

NOTIFICATION TO ATTEND MEETING OF THE SOUTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE

TO BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, DAME STREET, DUBLIN 2.

ON MONDAY 10 JULY 2017 AT 3.00 PM

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- Report on proposed naming of a development on Hanover Street East, 1 – 56, Ropemaker Place.
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10 Motions

Motion 1 from Councillor Dermot Lacey

This committee agrees to ask the manager to take urgent action to have the footpath on Baggot Street Upper, as detailed below, checked and repaired.

As a resident who lives just around the corner from Baggot Street Upper, I would appreciate if you could liaise with Dublin City Council, as a matter of priority, to ensure the re-paving of both footpaths on either side of the road. As our local public representative, you must be aware of the poor and dangerous state of the footpaths on both sides of the street.

For the last couple of years, both pavements have deteriorated to a stage that many of the paving stones are broken, loose and jagged, and it is a veritable obstacle course walking on either footpath. Between offices, businesses and residents, there is a huge amount of footfall daily on this street. Given the amount of footfall, the neglected condition of the paving stones is an ongoing serious problem, it is dangerous and a health and safety hazard.

Unfortunately, on Thursday 1st June, my 57 year old sister stepped on a paving stone located between Eathos coffee shop and Baggot Wines and she had a bad fall and was injured. On closer inspection, we discovered that the paving stone was split down the middle and completely loose (see photo below). My sister had to be taken by ambulance to St. James's Hospital Emergency Department and they confirmed she had fractured a bone in her foot and has considerable bruising including soft tissue. She has to wear a medical walking boot for at least five weeks, and we do not know what the long term impact of her fall may be. Her fall would have been completely avoidable if the paving stones had been maintained in good condition. A very concerned Garda came along, Garda Niall Burke from Donnybrook Garda Station, and he must have notified Dublin City Council that same day, as I note that the offending paving stone has since been repaired with tarmac but the rest are as bad as ever.

I know, from talking to staff in various businesses in Upper Baggot Street, that this is not an isolated incident. Another lady fell outside Eathos at Christmas and broke her ankle very badly. A man fell outside Boots Pharmacy a few months ago. The staff in Meaghers' Pharmacy said that a number of people have come into them after falls on the pavements and one of their own staff fell and fractured her arm on the same pavements as long as two years ago. I know that, in the fortnight since my sister fell, two ladies had bad falls on a loose paving stone between Meaghers' and No. 8 News-agency, one lady as recently as yesterday evening!

Repairing individual faulty paving stones after they cause a fall and injury is not a solution. The council needs to assess and re-pave the whole street as a matter of urgency, as it is evident that accidents are happening on a regular basis and people are being injured.

I am sure you will understand our frustration, on paying our Property Tax; that we

see no obvious benefit, nor do local businesses paying rates. Instead, we see our built environment deteriorate to the point that it is unsafe for citizens to walk there.

I am asking you, as our local public representative, to ensure that Dublin City Council assesses and re-paves both footpaths as a matter of priority, in order to protect people from injury. I would appreciate if you could let me know what practical action you intend to take to address this very serious Health and Safety issue, when you have taken that action and the outcome. I look forward to a positive response.

Motion 2 from Councillor Dermot Lacey

There will be a new development at the Hawkins House site bordered by Tara Street and Poolbeg Street, through which a main street will run. In recognition of the previous location of the Theatre Royal at this site, this committee requests the manager to take the necessary steps - including advance contact with the owners of the site - to have the road crossing the site named "Theatre Royal Way".

Motion 3 from Councillor Ruairi McGinley

That the manager report to this committee on the condition of open space in Rutland Grove and steps taken to deal with unauthorised occupation on the space and resulting mayhem and anti social behaviour of a serious nature.

Motion 4 from Councillors Patrick Costello and Ruairi McGinley

That this area committee agrees that the following issues in Rutland Grove are addressed as soon as possible - installation of "Cul De Sac" sign at the start of the estate - cleaning of walls and removal of graffiti around the open green area - increased monitoring of parking difficulties and illegal parking by parking enforcement.

Motion 5 from Councillor Mary Freehill

That funds be included in the 2018 budget to fill in the canal wall along Parnell Road. There are major gaps in this wall which leaves it level with the footpath. This is where the canal overflowed along with the Poddle in 2011 which caused loss of life.

Motion 6 from Councillor Dermot Lacey

This committee agrees to request the Traffic Engineer to develop a comprehensive traffic plan (signage, etc.) for Lansdowne Park, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4.

Motion 7 from Councillor Claire Byrne

That this area committee calls on the area manager to resurface the pavements on both sides of the road on Upper Baggot Street. There have been numerous accidents due to uneven paving stones on the road and therefore this needs to be addressed as a matter of urgency.

Motion 8 from Councillor Claire Byrne

That this area committee supports the residents of Ringsend and Irishtown in their efforts to erect a 'Weclome to Ringsend' sign in the area and that this be included as part of the Ringsend and Irishtown Local Environment Improvement Plan. Suggested locations are around Ringsend Bridge and just after the Garda Station on Irishtown Road.

Motion 9 from Councillor Claire Byrne

That this area committee agrees that any redevelopment of the Central Bank should include the following:

- a skate park or skate ramp
- an indoor play area for children
- the provision of artist studios

and that the area manager ensures that these are taken into consideration when making any decisions on planning applications for this site.

Motion 10 from Councillor Claire Byrne

That this area committee calls on the area manager to retain John Sweeny in his role as sports development officer in Irishtown Stadium.

Motion 11 from Councillor Patrick Costello

That this committee agrees to install recycling bins for glass and cans at the open space at Portobello Harbour.

Motion 12 from Councillor Frank Kennedy

Having regard to the many great successes which communities, towns and villages in the South East Area have enjoyed in recent years in the Tidy Towns competition, this area committee resolves that there should be a ban on erecting any posters in any towns and villages in the city of Dublin which are competing as registered entrants / nominees in the Tidy Towns competition during the month of June and July (which are the adjudication months for the Tidy Towns) and that, if approved, this motion shall form part of the breviate of the South East Area Committee to be placed before the members of Dublin City Council for approval at its September meeting.

Motion 13 from Councillor Frank Kennedy

In the event that the immediately preceding motion is, on the advice of the law agent, unlawful having regard to legislation concerning the erection of election posters, then, having regard to the many great successes which communities, towns and villages in the South East Area have enjoyed in recent years in the Tidy Towns competition, this area committee resolves that there should be a ban on this city council approving any applications for permission to erect any posters in any towns and villages in the City of Dublin which are competing as registered entrants / nominees in the Tidy Towns competition during the months of June and July (which are the adjudication months for the Tidy Towns) and that, if approved, this motion shall form part of the breviate of the South East Area Committee to be placed before the members of Dublin City Council for approval at its September meeting.

Motion 14 from Councillor Frank Kennedy

This committee shall write to An Post to ask it to clarify the position regarding the Post Office in Donnybrook which it is understood will close in August 2017, and, if the Post Office at its current location is not to re-open, to ask what steps are being taken to ensure that a Post Office is opened in Donnybrook as a matter of urgency.

