

NOTIFICATION TO ATTEND MONTHLY MEETING OF THE SOUTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE TO BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, DUBLIN 2 ON MONDAY 14th MARCH 2016 AT 3.00pm

TO EACH MEMBER OF THE SOUTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE

You are hereby notified to attend the monthly meeting of the above committee to be held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Dublin 2 on <u>Monday 14th March 2016 at 3.00pm</u> to deal with the items on the agenda attached herewith.

<u>Rose Kenny</u> Area Manager

Dated this 9th March 2016

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- **553.** Planning application reference number 2210/16, Greenfield, Donnybrook.
- **554.** Presentation from Howley Hayes on entrance pavilion Merrion Square.
- **555**. Minutes of the meeting held on 8^{th} February 2016 (pages 6 41).
- **556.** Questions to the Chief Executive (pages 55 60).

557. Environment & Transportation Matters

- i. Traffic Advisory Group Minutes of Meeting held on 23/02/2016 (enclosed).
- ii. Traffic Works Programme 2016 (page 42).

558. Planning, Property, Enterprise & Economic Development Matters

i. Report on proposed disposal of a further licence of the Old Fire Station, 190a Rathmines Road Lower, Dublin 6 (pages 43 – 44 and enclosed).

559. Culture, Recreation, Community and Amenity Matters

i. Re: Proposal to grant a lease of property at 44 East Essex Street, Temple Bar to the Youth Mental Health organisation "Headstrong" (page 45).

560. South East Area Matters

- i. Updates on the following:
 - Community Development Section (page 46).
 - Environmental Services Unit (page 47)
 - Housing Projects and Local Area Improvements (pages 48 49).
 - Sport and Recreation Section (pages 50 51).
- ii. Nomination of one South East Area Committee member to the board of the Dublin South City Partnership.
- iii. Naming and numbering proposal for a development of four houses at 130 Ranelagh (page 52 and enclosed).
- iv. Naming and numbering proposal for a development of two houses to the rear of Lodge Villa, Dartry Road, Dublin 6 (page 53 and enclosed).
- v. Naming and numbering proposal for a new development at 19C Hanover Street East, Grand Canal, Dublin 2 (page 54 and enclosed).

<u>Motions</u>

561. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey

This Committee requests a report on the requests and ideas submitted in relation to Irishtown Nature Park and Sean Moore Park as outlined in the email submitted with and circulated with this motion.

Loitering & Drinking

Cans and bottles are thrown around generally but particularly near benches and on rocks in front of same. Drinkers are a threat to local walkers and visitors and occupy benches with great views of sea and mountains. Apart from the safety issue these people foul the area nearby causing a health issue - I have seen rats. Signs (picture style) are needed as a deterrent and for Garda backup.

Camping

Last summer there were long stay campers who took up space near benches and also littered the environs. Signs (picture style) are needed as a deterrent and for Garda backup

Dog fouling

This is not a bad problem but again signage is necessary to keep people aware. Most of the litter bins next the pathway have been removed.

I have had e correspondence (+ photos) with Mr Michael Noonan, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent but nothing has happened.

We should be proud of this great amenity and make it safe and welcoming for locals and visitors.

562. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey

This Committee requests the Area Manager and Traffic Engineer to provide a detailed response to the serious issues of concern raised by the chairperson of the board of management and parents of St. Enda's National School, Whitefriar Street as outlined below.

I write on behalf of the Board of Management of St Enda's National School, Whitefriar Street, Dublin. The parents of the school have recently alerted the board to the risk posed to pedestrians, both children and adults, in the Whitefriar Street area. Traffic in the area can move at a speed which poses risks to pedestrians.

I attach to the email photographs of the area, which is near the entrance to the school and near the Raddison Hotel at Golden Lane. The areas concerned are around Golden Lane, Whitefriar Street, Whitefriar Place and Wood Street. Traffic can move at great speed and the parents are naturally concerned. Perhaps some traffic calming measures can be looked at immediately.

We believe that as a matter of urgency the local authority should investigate what measures can be taken to improve road safety for the pupils and parents and guardians, including any measures which would prevent any accidents and give due warning to any drivers of the presence of parents, guardians and children in the vicinity, especially at school opening hours and school closing hours.

We appreciate of course that it is the case that drivers have to keep a proper lookout and drive with due care and consideration. Nonetheless, whatever the local authority has to do under statutory authority and can do practically to help matters is also required. Drivers need every encouragement to drive safely. Whatever positive steps you can take in relation to the areas of concern would be greatly appreciated.

563. Motion from Councillor Paddy Smyth

Given Rathmines Road Upper is heavily used by school children accessing adjacent schools and that the current road layout encourages dangerously high traffic speeds, this committee calls on the Manager to install traffic calming measures such as carriageway narrowing and vertical/horizontal deflectors, as per the Design Manual for Urban Roads and Streets, Section 4.1.2.

564. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill

Many motions regarding the state of 201 Harold's Cross Road have been agreed. While the council has prevailed on the owners to secure the building and clean up the curtilage, the state of the building is not much better. Men sleep rough there, and there are regular fights among drunks and addicts at night. Immediate neighbours and local residents are living in very real fear of a fire starting in the building. Because food is left, there is also a problem with rodents. Some neighbours who have resided in the area for many, many years now feel very unsafe in this vicinity.

As the council has not been successful in getting the owners to secure and clean up the building on a regular basis, it is therefore agreed that the council use its powers to carry out the necessary work to secure the building and that costs involved be put as a lien against the value of the property.

565. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey

This Committee requests the Manager to upgrade the public roadway area outside the houses on Strand Terrace in Milltown.

566. Motion from Councillor Frank Kennedy

This Committee resolves that the Area Manager shall write to the Superintendent of An Garda Síochána responsible for Irishtown Garda Station requesting that An Garda Síochána install cameras on Irishtown Garda Station facing onto Londonbridge Road in order to record and detect HGVs which breach the 3.5 tonne limit on Bath Avenue and Londonbridge Road, and then to pursue and punish violators.

567. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill

Because of the location of Castlewood Terrace, Rathmines that it be upgraded for more regular cleansing purposes. This is a route to the cleansing yard and many other routes. It's a quiet place and has become a dumping ground with pieces of furniture, litter and dog faeces. Also that a CCTV camera be placed on the lane with a notice to that effect.

568. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill

The success of the Swan Leisure Centre in Rathmines has been one of the great Dublin City Council achievements in recent times. An important part of the original design was to use the front plaza to develop community recreational space and this was also stated in the Rathmines Action Plan. The time has come to re-examine the use of this space and a reconfiguration is needed, making space for table and chairs which would allow more people to enjoy this space. A better use of the plaza would also encourage more community interaction in Rathmines. While the members agree with this proposal it is asking that a design and report on how this can be achieved be presented to the April LAC.

569. Motion from Councillor Mannix Flynn

That this area committee supports the idea that the vacant plinth at City Hall where formerly the Daniel O Connell Statue was positioned, be used on an annual basis for a city temporary artwork along similar lines to the 4th plinth in Trafalgar Square.

570. Motion from Councillor Mannix Flynn

That this committee calls for a full examination and investigation as to how and why dozens of ballot papers were unstamped in Dublin Bay South (2016 election). These ballot papers came to light at the count in the RDS on Saturday and no viable explanation was given by the returning officer. This situation is unacceptable in any democracy.

Also, this gives rise to the question as to how many other ballot papers during this election were unstamped and declared invalid.

571. Motion from Councillor Claire Byrne

That this area committee asks the area manager to include South Dock Place, South Lotts Road and Gordon Street on the list of areas to be provided with a derogation from the new waste collection legislation that requires households to use wheelie bins as this street does not have sufficient space for the storage of such bins.

572. Motion from Councillor Sonya Stapleton

This committee requests the manager to have street lights repaired on Cuffe Street, danger to both pedestrians and motorist etc.

573. Motion from Councillor Sonya Stapleton

This committee requests the manager to install a security camera and better lighting on Montague Place, Dublin 2.

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- **519.** Dublin Port, its Masterplan and the City Development Plan. **Order: Noted.**
- 520. College Green Project. Order: Noted.
- 521. Presentation on new legislation governing the presentation and collection of household waste.
 Order: Noted.
- **522.** Minutes of the meeting held on 11th January 2016. **Order: Agreed.**
- **523.** Questions to the Chief Executive. **Order: Noted.**

524. Culture, Recreation, Amenity & Community Department Matters

- i. Report on South East Area Community Grants. Order: Agreed to recommend to City Council.
- ii. Proposed Large Street Tree Maintenance Programme 2016. Order: Noted.
- iii. Proposed Parks Improvements Works Programme 2016. Order: Noted

525. Planning Property Enterprise and Economic Development Department Matters

- i. Planning Enforcement Quarterly Report. Order: Noted.
- ii. Derelict Sites Quarterly Report. Order: Noted.
- Report on the proposed disposal of land and foreshore at Pigeon House Road, Dublin 4.
 Order: Agreed to recommend to City Council.

526. Environment & Transportation Matters

- i. Traffic Advisory Group Minutes of Meeting held on 26/01/2016 (enclosed). Order: Noted.
- ii. Road Maintenance Works Programme 2016 (enclosed). Order: Noted.

527. Housing & Residential Services Department Matters

i. Housing Allocations Yearly Report 2015 (enclosed). Order: Noted.

528. South East Area Matters

- i. Updates on the following:
 - Community Development Section
 - Housing Projects and Local Area Improvements

South East Area Sport and Recreation Section Order: Noted.

- ii. Proposal to rename Terenure Close as Terenure Square **Order: Agreed.**
- iii. South East Area Discretionary Fund 2016 Order: Approved.
- Nomination of one member of the South East Area Committee to the board of the Ringsend Toll Bridge Designated Activity Company.
 Order: Cllr. Dermot Lacey proposed and Cllr. Ruairí McGinley seconded the nomination of Cllr. Andrews to the board of Ringsend Toll Bridge Designated Activity Company, which was agreed by the committee.

Motions

529. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey

This committee requests the manager to outline the routes allowed and the various time restrictions on five axle vehicles accessing the port in the area bounded by Merrion Gates, Ailesbury Road / Merrion Road to Shelbourne Road / Bath Avenue. **Order: Report to councillor.**

530. Motion from Councillor Paddy Smyth

This committee requests that the "Tramway Cottages", Highfield Grove, Rathgar, be added to the list of protected structures. The cottages were built by the Dublin United Tramway Company for its workers in 1905 (formerly Tramway Terrace) and represent an important part of the area's architectural heritage. **Order: Report to councillor.**

531. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey

This committee requests the manager to outline why nearly two hundred years after the railway line crossed Sandymount Avenue it is felt necessary to erect new signs indicating that the railway line and gates are ahead and how such an installation complies with the agreement by the committee to reduce the number of unnecessary signs and poles across the area.

Order: Report to councillor.

532. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey

This committee requests the manager to provide for the painting of the stairwells of the Beech Hill Villas complex.

Order: Report to councillor.

533. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey

This committee requests a full report on the how the Heskin Court complex is managed and what relationship exists between Dublin City Council and the management of the remainder of the Elm Park Green complex and what relationship exists or is meant to exist between that management and the tenants of Heskin Court and to further clarify if and why the provision of a TV service is restricted to one supplier and on what basis such a restriction operates. **Order: Report to councillor.**

534. Motion from Councillor Paddy Smyth

This committee requests that approx €20,000 of this year's increased Transportation Budget for the area be allocated to a feasibility study on using filtered permeability to achieve a "quiet-way" route across the constituency.

This is so that cyclists, school children and pedestrians who need to traverse the area, but wish to avoid commuting traffic, can do so.

This would also be an effective means of significantly decreasing the number of "ratruns" through the area. **Order: Report to councillor.**

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535. Motion from Councillor Frank Kennedy

Given its social and strategic importance in the community, this area committee shall write to An Post calling on them to facilitate the opening of a post office in Sandymount without delay. **Order: Agreed.**

536. Motion from Councillor Frank Kennedy

Recognising the broader need for a resolution to the Strand Road parking issue between the stretch of Strand Road from Sydney Parade Avenue to the Merrion Gates as a matter of urgency, this committee calls on the area manager, as part of resolving that problem, and without delay, to extend the yellow lines coming from the entrance / exit of Merrion Strand onto the Strand Road to run onto the Strand Road to the length of the fourth traffic cone in the attached photograph, and to an equivalent extent on the other side of the entrance / exit, in order to give a clear view of oncoming traffic for those vehicles exiting from Merrion Strand onto the Strand Road. This is necessary in order to prevent serious accidents. The lack of visibility at present is highly dangerous. Please see attached photograph. **Order: Report to councillor.**

537. Motion from Councillor Frank Kennedy

In the wake of the devastation which has been wreaked on both the west coast of Ireland and the midlands in recent weeks arising from the stormy weather, and having regard to the risks arising from high tides and further stormy weather in the coming months, this area committee resolves that the area office shall act to ensure that residents along the sea in Sandymount, Irishtown and Ringsend are given adequate protection from the risk of flooding, and notes, in particular, that the system whereby a small number of sandbags are left at gates or made available for collection in containers in car parks along the Strand is inadequate in circumstances where:

1) The relevant car parks are the first areas closed off so cars must be parked on the road which in itself is a traffic hazard,

2) There is quite a distance to carry the bags to the cars;

3) Most people can only carry one bag at a time as they are quite heavy. Many, for various reasons, are not in a position to carry a bag at all; and

4) Many cars can take only circa five bags whereas the requirements in all cases will be for many, many more bags.

