

COMHAIRLE CATHRACH BHAILE ÁTHA CLIATH



Miontuairiscí Chruinniú Míósúil a tionóladh ar 2 Márta 2015 i Seomra na Comhairle, Halla na Cathrach, Cnoc Chorcaí ag 6.15 i.n.

I Láthair an tArdmheara Christy Burke sa chathaoir

Comhairleoir:

Chris Andrews
Catherine Ardagh
Kieran Binchy
Paddy Bourke
Janice Boylan
Tom Brabazon
Christy Burke
Claire Byrne
Cathleen Carney Boud
Brendan Carr
Aine Clancy
Anthony Connaghan
David Costello
Patrick Costello
Ciáran Cuffe
Daithí De Róiste
Daithí Doolan
Pat Dunne
Gaye Fagan
Declan Flanagan

Comhairleoir:

Mannix Flynn
Mary Freehill
Gary Gannon
Alison Gilliland
Paul Hand
Seán Haughey
Deirdre Heney
Jane Horgan-Jones
Vincent Jackson
Andrew Keegan
Teresa Keegan
Greg Kelly
Frank Kennedy
Dermot Lacey
John Lyons
Mícheál Mac Donncha
Tina MacVeigh
Ray McAdam
Paul McAuliffe
Paddy McCartan

Comhairleoir:

Ruairí McGinley
Séamas McGrattan
Ray McHugh
Denise Mitchell
Andrew Montague
Rebecca Moynihan
Emma Murphy
Críona Ní Dhálaigh
Michael O'Brien
Jim O'Callaghan
Kate O'Connell
Damian O'Farrell
Ciáran O'Moore
Naoise Ó Muirí
Larry O'Toole
Cieran Perry
Noeleen Reilly
Nial Ring
Noel Rock
Brid Smith
Paddy Smyth

Oifigigh

Owen Keegan
Brendan Kenny
Dick Brady
Kathy Quinn

Terence O'Keeffe
Jim Keogan
Vincent Norton
Oonagh Casey

Mary Pyne
Ger Maher
Ollie Douglas
Michael Gallagher

1. The Lord Mayor opened the meeting by expressing sympathy on his own behalf and on behalf of the City Council to Mr Declan Wallace, Executive Manager, Environment & Transportation Department on the recent death of his father, Jacky Wallace. A minute's silence was held as a mark of respect to the deceased.

The Lord Mayor then called on Mr Michael Phillips, Director of Traffic & City Engineer, who advised the Members of proposals to initiate a non-statutory public consultation, with regard

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to the Liffey Cycle Route. The Lord Mayor then informed Members that he had visited the water charge protestor prisoners in Wheatfield Prison and Dóchas yesterday. He also thanked to the Members of Dublin City Council for their support for the Freedom of the City which was held on 28th February 2015. Both Brother Kevin Crowley and John Giles were very worthy recipients, he said.

2. Ceisteanna fé Bhuan Ordú Úimhir 16 -- It was moved by Councillor C Ni Dhalaigh and seconded by Councillor V Jackson "That Dublin City Council approves the Dublin Chief Executive answering the questions lodged". The motion having been put and carried, written answers to the 148 questions lodged for the City Council meeting were issued. The Questions and Answers are set out in **Appendix A** attached.
3. Submitted Letter from Wicklow County Council dated 11th February 2015 conveying the terms of a motion from their February 2015 meeting supporting the National Association of Regional Game Councils in their request to be fully and meaningfully consulted by any changes made to the firearms licencing system. It was moved by Councillor V Jackson and seconded by Councillor D Flanagan "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of this letter". The motion was put and carried.
4. Submitted Letter from Limerick City and County Council dated 13th February 2015 conveying the terms of a motion from a recent meeting calling on the Minister for the Environment, Community and Local Government to review the declaration of "off the road" vehicles when declared off the road and that the system in England, i.e. "Lifetime" declaration and not "Annual" be used. It was moved by Councillor V Jackson and seconded by Councillor D Flanagan "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of this letter". The motion was put and carried.
5. The minutes of the Meeting of the City Council held on the 2nd February 2015, having been printed, certified by the Meetings Administrator, circulated to the Members and taken as read, were signed by the Lord Mayor.
6. Submitted Report No 90/2015 of the Chief Executive (*O. Keegan*) - With reference to Closing Bank Accounts with Banks and other Financial Institutions including National Treasury Management Agency. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor A Connaghan "That Dublin City Council notes Report No 90/2015 and hereby grants approval to closing bank accounts with banks and other financial institutions including National Treasury Management Agency". The motion was put and carried.
7. Submitted Report No 72/2015 of the Chairperson of the Audit Committee (*B. Foster*) – Annual Report of the Audit Committee in respect of the year ended 31/12/2014. It was proposed by Councillor N O Muiri and seconded by Councillor S Haughey "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 72/2015". The motion was put and carried.
8. Submitted Report of the Chief Executive, in compliance with Section 138 of the Local Government Act 2001 informing the Council of works which are about to commence and in compliance with the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, Part 8 Report No 61/2015: Proposed refurbishment and improvement works at Dublin City Wholesale Fruit and Vegetable Market, Mary's Lane, Dublin 7, a protected structure. It was moved by Councillor P Bourke and seconded by Councillor A Clancy "That Dublin City Council notes Report No 61/2015 and hereby approves the contents therein subject to the following amendments".
 - a) DCC will undertake a review of the existing loading/unloading facilities in the St. Michan's Street/Chancery Street area which would be carried out to

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ensure that the existing capacity will be provided for (if not exceeded) in any new traffic management arrangement arising from the implementation of this Part 8.

- b) Working in conjunction with the City Councils Markets Committee that design options will be explored which will provide for the segregation of the proposed wholesale and retail areas of the new Market building so as to allow for dual usage without compromising on health/safety and food regulations / requirements”

The amendments were proposed by Councillor J Boylan and seconded by Councillor R McAdam The motion was put and carried. The City Council asked that their good wishes be passed to Mr Joe Crosbie on his retirement and they wished to thank him for his work in the Markets.

9. Submitted Report of the Chief Executive, in compliance with Section 138 of the Local Government Act 2001 informing the Council of works which are about to commence and in compliance with the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, Part 8 : Report No 77/2015: Demolition of 6 Ballybough Road, Dublin 3 and the redevelopment of No.'s 2, 3, 4 and 5 Ballybough Road, Dublin 3. It was moved by Councillor S Mc Grattan and seconded by Councillor J Boylan “That Dublin City Council notes Report No 77/2015 and hereby approves the contents therein”. The motion was put and carried.

10. The co-option of a Member to replace outgoing Councillor Jonathan Dowdall and appointment to the following boards:

- Economic Development and Enterprise SPC
- Markets & Trading in the Public Domain Committee
- Parnell Square Special Committee
- Southern and Eastern Regional Assembly

It was proposed by Councillor S McGrattan and seconded by Councillor J Boylan “That Ms Gaye Fagan be co-opted to replace former Councillor Jonathan Dowdall who resigned from Dublin City Council” The motion was put and carried. Councillor Fagan took her place in the Chamber and joined the meeting. Congratulations were extended to her by the Lord Mayor, the City Manager and his staff and by the Members of the City Council.

It was then proposed by Councillor S McGrattan and seconded by Councillor J Boylan “That Councillor Fagan be appointed as a member to the Economic Development and Enterprise Strategic Policy Committee, the Markets & Trading in the Public Domain Committee, the Parnell Square Special Committee and to represent Dublin City Council on the Southern and Eastern Regional Assembly” The motion was put and carried.

11. The appointment of a Member to replace Councillor Claire Byrne on the following Boards following her resignation from these Committees:

- I. Commemorative Naming Committee – Deferred as no nomination was forthcoming
- II. Dublin City Joint Policing Committee – it was proposed by Councillor C Cuffe and seconded by Councillor M Freehill “That Councillor D Lacey be appointed to the Dublin City Joint Policing Committee” The motion was put and carried.
- III. Nomination to the Dublin City Leisure Services Company Limited - Deferred as no nomination was forthcoming

It was agreed by the City Council that I and III above would be referred to the Protocol Committee for their consideration.

12. The appointment of a Member to replace Councillor Mannix Flynn on the Board of the Royal Irish Academy of Music following his resignation from same. It was proposed by Councillor K Binchy and seconded by Councillor M Flynn “That Councillor P Smyth be appointed as a member to represent Dublin City Council on the Board of the Royal Irish Academy of Music” The motion was put and carried.

13. Submitted Report No 64/2015 of the Chief Executive (*O. Keegan*) – Monthly Management Report – 2nd March 2015. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor P McCartan “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 64/2015”. The motion was put and carried.

Mr Owen Keegan, Chief Executive, briefed the City Council on developments in relation to Dublin Fire Brigade’s emergency ambulance service. He advised the meeting that the Health Information and Quality Authority (HIQA) carried out a comprehensive review of pre-hospital emergency care services and published a detailed report on 2 December 2014. As part of its review HIQA examined the provision of emergency ambulance services in the Dublin region by the National Ambulance Service (NAS) and Dublin Fire Brigade (DFB). HIQA identified potentially serious weaknesses, especially in the areas of emergency ambulance call taking and dispatch.

Following the publication of the HIQA report there was correspondence and a meeting between senior HSE management and the Chief Executives of the four Dublin local authorities. Recognising the urgent need identified by HIQA for greater cooperation at all levels between the NAS and DFB in order to ensure a seamless, responsive and safe emergency ambulance service in the Dublin region and in particular the need for the NAS and DFB to work collaboratively to provide a safe emergency pre-hospital care service and to put in place risk mitigating measures to achieve this, agreement in principle was reached between the HSE and the Chief Executives of the four Dublin local authorities to pursue the following changes:

- a) the NAS Emergency Operations Centre in Tallaght will assume responsibility for call taking in respect of all emergency ambulance calls in the Dublin region
- b) the NAS Emergency Operations Centre in Tallaght will assume responsibility for the dispatch of the emergency ambulance resources of both the NAS and DFB
- c) DFB’s emergency ambulance resource will be subject to an integrated clinical governance structure under the NAS.

It was also agreed to establish a joint DCC/HSE Implementation Group to prepare an Emergency Ambulance Control Centre Reconfiguration Project Action Plan and to oversee the implementation of Plan measures in order address the issues of concern identified by HIQA. The Group will also deal with the proposal to create an integrated clinical governance structure for DFB’s emergency ambulance resource under the HSE. The Chief Executive advised the meeting that he had just circulated a detailed briefing note to Members by e-mail. He also advised the meeting that a report would be presented on the matter to the next meeting of the Finance SPC.’

14. Councillor Janice Boylan took the chair from 7.20pm to 7.25pm at the request of the Lord Mayor during his absence from the Chamber.
15. Submitted Report No. 89/2015 of the Assistant Chief Executive (*B. Kenny*) – Motion referred from Arts, Culture, Recreation and Community Strategic Policy Committee. It was agreed by the City Council that Mr Owen Keegan, Chief Executive, would review this matter and that a further report would be brought back to the City Council.
16. Submitted Report No. 73/2015 of the Assistant Chief Executive (*B. Kenny*) – Community Grants Scheme 2015. It was proposed by Councillor V Jackson and seconded by Councillor R McGinley “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 73/2015 and hereby approves the Community Grants Scheme 2015 as outlined therein” The motion was put and carried.