Motion 15 from Councillor Frank Kennedy

This committee shall write to An Post to request a full report on its efforts to ensure that a new post office is opened in Sandymount and to emphasise that this issue needs to be resolved as a matter of urgency.

Motion 16 from Councillor Frank Kennedy

Owing to the very severe traffic problems in the South East Area, which encompasses some of the most significant parts of Dublin city centre including College Green, Grafton Street and St. Stephen's Green, this committee resolves to write to the Minister for Transport to express its grave disappointment at the lack of progress on important transportation issues in our city since the minister assumed office in May 2016, and to respectfully request that the minister channels his energies into his own cabinet portfolio rather than pursuing matters which fall within the remit of other government departments, particularly in any matters in which he lacks both objectivity and expertise.

Motion 17 from Councillor Mannix Flynn

That this South East Area committee of Dublin City Council (DCC) call on DCC Planning Department to inform all social housing residents of any private developments that are taking place within a close proximity to their residence or homes. DCC as landlord and planning authority are neglecting their care of duty to their tenants. They are not looking out for their well-being, their safety or their health or indeed the enjoyment of their homes. Examples of this are in the Docklands area and also in the Golden Lane area and the Glovers Court area. If these were private blocks of flats the management company would be to the forefront of protecting residents' interests and welfare during, beginning and after the planning process.

11 Questions to the Chief Executive 10 July 2017

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The Mansion House

Proposed Interventions to the former Caretakers Apartment for use as a Formal Guest Apartment



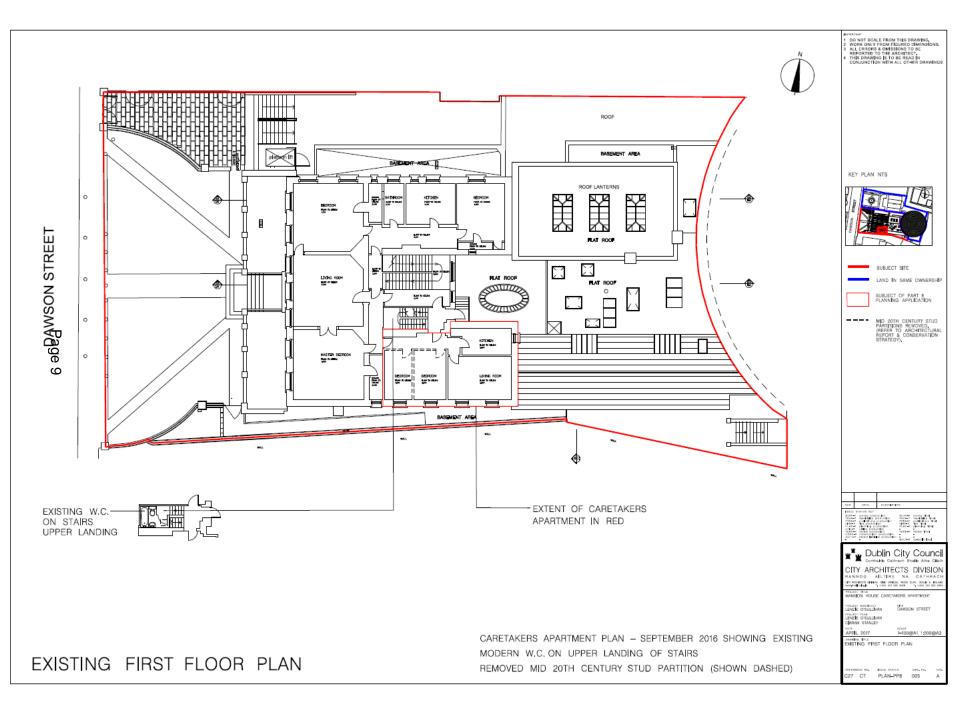
Intervention 1: Removal of 20th C. stud partition (non load-bearing). Intervention 2: Installation of new En Suite bathroom. Intervention 3: Forming of new external, single door ope in existing Victorian brickwork wall (post 1850) on inner face of south return.

Works are considered minor in nature and include the removal of inappropriate modern fabric with the acceptable loss of historic fabric (post 1850s brick) of lesser significance to allow the door ope to be formed.

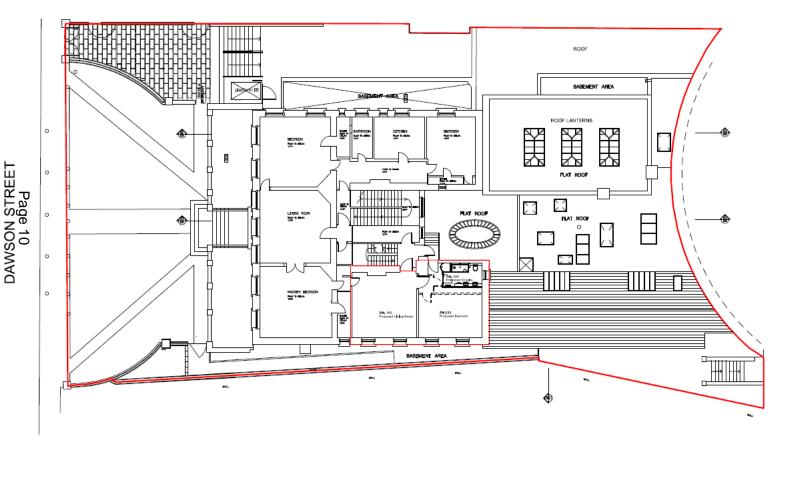
 $\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{B}}_{\mathbb{R}}$ Bathroom is clearly a contemporary intervention (a 'pod') that is reversible.

Work is a key part of the agreed strategy to provide modern, high quality facilities befitting a residence of this stature. (The Mansion House Conservation Plan 2009).

This plan whilst not statutory is a recognised document prepared by City Architects for the Client Body to guide the long term management and repair of the building. It was approved by the Protocol Committee and was well received on presentation to the Department of the AHG, the Irish Georgian Society, The Heritage Council and An Taisce.



