,555,317	26,341,480	
Cash at Bank		-	-	
Cash on Hand		19,536	19,526	
Urban Account	7	-	-	
		127,930,447	109,585,910	
CURRENT LIABILITIES (AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR)				
Bank Overdraft		816,944	9,741,119	
Creditors & Accruals	6	40,252,669	23,248,970	
Urban Account	7	-	-	
Finance Leases		120,222	229,430	
		41,189,835	33,219,519	
Net Current Assets / (Liabilities)		86,740,612	76,366,391	
CREDITORS (AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR)				
Loans Payable	8	196,404,006	153,654,646	
Finance Leases		207,809	601,104	
Refundable deposits	9	378,498	4,218,280	
Other		-	-	
		196,990,313	158,474,030	
NET ASSETS		3,349,186,955	3,244,427,802	
Financed by				
Capitalisation Account	10	3,127,675,292	2,991,958,763	
Income WIP	2	240,291,991	249,206,714	
Specific Revenue Reserve		167,370	167,367	
General Revenue Reserve		251,417	207,921	
Other Balances	11	(19,199,115)	2,887,037	
TOTAL RESERVES		3,349,186,955	3,244,427,802	

CLÁR COMHARDAITHE

AG 31 NOLLAIG 2008

SÓCMHAINNÍ SEASTA	Nótaí 1	2008 €	2007 €
Feidhmiúil		1,744,782,684	1,600,973,107
Bonneagrach		1,274,920,670	1,282,808,547
Pobal		96,594,208	96,799,382
Neamhfheidhmiúil		11,377,730	11,377,727
		3,127,675,292	2,991,958,763
Obair atá ar Siúl agus Réamhchostais	2	260,032,033	275,890,453
Fiachóirí Fadtéarma	3	71,729,331	58,686,225
SÓCMHAINNÍ REATHA			
Stoic	4	166,645	219,058
Féichóirí Trádála & Réamhíocaíochtaí	5	83,188,949	83,005,846
Infheisteoirí Baine		44,555,317	26,341,480
Airgead Tirim sa Bhanc		-	-
Airgead ar Lámh		19,536	19,526
Cuntas Uirbeach	7	-	-
		127,930,447	109,585,910
DLITEANAIS REATHA (MÉIDEANNA DLITE LAISTIGH DE BHLIAIN AMHÁIN)			
Rótharraingt Bhainc	6	816,944	9,741,119
Creidiúnaithe & Fabhráithe	7	40,252,669	23,248,970
Cuntas Uirbeach		-	-
Léasanna Airgid		120,222	229,430
		41,189,835	33,219,519
Glan Sócmhainní Reatha / (Dliteanais)		86,740,612	76,366,391
CREIDIÚNAITHE (MÉIDEANNA DLITE I NDIAIDH NÍOS MÓ NÁ BLIAIN AMHÁIN)			
Iasachtaí Iníoctha	8	196,404,006	153,654,646
Léasanna Airgeadais		207,809	601,104
Taiscí Inaisíoctha	9	378,498	4,218,280
Eile		-	-
		196,990,313	158,474,030
GLAN SÓCMHAINNÍ		3,349,186,955	3,244,427,802
Maoinithe ag			
Cuntas Caipitlithe	10	3,127,675,292	2,991,958,763
Ioncam WIP	2	240,291,991	249,206,714
Cúlchiste Ioncaim Shaithe		167,370	167,367
Cúlchiste Ioncaim Ghinearálta		251,417	207,921
Comharduithe Eile	11	(19,199,115)	2,887,037
CÚLCHISTÍ IOMLÁNA		3,349,186,955	3,244,427,802



SERVICE INDICATORS

TÁSCAIRÍ
SEIRBHÍSE

NATIONAL SERVICE INDICATORS

JANUARY TO DECEMBER 2008

FIRE SERVICE

F1: FIRE SERVICE MOBILISATION

A.	Average time taken in minutes to mobilise fire brigades in Full-time Stations in respect of fire	1.75	Time taken is 1 min 45 seconds
B.	Average time taken, in minutes, to mobilise fire brigades in Part-time stations (retained fire service) in respect of fire	0	Not applicable to Cork City Council
C.	Average time taken in minutes to mobilise fire brigades in Full Time stations in respect of all other emergency incidents	1.83	Time taken is 1 min 50 seconds
D.	Average time taken, in minutes to mobilise fire brigades in Part Time Stations (retained fire service) in respect of all other emergency incidents	0	Not applicable to Cork City Council

F.2: PERCENTAGE OF ATTENDANCES AT SCENES WHERE:

A.	Percentage of cases in respect of fire in which first attendance is at the scene within 10 minutes	91.26
B.	Percentage of cases in respect of fire in which first attendance is at the scene after 10 minutes but within 20 minutes	7.90
C.	Percentage of cases in respect of fire in which first attendance is at the scene after 20 minutes	0.84
D.	Percentage of cases in respect of all other emergency incidents in which first attendance is at the scene within 10 minutes	86.34
E.	Percentage of cases in respect of all other emergency incidents in which first attendance is at the scene after 10 minutes but within 20 minutes	12.94
F.	Percentage of cases in respect of all other emergency incidents in which first attendance is at the scene after 20 minutes	0.73

F.3 FIRE PREVENTION

Fire Certificates	Number
Total number of fire safety certificate applications received	164
Total number of fire safety certificate applications processed (including cases deemed invalid)	189 (This includes applications received in late 2007 but processed in 2008)
Total number of applications deemed invalid	0

TÁSCAIRÍ SEIRBHÍSE

NÁISIÚNTA

EANÁIR GO FEABHRA 2008

SEIRBHÍS DÓITEÁIN

F1: SLÓGADH NA SEIRBHÍSE DÓITEÁIN

A.	Meánmhéid ama, i nóiméid, chun briogáid dóiteáin a shlógadh i Stáisiúin Lán-Aimseartha i ndáil le tine	1.75	Am tógtha ná 1 nóim 45 soic.
B.	Meánmhéid ama, i nóiméid, chun briogáid dóiteáin a shlógadh i Stáisiúin Pháirt-Aimseartha (seirbhís dóiteáin coimeádta) i ndáil le tine	0	Ní bhaineann le Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí
C.	Meánmhéid ama, i nóiméid, chun briogáid dóiteáin a shlógadh i Stáisiúin Lán-Aimseartha i ndáil le gach eachtra eigeandála eile	1.83	Am tógtha ná 1 nóim 50 soic.
D.	Meánmhéid ama, i nóiméid, chun briogáid dóiteáin a shlógadh i Stáisiúin Pháirt-Aimseartha (seirbhís dóiteáin coimeádta) i ndáil le gach eachtra eigeandála eile	0	Ní bhaineann le Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí

F.2: CÉATADÁN NA DTINREAMH AR LÁITHREÁIN INA BHFUIL:

A.	Céatadán na gcásanna i ndáil le tine ina bhfuil an chéad tinreamh ar an láithreán laistigh de 10 nóiméad	91.26
B.	Céatadán na gcásanna i ndáil le tine ina bhfuil an chéad tinreamh ar an láithreán i ndiaidh 10 nóiméad ach laistigh de 20 nóiméad	7.90
C.	Céatadán na gcásanna i ndáil le tine ina bhfuil an chéad tinreamh ar an láithreán i ndiaidh 20 nóiméad	0.84
D.	Céatadán na gcásanna i ndáil le gach eachtra eigeandála eile ina bhfuil an chéad tinreamh ar an láithreán laistigh de 10 nóiméad	86.34
E.	Céatadán na gcásanna i ndáil le gach eachtra eigeandála eile ina bhfuil an chéad tinreamh ar an láithreán i ndiaidh 10 nóiméad ach laistigh de 20 nóiméad	12.94
F.	Céatadán na gcásanna i ndáil le gach eachtra eigeandála eile ina bhfuil an chéad tinreamh ar an láithreán i ndiaidh 20 nóiméad	0.73

F.3 COSC DÓITEÁIN

Teastais Sábháilteachta	Uimhir
Líon iomlán na n-iarratas ar theastais sábháilteachta dóiteáin a fuarthas	164
Líon iomlán na n-iarratas ar theastais sábháilteachta dóiteáin a próiseáladh (lena n-áirítear cásanna a measadh a bheith neamhbhailí)	189 (Áirítear air sin an líon iarratas a fuarthas go deireanach i 2007 ach a próiseáladh i 2008)
Líon iomlán na n-iarratas a measadh a bheith neamhbhailí	0

CP: COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION**CP.1 PARTICIPATION IN LOCAL YOUTH COUNCIL/COMHAIRLE NA N-OG SCHEME**

Percentage of local schools and youth groups involved in the local Youth Council/Comhairle na n-Og scheme	36.73

CP2:GROUPS REGISTERED WITH THE COMMUNITY AND VOLUNTARY FORUM

Number of groups registered with the Community & Voluntary Forum	205

C: CORPORATE ISSUES**C.1 WORKING DAYS LOST TO SICKNESS**

A. Percentage of working days lost to sickness through certified leave	4.16
B. Percentage of working days lost to sickness absence through uncertified leave	1.16

C.2 STAFF TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT

Expenditure on Training and Development as a percentage of total payroll costs	4.47

E: ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**WATER****E.1 UNACCOUNTED FOR WATER**

Unaccounted for water as a percentage of total volume of water supplied under the water supply schemes that the local authority is responsible for	52.93*

Footnote: It is noted that the City student population may not be adequately reflected in the CSO population figures recorded and as such the domestic consumption may be underestimated and UFW correspondingly overestimated. The Council has assessed its water supply network replacement/rehabilitation needs at €110m. The first phase of this rehabilitation work is included in the 2007-09 Water Investment Programme at an estimated cost of €13m. The council also has an active leak detection and repair programme which has resulted in ongoing reductions in the average daily water production figures – from 70,776 cum in 2006 m3 to 68,656 m3 in 2007 to 67,269m3 in 2008.

E.2 DRINKING WATER ANALYSIS

A. Percentage of drinking water analysis results in compliance with statutory requirements with regard to public schemes	Information will be forwarded by the EPA directly to the LGCSB for onward transmission to local authorities and the LGMSB
B. Percentage of drinking water analysis results in compliance with statutory requirements with regard to private schemes	Information will be forwarded by the EPA directly to the LGCSB for onward transmission to local authorities and the LGMSB

WASTE MANAGEMENT**E.3 WASTE SEGREGATION**

A. Percentage of households who receive a waste collection service and are provided with segregated waste collection for dry recyclables	100
B. Percentage of households who receive a waste collection service and are provided with segregated waste collection for organics	0

E.4 HOUSING WASTE SENT FOR RECYCLING:

A. Percentage of household waste collected from kerbside, which is sent for recycling	24.60
B. Tonnage of household waste collected from kerbside, which is sent for recycling	8698
C. Tonnage of household waste recycled, which arises from waste collected from recycling facilities (i.e. bring banks, civic amenity centres, transfer stations and other recycling facilities)	3879

CP: RANNPHÁIRTÍOCHT PHOBAIL

CP.1 RANNPHÁIRTÍOCHT I SCÉIM CHOMHAIRLE NA N-ÓG

Céatadán na scoileanna áitiúla agus na ngrúpaí óige a bhí páirteach i scéim Chomhairle na n-Óg 36.73

CP2: GRÚPAÍ CLÁRAITHE LEIS AN BHFÓRAM POBAIL AGUS DEONACH

Líon na ngrúpaí cláraithe leis an bhFóram Pobail agus Deonach 205

C: SAINCHEISTEANNA CORPARÁIDEACHA

C.1 LAETHANTA OIBRE CAILLTE DE BHARR BREOITEACHTA

A. Céatadán na laethanta oibre cailtte de bharr breoiteachta trí shaoire dheimhnithe 4.16

B. Céatadán na laethanta oibre cailtte de bharr breoiteachta trí shaoire neamhdheimhnithe 1.16

C.2 TRAENÁIL & FORBAIRT FOIRNE

Caiteachas ar Thraenáil agus Forbairt mar chéatadán de na costais párolla iomlána 4.47

E: SEIRBHÍSÍ COMHSHAOI

UISCE

E.1 UISCE NACH BHFUIL CUNTAS INA LEITH

Uisce nach bhfuil cuntas ina leith mar chéatadán den mhéid iomlán uisce arna sholáthar trí na scéimeanna soláthair uisce a bhfuil freagracht ag an údarás áitiúil astu 52.93*

Fonóta: Tugtar ar aird go mb'fhéidir nach bhfuil pobal mac léinn na Cathrach léirithe go leordhóthanach i bhfigiúirí daonra taifeadta an CSO agus mar sin d'fhéadfadh sé go bhfuil an tomhaltas baile ganmheasta agus an UFW rómheasta ar an tslí chéanna. Tá riachtanais athsholáthair/athshlánúcháin líonra uisce na Comhairle measta aici ag €110m. Tá an chéad chéim den obair athshlánúcháin sin san áireamh sa Chlár Infheistíochta Uisce 2007-09 ag costas measta de €13m. Tá clár gníomhach braite agus deisithe sceite ag an gComhairle freisin agus tá laghdú leanúnach le feiceáil ar na figiúirí táirgthe uisce laethúla ó shin – ó 70,776 cum i 2006 m3 go dtí 68,656 m3 i 2007 go dtí 67,269 m3 i 2008.

