

**SOUTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE
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MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 9th MAY 2016
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597. Presentation on proposal to initiate Part 8 procedure for 4 Metropole advertising structures located at Charlemont Street, Donnybrook Road, Pembroke Road and Shelbourne Road.
Order: Agreed to initiate the Part 8 process.
598. Presentation on the Docklands Public Realm Strategy.
Order: Noted.
599. Minutes of the meeting held on 11th April 2016.
Order: Agreed. Item 586 is amended to read: Order: Agreed.
600. Questions to the Chief Executive.
Order: Noted.
601. Environment and Transportation Department Matters
- i. Traffic Advisory Group Minutes of Meeting held 26th April 2016.
Order: Noted.
Cllr. Kennedy declared an interest in 16408.
602. Community, Culture, Economic and Emergency Services Department Matters
- i. Report on feasibility of a new all weather pitch in Herbert Park.
Order: Noted.
603. Planning and Property Development Department Matters
- i. Report on the proposed disposal of site at 52 and 52a Clanbrassil Street Lower, Dublin 8.
Order: Agreed to recommend to City Council.
 - ii. Planning Enforcement Quarterly Report January to March 2016 (page 36 and enclosed).
Order: Noted.
604. South East Area Matters
- i. Updates on the following:
 - Community Development Section.
 - Environmental Services Unit.
 - Housing Projects and Local Area Improvements.
 - Sport and Recreation Section.**Order: Noted.**

- ii. Naming proposal for a development at 1 and 3 Irishtown Road, “Brickfield Walk”.

Order: Agreed.

Motions

605. Motion from Councillor Paddy Smyth

This committee calls on the manager to establish a working group, including traffic engineers, local councillors and other stakeholders, to redesign the junction at Adelaide Road, Lesson Street and the Grand Canal Cycle Way. This junction is no longer fit for purpose given the increasing volume of vehicular, cycle and pedestrian traffic.

Order: Agreed.

606. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey

Based on the general reply issued to question 11 at the April area committee, this committee agrees to discuss and request the manager to bring forward proposals as to how this new facility will be managed and what charges will be applied and for what purposes the facility will be used.

Order: Report to Councillor.

607. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill

Due to a recent traffic accident and several near misses that the Traffic Engineer urgently examines the junction of Cullenswood Gardens and Merton Drive, Ranelagh. This junction may need a Stop Sign and possible removal of a parking bay from Merton Drive on Sandford Road side of Cullenswood Gardens.

Order: Report to Councillor.

608. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill

That the road circling Grosvenor Square and the entrance road from Leinster Road, the granite kerbs and concrete footpaths be repaired to an acceptable standard of workmanship in keeping with the architectural listed status of the square.

This is a listed square and the state of maintenance of footpaths, roads and trees is in a serious state of dereliction. Recently I asked that the kerbs be repaired; the trees roots have dislodged granite kerbing and in some instances actually broken up footpaths. This has caused very large lips to form on the footpaths which is extremely dangerous for pedestrians and lethal for the walking wounded or people with poor vision. Following my representation, dobs of tar macadam have been filled into the gaps of the granite paving and several cut off tree branches were left strewn on the footpaths. While this does not remove the danger to pedestrians, it's totally unacceptable standard of maintenance treatment for a square that is on the List of Architectural Protected Structures.

Outside house Number

No. 36 broken granite filled in with tar. This repair should be done with sand and cement.

No. 39 tree roots lifting cement and road has sunken

No. 43 tree lifting path granite badly displaced path covered in tar. Raised granite lips very bad and dangerous

No. 51 tile bricks have been put around the tree and they are beginning to break

No. 55 granite uneven all around tree and dangerous

No. 66, 68 & 74 granite broken causing huge lips – very dangerous. There are a lot of weeds that are never sprayed

No. 75 granite kerb very badly broken, huge lip

No. 80 corner of road part of road collapsed, tree roots protruding and granite broken No. 3 tree roots has broken through concrete and split granite. Along this section because of the lack of street cleaning, the road is caked with refuse.