This area committee notes further that the alternative to proving comprehensive protection, which is the risk of catastrophic flooding, especially given the intensity of such storms in winter 2015/16, is unacceptable. **Order: Report to councillor.**

538. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill, moved by Cllr. Lacey

That the manager states what programme is in place to ensure that traffic lights are properly positioned and easily viewed by drivers. I have had two experiences in the Dublin South East area of where traffic lights have been turned and not easily visible to drivers. One is traffic light Rathmines Road junction of Leinster Road. Lights are completely twisted and facing the footpath. The other case is Harold's Cross Road at the Bridge. The turn right light to Grove Road is very hard to see. **Order: Report to councillor.**

539. Motion from Councillor Jim O'Callaghan, moved by Cllr. Kennedy

This committee requests that the Russian Embassy, Ailesbury Road, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4 removes the razor wire along the full length of the embassy's garden wall. **Order: Agreed.**

540. Motion from Councillors Paddy McCartan and Kate O'Connell

That the area committee requests the manager to deal with the following flood prevention issue at Merlyn Park, Ballsbridge. Flood prevention measures were put in place some time ago in Merlyn Park, but in the event of serious flooding, that part of Merlyn with its junction at Ailesbury Road would flood again.

The origin of the flood water is inadequate drainage on the Spanish Embassy side of Ailesbury Road. There are at least two additional double gullies necessary in this area.

As it stands, the lowest gully for Ailesbury Road and part of Merrion Road is outside 23 Merlyn Park. In flood conditions, by the time the water from Ailesbury Road reaches Merlyn Park it is flowing 2 meters out from the kerb on the surface of the road and bypassing the gullies, thus flooding that end of Merlyn Park.

There is an additional problem on this road. When the flood water builds up in the water / sewerage pipe in Ailesbury Road it forces the water / sewerage back up the pipe in Merlyn Park and up through the ground floor toilets. On completion of their work on this road the council promised to send specialist contractors to fit a 'non-return valve' to rectify this problem. This has not happened so this end of the road is still at serious risk.

Order: Report to councillor.

541. Motion from Councillor Claire Byrne

That this area committee requests a halt to the removal of any further trees from Merrion Square park, that those that have been removed be replaced immediately, and to ask that the manager provide a full report on the replanting programme and timelines for the redevelopment of Merrion Square park. **Order: Report to councillor.**

542. Motion from Councillor Claire Byrne

That this area committee asks the area manager to request that the contractors who carried out the replacement windows in George Reynolds House go back and seal the windows properly as they are leaking on the inside in many of the apartments causing damp.

Order: Report to councillor.

543. Motion from Councillor Claire Byrne

That this area committee asks that the area manager increases the frequency and intensity of the street cleaning in Stella Gardens, Ringsend as the current system is insufficient in keeping the local streets clean. Order: Report to councillor.

544. Motion from Councillor Claire Byrne

That this area committee requests the area manager to outline what is being done to address the deficit in the provision of artist studios and cultural space in the South East Area and to provide a report on the matter. **Order: Report to councillor.**

545. Motion from Councillor Chris Andrews

That the manager has the lighting improved on Wilfield Road, Sandymount as previously committed to.

Order: Report to councillor.

546. Motion from Councillor Sonya Stapleton, moved by Cllr. Binchy That this committee requests the manager to have Mercer Street flats, Dublin 2 painted, they are very run down looking and many years have passed since they were last painted. Order: Report to councillor.

- 547. <u>Motion from Councillor Sonya Stapleton, moved for report by Cllr. McGinley</u> That this committee requests the manager to have O'Carroll Villas flats, Dublin 2 painted. They are very run down looking and many years have passed since they were last painted. Order: Report to councillor.
- 548. <u>Motion from Councillor Sonya Stapleton, moved for report by Cllr. McGinley</u> That this committee requests that the residents in Mercer Street flats be provided with a play ground for their children. Order: Report to councillor.
- 549. <u>Motion from Councillor Sonya Stapleton, moved for report by Cllr. McGinley</u> That this committee requests that the residents in Whitefriar Gardens be provided with a playground for their children. Order: Report to councillor.
- 550. <u>Motion from Councillor Sonya Stapleton, moved for report by Cllr. McGinley</u> That this committee is concerned about the safety of constituent and visitors to the city due to the lack of regulation of rickshaw transport. Order: Report to councillor.

551. Motion from Councillor Patrick Costello, moved by Cllr. Byrne.

That the manager increase the Green Man phase at off peak times of the pedestrian lights at the Terenure Road North / Ashdale Road pedestrian crossing from 6 seconds to 9 seconds for a 6 month period. Following this period conduct a review including consultation with local residents to assess if this timing should be kept. Residents regularly complain about a lack of time to cross at these lights. In many other parts of the city it is also difficult where pedestrians do not have sufficient time. If Dublin City Council is serious about promoting walking, as they state, then issues such as this need to be addressed. This would be a short term pilot for these lights that could help inform timing of other lights in other parts of the area and the city. **Order: Report to councillor.**

552. <u>Motion from Councillor Chris Andrews, moved for report by Cllr. McGinley</u> That the manager has the trees cut down and replaced between number 41 and 42 Rutland Grove and also the tree outside number 39 Rutland Grove as they have severely damaged the footpath and may be rotten. Order: Report to councillor.

Councillor Paddy McCartan

Chairperson Dated 8th February 2016

Attendance

Apologies from Cllr. Stapleton.

Members

Councillor P. McCartan (in the chair).

Councillors D. Lacey, F. Kennedy, M. Flynn, P. Costello, R. McGinley, K. Binchy, C. Andrews, M. Freehill, P. Smyth, K. O'Connell, J. O'Callaghan, C. Cuffe and C. Byrne.

Officials

- R. Kenny, Area Manager, South East Area Office.
- F. Lambe, Assistant Area Manager, South East Area Office.
- B. Kirk, Administrative Officer, South East Area Office.
- M. Ginnetty, Assistant Staff Officer, South East Area Office.
- J. Wall, Staff Officer, South East Area Office.
- F. O'Brien, Staff Officer, South East Area Office.
- G. Geoghegan, Area Housing Manager, South East Area Office.
- C. Adamson, Assistant Engineer, Traffic Section.
- P. McCann, Administrative Officer, South East Area Office.
- H. Smirnova, Senior Executive Engineer, Traffic.
- B. White, Senior Executive Officer, Traffic.
- B. Swan, Deputy City Architect, City Architects.
- K. Skay, Senior Executive Architect, City Architects.
- B. O'Brien, Head of Technical Services, Traffic.
- E. Martin, Area Housing Manager, South East Area Office.
- C. Manzira, Senior Executive Engineer, Traffic.
- A. Burke, Area Engineer, Road Maintenance
- D. Wallace, Executive Manager, Traffic.
- M. Douglas, Executive Scientific Officer, Waste Management.
- E. Wright, Senior Executive Officer, Waste Management.
- L. Johnson, Staff Officer, South East Area Office.
- D. Hayden, A. Community Development Officer, South East Area Office.
- M. Noonan, Senior Executive Parks Superintendant, Parks & Landscaping Services.
- D. Dixon, Project Engineer, Luas Cross City Liaison Office.
- F. Worrall, Administrative Officer, Planning Enforcement.
- A. Grehan, City Architect, City Architects Division.

Non-officials

- E. O'Reilly, Dublin Port.
- C. Murphy, Dublin Port.
- P. Ward, Dublin Port.

Question to Chief Executive

South East Area Committee Meeting 8th February 2016

Q1. <u>Councillor Ruairí McGinley</u>

To ask the Manager if the current ownership of Dartmouth Square has been registered with the Property Registration Authority?

Reply:

Dublin City Council is registered as full freehold owner of Dartmouth Square. The council's title is registered with the Property Registration Authority on folio DN199719F.

Q2. <u>Councillor Ruairí McGinley</u>

To ask the Manager for an update as to when Poddle flood relief works in Tymon Park are due to commence?

Reply:

South Dublin County Council is the lead authority on the Poddle flood alleviation scheme and Tymon Park is in their area of responsibility. Contract documents are being finalised to procure an engineering consultant to look at current the preferred option for this scheme, alter if necessary, procure planning, secure access to construction areas, if approvals for funding and design are received; procure a contractor, supervise construction and handover to relevant local authorities and riparian owners.

The possible works in Tymon Park are proposed to be fast-tracked if this is in the final preferred solution, but the earliest start of construction of these assuming; a large number of hurdles are overcome; would be summer 2017.

In the meantime both councils have put significant resources into improved monitoring and warnings on the river including camera and level surveillance.

Q3. Councillor Ruairí McGinley

To ask the Manager to have road maintenance work carried out at 29 / 30 Leinster Road West to correct a bad dip in the road.

Reply:

Road Maintenance inspected the carriageway at 29/30 Leinster Road West and could not locate the bad dip in the road referred to in the question. Clarification is sought on the above, a photo is beneficial.

Q4. <u>Councillor Ruairí McGinley</u>

To ask manager to review transfer request of a tenant (details supplied) who is blind.

Reply:

The tenant (details supplied) is not currently on the transfer list. When the tenant's transfer application was received, it was cancelled due to arrears. As the rent account is now clear, the tenant may now reapply. (A new transfer application has been posted out)

As *details supplied is a two bedroom flat, the tenant (details supplied) would not be eligible to transfer there.

Q5. <u>Councillor Dermot Lacey</u>

To ask the Manager if he will arrange for the footpath at the area between Tesco, Nutley Lane and the entrance to St. Michael's College, Ballsbridge to be repaired as a matter of urgency given that there have been several trips and falls recently with injuries caused.

Reply:

Road Maintenance inspected the footpath between Tesco and St. Michael's College, Ballsbridge. The majority of the footpath is serviceable but there are a few localised repairs required. These repairs have been added to our works programme and will be carried out when a crew become available in the neighbouring area.

Q6. <u>Councillor Mary Freehill</u>

Would the manager please ensure that the footpath beside entrance to Stratford Haven on Orwell Road is urgently repaired? The state of the footpath has already been responsible for accidents. Also there needs to be a barrier erected to discourage u-turns at this point which is very dangerous for pedestrians.

Reply:

During a site visit no adverse problems were observed. A barrier is not deemed an appropriate measure for driver behaviour and would not conform to DMURS (Urban Roads & Streets Design Manual objectives). Vehicles making dangerous manoeuvres are a matter for the Gardaí.

Road Maintenance inspected the footpath at the above location. Road Maintenance assumes it is the footpath which forms part of the driveway apron to Stratford Haven, which the councillor is referring to. This repair has been added to our works programme and will be carried out when a crew becomes available in the neighbouring area.

Q7. <u>Councillor Dermot Lacey</u>

To ask the Manager if she will arrange to have the tree planted in the location vacated by the erroneously erected pole outside number 38 Sandymount Avenue, thus ending a saga of an illegally removed tree, inappropriate and short term placed pole, and hopefully, joy of joys such a newly planted tree, that will show people, that sometimes, even in this very low level way, that political representation works and is not always a waste of time.

Reply:

A replacement tree will be planted at this location as part of 2016 tree planting programme. It is anticipated that the tree will be planted over the coming weeks.

Q8. <u>Councillor Dermot Lacey</u>

To ask the Manager if there are plans to take in charge the bridge from Anglesea Road to Herbert Park and if so what are the financial arrangements for same and the extent of that in terms of the internal road structures of the Herbert Park Hotel, office and residential complex.

Reply:

Road Maintenance Service has not received a formal request to take this bridge in charge. If a request were received, the area being offered along with the bridge would be inspected to ascertain its condition. A report would be prepared and appropriate recommendations made. Areas solely servicing private roads with restricted public access would usually not be considered for taking in charge.

Q9. <u>Councillor Dermot Lacey</u>

To ask the Manager if Dublin City Council will extend the yellow box at the RDS and Herbert Park Hotel entrance / exit. The new box makes it more difficult to enter and exit.

Reply:

The request to extend the existing yellow boxes outside the RDS and the Herbert Park Hotel has been referred to the Traffic Advisory Group for examination and report. The councillor will be informed of the recommendations in due course.

Q10. Councillor Paddy Smyth

To ask the manager to clean up the lane linking Prince Arthur Terrace to Swanville Place. There are numerous hazardous obstacles in the path; fallen tree from recent bad weather and litter from fly-tipping. In addition works were carried out some months ago and the rubble and large lumps of concrete that were unearthed were not removed by the workers but merely pushed to the side

Reply:

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned lane cleaned on the 20th January 2016.

Q11. <u>Councillor Dermot Lacey</u>

To ask the Manager if she will arrange for greater clarity in relation to the street parking at the junction described in the email supplied with this motion and arrange for a full repayment of the E80 fine.

Reply:

Road Maintenance inspected Bath Avenue Gardens/Derrynane Gardens boundary with regard to nameplates. Road Maintenance has ordered nameplates for:

- Derrynane Gardens one nameplate at boundary of no. 6 Derrynane Gardens / 12 Bath Avenue Gardens
- Bath Avenue Gardens two nameplates one located at boundary of no. 6 Derrynane Gardens / 12 Bath Avenue Gardens. One located at junction of Bath Avenue and Bath Avenue Gardens.

The location where this vehicle was clamped is Bath Avenue Gardens; however it is anomalous in that a number of houses with the address Derrynane Gardens are actually on Bath Avenue Gardens. A request has been forwarded to Roads Maintenance to erect clearer street name signage. The clamping has been logged as an appeal and in the circumstances a refund will be recommended. The complainant should request that Bath Avenue Gardens be added as an additional valid street on his or her permit and same will be facilitated immediately.

Q12. <u>Councillor Dermot Lacey</u>

To ask the Manager if she will discuss with the Gardaí the enforcement of this 3 tonne limit and report back to this Councillor.

Tonnage signs on Londonbridge / Bath Avenue

There is a 3 tonne restriction on the above roads. Every night one is awakened to the sound of 3 extremely large and very long vehicles travelling from Londonbridge Road onto Bath Avenue average time for this is around 00.30hrs. The vehicles are particularly large carrying trucks / dumper trucks / weights from cranes on them. They are very brightly lit up, they light the front rooms of the houses, they make noise

driving over the ramps and the houses shake. Around 04.30hrs the vehicles make a return trip from Bath Avenue over Londonbridge onto Londonbridge Road. I have not followed these vehicles but one assumes they are working on the 'Dublin Waste to Energy' / Incinerator site. One is regularly awoken by the noise of the vehicles, the house shaking or the bright lights shining into the houses. Several neighbours are affected and Joe McCann, Chair of the Bath Avenue Residents' Assoc. has also raised this at a traffic management meeting with Gardaí.