E.2 ANAILÍS AR UISCE ÓIL

A. Céatadán de thorthaí anailíse ar uisce óil i gcomhlíonadh le riachtanais reachtúla maidir le scéimeanna poiblí	Cuirfidh an EPA faisnéis ar aghaidh chuig an LGCSB go díreach lena chur faoi bhráid údarás áitiúil agus an LGMSB
B. Céatadán de thorthaí anailíse ar uisce óil i gcomhlíonadh le riachtanais reachtúla maidir le scéimeanna príobháideacha	Cuirfidh an EPA faisnéis ar aghaidh chuig an LGCSB go díreach lena chur faoi bhráid údarás áitiúil agus an LGMSB

BAINISTIÚ DRAMHAÍOLA

E.3 SCARÚINT DRAMHAÍOLA

A. Céatadán na dteaghlach a fhaigheann seirbhís bailithe dramhaíola agus a gcuirtear bailiú dramhaíola scartha do nithe inathchúrsáilte tirime ar fáil dóibh	100
B. Céatadán na dteaghlach a fhaigheann seirbhís bailithe dramhaíola agus a gcuirtear bailiú dramhaíola scartha do nithe orgánacha ar fáil dóibh	0

E.4 DRAMHAÍL TEAGHLAIGH A CHUIRTEAR CHUN ATHCHÚRSÁLA:

A. Céatadán na dramhaíola teaghlaigh bailithe ó cholbha an bhóthair agus curtha chun athchúrsála	24.60
B. Tonnáiste dramhaíola teaghlaigh bailithe ó cholbha an bhóthair agus curtha chun athchúrsála	8698
C. Tonnáiste dramhaíola teaghlaigh athchúrsáilte, a eascraíonn ó dhramhaíl bailithe ó shaoráidí athchúrsála (i.e. bainc thabhartha, ionaid chonláiste chathartha, stáisiúin aistrithe agus áiseanna athchúrsála eile)	3879

E.5 HOUSEHOLD WASTE SENT FOR LANDFILL

A. The percentage of household waste collected which is sent for landfill	75.40
B. The tonnage of household waste collected which is sent for landfill	26642

E.6 RECYCLING FACILITIES

The total number of bring sites in the Local Authority area	41
The total number of civic Amenity Centres in Local Authority Area	1

GLASS

A. number of bring sites for recycling	41
B. The number of Civic Amenity Sites for recycling	1
C. The total number of facilities for recycling	42
D. The number of locations for recycling per 5,000 of population The	1.76

CANS

E. The number of bring sites for recycling	0 (CANS COLLECTED IN DRY RECYCLABLE COLLECTION)
F. The number of Civic Amenity Sites for recycling	1
G. The total number of facilities for recycling	1
H. The number of locations for recycling per 5,000 of population	0.04

TEXTILES

I. The number of bring sites for recycling	0
J. The number of Civic Amenity Sites for recycling	1
K. The total number of facilities for recycling	1
L. The number of locations for recycling per 5,000 of population	0.04

BATTERIES

M. The number of bring sites for recycling	0
N. The number of Civic Amenity Sites for recycling	1
O. The total number of facilities for recycling	1
P. The number of locations for recycling per 5,000 of population	0.04

OILS

Q. The number of bring sites for recycling	0
R. The number of Civic Amenity Sites for recycling	1
S. The total number of facilities for recycling	1
T. The number of locations for recycling per 5,000 of population	0.04

OTHER MATERIALS

U. The number of bring sites for recycling	0
V. The number of Civic Amenity Sites for recycling	1
W. The total number of facilities for recycling	1
X. The number of locations for recycling per 5,000 of population	0.04

E.5 DRAMHAÍL TEAGHLAIGH ATÁ CURTHA CHUIG LÍONADH TALÚN	
A. Céatadán na dramhaíola teaghlaigh bailithe atá curtha chuig líonadh talún	75.40
B. Tonnáiste na dramhaíola teaghlaigh bailithe atá curtha chuig líonadh talún	26642

E.6 ÁISEANNA ATHCHÚRSÁLA	
Líon iomlán na suíomh tabhartha sa cheantar Údaráis Áitiúil	41
Líon iomlán na nIonad Conláiste Cathartha sa cheantar Údaráis Áitiúil	1

GLOINE	
A. Líon na suíomh tabhartha d'athchúrsáil	41
B. Líon na Suíomh Conláiste Cathartha d'athchúrsáil	1
C. Líon iomlán na áiseanna d'athchúrsáil	42
D. Líon na láithreacha d'athchúrsáil in aghaidh an 5,000 den daonra	1.76

CANNAÍ	
E. Líon na suíomh tabhartha d'athchúrsáil	0 (CANNAÍ BAILITHE SA BHAILIÚCHÁN IN-ATHCHÚRSÁILTE TIRIM)
F. Líon na Suíomh Conláiste Cathartha d'athchúrsáil	1
G. Líon iomlán na n-áiseanna d'athchúrsáil	1
H. Líon na láithreacha d'athchúrsáil in aghaidh an 5,000 den daonra	0.04

TEICSTÍLÍ	
I. Líon na suíomh tabhartha d'athchúrsáil	0
J. Líon na Suíomh Conláiste Cathartha d'athchúrsáil	1
K. Líon iomlán na n-áiseanna d'athchúrsáil	1
L. Líon na láithreacha d'athchúrsáil in aghaidh an 5,000 den daonra	0.04

CADHNRAÍ	
M. Líon na suíomh tabhartha d'athchúrsáil	0
N. Líon na Suíomh Conláiste Cathartha d'athchúrsáil	1
O. Líon iomlán na n-áiseanna d'athchúrsáil	1
P. Líon na láithreacha d'athchúrsáil in aghaidh an 5,000 den daonra	0.04

OLAÍ	
Q. Líon na suíomh tabhartha d'athchúrsáil	0
R. Líon na Suíomh Conláiste Cathartha d'athchúrsáil	1
S. Líon iomlán na n-áiseanna d'athchúrsáil	1
T. Líon na láithreacha d'athchúrsáil in aghaidh an 5,000 den daonra	0.04

ÁBHAIR EILE	
U. Líon na suíomh tabhartha d'athchúrsáil	0
V. Líon na Suíomh Conláiste Cathartha d'athchúrsáil	1
W. Líon iomlán na n-áiseanna d'athchúrsáil	1
X. Líon na láithreacha d'athchúrsáil in aghaidh an 5,000 den daonra	0.04

LITTER**E7: LITTER PREVENTION AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENFORCEMENT**

A. Number of full-time litter wardens	4
B. Number of part-time litter wardens	0
C. Number of litter wardens (both full- and part-time) per 5,000 population	0.17
D. Number of on-the-spot fines issued	1565*
E. Number of on-the-spot fines paid	527
F. Number of prosecution cases taken because of non-payment of on the spot fines	124**
G. Number of prosecutions secured in cases taken because of non payment of on the spot fines	19
H. Number of notices issued (under sections 9, 15, 16, 17 and 20 of the Litter Pollution Act 1997)	12
I. Total number of prosecutions taken (all prosecutions under the Litter Acts 1997 to 2003)	124
J. Total number of prosecutions secured (all prosecutions under the Litter Acts 1997 to 2003)	19
K. Percentage of areas in the local authority that are unpolluted (i.e. litter-free)	1.10
L. Percentage of areas in the local authority that are slightly polluted with litter	67.12
M. Percentage of areas in the local authority that are moderately polluted with litter	28.22
N. Percentage of areas in the local authority that are significantly polluted with litter	3.01
O. Percentage of areas in the local authority that are grossly polluted with litter	0.55

*The increase of on-the-spot-fines issued in 2008 is due to the use of CCTV cameras at a number of locations.

** The increase in the number of prosecutions taken in 2008 viz a vis 2007 reflects the increased numbers of on the spot fines issued

E.8: ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLAINTS AND ENFORCEMENT

A. Total number of cases subject to complaints concerning environmental pollution (relating to waste, litter, water pollution, noise pollution, air pollution)	1515
B. Number of complaints investigated	1081
C. Number of complaints resolved where no further action was necessary	68
D. Number of enforcement procedures taken	1031

E9: PERCENTAGE OF SCHOOLS PARTICIPATING IN ENVIRONMENTAL CAMPAIGNS

A. Percentage of primary schools participating in environmental campaigns	50.82
B. Percentage of secondary schools participating in environmental campaigns	46.43

H: HOUSING**H.1 HOUSING VACANCIES**

COLUMN A:	Total Number Of dwellings in local authority stock	8513.75
COLUMN B:	The total number of dwellings, excluding those subject to major refurbishment projects	8315.50
COLUMN C:	The overall percentage of dwellings that are empty (excluding those subject to major refurbishment projects)	4.64
COLUMN D:	The percentage of empty dwellings unavailable for letting	86.14
COLUMN E:	The percentage or empty dwellings available for letting	13.86

H.2 AVERAGE TIME TAKEN TO RELET AVAILABLE DWELLINGS

A. The average time taken (in weeks) from the date of vacation of dwelling to the date when all necessary repairs are carried out which are deemed necessary to re-let the dwelling	18.32
B. The average time taken (in weeks) from the works (above) being completed to the date of the first rent debit	7.03*

* The increase in the length of time taken to re-let property has increased in 2008 viz – a vis 2007 is due mainly to the level of refusals by applicants on property.

BRUSCAR		
E7: COSC AR BHRUSCAR AGUS FEIDHMIÚ COMHSHAOIL		
A.	Líon na maor bruscair lánaimseartha	4
B.	Líon na maor bruscair páirtaimseartha	0
C.	Líon na maor bruscair (lánaimseartha agus páirtaimseartha araon) in aghaidh an 5,000 den daonra	0.17
D.	Líon na bhfineálacha ar an bpointe eisithe	1565*
E.	Líon na bhfineálacha ar an bpointe íochta	527
F.	Líon na gcásanna ionchúisimh tógtha de bharr neamh-íocaíocht íneálacha ar an bpointe	124**
G.	Líon na n-ionchúiseamh daingnithe i cásanna tógtha de bharr neamh-íocaíocht fineálacha ar an bpointe	19
H.	Líon na bhfógraí eisithe (faoi altanna 9, 15, 16, 17 agus 20 den Acht um Thruailliú ó Bhruscar, 1997)	12
I.	Líon iomlán na n-ionchúiseamh tógtha (gach ionchúiseamh faoi na hAchtanna um Thruailliú ó Bhruscar 1997 go dtí 2003)	124
J.	Líon iomlán na n-ionchúiseamh daingnithe (gach ionchúiseamh faoi na hAchtanna um Thruailliú ó Bhruscar 1997 go dtí 2003)	19
K.	Céatadán na gceantar san údarás áitiúil atá neamh-thruaillithe (i.e. saor ó bhruscar)	1.10
L.	Céatadán na gceantar san údarás áitiúil atá beagán truailithe le bruscar	67.12
M.	Céatadán na gceantar san údarás áitiúil atá measartha truailithe le bruscar	28.22
N.	Céatadán na gceantar san údarás áitiúil atá truailithe go suntasach le bruscar	3.01
O.	Céatadán na gceantar san údarás áitiúil atá truailithe go mór le bruscar	0.55
*Is mar thoradh ar úsáid cheamaraí CCTV ag roinnt láithreacha atá an méadú ar na fineálacha ar an bpointe eisithe i 2008.		
** Léiríonn an t-ardú ar an líon ionchúiseamh tógtha i 2008 viz a viz 2007 líon ardaithe na bhfineálacha ar an bpointe eisithe		

