

**Minutes of Special Meeting of Galway City Council
held on Wednesday 6th July, 2022, at 3pm in the Hardiman Hotel,
Eyre Square, Galway and online via zoom platform.
Consideration of the Draft Development Plan 2023-2029 and the Chief
Executive's Report on the Draft Development Plan Consultation Process
Meeting No. 2**

Presiding:	Cllr. C. Higgins, Mayor of the City of Galway
Present:	Councillors: A. Cheevers; C. Connolly; J. Connolly; M.J. Crowe; M. Cubbard; O. Hanley; E. Hoare; P. Keane; N. McNelis & T. O'Flaherty
Present Virtually:	Councillors: I. Byrne; F. Fahy; N. Larkin; D. Lyons & M. O'Connor
Apologies:	Cllr. D. McDonnell & Cllr. N. Murphy
In Attendance:	Ms. R. McNally, Director of Services Mr. P. Greene, Director of Services Ms. C. Phelan, Senior Planner Ms. H. Coleman, Senior Executive Planner Ms. M. Harrington, Executive Planner Ms. M. Kilgarriff, Assistant Staff Officer Ms. A. Rohan, Meetings Administrator Ms. S. King, Assistant Staff Officer
In Attendance Virtually:	Mr. B. McGrath, Chief Executive Mr. B. Barrett, A/Director of Services Ms. K. Moloney, A/Executive Planner

Ms. A. Rohan, Meetings Administrator commenced the meeting with a statement of intention to conduct the business of the Meeting in line with Standing Orders followed by a moment of silent reflection. A presentation was then made with regards to Member's statutory obligations concerning:

- Ethics Framework
 - o Ethical Framework for the Local Government Service
 - o Code of Conduct for Councillors advising chapters on Conflict of Personal and Public Interest and Planning
- Disclosure at Meetings
- Disclosure in Advance of Meetings
- Planning Legislation
- Code of Conduct and Regulation of Lobbying information

Following queries from Councillors, further guidance available on the website www.lobbying.ie regarding lobbying was circulated to Councillors by email.

Councillors were advised that they are individually responsible for being compliant and that it is an offence if you fail to comply with some sections of the Ethical Framework.

Mayor C. Higgins welcomed all and outlined proceedings in relation to the second meeting to consider the Draft Development Plan 2023-2029 and the Chief Executive's Report on the Draft Development Plan Consultation Process, in accordance with Section 12 (6) of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended).

Proposed by: Cllr. M. O'Connor

Seconded by: Cllr. Cllr. D. Lyons

To defer consideration of motions submitted by Cllr. N. Murphy and related relevant transportation submissions in the Chief Executive's Report until Friday, 8th July, 2022.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Chapter 4: Sustainable Mobility & Transportation

Mayor C. Higgins referred to Chapter 4 Sustainable Mobility & Transportation and invited queries. Following queries from Councillors, the Chief Executive advised that an update will be provided by the National Transport Authority at the September Council meeting and this will outline information in relation to Park & Ride and that the Development Plan is there to provide policy support.

Cllr. P. Keane queried the process of consideration of the Development Plan and to ensure for a legal perspective that Council were following the correct process.

Mayor C. Higgins proposed that a five minute break be taken to examine the procedures at 16.05pm. The meeting resumed at 16.12pm.

Ms. A. Rohan, Meetings Administrator referred to the Chief Executive's Report where the Chief Executive's Responses and Recommendations in some instances related to a number of submissions that were grouped together regarding the same policy. She referred to the first meeting held on Monday 4th July, 2022 where Councillors made resolutions to accept, reject or amend the Chief Executive's Responses and Recommendations on individual and grouped submissions.

Further to queries, she advised that the Council could consider submissions and the Chief Executive's Responses and Recommendations either individually or grouped together. However, it would take considerably more time if the Chief Executive's Responses and Recommendation regarding each submission were considered individually.

Ms. C. Phelan referred Councillors to the Planning and Development Act and confirmed that Council can accept, reject or amend the Development Plan and have to have regard to proper planning and sustainable development.

