



MINUTES OF THE SOUTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD ON MONDAY, 13 FEBRUARY 2017

- 1 Presentation on Tearooms at Merrion Square Park
Order: Noted.
- 2 Minutes of South East Area Committee Meeting 9th January 2017
Order: Agreed.
- 3 **Environment and Transportation Department Matters**
 - i. Minutes of Traffic Advisory Group Meeting held on 24th January 2017.
Order: Noted.
 - ii. Traffic Works Programme 2017.
Order: Noted.
- 4 **Housing, Community and Emergency Services Department Matters**
 - i. Report on Community Grants Awards 2017.
Order: Agreed to recommend to City Council.
- 5 **Culture, Recreation and Amenity Department Matters**
 - i. Tree Maintenance Programme 2017.
Order: Noted.
- 6 **South East Area Matters**
 - i. Update on Community Development, Environmental Services Unit, Housing Projects & Local Area Improvements and Sports and Recreation Section.
Order: Noted.
 - ii. Discretionary fund.
Order: Agreed.
 - iii. Report on proposed naming and numbering of a mixed-use development at 1 - 4 Windmill Lane etc.
Order: Agreed.

Motions

Motion 1 from Councillor Dermot Lacey

This committee requests an update on the flood protection works planned for Beach Road/Strand Road, Sandymount.

Order: Report to councillor.

Motion 2 from Councillor Mary Freehill

That the Parks Department and DSE LAC office establish a working group of local councillors, residents from Greenlea and Lakelands whose homes back on to the City of Dublin Education and Training Board (CDETb) land in Terenure and also include residents of Templeogue Road, Rathdown, Olney and Fergus Road . The purpose of this working group is to discuss boundary protection and parking implications in the event of Dublin City Council (DCC) taking over the management of these lands. It is also agreed that meetings take place prior to DCC making any agreement with CDETb or preparation of a Part 8.

Order: Motion amended to include sports groups in working group. Agreed as amended.

Motion 3 from Councillor Dermot Lacey

This committee agrees to upgrade the footpath along the stretch of Morehampton Road between the junction of Herbert Park / Marlborough Road up as far as the junction with Mount Eden Road which is now one of the most intensely used sections of Donnybrook village.

Order: Report to Councillor.

Motion 4 from Councillor Dermot Lacey

This committee asks the manager to conduct an audit of residents of Heskin Court to ascertain the upgrade and maintenance needs so that they can be carried out in a comprehensive manner. At present, this councillor (and possibly other councillors) receives complaints on a weekly basis from residents re the overall maintenance of the complex and this is not the best way to have the works ascertained and completed.

Order: Report to Councillor.

Motion 5 from Councillor Chris Andrews

That given the significance of the Poolbeg Strategic Development Zone (SDZ) this area committee requests the manager to have the plans displayed in St. Andrew's Resource Centre as well as the Docklands Office and Ringsend / Irishtown Community Centres as part of community consultation.

Order: Agreed.

Motion 6 from Councillor Dermot Lacey

This committee agrees to ask the manager if she would arrange to have the possibility of Dodder Action being given use of the former waste depot at the rear of Pembroke Cottages, Donnybrook for use as their storage area for their Dodder cleansing equipment examined and arrange to meet with their representatives to discuss this.

Order: Motion amended to agree to use of the depot by Dodder Action on a short-term basis. Agreed as amended.

Motion 7 from Councillor Chris Andrews

That this area committee agrees that the taking down of any railings around Ringsend Park will not be started until such time as there is extensive community engagement around the issue and there is clear understanding of the implications

for removal before the work of removal starts and acknowledges the petition presented with this motion by residents.

Order: Agreed.

Motion 8 from Councillor Mary Freehill

Following a meeting of the Mount Argus & Church Park Residents' Association the following issues were raised and need to be addressed.

1. Traffic lights on Kimmage Road with right turn to Mount Argus and Church Park, the waiting time on the right light phase is very long and needs to be adjusted.
2. Residents are concerned about any cycleway going through their estate and the safety implications for them.
3. Trees need to be pruned in the estate and along the Poddle. There is also a problem with drinking along the banks. The result is that the bins are always overflowing.
4. Road sweeping is very infrequent.
5. Permission times for dogs to be taken off lead along the Poddle is not adhered to, so area needs to be patrolled.
6. The entrance sign to estate needs to be placed in a more prominent place.
7. Fire hydrants need to be repainted, as it's not easy to locate them.
8. Footpaths are very uneven as a result of roots coming through the cement. It's dangerous for pedestrians.

It is agreed that the above issues are dealt with. Furthermore it is also agreed to hold a site meeting with the committee of the residents' association with LAC personnel.

Order: Motion amended to include: "Improvement of surfaces for wheelchair users between Mount Argus Crescent and Park." Agreed as amended.