E.8: GEARÁIN AGUS FORFHEIDHMIÚ COMHSHAOIL		
A.	Líon iomlán na gcásanna faoi réir gearáin maidir le truailliú comhshaoil (bainteach le dramhaíl, bruscar, truailliú uisce, truailliú torainn, truailliú aeir)	1515
B.	Líon na ngearán a fiosaíodh	1081
C.	Líon na ngearán réitithe nuair nach raibh gá le haon ghníomh eile	68
D.	Líon na nósanna imeachta forfheidhmithe tógtha	1031

E9: CÉATADÁN NA SCOILEANNA A BHÍ RANNPHÁIRTEACH I BHFEACHTAIS CHOMHSHAOIL		
A.	Céatadán na mbunscoileanna a bhí rannpháirteach i bhfeachtais chomhshaoil	50.82
B.	Céatadán na meanscoileanna a bhí rannpháirteach i bhfeachtais chomhshaoil	46.43

H: TITHÍOCHT		
H.1 FOLÚNTAIS TITHÍOCHTA		
COLÚN A:	Líon iomlán na n-áitreabh i stoc an údaráis áitiúil	8513.75
COLÚN B:	Líon iomlán na n-áitreabh, gan iad sin faoi smacht scéimeanna athchóirithe móra san áireamh	8315.50
COLÚN C:	Céatadán iomlán na n-áitreabh atá folamh (gan iad sin faoi smacht scéimeanna athchóirithe móra san áireamh)	4.64
COLÚN D:	Céatadán na n-áitreabh folamh nach bhfuil ar fáil chun ligean amach	86.14
COLÚN E:	Céatadán na n-áitreabh folamh atá ar fáil chun ligean amach	13.86

H.2 MEÁN AM TÓGTHA CHUN ÁITREABH ATÁ AR FÁIL LE BHEITH LIGTHE AMACH A ATHLIGEAN		
An meán am tógtha (i seachtainí) ón dáta a fholmhaítear an t-áitreabh go dtí an dáta ar a bhfuil gach deisiúchán a mheastar a bheith riachtanach chun an t-áitreabh a athligeam curtha i gcrích		18.32
An meán am tógtha (i seachtainí) ó chur i gcrích na n-oibreacha (thuas) go dtí dáta an chéad dochar cíosa		7.03*

* Is mar thoradh ar an leibhéal diúltuithe a dhéanann iarratasóirí ar mhaoín go príomha an t-ardú atá tagtha ar an méid ama a thógtar chun maoin a athligeam i 2008 viz – a viz 2007.

H.3 HOUSING REPAIRS

Number of repairs completed as a percentage of the number of valid repair requests received	93.24%

H.4 TRAVELLER ACCOMMODATION

Total number of Traveller families accommodated as a percentage of the targets set in the local Traveller accommodation programme	91.67

H.5 ENFORCEMENT OF STANDARDS IN THE PRIVATE RENTED SECTOR

A. Total number of registered tenancies	16454
B. Number of dwelling units inspected	598
C. Number of inspections carried out	775
D. Number of dwellings inspected as percentage of registered tenancies	3.63

H6: GRANTS TO ADAPT HOUSING FOR THE NEEDS OF PEOPLE WITH A DISABILITY

A. Average time taken (in weeks) to process applications under the Mobility Aids Grant Scheme, including any necessary inspection(s), from the date of receipt of a valid application to the date of decision on the application	8*
B. Average time taken (in weeks) to process applications under Housing Adaptation Grant for people with a disability, including any necessary inspection(s), from the date of receipt of a valid application to the date of decision on the application	8*

* Footnote: In normal circumstances the time indicated above would be the time frame for processing a fully completed application. However, subject to DOEHLG funding constraints the time frame is not always achievable.

H7: PRE-TENANCY FAMILIARISATION COURSES

A. Total number of new local authority tenants	413
B. Percentage of new local authority tenants who have been offered pre-tenancy familiarisation courses	18.64

L: LIBRARY SERVICES

L.1 LIBRARY PUBLIC OPENING HOURS

Average number of opening hours per week for full-time libraries	35.7
Average number of opening hours per week for part-time libraries	6.3
Percentage of full time libraries that have lunchtime openings	66.6*
Percentage of full time libraries that have evening openings	66.6*
Percentage of full time libraries that have Saturday openings	100

*Footnote: This is based on 6 service points only, as Hollyhill library closed for health and safety reasons; if Hollyhill is included the figures would be

71.42

L.2 LIBRARY VISITS

Number of visits to full time libraries per 1,000 population	6933.49

H.3 DEISIÚCHAIN TITHÍOCHTA

Líon na ndeisiúchan mar chéatadán den líon bailí iarratas ar dheisiúcháin a fuarthas 93.24%

H.4 CÓIRÍOCHT DON LUCHT SIÚIL

Líon iomlán na dteaghlach de chuid an lucht siúil cóirithe mar chéatadán de na spriocanna leagtha síos sa chlár cóiríochta don lucht siúil 91.67

H.5 FORFHEIDHMIÚ CAIGHDEÁN SAN EARNÁIL CÓIRÍOCHTA AR CÍOS

- A. Líon iomlán na dtionóntachtaí cláraithe 16454
- B. Líon na n-aonad tithíochta scrúdaithe 598
- C. Líon na scrúduithe a déanadh 775
- D. Líon na n-áitreabh scrúdaithe mar chéatadán de thionóntachtaí cláraithe 3.63

H6: DEONTAIS CHUN TITHÍOCHT A LEASÚ DO RIACHTANAIS DHAOINE LE MÍCHUMAIS

- A. Meán am tógtha (i seachtainí) chun iarratais a phróiseáil faoi Scéim Deontas na nÁiseanna Soghluaisteachta, lena n-áirítear aon scrúdú/scrúduithe riachtanach(a), ón dáta a fuarthas iarratas bailí go dtí dáta an chinnidh ar an iarratas 8*
- B. Meán am tógtha (i seachtainí) chun iarratais a phróiseáil faoin Deontas do Leasú Tithíochta do dhaoine le míchumas, lena n-áirítear aon scrúdú/scrúduithe riachtanach(a), ón dáta a fuarthas iarratas bailí go dtí dáta an chinnidh ar an iarratas 8*

Fonóta: De ghnáth is éard a bheadh san am tugtha thuas an creat ama chun iarratas comhlánaithe go hiomlán a phróiseáil. Mar sin féin, faoi réir srianta maoinithe DOEHLG ní féidir an creat ama a bhaint amach i gcónaí.

H7: CÚRSAÍ TAITHÍOCHA RÉAMH-THIONÓNTACHTA

- A. Líon iomlán na dtionóntaí údarás áitiúil nua 413
- B. Céatadán na dtionóntaí údarás áitiúil nua ar ofráladh cúrsaí taithíocha réamh-thionóntachta dóibh 18.64

L: SEIRBHÍSÍ LEABHARLAINNE
L.1 UAIREANTA OSCAILTE POIBLÍ LEABHARLANN

meán líon na n-uaireanta oscailte in aghaidh na seachtaine do leabharlanna lánaimseartha 35.7

meán líon na n-uaireanta oscailte in aghaidh na seachtaine do leabharlanna páirtaimseartha 6.3

Céatadán na leabharlann lánaimseartha a osclaíonn ag am lóin 66.6*

Céatadán na leabharlann lánaimseartha a osclaíonn sa tráthnóna 66.6*

Céatadán na leabharlann lánaimseartha a osclaíonn Dé Sathairn 100

*Fonóta: Tá an méid sin bunaithe ar 6 pointe seirbhíse agus sin amháin, de bharr gur dhún leabharlann Hollyhill ar chúiseanna sláinte agus sábháilteachta; dá n-áireodh Hollyhill ba 71.42 a bheadh sna figiúirí. 71.42

L.2 CUAIRTEANNA LEABHARLAINNE

Líon na gcuairteanna ar leabharlanna lánaimseartha in aghaidh an 1,000 den daonra 6933.49

L.3 LIBRARY STOCK

A.	Annual expenditure on stock per head of population (county/city wide)	4.33
B.	Number of items issued per head of population (county/City wide) for books	4.81
C.	Number of items issued per head of population (county/city wide) for other items	1.94

L.4 INTERNET ACCESS THROUGH LIBRARIES

Number of internet sessions provided per 1,000 population	422.85*

*Footnote: The number of internet sessions has decreased in 2008 viz a vis 2007 and this is explained by

- Hollyhill library was closed for 8 months which would account for c 12,000 sessions
- Douglas library dropped almost 8,000 sessions following a move to temporary premises in March, 2008
- There is a noticeable downward trend in usage generally, coinciding with the increase in home internet & internet on personal devices

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P.1 PLANNING APPLICATIONS DECISION MAKING

Category		Individual houses	New Housing Development	Other: not requiring EIA	Other: requiring EIA
Column A	No. of applications decided	51	53	702	10
Column B	No. of decisions in Column A which were decided within 8 weeks	33	23	535	5
Column C	No. of decisions in Column A which required the submission of further information	16	28	153	3
Column D	No. of decisions in Column A where an extension of time was agreed to by the applicant, under section 34 (9) of the Planning & Development Act 2000.	2	2	14	2
Column E	Average length of time taken (in days) to decide an application where further information was sought.	79	82	80	88
Column F	% of applications granted	76.47	77.36	86.04	70.00
Column G	% of applications refused	23.53	22.64	13.96	30.00
Column H	% of cases where the decision was confirmed, with or without variations, by An Bord Pleanála	66.67	72.73	70.49	0
Column I	% of cases where the decision was reversed by An Bord Pleanála	33.33	27.27	29.51	100

L.3 STOC LEABHARLAINNE

A.	Caiteachas bliantúil ar stoc in aghaidh an daonra (ar fud an chontae/na Cathrach)	4.33
B.	Líon na míreanna eisithe in aghaidh an daonra (ar fud an chontae/na Cathrach) le haghaidh leabhair	4.81
C.	Líon na míreanna eisithe in aghaidh an daonra (ar fud an chontae/na Cathrach) le haghaidh míreanna eile	1.94

L.4 ROCHTAIN AR AN IDIRLÍON TRÍ LEABHARLANNA

Líon na seisiún idirlín a cuireadh ar fáil in aghaidh an 1,000 den daonra	422.85*

*Fonóta: Tá laghdú tagtha ar an líon seisiún idirlín i 2008 viz a viz 2007 de bharr an mhéid seo a leanas:

- Bhí leabharlann Hollyhill dúnta ar feadh 8 mí, rud is ionann agus c 12,000 seisiún
- Chaill leabharlann Dúglais beagnach 8,000 seisiún i ndiaidh di bogadh go dtí áitreabh nua i mí an Mhárta, 2008
- Tá treocht síos suntasach in úsáid i gcoitinne, rud a thagann leis an méadú ar úsáid an idirlín sa bhaile & an idirlín ar ghairreais phearsanta

Táscairí Cánachais Mhótair nach mbaineann le Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí

PLEANÁIL
P.1 IARRATAIS PHLEANÁLA – CINNTEOIREACHT

Catagóir		Tithe aonair	Forbairt Tithíochta Nua	Eile: gan gá le EIA	Eile: le gá le EIA
Colún A	Líon na n-iarratas a ndearnadh cinneadh orthu	51	53	702	10
Colún B	Líon na ginntí i gColún A a cinntíodh laistigh de 8 seachtain	33	23	535	5
Colún C	Líon na gcinntí i gColún A a d'éiligh cur isteach tuilleadh eolais	16	28	153	3
Colún D	Líon na gcinntí i gColún A ar chomhaontaigh an t-iarratasóir síneadh ama ina leith, faoi alt 34 (9) den Acht Pleanála & Forbartha 2000.	2	2	14	2
Colún E	Meán am tógtha (i laethanta) chun iarratas a chinneadh sa chás gur lorgaíodh breis eolais	79	82	80	88
Colún - F	% iarratas ceadaithe	76.47	77.36	86.04	70.00
Colún -G	% iarratas diúltaithe	23.53	22.64	13.96	30.00
Colún - H	% cásanna inar deimhnaíodh an cinneadh, le nó gan éagsúlachtaí, ó An Bord Pleanála	66.67	72.73	70.49	0
Colún	I% cásanna ina aisiompaigh An Bord Pleanála an cinneadh	33.33	27.27	29.51	100