Councillors discussed the process to be taken going forward and the Chief Executive responded to queries raised on same.

Cllr. C. Connolly confirmed her approval of the process, to date.

Cllr. P. Keane submitted a motion regarding consideration of submissions on the draft City Development Plan.

Ms. A. Rohan, Meetings Administrator proceeded to take a Roll Call Vote:

Proposed by: Cllr. P. Keane

Seconded by: Cllr. J. Connolly

That Members would, in giving due consideration to each submission, decide on each individual submission by accepting, rejecting or amending each submission as per the Chief Executive's Response and Recommendation insofar as it affects every chapter and or appendix and environmental assessments in the draft City Development Plan.

In favour: Cllr. I. Byrne, Cllr. A. Cheevers, Cllr. C. Connolly, Cllr. J. Connolly, Cllr. M.J. Crowe, Cllr. M. Cubbard, Cllr. F. Fahy, Cllr. P. Keane & Cllr. N. Larkin

Against: Cllr. O. Hanley, Cllr. C. Higgins, Cllr. E. Hoare, Cllr. D. Lyons, Cllr. N. McNelis, Cllr. M. O'Connor & Cllr. T. O'Flaherty

In Favour: 9 Against: 7 Abstain: 0 Present: 16

The Motion was approved by Council.

Ms. A. Rohan, Meetings Administrator requested that when Councillors were indicating in favour, against or abstaining regarding a vote to raise their hands.

The submissions for Chapter 4 were then taken and considered individually by the Elected Members.

Policy 4.1 – General

Proposed by: Cllr. D. Lyons

Seconded by: Cllr. M. J. Crowe

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.1 General in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-148 Galway City Community Network be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. D. Lyons

Seconded by: Cllr. O. Hanley

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.1 General in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-118 Ibec be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. D. Lyons

Seconded by: Cllr. N. McNelis

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.1 General in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-123 Owen Hanley - Comments on TII Submission be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. E. Hoare

Seconded by: Cllr. N. McNelis

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.1 General in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-182 Reform, Central Policy and Communications Division - Dept. of Transport be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Cllr. M. Cubbard referred to the Chief Executive's Response relating to GLWC-C2-141 National Transport Agency - GTS proposing that 'very light rail' be referenced. This was seconded by Cllr. M. O'Connor. Following comments from Ms. H. Coleman, Senior Executive Planner, Cllr. M. Cubbard withdrew the Motion.

Proposed by: Cllr. P. Keane **Seconded by:** Cllr. D. Lyons

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.1 General in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-141 National Transport Agency - GTS be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Policy 4.2 – Land Use & Transportation

Proposed by: Cllr. D. Lyons **Seconded by:** Cllr. C. Connolly

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.2 Land Use and Transportation in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-148 Galway City Community Network – Policy 4.2.6 be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Policy 4.3 Public Transport

Proposed by: Cllr. D. Lyons **Seconded by:** Cllr. N. Larkin

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.3 Public Transport in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-27 Grainne Faller – Availability of Public Transport be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. N. McNelis **Seconded by:** Cllr. D. Lyons

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.3 Public Transport in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-4 Paul Rush – Commuting Patterns be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. T. O'Flaherty **Seconded by:** Cllr. E. Hoare

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy Policy 4.3 Public Transport in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-37 Galway Age Friendly Alliance be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. N. McNelis **Seconded by:** Cllr. M. O'Connor

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy Policy 4.3 Public Transport in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-67 Margaret Casserly be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. I. Byrne **Seconded by:** Cllr. D. Lyons

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.3 Public Transport in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-148 Galway City Community Network – Policy 4.3 Public Transport be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. D. Lyons **Seconded by:** Cllr. E. Hoare

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.3 Public Transport in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-59 John Brennan be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. P. Keane **Seconded by:** Cllr. M. Cubbard

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.3 Public Transport in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-228 Galway Environmental Network be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. T. O'Flaherty **Seconded by:** Cllr. E. Hoare

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.3 Public Transport in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-190 An Taisce - Galway Planning Committee – Support for Very Light Rail and proposed addition to Policy 4.1 be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. T. O'Flaherty **Seconded by:** Cllr. P. Keane

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.3 Public Transport in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-213 Gluas Very Light Rail Committee be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. M. Cubbard **Seconded by:** Cllr. D. Lyons

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy Policy 4.3 Public Transport in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-227 Brendan Mulligan be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. D. Lyons **Seconded by:** Cllr. N. McNelis

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.3 Public Transport in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-27 Grainne Faller be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Cllr. A. Cheevers raised queries regarding GLWC-C2-144 Innovation Technology AtlanTec Gateway (itag). The Chief Executive and Ms. H. Coleman, Senior Executive Planner responded to same.

