# MINUTES OF SOUTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 20th APRIL 2016 ORDUITHE A DEINEADH AN COISTE CHEANTAR AN LARDHEISCIRT 20 AIBREÁN 2016

Matters Arising; - Both the Chairperson and the Area Manager welcomed Councillor Hazel Norton, (co-opted for Deputy Brid Smith), to the Area Committee Meeting.

- 356. Minutes of Meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> March 2016 Order: Agreed.
- 357. Questions to Dublin Chief Executive
  Replies to Questions and the Area Manager's Report circulated.
- 358. Roads & Traffic Matters
  - (i) Minutes of Traffic Advisory Group held on the 22<sup>th</sup> March 2016 in relation to Traffic Matters in the South Central Area.
  - (ii) Traffic Service Requests, Status Report at 15<sup>th</sup> March 2016.
  - (iii) Traffic Works Programme Report for 2016.
  - Order: (i) Noted.
    - (ii) Noted.
    - (iii) Noted.

#### 359. South Central Area

- (i) National Paediatric Hospital Development Board Project Update.
- (ii) Request for a Delegation to the May Area Committee Meeting from Metro
- (iii) One nomination required for the Park's Health & Safety Committee.
- (iv) Naming Proposal for an unnamed road that was formerly part of the Richmond Barracks complex in Inchicore. Dublin 8.
- (v) Gully Cleaning Programme report for the South Central Area.
- (vi) Area Manager's Report.
- Order: (i) Presentation given by John Pollock, Project Director, NPHDB and Ingrid McElroy, Community Benefit Programme Manager.

  Presentation noted.
  - (ii) As this presentation has already been made at a Planning SPC the members agreed not to have a presentation at a future meeting of the South Central Area Committee. The members requested a copy of the presentation made to the Planning SPC be forwarded to them for viewing.
  - (iii) Councillor Hazel Norton was nominated to the Parks Health & Safety Committee.
  - (iv) Noted.
  - (v) Noted.
  - (vi) The Area Manager's report was noted by the Members: -

# Area Manager's Report South Central Area Committee Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2016

#### SPORT FOR YOUNG PEOPLE - SMALL GRANTS SCHEME

Sports clubs operating within the administrative area of Dublin City Council and are affiliated to a National Governing Body are invited to apply for financial assistance from the Sport for Young People – Small Grant Scheme (10-21 years of age), which is funded and administered by Sport Ireland and the Dublin City Sport & Wellbeing Partnership.

This small grant scheme supports clubs in some of the following:

- Purchase of equipment
- Administrative costs
- Training and coaching courses

Please go to <a href="www.dublincity.ie">www.dublincity.ie</a> to download grant information booklets and grant application forms or email: <a href="mailto:sports@dublincity.ie">sports@dublincity.ie</a> (also attached)

Phone: 01-2227852

Postal: Dublin City Sport & Wellbeing Partnership, Floor 4, and 3 Palace Street,

Dublin 2

Please note all applications must be posted to the above address

The closing date for receipt of completed applications is Friday 29th April 2016 @ 4pm.

#### **CITY NEIGHBORHOODS**

The Community Team are actively meeting a broad range of community organisations to support their efforts. Organisations through out the area are being encouraged to enter the City Neighbourhood and Tidy Towns competitions. The closing date for entry to City Neighbourhoods is May13th and for Tidy Towns is May 20th. Contact and meetings are being held with the Youth Organisations and potential Summer Project committees to organise community events over the summer months. The closing date for the Summer Project Applications is April 29th

#### SOUTH WEST INNER CITY AREA OFFICE REPORT

#### **Richmond Barracks**

The new exhibition Centre at the restored Richmond Barracks, Inchicore will officially open on 2<sup>nd</sup> May. Invitations will be issued to Councilors shortly. It should be noted that the Centre will not be open to the public until early to mid June.

#### New Public Park, Cork Street

A Part VIII Planning Application for a 0.6 hectare neighborhood park on the site of the demolished Chamber Court and Weavers Court on Cork Street was agreed at the December City Council meeting. It is expected that enabling works (including archaeological investigations) will take place in the summer months before the main park works commence later this year.

# New Public Park, Bridgefoot Street/Island Street

It is planned to develop an area adjacent to the existing allotment site as a high quality neighbourhood park that will provide for a range of recreation activities. A design consultant has recently been appointed and it is planned to hold workshops on  $4^{th}$  May in NCAD and on11th May in Robert Emmet CDP. UCD students have organized a pop-up event on the site which will link in with the workshops on Friday  $22^{nd}$  April (17.00 - 19.00) and Saturday,  $23^{rd}$  April (12.00 – 14.00).