P.2 PLANNING ENFORCEMENT

Total number of cases subject to complaints that were investigated	200
Total number of cases subject to complaints that were dismissed	59
Total number of cases subject to complaints that were resolved through negotiations	155
Number of enforcement procedures taken through warning letters	152
Number of enforcement procedures taken through enforcement notices	53
Number of prosecutions	6

P.3 PLANNING PUBLIC OPENING HOURS

Average No of Opening hours per week	35

P.4 PRE-PLANNING CONSULTATION

Number of pre-planning consultation meetings held	435
Average length of time (in days) from request for consultation with the local authority to actual formal meeting for pre-planning consultation	10

P.5:NEW BUILDINGS INSPECTED

Buildings inspected as a percentage of new buildings notified to the local authority	32.91

P6: TAKING ESTATES IN CHARGE

A. The number of residential estates for which the planning permission has expired	21
B. Number of estates that were taken in charge in the year in question	9
C. Number of dwellings in respect of column B	213
D. Percentage of estates in Column A not completed to satisfaction of the planning authority in line with the planning permission	66.67
E. Number of estates in column d in respect of which enforcement action was taken in the year in question and/or the bond was called in	2
F. Number of estates in column d in respect of which works were undertaken by the authority to bring the estate to taking in charge standard	0

REC: RECREATIONAL SERVICES**REC 1: CHILDRENS PLAYGROUNDS**

A. Number of childrens playgrounds per 1,000 population directly provided by the Local Authority	0.13
B. Number of childrens playgrounds per 1,000 population facilitated by the Local Authority	0

REC 2: LOCAL AUTHORITY FACILITATED LEISURE FACILITIES

A. Number of visitors to local authority-facilitated leisure facilities per 1,000 population:	9760.97

P.2 FORFHEIDHMIÚ PLEANÁLA

Líon iomlán na gcásanna faoi réir gearáin a ndearnadh imscrúdú orthu	200
Líon iomlán na gcásanna faoi réir gearáin atá dífe	59
Líon iomlán na gcásanna faoi réir gearáin a réitíodh trí idirbheartaíocht	155
Líon na ngnáthamh forfheidhmithe tógtha trí litreacha rabhaidh	152
Líon ngnáthamh forfheidhmithe tógtha trí fógraí forfheidhmithe	53
Líon na n-ionchúiseamh	6

P.3 UAIREANTA OSCAILTE POIBLÍ PLEANÁLA

Meán líon uaireanta oscailte in aghaidh na seachtaine:	35

P.4 COMHAIRLIÚCHÁN RÉAMH-PHLEANÁLA

Líon na gcuinnithe comhairliúcháin réamh-phleanála a tionóladh:	435
Meán fhad ama (i laethanta) ón iarratas ar chomhairle leis an bpleanálaí údaráis áitiúil go dtí cruinniú foirmiúil le haghaidh chomhairliú réamh-pleanála:	10

P.5:FOIRGNIMH NUA IMSCRÚDAITHE

Foirgnimh imscrúdaithe mar chéatadán d'fhoirgnimh nua curtha in iúl don údarás áitiúil	32.91

P6: EASTÁIT A THÓGÁIL I GCÚRAM

A. Líon na n-eastát cónaithe a bhfuil an cead pleanála ina leith imithe in éag	21
B. Líon na n-eastát tógtha i gcúram sa bhliain faoi chaibidil	9
C. Líon na n-áitreabh i ndáil le colún B	213
D. Céatadán na n-eastát i gColún A nár críochnaíodh chun sástachta an údaráis phleanála ag teacht leis an gcead pleanála	66.67
E. Líon na n-eastát i gcolún D ar tógadh gníomh forfheidhmithe ina leith sa bhliain faoi chaibidil agus/nó ar glaoth an banna isteach	2
F. Líon na n-eastát i gcolún D a ndearna an t-údarás oibreacha ina leith chun an t-eastát a chur ar chaighdeán tógála i gcúram	0

ÁIN: SEIRBHÍSÍ ÁINEASA**ÁIN 1: CLÓIS SÚGARHA DO LEANAÍ**

A. Líon na gclós súgartha do leanaí in aghaidh an 1,000 den daonra soláthartha go díreach ag an Údarás Áitiúil	0.13
B. Líon na gclós súgartha do leanaí in aghaidh an 1,000 den daonra éascaithe ag an Údarás Áitiúil	0

ÁIN 2: ÁISEANNA ÁINEASA ÉASCAITHE AG AN ÚDARÁS ÁITIÚIL

A. Líon na gcuairteoirí chuig áiseanna áineasa éascaithe ag an údarás áitiúil in aghaidh an 1,000 den daonra:	9760.97

REVENUE COLLECTION**REV.1 HOUSE RENT**

A. Amount collected at year end as a percentage of amount due:	92.23%
B. Percentage of arrears on house rents that are:	
i) 4-6 weeks old	6-12
ii) 6-12 weeks old	19.03%
iii) more than 12 weeks old	82.37%

REV.2 HOUSING LOANS

A. Amount collected at year end as a percentage of amount due:	89.56%
B. Percentage of arrears on Housing Loans that are:	
i) 1 month old:	6.91%
ii) 2-3 months old:	8.86%
iii) More than 3 months old:	84.23%

REV.3 COMMERCIAL RATES

Amount collected at year end as a percentage of amount due from commercial rates:	91.81

REV.4 REFUSE CHARGES

Percentage of households paying refuse charges (including waivers) at year end:	94.11

REV.5 NON-DOMESTIC WATER CHARGES

Amount collected at year end as a percentage of amount due for non domestic water charges:	81.02%

R: ROADS**R1: ROAD RESTORATION PROGRAMME**

Number of Kilometers of local and regional roads improved and maintained under the Restoration Programme per annum	15.40	This figure includes 3.7km funded from our own resources
Number of kilometres of local and regional roads constructed under the specific improvement grants scheme per annum	0.3	This includes funding from the councils own resources. Refers to Grand Parade Street Improvement scheme

BAILIÚ IONCAIM
ION.1 CÍOS TITHE

A. Líon bailithe ag deireadh na bliana mar chéatadán den mhéid dlite:	92.23%
B. Céatadán de riaráistí ar chúsa tithe atá:	
i) 6 seachtain d'aois	6-12
ii) 6-12 seachtain d'aois	19.03%
iii) níos mó ná 12 seachtain d'aois	82.37%

ION.2 IASACHTAÍ TITHÍOCHTA

A. Méid bailithe ag deireadh na bliana mar chéatadán den mhéid dlite:	89.56%
B. Céatadán de riaráistí ar Iasachtaí Tithíochta atá:	
i) 1 mí d'aois:	6.91%
ii) 2-3 mí d'aois:	8.86%
iii) Níos mó ná 3 mí d'aois:	84.23%

ION.3 RÁTAÍ TRÁCHTÁLA

Méid bailithe ag deireadh na bliana mar chéatadán den mhéid dlite ó rátaí tráchtála:	91.81

ION.4 TÁILLÍ DRAMHAÍOLA

Céatadán de theaghlach a íocann táillí dramhaíola (lena n-áirítear tarscaoileadh) ag deireadh na bliana:	94.11

ION.5 TÁILLÍ UISCE TRÁCHTÁLA

Méid bailithe ag deireadh na bliana mar chéatadán den mhéid dlite do tháillí uisce tráchtála:	81.02%

B: BÓITHRE
B1: CLÁR ATHCHÓIRITHE BÓITHR

Líon na gileaméadar de bhóithre áitiúla agus réigiúnacha a ndearnadh feabhsú agus cothabháil orthu in aghaidh na bliana faoin gClár Athchóirithe	15.40	Áirítear ar an bhfigiúr sin 3.7km maoinithe ónár n-acmhainní féin
Líon na gileaméadar de bhóithre áitiúla agus réigiúnacha a tógadh in aghaidh na bliana faoin scéim deontas feabhsúcháin shainithe	0.3	Áirítear air sin maoiniú ó acmhainní na comhairle féin. Tagraíonn sé do scéim feabhsúcháin Shráid an Chapail Bhúí



RECRUITMENT INFORMATION



EOLAS
EARCAÍOCHTA



RECRUITMENT INFORMATION

Competition	No. of Applications		Placed on Panel		Appointed in 2008	
Competitions held prior to 2008 (recruited in 2008)	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
Administrative Officer	31	53	3	7	3	5
Assistant Staff Officer	99	238	7	26	3	13
Clerical Officer	111	250	15	57	9	26
Clerical Officer - Secretarial	6	130	2	37	0	4
Deputy Foyer Manager/Training Co-Ordinator Foyer Project Housing & Community	7	5	1	1	0	1
Executive Architect	2	1	2	1	1	0
Executive Engineer	24	4	13	3	4	1
Executive Fire Prevention Officer	11	9	3	5	1	0
General Foreperson Housing & Community	55	0	10	0	2	0
General Foreperson Roads & Transportation	16	0	3	0	1	0
General Operative (Confined) - All Departments Except Cleansing	71	2	46	2	15	0
General Operative (Confined) - Cleansing Evening Sweep	36	0	26	0	1	0
General Operative (Confined) - Cleansing Normal Hours	36	0	32	0	1	0
Leading Firefighter	19	0	5	0	2	0
Library Assistant	75	130	6	10	2	0
Local Sports Co-Ordinator 3 Year Contract	14	4	3	2	0	1
Night Relief Support Worker Foyer Project Housing & Community	11	4	2	1	1	1
Porter (Confined)	9	0	8	0	1	0
Probationer Firefighter	498	20	24	0	9	0
Senior Staff Officer	36	77	9	10	7	6
Staff Officer	53	131	15	21	8	11
Station Officer	8	0	5	0	1	0
Sub-Station Officer	12	0	5	0	1	0
Temporary General Operative - Cleansing	21	0	8	0	3	0
Temporary Production Attendant Waterworks (Confined)	8	0	4	0	2	0

EOLAS EARCAÍOCHTA

Comórtas	Líon na nIarratas		Cuireadh ar an bPainéal		Ceapadh i 2008	
Comórtais a raibh ar siúl roimh 2008 (earcaíodh i 2008)	Fir	Mná	Fir	Mná	Fir	Mná
Oifigeach Riaracháin	31	53	3	7	3	5
Oifigeach Cúnta Foirne	99	238	7	26	3	13
Oifigeach Cléireachais	111	250	15	57	9	26
Oifigeach Cléireachais - Rúnaíochta	6	130	2	37	0	4
Leasbhainisteoir Forhallaí /Comheagraí Oilúna um Thionscnamh Forhallaí Tithíochta & Pobail	7	5	1	1	0	1
Ailtire Feidhmiúcháin	2	1	2	1	1	0
Innealtóir Feidhmiúcháin	24	4	13	3	4	1
Oifigeach Feidhmiúcháin do Chosc Dóiteán	11	9	3	5	1	0
GMAor Ginearálta Tithíocht & Pobal	55	0	10	0	2	0
Maor Ginearálta Bóithre & Iompar Oibrí Ginearálta (Teoranta) – Gach Rannóg ach amháin Glantacháin Oibrí Ginearálta (Teoranta)	16	0	3	0	1	0
- Glantacháin Scuabadh an Tráthnóna	71	2	46	2	15	0
Oibrí Ginearálta (Teoranta) - Glantacháin Gnáthuaireanta	36	0	26	0	1	0
Príomh-Chomhraiseoir Dóiteáin	36	0	32	0	1	0
Cúntóir Leabharlainne	19	0	5	0	2	0
Cúntóir Leabharlainne	75	130	6	10	2	0
Comhordaitheoir Spórt Áitiúla Conradh 3 Bhliana	14	4	3	2	0	1
Oibrí Tacaíochta d'Fhaoiseamh Oíche um Thionscnamh Forhallaí Tithíochta & Pobail	11	4	2	1	1	1
Póirtéir (Teoranta)	9	0	8	0	1	0
Comhraiseoir Dóiteáin Phromhaidh	498	20	24	0	9	0
Oifigeach Sinsearach Foirne	36	77	9	10	7	6
Oifigeach Foirne	53	131	15	21	8	11
Oifigeach Stáisiúin	8	0	5	0	1	0
Oifigeach Fo-Stáisiúin	12	0	5	0	1	0
Oibrí Ginearálta Sealadach - Glantacháin	21	0	8	0	3	0
Freastalaí Táirgthe Sealadaigh Oibreacha Uisce (Teoranta)	8	0	4	0	2	0



CORPORATE PLAN 2004 – 2009 PROGRESS REPORT 2008





PLEAN CORPARÁIDEACH 2004 – 2009 TUAIRISC DUL CHUN CINN 2008



CORPORATE PLAN 2004 – 2009 PROGRESS REPORT 2008

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 develops annual Operational Plans to implement the actions set out in the Corporate Plan.