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17. Submitted Report No 62/2015 of the Executive Manager (*R. Kenny*) – With reference to proposed extinguishment of the public right of way over a portion of the footpath at the 'Bicycle Shop', Blackhall Place, Dublin 7. The City Council decided to refer this item back to the Central Area Committee for further consideration and a final report to be brought before the City Council in due course.
18. Submitted Report No 76/2015 of the Executive Manager (*C. Reilly*) – With reference to the disposal of the fee simple interest under the Landlord and Tenant (Ground Rents) No. 2 Act 1978 in 14 premises. It was proposed by Councillor C Ni Dhalaigh and seconded by Councillor S McGrattan "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 76/2015 and assents to the proposal outlined therein" The motion was put and carried.
19. Submitted Report No 79/2015 of the Assistant Chief Executive (*J. Keogan*) – With reference to the proposed disposal of a site at 1A Annamoe Road, Dublin 7. It was proposed by Councillor C Ni Dhalaigh and seconded by Councillor S McGrattan "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 79/2015 and assents to the proposal outlined therein" The motion was put and carried.
20. Submitted Report No 80/2015 of the Executive Manager (*P. Clegg*) – With reference to the proposed disposal of a plot of ground to the rear of 27 Croydon Park Avenue, Marino, Dublin 3. It was proposed by Councillor C Ni Dhalaigh and seconded by Councillor S McGrattan "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 80/2015 and assents to the proposal outlined therein" The motion was put and carried.
21. Submitted Report No 81/2015 of the Executive Manager (*P. Clegg*) – With further reference to the proposed disposal of land at rear of 73 Oldtown Avenue, Santry, Dublin 9. It was proposed by Councillor C Ni Dhalaigh and seconded by Councillor S McGrattan "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 81/2015 and assents to the proposal outlined therein" The motion was put and carried.
22. Submitted Report No 82/2015 of the Executive Manager (*P. Clegg*) – With reference to the Licence Agreement for Rooms 1-8 of Father Collins Park Sports Pavilion, Father Collins Park, Donaghmede, Dublin 13 to Trinity Donaghmede Football Club. It was proposed by Councillor C Ni Dhalaigh and seconded by Councillor S McGrattan "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 82/2015 and assents to the proposal outlined therein" The motion was put and carried.
23. Submitted Report No 83/2015 of the Assistant Chief Executive (*J. Keogan*) – With reference to the proposed disposal of a site located at corner of South Circular Road and Dolphins Barn Street, Dublin 8. It was proposed by Councillor C Ni Dhalaigh and seconded by Councillor S McGrattan "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 83/2015 and assents to the proposal outlined therein" The motion was put and carried. It was further agreed that any planning application in relation to this site would be brought before a South Central Area Committee meeting for the information of the Members.
24. Submitted Report No 84/2015 of the Senior Executive Officer (*M. Ryan*) – With reference to the proposed disposal of the fee simple in a site at Coolock Industrial Estate, Malahide Road, Dublin 17. It was proposed by Councillor C Ni Dhalaigh and seconded by Councillor S McGrattan "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 84/2015 and assents to the proposal outlined therein" The motion was put and carried.

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25. Submitted Report No 85/2015 of the Executive Manager (*P. Clegg*) – With reference to the proposed grant of a further licence in a premises at Neagh Road, Terenure, Dublin 6W. It was proposed by Councillor C Ni Dhalaigh and seconded by Councillor S McGrattan “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 85/2015 and assents to the proposal outlined therein” The motion was put and carried.
26. Emergency Motion - The City Council agreed to suspend standing Orders to take an emergency motion submitted in the names of Councillors Daithí Doolan; Noeleen Reilly; Anthony Connaghan; Críona Ní Dhalaigh; Chris Andrews; Ray McHugh; Emma Murphy; Micheál MacDonncha, Cathleen Carney Boud, Larry O’Toole and Tina MacVeigh :-“Dublin City Council calls on the Minster for Environment, Community & Local Government to ensure that there will not be any job losses or losses to services as a result of the SICAP funding that was announced today” The motion was put and carried.
27. It was proposed by Councillor B Smith and seconded by Councillor J Lyons “Members of this City Council condemn the recent jailing of protesters against Irish Water metering and call on Justice Gilligan to immediately release those who have been imprisoned. We further call for an end to the 20 meter exclusion zone applied in the vicinity of GMC Sierra metering to peaceful protesters”

Councillor J O’Callaghan declared a conflict of interest in this item and withdrew from the Chamber for the duration of the discussion and vote. The motion was put to a roll-call vote and carried. For full details of the vote, please see **Appendix B** to these minutes.
28. Submitted Report No 68/2015 of the Chairperson of the Environment Strategic Policy Committee (*Councillor Naoise Ó Muirí*) – Breviate of meeting held on 29th October 2014. It was proposed by Councillor V Jackson and seconded by Councillor M Flynn “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 68/2015”. The motion was put and carried.
29. Submitted Report No 69/2015 of the Chairperson of the Environment Strategic Policy Committee (*Councillor Naoise Ó Muirí*) – Breviate of meeting held on 26th November 2014. It was proposed by Councillor V Jackson and seconded by Councillor M Flynn “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 69/2015”. The motion was put and carried.
30. Submitted Report No 70/2015 of the Chairperson of the Environment Strategic Policy Committee (*Councillor Naoise Ó Muirí*) – Breviate of meeting held on 23rd January 2015. It was proposed by Councillor V Jackson and seconded by Councillor M Flynn “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 70/2015”. The motion was put and carried.
31. Submitted Report No 78/2015 of the Chairperson of the Transportation Strategic Policy Committee (*Councillor Ciarán Cuffe*) – Breviate of meeting held on 11th February 2015. It was proposed by Councillor L O’Toole and seconded by Councillor V Jackson “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 78/2015”. The motion was put and carried.
32. Submitted Report No 74/2015 of the Chairperson of the Arts, Culture, Recreation and Community Strategic Policy Committee (*Councillor Mary Freehill*) – Breviate of meeting held on 9th February 2015. It was proposed by Councillor V Jackson and seconded by Councillor M Flynn “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 74/2015”. The motion was put and carried.
33. Submitted Report No 91/2015 of the North West Area Committee – Breviate for the month of February 2015 – *Councillor Anthony Connaghan, Chairperson*. It was proposed by

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Councillor M Flynn and seconded by Councillor R McGinley "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 91/2015". The motion was put and carried.

34. Submitted Report No 75/2015 of the North Central Area Committee – Breviate for the month of February 2015 – *Councillor Ciarán O'Moore, Chairperson*. It was proposed by Councillor M Flynn and seconded by Councillor R McGinley "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 75/2015". The motion was put and carried.
35. Submitted Report No 88/2015 of the Central Area Committee – Breviate for the month of February 2015 – *Councillor Janice Boylan, Chairperson*. It was proposed by Councillor M Flynn and seconded by Councillor R McGinley "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 88/2015". The motion was put and carried.
36. Submitted Report No 87/2015 of the South Central Area Committee – Breviate for the month of February 2015 – *Councillor Vincent Jackson, Chairperson*. It was proposed by Councillor M Flynn and seconded by Councillor R McGinley "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 87/2015". The motion was put and carried.
37. Submitted Report No 66/2015 of the South East Area Committee – Breviate for the month of February 2015 – *Councillor Mannix Flynn, Chairperson*. It was proposed by Councillor M Flynn and seconded by Councillor R McGinley "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 66/2015". The motion was put and carried.
38. Submitted Report No 65/2015 of the Protocol Committee (*Councillor Dermot Lacey, Chairperson*) – Breviate of meeting held on 29th January 2015. It was proposed by Councillor D Lacey and seconded by Councillor R McGinley "That Dublin City Council approves Report No 65/2015". The motion was put and carried.
39. Submitted Report No 63/2015 of the South Central Area Joint Policing Sub-committee (*Councillor Vincent Jackson, Chairperson*) – Breviate of meeting held on 30th January 2015. It was proposed by Councillor M Flynn and seconded by Councillor V Jackson "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 63/2015". The motion was put and carried.
40. Submitted Report No 86/2015 of the North Central Area Joint Policing Sub-committee (*Councillor Larry O'Toole, Chairperson*) – Breviate of meeting held on 9th February 2015. It was proposed by Councillor M Flynn and seconded by Councillor R McGinley "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 86/2015". The motion was put and carried.

The meeting concluded at 9.30pm in accordance with Standing Orders and all items remaining on the Agenda were deferred to the next meeting of the City Council to be held on the 13th April 2015.

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LORD MAYOR

MEETINGS ADMINISTRATOR

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APPENDIX A: MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON 2nd MARCH 2015

QUESTIONS LODGED PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER NO.16 FOR REPLY AT THE MONTHLY MEETING OF DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, 02nd MARCH 2015

Q.1 COUNCILLOR NOELEEN REILLY

To ask the Chief Executive (**detail supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor

Q.2 COUNCILLOR NOELEEN REILLY

To ask the Chief Executive (**detail supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor

Q.3 COUNCILLOR NOELEEN REILLY

To ask the Chief Executive (**detail supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor

Q.4 COUNCILLOR NOELEEN REILLY

To ask the Chief Executive (**details supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor

Q.5 COUNCILLOR RUAIRÍ MCGINLEY

To ask the Chief Executive how many abandoned housing units there are in the City awaiting formal legal possession and to indicate the time delays between initiating legal action and achieving full possession. The Chief Executive might comment on the level of legal costs being incurred and as to whether delays are deteriorating or improving in recent months.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

There are 7 abandoned properties awaiting legal possession. These are private properties with loans acquired through DCC. All properties are due to be repossessed by May 2015. Each borrower has been classified as not co-operating in the Mortgage Arrears Resolution Process (MARP) and has now exited MARP, in line with the Local Authorities MARP Guidelines. There have been no time delays in initiating legal actions. There are also 5 abandoned properties due to be voluntarily surrendered by May 2015.

The average legal cost per repossession is €1,000.

Q.6 COUNCILLOR MARY FREEHILL

Would the Chief Executive please state when will the Road Sign (which has been disappeared for sometime now), be re-erected on St Clare's Ave, Harold's Cross Dublin 6. Please see the below correspondence (**details supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

It appears work was completed on the wall on which the name plate was originally erected. A new sign will be ordered and re-erected if the original name plate cannot be located.

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Q.7 COUNCILLOR RUAIRÍ MCGINLEY

To ask the Chief Executive to advise on a housing offer being made to a housing applicant who is on housing list since 2000 **(details supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor

Q.8 COUNCILLOR RAY MCHUGH

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for Street cleaning **(details supplied)** and any litter to be cleared.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Waste Management Services had **(details supplied)** cleaned on the 11th February 2015.

Q.9 COUNCILLOR FRANK KENNEDY

To ask the Chief Executive whether it would be possible for **(details supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor

Q.10 COUNCILLOR FRANK KENNEDY

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for the cleaning of the road surface, and in particular that part of the road adjacent to the footpath outside **(details supplied)**. The area beside the footpath is extremely dirty and the work cannot be completed by the street sweeping machine because there is a constant presence of parked cars on a 24/7 basis outside these premises. Therefore, in order for effective cleaning to take place, the work will need to be done manually.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Waste Management Services had the channels outside **(details supplied)** manually cleaned on the 11th February 2015.

Q.11 COUNCILLOR FRANK KENNEDY

To ask the Chief Executive to repair the home of **(details supplied)** in circumstances where water has been leaking into this property through the kitchen for a period of 5/6 years which were caused by Dublin City Council building alterations. The relevant kitchen door and window of this property need to be realigned.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Area Maintenance Officer is making arrangements to have this house inspected. Any necessary repairs will be carried out.

Q.12 COUNCILLOR FRANK KENNEDY

To ask the Chief Executive to install a new front door on the apartment of **(details supplied)** in circumstances where the door was recently destroyed due to anti-social behaviour visited upon the resident. There is no door there at present and the front of the apartment is boarded up as a makeshift door.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Area Maintenance Officer reports that the glass in the door of this flat was broken. The tenant requested that a panel was installed instead of replacing the glass. This work was completed. This door is not in need of replacement.

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Q.13 COUNCILLOR SEÁN HAUGHEY

To ask the Chief Executive the following (**details supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor

Q.14 COUNCILLOR SEÁN HAUGHEY

To ask the Chief Executive the following (**details supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor

Q.15 COUNCILLOR SEÁN HAUGHEY

To ask the Chief Executive the following (**details supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor

Q.16 COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE

To ask the Chief Executive to respond to these housing maintenance matters at (**details supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor

Q.17 COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE

To ask the Chief Executive to respond to this housing maintenance matter (**details supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor

Q.18 COUNCILLOR RAY MCADAM

To ask the Chief Executive in light of the continued difficulties for vehicles seeking to turn right onto Synnott Place from Dorset Street that a filter light be installed? I would ask that he refer the matter again to the Traffic Advisory Group and to provide a comprehensive report into the matter?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Traffic Advisory Group previously at its meeting of 24th May 2012 reported that there are no plans to add a right turn filter light from Dorset Street Lower onto Synnott Place. The addition of a filter light would cause unacceptable delays to outbound public transport on Dorset Street Lower and on Gardiner Street Upper.