Proposed by: Cllr. J. Connolly **Seconded by:** Cllr. D. Lyons

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.3 Public Transport in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-144 Innovation Technology AtlanTec Gateway (itag) be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. N. McNelis **Seconded by:** Cllr. M. Cubbard

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.3 Public Transport in the Chief Executive's Report relating to hat the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.2 Land Use and Transportation in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-123 Owen Hanley – Mervue Area: Delivery of Infrastructure on Tuam Rd and Monivea Rd be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. E. Hoare **Seconded by:** Cllr. N. McNelis

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.3 Public Transport in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-118 Ibec - International Connectivity be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. O. Hanley **Seconded by:** Cllr. M. Cubbard

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.3 Public Transport in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-144 Innovation Technology AtlanTec Gateway (ITAG) be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. N. McNelis **Seconded by:** Cllr. C. Connolly

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.3 Public Transport in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-7 JASON ROACHE – Bus Routes – Local be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. J. Connolly **Seconded by:** Cllr. D. Lyons

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.3 Public Transport in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-127 Roselyn Carroll be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. J. Connolly **Seconded by:** Cllr. D. Lyons

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.3 Public Transport in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-146 Iarnród Éireann / Irish Rail be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. J. Connolly **Seconded by:** Cllr. P. Keane

To amend the Chief Executive’s Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.3 Public Transport in the Chief Executive’s Report regarding text under the RSES heading in Chapter 4 to include the two items of text italicised as shown below:

Include support for Strategic Rail Review in Chapter 4 under the Rail heading in the 2nd last sentence. “The NDP includes for the Dublin–Galway rail lines to be subject to an examination to move to higher speeds leading to improved connectivity to regional cities through improved rail journey times. *“This is being further examined under the All-Ireland Strategic Rail Review.”* The potential for double tracking of the railway line from Galway City to Athlone with increased service stops between Athlone and Galway will improve commuter...

Amend Section 4.6 under Accessibility heading of the draft plan to include text in italics:

Amendment is proposed to text in Section 4.3 Public Transport in second paragraph under Rail heading to include text in italics:

“Such works to the line may also benefit the provision of a rail freight service from Galway Port and is a strategic project that would enhance accessibility and connectivity in the region. The recent Rail Freight 2040 Strategy includes for an ambitious vision positioning rail at the centre of Ireland’s freight transport system, recognising the sustainable benefits that rail provides as a contribution towards achieving Ireland’s climate objectives and wider strategic national outcomes.”

That the Chief Executive’s Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.3 Public Transport in the Chief Executive’s Report relating to GLWC-C2-190 An Taisce - Galway Planning Committee – proposed text addition to Policy 4.3.1 Public Transport be deferred for consideration.

It was agreed by Council to defer the consideration of the Chief Executive’s Response along with a Motion submitted by Cllr. C. Connolly.

Proposed by: Cllr. J. Connolly **Seconded by:** Cllr. M. O’Connor

That the Chief Executive’s Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.3 Public Transport in the Chief Executive’s Report relating to GLWC-C2-69 Galway County Council be deferred.

It was agreed by Council to defer the consideration of the Chief Executive’s Response along with a Motion submitted by Cllr. O. Hanley.

