



Comhairle Cathrach
Bhaile Átha Cliath
Dublin City Council

COISTE AN LÁRCHEANTAR

CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday 14th July, 2015 at 10.00 am.

Minutes

- 6119** Election of Chairperson
ORDER: Councillor Nial Ring was elected as Chairperson
- 6120** Election of Vice-Chairperson
ORDER: Councillor Ciaran Cuffe was elected as Vice-Chairperson
- 6121** Minutes of the Central Area Committee meeting held on 9th June, 2015
ORDER: Agreed. Manager to follow up on response to letter sent to Irish Water in connection with the Lock Keeper's Cottage
- 6122** Questions to the Area Manager.
ORDER: Noted.

Planning and Development Matters

- 6123** With reference to Notification of initiation under Part 8 Planning and Development Regulations 2001- Clontarf to City Centre Cycle Route.
ORDER: Presentation noted. A meeting between North Central Area and Central Area Councillors to be arranged after the North Central Area Committee meeting to discuss the proposal. Councillors to be provided with a copy of the Public Realm Assessment report and the copy of the powerpoint presentation.
- 6124** With reference to the proposed amalgamation of 24 no. bedsits, into 12 no. 1-bed apartments at the Senior Citizens Complex, Tom Clarke House, (Blocks 1, 2 & 3), Ballybough Road, Dublin 3 in compliance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 2001 and Part 8 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 as amended.
ORDER: Agreed. Recommend to City Council.
- 6125** With reference to the proposed grant of a sublease of the 2nd Floor of the Ormond Building, Ormond Quay, Dublin 7 to Megatransfert Technologies Limited / MGT Ltd.
ORDER: Agreed. Recommend to City Council.
- 6126** With reference to Derelict Sites Quarterly report.
ORDER: Report noted. Councillors queries sent to Derelict Sites for response.

Housing and Residential Services

- 6127 With reference to Housing Allocations report.
ORDER: Report noted. The Councillors requested the following changes for the next report;
- a) That the report be more specific to each area in addition to the overall statistics.
 - b) That the tables based on lettings show the time on waiting list before allocation made.
 - c) That a list of schemes nearing completion be included in the report.
- Councillors agreed to send any suggestions they may have in relation to the Housing Allocations Report directly to Mary Flynn for consideration.

Roads & Traffic Department Matters

- 6128 With reference minutes of the Traffic Advisory Group Meeting of 23rd June, 2015.
ORDER: Report noted

Central Area Matters

- 6129 Updates on the following:
Environmental Services Unit
North East and North West Inner City Housing Issues
Grangegorman Development
Over 55's Day
Community Development Section
ORDER: Reports noted. Meeting to be organised with the Area Councillors in advance of the launch of the St. Mary's Mansions project.

Motions

- 6129(a)The following emergency motion was tabled:

Motion in the name of Councillor Ciaran Cuffe

That this Committee calls on the Area Manager to liaise with Dublin Bus and other operators to remove bus parking from Cumberland Street as it is negatively impacting on the lives of nearby residents."

ORDER: Agreed.

- 6130 Motion in the name of Councillor Ciaran Cuffe

That this Committee call on the Chief Executive to investigate alternatives to using Monsanto's Roundup as a weedkiller given that the World Health Organisation's International Agency for Research on Cancer has stated that the herbicide glyphosate is probably carcinogenic to humans.

ORDER: Report to Councillor. Clarification to issue to Councillors in relation to what previous weedkillers were used for spraying by DCC and what other local authorities use.

6131 Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke

That this Committee call on the Chief Executive to ask the Garda Commissioner to outline the Garda plans for the future of Fitzgibbon Street Garda Station, Dublin 1.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

6132 Motion in the name of Councillor Ciaran Cuffe

That this Committee call on the Chief Executive to present a simple document that summarises the changes in density, uses, building heights, zoning and uses in the new draft Phibsborough Mountjoy Local Area Plan compared with its predecessor.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

6133 Motion in the name of Councillor Nial Ring

That this Committee notes with concern, the proposal to dismantle and remove the pedestrian footbridge at Fairview, and requests that the report outlining the options on the matter being prepared for and presented to the North Central Area Councillors be also provided to the Councillors in the Central Area as the footbridge is used by many residents in our constituency, especially school children from East Wall, North Wall, Ballybough and North Strand attending St. Joseph's Secondary School and Marino College and that the views of this Committee be taken into account before any final decisions are made on the proposal.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

6134 Motion in the name of Councillor Nial Ring

That this Committee calls on the Minister for Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht to substantially increase the grant amount of €33k to DCC for 1916 projects in light of the substantial amount of applications received by DCC for its community based projects initiative which resulted, so far, in over 250 community applications seeking funding of €651k (of which 67 applications seeking €197k relate to the Central Area).

ORDER: Agreed. Letter to be sent to the Minister for Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht.

6135 Motion in the name of Councillor Janice Boylan

That this Central Area Committee offers full solidarity to the 30,000 single parent families who are been cut of their one parent family payment and we call on Minister Joan Burton to recognise the suffering she is inflicting of these people. We also call on her to immediately implement the childcare provisions she promised she would.

ORDER: Agreed. Letter to be sent to the Minister, Joan Burton.

Attendance

Cllr. Nial Ring (Chairperson)

Cllr. Ciaran Cuffe (Vice Chairperson)

Cllr. Ray McAdam

Cllr. Janice Boylan
Cllr. Eilis Ryan
Cllr. Gaye Fagan
Cllr. Gary Gannon

Apologies

Cllr. Christy Burke

Officials

Rose Kenny, Executive Manager, Central Area
Eileen Gleeson, Senior Executive Officer, Central Area
Mary Flynn, Administrative Officer, Housing Allocations & Transfers
Peter Keating, Clerical Officer, Housing Allocations & Transfers
Cecilia Lopez-Naughton, Senior Executive Architect, City Architect's
Christopher Manzira, Senior Executive Engineer, Road & Traffic Planning
Tony McGee, Executive Engineer, Road & Traffic Planning
Eoin Walsh, Assistant Engineer, Traffic Division
Sean Smith, Area Housing Manager, Central Area
Simon Brock, Environmental Liaison Officer, Central Area
Cathy Cassidy, Senior Staff Officer, Central Area
Sandra Walley, Assistant Staff Officer, Central Area

Councillor Nial Ring
Chairperson
14th July, 2015

NEXT MEETING 8th September, 2015

CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF MOTIONS AND QUESTIONS

5pm on Wednesday 26th August, 2015.