The Intelligent Transport System Section confirmed in April 2014 that the position as above remains unchanged. The outbound Quality Bus Corridor will receive priority and any addition to the signalling arrangement would result in delays to public transport.

Q.19 COUNCILLOR DAMIAN O'FARRELL

To ask the Chief Executive to report on whether or not planning permission was granted by Dublin City Council in order for advertising props/signage to be fixed and displayed at the top of Dublin Bus shelters (see photos attached / Clontarf Road). If planning permission has not been granted, I request that immediate planning enforcement action is instigated in order that this advertising is removed.

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I have received many complaints from constituents and words such as monstrous, ugly, overbearing and thin end of wedge have been used in describing the current use of the bus shelters.

I cannot imagine that DCC would grant permission for this type of advertising considering the efforts that are being made to try and remove many types of road and signage clutter from the Public Realm. The possibility of this type of advertising (props/hoardings/inflatables, etc fixed to the top of bus shelters) becoming common place in our city would have a considerable detrimental impact on the environment and be a major step backwards in respect of trying to tidy up our city and also eliminating Public Realm clutter.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Planning permission has neither been sought nor granted for the advertisement in question. This form of advertising on bus shelters was first brought to our attention last year and, following intervention by the Planning Enforcement Section at that time, the particular advertisement was removed.

The matters raised by the Councillor are noted and appropriate enforcement action will be taken.

Q.20 COUNCILLOR CHRIS ANDREWS

Can the Chief Executive ensure that South Lotts Road, Dublin 4 has the litter cleared after Events in the Aviva as residents on this road have reported that it does not get cleaned up after these events.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Waste Management Services will ensure that South Lotts Road will be included in the cleaning programme after each event in the Aviva.

Q.21 COUNCILLOR CHRIS ANDREWS

Will the Chief Executive arrange to have anti dog litter signs at the entrance gates to the park opposite (**details supplied**).

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

I have added the address supplied to the list of locations currently awaiting such signage.

Q.22 COUNCILLOR CHRIS ANDREWS

Can the Chief Executive inspect (**details supplied**) and report on the big crack in the wall of bedroom and also have the walls dry lined to combat the dampness and mould?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Area Maintenance Officer is making arrangements to have this flat inspected. Any required works by Housing Maintenance will be carried out.

Q.23 COUNCILLOR CHRIS ANDREWS

Can the Chief Executive have ramps placed on Clarence Place Great, Dublin 2 as the road has significant number of children living in and around this road and there are a lot of cars parked along one side making it exceptionally dangerous for children in the area.

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Traffic Advisory Group did not recommend speed ramps on Clarence Place Great in 2006 as the location did not meet the criteria for the provision of ramps. The criteria for the consideration of traffic calming measures state that the road must be 200 metres in length. It was reported at the time that Clarence Place Great is approximately 128 metres long and therefore does not meet the criteria.

Q.24 COUNCILLOR RUAIRÍ MCGINLEY

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange to reinstate open space following on damage from recent building works **(details supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The damaged area at this location will be reinstated as weather conditions improve in the Spring.

Q.25 COUNCILLOR RAY MCADAM

To ask the Chief Executive to outline step by step the process that would have to be employed by the City Council with regards the amending of an SDZ? In his reply, the Chief Executive should detail the level of public consultation that would be required and how long such consultation would last for?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The procedure for amending a Planning Scheme made within a Government designated SDZ is set out in Section 171 and Section 169 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 – 2010:

1. Section 171(1) states that a Planning Authority may by resolution, with the consent of the development agency, amend or revoke a planning scheme.
2. The next stage (under Section 169) is that the draft amendment must be submitted to the Minister, the Board and the prescribed authorities. The Planning Authority, as soon as may be, shall publish notice of the draft amendment in at least one newspaper circulating in the area.
3. The draft amendment needs to be screened under Strategic Environmental Assessment and the EU Habitats legislation before going on display; a process which takes a minimum of 3 weeks. If an SEA / AA is required, the process will take longer.
4. A copy of the draft , inviting submissions shall be put on public display for at least 6 weeks,
5. The next stage is that the Chief Executive brings a report on any submissions / observations to the members for their consideration, within 12 weeks of the public notice.
6. The draft amendment shall be deemed to be made 6 weeks after the submission of the scheme to the members, unless the Planning Authority, by resolution, decides to modify the amendment or not to proceed with the draft.
7. If that modification is deemed to be a material alteration, then further 4 week public display is required, and any submissions shall be taken into account by the Authority.

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8. The next stage is the “appeal period” whereby the Amended Scheme shall take effect 4 weeks after the decision of the City Council, unless an appeal is made to An Bord Pleánala. (An appeal may take some months to be determined).

Q.26 COUNCILLOR REBECCA MOYNIHAN
To ask the Chief Executive for **(details supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE’S REPLY:
A reply has been issued to the Councillor

Q.27 COUNCILLOR REBECCA MOYNIHAN
To ask the Chief Executive **(details supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE’S REPLY:
A reply has been issued to the Councillor

Q.28 COUNCILLOR REBECCA MOYNIHAN
To ask the Chief Executive **(details supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE’S REPLY:
A reply has been issued to the Councillor

Q.29 COUNCILLOR REBECCA MOYNIHAN
To ask the Chief Executive **(details supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE’S REPLY:
A reply has been issued to the Councillor

Q.30 COUNCILLOR CRIONA NÍ DHÁLAIGH
To ask the Chief Executive to report on the following **(details supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE’S REPLY:
A reply has been issued to the Councillor

Q.31 COUNCILLOR RAY MCADAM
To ask the Chief Executive to confirm whether the public parkland area bounded by the Alfie Byrne Road, the Tolka River, the railway tracks and the Classic venue has been approved for use by any type of motorbike or 4-wheeled vehicle?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE’S REPLY:
The public open space at this location is not an approved venue for the motorcycling activity referred to in the question. This Service contacts the Gardaí when the activity takes place and damage is noted. There is an area on a nearby open space that is dedicated for such motorbike activity which is organised in a controlled manner with a formal club. When such abuse on general open space takes place the club is also contacted to try and encourage those involved to participate in the clubs events at the approved location.

Q.32 COUNCILLOR RAY MCADAM
To ask the Chief Executive whether he can confirm that when the City Council homes were originally being built in Cabra years ago that asbestos may have been used in the roof slates for some of those houses?

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Asbestos was a building material used in construction up to the 2000, predominantly in the 70's and 80's. There are both roof tiles and slates which may contain asbestos in all areas of the country. It is not possible to confirm if this material may have been used in the roof slates of houses in this area.

Bound asbestos in an undisturbed state and in an inaccessible location does not pose a risk to residents.

Q.33 COUNCILLOR CRIONA NÍ DHÁLAIGH

To ask the Chief Executive to give some indication as to when **(details supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor

Q.34 COUNCILLOR CIARÁN O'MOORE

Can the Chief Executive please give me the figures relating to the East link Toll Bridge for 2013? I got a copy of the revenue for 2014 and I can't make head or tail of it: **"The final accounts and distribution from East Link for 2014 are not as yet available however the estimated revenue for 2014 is €3,517,000 and the net gain to DCC from the toll scheme is €750,665. Please note this excludes the community contribution and the amount paid in rates"**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A response is currently awaited from the Councillor in relation to an email seeking clarification on the request. Alternatively the Councillor may contact an official from the Environment & Transportation Department directly (see contact details below). Upon receipt of clarification a reply will be forwarded directly to the Councillor.

Q.35 COUNCILLOR CIARÁN O'MOORE

To ask the Chief Executive can the graffiti from the litter bin on All Saints Drive, Raheny, Dublin 5 be removed.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The graffiti has been removed.

Q.36 COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE

To ask the Chief Executive to respond to this query **(details supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor

Q.37 COUNCILLOR DECLAN FLANAGAN

To ask the Chief Executive to respond to the following **(details supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor

Q.38 COUNCILLOR DECLAN FLANAGAN

To ask the Chief Executive to respond to the following **(details supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor

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Q.39 COUNCILLOR DECLAN FLANAGAN

To ask the Chief Executive to respond to the following **(details supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor

Q.40 COUNCILLOR DECLAN FLANAGAN

To ask the Chief Executive to respond to the following **(details supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor

Q.41 COUNCILLOR DERMOT LACEY

To ask the Chief Executive if he can provide a full report to the issues raised in The Sunday Independent of 15th February regarding missing files regarding the Poolbeg Incinerator and what steps, if any and if possible, are being taken to enquire from former staff involved in this project, clarification on any of the issues raised.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The issues raised in the article in the Sunday Independent regarding project files and key project personnel are clearly addressed in the Chief Executive's response to the Auditor's report (Page 4, last paragraph). Furthermore, the staff and files referred to are those of the consulting engineers and not those of the City Council

Q.42 COUNCILLOR RUAIRÍ MCGINLEY

To ask the Chief Executive how far advanced proposals are to seek a tender for third party debt collection services and to ask if Dublin City Council have any current third party debt collection service providers in place.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Work is ongoing by the Law Agent's Department on the establishment of a framework for the provision of debt collection service providers. Once available, the Finance Dept intends to seek tenders with regard to debts relating to Fire Brigade charges.

There are currently no proposals by the Environment & Transportation Department to tender for third party debt collection services.

The Waste Management Services Division report that *Payaway* is still involved in the collection of the household waste collection charges. They were engaged by Greyhound Recycling & Recovery Services to collect debt on their behalf as part of the Asset Purchase Agreement.

Q.43 LORD MAYOR CHRISTY BURKE

To ask the Chief Executive **(details supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor

Q.44 LORD MAYOR CHRISTY BURKE

To ask the Chief Executive if the homeless service will replace the winter initiative beds in April when the scheme ends.

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council confirms the extension of the Cold Weather Initiative until April 2015. We are pursuing all available options to ensure the capacity of the emergency accommodation is maintained to meet presenting demand.

Q.45 LORD MAYOR CHRISTY BURKE

To ask the Chief Executive (**details supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor

Q.46 LORD MAYOR CHRISTY BURKE

To ask the Chief Executive if Dublin City Council will recommend to Council a 20km per hour speed limit in built up areas of Dublin.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council has recently attended meetings with the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport who are currently drafting "Guidelines for the setting and managing speed limits in Ireland". It is anticipated that these guidelines will be published in March/April 2015. Following publication of these guidelines, Dublin City Council will be reviewing their speed limit policy in line with the guidelines.

Q.47 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN

Can the Chief Executive issue a full report on the initiative to create a Tenement Museum at 14 Henrietta Street. This report to include all budgets and financial estimates on the cost of this initiative. What personnel have been involved? What firms and professionals have been engaged to carry out surveys on the building? What is proposed for the building? And who will manage this initiative? Also has this proposal or initiative been presented to any of the relevant committees in Dublin City Council? And where did this proposal initiative emerge from? Have the residents or the business in Henrietta Street been informed of this initiative? Has their involvement or consent been sought?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht have approved a government grant of €1.5 million to Dublin City Council with a view to developing/renovating Number 14 Henrietta Street as a visitor centre commemorating 1913 - 1918 period in Dublin City.

A design team of consultants have been sought under public procurement regulations and that team will shortly be appointed. The work will be done under the auspices of the City Council's Heritage Office. Consideration is currently being given on exactly how the centre will be managed when it opens in 2016.

A presentation on this project will be made at the next Planning and Development SPC.

Q.48 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN

Can the Chief Executive issue a full report as to how much money is spent on security firms and personnel delivering services to Dublin City Council in 2014? This report should also include contract arrangements with regards to security for the collection of parking meter money, security costs for all of DCC's buildings and administrative offices, and a breakdown of each firm employed to carry out this work.