4.4. Sustainable Mobility – Walk and Cycle

Proposed by: Cllr. A. Cheevers **Seconded by:** Cllr. M. O’Connor

That the Chief Executive’s Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive’s Report relating to GLWC-C2-20 Bernadette Carroll be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. M. O’Connor **Seconded by:** Cllr. C. Connolly

That the Chief Executive’s Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive’s Report relating to GLWC-C2-229 Friends of Merlin Woods be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. M.J. Crowe **Seconded by:** Cllr. J. Connolly

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-27 Grainne Faller be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. E. Hoare **Seconded by:** Cllr. M. Cubbard

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-208 David Howard be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. M.J. Crowe **Seconded by:** Cllr. N. McNelis

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-106 Michelle Carey be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. M.J. Crowe **Seconded by:** Cllr. N. McNelis

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-209 Lenny Antonelli be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. M.J. Crowe **Seconded by:** Cllr. N. McNelis

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-212 Galway Commuter Coalition be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. E. Hoare **Seconded by:** Cllr. M.J. Crowe

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-148 Galway City Community Network be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

It was agreed to take a break at 17.30pm for 15 minutes. The meeting resumed at 17:45pm.

Mayor C. Higgins referred to the next submission and Chief Executive's Response regarding GLWC-C2-59 - John Brennan.

Proposed by: Cllr. E. Hoare **Seconded by:** Cllr. N. McNelis

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-59 John Brennan be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Ms. A. Rohan, Meetings Administrator took a Roll Call Vote as follows:

Proposed by: Cllr. I. Byrne **Seconded by:** Cllr. M.J. Crowe

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-212 Galway Commuter Coalition be accepted.

In favour: Cllr. I. Byrne, Cllr. A. Cheevers, Cllr. J. Connolly, Cllr. M.J. Crowe, Cllr. M. Cubbard, Cllr. F. Fahy, Cllr. O. Hanley, Cllr. C. Higgins, Cllr. E. Hoare, Cllr. P. Keane, Cllr. N. Larkin, Cllr. D. Lyons, Cllr. N. McNelis & Cllr. T. O'Flaherty

Against: Cllr. C. Connolly & Cllr. M. O'Connor

In Favour: 14 Against: 2 Abstain: 0 Present: 16

The Motion was approved by Council.

Ms. A. Rohan, Meetings Administrator took a Roll Call Vote as follows:

Proposed by: Cllr. N. McNelis **Seconded by:** Cllr. E. Hoare

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-82 Aran Murray be accepted.

In favour: Cllr. I. Byrne, Cllr. A. Cheevers, Cllr. J. Connolly, Cllr. M.J. Crowe, Cllr. M. Cubbard, Cllr. F. Fahy, Cllr. C. Higgins, Cllr. E. Hoare, Cllr. P. Keane, Cllr. N. Larkin, Cllr. D. Lyons & Cllr. N. McNelis

Against: Cllr. C. Connolly, Cllr. O. Hanley, Cllr. M. O'Connor & Cllr. T. O'Flaherty

In Favour: 12 Against: 4 Abstain: 0 Present: 16

The Motion was approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. N. McNelis **Seconded by:** Cllr. E. Hoare

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-118 Ibec be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Cllr. C. Connolly requested a Roll Call Vote. Ms. A. Rohan, Meetings Administrator, proceeded to take a Roll Call Vote.

Proposed by: Cllr. D. Lyons **Seconded by:** Cllr. M.J. Crowe

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-190 An Taisce - Galway Planning Committee - Modal Shift- Prioritisation of pedestrians and cyclists be accepted.

In favour: Cllr. I Byrne, Cllr. A. Cheevers, Cllr. J. Connolly, Cllr. M.J. Crowe, Cllr. F. Fahy, Cllr. M. Cubbard, Cllr. O. Hanley, Cllr. C. Higgins, Cllr. E. Hoare, Cllr. P. Keane, Cllr. N. Larkin, Cllr. D. Lyons, Cllr. N. McNelis, Cllr. M. O'Connor & Cllr. T. O'Flaherty

Against: Cllr. C. Connolly

In Favour: 15 **Against:** 1 **Abstain:** 0 **Present:** 16

The Motion was approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. M.J. Crowe **Seconded by:** Cllr. E. Hoare

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-27 Grainne Faller - Provide Segregated Cycling Infrastructure be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. M.J. Crowe **Seconded by:** Cllr. E. Hoare