Again can I ask that the tonnage street signs are installed at key junctions approaching and on the Londonbridge Road / Bath Avenue?

Reply:

All appropriate signage on Londonbridge / Bath Avenue is in place. There are 3.5tonne restriction signs at both entry points to Bath Avenue, at the junctions of Shelbourne Road and Tritonville Road. The matter regarding vehicles exceeding the weight restrictions has been highlighted to the Gardaí at the recent Traffic Advisory Group meeting.

Q13. <u>Councillor Ruairí McGinley</u>

To ask the manager to give a detailed report to this committee as to why proposed development at Longfield's House has been delayed despite city council support and to indicate in detail the steps now being taken to proceed with this badly needed project.

Reply:

Background and current status:

The proposed development at 9/10 Lower Fitzwilliam Street (formerly Longfields Hotel) has been delayed, despite the City Council's support, owing to the fact that High Court legal proceedings (by way of Judicial Review- 2015/174JR) have been instituted against the city council to challenge its decision to change the use of the said facility for use as supported temporary accommodation. The High Court proceedings are also seeking declarations from the High Court that the proposed development is one to which the Part VIII procedure had no application. The applicant has sought in his proceedings, a stay on the development pending the final decision of the court, and while this has not been raised in court, as yet, the applicant would have no hesitation in seeking such a stay were we to continue with the development. It would therefore be very unwise for the city council to continue with the development until the court makes its final ruling.

Timeline:

Dublin City Council [DCC] was served with the Statement of Grounds at the end of April 2015 following which DCC put in a Statement of Opposition to the proceedings in July 2015. The applicant then submitted a second affidavit dated the 11th December 2015 which responded to points made in the Statement of Opposition.

DCC has considered this second affidavit and is in the process of providing a second and final affidavit of its own, presently. As the matter remains subject to the judicial review process, DCC considers that it is necessary to await the outcome of same.

Q14. Councillor Paddy Smyth

Can the manager please have the pot-hole on Anna-Villa (opposite Birchall's) filled as a matter of urgency (photo attached)? Its depth and location pose a danger to both pedestrians and cyclists.

Reply:

Road Maintenance inspected and filled the pothole at Anna Villa (at the side of Birchall's / Mc Sorley's.

Q15. Councillor Paddy Smyth

To ask the manager why the new double yellow lines (DYLs) on Fortfield Road (swimming pool gate's to Templeogue Road), requested by this councillor last year, were installed with a large gap in the middle, severely limiting their effectiveness at preventing traffic congestion. Photo attached.

Reply:

The gap in the double yellow lines was due to vehicles parked at this location when the lines were being installed. The Traffic Officer has confirmed that the gap will be filled in the coming weeks.

Q16. Councillor Paddy Smyth

Can the manager please instruct Roads Maintenance to repair the surface of Oakley Road?

Reply:

Road Maintenance inspected and filled in potholes on Oakley Road. Oakley Road is on Road Maintenance's 2016 programme for resurfacing.

Q17. Councillor Frank Kennedy

With regard to Merlyn Drive, Dublin 4, to ask the Area Manager the following:

- (a) In response to Q.13 asked at the SEAC Meeting on 12 October 2015, Ms. Helen Smirnova responded as follows "The Traffic Inspector carried out an inspection at the site. There are 10m rather than 15m of lines. The necessary additional 5m of DYLs will be carried out within the next 2-3 weeks." Notwithstanding the passage of over three months since that date and a commitment that the work would be carried out within three weeks as an outer limit, this work has not taken place and the Area Manager is asked to carry this out without further delay;
- (b) What measurements does Dublin City Council (Roads and Traffic Dept., or any department) record as the width of the road surface for each of the three sides of Merlyn Drive (the fourth side, Merlyn Road, is not relevant for the purposes of this question); and
- (c) To furnish me with a *colour* copy of the map RT3838, which shows Merlyn Drive.

Reply:

- (a) Dublin City Council strives to carry out all approved works in a timely manner and it is unfortunate that due to a large backlog of outstanding jobs and recent inclement weather conditions that these works have yet to be completed. Lining can only be placed under suitable conditions to achieve an appropriate bond, not withstanding this; the Traffic Officer has scheduled the works for early February.
- (b) The widths of the carriageway on the three sides of Meryln Drive are 6m, 6m and 7.7m respectively.
- (c) Please find drawing RT3838 Merlyn Drive attached, as requested.

Q18. Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the Area Manager to repair and to clean the stretch of footpath which runs along the side wall of 13 Merlyn Drive, which is the strip of Merlyn Drive that connects it to Merlyn Road. The strip of footpath has tarmacadam rather than cement. It is damaged by roots from trees and is also covered in moss which makes it slippery and dangerous. Please see attached photographs.

Reply:

Waste Management Services cleaned the stretch of footpath at the above location on the 2nd February 2016.

Road Maintenance inspected the footpath which runs along the side wall of 13 Merlyn Drive. Tarmacadam was used at this location as it is a more flexible material than cement to allow for expansion due to the growth of the tree roots. The footpath is serviceable and does not require repair at this time.

Q19. Councillor Frank Kennedy

In response to Q.15 which I asked at the June 2015 SEAC Meeting in respect of seriously damaged footpath near the Martello Tower on Strand Road, Sandymount I received the following response *"Road Maintenance have inspected the footpath on the Sandymount side of the Martello Tower on Strand Road and added this repair work to our works programme. These repairs will be carried out when a crew becomes available in the neighbouring area."* These works have still not been carried out. To ask the Area Manager to ensure their completion without delay (photo from June 2015 attached).

Reply:

Road Maintenance will carry out these repairs within the next three months.

Q20. Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the Area Manager to arrange for the removal of the moss on both sides of the footpath on Richelieu Park, Dublin 4. This is now very severe and in the cold weather the footpaths become slippery and dangerous.

Reply:

Waste Management Services removed the moss from the footpaths at the above location on the 2nd February 2016.

Q21. Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the Area Manager to repair the several very large and dangerous potholes on Ailesbury Road, Dublin 4. In particular, (a) the pothole adjacent to No. 39, which is on the lane in which traffic is moving towards Donnybrook Church and (b) the numerous potholes on the extremely broken up and damaged speed ramp at the intersection of Ailesbury Road and Shrewsbury Road. These are amongst the most serious situations and call for immediate repair.

Reply:

Road Maintenance have inspected the carriageway on Ailesbury Road and passed them to a crew for their repair.

The ramp at the intersection of Ailesbury Road and Shrewsbury Road has been added to the 2016 ramps resurfacing programme.

Q22. Councillor Frank Kennedy

Construction of the wall along the River Dodder side of Herbert Park has been ongoing for about a year and appears to be nearing completion. The original cast iron railings along this stretch were dismantled and taken away and replaced by this wall. Local residents report that the January 2013 Feasibility Study stated that "the existing park boundary to the west side of the route should be removed to better integrate the greenway route into the park" and that "a new low wall (for flood defence purposes) is required along the river side of the route." The new wall has in fact been built on the park side of the walkway and not the riverside. To ask the Area Manager:

- a) Why was the wall built on the park side of the walkway and not the riverside?
- b) How does the location of the wall serve to "better integrate the greenway route into the park"?
- c) On what basis was this considered sensible or keeping with the heritage of the Park and was a cost/benefit analysis conducted?
- d) What was the cost of the removal of the railings, and the construction of this section of wall?
- e) Where are the railings now and what is the plan for their future use, if any?

Reply:

- a) For flood alleviation considerations (alignment with existing wall and removal of the requirement for an extra flood gate) and the new cycleway project team requests the wall was placed on the west side. Visibility to the river would be reduced by having the wall the river side of the cycleway.
- b) Prior to the building of the flood defence wall the park boundary was constructed of 'Ordinary Type' mild steel railings dating from circa 1925 and backed by a dense planting of evergreen oaks (Quercus ilex). The removal of the railings and the thinning out of the trees has created vistas into the park which hitherto did not exist, thus increasing passive surveillance by persons using this walkway and improving public safety along this stretch of the park. The changes have also enhanced connectivity between Herbert Park and its immediate surroundings i.e., the ramparts and the River Dodder and also with Donnybrook and Ballsbridge villages.
- c) The 'Gothic style wrought iron' railings which run along the top of the ramparts are similar in style to those which surround the rest of the park and are thought to date from 1905. In keeping with the heritage character of the park, these railing have been retained in situ and have not been impacted by the flood defence work.

In keeping with best practice, a small section of gothic style railing at the 'sluice gate' entrance to the park has been retained and was sensitively integrated to form part of the flood defence system.

- d) None of the cost of this wall went through Dublin City Council accounts. The Office of Public Works is the only ones who would be able to estimate the cost of this wall which was carried out on a piece meal basis when no river works were available for their work force.
- e) The 'ordinary style' railings removed from this section of the park are currently being stored in the park depot. No plans on their future use have been made at this time.
 25m of ornamental railing was replaced on the downstream end of the new flood wall following advice from a Conservation Officer.

Q23. Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the Area Manager to ballot the residents of Magennis Square to extend pay and display parking hours on Magennis Square from Monday - Friday 8.00am until 18.30 (present situation) to Monday to Saturday 8.00am until 18.30. Parking on nearby Townsend Street is now pay and display on a Saturday which sends a lot of parking onto Magennis Square making it extremely difficult for residents to find a place to park.

Reply:

The request for an extension of the operational hours of the Pay and Display and Permit Parking Scheme on Magennis Square i.e. Magennis Place, will be referred to the Traffic Advisory Group for examination and report, on submission, in the first instance, of supporting evidence from residents of the road in favour of an extension of hours. The supporting evidence may take the form of a number of written requests or a signed petition from residents of the road, indicating their names and addresses. Ideally, this should be 25% of the households concerned.

Q24. <u>Councillor Frank Kennedy</u>

To ask the Area Manager to prioritise the housing application of (details supplied) who has a three year old daughter and is expecting another baby in April. It is incredibly difficult to bring up her children in the overcrowded and tense environment described in the details supplied. The applicant was homeless for seven months, which compelled her to accept accommodation in the current totally unsuitable environment.

Reply:

The applicant (details supplied) is currently on band 2 of the housing list with the following positions.

for Area H (Clanbrassil, Coombe, Kilmainham, Dolphin's Barn)
 for Area M (Pearse St., Ringsend)

Unfortunately based on these positions, it may be some time before an offer of accommodation materialises. A medical submission was made in 2013 but priority status was not awarded by the Medical Referee. If the applicant wishes to make a case on exceptional social grounds she should contact the Housing Welfare section on 2223308.

Q25. <u>Councillor Paddy McCartan</u>

To ask the manager when the next power hosing of the steps to the balconies at Canon Mooney Gardens, Ringsend will be carried out? Currently the high pressure hose is not seen to be effective, and staining still remains. Would it be possible to have a higher pressure hose used during these routine cleanings?

Reply:

The Team Leader of our Caretaking Team for these complexes has inspected the stairs in this complex. They are clean. Stairs are cleaned every day and power-hosed when required. There is some slight staining from chewing gum evident, however hot wash does not remove this stain.

Q26. Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to confirm whether there has been an alteration made to the traffic light sequencing at the junction of Ailesbury Road and Merrion Road, Ballsbridge. Residents exiting through the lights from Ailesbury Road say there has been a reduction in the time available to pass.

Reply:

The ITS section can confirm that no alterations have been made to the sequence of the traffic signals at the junction of Merrion Road and Ailesbury Road recently. These signals are connected to the city council's urban traffic management and control system, SCATS. This system alters traffic signal timings to adapt to changing traffic demands based on data collected from vehicle detectors at the junction in real time. Further to this query, the settings within SCATS for the Ailesbury Road approaches to the junction have been slightly amended to allow more time to be allocated to Ailesbury Road, and this should help to alleviate the issue raised.

Q27. Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to provide more suitable and safer lighting along the canal pathway at Portobello (where the path leaves the Dublin Bike station and passes away from the road in front of the apartments along the canal).

Reply:

There is currently no public lighting improvements programme for 2016. However, the installation of lighting here will be placed on a list for consideration on a future lighting improvements programme, subject to finances made available.

Routine maintenance, such as the repair of lights out, will continue to be carried out as normal.

Q28. <u>Councillor Paddy McCartan</u>

To ask the manager to have a pothole filled at the entrance to Anna Villa at its junction with Sandford Road, Ranelagh.

Reply:

Road Maintenance inspected and filled the pothole at Anna Villa (at the side of Birchall's / McSorley's.

Q29. <u>Councillor Paddy McCartan</u>

Can the manager supply the two reports / surveys / plans as per the information provided (details supplied below, Parliamentary answer from Minister Jan O'Sullivan).

Reply:

The councillor should contact the Department of Education and Skills in relation to the reports commissioned by that department.

Copies of Asbestos Removal Plan and Construction Management Plan are available on website link <u>http://www.dublincity.ie/swiftlg/apas/run/wphappcriteria.display</u> using Planning Reference 3590/13.

The Construction Plan proposes traffic entry to site via Haddington Place but not during the hours 8.00 - 9.15 am and 1.15 - 3.00 pm, in order to minimise impact on St. Brigid's. The Plan also proposes a hoarding on Haddington Place. Roadworks Control Unit will process hoarding application, when received, and monitor licence operation, when issued.

