

# **Cork County Council Meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> September, 2017**

## **Deferred from Council meetings : 10th & 24th July, 2017**

### **Notice of Motion: Councillor Marcia Dalton**

“That Cork County Council would use the powers granted to it under Section 71 of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act 2000 to take Vernon Mount (No. 00480 in the Record of Protected Structures) into public ownership.

That in thus acting in accordance within its statutory powers to respond to its commitment in HE 4-1 of the County Development Plan, Cork County Council would be mindful that:

1. Since 1997, the owners of Vernon Mount have failed on an ongoing basis to uphold their responsibility under Section 58 of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act 2000
2. The cost of the works to the roof of Vernon Mount carried out by Cork County Council in 2010 and in 2012 was to be reimbursed by the owners to Cork County Council in the event of damage befalling the house.”

### **Response**

Cork County Council has appointed the services of David Kelly Partnership, Consulting Engineers to prepare a structural survey of Vernon Mount House and QS costings for the stabilisation of the structure. This report will be issued imminently. No decisions regarding Vernon Mount House can be made until such a time as Cork County Council has full details with respect to the structural integrity of the property and the logistics involved in its stabilisation. Cork County Council will take under consideration the conclusions /recommendations of the engineers report, as well as seeking advice from our planning/heritage and legal sections prior to making a decision on any future actions that may be taken under the Planning and Development Acts 2000-2010, in relation to Vernon Mount House’.

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