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Finance Department is responsible for the management of corporate contracts for Cash-in-Transit Services and Manned Security Services.

The Manned Security Services contract covers the following areas:

- Manned Security
- Alarm monitoring
- CCTV monitoring
- Call-out services
- Key holding

It should be noted that a public procurement process for Manned Security Services and Cash-in-Transit Services took place during 2013, following the expiry of the previous contract arrangements. The contract for Manned Security was awarded to Sarsecurity on 3rd February 2014. The contract for Cash-in-Transit was awarded to G4S Cash Solutions on 5th May 2014. (G4S had also been the service provider on the previous contract).

The new corporate contract arrangements have rationalised and aggregated spend in respect of Manned Security Services requirements.

The information below relates to spend in respect of corporate contracts for Cash-in-Transit Services and Manned Security Services for 2014.

Contract	Service Provider	Date	Expenditure
Cash-in-Transit	G4S	2014	€103,193
Manned Security			
Manned Security	G4S	1/1/2014 – 2/2/2014	€302,040
	Sarsecurity	3/2/2014 – 31/12/2014	€2,957,530
Alarm Monitoring	G4S	1/1/2014 – 2/2/2014	€5,763
	Sarsecurity	3/2/2014 – 31/12/2014	€33,076
CCTV Monitoring	G4S	1/1/2014 – 2/2/2014	€31,943
	Sarsecurity	3/2/2014 – 31/12/2014	€240,630
Call-out services	G4S	1/1/2014 – 2/2/2014	€92,767
	Sarsecurity	3/2/2014 – 31/12/2014	€228,813
Key holding	G4S	1/1/2014 – 2/2/2014	€1,815
	Sarsecurity	3/2/2014 – 31/12/2014	€35,680
Manned Security Total:			€3,930,057

AREA/DEPT	Service Provider	MANNED SECURITY	CASH IN TRANSIT	MONITORING/ CALL OUT	TOTAL
Parking Policy & Enforcement	G4S		€812,719.99		€812,719.99
South Central Area Office	An Garda Síochána			€6,040	€6,040
North Central Area Office Northside Civic Centre Coolock	Contribution to Shared Building Security	€17503.53			€17503.53
North Central Area Darndale Area Office, Bell Building, Darndale.	Contribution to Shared Building Security	€9,337.60			€9,337.60

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AREA/DEPT	Service Provider	MANNED SECURITY	CASH IN TRANSIT	MONITORING/ CALL OUT	TOTAL
Housing	Contactors Medical Bureau Ltd			€392,400	€496,678
	Office It T/A Albert Electrical Services			€6,092	
	Chubb Ireland Limited			€14,920	
	Cormac Hopkins T/A Wired Up Security Solutions			€16,863	
	Trident Assoc Security System Kommunikation s Ltd			€15,649	
	Netwatch Ireland Ltd			€8,889	
	Midland Electronic Services Ltd.			€1,191	
	Stanley Security Limited			€1,602	
	Stephen Tyrrell T/A Tec Security Services			€2,894	
	De-Jay Alarms Ltd.			€1,482	
	Fire Detection System Services Ltd			€976	
	Other			€31,880	
	Local Authority Services Ltd.			€1,839	
	Brk Fire & Safety Consultants Ltd	€4,920			
	Codex Limited	€35			
	Dpm Property Services Limited	€16,384			
	K Tech Security Ltd	€7,749			
	Las Security Limited	€492			
	Securway At Risk Security Group Ltd	€106,374			
	Stephen Tyrrell T/A Tec Security Services	€2,645			€32,224

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AREA/DEPT	Service Provider	MANNED SECURITY	CASH IN TRANSIT	MONITORING/ CALL OUT	TOTAL
Culture, Recreation, Amenity & Community	Manguard (Park Warden Service Jan-Aug 2014)	€222,174			€222,174

The total paid to G4S for the cash collection, auditing and banking of coins from Dublin City Councils 1,097 on-street Pay & Display Ticket machines in 2014 was €812,719.99. This is a 20% reduction on the amount paid for the service in the first full year of the contract in 2011. The contract is due to be put out to tender again in quarter two of this year. This is a separate stand-alone contract to other security, cash-in-transit contracts.

In 2014 €6,040 was paid to An Garda Síochána for assistance with Public Domain in the South Central Area.

Q.49 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN

Can the Chief Executive ensure that a register to vote campaign is initiated with regard to the forthcoming amendments to the constitution with regards Equality in marriage? Similar campaigns were run prior to the local elections. Many people are still not registered to vote.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Franchise Section began their annual inspection, which involves a team of staff calling door to door distributing registration forms, registering new electors on Tuesday, 17th February 2015. The Franchise Section also intends to complete a number of registration drives, in conjunction with Dublin City Council's Integration Office and outside agencies/bodies in the run up to the Referendum in May 2015.

Q.50 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN

Can the Chief Executive issue a full report with regards the legacy of all the DIT colleges within the Dublin City Council area that will be relocating to Grangegorman campus? This report to include what future use is intended for these buildings? And what surveys have been conducted with regards the impact on local economy once the colleges have relocated to Grangegorman? Also have DIT had any preliminary meetings with Dublin City Council with regards the future use and potential impact on the City Centre with regards these buildings and their activities being relocate

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The D.I.T. owns/occupies in the order of 40 individual buildings dispersed across the city centre. The disposal of the buildings in the ownership of D.I.T. is necessary as part of the funding mechanism for the development of the new campus at Grangegorman. It is anticipated that these buildings will be released onto the market on a phased basis related to the completion of construction and occupation of the buildings on campus and relocation of staff and students. Many of the sites are well located on prime sites within the city and are zoned for city centre uses (Z5 zoning objective) including Kevin Street, Aungier Street, Cathal Brugha Street and Bolton Street and lend themselves to a variety of uses supportive of the development of the city centre.

No preliminary meetings for these buildings/sites have been held, but it should be emphasised that that these sites will only be released when no longer required for D.I.T. purposes and are in D.I.T ownership.

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Q.51 **COUNCILLOR NIAL RING**

In relation to Dublin City Council non-commercial Community Leases and Licences, can the Chief Executive detail the following:

- a. The number of such community based leases and licences provided by DCC.
- b. The rent generated from these leases/licences.
- c. The estimated subsidy being provided by DCC in providing such lettings to community groups.
- d. Is this amount detailed in the annual report or elsewhere so that the contribution of DCC to community groups through this subsidisation is recorded, publicised and acknowledged?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The issues surrounding "community based leases and licences" is particularly complex and different arrangements are in place between community groups and various departments and accordingly the information requested is not held in a format that is readily available. However, the Development Department has the overall responsibility for managing the property portfolio and all aspects in relation to same. Arising from a recent Internal Audit Unit report which reviewed Dublin City Council (DCC) properties Leased/Licensed to Community Groups in the Central Area (Internal Audit Report R 06/14) a further examination of such arrangements is now underway. In relation to the North Central Area, the profile of these "community based leases and licences" is quite different from those in Central which were examined in detail in the Internal Audit Report. For example in the Central Area many are Housing Units let to community groups as 'Special Lettings' under the Housing Allocations Scheme 2011, while such letting are quite rare in North Central, with our most recent review indicating that there are 14 such lettings. The vast majority being what are known as 'common rooms' in our senior citizens complexes. The more common arrangement in North Central is leases and licences from the Development Department. Many were originally leases or licences for sites on which buildings were erected although some are for buildings that were acquired over the years and there are 40 such locations in North Central. In addition there are a range of facilities, including pavilions and halls managed the City council to which community groups have access at various times by way of 'lettings' or in some cases by license and these include facilities operated by Parks and Landscape Services Division or other units within Culture, Recreation & Amenity. Until our review is complete is not possible to provide further detail.

The Council's Property Management Section advise as follows:

- a. The records of the Council's Property Management Section indicate that currently there are 245 executed agreements with various types of Community Groups in the City in respect of Council property.
 - b. The income generated from these Agreements amounts to €128,496.61.
 - c. In many of these Agreements the rent/fees charged are abated on the basis that the property is used for community use and is not reflective of the true commercial value of the property. The current estimate of the true commercial value amounts to €9,141,181.31.
 - d. This information is not detailed in the Annual Report.
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- a. The Culture, Recreation, Amenity and Community Department of Dublin City Council has 47 informal agreements in place for the use of space on an ongoing basis within the Sport Recreation and Parks Sections.
 - b. The rent generated from these agreements is €341,530

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- c. It is not possible to provide the estimated subsidy being provided by Dublin City Council's Culture, Recreation, Amenity and Community Department for such lettings to community groups as no commercial valuation is in place for space within the Sport Recreation and Parks Sections.
- d. This information is not detailed in the Annual Report.

Q.52 COUNCILLOR NIAL RING

In his reply to me (Q48 - Council Meeting 3rd November 2014) the Chief Executive indicated that approximately 440 parking bays will have to be permanently removed to facilitate the Luas Cross City and that the loss of income from these spaces would be in the region of €1.8M per annum. The Chief Executive also confirmed that discussions are currently taking place with NTA and the RPA on a compensation package to include a number of items including loss of paid parking revenue. Can the Chief Executive now update me on the issue as follows?

- a. To confirm that the 440 number given for permanent loss of parking spaces is still valid and to indicate what percentage of the city parking spaces this 440 represents.
- b. To detail if there are any temporary spaces being lost and if so, to detail the amount, duration and estimate of loss of income for these spaces.
- c. To confirm that the loss of income, estimated at €1.8m for permanent spaces is not included as an income item in the 2015 budget and that any cash element in the compensation package negotiated between DCC and the NTA and RPA will be surplus/unbudgeted income.
- d. To confirm that there will be a cash element in the compensation package in any event.
- e. To detail progress in the negotiations with the NTA and the RPA and to confirm that these bodies are fully aware of the huge financial loss to the city caused by the loss of €1.8m per annum on a permanent basis.
- e. To detail what non-cash compensation is being negotiated.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

- a. The estimate of 440 spaces is still valid. This represents approximately 1.5% of all on-street parking spaces in the city.
- b. There are numerous instances where spaces are lost on a temporary basis to facilitate works. These can vary in duration from one day to one week to facilitate different contractors. It is not possible to estimate the loss of income for these temporary losses or to enumerate each temporary loss.
- c. The estimated loss has been taken into account in the 2015 estimate for income.

A further reply will be forwarded directly to the Councillor in relation to the issue of compensation.

Q.53 COUNCILLOR NIAL RING

In relation to the NPPR and following on from the comprehensive answer given to me (Q21 - City Council meeting 6th October 2014) to ask the Chief Executive for an update on the number of properties now registered for NPPR and to confirm the amount Dublin City Council has invoiced in respect of payment plans (primarily resulting from correspondence received since August last).

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The table below shows the up to date situation regarding the number of properties registered for NPPR. It shows amount up to the 31/012/03, the amount to the 31/08/14 and the amount up to the 20/02/15, the most current information available. It also shows the amount of properties that were registered between 01/09/14 and 20/02/15.

Dublin City 2014 - NPPR Collection					
Properties Registered for NPPR					
Period	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Up to 31/12/2013	62,707	63,830	64,612	66,658	64,284
Up to 31/8/2014	64,195	65,416	66,427	68,898	67,728
Up to 20/02/2015	65,624	66,857	67,928	70,465	69,756
Properties registered between 1/9/2014 and 20/2/2015	1,429	1,441	1,501	1,567	2,028

The number of properties registering for each year is not constant as some property owners may meet the liability for one financial year but fail to do so for subsequent years.

Dublin City Council has invoiced €4.27M (up to 20/02/15) in respect of payment plans primarily resulting from correspondence received in since September 2014 for those individuals who are liable and cannot discharge their full liability in payment to the NPPR bureau. As previously advised additional payment plan arrangements are progressing to agreement. As the fully liability of payments plans is discharged, the NPPR bureau is notified accordingly.