Planning permission was granted (reg.ref. 3590/13) by Dublin City Council and following a third party appeal was subsequently also granted by An Bord Pleanala for the following: (a)- the demolition/removal of all existing buildings and structures on the site comprising c.2470 sq.m of buildings that are between 1 and 2 storeys of varying heights; (b) the construction of a new c. 3850 sq.m primary school building

varying in height from three storeys on the Haddington Road and Haddington Place frontages to two storeys on the Haddington Place (Minor) frontage and overall accommodating 24 no. classrooms and ancillary accommodation; (c) a new site boundary onto Haddington Road comprising a low brickwork wall with wall mounted railings to an overall height of 1.6m, with 2 no. dedicated pedestrian and cyclist access gates to the front of the school; (d) new signage comprising wall-mounted lettering c. 300mm in height along the Haddington Road and Haddington Place building facades; (e) 3 no. flagpoles set behind the boundary wall on the Haddington Road frontage; (f) 4 no. dedicated staff car parking spaces and 20 no. bicycle parking spaces accessed from a new gated vehicular entranceway off Haddington Place (minor); (g) 52 no. bicycle parking spaces located behind the boundary wall on the Haddington Road; (h) a c. 2010 sq.m external play area at ground level in the centre of the site; (i) a c. 300sq.m external play area located at the two-storey building fronting onto Haddington Place (minor); and (h) all associated ancillary site development and landscaping works. The development site is situated within proximity of, although not adjoining, Protected Structures at No's 83-111 Haddington Road.

Condition 12 of An Bord Pleanála decision required the following:

The construction of the development shall be managed in accordance with a Construction Management Plan, which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. This plan shall provide details of intended construction practice for the development, including hours of working, noise management measures and off-site disposal of construction and demolition waste.

Reason: In the interest of public safety and residential amenity.

Compliance submissions including a Construction Management Plan and A Method Statement and Risk Analysis for Asbestos Removal and Demolition were received from the applicant on 16/12/2015. These have been assessed by Dublin City Council, Environment and Transportation Department, Waste Enforcement and Waste Regulation and the Planning Department subsequently issued a compliance in relation to this condition on 28/01/2015. The reports/surveys and plans which are sizeable and available on the web or at the planning public counter Ref: 4244/08.

Q30. Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to liaise with Irishtown Garda Station to deal with trucks driving down Londonbridge Road, Sandymount late in the night driving at speed going over the ramps and as a result causing excessive noise which is an issue for residents.

Reply:

The councillor's question has been referred to An Garda Síochána, Irishtown Garda Station, as requested.

Q31. <u>Councillor Paddy McCartan</u>

To ask the manager to request road resurfacing at the following location, details supplied:

Reply:

Road Maintenance inspected and filled in potholes on *details supplied. Details supplied is on Road Maintenance's 2016 programme for resurfacing.

Q32. <u>Councillor Paddy McCartan</u>

To ask the manager when the outward-bound bicycle lane on the Stillorgan Road opposite Belfield, Donnybrook will be resurfaced.

Reply:

Road Maintenance have inspected the outbound cycle lane and found it to be serviceable. Red surfacing is no longer used due on cycle lanes due to issues with maintenance of same.

Q33. Councillor Mary Freehill

Would the Manager please state what steps Dublin City Council has taken to make rickshaws safer for all? If the implementation of safety measures depends on the Department of Transport and the Dáil would the manager please state what is required?

Reply:

The current situation is that legal advices received by the NTA and contrary advices received by Dublin City Council are still under discussion. The council is of the view that it does not have the necessary statutory powers to regulate rickshaw operations and that the issue is not a local one but a national one as rickshaws operate in most major cities in the country. The council is of the view that some amendment to current legislation would be required for the NTA to regulate rickshaw operations nationally.

Currently An Garda Siochána is controlling rickshaw operations in Dublin City and has seized many of them. They have also confirmed that they are issuing fixed charge penalty notices under the regulations introduced last year for cycling offences

Q34. <u>Councillor Ruairi McGinley</u>

To ask the manager to arrange for Oakley Road, Ranelagh roadway to be resurfaced as the condition of the road has been allowed to deteriorate substantially.

Reply:

Road Maintenance inspected and filled in potholes on Oakley Road. Oakley Road is on Road Maintenance's 2016 programme for resurfacing.

Q35. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager bring a full report with regards the taking in charge of the East Link Toll Bridge? This report to include all monies derived from the toll. Where such monies are spent? How many staff are employed? What are the company's liabilities? What is the structure of the company? On what legal grounds does Dublin City Council have to continue the toll charge at this bridge? How long will Dublin City Council continue the toll at this bridge? What precinct or area or site improvements are envisaged for this particular area? Does Dublin City Council envisage creating other such tolls or traffic charges within the city area?

Reply:

Dublin City Council has set up Ringsend Toll Bridge DAC (designated activity company) to undertake the collection of the tolls at Eastlink and the necessary maintenance of toll systems, bridge systems etc. to keep the bridge fully operational. This company is 100% owned by Dublin City Council and all the staff that previously worked for Eastlink Ltd. transferred to this company from the 1st of January 2016, preserving their service, pay and entitlements. The staff complement in Ringsend Toll Bridge DAC is as follows:-

- 1 x Operations Manager
- 4 x Supervisors
- 4 x day toll operators
- 4 x night operators
- 8 x permanent part time toll operators
- 1 x maintenance/tolling operative
- 1 x Admin
- 1 x part time Admin
- 4 x Casual Toll Operators

These numbers are as per the Eastlink Ltd. staffing structure.

The company is a designated activity company for the collection of the tolls and all monies from the tolls are assigned to Dublin City Council. It is anticipated that there will be a surplus of \in 4 million per annum after all costs including the costs of the Ringsend Toll Bridge DAC for their staff costs and maintenance activities, DCC rates and the 5+ axle HGV rebate have been allowed for.

The capital budget for 2016 - 2018 assumes additional income of ${\in}4m$ / year from the East Link tolls.

This has been assigned to fund different projects in the capital programme over the three years as follows:

East Link Bridge Upgrade	5,220,000	East Link
Refurbishment of Footpaths	1,500,000	East Link
Refurbishment of Carriageways	2,954,565	East Link
Liffey Board Walk Upgrade	1,701,150	East Link
Traffic Asset Management System	624,285	East Link
Total:	12,000,000	

The company has no liabilities other than its normal operating costs.

The Ringsend Toll Bridge DAC has a company board comprising Dublin City Council staff, elected members and a representative from the Dublin Port company.

The toll scheme under which the collection of tolls operates was made on the 6th of October 1980 and subsequently approved by the Minister for the Environment on the 13th of April 1981.

The cessation of this toll scheme is a reserved function and the toll scheme remains in place until such time as the elected members determine that it should cease.

The matter of the toll scheme continuing was debated at the city council meeting on the 3rd of March 2015 and the members agreed that the toll scheme should continue.

There are no plans to create any other toll schemes or other traffic charges other than those which are currently in place.

Q36. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager issue a full report as to the extent of the pyrite problem within in the South East Area particularly with regards Dublin City Council's own property and housing stock?

Reply:

Dublin City Council is not aware of any pyrite problems within its own property and housing stock in the South East Area.

Q37. <u>Councillor Mannix Flynn</u>

Can the manager issue a report as to the ongoing issues of water shortage in the Glovers Court flat complex at York Street?

Reply:

The Area Maintenance Officer reports that there is a leak underground. Arrangements have been made to repair the leak.

Q38. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the area manager initiate a visit by the conservation officers to the former Magdalene Laundry at Donnybrook (now being advertised for sale as 'The Donnybrook Crescent')? There are fine examples within this building of unique staircase and other fixtures as well as unique industrial heritage associated with the Magdalene Laundry. It is the duty of Dublin City Council to ensure the protection of such items and the maintenance of such items and to secure them as part of our National Heritage. This laundry would appear to be the only former Magdalen Laundry that is completely intact. This premises has original baskets and original machinery, irons including baskets from Aras an Uachtaráin and are a direct link to the working institutions that dominated Irish society for decades. They also form part of the public inquiry and the culture of such institutions.

Reply:

The chimney at St. Mary Convent (Donnybrook Laundry), The Crescent, Donnybrook was added to the Record of Protected Structures (RPS) on the 13 May 2013, following an earlier request in this regard from Councillor Dermot Lacey. The assessment report on the proposed addition of the structure was undertaken by Paul Arnold Architects.

I will request a report to be prepared assessing the remainder of the structures at the property for consideration for addition to the RPS.

However, in terms of bring forward any addition to the RPS; it is considered both prudent and good practice to await any recommendations to be made by the National Inventory of Architectural Heritage (NIAH), arising from their current survey of Dublin City.

The assessment of requested candidate additions or deletions to the RPS is intended to commence in 2017, in association with:

- the consideration of recommendations for additions to the RPS published by the NIAH), and
- the sequential surveying of 10 priority areas to be considered for potential designation as an Architectural Conservation Area (ACA) in the Draft Dublin City Development Plan 2016 2022.

Q39. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the area manager issue a full report with regard the conditions of the entire social housing stock within the South East Area region? While we have a crisis with regards the supply of housing in our city there is an equal crisis emerging in relation to the condition of our old stock. Many of our social housing flat complexes are damp

and dilapidated and are over-crowded and the conditions can be pretty chronic for families and individuals.

Reply:

There are over 3500 City Council properties in the South East area of which approximately 75% are flats or senior citizen complexes. In the past number of years refurbishment works were carried out in several complexes whilst works are currently ongoing at others.

Submissions have been made through the DECLG for European funding to carry out deep retrofitting works in complexes throughout the City. However, in the interim, all Dublin City Council complexes are being maintained both in terms of cyclical maintenance (painting etc) and tenant demand maintenance. All complaints that refer to damp are investigated by the Maintenance Engineers and dealt with if they prove to be damp. Indeed, there is an ongoing programme of roof remediation. It should be noted however that 97% of such complaints are determined to be condensation.

Q40. <u>Councillor Mannix Flynn</u>

Can the area manager issue a full report detailing the amount of people who are on the transfer list who are willing to downsize to smaller units and surrender larger family units?

Reply:

The table below outlines the number of applications that are listed on the transfer list in the Surrendering Larger Category.

Area B	Area D	Area E	Area H	Area J	Area K	Area L	Area M	Area N	Area P	Grand Total
11	7	19	9	18	10	16	8	4	5	107

Q41. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager initiate the placing of bollards on the footpath at Camden Place? At this location in Camden Place the residents are constantly hemmed in to their homes by cars and vans parking right up onto the footpaths right in front of their gates. There are a number of elderly residents that live here and they need to access ambulance and shops and on many occasion they were unable to exit their homes which was very distressing for them. Recently double yellow lines have been placed at this location but it is to no avail. Parking enforcement is usually very busy and can take some time to get to the location. For the most part the offending trucks/cars are never clamped and never towed away. Bollards at this location are the only real deterrent.

Reply:

During a site visit no adverse problems in relation to parking on footpaths or illegal parking was observed on Camden Place. The footpath along Camden Place is narrow with an average width of 1m. Bollards would narrow the footpath further and pose difficulties for the disabled and people using prams. The area has been highlighted to Parking Enforcement for increased monitoring.

Parking Enforcement reports that twenty seven vehicles have been clamped here in the last twelve months. The location will continue to be monitored and enforcement action taken as required.

Q42. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager issue a report with regards complaints by residents who are using homeless services? This report to include how many of these complaints originated and are related to the South East Area of Dublin and the homeless service and emergency service provision.

And what organisations, if any, in the South East Area, were called into the Homeless Executive's office?

Reply:

Dublin City Council's Homeless Services Facilities Management work to ensure that all homeless service providers meet the necessary standards to make certain that the welfare and safety requirements of residents are managed.

Each accommodation unit must meet health standards as outlined by the Environmental Health Officer (EHO).

The Facilities Management also work to ensure that all accommodation providers are compliant with all health and safety regulations including fire safety. Inspections are also conducted on a routine basis to ensure that the accommodation provided complies with the standards as outlined by the EHO.

There is an official complaints process in place, which is managed by the Dublin Region Homeless Executive. If a complaint is received by the local authority in relation to the physical standards of a building or if a service is found to be substandard, these are immediately followed up by Dublin City Council Homeless Facilities Management.

It must be noted that the Dublin region offers an extensive range of supports for people at risk of homelessness or are residing in emergency accommodation. This extensive range of supports can be viewed via <u>www.homelessdublin.ie</u>

Complaints received can be related to a person's temporary stay in individual properties and / or commercial hotel settings and are recorded on that basis rather than by area committee boundary.

If complaints are made with regard to any aspect of homeless services they are investigated thoroughly and the organisation / owner or operator are met by city council officials to ensure the appropriate action is taken.

Q43. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager issue a full report with regards to what facilities will be provided at the count centre in the RDS? This report to include what food facility, what drinking water facility and what seating facility. Also what efforts have been made to recruit staff to facilitate counting etc from outside the usual civil servant pool? How can people apply for short term employment that this opportunity gives?

Reply:

Responsibility for all above-mentioned aspects of the General Election rests solely with the City Sheriff, Mr James Barry. He can be contacted on info@dublincityreturningofficer.com or (01) 6759005.

Q44. <u>Councillor Mannix Flynn</u>

Can the area manager issue a full report with regards the hiring out of private apartments by hotels in the Temple Bar Area to large groups and parties? I have

received a number of complaints from residents of apartment blocks where certain hotels have leased entire apartments and are letting them out to weekend revellers. This practice is creating huge disruption in certain apartment complexes and it would appear that this practice is in breach of the law. I can supply further details to the manager with regards this.

Reply:

One complaint concerning short term letting of apartments in Temple Bar has been received and is under investigation. As alleged breaches of planning legislation must be investigated on a case by case basis, details of each building, apartment number and approximate date the short term letting commenced is needed to initiate an investigation.

Disruption caused by occupants of apartments, whether long-term or short-term residents, is a matter for the Gardaí to address.

Q45. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the area Manager issue a full report with regards the installation of the proclamation in the rotunda in the City Hall and when the Anne Madden triptych will be returned to the Hugh Lane Gallery?