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-208 David Howard - Provide Segregated Cycling Infrastructure be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. M.J. Crowe **Seconded by:** Cllr. E. Hoare

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-106 Michelle Carey - Provide Segregated Cycling Infrastructure be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. M.J. Crowe **Seconded by:** Cllr. E. Hoare

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-209 Lenny Antonelli - Provide Segregated Cycling Infrastructure be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. M.J. Crowe **Seconded by:** Cllr. E. Hoare

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-59 John Brennan - Provide Segregated Cycling Infrastructure be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. E. Hoare **Seconded by:** Cllr. M.J. Crowe

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-82 Aran Murray - Provide Segregated Cycling Infrastructure be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Cllr. C. Connolly requested a Roll Call Vote. Ms. A. Rohan, Meetings Administrator proceeded to take a Roll Call Vote.

Proposed by: Cllr. M.J. Crowe **Seconded by:** Cllr. D. Lyons

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-104 Dave Mathieson- Cycle Network-needs for cyclists to have coherent, segregated routes that they can use to traverse the city be accepted.

In favour: Cllr. I Byrne, Cllr. A. Cheevers, Cllr. J. Connolly, Cllr. M.J. Crowe, Cllr. M. Cubbard, Cllr. F. Fahy, Cllr. C. Higgins, Cllr. E. Hoare, Cllr. P. Keane, Cllr. N. Larkin, Cllr. D. Lyons, Cllr. N. McNelis, Cllr. M. O'Connor & Cllr. T. O'Flaherty

Against: Cllr. C. Connolly & Cllr. O. Hanley

In Favour: 14 **Against:** 2 **Abstain:** 0 **Present:** 16

The Motion was approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. E. Hoare **Seconded by:** Cllr. M.J. Crowe

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-83 Noel Porter - Segregated Cycle Lanes be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Cllr. C. Connolly requested a Roll Call Vote. Ms. A. Rohan, Meetings Administrator, proceeded to take a Roll Call Vote.

Proposed by: Cllr. M.J. Crowe **Seconded by:** Cllr. J. Connolly

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-212 Galway Commuter Coalition - Cycling Improvements be accepted.

In favour: Cllr. I Byrne, Cllr. A. Cheevers, Cllr. J. Connolly, Cllr. M.J. Crowe, Cllr. M. Cubbard, Cllr. F. Fahy, Cllr. C. Higgins, Cllr. E. Hoare, Cllr. P. Keane, Cllr. N. Larkin, Cllr. D. Lyons, Cllr. N. McNelis, Cllr. M. O'Connor & Cllr. T. O'Flaherty

Against: Cllr. C. Connolly & Cllr. O. Hanley

In Favour: 14 **Against:** 2 **Abstain:** 0 **Present:** 16

The Motion was approved by Council.

Cllr. C. Connolly requested a Roll Call Vote. Ms. A. Rohan, Meetings Administrator, proceeded to take a Roll Call Vote.

Proposed by: Cllr. M.J. Crowe **Seconded by:** Cllr. D. Lyons

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-127 Roselyn Carroll - Cycling Improvements be accepted.

In favour: Cllr. I Byrne, Cllr. A. Cheevers, Cllr. J. Connolly, Cllr. M.J. Crowe, Cllr. M. Cubbard, Cllr. F. Fahy, Cllr. C. Higgins, Cllr. E. Hoare, Cllr. P. Keane, Cllr. N. Larkin, Cllr. D. Lyons, Cllr. N. McNelis, Cllr. M. O'Connor & Cllr. T. O'Flaherty

Against: Cllr. C. Connolly & Cllr. O. Hanley

In Favour: 14 **Against:** 2 **Abstain:** 0 **Present:** 16

This was approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. E. Hoare **Seconded by:** Cllr. N. McNelis

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-59 John Brennan - Cycling be accepted.

It was agreed by Council to defer the consideration of the Chief Executive's Response to allow Cllr. C. Connolly submit an amendment for consideration.