NPPR – analysis of receipts by year

Year	Amount
2009	10,145,992
2010	13,517,342
2011	13,672,814
2012	16,361,117
2013	18,545,459
2014	12,890,503
Total	85,133,227

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Q.54 COUNCILLOR NIAL RING

Following on from my partially answered question (no. 58 - City Council Meeting 2nd February 2015) I am using a further question to get clarification on the matters not addressed in the answer given and, given the importance of the Grangegorman development to the city and its impact on the local community, I would request that the question be answered fully and comprehensively section by section. Therefore, in relation to the Grangegorman development under the Grangegorman SDZ to ask the Chief Executive the following:

- A. Given that the Chief executive correctly identifies how compounds should be selected and that they should be in locations "where there will be minimal effect on residential amenities" and "be readily accessible from the primary entrances and key construction sites", can the Chief Executive confirm which of the two factors takes precedent and is the situation whereby a compound is located adjacent to residents' homes allowed or not?
- B. Can the Chief Executive confirm that the proposed location of the compounds is at the absolute discretion of the contractor whose decision is based purely on convenience and logistics and not the impact on residential amenities, and can the Chief Executive outline what role local residents have in such selection process, if any?
- C. If the contractor has full discretion on compound location, can the Chief Executive please explain how that situation rests vis a vis the statement of the Chief Executive reproduced at a above (they (compounds) should be in locations "where there will be minimal effect on residential amenities").
- D. The Guiding Principles of the Planning Scheme (8.1.3) states that the GDA must ensure that "the environmental impact to the local community of construction activity is minimised". Can the Chief Executive detail what processes, checks and/or procedures are in place to safeguard this guiding principle?
- E. Does the Chief Executive agree that that 8.1.3 at d above is the overarching guiding principle which is to govern all construction work, and therefore the impact on residents is fundamental, and minimising the impact of construction must be at the very heart of all decisions?
- F. In order to ensure that the location of compounds will be "where there will be minimal effect on residential amenities" can the Chief Executive confirm that DCC can and will intervene in situations where the impact of construction activity is not being minimised and where the Guiding principle referred to is being ignored – for example in a situation where compounds are positioned adjacent to resident's homes?
- G. Can the Chief Executive detail what discussions have taken place between the DCC and the GDA/Contractor in relation to the proximity of compounds to residential amenities?
- H. If the contractor has full discretion on where the compounds are located, is it incumbent on the contractor/GDA to inform DCC of the selected location(s) and what authority/powers has DCC to reject the selected location(s) if DCC deems the selection detrimental to residential amenities and/or in breach of the Guiding Principle referred to?

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- I. Has DCC planning department reviewed the GDA site to examine and evaluate any locations on the east side of Grangegorman lower that are not suitable due to their proximity to residential amenities?
- J. How is the impact of noise on residents of Grangegorman Villas East being monitored and are there any noise monitors on the East Side of Grangegorman Road Lower?
- K. Finally, given the number of admitted, documented and repeated breaches to the permitted working hours by the GDA's contractors, can the Chief Executive detail what actions have been and will be taken by DCC to ensure the hours are strictly adhered to and to outline what consequences will DCC impose on the GDA and contractors for these numerous breaches?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A. Class 16 & Class 17 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001 allow for the siting of compounds on land in or adjoining a development where permission has been granted without the need for further planning permission. In accordance with Planning Scheme 8.2.3.2 compounds are selected for proximity to key construction sites they will serve whilst also being readily accessible from the primary entrances to the site and also in locations where there will be minimal effect on residential amenities. All of these criteria must be taken into account and none of these criteria takes precedence. The situation whereby a compound is adjacent to resident's homes does not arise – there is a landscaped buffer area in excess of 20metres between the proposed compound for the Eastern Quad PPP and the rear garden boundaries of residences on Grangegorman Lower.

B. The location of compounds is not at the discretion of the individual contractor. The GDA have responsibility under the Grangegorman Development Agency Act 2005 for the development of a modern campus for the Dublin Institute of Technology, and to develop upgraded primary health care and social care facilities for the HSE and to provide community facilities. As the Agency responsible for the delivery of the project, the GDA have overall control of the construction programme including the location of site compounds and having regard to the Phasing and Implementation requirements of the SDZ Planning Scheme.

C. The location of compounds is not at the discretion of the contractor. See reply to Item B above.

D. The environmental impact to the community is controlled through the conditions of the various planning permissions which limit emissions, noise levels and vibrations and control hours of work. As previously advised these are generally standard conditions which apply across developments in the Dublin City Council area. In addition for the Grangegorman development a residential notification procedure and ongoing monitoring is a requirement of the planning conditions. In accordance with the planning conditions, a project traffic management plan is in place for all stages of construction traffic, a traffic management coordinator is appointed.

E. The guiding principles for phasing of development in Planning Scheme 8.1.3 do not have an over-arching principle. The principles in Chapter 8 Phasing and Implementation are taken into account in conjunction the overall requirements of the Planning Scheme and with the stated primary objective in Chapter 2.1 to provide new accommodation for the DIT and the HSE.

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F. DCC does not have a role to intervene where development is taking place in accordance with the Planning Scheme and with conditions of the planning permissions. Where there are specific issues they can be raised through the Community Liaison Committee which has representatives of GDA, DCC Councillors, Central Area officers and local residents. Furthermore formal complaints can be made to the Planning Enforcement Section of DCC.

G. DCC is aware of the issue of the location of compounds on the eastern side of Grangegorman from the minutes of the CLC Committee and from a formal complaint to the Planning Enforcement Section and from recent Councillors Questions.

H. The location of compounds is not at the discretion of the contractor. It is at the discretion of the GDA. See reply to Item B above.

I. DCC Planning Department do not have a role in reviewing or changing locations for construction compounds. Whilst the various development sites are clearly set out in the Planning Scheme the location of compounds is primarily determined having regard to considerations such as traffic management, construction site safety, legislation and liabilities, and this is a matter for the GDA.

J. The control of noise on the various construction sites at Grangegorman is governed by a planning condition for the contractor to comply with BS 5228: Code of Practice for noise and vibration control on construction and open sites Part 1 (BSI 2009). The location of monitors will vary depending on the particular site location where work is being carried out. For example during the demolition of the nurses home Structure 29 monitors were in place on the boundary wall adjacent to Grangegorman Lower, at the rear of Grangegorman Villas and at the rear of the Lower House. These locations are agreed by the Air Quality and Noise Control Unit of DCC.

K. This matter is the subject of a formal complaint to the Planning Enforcement Section and is being dealt with under the procedures set out in the legislation.

Q.55 COUNCILLOR JIM O'CALLAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive to list the volume and value of employees' injury claims for compensation against Dublin City Council for the years 2012, 2013 and 2014; to outline the nature of injuries sustained; state the legal fees associated with these claims; to outline measures taken by Dublin City Council as a result of these claims that will protect its employees from further injury.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Set out hereunder is the total volume and value of employee injury claims against Dublin City Council for the years 2012, 2013 and 2014.

Employee Personal Injuries

	2012	2013	2014
Employee Claims Received	61	62	71
Employee Claims Settled	53	49	23
Cost of Settlement	€850,550	€999,870	€324,170
Total Spend	€1,266,794	€1,513,097	€617,325

The Total Spend' is all costs associated with the claims to include legal costs, engineer's fees and compensation paid out for each year. Types of injuries would

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include back injuries, limb injuries and needle stick injuries among other things. The measures taken include all types of training for all employees including Risk Assessments, Safety Statements and Ancillary Safety Statements and the provision of PPE (Personal Protection Equipment) where necessary. Dublin City Council is extremely pro-active with regard to training of employees.

Q.56 COUNCILLOR JIM O'CALLAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive why a separate charge is imposed by the Valuation Office for assessing similar and individual units within one building when all units within that building could be valued during the one visit from an Official from the Valuation Office.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Valuation Office is an independent statutory office and the matter should be referred directly to the Valuation Office for response. Dublin City Council has no authority in regard to the operations of the Valuation Office.

Q.57 COUNCILLOR JIM O'CALLAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive whether traffic calming measures such as speed ramps can be introduced onto John Street, Blackpitts (half way up the road to the Square where it widens and continuing on up to where the road narrows again) to deter cars from speeding.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

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

Q.58 COUNCILLOR JIM O'CALLAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive whether the disc parking introduced onto Oakley Park can be reviewed as the persons who voted for it says what was implemented was not in the original proposal.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The pay and display and permit parking area of the Parking Scheme as voted on by the residents concerned of Oakley Park have been installed. The Traffic Officer has confirmed that the double yellow lines in the circular area, which are included as part of the Parking Scheme, have not been installed as yet due to cars parking at this location. The double yellow lines will be installed at the earliest opportunity.

A request was received subsequently from a resident of Oakley Park requesting additional parking in the circular area. The Area Traffic Engineer confirmed, however, that the circular area is intended as a turning circle and no further changes are proposed.

Q.59 COUNCILLOR DERMOT LACEY

To ask the Chief Executive if Dublin City Council has any plans to purchase a Patching Unit for quicker repair of pot holes and if the 50% grant for purchase of same from the Department of Transport is available to Dublin City Council.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Road Maintenance Services, Dublin City Council, uses both a) an insulated hot box truck which allows the filling of potholes with hot bituminous material and b) a specialised cold pothole filling material. Road Maintenance Services has examined a number of different patching units over the years but have found that they do not satisfy our requirements in an urban environment.

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Q.60 COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE

To ask the Chief Executive to deal with this matter, **(details supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor

Q.61 COUNCILLOR RAY MCHUGH

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for the planting of a replacement tree at **(details supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A tree is due to be replaced at **(details supplied)** during our current tree planting season. Work will be carried out before the end of March.

Q.62 COUNCILLOR RAY MCHUGH

To ask the Chief Executive to supply this Councillor with an update as to when **(details supplied)** will be housed.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.63 COUNCILLOR RAY MCHUGH

To ask the Chief Executive to investigate complaints from residents at **(details supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.64 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive **(details supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.65 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive **(details supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.66 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for an **(details supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.67 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive, **(details supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.68 COUNCILLOR SÉAN HAUGHEY

To ask the Chief Executive the following **(details supplied)**.

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.69 COUNCILLOR EMMA MURPHY

To ask the Chief Executive, **(details supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.70 COUNCILLOR EMMA MURPHY

To ask the Chief Executive, **(details supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.71 COUNCILLOR EMMA MURPHY

To ask the Chief Executive **(details supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.72 COUNCILLOR EMMA MURPHY

To ask the Chief Executive, **(details supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.73 COUNCILLOR PADDY BOURKE

To ask the Chief Executive to give an update on any immediate steps taken to enhance and remediate public amenity facilities at Streamville Park (including the provision of notices on inappropriate activities in the Park such as bike scrambling) and the provision of new public lighting across the Park.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The lighting on a number of the paths crossing from the western to eastern side of Streamville Park are maintained by Electrical Services and are understood to be to standard specification for public pedestrian paths. When Parks and Landscape Services become aware of any problems with specific lamp standards it is communicated to Electrical Services who address the issue, subject to their available resources. There are no plans at the current time to place signage at this park as when such signage was installed in the past it became the target for abuse and was not possible to maintain. When motorcycling/scrambling activity is occurring this is brought to the attention of the Gardaí. The condition of the playing pitches at this park is reasonable and while illegal dumping can occasionally be a problem, the incidence of occurrence of fires is declining.

There are three walkways in this park, one of which is already lighted.

With regard to the other two pathways there is no 2015 Public Lighting Improvement Programme so we can place it on a list for consideration on a future programme. We will, however, continue to maintain the existing lighting.

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Q.74 COUNCILLOR PADDY BOURKE

To ask the Chief Executive to indicate if he and the City Parks and Planning Staff will bring forward a local plan for the upgrade and enhancement of Streamville Park in Ayrfield and The Donaghies, Dublin 13.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

There are no plans in the Parks and Landscape Services work programme for 2015 for park improvement works at this park. However this service will commence an examination of the park with a view to proposing improvements that can be considered for the works programme for 2016.