# St. Audeon's Park, High Street

St. Audeon's Park is included in the Liberties Greening Strategy. As part of the proposed improvements to High Street it is planned to enhance the area by improving accessibility, permeability and circulation throughout the park.

Following agreement at the March Area Committee meeting a Part VIII planning application for the project was advertised on 18<sup>th</sup> March. A copy of the plan is available for inspection in the Planning Department in the Civic Office for 6 weeks from that date. If the application is agreed it is expected that construction works will commence in early 2017.

## St. Catherine's Park, off Thomas Street

Works to install 16 low level bollard lights for St Catherine's Park/Graveyard is now complete and is an attractive additional feature of the park.

## **Nicholas Street and High Street**

It is planned to 'green' the central median at Nicholas Street. The existing concrete will be removed and replaced with extensive planting. This work is due to take place over the weekends 16/17<sup>th</sup> and 23/24<sup>th</sup> April. It is also proposed to install planters in High Street.

# Kilmainham Civic Space

The Kilmainham Civic Space is due to be officially opened by an tArdmhéara on 1<sup>st</sup> June. Councilors will be formally issued with invitations nearer the time of the event.

# Pimlico

It is planned to upgrade the open space at Pimlico. The works will include the removal of the concrete pillars, relaying of the footpath, repair of the grassed area, painting of the plinth wall and additional planting.

# **Vicar Street**

Works to improve the pitch, including the repair and painting of the fencing, and to erect basketball hoops at Vicar Street are now complete. A target wall, ball catcher and mini goals were also installed.

#### Re-roofing Programme

A programme to re-new the roofs in Thomas Court Bawn, School Street, Marrowbone Lane Flats, Meath Place and Braithwaite Street has been completed. Works to the roof lights, chimneys and tank houses were included. Similar remedial work to the roof in South Summer Street is ongoing whilst work to the roofs in Pimlico Terrace and the second block in Braithwaite Street are scheduled for later this year.

# **Basin Street Flats**

Works to convert an additional 4 bedsits into 2 x 1 bed roomed flats are now complete following the conversion last year of 4 bedsits in the same complex.

# **Oliver Bond House**

The upgrade of the CCTV in Oliver Bond House is now complete. Quotations have been received and are being examined at present for the upgrade of both playgrounds and the football pitch. The cost of these works is provided for in the South Central Area Discretionary Fund 2016.

#### **Community Events**

St Michael's Church 1916 Rising Commemoration Committee Emmet Road, Inchicore Children's Concert to commemorate children of the 1916 Rising with compere Joe Duffy this Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April and Mass and Interfaith Service on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> April.

# **Inchicore Environmental Group**

The next clean-up of the village area will take place on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> April meeting at the Workman's club on Emmet Road at 10am.

# **Grand Canal Volunteers Appreciation Night**

Groups and individuals involved with clean-ups along the Grand Canal are invited to the 'Canal Volunteers Appreciation Night' which will take place from 7.30 to 10.00pm on Wednesday 4th May in the Oak Room in the Mansion House.

# Kilmainham Inchicore Heritage Group

May 4<sup>th</sup> Exhibition and opening to the public of Michael Mallin's family home at 122, Emmet Road. Inchicore, Dublin 8.

# 4<sup>th</sup> Battalion 1916 Commemoration Committee

May 8<sup>th</sup> at 4.00pm re-enactment of the Court Martial and execution of Eamonn Ceannt, Con Colbert, Sean Hueston and Michael Mallin at Richmond Barracks and Kilmainham Gaol.

# **Kilmainham Inchicore Musical Society**

A 1916 Afternoon Tea Dance (with a revue of musical theatre in the 1900's) will take place in the Bera Hall, Bulfin Estate, Inchicore on May 15<sup>th.</sup>

# **Oliver Bond Flats Residents**

Residents will hold a community clean up of the complex with activities and refreshments on 22/04/16 at 18.00hr.

# **Mendicity Institution**

The Mendicity Institution will showcase a Research & Digital Publication and Exhibition on 23/04/16.

#### **Rialto Kilmainham 1916 Commemoration Group**

An exhibition of artefacts, photographs and medals from 1916 displayed in a corridor of St. James Hospital (formally the South Dublin Union) and poetry readings and re-enactments in the old Nurses Home on 24/04/16.

# 35<sup>th</sup> Dublin Scout Group, Donore Avenue

The Group will hold Emerald Square Muster Roll a Ceremony of Flags followed by a street party on 24/04/16 at 11.00am

<u>The Relatives of the 4<sup>th</sup> Battalion 1916</u>: Will launch their booklet "*Ireland First: Comóradh Ár Sinsir 1916-2016*" in the presence of an Ardmhéara Críona Ní Dhálaigh at St. Catherine's Church, Thomas Street on 05/05/16 at 19.00hr.