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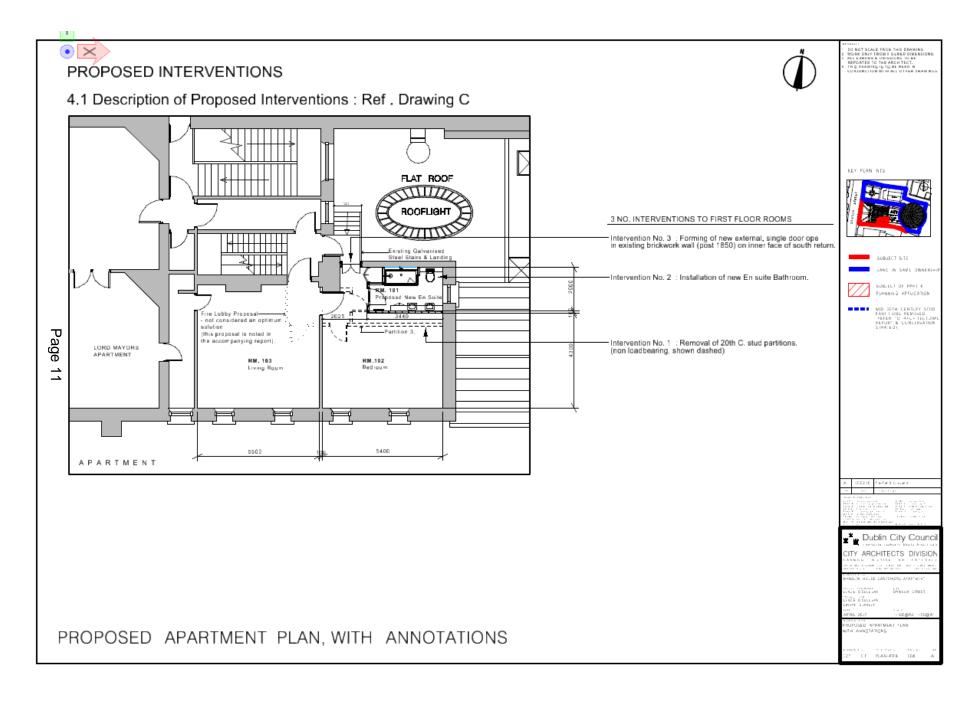






PROPOSED FIRST FLOOR PLAN

REFER TO DRAWING C27 CT 008 FOR ANNOTATED PLAN OF THIS AREA AT SCALE OF 1–50@A1, 1–100@A3 ILLUSTRATING THE 3 NO. PROPOSED INTERVENTIONS.





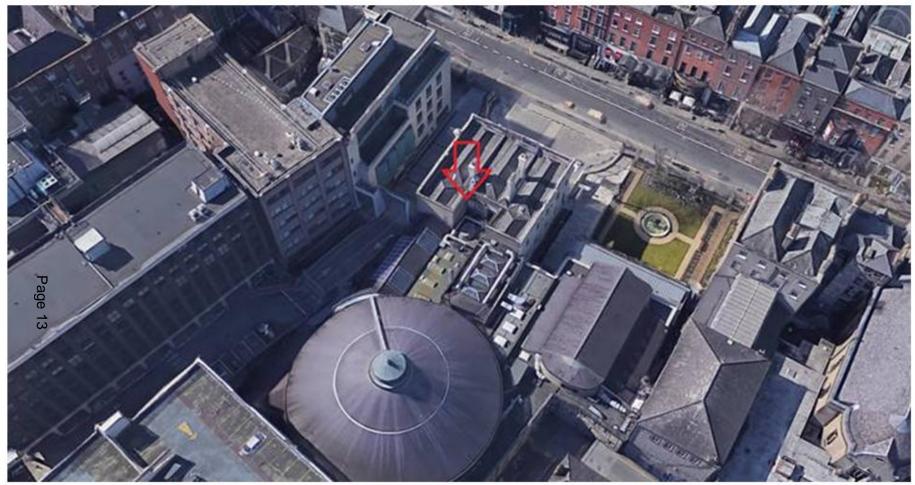


Image: Ariel View from South, red arrow indicates location of proposed single door opening to existing fire escape route across first floor roof

To the Chairperson and Members of the South East Area Committee

Notification of initiation under Part 8 Planning and Development Regulations 2001 as amended. Proposed refurbishment of Temple Bar Square, Temple Bar, Crown Alley and part of Fownes Street, Dublin 2.



Location Plan

SITE LOCATION & LAYOUT

Dublin City Council wishes to give notice that it intends to initiate the process leading to an application under Part 8 of the Local Government Planning & Development Regulations 2001 as amended for the refurbishment of Temple Bar Square, Temple Bar, Crown Alley and part of Fownes Street, Dublin 2.

Temple Bar Square is an important public space in the city and a major attraction for visitors. It is located in an area that incorporates many of the defining historic, cultural and heritage attractions of the capital.

The objective of the proposal is to refurbish the public realm and rearrange the layout of the space to support the continued and improved use of the space as a cultural and historic destination in the city, while providing an attractive, accessible space for all users.

Temple Bar Square is located on two of the busiest pedestrian routes in the city, north south linking the north retail quarter to the Grafton Street Area, and east west along Essex Street, Fleet Street.

The refurbishment provides an opportunity to provide a high quality public space that responds to and is formed around the requests of local stakeholders in this bustling part of the city.

In 2016 as part of the City Centre Public Realm Masterplan, Dublin City Council commenced a Public Realm Plan for Temple Bar. This project is one of the emerging projects from that plan.



The agreement of the South East Area Committee for the initiation of the Part 8 process is requested.

Leslie Moore City Parks Superintendent



Layout plan 1:200

	code	material	colour	specification
Surfac	e Material			
	V1a	Whinstone setts	blue grey	t.b.d.
******	V1b	Whinstone pavers	blue/ grey/ brown	t.b.d.
m	V2	Granite slabs	grey	t.b.d.
	V3	Re laid Dubin setts	blue/ grey brown	t.b.d.
Curbs	and edge	6		
	K1	Granite curb	grey	reusing existing kerbs. t.b.
Draina	9 0 0			
	W1	Open drain	whinstone	t.b.d.
	W2	Open drain	Dublin setts	t.b.d.
Street	Furniture			
\bigtriangledown	F1	Seating (Whinstone)	blue/grey /brown	Lb.d , integrated LED lighting
0	F2	Tree protector and grill	steel	Lb.d.
•.	F3	Bollards (retractable)	steel/stone	Lb.d.
0	F4	Drinking fountain (whinstone)	stone and steel	t.b.d.

Lighting			
L1	Tree lighting	string lighting	Lb.d.
• 12	Catenary lighting	steel	t.b.d.
+ L3	Spot lighting	steel	thd.
Green			
Gia Gia	New tree (Gleditisia spp)		t.b.d.
G1b	New tree large (Tilia spp.)		tb.d
Other			
02	Project boundary		

	Landscape & Urbanism Pembroke Street, Dublin 2	t: +353 1 6401940 e: Info@redscape.k
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MINUTES OF THE SOUTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD ON MONDAY 12 JUNE 2017

1	Presentation - Briefing on the Dodder Greenway Part 8 application and
	overview of the environmental report
	Order: Noted.

- 2 Presentation on Ringsend Irishtown Local Environmental Improvement Plan Order: Agreed.
- Presentation on Water Framework Directive River Basin Management Plan (2018 - 2021) Public Consultation Order: Noted.
- 4 Presentation on Proposed Works at Clarendon Street / Clarendon Row Order: Agreed to initiate the Part 8 process.
- 5 Minutes of South East Area Committee meeting held on 8th May 2017 Order: Agreed.
- 6 Environment and Transportation Department Matters
 - i. Minutes of Traffic Advisory Group meeting held on 25th May 2017. Order: Noted.
 - Report on Proposed Works at Cork Hill, Castle Street and Exchange Court. Part 8.
 Order: Noted.
- 7 Culture Recreation and Economic Services Department Matters
 - i. Report on proposed works at Merrion Square Park, Tearooms, Part 8. Order: Agreed to initiate the Part 8 process.