Mr. P. Greene, Director of Services advised that schools submit expressions of interest to Galway City Council regarding the Safe Routes to School Programme. Ms. H. Coleman stated that the Development Plan provides policy framework to support the Safe Routes to School programme and that this is referenced in the Plan.

Proposed by: Cllr. M. J. Crowe **Seconded by:** Cllr. E. Hoare

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-173 Galway Cycling Campaign be accepted.

It was agreed by Council that the Motion be deferred until a later meeting to allow for consideration and a response from the Executive.

Proposed by: Cllr. O. Hanley **Seconded by:** Cllr. M. Cubbard

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-82 Aran Murray be deferred for consideration under Chapter 11.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. A. Cheevers **Seconded by:** Cllr. J. Connolly

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-7 JASON ROACHE be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. D. Lyons **Seconded by:** Cllr. P. Keane

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-127 Roselyn Carroll be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. N. McNelis **Seconded by:** Cllr. P. Keane

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-16 Nelius Kavanagh be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. N. McNelis **Seconded by:** Cllr. D. Lyons

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-29 Niall O'Flaherty be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. D. Lyons **Seconded by:** Cllr. M.J. Crowe

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-47 Patsy Casserly be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. N. McNelis **Seconded by:** Cllr. E. Hoare

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-51 Corrib Rowing and Yachting Club be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. M. Cubbard **Seconded by:** Cllr. E. Hoare

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-48 Laura Shanley be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. D. Lyons **Seconded by:** Cllr. M. Cubbard

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-34 Vincent McKey be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. N. McNelis **Seconded by:** Cllr. O. Hanley

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-36 Nelius Kavanagh be accepted

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. T. O'Flaherty **Seconded by:** Cllr. P. Keane

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-61 Dan Carey be accepted

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. E. Hoare **Seconded by:** Cllr. D. Lyons

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-33 James McCarthy be accepted

This was agreed and approved by Council.

A discussion took place in relation to the proposed greenway route between Ballyloughane and the eastern city boundary, specifically regarding the rights of landowners and the potential for an informal walking route. The Chief Executive and Mr. P. Greene, Director of Services responded to queries. The Chief Executive requested that the item be deferred to allow for a response from the Executive at a later meeting.

Proposed by: Cllr. M. O'Connor **Seconded by:** Cllr. C. Connolly

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-32 Save Roscam Peninsula be accepted

It was agreed by Council that the Motion be deferred until the meeting of the 8th July to allow for consideration of same and a response from the Executive.

Proposed by: Cllr. O. Hanley **Seconded by:** Cllr. M. Cubbard

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-59 John Brennan be accepted.

Councillors discussed same. Mr. P. Greene, Director of Services and Ms. C. Phelan, Senior Planner responded to queries. It was advised that a National Transport Authority Review is to take place in relation to kissing gates and accessibility. The Chief Executive advised that this issue could be dealt with under the Local Economic and Community Plan and Galway Transport Strategy.

Cllr. C. Connolly requested that this motion be deferred to allow for an amendment to be submitted and this was seconded by Cllr. M. O'Connor.

Following discussion, Cllr. C. Connolly proposed an amendment to the Chief Executive Response. Ms. A. Rohan, Meetings Administrator, proceeded to take a Roll Call Vote.

Proposed by: Cllr. C. Connolly **Seconded by:** Cllr. M. O'Connor

That the CE response to GLWC-C2-59 John Brennan be amended as follows to include the text in italics:

Recreation and Amenity Department is in the process of working on a combined design response with the Transport Section and Housing/Social Inclusion that will address issues of accessibility and include for an appropriate alternate to design to kissing gates in the City ***and That Galway City Council will develop a policy in conjunction with the NTA to include the Transport Section, Housing, Recreation and Amenity and Social Inclusion that will address access issues regarding kissing gates.***

In favour: Cllr. C. Connolly, Cllr. M. Cubbard, Cllr. O. Hanley, Cllr. N. McNelis & Cllr. M. O'Connor

Against: Cllr. I. Byrne, Cllr. A. Cheevers, Cllr. J. Connolly, Cllr. M.J. Crowe, Cllr. F. Fahy, Cllr. C. Higgins, Cllr. E. Hoare, Cllr. P. Keane, Cllr. N. Larkin, Cllr. D. Lyons & Cllr. T. O'Flaherty

In Favour: 5 Against: 11 Abstain: 0 Present: 16

This Motion was defeated.