# **CRUMLIN AREA OFFICE REPORT**

# **Drimnagh Residents Association**

Drimnagh Residents Association is celebrating its 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year. The committee are organising a series of events to mark the occasion. The City Council are working with the committee on the programme of events which includes a family fun day, Historical walking tour of the area, a photographic exhibition and variety show. The year of celebration will be officially launched by President Michael D Higgins on May 9<sup>th</sup> in Our Lady's Hall, Mourne Road.

# **Community Clean Ups**

Lismore/Durrow Residents and St. Martin's Park are organising local Clean ups on Saturday April 23rd.

# **Iveagh Grounds Active Retirement Group**

Dublin Fire Brigade in conjunction with the Area Office is giving fire safety talks to community groups in the Area. During this month they will visit the active retirement group at the Iveagh Grounds and a number of sheltered housing Common Rooms.

# **Spring Gardening Talks**

The Crumlin Area Office will be organising a series of gardening talks during the month of April. The details of the events are as follows:

Topic: Soil preparation for the growing season

Date: 23rd April@11am in Blarney Park Allotments, Dublin 12

Topic: The holistic gardener'

Date: 27th April @ 6:30pm in Pearse College, Clogher Road, D12

Topic: Propagation, germination and Trees
Date: 30th April @11:00am in Drimnagh Castle

To encourage the community to get involved with the Tidy Towns programme the City Council are supporting Community Plant Sales throughout the area during the month of May. The Community Plant Sales and gardening talks generate great interest locally.

# **Crumlin/ Walkinstown Community Forum**

The City Council provides ongoing support to the Community Forum. The Forum are organising a creative writing class for beginners, which is funded through the Council Informal Adult Education Programme. The class will commence in Fr. Kitt Court on April 21<sup>st</sup> and target older people from the sheltered housing complexes in the area.

# **Outdoor gyms**

The assessment of the tenders, received for the supply and installation of outdoor gyms in Bunting Park and Lansdowne Valley Park, is now complete. The recommendation has been forwarded to the relevant Department and letters will be sent to the successful companies in the coming weeks. It is expected that construction works will commence in June 2016.

# **BALLYFERMOT AREA OFFICE OFFICE**

# **1916 Commemoration Events**

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> April: Ballyfermot 1916 Consortium – St Dominic's, Caritas, St Johns and Kylemore secondary schools debate "That the 1916 Rising was a failure from the period 1916 – 1922." In the Ballyfermot Community Civic Centre from 10.30am to 12 noon. Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April: 1916 Festival Parade – 11.00am to 2.00pm the children of Ballyfermot will march with pride and great excitement down the main street of Ballyfermot as a living flag. 150 students, made up of 15 students representing each one of the schools, will be split into three sections. Each section will form a part of the national flag, Green, White and Orange. The living flag will be lead by the bag pipes from the Assumption Church and will arrive at the Ballyfermot Community Civic Centre.

A drama based on the book by Joe Duffy "The children of the 1916 Rising" will be performed by the Ballyfermot Theatre Workshop and local school children in the Ballyfermot Community Civic Centre after the Parade.

On Saturday 23rd of April 2016 the children and families of Ballyfermot are being called upon to come forth and join in the fun by taking part in 'The Rising Fun Colour Run' at 2pm and the Ballyfermot Theatre Work Shop production of the 'Lost Voices' at 5pm and then in the evening, to dance until they drop at the Ceili Mor at 8pm - 9.30pm also in the Ballyfermot Community Civic Centre. Further showing of the play will be on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> April at 3pm in the Ballyfermot Community Civic Centre.

Ongoing events are the displays on Main Street Ballyfermot, the Ballyfermot Library and the Ballyfermot Community Civic Centre on the leaders, men, women and children of the 1916 Rising. There are also talks, poetry, recitations, radio shows by Together FM etc throughout the month of April.

# **Age Friendly**

Planning has begun on a high profile event to celebrate the creativity of older people in the South Central Area. This event, while celebrating the creative side of older people, will also serve to create networking opportunities for older persons groups, Men's Sheds etc. across the area.

## **Cherry Orchard Clean Streets**

April sees the return of Cherry Orchard Clean Streets. This is a concerted effort by residents and Dublin City Council to engage others in the environmental enhancement of the Cherry Orchard Area which includes entry into City Neighborhoods and national Tidy Towns Competitions. April also sees the Ballyfermot Tidy Towns campaign begin with targeted cleanups on Main Street and other areas of concern.

# **Chapelizod Heritage Sign**

Information and map for the Chapelizod Heritage sign and map have been sent for translation. The physical sign will be purchased under the new Wayfinder Framework tender to be completed shortly.