8 Planning and Property Development Department Matters

- i. Derelict Sites Report. Order: Noted.
- Report on proposed disposal of freehold interest in 3 Sundrive Road, Kimmage, Dublin 12 to Richard Hogan and others.
 Order: Agreed to recommend to city council.

- iii. Report on proposed grant of a lease of the Kiosk Unit, Drury Street Car Park, Dublin 2 to Restaurants Ireland Ltd.
 Order: Agreed to recommend to city council.
- Report on proposed grant of a licence of part of the lands adjoining Clonskeagh House, Clonskeagh, Dublin 14.
 Order: Agreed to recommend to city council.
- Report on proposed disposal of plot of land at Hanover Quay to Cairn Homes PLC.
 Order: Agreed to recommend to city council.
- vi. Report on proposed amendment to North Lotts and Grand Canal Dock SDZ location of pedestrian bridge on River Liffey taken with item 8.viii. Order: Noted.
- vii. Report on proposed disposal of a lease of Joshua Dawson House, Dawson Street, Dublin 2 to Nuritas Ltd. Order: Agreed to recommend to city council.
- viii. Report on proposed variation (17) of Dublin City Development Plan 2016 2022: Harold's Cross Stadium change of zoning to Z15 To protect and provide for institutional, and community uses taken with item 8.vi. Order: Noted.

9 South East Area Matters

- Update on Community Development, Environmental Services Unit, Housing Projects & Local Area Improvements and Sports and Recreation Section.
 Order: Noted.
- ii. Report on proposal to name a development at Clonskeagh Road: The Paper Mill. Order: Agreed.
- Nomination of one councillor to the South Inner City Drugs Task Force following the resignation of Councillor Claire Byrne.
 Order: Cllr. Dermot Lacey nominated and the committee agreed the nomination of Cllr. Sonya Stapleton to the South Inner City Drugs Task Force.

10 Motions

Motion 1 From Councillor Dermot Lacey

That this committee agrees to request the manager to initiate the procedures for enabling the closure of Cuffe Lane, Dublin 2 for all the reasons set out in the email submitted with this motion."

I am writing to you on behalf of the residents of Cuffe Lane, Dublin 2.

Cuffe Lane comprises of 13 terraced houses on the left, 12 apartments on the right and the rear exit to Royal College of Surgeons of Ireland (RCSI) straight ahead. Cuffe Lane is just that, a lane. This lane does lead to any other lane or street. It is in effect a cul de sac containing no business, retail or otherwise. It is a lane to nowhere.

Due to a very high degree of anti social behaviour which include vandalism, car break ins, burglary, breaking and entering of our homes, urination, defecation, littering, loitering, sexual congress and serious drug use, We feel very vulnerable and the quality of our lives has deteriorated to a huge extent.

The proximity of our homes to the city centre and its associated nightclubs, bars and fast food outlets have all led to this. People are shooting up, tinfoil, syringes, lighters; broken glass, blood soaked clothes etc. are a frequent almost daily discovery. They can be very abusive at times and are very frightening when drunk or high on drugs. They sit right outside our homes, shouting, throwing whatever is at hand. It is not a safe area.

The guards have been called to the lane frequently.

This anti social behaviour has escalated to an intolerable level and indeed at times we are afraid to leave our homes. We really need help to keep our small community safe in our homes. Can you please advise us as a group, the necessary protocols to perhaps gate our small laneway? We have permission from the houses and apartments and indeed the RCSI stated that they will help us lobby also.

I have contacted the superintendent in Pearse Street Garda station to get a report on the anti social behaviour, concerning all the times they have to visit the laneway. Also we are in the process of drafting up a letter to get the 13 houses and 12 apartment signatures in favour of a small gated community. RCSI will also help us in lobbying. I hope to send this email to a few councillors in the hope that you can all unite in helping us in our plight to have a safer home environment.

Many thanks for taking the time to hear our grave concerns, we await in anticipation of a favourable reply in helping us gate our small community. **Order: Report to councillor.**

Motion 2 from Councillor Dermot Lacey

That this committee discusses the apparent disregard for the planners on Dublin City Council and the local residents along the Grand Canal by Waterways Ireland and resolves to seek to meet with Waterways Ireland to discuss this matter. **Order: Agreed.**

Motion 3 from Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the manager to report on what measures can and will be taken to deal with the issues raised in the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) report refusing clean water quality status for Merrion Strand. **Order: Agreed.**

Motion 4 from Councillor Mary Freehill

As an immediate action, that the pot holes on Greenmount Lane be repaired. This lane is the access for heavy lorries using the Greenmount Industrial Estate and the general state of the lane is in very poor condition. Therefore it is agreed that the lane be urgently listed for resurfacing. **Order: Agreed.**

Motion 5 from Councillor Mannix Flynn

That this area committee calls on Dublin City Council (DCC) Planning Department to include a clause in all major planning application with regard to the naming of such buildings and developments. This is to ensure a continuity of place and also to acknowledge the integrity of the built environment and the history of location. At present there are a number of large developments taking place in the historic city centre core. These developments can cause a risk to the erasure of historic memory and location and the history of place. DCC in their own naming process, have a policy and a criteria yet there doesn't seem to be the same criteria in planning. With the advent of the Poolbeg Strategic Development Zone development it is time that we ensure a continuity of naming in keeping with the local landmass and the local history and heritage. Also, placing this as a planning matter will give the public and local communities greater input into this process. **Order: Moved by Clir. Ruairí McGinley. Report to councillor.**

Motion 6 from Councillor Paddy McCartan

That this Area Committee expresses its concern and alarm at works being carried out at 31 Lower Leeson Street, Dublin 2 (a protected structure) without planning permission. These works would appear to be in breach of all regulations that apply for a protected structure.

The owners of an adjacent building at 30 Lower Leeson Street;

- (1) were obliged to apply for planning permission
- (2) employed the services of a conservation architect
- (3) were subject to various inspections from Dublin City Council
- (4) had to apply for "Change of use" for the basement

The double standards and inconsistencies whereby one owner is compliant and another shows wilful disregard for the rules would appear grossly unfair to the owners of the protected structure who abide by the law. **Order: Agreed.**

Motion 7 from Councillor Claire Byrne

That this area committee calls on the area manager to install a solar bin in Pearse Square, to outline the reasons why there is a delay in installing such a bin, and if she could please make the installation of this solar bin for the residents of Pearse Park, who do such a great job of maintaining the park, a priority.

Order: Moved by Cllr. Patrick Costello. Report to councillor.

Motion 8 from Councillor Claire Byrne

That this area committee calls on the area manager to arrange a meeting with the residents of Pearse Square, as per the response to my question 59 at the April meeting (see below).