Along the entrance to Grosvenor Square from Leinster Road trees have caused concrete and granite to split.

All along the entrance road and road around the square, there are many pot holes. Here again having already written about this, some holes have been filled. As we know this is putting good money after bad as this will only last for a few months.

Therefore it is agreed that Grosvenor Square will be listed for urgent repairs as set out above.

Order: Agreed.

609. Motion from Councillors Paddy Smyth, Dermot Lacey, Mannix Flynn, Kieran Binchy, Sonya Stapleton, Frank Kennedy, Paddy Mc Cartan, Chris Andrews and Claire Byrne.

Given the negligible capital investment required and the massive potential increase in amenity to both bicycle commuters and tourists using the Dublinbike scheme, this committee calls on the Transport Department to formally request funds for a feasibility study from the NTA, under the Smarter Travel Fund, to extend 'Parking Protected Cycle Lanes' beyond the 900m route proposed in Motion 397 below (passed by the SEAC in Sept 2015), to the surrounding streets of Cumberland Road, Mount Street Upper, around Merrion Square, Merrion Street Upper, Ely Place, Hume Street, Stephen's Green East, Earlsfort Terrace, (through the Iveagh Gardens) and onto Clonmel Street.

This route would seamlessly connect the Grand Canal Greenway to the South City's Georgian parklands via high quality cycle infrastructure.

Order: Agreed.

610. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey

This committee requests the manager to examine the possibility of building a wall along the front of Cymric Road parallel to Sean Moore Road to reduce the impact of the additional traffic and noise caused by the intensification of the use arising from the construction and operation of the Incinerator and to plant appropriate non shedding trees inside the wall to help this. Given the impact on the residents to seek funding for this if necessary from the operators of Covanta or the Community Gain Fund.

Order: Agreed.

611. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill

That the DSE area office set up a meeting with Harold's Cross Community Council to discuss:

1. Issues regarding building construction site at Mount Argus Planning Enforcement
2. Conditions of planning decision mount Argus / Kimmage Road Lower. Development of Open space issue for Parks Dept. possibly Planning Dept.
3. Discussion on traffic control and sequencing of traffic lights Kimmage Road Lower."

I hope to have a more specific list closer to the meeting.

Order: Report to Councillor.

612. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill

ESB have requested that a parking space on Adelaide Road be exclusively designated for recharging of electric cars. This committee is reminded of an incident in Parkmore Avenue Harold's Cross when ESB insisted on installing a recharging point in one of the parking bays there. It was pointed out to them at the time that this is a very high demand residential parking area and in fact the space is unlikely to be vacant very often. Despite this being pointed out to them they persisted. At that time in 2014 this area committee agreed by way of motion that the space would never be exclusively designed for charging electric cars. This motion reminds the Traffic Dept. of this decision.

Order: Report to Councillor.

613. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill

That a traffic study be carried out on rat running in Rathdown Terenure. Also that a meeting be held with South Dublin County Council to discuss the impact of many of their traffic calming decisions in Templeogue on Rathdown area which is further down the road. Rathdowne is the only right turn between Templeogue Bridge and Dartry.

Order: Agreed.

614. Motion from Councillor Frank Kennedy

This committee resolves that the double yellow lines recently installed on Strand Road, initially from the Merrion Gates to the junction with St Alban's Park, and thereafter with approximately six yards of yellow lines added on Strand Road running up to the northern side of the exit to Merrion Strand, to ask that a symmetrical strip of yellow lines be placed on Strand Road commencing at the *southern* side of the exit of Merrion Strand and running towards the junction with Sydney Parade Avenue. While a similar motion was put on the agenda at the March SEAC meeting, since then the situation has evolved with lines now running to the northern side of the exit of Merrion Strand. This change is welcome, but there is an even greater health and safety risk on the southern side, because here there is a total lack of visibility for motorists when leaving Merrion Strand. They cannot see oncoming traffic going in a southerly direction at all because of the presence of parked cars right up to the entrance.