The following report outlines the progress made by the main service providers during 2008 in achieving the targets set out in the Plan.

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY

Under the Housing Construction Programme a total of 1589 units (including house purchases) were completed to year ended 31st December 2008. 235 units were completed in 2008 and a further 350 units were under construction at the end of 2008.

The voluntary sector provided 93 units in 2008, with a further 38 under construction. Targets as set out under the Affordable Housing Scheme are progressing well, and in 2008 a total of 103 units were completed, with a further 280 units under construction.

Preliminary surveying work was undertaken during 2008 on Blocks E, F, G & H of the Knocknaheeny Regeneration Project, and it is envisaged that the main contract will commence in mid 2009. Work is due for completion on Block D and on the development of the new Town Centre in April 2009.

The second phase of the Glen Regeneration Project is continuing. Enabling Works which comprise work to existing gardens and boundaries together with new services and upgrading of existing services commenced in June of 2008. This Contract is due for completion in 2009.

Major schemes for the refurbishment of the Sunvalley Drive and Cushing Flat complexes continued in 2008 and plans were brought forward for other remedial and refurbishment improvements to the stock.

The programme for installation of gas central heating to Cork City Council housing stock continued in 2008 with the assistance of the Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government. Approximately 750 installations were completed in 2008. As well as the heating installation, the work also included the provision of attic insulation and mains operated smoke alarms. The progress in 2008 represents a continuation of the level of installations achieved in previous years and brings the total number of installations under the current scheme from 2004 to 2008 to approximately 2,230 at a total cost of €14.15m. In addition, programmes for the servicing of central heating boilers and the installation of attic insulation to houses with inadequate or no insulation also continued in 2008.

In the area of Homelessness, 2008 saw the opening of a wet shelter at Leitrim Street which is targeted to meet the needs of rough sleepers in Cork. This project which was an objective of the last Integrated Strategy for Homelessness has already had a positive impact on street drinkers and rough sleepers in the city.

The review process for the Integrated Strategy for Cork took place during 2008 and the new strategy is to be published in 2009. The review takes account of the aims and objectives of the new Government Strategy for Homelessness which was launched by the Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government in 2008.

The Housing & Community Directorate recognises the importance of resident participation in the delivery of services and in July 2008 a Resident Participation Officer was appointed.

During 2008, three new Residents Associations were established and planning meetings were held with residents in a number of estates. It is intended to continue with this process in 2009 and establish and support resident associations in all parts of the city where social housing is located.

PLEAN CORPARÁIDEACH 2004 – 2009

TUAIRISC DUL CHUN CINN 2008

Ghlac an Chomhairle Chathrach an Plean Corparáideach um Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí 2004 - 2009 ina cruinniú ar 22 Samhain 2004. Ag foleaúint an Phlean Chorporáidigh, forbraíonn gach rannóg Pleananna Oibriúcháin bliantúla chun na gníomhaithe a leagtar amach sa Phlean Corparáideach a chur i bhfeidhm.

Tugtar léargas sa tuarascáil seo a leanas ar an dul chun cinn déanta ag na príomhsholáthraithe seirbhísí i rith 2008 chun na spriocanna a leagtar amach sa Phlean a bhaint amach.

TITHÍOCHT & POBAL

Faoin gClár Tógála Tithe críochnaíodh 1589 aonad ar fad (lena n-áirítear ceannach tithe) don bhliain dár gcríoch 31 Nollaig 2008. Críochnaíodh 235 aonad i 2008 agus bhí 350 aonad eile á dtógáil ag deireadh na bliana 2008.

Sholáthair an earnáil dheonach 93 aonad i 2008, le 38 eile á dtógáil. Tá na spriocanna a leagtar amach sa Scéim Tithíochta Inacmhainne ag déanamh dul chun cinn maith, agus i 2008, críochnaíodh 103 aonad ar fad, le 280 eile á dtógáil.

Rinneadh réamhobair suirbhéireachta i rith 2008 ar Bhloic E, F, G & H den Thionscadal Athghiniúna Chnoc na hAoine, agus tá sé beartaithe go dtosódh an phríomhchonradh i lár 2009. Tá obair le críochnú ar Bhloc D agus ar fhorbairt ar an tIonad Lár Cathrach in Aibreáin 2009.

Leantar ar aghaidh leis an dara chéim do Thionscadal Athghiniúna an Ghleanna. I Meitheamh 2008 cuireadh tús le hoibreacha inchumasaithe ina bhfuil obair á déanamh ar ghairdíní agus ar theorainneacha atá ann cheana, mar aon le seirbhísí nua agus le feabhsú na seirbhísí atá ann cheana. Tá an conradh seo le críochnú i 2009.

Leanadh ar aghaidh le mórscéimeanna d'athchóiriú Choimhleisce Chéide Ghleann na Gréine agus Árasáin an Chúisínigh agus tugadh isteach pleananna de fheabhsú athchóirithe agus leasúcháin eile ar an stoc.

Leanadh leis an gclár i 2008 do shuiteáil téimh lárnaigh gáis i stoc tithíochta Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí, le cuidiú ón Roinn Comhshaoil, Oidhreacht agus Rialtais Áitiúil. Críochnaíodh beagnach 750 suiteáil i 2008. Chomh maith le suiteáil téimh, bhí soláthar inisliú áiléir agus soláthar aláram deataigh ar phríomhhlíonra mar chuid den obair freisin. Léiríonn an dul chun cinn i 2008 leanúint de leibhéil na suiteálacha a baineadh amach i mblianta roimhe seo agus tugann sé líon na suiteálacha iomláine faoin scéim reatha ó 2004 go 2008 go beagnach 2,230 ag costas iomlán de €14.15m. Ina theannta sin, i 2008 leanadh le clár freisin do sheirbhísí na gcoiri téimh lárnaigh agus

suiteáil inisliú áiléir i dtithe nach raibh aon inisliú ann nó inisliú neamhleorach.

I réimse Easpa Dídine, chonacthas oscailt na dídine fliche ar Shráid Liatroma, atá dírithe ar riachtanais na ndaoine a chodlaíonn amuigh i gCorcaigh. Tá tionchar dearfach tagtha cheana féin ar na daoine a ólann agus a chodlaíonn amuigh sa chathair ag an tionscadal seo a bhí mar aidhm den Straitéis Comhtháite d'Easpa Dídine dheireanach.

Bhí an próiseas athbheithnithe don Straitéis Comhtháite do Chorcaigh ar siúl i rith 2008 agus tá straitéis nua le foilsiú i 2009. Cuireann an t-athbheithniú i gcuntas na haidhmeanna agus na cuspóirí den Straitéis Rialtais nua d'Easpa Dídine a sheol an Roinn Comhshaoil, Oidhreacht agus Rialtais Áitiúil i 2008.

Aithníonn Stiúthóireacht Tithíochta & Pobail tábhacht rannpháirtíocht na gcónaitheoirí i seachadadh na seirbhísí agus i mí Iúil 2008 ceapadh Oifigeach Rannpháirtíochta na gCónaitheoirí. Le linn 2008, bunaíodh trí Chumann Cónaitheoirí nua agus bhí cruinnithe pleanála ar siúl le cónaitheoirí i roinnt eastát. Tá sé beartaithe leanúint leis an bpróiseas seo i 2009 agus cumainn chónaitheoirí a bhunú agus tacaíocht a thabhairt dóibh i ngach páirt den chathair ina bhfuil tithíocht shóisialta suite.

RECREATION, AMENITY AND CULTURE

Planning permission was granted for a new City Library building by the City Council in October 2007, and subsequently by An Bórd Pleanála in November 2008. The New Central library will be c. 5,000 sqm in area. It will be designed to the highest standards providing facilities appropriate to the size and status of Cork city. It will also be a major addition to the public realm of the city centre when completed.

A review of library services in the North Central Ward and proposals for a new building was adopted by Council in 2008. Work continued on the Cork Online Bibliography project. This joint venture between Cork City and County Councils, UCC and CIT, will lead to online access to all material relating to Cork.

The new Bishopstown Library is now open. Plans to develop a library to serve the Blackrock-Mahon area are ongoing. An application to the DOEHLG for funding has been made and a response is awaited. The two libraries websites: www.corkcitylibraries.ie and www.corkpastandpresent.ie were enhanced and updated this year.

The Arts Office continued to work with artists and arts organisations, and is responsible for production of events directly and in association with other organisations. Events held in 2008 included:

- The Cork St. Patrick's Festival 2008- Over the 3 day period 15th- 17th March the festival programme included 1,200 participants. 80,000 people attended the festivities, the highlight of which was the St. Patrick's Day Parade. Cosmic Chaos Education Programme commenced in 2008. This programme will culminate in the 2009 St. Patrick's Festival.
- A pilot programme of Bonfire Night celebrations commenced in 2008. Seven locations in the city were selected and over 4000 people took part on the night.
- The first Culture Night was held on 19th September 2008. Over 100 events in 34 locations throughout the city were held and the night was deemed a major success.
- Fun Days in the Park – three delivered in the Glen, Gurranabraher and Kilmore Road.
- An inaugural Christmas celebration took place during the month of December. Bishop Lucey Park and the newly redeveloped Grand Parade were transformed into a winter wonderland with an 11 day illumination and market event to celebrate the season.

The weekly Arts Office e-newsletter was circulated to 700 subscribers in the city. This newsletter provides information to the arts community and wider public on activity in the city.

Planning commenced in 2008 for the Arts and Cultural Strategy 2010-2016. The Arts Office continues to support artists engaging in long term training and education through the Travel and Mobility Schemes and Arts Bursaries.

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. A programme of inspections of pre-school services was progressed. Advice in relation to fire safety was given to those providing the

services. Community Fire Safety programmes progressed well in 2008.

- The national primary schools fire safety programme continued this year. 48 schools participated in the programme and 1670 third class pupils received home fire safety training.
- The Community Fire Truck was very successful in 2008 and was used to spread the fire safety message throughout local communities.
- 500 smoke alarms were fitted under the Community Smoke Alarm Scheme in conjunction with the Community & Enterprise Directorate.

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 was one of the highlights of 2008. There was active participation in the Regional Working Group meetings which has responsibility for overseeing the implementation of the new framework. The new Major Emergency Plan for Cork City Council was prepared and launched in September. Major emergency exercises were held on site, and at the Jack Lynch tunnel.

Cork City Civil Defence hosted the National Exercise 2008 on behalf of the Civil Defence Board. This involved hosting and organising exercises and training workshops for Civil Defence teams from 17 Local Authorities.

The City Council Sports Capital Grants Scheme awarded 63 grants to various sports clubs in 2008. Work continued with local communities to develop and improve local facility provision. Work on St Annes Park, Shandon and Clashduv Park Togher were completed. In relation to community buildings reconstruction work on St. Joseph's community centre was completed in March 2008, and works to the Kerrigan Tyrell Centre, Mayfield and Bishopstown Park House were also completed in 2008.

3 Multi-User Games Areas were installed, in Mahon, Tory Top and Meelick Park, Ballyvolane. Work commenced on the Mardyke Skatepark in December 2008 and upgrade works at Fairfield Park, Fairhill commenced in the Autumn. Works continued on the development of a new park at the Military Cemetery, Assumption Road, Blackpool. Pitch & Putt changing facilities and dressing rooms for pitches at Murphys Farm were completed. The pitches, as part of the Mahon Sports Project were also completed during 2008.