Motion 9 from Councillor Frank Kennedy

This committee laments the decision of Aircoach to cease its Strand Road route and will write to the operator to request that it be reinstated.

Order: Agreed.

Motion 10 from Councillor Frank Kennedy

Having regard to the fact that the Grand Canal walkway in Portobello is frequently, dangerously and impermissibly used by cyclists, this committee resolves to write to Waterways Ireland asking them to address this, including by installation of adequate signage. The red banner on the No Cycling sign to indicate that cycling is prohibited is almost invisible.

Order: Agreed.

Motion 11 from Councillor Claire Byrne

That this area committee asks the area manager to ensure that funding is made available this year to replace the public street lighting on Camden Row with white LED lights as part of the LED replacement programme and that this street is made a priority for the 2017 works programme.

Order: Report to councillor.

Motion 12 from Councillor Claire Byrne

That this area committee calls on the area manager to request a meeting with Greyhound Waste and the members of this area committee to address the numerous issues that are arising since Greyhound have withdrawn their bag collection service.

Order: Report to councillor.

Motion 13 from Councillor Claire Byrne

That this area committee calls on the area manager to investigate the possibility of imposing a Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO) on the property and / or lands of the building at the junction of Leeson Street Bridge and the Grand Canal Cycle Route on the corner of Adelaide Road, in order to improve access for - cyclists and pedestrians as the junction in its current form is a hazard for all users.

Order: Report to councillor.

Motion 14 from Councillor Claire Byrne

That this area committee calls on the area manager to review the decision not to replace the trees that were removed in Curzon Street, to ensure that these trees will be replaced and that their replacement is made a priority for the 2017 tree planting programme.

Order: Report to councillor.

Motion 15 from Councillor Mannix Flynn

That this South East Area Committee supports, in principal, the proposal for a film studio The Dublin Bay Studios in and around the Glass Bottle site. It has now become apparent that there is ample room to facilitate such a facility. This would be a fantastic opportunity for the South East Area and in particular the Ringsend, Irishtown, Dublin Bay Area. It would complement the proposed new community setting here and create sustainable jobs and economy into the future.

With the imminent exit of Britain from the EU many film companies will be seeking alternative locations. This studio proposal puts Dublin and Ireland firmly on that map.

Further that Dublin Bay Studios be facilitated to give a presentation of their proposal and their financial plan to this committee and also to the Economic Enterprise Strategic Policy Committee (SPC).

Order: Agreed.

Motion 16 from Councillor Mannix Flynn

Given the sale of Dublin City Council's premises at Aungier Street / Digges Street for a substantial sum of money and given the fact that this premises was under the control of the community department of DCC that a substantial percentage of the price paid for this premises be ear marked for the local community to assist with amenities, facilities, youth programs and upkeep.

Order: Motion amended to remove "a substantial percentage" and substitute "a percentage". Agreed as amended.

Motion 17 from Councillor Mannix Flynn

That this committee of Dublin City Council (DCC) supports the Whitefriar Street Community Centre and the local residents of the Whitefriar Street area and mothers in their efforts to keep open the crèche facility at this centre. That this committee through its discretionary fund financially supports the community centre and the local residents to keep this crèche open. This crèche cannot be allowed close and we need to make every effort to ensure its future.

Most recently the residents at a meeting in the centre got assurances that this facility would remain open pending funding options etc. Dublin City Council has a duty of care here to their tenants and their residents.

This is a great opportunity to be involved in training and job making in the childcare service.

Order: Agreed.

Motion 18 from Councillor Mary Freehill

That the this committee supports the Environmental Health Department and also the Public Health Department in the HSE in relation to an issue in Rathgar which is a serious threat to the health and well being of residents. This relates to a property on Garville Avenue.

Order: Agreed.

8 Questions to the Chief Executive February 2017

Order: Noted.

Cllr. Paddy McCartan
Chairperson
Monday, 13 February 2017

Attendance:

Members:

Cllr. Claire O'Connor
Cllr. Mannix Flynn
Cllr. Dermot Lacey
Cllr. Chris Andrews
Cllr. Anne Feeney

Members:

Cllr. Kieran Binchy
Cllr. Mary Freehill
Cllr. Ruairi McGinley
Cllr. Patrick Costello

Members:

Cllr. Claire Byrne
Cllr. Frank Kennedy
Cllr. Paddy Smyth
Cllr. Paddy McCartan

Officers

Rose Kenny
Brian Hanney
Les Moore
Leah Johnson
Rossana Camargo

Fiona O'Brien
Paul McCann
Kathleen Farrell
Bernard Brady
Chris Adamson

Jennifer Wall
Declan Hayden
Eileen Martin
Gerard Geoghegan
Neil O'Donoghue