Order: Report to Councillor.

615. Motion from Councillor Chris Andrews

That the unused lamp standards in Ringsend and in particular outside Clarke's public house in Ringsend village be removed and explain why the process can takes so long.

Order: Report to Councillor.

616. Motion from Councillor Chris Andrews

That a feasibility study be carried out for proposals to install an all weather football pitch in Beechill Park and outline what the main obstacles to installation of an Astro pitch are on this site.

Order: Agreed.

617. Motion from Councillor Chris Andrews

That given the ongoing concerns residents in Bride Street, Ross Road and Nicholas Street have with fire safety that an audit of these flats be carried out on these flats bearing in mind there are some clear concerns.

Order: Report to Councillor.

618. Motion from Councillor Sonya Stapleton

That this committee requests that painting of Mercer Street flats and Cuffe Street flats will be given high priority due to being extremely neglected for many years.

Order: Report to Councillor.

619. Motion from Councillor Sonya Stapleton

That this committee request a report from An Garda Síochána regarding an inquiry into Irish Club on Harcourt Street breaking the terms of their alcohol licence agreement of 11.30pm and being a disturbance to residents into the early hours of the morning on a weekly basis.

(Previous Motion from March 2016)

That this committee requests the manager to contact police and begin investigation into Club Chonradh na Gaeilge in 6 Harcourt Street due to breach of their liquor license agreement and noise coming from the premises into the early hours of the morning.

Order: Report to Councillor.

620. Motion from Councillor Claire Byrne

That this Area Committee asks the Area Manager to install a pedestrian crossing at the top of Nutley Lane and the junction of the N11 in order to allow pedestrians, especially young children walking to school, cross the road at this junction safely.

Order: Report to Councillor.

621. Motion from Councillor Claire Byrne

That this Area Committee asks the Area Manager to provide an update on the progress of joint Motion 438 from November 2015 'That this committee requests the manager to meet with the Nutley Residents' Association in order to discuss, prioritise and address the list of issues compiled by the members of the association. The list has already been submitted to the council.' and to include a progress report on each of the items listed by the Nutley Residents' Association at that time.

Order: Report to councillor.

622. Motion from Councillor Claire Byrne

That this Area Committee asks the Area Manager to please install cameras at the junction of at the bottom of Nutley Lane at the junction outside St. Vincent's Hospital to assess driver behaviour and to help address the on-going issue of drivers breaking red lights at this junction.

Order: Report to councillor.

Chairperson

Dated 9th May 2016

Attendance

Members

Councillor P. McCartan (in the chair).

Councillors D. Lacey, S. Stapleton, K. Binchy, P. Costello, R. McGinley, C. Andrews, M. Freehill, P. Smyth, A. Feeney, C. O'Connor, F. Kennedy and C. Byrne.

Officials

R. Kenny, Area Manager, South East Area Office.
F. Lambe, Assistant Area Manager, South East Area Office.
M. Ginnetty, Assistant Staff Officer, South East Area Office.
P. McCann, Administrative Officer, South East Area Office.
J. Wall, Staff Officer, South East Area Office.
F. O'Brien, Staff Officer, South East Area Office.
G. Geoghegan, Area Housing Manager, South East Area Office.
E. Martin, Area Housing Manager, South East Area Office.
H. Smirnova, Executive Engineer, Traffic Department.
C. Adamson, Assistant Engineer, Traffic Management & Control Section.
P. Clegg, Executive Manager, Planning and Property Development Department.
J. Wales, Senior Executive Officer, City Architect's Department.
J. Keogan, Assistant Chief Executive, Planning and Property Development Department.
M. Rossiter, Executive Manager, Planning and Property Development Department.
L. Johnson, Staff Officer, South East Area Office.
F. Worrall, Administrative Officer, Planning Enforcement.