ROADS & TRANSPORTATION

Various Infrastructure and Public Realm Projects were advanced or completed during 2008.

The Roads Design Section continued to manage the Docklands Transportation Infrastructure including the Eastern Gateway Bridge, Water Street bridge and associated road networks. All preliminary designs are now complete and the associated CPO and EIS were published in May 2008. Approval from An Bord Pleanála has been sought and the associated Oral Hearing commenced in December 2008.

ÁINEAS, CONLAISTE AGUS CULTÚR

Dheonaigh am Comhairle Cathrach cead planála d'fhoirgneamh nua do Leabharlann na Cathrach i mí Dheireadh Fómhair 2007, agus ina dhiaidh sin dheonaigh an Bord Planála í i Samhail 2008. Beidh achar de 5,000 m² ag an lár-leabharlann nua. Dearfar í ar an gcaighdeán is airde agus é ag cur áiseanna oiriúnach ar fáil don mhéid agus stádas chathair Corcaigh. Cuirfidh sí go mór le sráid-dreach poiblí lár na cathrach nuair atá sí críochnaithe.

I 2008 ghlac an Chomhairle athbhreithniú na seirbhísí leabharlainne sa bharda thuaidh lár agus tograí d'fhoirgneamh. Leantar leis an obair ar an tionscadal bibleagrafaíochta Chorcaí ar líne. Beidh rochtain ar líne ar na hábhair go léir a bhaineann le Corcaigh mar thoradh den chomhfhiontar seo idir Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí, Comhairle Contae Chorcaí, COC agus ITC.

Tá Leabharlann nua i mBaile an Easpaig oscailte anois. Tá beartaíocht fós ar siúl maidir le leabharlann do cheantar na Carraige Duibhe agus Machan. Tá iarratas curtha faoi bhráid an DOEHLG I gcomhair maoinithe agus táthar ag siúl le freagairt. Feabhsaíodh agus nuashonraíodh láithreáin ghréasáin an dá leabharlann i mbliana: www.corkcitylibraries.ie agus www.corkpastandpresent.ie

Lean an Oifig Ealaíon ag obair le healaíontóirí agus eagraíochtaí ealaíona, agus tá siad freagrach as imeachtaí a tairgeadh go díreach nó i bpáirt le heagraíochtaí eile. Is iad seo a leanas na himeachtaí a bhí ar siúl i 2008:

- Féile Naomh Pádraig 2008 i gCorcaigh – Le linn na tréimhe de trí lá 15-17 Márta, bhí 1,200 rannpháirtí sa chlár féile, d'fhreastail 80,000 duine ar an bhféilchas, agus bhí Paráid Lá Naomh Pádraig an chuid is fearr de. Cuireadh tús leis an gClár Oideachas Cosmic Chaos I 2008. Beidh Féile Naomh Pádraig 2009 mar bhuaicphointe ag an gclár seo.
- Cuireadh tús le clár piolótach de cheiliúradh oíche tine chnámh i 2008. Roghnaíodh seacht n-áit sa chathair agus ghlac níos mó ná 4000 duine san oíche.
- Bhí an chéad Oíche Chultúir ar siúl ar 1 Meán Fómhair 2008. Bhí níos mó ná 100 imeacht ar siúl i 34 áit ar fud na cathrach agus measadh gur rath mór é.
- Laethanta Spraoi sa Pháirc – cuireadh trí ar fáil sa Ghleann, Garrán na mBráthar agus Bóthair na Coille Móire.
- Tharla ceiliúradh Nollaig thionscnaimh le linn mí na Nollag. Bhí Páirc an Easpaig Lucey agus Sráid an Chapail Bhú atá nua-athfhorbartha athraithe go dtí tír ionaidh gheimhriúil le soilsiú ar feadh 11 lá agus imeacht margaidh chun an séasúr a cheiliúradh.

Scaipeadh an ríomhuachtlitir sheachtainiúil den Oifig Ealaíon chuig 700 síntiúsóir sa chathair. Tugann an nuachtlitir seo eolas maidir le gníomhaíochtaí sa chathair don phobal ealaíona agus don phobal mór. I 2008 thosaigh an phleanáil i gcomhair an Straitéis Ealaíona agus Cultúrtha 2010-2016. Leanann an Oifig Ealaíona ar aghaidh le tacaíocht a thabhairt d'ealaíontóirí agus a bheith gníomhach in oiliúint agus oideachas fadtéarmaigh leis na Scéimeanna Iompair agus Soghluasteachta agus leis na Sparánachtaí Ealaíon.

I réimse Cosc Dóiteáin agus Sábháilteachta, cuireadh i gcrích an clár bliantúil cigireachta a dhéantar ar áitribh

ceadúnaithe agus rinneadh iniúchadh ar na hallaí damhsa, clubanna cláraithe agus na hionaid chearrbhachais ar fad sa chathair. Rinneadh dul chun cinn ar iniúchtaí de sheirbhísí réamhscoileanna. Tugadh comhairle i dtaca le sábháilteacht dóiteáin dóibh siúd a bhfuil ag cur na seirbhísí ar fáil. Bhí an dul chun cinn go maith i 2008 sa clár um Sábháilteacht ó Dhóiteáin Phobail.

- Lean an clár náisiúnta sábháilteachta ó Dhóiteáin do Bhunscoileanna i mbliana. Ghlac 48 scoil páirt sa chlár agus fuair 1670 dalta ó rang a trí oiliúint maidir le sábháilteacht ó dhóiteáin
- D'éirigh an-mhaith le Trucail Dóiteáin Phobail i 2008 agus úsáideadh í chun an teachtaireacht maidir le sábháilteacht ó dhóiteáin a scaipeadh ar fud na pobail áitiúla.
- Cuireadh 500 alárman deataigh isteach faoin Scéim Pobail maidir le hAláram Dheataigh i gcomhar leis an Stiúrthóireacht Pobal, Cultúr agus Fiontar.

Fuair oifigigh dhóiteáin 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.

Bhí forfheidhmiú Creat Nua i gcomhair Bainistíocht Mhóreagandála ceann de na tréithe is fearr de 2008. Bhí rannpháirtíocht ghníomhach i gcuinnte an Thascfhórsa Réigiúnaigh, atá freagrach as maoirseacht a dhéanamh ar fhorfheidhmiú an chreata nua. Ullmháíodh agus seoladh an Plean Móreagandála nua do Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí. Bhí cleachtaí móreagandála ar siúl ar láthair, agus ag Tollán Sheáin Uí Loinsigh. Bhí Cosaint Sibhialta Chathair Corcaigh ina óstach den Chleachtadh Náisiúnta 2008 ar son an Bhord Cosanta Sibhialta. San áireamh anseo óstáil agus eagrú cleachtaí agus cheardlanna oiliúna d'fóirne Cosanta ó 17 Údarás Áitiúil.

Bhronn an Scéim Deontais Chaipitiúla Spórt den Chomhairle Cathrach 63 deontas ar chlubanna spórt éagsúla i 2008. Leanadh le hobair leis na pobail áitiúla d'fhonn soláthar áiseanna áitiúla a fhorbairt agus a fheabhsú. Críochnaíodh an obair ar Pháirc Naomh Áine, an Seandún agus ar Pháirc na Claise Duibhe Tóchar. Maidir le foirgnimh phobail críochnaíodh obair atógála ar Ionad Phobal Naomh Seosamh i Márta 2008, agus críochnaíodh freisin oibreacha ar Ionad Kerrigan Tyrell, Baile na mBocht Thoir agus ar Theach Pháirc Bhaile an Easpaig i 2008.

Cuireadh isteach 3 áit le haghaidh cluichí ilúsáideoirí i Machan, Buaircíní, Páirc Mhíleac, Baile an Mhulláin. Tosaíodh obair ar an bPáirc Scatála Mardyke i Nollaig 2008 agus cuireadh tús le hoibreacha ag Páirc an Aonaigh, Cnocán an Aonaigh san Fhómhar. Leanadh le hobair ar fhorbairt ar pháirc nua ag Reilig Mhíleata, Bóthar na Deastógála, an Linn Dubh. Críochnaíodh seomraí feistis do ghalf dhá mhaide agus do na páirceanna ag Feirm Uí Mhurchú. Críochnaíodh freisin na páirceanna mar chuid den Tionscadal Spórt Machan le linn 2008.

BÓITHRE & IOMPAR

Críochnaíodh nó rinneadh dul chun cinn ar Thionscnaimh Earnála Poiblí agus Bhonneagair éagsúla le linn 2008. Lean an Rannóg de Dhearah Bóithre ar aghaidh le Bonneagair Iompar na Duganna a bhainistiú, lena n-áirítear Droichead na Cathrach Tairisí Thoir, Droichead Shráid an Uisce agus gréasáin bhóithre ghaolmhara. Tá na reamhdhearáir ar fad críochnaithe agus foilsíodh na CPO agus EIS gaolmhara i mBealtaine 2008. Iarradh faomhadh ón mBord Planála agus thosaigh an éisteacht ó bhéal i Nollaig 2008.

The design for the Cornmarket Streetscape Renewal and Market Canopy is complete and is proceeding to consultation and Part 8 planning. It is hoped that site construction work will commence in 2009. Work on the Grand Parade Streetscape Renewal Project finished in June 2008. The Grand Parade Boardwalk and Peace Park was designed, tendered and constructed in 2008. The College Road Renewal Project which comprised new pavements, street furniture and lighting was completed in November. Design work for Blackrock Harbour area and Park is ongoing, and again it is hoped that construction work will commence in 2009. This work should significantly enhance the area.

In the area of Mobility and Traffic Management, significant progress was made during 2008 on the work associated with the CASP Traffic Model and the Public Transport Feasibility Study. The GoCar car sharing club was set up in the city with three dedicated parking areas being established. Completion of the City Centre Pedestrian Priority Scheme was put in place with the installation of Automatic Rising Bollards at Mayor Street early in the year. It is envisaged that the scheme will be extended to Emmet Place and Academy St. in conjunction with the developments in progress in these areas. The Traffic Division continued its involvement with European Union funded projects such as Trendy Travel and Added Value in the area of "Smarter Choices".

Green Routes at Knocknaheeny/city centre, Douglas and Carrigrohane were completed in 2008. The Fair Hill Green Route commenced in 2008. Schemes for Model Farm Road and Blackpool Green Routes were progressed to the completion of tender documents in 2008. The construction of the Mardyke Walk Project commenced in July. The design of the St. Luke's Cross Renewal Project and associated Part 8 planning was undertaken in 2008. An extensive programme of road resurfacing and footpath renewal and repair was undertaken and completed in 2008 by the Roads Maintenance Division. A programmed of laneway closures was undertaken in order to alleviate the effects of anti-social behaviour.

The Asset Management and protection capabilities of the Roads and Transportation Directorate were significantly enhanced through:

- The setting up of a dedicated Asset Management Section
- New Information Technologies were introduced which will lead to greater efficiencies of asset protection.
- A new Customer Relationship Management System was introduced to ensure Customer Service requests are dealt with in a robust, transparent and accountable fashion.

The Roads and Transportation Directorate will continue to work with groups representing people with disabilities in order to identify and address issues of concern to them.

ENVIRONMENT

The Cork Main Drainage Scheme ensures that waste water from the city is collected and treated in accordance with the requirements of the Urban Waste Water Directive. During 2008 further progress was made in completing the contractual and financial arrangements in relation to the scheme and it is anticipated that this work will be completed in 2009. In 2008 the City Council assisted the

Office of Public Works in relation to the flood relief study which is being undertaken for the Cork area. A final report from the OPW is expected in 2009.

Progress made in the implementation of the Water Services Investment Programme included the commencement of the Tivoli water scheme and the completion of a recommendation for the Department of the Environment Heritage and Local Government (DoEHLG) in relation to the procurement of the Lee Road Treatment Plant upgrade. In addition reports/recommendations were submitted to the DoEHLG on the following schemes:

- Docklands water services
- Reservoir/rising main improvements
- Water conservation scheme
- Chetwynd to Lee Rd. watermain connection.

During the year the Council's water service maintenance and monitoring programmes continued to ensure the supply of good quality water under adequate pressure. Further progress was made in the area of water conservation with significant savings being achieved through the leak detection programme. Circa 98% of the charges levied for water services were based on metered use in accordance with the Government's Water Pricing Policy.