Reply:

We are finalising plans to have a copy of the Proclamation in the City Hall Rotunda in time for the 1916 Centenary at Easter 2016.

There are currently no plans to relocate the Anne Madden Triptych to Hugh Lane Gallery.

Q46. Councillor Paddy Smyth

Can the manager see that the pathway along the Dodder from Orwell Road to Dartry Park is assessed for dangerous holes in the paving, particularly on the river bank and necessary repairs are made?

The pavement is in an incredibly poor state and some of the holes near the river bank pose a serious risk to safety, particularly to young children.

Reply:

The footpath at this location was inspected recently and considered to be in good condition. Leo Fitzpatrick, Senior District Parks Officer (tel.: 222 6648) may be contacted to discuss the matter in detail or to arrange a site meeting.

Q47. <u>Councillor Jim O'Callaghan</u>

To ask the Chief Executive whether permission can be given to residents of Powerscourt to park at the back as well as at the front of their residence as there are very limited disc parking places outside the front of their homes.

Reply:

In October 2015 representation was made by one of the residents on behalf of all resident permit holders at 60 - 71 Power's Court Warrington seeking inclusion of an additional road on their permits.

Upon review of the number of permit holders and the number of spaces available on Power's Court it was agreed that Warrington Lane / Place would be included on permits for all residents at 60 - 71 Power's Court.

The additional roads will be displayed on resident permits as they are renewed.

Q48. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the Chief Executive to have an area of tarmac (approx. 2ft long) (copy photo attached) and located at the 'green area - in the middle of the road at the rail' at Larkfield Grove, Harold's Cross, Dublin 6 filled in.

Reply:

This work will be completed along with some repairs to the rail over the next four weeks.

Q49. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the Chief Executive whether the red speed bump at the junction of Greenmount Road and Greenmount Lawns, Terenure can be resurfaced as it is badly damaged.

Reply:

Road Maintenance inspected the ramp at the junction of Greenmount Road and Greenmount Lawns. This has been added to our 2016 ramp resurfacing programme.

Q50. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the Chief Executive whether parking spaces can be made available for residents of Hanover Wharf who don't have access to parking elsewhere.

Reply:

Residents of purpose built apartment blocks do not qualify for residential parking permits under the Dublin City Council Parking Control Byelaws. Furthermore the location – Asgard Road / Horse Fair is not under the control of the council. These streets are under the control of the Dublin Docklands Authority and parking enforcement is carried out by their contractor APCOA.

Q51. <u>Councillor Jim O'Callaghan</u>

To ask the Chief Executive whether the footpath on Nutley Avenue, Donnybrook, Dublin 4 can be resurfaced.

Reply:

Road Maintenance inspected the footpath on Nutley Avenue and found it to be serviceable. Previous correspondence was received from Nutley Residents' Association (via SEAC Meeting Oct 2015) listing localised problems on the footpath and carriageway. These repairs will be carried out in due course.

Q52. <u>Councillor Jim O'Callaghan</u>

To ask the Chief Executive to have Oakley Road, Dublin 6 resurfaced as it is completely uneven and full of potholes.

Reply:

Road Maintenance inspected and filled in potholes on Oakley Road. Oakley Road is on Road Maintenance's 2016 programme for resurfacing.

Q53. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the Chief Executive whether the footpath outside Brooklyns between St. Michael's College and Nutley Lane and at the top of Nutley Avenue by Nutley Road where water is emanating on the left hand side from one of the houses there onto the footpath, can be resurfaced.

Reply:

Road Maintenance inspected the footpath at Brooklands between St. Michael's College and Nutley Lane. Necessary repairs will be carried out in 2016 at this location.

Clarification is required on the exact location where water is emanating from a house, photo is beneficial.

Q54. <u>Councillor Jim O'Callaghan</u>

To ask the Chief Executive whether the no right turn as you come up Bath Avenue before the Old Spot public house can be changed so as to permit cyclists to turn right.

Reply:

The Senior Executive Engineer, Traffic Management and Control, has confirmed that it would not be possible to consider the above request as there is a one-way system on Bath Avenue Place, with traffic exiting onto Bath Avenue, and with insufficient width to consider a contra-flow cycle lane.

Q55. <u>Councillor Jim O'Callaghan</u>

To ask the Chief Executive whether the lane between Ormeau Road and Penrose Street, Dublin 4 can be cleaned as it is used a lot by elderly people and is extremely dirty.

Reply:

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned lane cleaned on the 28th January 2016.

Q56. <u>Councillor Jim O'Callaghan</u>

To ask the Chief Executive whether a representative from the parking enforcement section of Dublin City Council can call out to *details supplied to assess the need for wheelchair access to their home by resident.

Reply:

The above request regarding access has been referred to the Traffic Advisory Group for examination and report. The councillor will be informed of the recommendation in due course.

Q57. Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to have St. Magdalene Terrace and Aikenhead Terrace, Stella Gardens, Irishtown highlighted for regular cleaning. Residents complain of rotting leaves, paper, dog excrement, bottles etc. on these streets and they don't appear ever to be cleaned.

Reply:

Waste Management Services have St. Magdalene Terrace and Aikenhead Terrace cleaned on a twelve week cycle. However we have this area monitored on a regular basis and have extra cleaning carried out there when necessary. We had extra cleaning carried out there on the 28th and 29th January 2016.

Q58. <u>Councillor Ruairí McGinley</u>

To ask the manager to fully check on (details supplied).

Reply:

Laneway reference number 65/055 at the rear of details supplied, '**not in charge' of Dublin City Council, 'private lane'.**

An Environmental Health Officer will ascertain the landlord details, undertake an inspection under Housing (Standards for Rented Houses) Regulations 2008 and take any appropriate enforcement action.

Dangerous Buildings Inspector Seamus Phelan, attended details supplied on 15.05.2015, under the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Act 1964 (as **amended**), instructed the removal of a dangerous rear wall structure, in the interest of public safety, the property was temporarily secured with Heras fencing. Notification issued to owner 26.5.2015. Dangerous Buildings have no remit with regard to rebuilding the rear wall; this is a matter for the building owner. The wall is no longer an immediate danger.

A Fire Officer will undertake an inspection under the Fire Services Act 1981 and 2003.

Q59. <u>Councillor Ruairí McGinley</u>

To ask the manager to make a detailed statement in relation to (details supplied), in particular to deal with many commitments that on-site inspections would take place which appears not to have happened, unsatisfactory written responses to detailed queries since October and to comment on suggestion that the planning file in this case has been misplaced.

Reply:

An Bord Pleanála granted permission, subject to conditions, in December 2010 for "the demolition of 1 no. two storey house and the construction of a two storey building fronting Terenure Road North, comprising 100m² of office accommodation at first floor level over 138m² of restaurant accommodation at ground level, in addition to 1 no. one-bedroom single storey detached house, 2 no. three-bedroom two storey semi-detached houses and 3 no. three bedroom two storey terraced houses and 6 no. car parking spaces to the rear accessed via a new pedestrian & vehicular access from Elm Park Terrace."

The development is substantially complete with work ongoing on the five approved houses. Complaints have been received that the development is not being carried out in accordance with the approved permission in a number of respects. These are:

- 1. Alleged non compliance with conditions 14 & 17 attached to planning file reference 2773/10.
- 2. The height of units 1 & 2 is higher than what was shown on the approved drawings.
- 3. The replacement of glass blocks with a single window in the rear façade of units 1 and 2.
- 4. Windows placed to the front of units 3-5, facing onto courtyard, resulting in overlooking into one of the complainants' property.
- 5. Works begin on site before 8am. Works usually start at 7:30am.

These complaints have been investigated with our findings as follows:

1. Conditions 14 & 17 of the permission require the submission of proposals to deal with waste management within the site during development works. The developer submitted proposals to comply with these conditions in March 2015 and these

proposals were approved by the Council's Waste Management Section in late March 2015.

- 2. A submission to comply with condition 2 of the permission showed a building height slightly higher than originally approved. This increase was to meet revised Building Control standards introduced since the original grant of permission. The increase is not deemed material. The as-constructed building, at 6.1 metres, matches the drawings approved under the submission.
- 3. The aforementioned submission also proposed the removal of two sections of a glass block wall and replacing it with a smaller glazed window.
- 4. The windows concerned have not been significantly altered from the original drawing submission. The large double doors at first floor level were shown on all drawings received. The compliance drawing has been altered locally where the 1.5m step back (required by condition) has occurred and has changed from a double door to a single door.
- 5. The permitted working hours are: 07.00 to 18.00, Mondays to Fridays; 08.00 to 14.00 on Saturdays and not at all on Sundays or Bank Holidays. Beginning work at 7.30 am does not breach the permission.

Further inspections will take place as development works progress.

Q60. Councillor Mary Freehill

Would the manager state the list of voids and locations in the Dublin South East area, the number of voids rehabilitated (stating locations) during 2015?

Reply:

There are currently 57 void units in the South East Area as follows:

Dublin 2 (Pearse Street area)	22	
Dublin 4 (Donnybrook/ Ringsend)		16
Dublin 6 (Rathmines/Ranelagh)		12
Dublin 8 (South Inner City)		7

Of these 57, 6 units are ready to let and are on offer to prospective tenants. 24 are currently being refurbished and should become available for letting by the end of the 1st quarter. Task Orders will be issued to approved contractors for the remaining 27 units and they should be turned around by the end of the 2nd quarter.

In 2015 there were 194 units refurbished and allocated as follows:

Dublin 2 (Pearse Street area)	84
Dublin 4 (Donnybrook / Ringsend)	40
Dublin 6 (Rathmines / Ranelagh)	32
Dublin 8 (South Inner City)	38

Q61. Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager answer the following points in relation to Dog fouling in the Ringsend / Irishtown area?

- How many dog fouling signs are in place in Ringsend and Irishtown area?
- How much is a dog fouling fine?

- How many fines have been issued as a result of dog fouling for 2014 and 2015 in the Irishtown and Ringsend area?
- When was the last time a fine was issued for dog fouling in the Ringsend / Irishtown area?
- Who is responsible for the issuing of fines to dog owners for their dog fouling the street in the Irishtown and Ringsend area?
- How many staff does Dublin Bay south area have that has the power to issue dog fines?
- Can these officials give out fines for those found allowing their dogs foul in flat complexes as opposed to parks and public areas?
- Are dogs allowed roam the streets without any owner in charge?
- Does DCC have a view as to why dog fouling is still so prevalent despite the various efforts to reduce this form of littering?
- Would DCC consider using cameras to catch owners who allow their dogs foul the streets? Has DCC ever used cameras to catch dog fouling offenders?

Reply:

- The exact number of anti-dog fouling signs is not available but signage has been put in place at the following locations: Ringsend Park, Ringsend Bridge, Cambridge Road, Thorncastle Street, Sean Moore Park, Pine Road., Bath Avenue, and Londonbridge Road.
- All Fine issued under the Litter Pollution Acts are €150 which includes fines for dog fouling.
- There were no fines issued for dog fouling in 2014 and 2105 in the Ringsend / Irishtown area.
- The last time a fine was issued for dog fouling in the Ringsend / Irishtown area was April 2011.
- Litter Wardens and Dog Wardens and Gardaí have power under the Litter Pollution Acts to issue fines.
- There are three Litter Wardens assigned to the South East Area, one of whom is assigned specifically to the Ringsend area. There are two Dog Wardens assigned to the greater Dublin area.
- The locations included in Section 22 of the Litter Pollution Acts are as follows:
 - a) a public road,
 - b) land forming part of a retail shopping centre,
 - c) a school ground, sports ground, playing field or recreational or leisure area,
 - d) a beach,
 - e) the curtilage of a dwelling the occupier of which has not consented to the presence of the dog in the curtilage, or
 - f) such other place as may be prescribed.

You will note that flat complexes are not included in the above and no other such places have been prescribed.

- Under the Control of Dogs Act 1986 it is an offence for a dog owner to permit a dog to be in a public place unaccompanied. Dublin city Council has a Contract with a Dog Warden service which carries out regular patrols and dogs which are found on the street unaccompanied are seized.
- Dublin City Council (DCC) continues to make dog owners aware that it is an offence not to clean-up after their dog and are working on a responsible dog ownership policy.
- DCC does not believe that CCTV cameras are of any value to capture footage of those dog owners who do not clean up after their dogs as it would not be possible to identify the offender. DCC is piloting audio device technologies which are aimed at changing behaviour, which hopefully will result in a decrease in dog fouling.

Q62. Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the Manager answer the following points in relation to dog fouling in the Pearse Street area?

- How many dog fouling signs are in place in Pearse Street area?
- How much is a dog fouling fine?
- How many fines have been issued as a result of dog fouling for 2014 and 2015 in the Pearse Street area?
- When was the last time a fine was issued for dog fouling in the Pearse Street area?
- Who is responsible for the issuing of fines to dog owners for their dog fouling the street in the Pearse Street area?
- How many staff does Dublin Bay south area have that has the power to issue dog fines?
- Can these officials give out fines for those found allowing their dogs foul in flat complexes as opposed to parks and public areas?
- Are dogs allowed roam the streets without any owner in charge?
- Does Dublin City Council have a view as to why dog fouling is still so prevalent despite the various efforts to reduce this form of littering?
- Would Dublin City Council consider using cameras to catch owners who allow their dogs foul the streets? Has Dublin City Council ever used cameras to catch dog fouling offenders?

Reply:

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- All Fines issued under the Litter Pollution Acts are €150, which includes fines for dog fouling.
- There were no fines issued for dog fouling in 2014 and 2105 in the Pearse Street area.
- The last time a fine was issued for dog fouling in the Pearse Street area was July 2008.
- Litter Wardens and Dog Wardens and Gardaí have power under the Litter Pollution Acts to issue fines.