This meeting with the residents has not yet taken place and in the meantime the litter in the park has deteriorated, the bin has been removed and the local residents have been left to clean the park, collecting up to three bags of rubbish.

Can the Area Manager please arrange this meeting as a matter of urgency?

Q.59 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the area manager if she will please attend to the northern end of Pearse Square as it is extremely overgrown and needs professional attention, and can this work be carried out before the summer months so that the residents and general public can use the park.

Reply:

Parks and Landscape Services have recently set up new parks districts and the new Central District now has responsibility for Pearse Square Park. Following a recent site visit, a number of maintenance and improvement works were noted for the park and included the northern end of the square. However, before the proposed works commences, the Parks & Landscape Services Division will arrange a meeting with the

residents to discuss same. Order: Moved by Cllr. Patrick Costello. Report to councillor.

Motion 9 from Councillor Mary Freehill

Rathmines very much lacks community facilities -our Health Services Executive (HSE) health centre is not fit for purpose, there is no assembly / community meeting hall in Rathmines and the council has to use its Irishtown offices to accommodate their staff who work in the Rathmines area.

Therefore when considering possible uses for the Rathmines cleansing yard site in the forthcoming Framework Plan it is essential that we look at the needs of the Rathmines area that consideration be given to the inclusion of the provision of HSE Primary Care Centre.

A public assembly hall that would also lend itself to community uses. Dublin City Council local offices.

Age friendly apartments (as per my motion of March 2015) suitable for people who want to downsize and provide for both private and social market. **Order: Agreed.**

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Motion 10 from Councillor Mary Freehill

That the council agrees to keep the gate at the Town Hall, Rathmines, which leads to the bring centre open on Saturdays. A lot Rathmines dwellers find it difficult to access the bring centre at weekends and leaving this gate open on Saturdays would be a very welcome facility.

Order: Agreed.

Motion 11 from Councillor Mary Freehill – taken with Motion 15

That Dublin City Council states their policy regarding support for the survival of urban villages, in this instance Harold's Cross, which is very much under threat from the development of Aldi and Lidl and now even more so from over enthusiastic clamping. Please state the council's policy to protect and promote Small to Medium Enterprises and local services in our urban villages. **Order: Agreed.**

Motion 12 from Councillor Mary Freehill

That the council holds a meeting with the Department of Education to try and find ways to discourage parents driving children to school and where necessary that the schools be asked to cooperate and let children be dropped in the school grounds.

Order: Agreed.

Motion 13 from Councillor Sonya Stapleton

This committee calls on the manager to contact Gardaí to find a solution to the ongoing gangs hanging around Harcourt Hall apartments. The residents are stepping over bodies to get out their front door. They have also reported their front door is also being used as a toilet. The gangs also congregate outside Toni's Diner next door.

Order: Agreed.

Motion 14 from Councillor Dermot Lacey

That this committee requests the manager to report on what action can be taken to improve Herbert Park in line with the submission attached to this motion from the Dublin Radio Model Boat Club.

Order: Report to councillor.

Motion 15 from Councillor Frank Kennedy – taken with Motion 11

That this area committee resolves to write to Dublin Street Parking Services (DSPS) to register its disapproval of the predatory and inappropriate clamping practices taking place outside the Centra Store in Harold's Cross and to call on DSPS to (a) explain this pattern of behaviour and (b) to provide a guarantee that it will be moderated. The attached video footage shows a clamp being applied before either the requisite photograph is taken to prove that the vehicle is unlawfully parked and the notification to this effect has been fixed to the car window.

Order: Agreed.

11 Questions to Chief Executive 12th June 2017 Order: Noted.

Chairperson Monday 12th June 2017

Attendance:

Members:

Chris Andrews Anne Feeney Dermot Lacey Paddy Smyth

Apologies:

Mannix Flynn

Officers

Mark Ginnetty Fiona O'Brien Paul McCann Brian Hanney Eileen Martin Michael Noonan Rossana Camargo

Non-Officials:

Suzanne Furlong, South Dublin County Council Eoin O'Cadhain, South Dublin County Council Derek Taylor, South Dublin County Council Marc Campbell, Mitchell & Associates Patrick Costello Frank Kennedy Ruairí McGinley

Rose Kenny Gerry O'Connell Sid Daly Declan Hayden Bernard Brady Neil O'Donoghue Brian Swan

Ronan Geoghegan, South Dublin County Council

Brian Hanney Jennifer Wall Brian Kirk

Kieran Binchy

Mary Freehill

Paddy McCartan

Sonva Stapleton

Claire O'Connor

Brian Kavanagh

Gill McGovern

Kilian Skay

Nial Dully

Q.1 <u>Councillor Ruairí McGinley</u>

To ask the manager to have the safety issues in attached addressed (details supplied).

Reply:

There is very heavy demand for parking throughout the area generally and the majority of residents in the area have been facilitated with a resident parking permit that is valid for use on multiple roads. All resident parking permit holders on details supplied 1 have been provided with a permit that is also valid for use on details supplied 2. It is not intended to extend this further to details supplied 3.

When the pay and display / permit parking was introduced in this area careful consideration was given to access to these streets for emergency services. The Area Engineer has reviewed the current layout / design of the pay and display scheme and is of the opinion that the current measures in place are suitable.

Q.2 <u>Councillor Dermot Lacey</u>

To ask the manager if she will take the action as requested in the email submitted with this question in relation to possible safety interventions at the Townsend Street to Dowlings Court laneway.

Reply:

Following a recommendation from the Parking Enforcement Section, the Traffic Advisory Group at its meeting of 25th April 2017 recommended installing double yellow lines from the rear corner of property no. 67, extending southwards 13.5 metres then 4.1metres west, and install double yellow lines 4.4metres north. On Dowling's Court on the west side start from the junction of Gloucester Street with Gloucester Street South, install double yellow lines extending 24.7metres southwards at the lane that is named according to Google map as Dowling's Court.

Q.3 <u>Councillor Ruairí McGinley</u>

To ask the manager to respond to suggestions for improvements in Mount Argus Park with a Park Improvement Plan - see below:

Painting of the railings around and within Mount Argus Park.

The park has become very neglected in recent years and anti-social behaviour has increased significantly. Currently there are only two diagonal routes across the site. An additional public pedestrian access point permitting access from Lower Kimmage Road at the left hand side of Mount Argus Church entrance, would encourage significantly more general public use, thereby increase passive surveillance and reduce anti-social behaviour.

The park needs a complete overhaul, overgrowth and bushes / trees tamed and dumping ground cleared. It requires new street furniture, new and improved lighting, new dog waste and general bins, new river bank hard surfaces and new footpath treatment, river clearing.

Reply:

Staff from both Parks and Landscapes Services Division and the South East Area have looked at the overall condition of the park and how to improve it. Painting of the railings is scheduled for September. Two additional seats will be provided and the existing seating and bins etc. within the park will also be re-painted. The sloped hard river bank areas immediately either side of the Poddle river will also be looked at with a view to improvement as will the overgrown hedging / shrubbery throughout the park.