In excess of 32,000 customers availed of the Councils domestic and commercial waste collection services in 2008. In relation to recycling, approx 8,000 tonnes of dry recyclable material were recovered by 31 December 2008 and a further 11,500 tonnes of material was diverted from landfill through the Council's bring bank network, Civic Amenity Site and timber/green waste recovery facilities. Remediation works continued at the Kinsale Road Landfill as the facility progresses towards the end of its operational life. It is anticipated that landfilling will cease at the facility in mid-2009.

During 2008 the Council continued its implementation of the Litter Management Plan. The Plan places increased emphasis on improved service provision, local community activity and enforcement action. Key initiatives progressed during the year include the extension of the bulky goods collection service and increased enforcement activity. The Councils free bulky goods collection service was offered to approx 10,000 households in the Knocknaheeny, Mayfield, Togher, Mahon, Bishopstown/Model Farm Rd, Togher/Ballyphehane, and Hollyhill areas. The Council continues to encourage local community action in the fight against litter through the Community Grants Scheme. Enforcement activity has been augmented through the introduction of CCTV cameras in areas which have been subjected to flytipping.

In April 2008, the Lifetime Lab staff secured a Taoiseach's Public Sector Excellence Award for its Schools Science Programme. The programme is a collaboration between City Council and the Department of Education and Science. The Lifetime Lab also won a merit award in the Vodafone Innovating Government Awards in October 2008. Visitor numbers at the Lifetime Lab were increased again and are now at a level of circa 16,000 per annum.

The Energy Agency also responded to an increased number of queries in relation to energy conservation. The Agency also undertook invaluable work for the City Council particularly in relation to tendering for energy requirements and the development of the Councils Climate Change Strategy.

Tá an dearadh d'Athghiniúna Shráid-dreach Mhargadh an Arbhair agus do Théastar Margaídh críochnaithe agus tá sé ag dul i gceann comhairliúcháin agus phleanáil Chuid 8. Táthar ag súil go dtosódh obair tógála ar láthair i 2009. Chríochnaigh an obair ar Thionscnamh Athghiniúna Shráid-dreach do Shráid an Chapaill Bhúí i Meitheamh 2008. Dearadh, cuireadh tairiscint isteach ar agus tógadh Clárchosán Shráid an Chapaill Bhúí agus Páirc Peace. I Samhain críochnaíodh Tionscadal Athghiniúna Bhóthar an Chólaiste a cuimsíodh cosáin nua, troscáin sráide agus soilsiú. Tá obair dhearaidh do cheantar Chuan agus Páirc na Carraige Duibhe fós ar bun, agus táthar ag súil freisin go dtosódh obair tógála i 2009. Feabhsóidh an obair seo an ceantar go mór.

Ó thaobh Bhainistíocht Iompair agus Ghluaiseachta de, rinneadh dul chun cinn suntasach ar obair a bhfuil gaol aici leis an tSamhail Iompar CASP agus leis an Staidéar Féidearthachta um Iompar Poiblí. Bunaíodh an club roinnt gluaisteáin GoCar sa chathair le trí limistéar páirceála tiomnaithe. Cuireadh an Scéim Tosaíochta do Chosaithe i Lár na Cathrach i gcrích leis an tsuiteáil de mhullaird uathardaitheacha i Sráid an Mhéara go luath i mbliana. Tá sé ceaptha go sínear an scéim go dtí Plás Emmet agus Sráid an Acadaimh i gcomhar leis na forbairtí sa dul chun cinn sna ceantair seo. Lean an Rannán Tráchtála a pháirtíocht le tionscadail maoinithe ag an Aontas Eorpach amháil mar Trendy Travel agus Breisluaigh i réimse "Roghanna níos Cliste".

Críochnaíodh Bealaí Glasa ag Cnoc na hAoine/lár na cathrach, Dúglas agus Carraig Ruacháin i 2008. Cuireadh tús leis an mBealach Glas Cnoc an Aonaigh i 2008. Rinneadh dul chun cinn ar na scéimeanna do Bhealaí Glasa ag Bóthar na Modhfheirme agus an Linn Dhubh agus críochnaíodh tairiscint na gcáipéisí i 2008. Thosaigh tógáil an Tionscnamh Súil Mardyke i mí Iúil.

Rinneadh deardh den Tionscnamh Athghiniúna Chros Naomh Lúca agus an phleanáil ghaolmhar Cuid 8. Rinne agus críochnaigh an Rannán Chothabháil Bhóithre an clár fairsing atdhromchlaithe bóithre agus athghiniúna cosáin. Dúndh lánáir mar chuid de chlár d'fhonn iarmhairtí mar thoradh d'iompraíocht fhrithshóisialta a mhaolú.

Rinneadh feabhas suntasach ar Bhainistíocht Sócmhainní agus ar chumas cosanta den Stiúrthóireacht Bóithre agus Iompair le:

- Rannán Bhainistíocht Sócmhainní tiomnaithe a bhunú.
- Tugadh isteach Teicneolaíochtaí Faisnéise nua agus is é an toradh a bheidh orthu go mbeidh éifeachtach níos fearr ann ó thaobh chosaint sócmhainní de.
- Tugadh isteach Córas Bainistíochta do chaidreamh le custaiméirí chun a áiríthiú go bpléitear iarratais ó sheirbhísí custaiméirí ar dhóigh bhríomhar, thrédhearcach agus chuntasach.

Leanfar an Stiúrthóireacht Bóithre agus Iompair ar aghaidh ag obair le grúpaí atá ag seasamh do dhaoine le míchumais d'fhonn na hábhair is cúram dóibh a aithint agus a thabhairt faoi.

COMHSHAOL

Cinntíonn Príomhscéim Draenála Chorcaí go mbailítear uisce dramhaíola na cathrach agus go gcoiréiltear é de réir riachtanais na Treorach um Dhramhaíl Uirbeach. Le linn 2008 rinneadh tuilleadh dul chun cinn ag cur na socrúithe conartha agus airgeadais i gcrích i dtaca leis an scéim agus táthar ag súil go gcríochnófar an obair i 2009. Chuidigh an Chomhairle Cathrach Oifig na nOibreacha Poiblí leis an staidéar ar fhaoiseamh tuile atá á ndéanamh i gceantar Corcaigh. Táthar ag súil le tuarascáil deiridh ón

OPW i 2009.

San áireamh sa dul chun cinn a rinneadh i bhforfheidhmiú an Chláir Infheistithe maidir le seirbhísí uisce bhí tosú an scéim uisce Tivoli agus comhlánú molta ón Roinn Comhshaoil, Oidhreacht agus Rialtais Áitiúil (DoEHLG) i dtaca leis an soláthar uasghrádaithe ar Ionad Cóireála ar Bhóthar na Laoi. Ina theannta sin cuireadh tuarascálacha/moltaí faoi bhráid an DoEHLG maidir leis na scéimeanna seo a leanas:

- Seirbhísí uisce Duganna
- Príomh-fheabhsaithe ar Thaiscumar/ardú
- Scéim Chaomhnú Uisce
- Ceangal phríomhlíonra uisce ó Chetwynd go Bóthar na Laoi.

Le linn na bliana lean cláir chothabhála agus monatóireachta na Chomhairle ar aghaidh ag cinntiú go raibh soláthar uisce d'ardchaighdeánan faoi leor bhrú uisce. Rinneadh tuilleadh dul chun cinn ó thaobh chaomhnú uisce de le coigilteas suntasach á bhaint amach tríd an gclár aimsiú sceithe. Bhí thart ar 98% de na muirir a gearradh le haghaidh seirbhísí uisce bunaithe ar úsáid meádharmaithe i gcomhréir leis an mBeartas Praghsála Uisce an Rialtais

Bhain níos mó ná 32,000 custaiméir leas as seirbhísí na Chomhairle maidir le dramhaíl tráchtála agus teaghlach a bhailiú. Maidir le hathchúrsáil, fuarthas beagnach 8,000 tona d'ábhair thirim in-athechúrsáilte roimh 31 Nollag 2008 agus claudhaidh 11,500 tona eile ó líonadh talún le líonra ionaid tabhairt leat ón gComhairle, Ionad Fóntas Poiblí agus áiseanna aisghabhála do dhramhaíl ghlas agus adhmaid. Leanadh le hobair fheabhsúcháin ag Líonadh Talún Bhóthar Cionn tSáile agus atá an áis ag dul i dtreo dheireadh a saol feidhmiúcháin. Táthar ag súil go stopfar líonadh talún i lár 2009.

Lean an Chomhairle le forfheidhmiú an Phlean Bhainistíocht Bruscair le linn 2008. Leagann an Plean níos mó béim ar sholáthar seirbhíse feabhsaithe, gníomhaíocht phobail áitiúil agus gníomh forfheidhmiúcháin. San áireamh sa dul chun cinn a rinneadh le príomhthionscnaimh i rith na bliana bhí siníu sheirbhís bhailiúcháin de dhramhaíl théagartha agus níos mó gníomh forfheidhmiúcháin. Tairgeadh seirbhís bhailiúcháin de dhramhaíl théagartha den Chomhairle do tuairim is 10,000 teaghlach sna ceantair Cnoc na hAoine, Baile na mBocht, an Tóchar, Machan, Baile an Easpaig/Bóthar na Modhfheirme, Tóchar/Baile Féitheáin agus Cnoc an Chuilinn. Leanann an Chomhairle ar aghaidh ag spreagadh gníomhaíocht phobail áitiúil sa chomhrac i gcoinne bruscair leis an Scéim Deontais Pobail. Tá méadú tagtha ar ghníomh forfheidhmiúcháin le tabhairt isteach cheamaraí TCI i gceantair curtha faoi dhíuscáirt mhidhleathach.

D'aimsigh foireann Saotharlann Saoil Dámhachtain um Fheabhas san Earnáil Phoiblí ón Taoiseach mar gheall ar Chláir na hEolaíochta sna scoileanna in Aibreán 2008. Is éard atá sa chlár ná comhoibriú idir an Chomhairle Cathrach agus an Roinn Oideachais agus Eolaíochta. Bhuaigh an Saotharlann Saoil dámhachtain fhiúntais freisin sna Dámhachtainí Rialtais á nuáil ag Vodafone i mí Dheireadh Fómhair. Tháinig méadú arís ar líon na gcuairteoirí ag Saotharlann Saoil agus anois tá an uimhir ag thart ar 16,000 in aghaidh na bliana. D'fhreagair an Ghníomhaireacht Fuinneimh níos mó ceisteanna maidir le caomhnú fuinnimh. Rinne an Ghníomhaireacht obair ilbhuaic don Chomhairle Cathrach go háirithe maidir le tairiscint do riachtanais fuinnimh agus le forbairt Straitéis na Chomhairle um Athrú Aeráide.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

The process of preparing the new City Development Plan 2009-2015 was advanced during 2008. Public consultation (meetings) on the draft took place in six locations throughout the city. The Manager's report on the draft plan was considered by Council at special meetings held in January and February, 2009.

New Joint Housing and Retail Strategies were prepared during 2008 and an update of the Cork Area Strategic Plan was carried out in conjunction with Cork County Council. These have been incorporated into the draft City Development Plan.

The Draft Farranferris Local Area Plan was produced in 2008 and has now proceeded to public consultation.

During 2008, the following variations to the City Development Plan 2004-2009 were made :

- Variation No. 6 (Bishopstown & Wilton Area Action Plan)
- Variation No. 7 (South Docklands / Dwelling sizes and standards)
- Variation No. 8 (Tall Buildings Policy)
- Variation No. 9 (Farranlea Road)

Other achievements during the year included:

- Completion of the Cork City Biodiversity Plan.
- Cork Heritage Open Day was held on Saturday, 30th August, 2008. Over 5,000 people visited 36 buildings open to the public for one day only.
- Conservation Grants of €250,600 were paid out in respect of 20 projects.
- The Cork Economic Monitor was produced in September 2008.
- A Guide to Archaeological Considerations in the Planning Process was published as well as a 2nd reprint of *The Laneways of Medieval Cork*.
- The Huguenot Cemetery at Carey's Lane has been restored and commemorated as a Garden of Remembrance.

The Planning and Development Directorate made decisions on approximately 825 planning applications during 2008 and were pro-active in meeting prospective applicants for pre-planning consultations.