Q.75 COUNCILLOR PADDY BOURKE

To ask the Chief Executive to report on the programme of improvement and enhancements works in the Briarfield/Thornville/Roseglen area of Foxfield/St. John Parish, Kilbarrack.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The North Central Area and the Parks and Landscape Services have had recent joint communication and a presentation from a sports club in the Kilbarrack area with specific proposals for improvements of the public open space in the Roseglen and Greendale Area. The Parks & Landscape Service is working with the North Central Area office to prepare specific proposals for improvements at these open spaces which will be brought for consultation with public representatives and other stakeholders prior to any programme of improvements taking place.

Q.76 COUNCILLOR PADDY BOURKE

Can the Chief Executive please advise (**details supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.77 COUNCILLOR MICHAEL O'BRIEN

To ask the Chief Executive to clarify (**details supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.78 COUNCILLOR MICHAEL O'BRIEN

To ask the Chief Executive if there exist any protocols or guidelines regarding the entering by Council officials or other staff into the rooms of those residing in emergency accommodation in general and for the removal of small appliances in particular, see (**details supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply will issue directly to the Councillor within 2 weeks.

Q.79 COUNCILLOR MICHAEL O'BRIEN

To ask the Chief Executive to comment on the criticisms raised in the email attached regarding the realignment of the Hole in the Wall Road/Grange Roundabout, (**details supplied**).

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A meeting has been held between Local Area Councillors, Fingal County Council officials and Dublin City Council traffic and area office officials relating to this matter.

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A scheme has been developed to provide an overall road layout for the entire area in both the Dublin City and Fingal areas, which addresses the long term population and transport needs. An amendment to the City Development Plan has been approved to allow for this scheme. The construction cost of the scheme is in the order of €60million. Finance is not available to progress this scheme.

A specific scheme for the improvement of the roundabout has also been developed, however, this in isolation would not improve the overall levels of traffic in the area. While it would be more “democratic” in that it would guarantee green time for each junction approach and would also include pedestrian phases at the junction, it would not guarantee that the overall levels of congestion would improve. The cost of converting the roundabout to a signal junction is in excess of €1m and is currently not available.

The pedestrian lights were installed as a measure to provide safe crossing for school access and general pedestrian safety at this junction.

At the meeting it has been agreed that the junction and its approaches are to be looked at again with a view to

1. Providing safe access to and from schools and public transport for pedestrians along desire lines.
2. Incorporating roads currently “not in charge” as part of the public road network.
3. Linking pedestrian signals on the approaches to the junction to prevent dominant flows blocking other vehicles access to the roundabout.

It is anticipated that the results of this should be available in mid to late April.

Q.80 COUNCILLOR MICHAEL O'BRIEN

To ask the Chief Executive if Dublin City Council imported Siemens water meters between the years 2010 and 2012 and if so for what purpose?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council did not purchase any water meters from Siemens between 2010 and 2012.

Q.81 COUNCILLOR DENISE MITCHELL

To ask the Chief Executive (**details supplied**).

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.82 COUNCILLOR DENISE MITCHELL

To ask the Chief Executive (**details supplied**).

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.83 COUNCILLOR DENISE MITCHELL

To ask the Chief Executive (**details supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

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Q.84 COUNCILLOR DENISE MITCHELL
To ask the Chief Executive (**details supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.85 COUNCILLOR GARY GANNON

With regard to the proposed Part 8 refurbishment and improvement works at the Dublin Wholesale and Vegetable Market, (commonly known as 'The Markets Area', on Mary's Lane); can the Chief Executive detail any evaluation, study or assessment of any potential impact this new retail development may have on the commercial viability of the Moore Street Market. If the newly refurbished market on Mary's Lane is to now provide similar retail choices that have long since been catered for by the traders of Moore Street, what precautions is the Chief Executive taking to ensure the culturally significant trading area of Moore Street is kept economically viable.

Also, could the Chief Executive detail the level of consultation that has been taking place between the City Council and the traders of Moore Street during this Part 8 process.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Part 8 Proposal for the Wholesale Fruit and Vegetable Market will have a minimal impact on the retail choices currently available on Moore Street. The City Wholesale and Retail Markets will be 50% wholesale and the retail will provide a mix of food for now and directly produced food products including meat, deli, baked and international produce with fruit and vegetables representing 15% of the retail area.

The Moore Street Market and the City Wholesale and Retail Markets each have a role to play in the cities market offering. Each represents a unique contributing to the overall Markets Strategy for Dublin, the provisions of which are being overseen by the Markets and Casual Trading in the Public Domain Committee.

A special working group has been set up to review the Moore Street Markets under this Committee and in association with the Central Area Office. A full evaluation has been carried out including interviews with the Moore Street Traders and a report is being prepared for the Central Area Committee.

Q.86 COUNCILLOR GARY GANNON

In accordance with the Dublin Development Plan, I request that the Chief Executive (**details supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.87 COUNCILLOR GARY GANNON

Could the Chief Executive detail the measures (**details supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.88 COUNCILLOR JANICE BOYLAN

Can the Chief Executive identify what grants are giving to Ballybough Youth Community Centre through DCC and if need be could they source extra funding through DCC?

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

This is a City Council sports facility and is managed and financed by the Culture, Recreation and Amenity Department.

Dublin City Council receive a grant from the Department of Children and Youth Affairs through the Young Peoples Facilities and Services Fund 2 towards the operational costs of the Ballybough Youth Community centre.

In 2014 this grant amounted to €121,087 and the total cost of running the centre was €438,000.

The grants for 2015 was recently confirmed to be the same as in 2014, €121,087 and is drawn down on a quarterly basis.

This grant has reduced since 2009 by 30%. There is no other grant funding available.

Dublin City Council is already contributing the balance of the running costs of the centre (€316,913 in 2014) and is not in a position to increase this amount. The funding available in 2015 through Dublin City Council and the Department of Children and Youth Affairs is sufficient to continue the current operational arrangements. There are no changes proposed to these operational arrangements in 2015.

Local community groups are supported by the City Council Community grants scheme.

The Centre Manager and the Community and Social Development Officer will contact Councillor Boylan to provide any additional information required.

Q.89 COUNCILLOR JANICE BOYLAN

Can the Chief Executive please comment on what is been done in relation to the lack of communication from Minister Alan Kelly around his decision regarding O'Devaney Gardens and Croke Villas? This has been going back and forth for some time now and residents are demanding some answers.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Discussions are ongoing with the DOECLG in relation to proposals under Action 9 of the Homeless Action Plan. The outcome of these discussions will be brought to the Councillors at the earliest possible opportunity.

Q.90 COUNCILLOR JANICE BOYLAN

Can the Chief Executive identify a way where discretionary funding is allocated the same across all areas? This has not been the case up until now.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

In Budget 2015 there is a total of €1.4m allocated to the areas as 'discretionary funding'. It is analysed as follows;

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Area	2014 Budget	2015 Budget	Total
North West	136,000	80,000	216,000
South East	216,000	80,000	296,000
South Central Area	216,000	80,000	296,000
Central Area	216,000	80,000	296,000
North Central Area	216,000	80,000	296,000
Total	1,000,000	400,000	1,400,000

At the Budget Meeting held on 10th November 2014, it was agreed that additional funding of €400k, as proposed by members through an amendment to the Chief Executive's budget, would be allocated equally across the five areas.

Consideration of the reallocation of Area Office discretionary funding can be considered by members at Protocol, City Council or as part of the 2016 budgetary process.

Q.91 COUNCILLOR JANICE BOYLAN

Can the Chief Executive please identify what precise measures are in place to bring the empty flats and houses in the North Inner City back into stock? Some of these units are lying vacant for months/years upon end and it is absolutely counterproductive while we are in the middle of this housing crisis.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The City Council has a structured programme in place for the turnaround of voids throughout the City. The zero bed voids which were not retenanted under a previous policy are now being turned around with some remaining as zero beds and others being converted into 1 bed units. Any remaining long term voids are being refurbished or will be refurbished over the next 3 / 4 months.

Q.92 COUNCILLOR NAOISE Ó'MUIRÍ

Can the Chief Executive please answer the following **(details supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.93 COUNCILLOR NAOISE Ó'MUIRÍ

Can the Chief Executive please answer the following **(details supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.94 COUNCILLOR NAOISE Ó'MUIRÍ

There appears to be a new type of post-box appearing across the city – a larger post-box than normal with some type of door/handle on the front. They appear to be for a different type of postal service/offering as they are not for general postage. Examples can be found on Botanic Road and Fitzmaurice Road. Can the Chief Executive please deal with the following:

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1. Does An Post apply for planning permission for these installations?
2. Does An Post apply for road-opening licenses as they required works on the pavement?
3. Have other postal service providers requested/installed similar boxes in the city?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The new type of post boxes being erected around the city are deposit boxes for the temporary storage of mail for local delivery. In accordance with Class 30, Schedule 2 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended), the erection of such structures constitutes exempted development and therefore does not require planning permission. This exemption from planning applies only to An Post and any other provider requires planning permission and/or street furniture licence.

Q.95 COUNCILLOR NAOISE Ó'MUIRÍ

Can the Chief Executive please deal with the following **(details supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.96 COUNCILLOR PAUL MCAULIFFE

Can the Chief Executive please provide a report on **(details attached)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.97 COUNCILLOR PAUL MCAULIFFE

Can the Chief Executive please advise how much funding Dublin City Council has received from Government for Social Housing funding in the years 2004-2014? Can the Chief Executive advise how much funding DCC has received from Government as part of the Governments €2.2b housing plan announced at the end of last year and how will that money be spent? How many new housing units DCC will provide in Dublin Central in each of the following years 2015, 2016 & 2017 and specify they type e.g. new build or void refurbishment, size e.g. 1 bed apt or 3 bed house, location of each unit and expected date for letting?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply will issue directly to the Councillor within 2 weeks.

Q.98 COUNCILLOR CRIONA NÍ DHÁLAIGH

To ask the Chief Executive, who is responsible for the area know as **(details supplied)** with regard to upkeep, cleaning and facelift? Can he consider the proposal by some local residents?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Councillor should supply contact details to the South Central Area Office of person(s) interested in the history and heritage of the area in order that the ideas and concepts outlined in the question can be examined in greater detail.

Waste Management Services had the vicinity **(details supplied)** cleaned on the 17th February 2015.

Road Maintenance Services maintains roads and carriageways. Road Maintenance is not in a position to install 'some kind of timeline running along the walls or on the

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steps depicting said people and events - from past to present, to what happens next etc'.

Q.99 COUNCILLOR DAVID COSTELLO

In relation to the Attached Motion (Item 4C Appendix C) from the minutes of the budget meeting held on the 10/11/2014. Can the Chief Executive outline how the spirit of this motion has been implemented in the distribution of funds to the North West Area as Councillors feel the NWAC have received an allocation that is out of kilter with areas of a similar size in the city.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

At the Budget Meeting held on 10th November 2014, it was agreed that additional funding, as proposed by Members through an amendment to the Chief Executive's budget, would be allocated equally across the five areas. The matter of the residual existing fund was to be considered at Protocol or at a future City Council meeting if the basis of distribution was to be changed, that is that the matter of distribution of the base area funding was to receive further discussion among elected members whereas the matter of distribution of additional area funding was agreed.

Q.100 COUNCILLOR DAVID COSTELLO

In follow up to Council Meeting 12 January 2015 Q.67 can the Chief Executive report on **(details supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.101 COUNCILLOR DAVID COSTELLO

Can the Chief Executive arrange for a traffic and usage survey to be carried out on Sycamore Road in Finglas and produce a report on what can be done to calm or reduce the level of traffic on the road and make it safer for pedestrians? Could Traffic Islands be introduced at key crossing points?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

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

Q.102 COUNCILLOR CRIONA NÍ DHÁLAIGH

To ask the Chief Executive **(details supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.103 COUNCILLOR CIARÁN CUFFE

To ask the Chief Executive whether he would consult with JCDecaux with a view to allowing all night use of Dublin Bikes.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The scheme operates between the hours of 5.00am – 12.30am seven days a week. You can return a bike at any station 24 hours a day. The opening times were set following consultation with the operator of the scheme in order to make provision for necessary regulation and scheduled maintenance of stations and bicycles. Other factors were also taken into account such as health & safety, risk reduction, operational times of Luas and Dublin Bus, international experience and operational costs. Any variation to the current opening times would therefore not be recommended.