When this work is complete, the condition of the park will again be reviewed. However, budget constraints may dictate that additional work may need to be carried forward to next year.

It is hoped, where possible, to begin the raising of the crowns of the trees in the estate, and begin the pruning of the shrubs. If this work is not possible due to bird nesting, the work will be carried out in September.

The bins in the park are emptied twice every week. It is not planned to increase the frequency of this operation.

Q.4 <u>Councillor Mannix Flynn</u>

Can the manager issue a full report with regards how much money the DUBLINE project has given to Dublin City Council (DCC) Parks Department for the refurbishment of the Peace Park? This report to include all correspondence between DCC and the Dubline in relation to this project.

Reply:

Under Letter of Offer 2, Fáilte Ireland are contributing funding to Dublin City Council to carry out a number of interpretive, wayfinding, greening and public realm enhancements and improvements along the Dubline, of which Peace Park is one of the projects with assigned funding of €394,000. The table below outlines the other projects in receipt of funding under Letter of Offer 2.

1.	Castle Street Public Realm
2.	Peace Park
3.	St. Audeon's Park
4.	Liberties Environmental and Greening Improvements
5.	Crane street
6.	Love the Lanes
7.	Interpretive Panels Phase 2
8.	Art Commission/Installation
9.	Extension of Wayfinding

Q.5 <u>Councillor Mannix Flynn</u>

Can the manager issue a full report with regards the Smurfit Dublin City Council (DCC) Parks Department Diaspora Memorial project at Merrion Square Park? Can the manager inform me in writing whether this proposal will be proceeding to build? This report to include all correspondence between DCC Parks Department and Smurfit Famine foundation.

Reply:

The Irish Famine Foundation board have yet to indicate a timescale for when works will commence. When a timescale is given to the city council the South East Area Committee will be informed.

Q.6 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager initiate the process of extinguishing the public right of way on Cuffe Lane? This laneway is mainly residential, apartments and houses over the years they have become a constant site for serious anti social behaviour and crime. The residents' cars here are constantly vandalised and broken into, constant drug dealing in the lane. Every week there is an attempted break-in in the houses. It is also being used as a public lavatory. Now every single resident here wishes for a gate to be placed to give them some protection against on growing lawlessness.

To date no formal application to extinguish the public right of way over Cuffe Lane, Dublin 2 has been received by Dublin City Council.

The extinguishment of a public right of way is a statutory procedure. In order to begin the statutory procedure a formal written application is submitted to Dublin City Council by the applicant/s requesting that the city council consider extinguishing the public right of way at the location in question. Cuffe Lane is "in charge" of Dublin City Council which means that a public right of way exists over it. In order that it may be closed by any means, the public right of way would have to be extinguished.

In order to extinguish the right of way public notice of the proposal is placed in one or more newspapers circulating in the city and a notice is placed at each end of the right of way for a period of not less than 14 days. Members of the public are given a month in which to view the plans of the proposed extinguishment and objections or representations in relation to the proposal can then be made within 14 days of the end of that period. The extinguishment of a public right of way is a function reserved to the elected members of the city council who shall consider any objections or representations made and not withdrawn. If the city council agrees to the extinguishment a notice of this decision must be placed in a newspaper.

A fee of €2,000 is payable to cover Dublin City Council's expenses in executing the extinguishment of a public right of way process. In addition to this the applicant is also requested to provide the following;

- A formal written application must be submitted to the Area Manager by the applicant (in the case of a group of property owners a person acting on behalf of the proposers should be nominated for correspondence purposes) requesting that the city council consider extinguishing the public right of way at the location in question.
- The names and addresses (not business name) of all property owners (not occupiers) represented by the applicant must be listed in the application. The support of the majority of property owners abutting the laneway is required.
- The manner in which it is planned to block off access to the public in the event that the application is successful e.g. erection of gates etc must be stated. The applicant is requested to provide a drawing/description of the design of the proposed method of closure.
- A site location map must be furnished to this office clearly illustrating where the proposed gates will be located.
- The applicant/s must clearly state the reasons for the application e.g. security reasons, anti-social behaviour in the laneway etc.
- The application must state how continued access will be provided for any Service Provider that requires it in future e.g. copies of keys/codes to be supplied to Emergency Services, Gas Networks Ireland etc.
- The application must state how continued access will be provided for An Post, Private Waste Collectors, Delivery Companies etc.
- The application must state how the applicants propose to manage members of the public calling to the residents that reside in Cuffe Lane or require access to the Royal College of Surgeons.
- Should the application be successful the applicant/s will be responsible for the future maintenance, upkeep, lighting and liability of the area in question.
- The applicants must undertake to set up a Management Company. The Management Company must cover public liability and all other issues may arise on the laneway in respect of all property owners whose property is abutting or has access to Cuffe Lane.
- A commitment to set up such a company if the application is successful must be submitted with the application.

- A statement from the adjoining property owners that they have collectively agreed matters such as future access, maintenance, liability and confirmed amongst each other the private rights of way each will enjoy as a property owner abutting the laneway post the extinguishment process should it be successful must be submitted with the application. This statement must be dated and signed by the individual property owners (not a representative).
- A statement by the owners of properties adjacent to the laneway undertaking liability for any expenses involved in effecting the physical closure of the laneway must also be supplied.

It is likely that planning permission will be required for a gate at the entrance to Cuffe Lane and this permission will need to be applied for if the application to extinguish the public right of way is successful.

If the public right of way is extinguished Dublin City Council cannot undertake liability for any expenses involved in effecting the physical closure of the laneway.

The Public Domain Officer is available to meet representatives on site to discuss this proposal.

The extinguishment of a right of way is a reserved function. It is handled by the Area Office. If / when the extinguishment is agreed, Dublin City Council will not have responsibility in relation to the area in question.

The areas of concern for the Traffic Advisory Group are:-

- All public and private residents and the owners of private houses, land, businesses and car parks need to be informed and a plebiscite would need to be carried out of all the people concerned.
- Traffic access from Cuffe Street to Cuffe Lane would be seriously curtailed by road closure leading to delays on Cuffe Street. This could also hinder the Luas junction of St Stephen's Green and Cuffe Street.
- Access for the Garda, Fire Brigade and Emergency Services (Ambulance) would be seriously curtailed in gaining access to Cuffe Lane.
- If there is a road closure on Cuffe lane, the Pay &Display / Residential parking scheme on Cuffe's Lane would need to be rescinded, also two disabled bays would also be required to be rescinded.
- The College of Surgeons and the car park of the large office block are accessed via Cuffe Lane
- Service vehicles and waste disposal vehicles will have difficulty accessing the lane.
- If there is anti social behaviour and crime in the area, closure of the Cuffe lane will affect the access by the Gardaí into the lane.
- If there any drainage issue who is going to maintain this service.
- There could be service utilities in Cuffe Lane, how are these vehicles going to maintain access to these utilities?

Q.7 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager address a rat infestation along the Dodder at the Milltown Car-park Bring Centre? It has been recently reported to me that this bring centre and its underground containers are attracting large quantities of rats. I visited the site myself recently and witnessed many rodents at this location.