#### **Other Projects**

The Community & Social Development Team continue to support all community & voluntary groups in the Ballyfermot, Chapelizod and Cherry Orchard Areas including The Ballyfermot Stitchers, The Swinging 50's, Teanga Beo Naoinra, Cherry Orchard Mid Summer Fair, Cherry Orchard Restorative Forum, D10 Autistic Spectrum Disorder Support Group, the Ballyfermot Club for Physically Disabled, Chapelizod Steering Group, Rainbow Clubhouse and many others. We also provide information on funding and other activities on a weekly basis in the area.

# 360. Housing and Residential Services

(i) Report on the Housing Programme.

Order: (i) Noted.

# 361. Community, Culture, Economic and Emergency Services

- (i) Public Library Events for April 2016 South Central Area.
- (ii) Sport and Recreation Report for April 2016 South Central Area.

Order: (i) Noted.

(ii) Noted.

# 362. Planning and Economic Development Matters

(i) Derelict Sites Report, (January to March 2016).

Order: (i) Noted.

# DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL SOUTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE 20<sup>th</sup> April 2016

# **April Motions: -**

# 363 Councillor Greg Kelly

This Area Committee invites two members of the St. Michael's Regeneration Board to make a presentation to the Area Committee about the future plans for the board. This presentation will take place at the next meeting of 18th May or the next meeting with available slot. The presentation will take place at 2.30pm. and will finish no later than 2.50pm. The 20 minutes will allow any questions to be asked.

Order: Agreed.

# 364 Councillor Daithi Doolan

That South Central Area Committee invites Familibase in to make a presentation to the Area Committee on the proposal for a scrambler and horse park in Cherry Orchard.

Order: Agreed.

# 365 Councillor Tina MacVeigh

That this Area Committee request the Area Manager to develop and implement a strategy and plan for the canal route between Suir Road Bridge and Tyrconnell Road, to include cleaning, enhanced lighting and pathway repairs.

Order: Report to Councillor.

# 366 Councillor Paul Hand

In light of the important social and sporting function they perform, commercial gyms should have an exemption or a reduction in commercial rates. This would enable small, community gyms to survive and thrive and provide countless social benefits to all communities. This area committee supports assisting our gyms in this way through reforming the Valuation Act and requests that the area manager write to the relevant minister outlining this motion and request that the minister give our motion due consideration and to reply with any plans they may have on this issue.

Order: Motion Falls.

# 367 <u>Councillor Greg Kelly</u>

This Area Committee condemns the placing of names of the British Crown Forces and Irish Freedom Fighters on the same wall. This wall should be taken down and this Area Committee calls on the Glasnevin Trust to start the process of dismantling it. Everyone should have the right to remember and honour their dead, whether they were Irish republicans, members of British crown forces or civilians. That is catered for already within Glasnevin Cemetery with its many and diverse memorials and graves.

Order: Agreed.

# 368 Councillor Tina MacVeigh

That this Area Committee request the Area Manager to develop and implement a strategy and plan for the green area at junction Marrowbone Lane/Pimlico, in particular to provide for adequate drainage of the footpath.

Order: Agreed.

# 369 Councillor Paul Hand

That this Area Committee requests that An Post re-establish a post box near the Hilton Hotel on the Inchicore Road now that the road and path have been refurbished and most of the Centenary Celebrations carried out. This would benefit local residents in Inchicore, Kilmainham and Islandbridge. To this end we would request that this motion is forwarded to the CEO of An Post so that action can be taken. **Order: Report noted.** 

Councillor Ray McHugh, Chairperson 21<sup>st</sup> April 2016.

#### Attendance

# **Apologies**

An tArdmhéara Críona Ní Dhálaigh and Councillor Daithí Doolan,

## Councillors

Councillor Daithí De Roiste, Councillor Pat Dunne, Councillor Paul Hand, Councillor Vincent Jackson, Councillor Greg Kelly, Councillor Ray McHugh, Councillor Tina MacVeigh Councillor Rebecca Moynihan and Councillor Hazel Norton.

# **Officials**

Bruce Phillips, Area Manager, South Central Area;
Declan Ronan, Area Housing Manager, Crumlin Area Office;
Kay Noonan Cork, Area Housing Manager, South West Inner City;
John Behan, Administrative Officer, Ballyfermot Area Office;
Helen Smirnova, Sen. Exec. Engineer, Traffic Management & Control;
Adrian Dowling, Assistant Engineer, Traffic Management & Control;
Maire Igoe, Senior Executive Officer, Planning & Property Development Dept.;
Karen Clarke, Staff Officer, South Central Office;
Donna O'Reilly, Assistant Staff Officer, South Central Office;
Cathriona Woulfe, Senior Staff Officer, South Central Office.