Cllr. O. Hanley withdrew his proposal of the original motion to accept the Chief Executive's Response relating to GLWC-C2-59 John Brennan.

Proposed by: Cllr. D. Lyons **Seconded by:** Cllr. M.J. Crowe

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-59 John Brennan be accepted.

The Motion was approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. P. Keane **Seconded by:** Cllr. O. Hanley

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-212 Galway Commuter Coalition be accepted

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. D. Lyons **Seconded by:** Cllr. E. Hoare

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-127 Roselyn Carroll be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. T. O'Flaherty **Seconded by:** Cllr. E. Hoare

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-82 Aran Murray be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

It was agreed to break for 30 minutes from 19.18pm. The meeting resumed at 19.55pm.

Proposed by: Cllr. D. Lyons **Seconded by:** Cllr. M.J. Crowe

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-59 John Brennan be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. N. McNelis **Seconded by:** Cllr. E. Hoare

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-212 Galway Commuter Coalition be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. A. Cheevers **Seconded by:** Cllr. D. Lyons

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-199 Shauna Spillane be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Cllr. C. Connolly requested a Roll Call vote regarding GLWC-C2-171. Ms. A. Rohan, Meetings Administrator, proceeded to take a Roll Call Vote.

Proposed by: Cllr. T. O’Flaherty **Seconded by:** Cllr. M.J. Crowe

That the Chief Executive’s Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive’s Report relating to GLWC-C2-171 Roselyn Carroll be accepted.

In favour: Cllr. I. Byrne, Cllr. A. Cheevers, Cllr. J. Connolly, Cllr. M.J. Crowe, Cllr. M. Cubbard, Cllr. O. Hanley, Cllr. C. Higgins, Cllr. E. Hoare, Cllr. P. Keane, Cllr. N. Larkin, Cllr. D. Lyons, Cllr. N. McNelis, Cllr. M. O’Connor & Cllr. T. O’Flaherty

Against: Cllr. C. Connolly

In Favour: 14 Against: 1 Abstain: 0 Present: 15

The Motion was approved by Council.

Cllr. C. Connolly requested a Roll Call vote regarding GLWC-C2-27. Ms. A. Rohan, Meetings Administrator, proceeded to take a Roll Call Vote.

Proposed by: Cllr. M.J. Crowe **Seconded by:** Cllr. D. Lyons

That the Chief Executive’s Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive’s Report relating to GLWC-C2-27 Grainne Faller be accepted.

In favour: Cllr. I. Byrne, Cllr. A. Cheevers, Cllr. J. Connolly, Cllr. M.J. Crowe, Cllr. M. Cubbard, Cllr. O. Hanley, Cllr. C. Higgins, Cllr. E. Hoare, Cllr. P. Keane, Cllr. N. Larkin, Cllr. D. Lyons, Cllr. N. McNelis, Cllr. M. O’Connor & Cllr. T. O’Flaherty

Against: Cllr. C. Connolly

In Favour: 14 Against: 1 Abstain: 0 Present: 15

The Motion was approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. E. Hoare **Seconded by:** Cllr. T. O’Flaherty

That the Chief Executive’s Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive’s Report relating to GLWC-C2-228 Galway Environmental Network be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. M.J. Crowe **Seconded by:** Cllr. M. O’Connor

That the Chief Executive’s Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive’s Report relating to GLWC-C2-123 Owen Hanley Cycling and Walking provisions in Headford Rd Area be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Concerns were raised in relation to lack of footpaths in a number of areas in the city. The Chief Executive gave a commitment to carry out an audit of the inventory of footpaths in the city. He advised

that this may be included as part of Transportation department work programme depending on budget and resources.