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Q63. <u>Councillor Chris Andrews</u>

Could the city manager arrange for a meeting between Donnybrook Tidy Towns Group and Public Domain Realm Section of the council with a view to sharing ideas around improvements of the public spaces in the village, both in the immediate short term and in the long term to develop a Village Improvement Plan? Donnybrook Tidy Towns group has done tremendous work in the village and believe they could benefit from the council's expertise on public domain improvements.

Reply:

Unfortunately, there is no scope to develop a Village Improvement Plan (VIP) in Donnybrook. At present we are continuing the roll out of the Rathgar VIP which was adopted in January 2015. Work has only recently commenced on the consultation phase of the Ringsend Irishtown Village Improvement Plan also. The Dublin City Development Plan 2011 – 2017, sets the objective (SC09) "to prepare a number of schematic master-plans, Village Improvement Plans (VIPs), or Village Design Statements (VDS) for existing and long-established District Centres (Urban Villages) in conjunction with the relevant area committees in so far as priorities and resources permit..." However, Donnybrook is not listed in the plan among the Urban Villages for the South East Area. The South East Area Office will of course continue to provide support and assistance to Donnybrook Tidy Towns.

Q64. <u>Councillor Chris Andrews</u>

Can the manager have Oakley Road resurfaced, as it is in particularly bad condition and needs to be brought up to a safe standard?

Reply:

Road Maintenance inspected and filled in potholes on Oakley Road. Oakley Road is on Road Maintenance's 2016 programme for resurfacing.

Q65. Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager have the tree outside *details supplied removed as it is damaging the footpath?

Reply:

The relatively young tree (*Carpinus sps.*) at this location is in good condition and it is therefore not proposed to have it removed as requested.

Road Maintenance inspected the footpath at details supplied, the footpath is serviceable. However a crew will remove the edge of kerb to avoid the tree pushing it out further in the future.

Q66. Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager have the public light out the front of 31 and 32 in Oxford Grove repaired as it has broken and it is very dark without it?

Reply:

The light fitting on pole no. 5 needs to be replaced, it is anticipated that this work will be completed within the next week.

Q67. Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the area manager for an update on the progress on the issue regarding the vacant property at 41 Belmont Avenue, Donnybrook.

Reply:

The Derelict Sites Section has no current file on this property but will arrange to have the site inspected to determine whether any action is warranted under the Derelict Sites Act 1990 and will report back directly to the Councillor following this inspection.

The proposal for the designation of an Architectural Conservation Area (ACA) for the area, including the property at 41 Belmont Avenue, and the deletion of No. 41 from the RPS, was originally provided for in the current Dublin City Development Plan 2011-2017; proposed ACA No. 9 of Appendix 11 of that document refers. The designation of ACAs for these areas was proposed on the basis of the deletion of buildings of lesser importance within them from the Record of Protected Structures (RPS). The front elevation only of No. 41 Belmont Avenue, not the entire building, was on the RPS.

All the proposals involved, including the designation of the ACA and the deletion of the particular buildings/structures, were brought before the South East Area Committee and received its approval in relation to both components prior to proceeding to City Council. The ACA for Belmont Avenue/Mount Eden Road & Environs was adopted by the City Council at its meeting on the 5th February 2015, with an extended ACA adopted by the City Council at its meeting on the 11th January 2016.

Q68. <u>Councillor Claire Byrne</u>

To ask the area manager to assess the situation and explore what can be done to improve the drainage along the back of Belmont Villas, Donnybrook where sewage backs up in periods of high rain.

Reply:

The main sewer has been checked on Belmont Villas and is working fine. Any problems to the rear of the houses would be the responsibility of the householders. If the councillor has contact details for the residents, Dublin City Council may be able to advise the householder how best to address the problem.

Q69. Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the Area Manager to please prune the large tree outside Tesco on Donnybrook Road at the junction of Belmont Lane as it is currently causing an obstruction making the traffic lights difficult to see and causing people to frequently break the lights.

Reply:

The pruning of this tree will form part of our 2016 tree works programme for the area and it is anticipated that the tree will be pruned over the next four to six weeks.

Q70. <u>Councillor Claire Byrne</u>

To ask the area manager if it is possible for the following resident (details supplied) to extend their residents parking permit to Townsend Street as means to providing additional parking options to the residents as the square is currently at capacity.

Reply:

The permit holder should apply in writing to have Townsend Street added as an additional valid street on her permit – email <u>parkingenforcement@dublincity.ie</u>. The application will be treated favourably.

Q71. <u>Councillor Claire Byrne</u>

To ask the Area Manager if it would be possible to extend the paid parking hours of Magennis Square, Dublin 2 from Monday to Saturday as a means to alleviate the existing parking strain on local residents.

Reply:

The request for an extension of the operational hours of the Pay and Display and Permit Parking Scheme on Magennis Square i.e. Magennis Place, will be referred to the Traffic Advisory Group for examination and report, on submission, in the first instance, of supporting evidence from residents of the road in favour of an extension of hours. The supporting evidence may take the form of a number of written requests or a signed petition from residents of the road, indicating their names and addresses. Ideally, this should be 25% of the households concerned.

Q72. <u>Councillor Claire Byrne</u>

To ask the area manager if an inspection of the Clyde Court Hotel, which is due for demolition, was carried out to assess whether the building contained asbestos, and if so if she could please provide a copy of this report and the level of asbestos detected, and what measures are in place to minimise the impact of this and the potential health risk to local residences and schools in the area.

Reply:

The original application for this development App No: 4015/09 expires on the 14/09/2021. No commencement has been lodged. Dublin City Council Planning

Department agreed that a staged approach for dealing with compliance for conditions would be adopted having regard to the scale of the development in this case

Dublin City Council, Waste Regulations Section, received a "Construction & Demolition" plan for conditions 20 & 21 regarding the proposed works for this development on Wednesday 03/02/2016. There was no mention regarding Waste Regulation & Compliance from the possible detection of asbestos, and if present, how it is proposed to be dealt with in those plans. We have sent the "Construction & Demolition" plan for conditions 20 & 21 back to the Planning Department seeking further information.

However, when the Waste Regulation Section receive the compliance regarding the conditions one of our Enforcement Officers will carry out the necessary inspection with regard to asbestos and other waste streams on the site.

Dublin City Council is not the regulating authority for enforcing compliance with exposure to asbestos regulations. These powers are vested in the Health and Safety Authority.

However, the regulations include the following requirements:

Under the Safety, Health and Welfare at Work (Exposure to Asbestos) Regulations 2006, employers are obliged to carry out a risk assessment prior to commencing any work which may cause exposure to asbestos or risk disturbing asbestos containing materials. This risk assessment should identify the type and condition of any asbestos containing materials before they are disturbed.

The risk assessment must also determine the nature and degree of exposure that may occur during the course of the work, consider the effects of control measures, consider the results of monitoring exposure, and set out steps to prevent exposures or reduce it to the lowest level reasonably practicable.

Based on this written risk assessment, where the planned asbestos related work activity will expose or could expose workers to a concentration of asbestos fibres in air in excess of the exposure limit value (i.e. 0.1 fibres / cm3), an employer must submit a written notification to the Health and Safety Authority, 14 days before commencing any work. A site specific plan of work (also known as a method statement) for the proposed work must be submitted along with the notification.

The full requirements and detailed guidelines for managing asbestos are published by the Health and Safety Authority.

Q73. <u>Councillor Claire Byrne</u>

To ask the Area Manager to please increase the gully cleaning frequency in the following areas:

- 1. Stella Gardens
- 2. Belmont Gardens

As a means to minimize the impact of potential flooding in these areas.

Reply:

Belmont Gardens: The gullies on Belmont Gardens are cleaned up to three times per year. The area will be monitored during inclement weather and the frequency of cleaning will be adjusted as appropriate.

Stella Gardens: Due to the history of flooding and the tree lined streets these roads were added to our Priority List whereby all of the roads here are cleaned every six to eight weeks. The gullies in Stella Gardens are also cleaned in advance of high tides.

Q74. Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the Manager if she will arrange to have the graffiti as described in the email submitted with this question to be removed.

Reply:

The graffiti in this case is on private property and the responsibility for removal is with the occupier(s) / owner(s). However, the South East Area will arrange removal in this instance on a once-off basis.

Q75. Councillor Sonya Stapleton

To ask the manager to report on *details supplied's application for housing.

Reply:

The applicant (details supplied) made an application on 23rd April, 2009. The application was cancelled 17th September, 2015 due to no contact or documents being submitted regarding the previous property ownership.

The applicant is free to appeal the decision or make a new application.

Q76. <u>Councillor Sonya Stapleton</u>

To ask the manager to have electric sockets replaced in kitchen and sitting room as they are unsafe.

Reply:

Our Electrical Services Section has made arrangements to call to this dwelling and inspect / repair / replace the sockets.

Q77. Councillor Sonya Stapleton

To ask the manager to have dead bush/tree removed from Stella Gardens, *details supplied.

Reply:

The vegetation at this location will be removed over the coming week.

Q78. Councillor Sonya Stapleton

To ask the manager to have top, bottom bolt lock and chub lock fitted to front door as a matter of urgency due to passer by antisocial gang kicking it in regularly (details supplied).

Reply:

The Area Maintenance Foreman is making arrangements to check the locks on the front door and fit / replace where necessary.

Q79. <u>Councillor Patrick Costello</u>

To ask the manager to include resurfacing of Oakley Road as a priority for 2016.

Reply:

Road Maintenance inspected and filled in potholes on Oakley Road. Oakley Road is on Road Maintenance's 2016 programme for resurfacing.

Q80. Councillor Patrick Costello

To ask the manager for an update on 30 Leinster Road West, which remains in a considerable state of disrepair?

Reply:

Following contact with the owner of this site by the Derelict Sites Section, works have been carried out to clear the front and rear garden areas of weeds, vegetation, debris and litter. The site will be re-inspected and the owner will be requested to carry out any further works following this inspection as deemed necessary.

A reply will issue directly to the councillor from the Dangerous Buildings Section within two weeks.

Q81. Councillor Patrick Costello

To ask the manager for an update on the works at Harold's Cross Bridge - including when the Environmental Impact Assessment will be complete and the reason for the delays to date?

Reply:

The pedestrian crossing at Harold's Cross bridge falls within the scope of the Grand Canal Premium Cycleway Project.

The Environment and Transportation Department is awaiting an overarching Ecological Impact Assessment and Biodiversity Impact Assessment of the entire Grand Canal Corridor that was commissioned by Waterways Ireland. This report requires input from all the local authorities where the Grand Canal traverses. It is anticipated that these reports will be completed in Quarter 1 2016.

Notwithstanding the above, the section in Dublin City Council area, between Portobello and Blackhorse is currently being finalised for Part 8, subject to Waterways Ireland and National Transport Authority approval.

Q82. <u>Councillor Paddy Smyth</u>

To ask the manager to have "Caution - Children Crossing" signs placed between York Road and Maxwell Road, as there have being a number of near misses with children crossing to school in Kildare Place in recent months.

Reply:

The request for 'Children Crossing' signage between York Road and Maxwell Road has been referred to the Traffic Advisory Group for examination and report. The councillor will be informed of the recommendation in due course.

Q83. Councillor Patrick Costello

To ask the manager to repair the footpath at Cormac Terrace, which is in a considerable state of disrepair?

Reply:

Road Maintenance inspected the footpath at Cormac Terrace and noted the defect at No. 2 Cormac Terrace. This has been passed to a crew for temporary repair until a permanent repair can be carried out.

Q84. <u>Councillor Patrick Costello</u>

To ask the manager to improve signage around Kildare Place. The parents have been concerned at drivers ignoring lollipop lady at the school and the danger posed to children crossing.

Reply:

This matter has been referred to the Traffic Engineer for examination. The councillor will be advised of the recommendation in due course.

Q85. **Councillor Patrick Costello**

To ask the manager to move the "children playing" warning sign from the junction of Highfield Grove and Highfield Road to further up Highfield Grove. The sign is currently on the junction and is not easily seen by drivers turning in. Moving the sign back towards the green on Highfield Grove will make it more visible.

<u>Reply:</u> "Children at Play" signs are not provided in cul de sacs. The sign at the junction of the Highfield Grove and Highfield Road is a "School Ahead" sign, provided to warn of the likelihood of encountering children. It is positioned where children are likely to cross.

Traffic Department Programme of Works 2016

Rathgar Road	Pedestrian Crossing
Leonards Corner (Clanbrassil St / South Circular Road)	Pedestrian Crossing
Harold's Cross Bridge (Grove Road)	Pedestrian Crossing
Hanover Street / Lime Street	Speed Table
Morehampton Road	Kassel Kerbs
Cullenwood Gardens / Merton Drive	Kerb build out
Sandymount / Seafort Ave	Pedestrian Island
Speed Radar Signs	Location TBC (speed survey)
Rathgar Village	Cycle Stands
King Street	Cycle Stands
Donnybrook Village	Cycle Stands

Planning, Property, Enterprise & Economic Development Department Property Disposal Section

To the Chairperson and Members of the South East Area Committee

With reference to the proposed disposal of a further licence of the Old Fire Station, 190a Rathmines Road Lower, Dublin 6.

By way of Agreement dated 1st April 2013, the premises known as the Old Fire Station, 190a Rathmines Road Lower, Dublin 6 which is delineated on Map Index No. SM2014-0635 was let by Dublin City Council under licence to Ciara Scanlon and Matthew Nevin trading as MART for a period of three years from 1st April 2013. This licence is due to expire on 31st March 2016.