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Q.104 COUNCILLOR CIARÁN CUFFE

To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the installation of additional flood defences on the banks and quays of the River Liffey and outline any problems that have arisen.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Works commenced on the South Campshires at George's Quay on 23rd October 2014 on the construction of a new flood defence wall from Butt Bridge to Cardiff Lane, a distance of 1.1km. The first month was spent putting up site hoarding and building a site compound beside the BJ Marine larger building.

Some initial problems with existing ground conditions have occurred and been overcome. This contract, whose main contractor is the Office of Public Works (OPW), is programmed to take another 15 months to construct assuming no other constructional surprises. These works when complete will significantly reduce the flood risk to over 3,000 dwellings and businesses inland.

No other flood defences are planned on the Liffey Estuary at the moment, but this may change with the issuing of new flood maps from the OPW shortly.

Q.105 COUNCILLOR CIARÁN CUFFE

To ask the Chief Executive if his attention has been drawn to the public lighting that has been provided on the Royal Canal tow path (and proposed 'Greenway') from the Dublin City/Fingal boundary at Rathborne, East as far as Reilly's Bridge and again from the sixth lock (Phibsborough) as far as Spencer Dock and the Liffey; if the Chief Executive can account for why there is no public lighting from Reilly's Bridge, via Broombridge and the Dublin Industrial Estate, to Coke Oven Cottages; if the Chief Executive will work with the other relevant agencies to provide public lighting continuously along the Royal Canal tow path all the way from Spencer Dock to Rathborne, including the currently 'dark' stretch along the 7th level and if the Chief Executive will make a statement on the matter."

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Waterways Ireland is responsible for the Royal Canal tow path and the decision to provide public lighting is a matter for them. A letter has been forwarded to Waterways Ireland and a reply will issue directly to the councillor.

Q.106 COUNCILLOR CIARÁN CUFFE

To ask the Chief Executive whether he would consider introducing a byelaw that would preclude parking on each side of residential streets for one day per month so as to facilitate street cleansing, as is the case in many municipalities abroad.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The feasibility of notifying residents in advance of road sweeping activity in order to move parked vehicles has been investigated by the Roads and Traffic Department.

In accordance with the street sweeping schedule for Dublin City, as set out in the Dublin Waste Management Plan, residential streets are scheduled for street sweeping on a quarterly basis and the proposed timing of the street sweeping is available for residents to check at <http://www.dublincity.ie/StreetSweeping/>

The Waste Management Office has indicated that it is not possible to specify exact dates/times for the sweeping of a street as the date may alter for operational purposes.

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The matter has also been examined by the Parking Enforcement Section in relation to Pay and Display and Permit Parking Schemes that operate on residential roads. There is no satisfactory mechanism whereby parking could be regularly re-located from one street to another in order to facilitate street cleaning. The main issue is that many areas would not have adjacent streets with on-street parking capacity where cars could be accommodated.

If space on adjacent roads was available, residents would be obliged to move their cars before the temporary restriction came into force, late at night or early in the morning and to reverse the process afterwards. If the cleaning was scheduled for the afternoon, residents would be obliged to return home at midday to move their cars. Residents on holidays or in hospital or ill at home would not be in a position to comply.

As can be seen from the operational arrangements currently employed by the Cleansing Division, there appears to be no practical method of achieving what is being sought. It would appear that roads are cleaned at a different time of day on each occasion and as such it is unlikely that the same cars are parked in the same place each time. I would suggest that as the people who suffer from the effects of non-cleaning of roads due to car parking are usually residents of that road, a local community initiative could possibly deal with these interim issues.

Q.107 COUNCILLOR PAUL HAND

To ask the Chief Executive the total combined value of all Dublin City Council assets including public buildings, land, public housing and any other assets such as stocks, shares, artwork etc. I would appreciate for this to be broken down on an individual basis of asset type and for a combined valuation.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Please see below the requested information in relation to Dublin City Council's Fixed Assets valuations at the 31st Dec 2013. These valuations are currently being updated as part of the process of preparing the 2014 Annual Financial Statements. The updated valuations should be available at the end of March 2015.

Fixed Assets @ 31/12/2013			
Fixed Asset Type	Cost €	Accumulated Depreciation €	Net Book Value €
Land	153,697,306	-	153,697,306
Parks	37,048,858	9,805,788	27,243,070
Housing	5,925,494,739	-	5,925,494,739
Buildings	848,949,283	-	848,949,283
Plant & Machinery	28,315,515	23,564,698	4,750,817
Computers, Furniture & Equipment	18,023,969	17,447,015	576,954
Heritage	275,711,232	-	275,711,232
Roads & Infrastructure	2,462,865,891	-	2,462,865,891
Water & Sewerage Network	3,292,451,051	1,292,891,521	1,999,559,530
	13,042,557,844	1,343,709,022	11,698,848,822

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Q.108 COUNCILLOR PAUL HAND

To ask the Chief Executive (**details supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.109 COUNCILLOR PAUL HAND

To ask the Chief Executive (**details supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.110 COUNCILLOR PAUL HAND

To ask the Chief Executive (**details supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.111 COUNCILLOR CIERAN PERRY

Can the Chief Executive detail the number of rough sleepers recorded per night over the last 3 months?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The only official count of individuals engaging in rough sleeping is the Rough Sleeper count which is conducted twice a year. The Winter 2014 Rough Sleeping Count took place on the night of 11th November 2014 and a minimum of 168 individuals were discovered rough sleeping on the night. Since then an addition 271 beds in emergency accommodation has been provided in addition to a night café service that facilitates 50 persons each night. Subsequently, homeless service providers have reported a substantial decrease in the incidence of rough sleeping in the city centre environs. The next rough sleeping count will help determine the extent of changes in the incidence of rough sleeping. This count will take place on 14th April 2015.

Q.112 COUNCILLOR CIERAN PERRY

The Tenancy Protection Service report provided to the February Council meeting identified 1303 families as being at risk of homelessness. Of these, 344 had their tenancies protected. Can the Chief Executive detail the status of the remaining 959 families? Can the Chief Executive also detail the number of attempted illegal evictions notified to the Tenancy Protection Service?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The remaining 959 families received information, legal advice and advocacy from the Tenancy Protection Service. The majority of issues presented by the families have been resolved through the intervention of the TPS. 50 cases have been referred to the Private Rented Tenancy Board. There were 2 attempted illegal evictions notified to the Tenancy Protection Service.

Q.113 COUNCILLOR CIERAN PERRY

In light of the reply from the Department of Transport in relation to the regulation of rickshaws, can the Chief Executive confirm that Dublin City Council will now seek to regulate using the option of bye-laws? Can he provide a provisional time schedule for regulation?

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The reply from the Department in this regard is currently being considered as it is the Council's view that primary legislation would be required to adequately regulate the use of rickshaws. Further legal advice will be sought before a decision is made on whether to submit a regulatory impact statement to the Department seeking permission to regulate through primary legislation as the current view is that bye-laws could not adequately deal with matters such as the seizure and detention of illegally operated rickshaws.

Q.114 COUNCILLOR CIERAN PERRY

Can the Chief Executive provide a list of groups who have registered with the Public Participation Network? How were groups notified of the establishment of the Public Participation Network?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Attached is a list of 475 groups who have registered with Dublin City Public Participation Network (PPN) to date and who agreed that their details could be shared with other members of the PPN and other Dublin City Council Departments. A further 31 groups have registered but did not agree that their details could be shared.

Advertisements were placed on 9th September 2014 in local and national newspapers (Irish Independent, Northside News, Southside News, Dublin Gazette) advising of the establishment of Dublin City Council Public Participation Network.

The following were also notified by e-mail:

- Dublin City Councillors
- Members of Dublin City Community Forum
- Dublin City Council Senior Management (Area Managers/Area Offices)
- Partnerships Companies in Dublin City
- Dublin City Council Customer Services /Community /Arts and Sports staff
- Members of Dublin City Local Community Development Committee
- Dublin City Council Libraries.

1,000 letters were sent to Dublin City Council community grant recipients.

Notification was also posted on the Dublin City Council website, twitter and facebook links.

Registration is ongoing and all groups that register with the PPN before 1st October of a given year will have voting rights for the coming year to the various structures that will be set up under the Network.

Q.115 COUNCILLOR PATRICK COSTELLO

To ask the Chief Executive the number of inspections carried out in relation to road opening licences in the past five years.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Over the last five years approximately 51,700 road opening licences (T2s/T3s) have been granted by Dublin City Council via the Roadworks Control Online Extranet (RCOE) system. Each of these licences generates at least two inspections, the first when the works are complete and the licence holder (internal or external utility) submits a T5 reinstatement completion notification on the RCOE system. The second inspection takes place at the end of the two year defects liability period. In

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addition to the 103,400 inspections detailed above, Traffic Inspectors and Roads Maintenance Technicians inspect larger works as they are being carried out to ensure the requirements of Dublin City Council are being complied with.

Q.116 COUNCILLOR PATRICK COSTELLO

To ask the Chief Executive to answer the when following concerns will be addressed **(details supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.117 COUNCILLOR BRÍD SMITH

To ask the Chief Executive what steps the Council will take to ensure that **(details supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.118 COUNCILLOR ALISON GILLILAND

To ask the Chief Executive to **(details supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor

Q.119 COUNCILLOR ALISON GILLILAND

To ask the Chief Executive to indicate why **(details supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.120 COUNCILLOR ALISON GILLILAND

To ask the Chief Executive to **(details supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.121 COUNCILLOR BRENDAN CARR

To ask the Chief Executive to grant a residential parking permit to **(details supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Dublin City Council Parking Control Bye-Laws regulate permit parking in the City Council area and, amongst other matters, set out the entitlement and eligibility to resident's parking permits. The bye-laws explicitly state that where a building, located in a heavy demand zone, consists of more than four units, residents are not eligible for resident's parking permits.

Unfortunately, on this basis residents of the apartments at **(details supplied)** are therefore not eligible for permits and no permit can be issued to **(details supplied)**.

Q.122 COUNCILLOR BRENDAN CARR

To ask the Chief Executive to ensure that mobile phone masts are not erected in residential areas.

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

In evaluating applications for the provision of telecommunications apparatus, 17.35 of the Dublin City Development Plan states that full regard will be given to the guidelines for planning authorities on Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures, issued by the DoEHLG, July 1996 (or as be amended).

Appendix 18 of the Dublin City Development Plan provides the guidelines for the erection of telecommunications apparatus, addressing a number of factors, including siting and design and health and safety. The guidelines indicate that the preferred location is in industrial estates or on lands zoned for industrial/employment uses or possibly in commercial areas on rooftop locations on tall buildings, subject to visual amenity considerations. The guidelines specify that the location of free-standing masts in a residential area or beside a school will be only considered as a last resort, and after all other alternative options are found to be unavailable or unsuitable.

As part of any planning application, operators are required to furnish a statement of compliance with the International Radiation Protection Association (IRPA) Guidelines (Health Physics, vol.54, no.1, Jan 1988) as conditioned by the licensing arrangements with the Department of Transport, Energy and Communications, and to furnish evidence that an installation of the type applied for complies with the above guidelines.

Q.123 COUNCILLOR BRENDAN CARR

To ask the Chief Executive if they will inspect all the street signs in Dublin Central with a view to ensuring that they are clearly visible.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

As part of our Transportation Asset Management System (TAMS) project, Inspectors will be carrying out inspections to roads and footways, including street name-plates and report any missing or damaged name-plates.

Q.124 COUNCILLOR BRENDAN CARR

To ask the Chief Executive to compile a list of litter and dumping black spots in Dublin Central and circulate them to the residents groups in the relevant areas.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The information requested will be compiled and circulated in an agreed format to groups as identified by the Councillor.

