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CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday 12th April, 2016 at 10.00 am.

Minutes

- 6249** Minutes of the Central Area Committee meeting held on 8th March, 2016
ORDER: Agreed.
- 6250** Questions to the Area Manager
ORDER: Noted.
- 6251** With reference to a presentation on draft Tree Strategy for Dublin City
ORDER: Report noted.

Planning and Development Matters

- 6252** With reference to Notification of initiation under Part 8 Planning and Development Regulations 2001 as amended - proposed demolition of remaining four flat blocks at O'Devaney Gardens, Dublin 7
ORDER: Report noted. Meeting to be arranged immediately with the 9 remaining residents.
- 6253** With reference to Notification of initiation under Part 8 Planning and Development Regulations 2001 as amended - proposed construction of 30 number dwelling units at North King Street, Dublin 7
ORDER: Report noted.
- 6254** With reference to the Derelict Sites Report
ORDER: Report noted.

Housing and Residential Services Department Matters

- 6255** With reference to report on Housing Programme
ORDER: Report noted. Councillors requested that Housing report to the May meeting with updates on the following (a) Father Scully House (b) Ellis Court and (c) Castleforbes.

Roads & Traffic Department Matters

- 6256 With reference to the minutes of the Traffic Advisory Group Meeting of 22nd March, 2016.
ORDER: Report noted.

Central Area Matters

- 6257 With reference to a proposal to initiate the procedure for the Extinguishment of the Public Right of Way over a laneway at the rear of 2 - 41 Goldsmith Street, Dublin 7
ORDER: Agreed to initiate the procedure.
- 6258 With reference to the North East Inner City Action Plan
ORDER: Report noted. Brief for sale of Convent Lands to be forwarded to the Councillors when completed.
- 6259 With reference Update Report – Moore Street Market and Retail Outlets Strategic Report
ORDER: Report noted.
- 6260 Updates on the following:
Environmental Services Unit
North East and North West Inner City Housing Issues
Grangegorman Development
Central Area Age Friendly Update
Community Development Section
Central Area Sports and Recreation report
ORDER: Reports noted. Councillors queries can be summarised as follows;
(a) Support was expressed on recent initiative in relation to illegal dumping in NEIC.
(b) Grangegorman Newsletter to be sent to Constitution Hill residents.
(c) Report requested on the community initiative project in Phibsboro
(d) Meeting requested on Drumalee MUGA.
(e) The Members thanked Aisling and all the staff in the Central Area Office for their help with the 1916 Grants
(f) Update be given on the MUGA at Greek Street

Motions

The following emergency motion was tabled

- 6260(a) "That the Central Area Committee calls upon the Housing Department of Dublin City Council to commit that they will not take any of the remaining tenants of O'Devaney Gardens to court in order to force residents to leave their homes as part of the proposal to demolish the remaining four blocks in O'Devaney Gardens"
ORDER: Agreed.

6261 **Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke**

That this Committee requests a senior representative from Greyhound to explain why the company leaves bins at the top of Bessborough Avenue and why collections are at times not collected

ORDER: Agreed. Letter to be sent to Greyhound.

6262 Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke

That this Committee calls on Glasnevin Trust not to proceed with including the names on the memorial wall at Glasnevin Cemetery of the British soldiers who murdered people in Ireland

ORDER: Letter to be sent to the Glasnevin Trust.

6263 Motion in the name of Councillor Ciaran Cuffe

That this Committee calls for the practice of using late night street sweepers to be reviewed due to their noise, and that changes in parking measures be introduced during the day to allow for day time street cleaning.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

6264 Motion in the name of Councillor Ciaran Cuffe

That this Committee will write to the new Minister for Health, (that given the emergence in recent years of unauthorised trading in prescription drugs), requesting that as a matter of urgency, legislation or regulations, are implemented that will prohibit the on-street and/or unregulated sale of Benzodiazepine, Zimovane and other substances that can be harmful unless dispensed by qualified medical practitioners.

ORDER: Letter to be sent to the Minister for Health.

6265 Motion in the name of Councillor Ciaran Cuffe

That this Committee agrees that a playground be provided as a matter of urgency at Constitution Hill.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

6266 Motion in the name of Councillor Nial Ring

That this Committee congratulates Las Fallon and his DFB museum team on the success of the 'Dublin Fire Brigade and the 1916 Rising Exhibition' in the Vaults, City Hall, Dame Street and also thanks Chief Fire Officer Pat Fleming, City Archivist Dr. Mary Clark and Asst. Chief Executive Brendan Kenny for their role in encouraging and facilitating the exhibition, which has proven extremely popular with the public.

ORDER: Letter to be sent to Las Fallon, Pat Fleming, Dr. Mary Clark and Brendan Kenny.

6267 Motion in the name of Councillor Nial Ring

That this Committee notes, with regret, that having delivered over 40 years of committed effective leadership, working in partnership with its members, Dublin City Council and the national governments to transform our city centre into a modern, European retail, cultural and leisure district, the Board of the Dublin City Business Association (DCBA) has announced it will cease operations. The Committee further acknowledges the tremendous work of the

DCBA for the city over the years and, in particular, the immense contribution of its former Chief Executive Tom Coffey and current Chief Executive David Brennan.

ORDER: Letter to be sent to the DCBA.

6268 Motion in the name of Councillor Nial Ring

That this Committee acknowledges the success of the 1916 centenary celebrations, and in particular the success of the community led celebrations which, unlike the State events (with the honourable exception of President Higgins who was not complicit in the State's attempts to undermine the Rising), concentrated on those who fought for Irish freedom, those who died doing so as well as the civilian casualties of the Rising.

ORDER: Agreed.

6269 Motion in the name of Councillor Gary Gannon

That the Councillors of this Central Area Committee request that the Chief Executive expedite the process by which a high quality playground can be installed in Constitution Hill Flats in the shortest possible time.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

Attendance

Cllr. Nial Ring (Chairperson)
Cllr. Ciaran Cuffe (Vice Chairperson)
Cllr. Ray McAdam
Cllr. Eilis Ryan
Cllr. Christy Burke
Cllr. Gaye Fagan
Cllr Janice Boylan
Cllr. Gary Gannon

Officials

Rose Kenny, Executive Manager, Central Area
Eileen Gleeson, Senior Executive Officer, Central Area
Maire Igoe, Senior Executive Officer, Planning and Development
Brian Swann, Deputy City Architect, City Architects
Gerard McGlone, Executive Engineer, Traffic Division
Helen Smirnova, Senior Executive Engineer, Traffic Division
Chris Butler, Area Housing Manager, Central Area
Sean Smith, Area Housing Manager, Central Area
Brian Kavanagh, Area Housing Manager, Central Area
John McPartlan, Public Domain Officer, Central Area
Robert Ingram, Environmental Liaison Officer, Central Area
Cathy Cassidy, Senior Staff Officer, Central Area
Sandra Walley, Assistant Staff Officer, Central Area

Councillor Nial Ring

Chairperson

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