Significant development proposals were submitted in 2008 particularly in the Cork Docklands, Mahon and Blackpool areas.

Permission was granted for a new civic library and retailing on Grand Parade. Major new developments are now underway in the city centre, in particular four significant retailing complexes at St. Patrick's Street, Emmet Place, Lavitt's Quay and Cornmarket Street. All statutory timeframes have been complied with.

The Development Contribution Scheme, adopted in January 2004, yielded €12,706,000 in 2008. These contributions are applied to service current and future development in Cork city and are ring-fenced for capital works.

Increased activity in the Planning Enforcement section has resulted in compliance being achieved through negotiation in many cases, or via successful prosecutions for failure to comply with planning legislation. As a consequence, there

is a greater awareness of the necessity to comply with the planning code.

CONCLUSION

The Disability Act 2005 places various obligations on local authorities in the area of disability. An Access Implementation Plan was drafted and adopted by Council on May 26th, 2008 and outlines the steps Cork City Council agreed to take to ensure that people with disabilities can use our services easily and at the same location and access points as everyone else. The plan covers the period to 2015 and is available on our website.

The Gurranabraher Hut project was successfully completed and opened to the community in October 2008. This provides an invaluable local resource for all people of all ages in the area.

Cork City Council won several awards during 2008. These included:

- The Access Cork website www.accesscork.ie won the Best Project – Services to Citizens in the Vodafone Innovating Government Awards 2008 which was held in Dublin Castle on 9th October 2008. The Awards recognise excellence and creativity for innovative initiatives in the public sector. This website also won two Irish eGovernment Awards; the Accessible Irish eGovernment Award and the Project Management Irish eGovernment Award on the 21st February, 2008.
- The Library Link service won an Excellence in Local Government Award in November. The award was made for the Library Link Service, a van-based service to bring library services to people who cannot travel to their local library. This is a city-wide service and is free of charge. Members of the public who are housebound for whatever reason may borrow books, DVDs, video tapes and audio-books on CD or on cassette, and may make requests for items to satisfy their personal interests. The van, manned by library staff, calls to individual homes, day-care centres, and nursing homes, on a weekly schedule. Users may select items from the shelves in the van or can have selections handed to them in their houses. The new van is fully wheelchair accessible and runs on bio-fuel.
- In April 2008 Cork City Council officially launched an information DVD *Access Aware* in the Millennium Hall, City Hall, Cork. Arising from meetings between Cork City Council and Cork Access Group came a proposal to develop a DVD that would show examples of good practice in Cork where access has been incorporated into the design of the built environment.
- The DVD is targeted at providing information on good practice for engineers, planners and architects. It was produced by the Cork Access Group with funding from Cork City Partnership and Cork City Council.
- The DVD presents very clearly the impact of good design specifications on making buildings, footpaths, etc accessible to people with disabilities.

Joe Gavin
City Manager

PLEANÁIL & FORBAIRT

Rinneadh dul chun cinn ar an bpróiseas maidir leis an bPlean nua Forbartha Cathrach 2009-2015 a ullmhú. Bhí comhairliúcháin phoiblí (cruinnithe) faoin dréacht ar siúl i 6 áit ar fud na cathrach. Bhreithnigh an Chomhairle tuarascáil an bhainisteora maidir leis an dréachtphlean ag cruinnithe speisialta a bhí ar siúl in Eanáir agus Feabhra 2008. Ullmhaíodh na Straitéis nua Chomhpháirteach um Thithíocht agus Miondiola agus rinneadh uasghrádú ar Phlean Straitéiseach Cheantar Chorcaí i bpáirtíocht le Comhairle Chontae Chorcaí. Tá siad seo mar chuid den Dréachtphlean Forbartha Cathrach.

Rinneadh Dréachtphlean Ceantair Áitiúil d'Fhearann Phiarais i 2008 agus tá sé anois tar éis ag dul go comhairliúcháin phoiblí.

Le linn 2008, rinneadh na hathruithe seo a leanas do Phlean Forbartha Cathrach 2004-2009:

- Athrú Uimhir. 6 (Plean gníomhaíochta Baile an Easpaig & Ceantar Wilton)
- Athrú Uimhir. 7 (Ceantar na nDuganna Theas / Caighdeán agus toisí teachais)
- Athrú Uimhir. 8 (Beartas Foirgneamh Ard)
- Athrú Uimhir. 9 (Bóthar an Fhearrainn Léith)

San áireamh in éachtaí eile i rith na bliana:

- Cur i gcrích Plean Bithéagsúlachta Cathair Chorcaí.
- Bhí Lá Oscailte Oidhreacht Chorcaí ar siúl ar an tSathairn 30 Lúnasa 2008. Thug níos mó ná 5,000 duine cuairt ar 36 foirgneamh a raibh oscailte don phobal ar feadh lá amháin.
- Íocadh €250,600 de Dheontais Chaomhnaithe maidir le 20 tionscadal.
- Táirgeadh an Monatóir Eacnamaíoch de Chorcaigh i Meán Fómhair 2008.
- Foilsíodh A Guide to Archaeological Considerations in the Planning Process chomh maith leis an dara h-athchló de The Laneways of Medieval Cork.
- Athchóiríodh an Reilig Huguenot i Lána Uí Chiardha agus comóradh é mar Ghairdín Chuimhneacháin.

Chinntigh an Stiúrthóireacht Pleanála agus Forbartha tuairim is 825 iarratais phleanála le linn 2008 agus bhí sí réamhghníomhach maidir le buailleadh leis na hiarrthóirí ionchasacha i gcomhar comhairliúcháin réamhphleanála. Cuireadh tograí maidir le forbairtí suntasacha faoi bhráid i 2008 go háirithe i gceantair na Duganna Corcaigh, Machan agus an Linn Dubh. Deonaíodh cead planála do leabharlann nua sibhialta agus miondiola ar Shráid an Chapaill Bhúí. Tá mórfhorbairtí nua ar bun sa chathair go h-áirithe ar cheithre choimpléise suntasacha miondiola ag Sráid Phádraig Naofa, Plás Emmet, Cé Lavitt agus Sráid Mhargadh an Arbhair. Comhlíontar na creata ama reachtúla ar fad.

Bhí fáiltas de €12,706,000 i 2008 leis an Scéim Ranníocaíochtaí Forbartha, a glacadh in Eanáir 2004. Tá feidhm ag na ranníocaíochtaí seo sa tseirbhís forbartha reatha agus todchaoich i geathair Chorcaí agus tá siad imfhálaithe d'oibreacha caipitiúla.

Mar thoradh ar níos mó gníomhaíochta i rannán an Fhorfheidhmithe Pleanála tá comhlíonadh bainte amach trí idirbheartaíocht i gcuideamh mhaith cásanacha, nó ionchúiseamh de bharr neamhchomhlíonadh na reachtaíochta pleanála. De dhroim é seo, tá níos mó feasacht ar an ngá le comhlíonadh an cód pleanála.

CONCLÚID

Tá dualgaís éagsúla ar na húdaráis áitiúla i réimse míchumais mar gheall ar Acht um Míchumas 2005. Dhréachtaigh agus ghlac an Chomhairle an Plean Forfheidhmithe Rochtana ar 26 Bealtaine 2008 agus tugann sé léargas ar na céimeanna ar d'aontaigh an Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí dó ionas go n-áirithiú go bhféadfaidh daoine le míchumas air seirbhísí a úsáid go héasca ag an áit cheánna agus ag na pointí rochtana céanna le gach duine eile. Cuimsíonn an plean an tréimhe suas go dtí 2005 agus tá sé le fáil ar ár láithreán gréasáin.

Criochnaíodh go rathúil Tionscnamh Bhothán Gharrán na mBráthar agus oscloaíodh é don phobal i mí Dheireadh Fómhair. Cuireann sé acmhainn áitiúil ilbhuaich do gach duine de gach aois sa cheantar.

Bhuaigh Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí dámhachtainí éagsúla le linn 2008. San áireamh bhí:

- Bhuaigh láithreán gréasán Access Cork www.accesscork.ie an Tionscadal is fearr – Seirbhísí do Shaoaránaigh i nDámhachtainí Rialtais á nuál ag Vodafone 2008 a bhí ar siúl i gCaisleán Bhaile Átha Cliath an 9 Deireadh Fómhair 2008. Aithníonn na Dámhachtainí sainiúlacht agus cruthaitheacht do thionscnáíocht nuálaíoch san earnáil phoiblí. Bhuaigh an láithreán gréasán seo dhá nDámhachtainí ríomh-Rialtais Éireannacha; an Dámhachtain inrochtana ríomh-Rialtais Éireannach agus an Dámhachtain Bhainistíocht Tionscnamh ríomh-Rialtais Éireannach ar 21 Feabhra 2008.
- Bhuaigh an t-seirbhís Nasc Leabharlainne Dámhachtainí um Fheabhas sa Rialtas Áitiúil i mí na Samhna. Bronnadh an dámhachtain don tSeirbhís Nasc Leabharlainne, seirbhís a mbíonn ag úsáid veaineanna chun seirbhís leabharlainne a thabhairt chuig daoine nach féidir taisteal go dtí a leabharlann áitiúil. Tá an t-seirbhís ar fud na cathrach agus tá sé saor in aisce. Is féidir le baili den phobal atá gafa sa teach ar chúis ar bith leabhair, DVDanna, fístéipeanna agus closleabhair ar CD nó ar chaiséad a fháil ar iasacht, agus féadfaidh siad iarradh ar earraí a bhfuil suim pearsanta acu iontu. Téann an veain le foireann leabharlainne go dtí tithe aonair, ionaid chúram lae agus tithe altranaís gach seachtain. Is féidir leis na daoine a bhaineann úsáid as na seirbhísí rudaí a roghnú ó na seilfeanna sa veain nó is féidir le roghanna a fháil istigh ina dteach. Tá an veain nua oiriúnach do chathaoirí rothaí agus úsáideann sé bithbhreosla.
- I mí Aibreáin 2008 sheol Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí DVD eolais Access Aware go hoifigiúil i Halla na Mílaíse, Halla na Cathrach, Corcaigh. Mar thoradh de na cruinnithe idir Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí agus Grúpa Rochtain Chorcaí bhí togra ann maidir le DVD a fhorbairt, a thaispeánfadh samplaí de dheachleachtas i gCorcaigh in áiteanna a ionchorprú rochtain i ndeardh an timpeallacht thógtha. Tá an DVD dírithe ar eolas maidir le deachleachtas a chur ar fáil d'innealtóirí, bheartaitheoirí agus ailtirí. Tháinig an Grúpa Rochtain Chorcaí é le maoiniú ón gComhpháirtíocht Chathrach Chorcaí agus ón gComhairle Cathrach Chorcaí.
- Léiríonn an DVD go soiléir an éifeacht atá ag sonraíochtaí maithe deardaidh maidir le foirgnimh agus cosáin a dhéanamh ionas go mbeidh siad inrochtana do dhaoine le míchumas.

Seosamh Ó Gabháin
Bainisteoir na Cathrach

NOTES

NOTAÍ

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The first part of the paper discusses the importance of the research and the objectives of the study. It highlights the need for a comprehensive understanding of the subject matter and the role of the researcher in this process. The second part of the paper presents the methodology used in the study, including the data collection methods and the analysis techniques. The third part of the paper discusses the results of the study and the conclusions drawn from the findings. The final part of the paper provides a summary of the key points and offers suggestions for future research.

The research was conducted in a systematic and rigorous manner, following the principles of scientific inquiry. The data was collected from a representative sample of the population, and the analysis was performed using advanced statistical techniques. The results of the study are presented in a clear and concise manner, allowing for a thorough understanding of the findings. The conclusions drawn from the study are based on the evidence presented and are supported by the data.

The study has several limitations, which are discussed in the paper. These limitations include the sample size, the duration of the study, and the potential for bias. Despite these limitations, the study provides valuable insights into the subject matter and contributes to the existing body of knowledge. The findings of the study have important implications for practice and policy, and they provide a basis for further research.

In conclusion, the study has shown that the research is a complex and multifaceted process that requires a deep understanding of the subject matter and a commitment to scientific rigor. The findings of the study are significant and provide a valuable contribution to the field. The study also highlights the importance of ongoing research and the need for a continuous effort to improve our understanding of the world around us.