Proposed by: Cllr. T. O’Flaherty **Seconded by:** Cllr. A. Cheevers

That the Chief Executive’s Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive’s Report relating to GLWC-C2-123 Owen Hanley Active Travel-Castlegar be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. D. Lyons **Seconded by:** Cllr. O. Hanley

That the Chief Executive’s Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive’s Report relating to GLWC-C2-123 Owen Hanley Renmore- Galway to Athlone Greenway-Protect Right of Way along Railway Line be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. O. Hanley **Seconded by:** Cllr. N. McNelis

That the Chief Executive’s Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive’s Report relating to GLWC-C2-123 Owen Hanley Galway to Athlone Greenway be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. N. McNelis **Seconded by:** Cllr. T. O’Flaherty

That the Chief Executive’s Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive’s Report relating to GLWC-C2-123 Owen Hanley Mervue- Active Travel-Lough Atalia Barrier to Residents be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. T. O’Flaherty **Seconded by:** Cllr. A. Cheevers

That the Chief Executive’s Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive’s Report relating to GLWC-C2-123 Owen Hanley Ballybane More – footpath be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. D. Lyons **Seconded by:** Cllr. E. Hoare

That the Chief Executive’s Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive’s Report relating to GLWC-C2-173 Galway Cycling Campaign be accepted.

Following discussion, Cllr. C. Connolly proposed an amendment motion. In line with Standing Orders the amendment is considered first. Ms. A. Rohan, Meetings Administrator proceeded to take a Roll Call Vote as follows:

Proposed by: Cllr. C. Connolly **Seconded by:** Cllr. M. O'Connor

Re: GLWC-C2-173 Galway Cycling Campaign

Proposal: To include a policy item in 4. Sustainable Mobility and Transportation to accord with guidance from the National Cycle Manual where people are expected to cycle on the general traffic lane with other vehicles.

Add: *"Any active-travel intervention on a road or street which requires people cycling to share the same lane with general motor-traffic, should also ensure that such roads or streets are designed and managed to create the appropriate environment as per guidance in the National Cycling Manual on "Shared/Mixed Streets" to 4.4 Sustainable Mobility – Walk & Cycle p. 104.*

In favour: Cllr. I. Byrne, Cllr. C. Connolly, Cllr. J. Connolly, Cllr. M.J. Crowe, Cllr. M. Cubbard, Cllr. O. Hanley, Cllr. C. Higgins, Cllr. P. Keane, Cllr. N. Larkin, Cllr. N. McNelis, Cllr. M. O'Connor & Cllr. T. O'Flaherty

Against: Cllr. A. Cheevers, Cllr. E. Hoare & Cllr. D. Lyons

In Favour: 12 **Against:** 3 **Abstain:** 0 **Present:** 15

The Motion was approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. D. Lyons **Seconded by:** Cllr. J. Connolly

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-173 Galway Cycling Campaign be accepted.

Cllr. C. Connolly proposed an amendment to the Chief Executive's Response as follows: *'To add policy items and amend text in 4. Sustainable Mobility and Transportation which makes provision for better cycling access on one-way streets. Proposed amendment to add new text to 4.4 Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle, p. 103: Galway City Council will further support Public Bike Share by implementing the recommendations of the 2011 Jacobs Report Public Bike Schemes in Regional Cities through the provision of two-way cycling on one-way streets, and by opening up pedestrianised areas to cycling where conditions allow.'* As there was no seconder, the motion fails.

The original motion was then considered.

Proposed by: Cllr. D. Lyons **Seconded by:** Cllr. J. Connolly

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-173 Galway Cycling Campaign be accepted

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. E. Hoare

Seconded by: Cllr. D. Lyons

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-82 Aran Murray be accepted.

This was agreed and approved by Council.

Proposed by: Cllr. D. Lyons

Seconded by: Cllr. M. O'Connor

That the Chief Executive's Response regarding Chapter 4: Policy 4.4 - Sustainable Mobility - Walk and Cycle in the Chief Executive's Report relating to GLWC-C2-173 Galway Cycling Campaign be accepted.

Following discussion, it was agreed to consider this motion and a proposed amendment by Cllr. C. Connolly at the next meeting on Friday 8th July.

The meeting concluded at 21.00p.m.