Q.125 COUNCILLOR GREG KELLY

To ask the Chief Executive if **(details supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor

Q.126 COUNCILLOR GREG KELLY

To ask the Chief Executive **(details supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.127 COUNCILLOR GREG KELLY

To ask the Chief Executive **(details supplied)**

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.128 COUNCILLOR GREG KELLY

To ask the Chief Executive (**details supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.129 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON

That I be given a full report on the following (**details supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.130 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON

Can I please have an update on the housing application of (**details supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.131 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON

That I be given an update on the following (**details supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.132 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON

Can the Chief Executive please give an indication of what efforts we are making to seek the removal/relocation of the Army Boat Club at Islandbridge, Chapelizod, Dublin 20? The facility is just a number of containers, is an eyesore in the area, and it doesn't add much to an area of outstanding beauty.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

This property will be inspected within two weeks by the Derelict Sites Section of the Planning Department to establish if any action is warranted.

Dublin City Council are in ongoing discussions with the Defence Forces with a view to agreeing the relocation of the Army Boat Club to another site at Islandbridge. Dublin City Council and the Defence Forces agree that the current Army Boat Club which consist of a number of containers is not an appropriate building for this location and is no longer an appropriate facility for the boat club.

Q.133 COUNCILLOR ANDREW MONTAGUE

Will the Chief Executive confirm if he is planning to remove the high-line and swift water rescue services from Dublin Fire Brigade's remit and have them privatised or outsourced?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

There are no proposals to remove the above services from Dublin Fire Brigade.

Q.134 COUNCILLOR ANDREW MONTAGUE

Will the Chief Executive review the junction at Hollybank Road and Glendalough Road with a view to making it safer for pedestrians? There is a very wide entrance into Glendalough Road, and during peak hours in the mornings, cars sweep around

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the corner, when there are lots of children crossing from one side of Hollybank Road to the other at that T junction?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The safety issue at the junction will be investigated by a Traffic Engineer & and the Councillor will be advised of any recommendation in due course.

Q.135 COUNCILLOR ANDREW MONTAGUE

Will the Chief Executive renew the lettering on the John Gray statue and William Smith O'Brien statue on O'Connell Street?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The statues on O'Connell Street underwent a programme of cleaning and conservation as part of the major public realm project in 2004. As the Luas Cross City works are ongoing, it is not intended to undertake any works on these sculptures in the immediate future but the Public Art Manager and the City Heritage Officer intend to undertake another programme of conservation after the Luas Cross City works have been completed.

Q.136 COUNCILLOR ANDREW MONTAGUE

Will the Chief Executive renew the lettering/engravings on the headstones at Wolfe Tone Square?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Conservation Section and Heritage Officer will inspect and examine the headstones at Wolfe Tone Square and consider what actions (if any) should be undertaken having regard to the "Guidance for the Care, Conservation and Recording of Historic Graveyards", published by the Heritage Council (2nd Edition, 2011), with a report to be provided to the City Council in due course.

Q.137 COUNCILLOR CLAIRE BYRNE

To ask the Chief Executive to increase the provision of bicycle parking facilities in the city centre as it appears to have reached capacity, especially at peak times during the day, and if he could provide details of any plans that may already be in place to increase capacity.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council has engaged a technical consultant to carry out a citywide cycle parking study. The study is currently under way will include a mapping of all existing public cycle parking facilities within the city boundaries. Other relevant information such as current capacity and utilisation, potential for easy expansion, type(s) of cycle stands, security/safety rating, proximity to large catchment areas (e.g. commercial, retail, mixed use, educational, transport, tourism etc.), and photographs are being compiled for each location. The study will also assess the current and future demand for cycle parking in Dublin city centre.

The study will form the basis for the expansion of cycle parking facilities in Dublin city in the coming years. It will also be used to look at the current utilisation of existing facilities in areas, with a view to reallocating or adding cycle stands in order to increase their attraction and use. It is anticipated that the study will be completed within the next few months.

Q.138 COUNCILLOR CLAIRE BYRNE

To ask the Chief Executive what discussions have taken place with Dublin City Council, Dublin Docklands Authority and NAMA regarding the delivery of a social

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dividend for the Docklands Area for existing and future developments and if he could provide the figures.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Discussions have taken place between the Dublin Docklands Development Authority and NAMA to provide community gain funding for projects in Docklands upon dissolution of the Authority.

It is envisaged that the funding will be endowed to the Docklands Community Trust to administer.

The exact amount of the funding will be indicated upon dissolution of the Authority. Legislation providing for the dissolution of the Authority is currently being prepared by the Department of Environment, Community & Local Government.

Q.139 COUNCILLOR CLAIRE BYRNE

To ask the Chief Executive for an update on the development of the Eastern By Pass, if it is his intention to maintain its development as a policy objective in the Dublin City Development Plan 2016 to 2022 and outline the justification for that objective.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The recently prepared Chief Executives Report, which has been circulated to members on the pre-draft stage of the development plan, included submissions to the eastern by-pass route.

The policy in the existing City Development Plan (SI 19) is to support the provision of a link between north Dublin Port and the Southern Cross/South Eastern Motorway via an eastern bypass of the city, in conjunction and co-operation with other transport bodies, the National Roads Authority and local authorities. The preferred method is by means of a bored tunnel and the preferred route is under Sandymount and Merrion Strand and Booterstown Marsh. However, the route and detailed design of the link road will be subject to an Environmental Impact Assessment and all statutory requirements, including a public consultation process, by the relevant authorities. An Appropriate Assessment of the proposed project for the entire route is also required in accordance with the Habitats Directive.

The Chief Executive's recommendation is to consider and evaluate the land-use planning implications of planned strategic road routes, including the eastern by-pass road route alignment, having regard to changed development contexts and any local-level plans.

The full report and recommendation of the Chief Executive on the issues raised, including those in relation to the Eastern Bypass, will be considered at the Special meeting of the City Council scheduled for 5th May, 2015. Following this meeting, the more detailed draft Development Plan will be prepared and circulated to Councillors by the last week of July for further consideration prior to formal display.

Q.140 COUNCILLOR CLAIRE BYRNE

To ask the Chief Executive what plans are in place for St. Andrew's Church now that the Dublin tourist office has moved to Suffolk Street and to outline the reasons for moving the tourist office to this new location.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Area Office will write to Bord Fáilte regarding these matters.

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Q.141 COUNCILLOR DAITHÍ DOOLAN

To ask the Chief Executive (**details supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.142 COUNCILLOR DAITHÍ DOOLAN

Can the Chief Executive report on (**details supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.143 COUNCILLOR DAITHÍ DOOLAN

Can the Chief Executive, report on (**details supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.144 COUNCILLOR DAITHÍ DOOLAN

To ask the Chief Executive, (**details supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.145 COUNCILLOR JOHN LYONS

To ask the Chief Executive how many people in Dublin City are currently classed as homeless and of that number, how many are in Dublin 5, 9, 13 and 17 areas?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The number of unique adult individuals who experienced homelessness and accessed emergency accommodation in the Dublin region in 2014 was 4,976. Of these, 1,779 persons were classified as new to homeless services. The Dublin Region Homeless Executive is undertaking work to confirm the number of households now classified with homeless priority on the DCC social housing waiting lists and will include information on the distribution of this population across postal areas in DCC area. This work is underway is due for conclusion by end of Qtr 1, 2015 after which a more complete reply can issue.

Q.146 COUNCILLOR JOHN LYONS

To ask the Chief Executive for the amounts spent on emergency accommodation for service users from the Dublin 5,9,13 and 17 areas for each of the past five years, 2010-2014?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The following table outlines the overall local authority expenditure on homeless services (including emergency accommodation) in the Dublin Region i.e. on behalf of 4 Local Authorities.

2010	€43,960,708
2011	€44,248,785
2012	€47,066,816
2013	€47,273,016
2014	€56,110,101

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DCC does not record the total expenditure for households presenting from any particular postcode area.

Q.147 COUNCILLOR JOHN LYONS

To ask the Chief Executive, in relation to those with a housing need but also suffering from mental health difficulties, having provided evidence to Dublin City Council of their health status, are there trained professionals within the Dublin City Council available to take on such cases? And to further ask that if there are such professionals in place, that their details be provided to this Councillor; and if no such professionals are in place to deal with such cases, does Dublin City Council have a plan to address this deficiency?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Housing Welfare Section is Dublin City Council's Social Work Service and is staffed by professionally trained Social Workers who provide a walk in confidential duty service. The service is available, Monday-Friday. 9.15-12.00 and 2.15-3.30. The phone number for the duty service is 222 2233. We work with service users who present to the Housing Welfare Section on issues including mental health difficulties. The City Council do not however employ health professionals.

Q.148 COUNCILLOR JOHN LYONS

To ask the Chief Executive, in relation to the Housing Assistance Payment (HAP) for those on the housing waiting list, in receipt of rent allowance but at risk of losing their homes due to rent increases and the restrictions on rent allowance, can they access the housing assistance payment? If so, from what date can they receive the HAP or do they have to enter emergency accommodation before they can access this new payment?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council via the Dublin Region Homeless Executive has launched a pilot HAP scheme for homeless households from 18th February. The pilot HAP is being targeted at households in homeless accommodation in accordance with the Housing Assistance Payment Regulations 2014 Statutory Instrument No. 576 of 2014 to enable them access to private rented accommodation.

Where a household is at risk of losing their home due to rent increases, we would direct households to make contact with Threshold's Tenancy Protection Service on 1800 454 454 who are dealing specifically with such cases.

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**RECORD OF DIVISION AT MONTHLY MEETING OF COUNCIL
HELD ON 2nd MARCH 2015 AT 6.15PM**

COUNCILLORS	FOR	AGAINST	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	COUNCILLORS	FOR	AGAINST	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Councillor Chris Andrews	x				Councillor Frank Kennedy		x		
Councillor Catherine Ardagh		x			Councillor Dermot Lacey		x		
Councillor Kieran Binchy		x			Councillor John Lyons	x			
Councillor Paddy Bourke				x	Councillor Mícheál Mac Donncha	x			
Councillor Janice Boylan	x				Councillor Tina MacVeigh	x			
Councillor Tom Brabazon				x	Councillor Ray McAdam		x		
Councillor Christy Burke	x				Councillor Paul McAuliffe				x
Councillor Claire Byrne			x		Councillor Paddy McCartan		x		
Councillor Cathleen Carney Boud	x				Councillor Ruairí McGinley		x		
Councillor Brendan Carr		x			Councillor Séamas McGrattan	x			
Councillor Aine Clancy		x			Councillor Ray McHugh	x			
Councillor Anthony Connaghan	x				Councillor Denise Mitchell	x			
Councillor David Costello				x	Councillor Andrew Montague				x
Councillor Patrick Costello		x			Councillor Rebecca Moynihan		x		
Councillor Ciarán Cuffe			x		Councillor Emma Murphy	x			
Councillor Daithí De Róiste			x		Councillor Críona Ní Dhálaigh	x			
Councillor Daithí Doolan	x				Councillor Michael O'Brien	x			
Councillor Gaye Fagan	x				Councillor Jim O'Callaghan				x
Councillor Pat Dunne	x				Councillor Kate O'Connell		x		
Councillor Declan Flanagan				x	Councillor Damian O'Farrell	x			
Councillor Mannix Flynn		x			Councillor Ciarán O'Moore	x			
Councillor Mary Freehill		x			Councillor Naoise Ó Muirí		x		
Councillor Gary Gannon	x				Councillor Larry O'Toole	x			
Councillor Alison Gilliland		x			Councillor Cieran Perry	x			
Councillor Paul Hand	x				Councillor Noeleen Reilly	x			
Councillor Sean Haughey			x		Councillor Nial Ring		x		
Councillor Deirdre Heney		x			Councillor Noel Rock		x		
Councillor Jane Horgan-Jones		x			Councillor Éilis Ryan				x
Councillor Vincent Jackson				x	Councillor Bríd Smith	x			
Councillor Andrew Keegan	x				Councillor Paddy Smyth		x		
Councillor Teresa Keegan		x			Councillor Sonya Stapleton				x
Councillor Greg Kelly	x								

FOR: 27

ABSTAIN: 4

AGAINST: 22

ABSENT: 10