Reply:

A deep clean of the bottle banks was requested for the end of May 2017. This will ensure that no waste is left in the vicinity of the banks.

The Waste Management Services Maintenance Section is investigating and has engaged the services of a pest control company to lay bait.

We will continue to monitor the area to ensure higher standards are maintained.

Q.8 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager initiate a programme of signage for the Milltown area? This is a unique part of Dublin with an ancient and proud history. Indeed, it would be ideal to afford it village status and bring it into line with the likes of Ranelagh, Rathgar, Sandymount, Rathmines etc. At a recent meeting of the community committee and residents, the issue was raised around the lack of identity and signage.

Reply:

The South East Area office is willing to engage with residents and business representatives from Milltown to identify the extent of the village and to see how we can facilitate improving the area in whatever way feasible.

Q.9 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager issue a full report with regards the effectiveness of the new Public Domain Officers and policy with regards removing unlawful sandwich boards and unlawful street furniture within the South East Area? This report to contain how many items have been removed, how many visits to premises, how many fines (if any) have been issued and hours of operations and works. Does the unit work at night-time? Also can we have a direct contact for this unit as it now becoming an impossibility to walk down certain streets as an able bodied person for many with disability it is completely impossible to get down most of our streets?

Reply:

Dublin City Council appointed four inspectors to the Licensing Section in February 2017 and part of their remit is the inspection of advertising / sandwich boards. It is Dublin City Council's policy to approach a business where the structure is a hazard or potential hazard to persons using a public road/footpath or where it obstructs or interferes with the safe use of a public road / footpath, or with the maintenance of a public road / footpath.

The Licensing Section respects that businesses need to advertise but the inspectors have to ensure that all advertising / sandwich boards are placed in a secure and safe area for all pedestrians in the public domain. Inspectors adapt a common sense approach when dealing with business shop owners.

Where a business does not remove or move a board when asked, the inspectors may serve a notice and ultimately remove the board / boards under section 70 of the Roads Act 1993.

According to our records to date, in the city centre, there have been 76 premises visited by the inspectors and each premises was asked to remove (or reposition so as not to cause an obstruction) one or more illegal advertising boards from the public domain. These include premises in Temple Bar, Leeson Street, St Stephen's Green, Fishamble Street, Cow's Lane, Westmoreland Street, Dame Street, College Green, Lord Edward Street, Grafton Street and Suffolk Street.

The inspectors also asked for the removal of illegal advertising boards from 7 premises in Rathmines, 4 in Ranelagh, 1 in Rathgar, 1 in Terenure and 1 in Harold's Cross.

Street furniture is not under the remit of the Inspectors and enforcement of this is assigned to Road Maintenance Services, Environment & Transportation Department.

No items have been removed to date or fines issued but the Licensing Section envisages that this will be the next step on completion of visitation of all offending premises.

The Licensing Section Inspectors work 7 days a week between the hours of 10.00am and 9.30pm and on occasions there is a facility to do late nights, if requested. The inspectors may be contacted at 222 2165 during office hours and at two dedicated email addresses in or out of office hours. The email addresses are <u>casualtrading@dublincity.ie</u> and <u>streetperformers@dublincity.ie</u>

The Street Furniture Section of Road Maintenance Services Division has removed unlicensed furniture from outside five premises so far this year.

Q.10 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the area manager have immediate works done to fix the footpaths on:

Duke Street, outside the Duke Lounge which is completely smashed and is historical pavement?

The pavement outside of Fanagan's Undertakers in Aungier Street, where an elderly woman fell and badly injured herself on a loose paving stone.

Also, the pavement outside of the Ivy Bar at Cork hill has a loose slab.

Can you also include a full update of what works have taken place to remedy broken and dangerous pavements within the South East Area and what locations.

Reply:

Arrangements will be made to carry out repairs at these locations.

In **2016** Road Maintenance Services carried out reconstruction works by contract at the following locations in the South East Area:

Footway:

Northumberland Road Mespil Road Tara Street Townsend Street Ailsbury Park Orwell Park Kimmage Road Lower (KCR to Sundrive Road) Kimmage Road Lower (Sundrive Road to Harold's Cross) Kimmage Grove:

Carriageway:

Anglesea Road (between Simmonscourt Avenue and Stillorgan Road) Beaver Row Harold's Cross Road (at the junction with the canal) Lea Road (between Gilford Avenue and Strand Road) Oakley Road (between Dunville Avenue and Charleston Road) Simmonscourt Avenue (between Anglesea Road and the private road). Shrewsbury Park (between Merrion Road and Estate Entrance Gate)

In 2016 our Direct Labour carried out 1903 no. jobs at various locations in the South East Area, 1390 no. of these were reactive repairs (potholes & other carriageway repairs and footway repairs) and 480 no. of these were utility reinstatements.

Q.11 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager address the issues regarding a very dangerous gas boiler at *details supplied. This boiler is in great need of upgrading and at present cannot be used. I've spoken with the tenant at this address and they are in fear of their life that this depilated and unfit apparatus will cause catastrophe. It is the only remaining gas boiler that has not been updated and replaced in this entire block. I have further details if necessary.

Reply:

The boiler in this dwelling is not dangerous; it does not meet current 2014 Domestic Gas Installations (Edition 3) and Dublin City Council specifications, I.S. 813.

Housing Maintenance along with a private heating contractor has carried out a number of site visits to this dwelling in relation to replacing the current gas central heating system. Discussions have taken place with the tenant in relation to moving the boiler from the kitchen to the bedroom in order to meet with regulations. These discussions included works which have to be carried out:

- 1) the new boiler needs to be located in the bedroom. The tenant has a custom made bed which has to be dismantled to facilitate the pipe-work, and then re-assembled,
- 2) access to and removal of the original gas boiler is restricted by fitted kitchen units, a glass extractor fan hood and wall tiles which also have to be temporarily removed.

Housing Maintenance is currently awaiting contact from the tenant of this dwelling with a suitable timeframe for this work to be carried out.

Q.12 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager have double yellow lines repainted at the rear of Stephen's Lane, Upper Mount Street near the old Dobbins Restaurant? Businesses here are inundated with cars parking at fire exits and other entrances and exits from their premises. This is causing great inconvenience as on occasion people are unable to leave their building as the exit is blocked. I will supply direct information and photographs in relation to this matter.

Reply:

The repainting of the double yellow lines at the rear of Stephen's Lane, Upper Mount Street near the old Dobbins Restaurant is included on the Traffic Officer's programme of works and will be attended to when the work schedule permits.

Q.13 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager issue a full report with regards Dublintown / BID Company placing of planters on the footpaths throughout the South East Area? The one in George's Street outside the arcade is causing huge inconvenience to pedestrians as it is too large and taking up a substantial area of the footpath. Most of these massive planters are not in keeping with best practice in the public domain and are causing unnecessary clutter. Further, they seem to be just simply used to advertise the BID / Dublintown. Can the manager include in the report the full application processes whereby these planters were allowed on the streets and the full assessment of locations? Many of the businesses in these streets are concerned that such arrangements were made without their informed consent. Was there any health and safety audit done in relation to the placement of these planters? Who maintains them and when?