It is proposed to grant a further three year licence to Ciara Scanlon and Matthew Nevin trading as MART subject to the following terms and conditions:

- That the licence shall be for the premises known as the Old Fire Station, Rathmines, Dublin 6 which said premises is more particularly delineated on Map Index No. SM2014-0635.
- 2. That the licence shall be for a period of 3-years, to commence 1st April 2016.
- 3. That the licensee shall sign a Deed of Renunciation.
- 4. That the annual licence fee shall be €5,200 plus VAT, (€1,300 plus VAT to be paid quarterly in advance).
- 5. That the licensees shall use the premises as an office space, art gallery space, and workshop space with associated retail use.
- 6. That the licensees shall keep the subject premises in good condition and shall in no way interfere with its architectural integrity as a protected structure.
- 7. That the licensees shall obtain Public Liability Insurance indemnifying Dublin City Council in the sum of €6,500,000 for any one incident and Employers Liability Insurance of €13m if applicable and shall provide proof of such insurance to Dublin City Council.
- 8. That the licensees shall be responsible for all outgoings rates (if applicable), insurance, utility bills and any other outgoings, statutory or otherwise, for the duration of the term of the licence from the date of occupation.
- 9. That the licence can be terminated by either party giving two month's notice in writing.
- 10. That the licensees shall be responsible for any planning permission required in respect of the use of the premises together with any display signage to the exterior facades or any proposed alterations to the demised property.

- 11. That the licensees shall not carry out any alterations or development of the property or erect any structure or make any excavation without the prior written consent of the Council, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld.
- 12. That the licensees shall not assign or sublet the premises. That the licensee shall not sell, assign, grant any sub interests, (with the exception of licence agreements) sub-divide, alienate or part with the possession of the subject property without the prior written consent of the Council.
- 13. That in the event of the licensees failing to comply with any of the terms, conditions, warranties, covenants or the obligations and stipulations herein contained or becoming dissolved or going into liquidation, the Council may revoke this Agreement by giving the licensee notice in writing to that effect or unless otherwise stated in such Notice, this agreement shall cease immediately upon such Notice having been given.
- 14. That on the expiration or sooner determination of the licence, the licensees shall at their own expense remove all materials not belonging to Dublin City Council (if the Council so require it) and shall leave the property clean and cleared to the satisfaction of the City Council.
- 15. That the agreement shall be subject to any other such terms and conditions as deemed appropriate by the Council's Law Agent.
- 16. That each party shall be responsible for their own legal costs in this matter.

<u>Paul Clegg</u> Executive Manager

Re: Proposal to grant a lease of property at 44 East Essex Street, Temple Bar to the Youth Mental Health organisation "Headstrong"

Headstrong is a national organisation which supports young people's mental health, and its work involves managing ten "Jigsaw" projects around the country.

A "Jigsaw" is a service which provides one-to-one support to young people aged 12 - 25 and it delivers free and confidential help to young people who are experiencing difficulties in their lives. It aims to provide early assistance to young people who are experiencing mild to moderate upset rather than severe mental health difficulties.

It is disappointing that such an important project / service has not been implemented in the Dublin city area where clearly we believe there is a significant need.

The Dublin City Council's Comhairle na nÓg has over the years lobbied strongly for such a project / service in the city area.

Initially funding for this service came from philanthropic sources but is now provided by the Department of Health. While the service itself i.e. the counselling / staff etc. is funded by the Department of Health it does not cover the cost of acquiring or fitting out of a suitable premises.

Other projects throughout the country (including Tallaght) have sourced their premises through the local authority or charitable bodies so the delivery model that has evolved is that the Department of Health funds the service itself and the local authority as far as possible provides a suitable premises.

Based on this concept we have tried over a period of time to source and provide a suitable inner city premises in order that this important service could be implemented.

In this context the Temple Bar Cultural Trust were also consulted in relation to T.B.C.T. property in the Temple Bar area.

A property at 44 East Essex Street up to recently occupied by the Dublin Theatre Festival and Business to Arts was identified as a possible solution and one where Headstrong have checked out and they are very keen to accept.

Therefore the Temple Bar Cultural Trust, subject to the approval of Dublin City Council proposes to grant a lease of 44 East Essex Street to the youth mental health organisation Headstrong.

Dublin City Council will work closely with the project as it develops in the City.

Brendan Kenny Assistant Chief Executive

Community Development Section Report		
Mar 1 st	'The Greatest Lord Mayor since Daniel O'Connell' lecture at the Church of the Sacred Heart Parish Centre, Donnybrook 2.30pm	
Mar 4 th :	Seachtain na Gaeilge: Storytelling as Gaeilge at Charlemont Court 12 noon	
Mar 5 th :	Eastwell Ladies Home 250 th Anniversary 10 - 3pm	
th	Terenure Village Market 11 - 4pm	
Mar 8 th :	Tour of Freemasons Hall at 2.30pm	
Mar 9 th :	Tour of Freemasons Hall with Spanish language Walking Group 2.15pm	
Mar 11 th :	Tour of Freemasons Hall with Irish language Walking Group 11.30am	
Mar 12 th :	Terenure Village Market	
Mar 18 th :	Terenure Tea Dance at the Evergreen Centre 2 - 4pm	
Mar 18 ^{th:}	Tour of Freemasons Hall with French language Walking Group 2.15pm	
Mar 19 th :	Terenure Village Easter Market 11 - 4pm	
	Play in the Park – Bushy Park 12 - 4pm	
Mar 22 nd :	Cross Border – Allotment tour with Newry group 11 - 3pm	
	Golden Wonders St. Patrick's Day Party – Carmelite Centre 2 - 4pm	
Mar 24 th :	Verschoyle Court Easter Party 2 - 4pm	
Mar 26 th :	Dublin City Clean Up – Public Domain	
	Terenure Village Market	
	Northbrook Avenue Easter Egg Hunt	
	Cinema Para Criancas – Lantern Centre 11am	
Mar 29 th :	Maxwell Court Easter Party 2 - 4pm	
Mar 31 ^{st:} :	Tour of Freemasons Hall at 2.30pm	

In Spring 2016 a large number of events linked to the 1916 Commemorations will take place. The full list of those in the South East Area are available here:

dublincity.ie/decadeofcommemorationsireland.ie

In addition to the above, a number of weekly events continue to take place as part of ongoing community work.

Older persons activities, Friends of Green Spaces, allotment links etc. are ongoing.

Environmental Services Unit Report

Events

St. Patrick's Festival, 17th to 20th March Easter Sunday Commemoration Ceremony and Parade, 27th March RTE Reflecting the Rising, Easter Monday, 28th March Team Dublin Clean-up Saturday 26th March

Public Realm Enhancements

Intensive cleaning of the high footfall commercial village areas throughout the South East area will commence this month. This work involves using a low pressure, high temperature steam on the footpaths to remove chewing gum, but also stains and dog foul, the cleaning of street furniture, application of disinfectant on areas where needed including around bins, and the removal of waste. The work will be carried out at night to avoid inconvenience to traders, but also taking into account residents where relevant. This work will be carried out 3 times during 2016, in March, June and September. The village areas are listed below:

- 1) Ranelagh Village
- 2) Rathmines Village
- 3) Donnybrook Village
- 4) Sandymount Village
- 5) Rathgar Village
- 6) Ringsend
- 7) Harold's Cross
- 8) Terenure
- 9) Irishtown
- 10) Ballsbridge
- 11) Milltown
- 12) Baggot Street Upper and Lower (March and June only)

Housing Projects and Local Area Improvements

Southern Campshires Flood Protection Scheme

The contractor moved on site on 23rd October 2014. The works are being carried out by the Office of Public Works (OPW) and various sub-contractors and supervised by various consultants for different aspects of these works. A number of ground condition problems have slowed this project down to date. The estimated cost of this whole project from Butt Bridge to Cardiff Lane is €3.5m and the current programme is to substantially complete the works by Q3 2016.

Grand Canal Sub Group

The latest meeting of the Grand Canal Sub-committee was held on 24th February 2016. There has been no meeting of the Waterways Ireland (WI) Operation Liaison Group (OLG) since September 2014. The Chair of the sub-committee has written to the Chief Executive of WI re this. There is currently no representation from Waterways Ireland on the committee. The Dublin City Canals Action Day will take place on Saturday 26th March 2016 to coincide with the Team Dublin Clean-Up 2016. The next meeting of the Grand Canal Sub-committee will be held on 23rd March 2016.

Rathgar Village Improvement Plan (VIP)

The finalised Rathgar Village Improvement Plan (VIP) was approved at the January 2015 South East Area Committee. REDscape, Landscape Architects, has been appointed to design a plan for Herzog Park. Resulting from the public meeting of May 2015 to discuss proposals for upgrading Herzog Park, a Draft Landscape Masterplan is now available for public comment and discussion. Comments on the proposal can be sent to parks@dublincity.ie, on or before Friday 8th April 2016. After the consultation period a final Landscape Masterplan will be undertaken and be available for circulation to stakeholders by summer 2016.

Ranelagh Gardens Park

The Part 8 was approved at the City Council meeting on Monday 6th July 2015. Works are due to commence in 2016.

Sandymount Green Conservation Study

Parks Services appointed Howley Hayes Conservation Architects to carry out a Conservation Study of Sandymount Green in 2015. Traffic issues raised during consultation have been referred to the Roads and Traffic Department for consideration in 2016.

Ringsend Irishtown Village Improvement Plan (VIP)

Consultation in relation to the Ringsend Irishtown Village Improvement Plan commenced with an open morning in Ringsend Library on the morning of Thursday 28th January 2016. A tender is being prepared to appoint Consultant Architects with a deadline for noon on Monday 29th February 2016.

Terenure 2030

A meeting was held with South East Area Office and representatives from Terenure 2030 on 5/2/2016 to discuss possible public domain improvements. 6 no. new lamp standards have been ordered for the village and further greening projects are ongoing.

Grafton Street Quarter

The public realm improvement works on Wicklow Street (from Grafton Street to Clarendon Street) and at Johnson's Court are complete, with the exception of the new public lighting which will be installed on building facades shortly. Detailed design work for the next series of improvements in the Chatham Street, Harry Street, Balfe Street area are underway and following their completion, a tender process to seek a contractor will be undertaken with a view to being in a position to commence works towards the end of this year. Also, it is hoped to proceed shortly with a Part 8 planning submission in relation to proposed works at Clarendon Street / Clarendon Row.

Crampton Buildings

The refurbishment works are ongoing and the contractor has indicated that works will be completed in approximately 6 weeks, i.e. mid April. Discussions are continuing with each tenant in relation to their particular circumstances and the various issues regarding their return to Crampton Buildings.

Charlemont

Works continue on site on schedule. Community liaison is ongoing through the Dublin City Council Project Office, the developer and the regeneration board. We are now working on the Arts and Cultural strand of the Social, Economic and Cultural Plan. The Dublin City Council Project Office is open from 9-5 Mon-Friday. All queries and enquiries please call to the office.

Naming Request

A request has been received to have the laneway off Belmont Avenue and Mount Eden Road named as "Woods Way". The laneway is currently known locally as Belmont Court and is in the charge of Dublin City Council. The laneway is associated with Andrew and Mollie Woods who were notable republicans at the time of the 1916 Rising and the War of Independence. The South East Area Office will contact the local residents and businesses whose property is contiguous to the laneway to seek their views on this proposal.

South East Area Sport and Recreation Report

- **Meet & Train:** A meet and train group will start up to train women for the Women's mini marathon in June. This group is for Women who are only new to running. Group will meet in Irishtown Stadium every Tuesday evening from 8pm and work up towards the 10K in June.
- **Easter Camp:** A multi sports camp will take place in Irishtown Stadium from 22nd to 25th March. Camp will include various sports including Frisbee, hockey, cricket and tag rugby. Camp is open to children aged 8 14.
- **Soccer academies**: Now running in Pearse Street on Saturday mornings from 10am to 12pm.
- **Girls Only Soccer**: Sessions are ongoing in Westland Row CBS with the aim of running a local school blitz and to try to establish a girls team in the Pearse Street / Ringsend area.
- Soccer Coach Education: Kick Start 2 training taking place on 16th April at Irishtown Stadium.
- Late Night League finals night will take place on Friday 8th April at Irishtown Stadium (not 11th March as previously thought).
- **Community Soccer Camp**: 21st 24th march at Irishtown Stadium for young people aged 4 to 16 years.
- **School cricket** sessions are being held in the following schools in the area during this period:
 - 1. Sancta Maria CBS, Synge Street
 - 2. Star of the Sea, Sandymount
 - 3. St Matthews, Sandymount
 - 4. St Josephs, Terenure
 - 5. Zion NS, Terenure
- **Cricket teacher training** at the above listed schools will take place between February and June.
- We are also running cricket sessions at the Easter Camp in Irishtown Stadium on Monday the 21st March from 1.30 3pm.

- Aideen O'Connor is the new Centre Manager for Sport & Fitness Markievicz & Irishtown. She commenced on 1st February.
- As you are aware, Sports & Fitness Markievicz has recently undergone extensive refurbishment. It was scheduled to re-open in January 2016 but due to an unforeseen structural issue, this re-opening has been delayed significantly. Additional works will now be carried out and the centre will remain closed until further notice. These works will commence as soon as possible and we endeavour to keep all members, staff and councillors informed on our progress over the coming weeks. Please pass this message on to anyone enquiring about Sport & Fitness Markievicz. For further queries please contact: - Centre Staff at Sport & Fitness Irishtown: (01) 222 3801 – GENERAL QUERIES

- Aideen O'Connor, Centre Manager: 087 917 6989

- Jamie Dowling, Duty Manager: 087 667 3435

We would like to thank you for your patience and co-operation as we enter the final stages of this process.

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Report by:

Niamh Redmond Communications Officer Dublin City Sport & Wellbeing Partnership

Naming and numbering proposal for a development at a site on 130 Ranelagh

"130 Raghnallach / Ranelagh and 1 – 3 Plás Fhiodh Cuillinn / Cullenswood Place"

A request has been received from DTA Architects to name and number a development of four houses at and to the rear of 130 Ranelagh Road. It is proposed to retain the address 130 Ranelagh Road for one house and name the widened side lane Cullenswood Place, Dublin 6 with houses numbered 1 - 3.

The application states that the proposed name Cullenswood Place is appropriate as Cullenswood House is thought to have been located on the site and the name is locally relevant to the heritage and culture of the area. It is associated with the Ranelagh area in the form of the adjacent Cullenswood Park, and Cullenswood Road, at the Triangle, and the nearby Cullenswood Gardens.

The development is indicated on the drawing R.M. 36546 (see enclosed).

The Heritage Officer considers the proposed name appropriate.

The numbering scheme proposed for the development is 1 - 3

The naming and numbering proposal is considered suitable and is recommended for approval.

Rose Kenny Area Manager

Naming and numbering proposal for a development at a site to the rear of Lodge Villa, Dartry Road, Dublin 6.

1 – 2 Dartry Villa / Bailtín Dhartraí.

An application has been received from Dartry SPV Limited to name and number a development of two houses at the rear of Lodge Villa, Dartry Road, Dublin 6. It is proposed to address them as 1 – 2 Dartry Villa/ Bailtín Dhartraí.

The application states that the proposed name Dartry Villa is appropriate as the development site is located at the heart of Dartry. The two new dwellings are located to the rear of the existing house "Lodge Villa". The use of the word villa is therefore reflective of the existing site context.

The development is indicated on the drawing R.M. 36557 (see enclosed).

The Heritage Officer considers the proposed name appropriate.

The numbering scheme proposed for the development is 1 - 2

The naming and numbering proposal is considered suitable and is recommended for approval.

Rose Kenny Area Manager

Naming and numbering proposal for a new development at 19C Hanover Street East, Grand Canal, Dublin 2.

"Hanover Lofts" / "Lochtaí Hanover"

A request has been received from Mark Cosgrave, The Dublin Loft Company Ltd., 15 Hogan Place, Grand Canal Street, Dublin 2 to name and number a new development at 19C Hanover Street East, Grand Canal, Dublin 2 as Hanover Lofts / Lochtaí Hanover, with the apartments being numbered 1 - 15.

The applicant gave the following rationale for the proposed name:

"Hanover Street East is the name of the street and has been since maps have been produced (it would appear). The area has traditionally been used for industrial premises. This is reflected in the current building, which will be replaced with large modern style loft apartments hence the lofts aspect."

The development is indicated on the drawing R.M. 36553.

The Heritage Officer considers the proposed name appropriate and accordingly it is recommended for approval.

Rose Kenny Area Manager

Question to Chief Executive

South East Area Committee Meeting 14th March 2016

Q.1 <u>Councillor Ruairí McGinley</u>

To ask the manager to confirm that Dublin City Council rents the Rathmines Town Hall to Rathmines College and to ask that the Town Hall clock is made functional again after many years of disuse. The clock is a landmark feature of Rathmines.

Q.2 <u>Councillor Dermot Lacey</u>

To ask the manager if she will arrange for a cleaning of the lane from Beech Hill Avenue to Beaver Row and to have the tree embracing the sole public light on the lane pruned back sufficiently to ensure adequate lighting of the lane.

Q.3 <u>Councillor Dermot Lacey</u>

With regard to the new speed monitors in place on Strand Road and the data assembled from same in the recent 'Strand Road Report' and reference to the 85% reduction in speed, to ask the manager if she would supply the time distribution for this survey?

Q.4 <u>Councillor Dermot Lacey</u>

To ask the manager if in relation to Heskin Court she will:

- 1. Confirm that it is permissible for tenants to sign up for alternative multi TV network suppliers to the service in place.
- 2. Arrange to have the pampas grass removed in the first block as requested by residents.
- 3. Reconsider the need for intercoms between the apartments and the access gates.
- 4. Examine complaints that the gates to the underground car park are being left open at night.

Q.5 <u>Councillor Dermot Lacey</u>

To ask the Manager if she will arrange for the meeting between the relevant officials, this councillor and the tenant of (details supplied) to see if a resolution of their planning request can be achieved.

Q.6 <u>Councillor Frank Kennedy</u>

To ask the Manager to repair the damaged footpath outside No. 11 Carlisle Avenue, off Marlborough Road, Donnybrook, Dublin 4.

Q.7 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the Manager to install floodlights on the small astro turf five / six a side pitch in Herbert Park, particularly in circumstances where this infrastructure would pay for itself by usage fees which will be received for using the pitch at times when it is currently unusable due to the absence of daylight.

Q.8 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the manager to grant permission to the Donnybrook Tidy Towns Committee to erect a flagpole on the council property where the Christmas tree is planted in Donnybrook in circumstances where the committee has put forward a protocol for flying the flag which has been approved by the Department of the Taoiseach <u>and</u>, if the council is not prepared to grant such permission, to state clearly (a) the reasons for this decision and (b) whether it is based on any existing policy or guidelines.

Q.9 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the manager, following the removal of the dangerous and overgrown tree outside No. 1 Beech Hill Crescent, to carry out the repair of the footpath and the pillars outside Nos. 1 and 2 Beech Hill Crescent. Both the footpath and the pillars have become warped by the overgrown roots from the tree. In particular, the pillars are no longer even to each other and one has been raised off the level of the ground.

Q.10 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the manager to install a yellow box on the Merrion Road on the driving into the city centre / northbound side of the road, at the point at which cars exiting from the top of Beatty's Avenue join onto the Merrion Road. There is already a yellow box on the driving away from the city centre / southbound side of the Merrion Road at the top of Beatty's Avenue. A matching yellow box is required to enable cars to safely exit Beatty's Avenue and access the northbound side of Merrion Road. This would also reduce the incidence of cars exiting Beatty's Avenue impeding the southbound traffic because they are situate on the yellow box while waiting for a window to get onto the northbound side of Merrion Road.

Q.11 <u>Councillor Frank Kennedy</u>

Following the appalling vandalism including broken windows at a newsagents on Lord Edward Street on the evening of approximately 15 February 2016, to ask the Manager to bring about changes to the exterior of the Civic Offices, which is in the ownership of Dublin City Council, and which are a major point of congregation for unruly elements, in the following respects:

- (a) By installing adequate lighting which is grossly insufficient at present; and
- (b) By placing security personnel in the environs at late evening/night-time to prevent the congregation of unruly elements

Q.12 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the manager to clean the strip of land / grassy area which runs along the entrance to Holyrood Park, Sandymount, Dublin 4 and is immediately behind (and runs alongside) the southbound platform at Sandymount Dart Station. This area is used for illegal dumping and is full of illegally dumped material at present. There is a bicycle which has been chained to either the railings or a lamppost for months (at least) which should be removed as part of this process.

Q.13 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the manager to introduce a scheme whereby cars could park in Sandymount for periods of perhaps 20 / 30 / 40 minutes to call into local shops without the need to pay for parking, thus providing a boost to the local economy.

Q.14 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the manager to request that all businesses in the South East Area, in particular in the city centre area, which fly the tricolour remove any flags which are shabby and to replace them with new tricolours, preferably prior to 17 March 2016 but certainly prior to Easter Sunday, and to ask the area manager of the Central Area to make a similar request to all business in the city centre area in the Central Area.

Q.15 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the manager to improve the very confusing positioning of the signs at the entrances to both Bath Avenue (at the Slattery's end), and Londonbridge Road (at the Tritonville Road end), which indicate that 3.5 tonne HGVs are banned. At present the position is confusing and not clear to oncoming traffic from (a) Church Avenue towards Londonbridge Road, and (b) the very busy five-pointed junction of which the entrance to Bath Avenue forms part. The result is that HGVs constantly breach this

ban, sometimes inadvertently. Some vehicles coming have been too large to get under the bridge on Bath Avenue and have had to turn around, causing chaos.

Q.16 <u>Councillor Dermot Lacey</u>

To ask the manager if she will arrange to have the tree outside 40 Beech Hill Drive, Donnybrook pruned (or removed) in such a way that it does not block the light at that stretch of road.

Q.17 Councillor Paddy Smyth

To ask the manager to install CCTV in the Castlewood Terrace area to deter illegal dumping.

Q.18 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the Manager to arrange to have graffiti removed from the transparent panelling on the McMahon Bridge at Pearse Street.

Q.19 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To have an abandoned bicycle removed at the following location: the bike has been in situ for a year and a half at the junction of Morehampton Road and Herbert Park Road, Donnybrook, opposite AIB bank where it is chained to a public pole.

Q.20 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To have a "No Parking" sign erected at the entrance to The Bottleworks, Irishtown Road, adjacent to Tesco. This request was previously submitted, but nothing was done about it.

Q.21 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To have the remains of two abandoned bicycles removed forthwith from the following location: Upper Baggot Street at its junction with Haddington Road. Two bicycles without wheels / chains are attached to the bike racks.

Q.22 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the Manager to clarify the position regarding waste collection and the termination of labelled bags, being replaced by wheelie bins.

Will there be any streets exempt, for example, streets off South Lotts Road in Ringsend which have no front gardens, limited rear yards, no laneway access, etc?

Q.23 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager issue a report as to the frequency that emergency vehicles use the route from Tara Street through College Green, Dame Street? Also are there any proposals to alter this route in relation to the public plaza that is proposed for this area. Also, is there a traffic management plan envisaged for this area with regards deliveries to shops and businesses?

Q.24 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager issue a report with regards how many people place themselves on the supplementary register of electors and also was a there a backlog created as many people have complained that they filled all the necessary paperwork, got it into Dublin City Council on time and were unable to vote as they were not placed on the register of electors.

Q.25 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the area manager examine the feasibility of placing a bottle bank bring centre in the Donnybrook area? Many residents here are seeking such a facility including

many of the elderly residents who have to travel long distances to deposit bottles for recycling.

Q.26 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager inquire as to the whereabouts of the public artwork 'Usherman' that was positioned outside of the Screen Cinema?

Q.27 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager issue a complete update regarding the Dubline Project? There has been no meeting called by this committee for over a year. This report to include what is to happen at Bernardo's Square and what has happened to date along the route, including all expenditures and remaining financial resources to complete this project.

Q.28 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager issue a full report with regards the remaining assets of Docklands Development authority? Also to issue a map of the entire estate that is to be placed back in charge to Dublin City Council. Also, all staff that are assigned to the Docklands area and any top up on salaries that has been received by them.

Q.29 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager issue an update regarding the request for an order of protected structure on the Central Bank?

Q.30 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the area manager issue a report as to how many Dublin City Council staff were involved in the count at the RDS and other centres in the Dublin area? Also were any relations of staff members involved in these counts? What was the total payment to these individuals and the over cost? What attempts were made to advertise these temporary work positions to those who are on the live register?

Q.31 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager examine the possibility of extra security and safety measures in and around Lord Edward Street and Dublin City Council Civic Offices? Over the past couple of months this area has been subject to ongoing anti social behaviour and groups of youths who are behaving in a threatening, abusive and criminal manner. A number of shops in the area of Lord Edward Street and their staff have been attacked and threatened. Substantial criminal damage has been caused and local business people are threatening to close their premises as they cannot sustain these losses.

Q.32 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the area manager to please provide a full list of schools in the South East Area that have been involved in the Safe Routes to School Programme over the last ten years, a list of schools that are still participating, whether there have been any reports generated regarding the success of the programme, and what the future plans are for the programme in the city.

Q.33 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the Area Manager if she can address the following issues in *details supplied".

Q.34 <u>Councillor Claire Byrne</u>

To ask the area manager if she can please fix the cracked pavements on Belmont Gardens.

Q.35 <u>Councillor Claire Byrne</u>

To ask the area manager if she can please introduce parking control measures such as double yellow lines on Haddington Lane as means to address the on-going issues of long stay parking here.

Q.36 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the area manager to please replace the surface of the metal traffic light control covers on Charlemont side of the Portobello Bridge. These are extremely slippery and are located on a steep down slope at this busy pedestrian crossing and I

Q.37 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the Area Manager if she can please assist *details supplied 1: in the transfer to a larger house. This person is currently number 2 on the transfer list and has identified a potential house on details supplied 2. The family is suffering from very serious over-crowding and a move to this location would greatly help the quality of life for the whole family.

Q.38 Councillor Chris Andrews

Will the manager ensure that parking enforcement are instructed to visit Kimmage Grove and ensure that breaches in parking laws are sanctioned.

Q.39 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager ensure that the yellow lines at entrance into Kimmage Grove and inside the entrance to Kimmage Grove are repainted as a matter of urgency and that "no parking" signs be erected on the green area close to the entrance to Larkview Football Club?

Q.40 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager have a public bin at the entrance to the Larkview football club as there tends to be a lot of rubbish thrown around after matches and training?

Q.41 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager give some indication as to what tenants who want to avail of the tenant purchase scheme need to do to avail of this scheme?

Q.42 Councillor Chris Andrews

When will a Dublinbike stand be opened on Clanbrassil Street and the Harold's Cross area?

Q.43 Councillor Chris Andrews

Residents of Vernon Street were recently informed that they would now need to have wheelie bins and would no longer be able to use refuse bags to store their rubbish for collection. This decision came with no consultation with the area and is completely unworkable for the community. Vernon Street is a very small cul de sac of terraced homes with little or no space in front of the houses other than the pavement. The homes have no capacity to store wheelie bins and the placing of bins on the street would cause a major nuisance. Can the manager ensure that this doesn't happen and offer alternatives to resolve these issues and give an update on this matter?

Q.44 Councillor Sonya Stapleton

To ask the manager to contact police and begin investigation into Club Chonradh na Gaeilge in 6 Harcourt Street due to breach of their liquor license agreement and noise coming from the premises into the early hours of the morning, see details supplied for police to begin investigation.

Q.45 Councillor Chris Andrews

Three years ago a tree was removed from outside 75 Stella Gardens and it needs to be filled in as it is a trip hazard now. Can the Manager arrange for this work to be carried out?

Q.46 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager indicate what the time scale is for the issues surrounding the works being carried out in Markievicz pool and sports centre and outline why and outline what is the nature of the works committed to this sports centre.

Q.47 Councillor Chris Andrews

To ask the manager to have the bollard that was placed on the pavement at side of 1 Pembroke Cottages and was knocked down by a truck replaced.