Reply:

The planters referred to were placed on city centre streets by Dublintown (then Dublin City BID) approximately 10 years ago. Since that time, no complaints or issues have been received by the South East Area office in relation to their location, maintenance or otherwise. The one referred to at George's Street arcade was placed there on a specific request on behalf of the local traders. There is sufficient space allowed for pedestrians to

safely pass by this area. The planters are regularly maintained by a contractor on behalf of Dublintown.

Q.14 Councillor Kieran Binchy

To ask the manager to investigate and repair the leak from a stop-cock outside 21 South Circular Road, Portobello.

Reply:

This matter was referred to Irish Water - <u>localrepsupport@water.ie</u> on the 24th and 30th May 2017.

Irish Water replied that the valve was repaired on the 25th May 2017.

Q.15 Councillor Kieran Binchy

To ask the manager to investigate the state of the road surface at the following location *details supplied and to ensure that the surface is repaired and all pot-holes properly fixed.

Reply:

Arrangements will be made to carry out repairs at this location.

Q.16 Councillor Kieran Binchy

To ask the manager to address the following issue with illegal parking and cars idling, whether directly through clamping, or through the Gardaí, or through liaison with the identified school and hotel premises.

Reply:

The council's parking enforcement contractor though limited in action that can be taken has been instructed to visit the location and to take enforcement action wherever possible. The matter has also been referred to the council's Road Safety Service who will liaise with management of the school highlighting the safety issues arising from parents parking in the area.

The issue should also be brought to the attention of the Community Garda who may take appropriate action and issue fines to those parked illegally where the owner remains present in the vehicle.

Q.17 Councillor Kieran Binchy

To ask the manager for an update on the flood protection works on the Liffey Campshires. In addition, not that the works are almost complete, can the manager organise for the building and storage site at Sir John Rogerson's Quay to be scaled back and tidied to open up much of that quay again pending the completion of the final stage of works.

Reply:

The Office of Public Works (OPW) works on the South Campshires are programmed to be completed towards the end of July with demobilisation scheduled for the first two weeks of August. There will be smaller contractors on site for granite facings to the river side of the flood walls, flood gates, etc. until the end of 2017 with smaller requirements for site offices and storage.

Site offices on Sir John Rogerson's Quay are programmed to be scaled down again from August 2017.

Q.18 Councillor Kieran Binchy

To ask the manager to investigate the continued problem of speeding on Strand Road, Sandymount, Dublin 4. While the new digital speed signs are helping address the issue, vans and trucks in particular are speeding up once they pass the first one, and then slamming on their brakes as they approach the roundabout half-way along the Beach Road, Strand Road stretch. Can supplementary traffic calming measures be introduced to address this?

Reply:

Dublin City Council recently installed 2 no. speed radar signs on both approaches to Strand Road on the 16/12/2015 and 17/12/2015. When cars pass at more than 50 km/h, these signs flash with a red light in order to indicate that the car is causing a speed violation.

The Traffic Area Engineer reviewed the data from the month of May 2017, the initial data showed that the 85 percentile speed has been reduced to 50kph and speed violations are down to below 12%.

Additional traffic calming is not recommended at this time. However, Dublin City Council will continue to monitor the area over the coming months. Speeding violations are a matter for the Gardaí.

Q.19 <u>Councillor Ruairí McGinley</u>

To ask the manager can a "No HGV" sign can be placed at Rathmines end of Mountpleasant Avenue.

Reply:

As per section 5.13.4 of the Traffic Signs Manual "The regulatory sign symbols indicate the point past which prohibited vehicles must not proceed". The installation of a 3.5 tonne weight limit sign is not recommended at Mountpleasant Avenue, It should be noted that in areas such as the road in question, it is not legally possible to restrict weights on vehicles if they are doing so for the purpose of access, be it to a commercial premises or other.

The purpose of weight restrictions such as the 3.5 tonne limit in residential areas is to eliminate through traffic of heavy vehicles only. There are numerous established businesses on this road and therefore delivery vehicles require access. It is therefore not recommended install this restriction in this area.

Q.20 <u>Councillor Ruairí McGinley</u>

To ask the manager to install bollards on Greenlea Grove from junction with Greenlea Road to No. 3 Greenlea Grove to avoid mini-coaches parking on road?

Reply:

Bollards are not provided on footpaths or residential roads as a measure to prevent parking as it is illegal to park on a footpath - Under The Road Traffic (Traffic & Parking) Regulations, Section 36 paragraph(2) (i) A vehicle shall not be parked on a foot way, a grass margin or a median strip.

The placing of bollards would hinder the movement of pedestrians and reduce the footpath width considerably, impacting on wheelchair users. This would be contrary to the policies of the Design Manual for Urban Roads and Streets.

Following consultation with the Traffic Officer, it is not recommended to install bollards on the carriageway. Illegal parking should be reported to Dublin Street Parking Services Ph. 01 6022500 or to the Gardaí as they occur. The area has been highlighted to Parking Enforcement for increased monitoring.

Q.21 <u>Councillor Dermot Lacey</u>

To ask the manager if she will arrange for a number of bicycle parking racks to be located at the entrances to Herbert Park - particularly at the Home Villas end.

As part of Dublin City Council Policy cycle stands are not installed in areas of a solely residential nature. Cycle stands in residential areas can create anti-social theft and abandonment issues. Therefore it is not recommended to install cycle stands at the Home Villas end.

Q.22 Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the manager if she will arrange for the trees on Emor Street to be pruned.

Reply:

The trees on Emor Street have been listed for pruning during the month of August 2017.

Q.23 Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the manager when the ballot of residents of Hollybank Avenue, Ranelagh will take place to enable an extension of the disc parking times.

Reply:

A proposal for extension of the operational hours of the Pay and Display and Permit Parking Scheme on Hollybank Road is included in the Traffic Advisory Group Minutes for today's area committee meeting. A ballot of residents will commence within the next month.

Q.24 <u>Councillor Paddy McCartan</u>

To ask the manager to address the issue of flood protection measures on Anglesea Road, Ballsbridge. What is the plan for the section between Ballsbridge and Zardoz Court with reference to conservation issues of the wall, and when will this be resolved?

Reply:

Discussions are ongoing between, Dublin City Council (DCC) Flood Defence Unit, DCC Planning, DCC Conservation Officer, Consultant Conservation Officer and other consultants on the preferred option for reconstructing the RDS portion of this wall which is projected to cost €1m to €2m instead of the original €15k due to the minimal wall foundations. A Part 8 planning procedure will be required for any significant alterations to the wall. Funding may be an issue.

Tenders are currently being sought for construction of the rest of this wall upstream of the Herbert Park Hotel Bridge.

Maintenance works to repair local damaged sections of the wall to prevent interim collapse are planned over the next two months while river flows are low.

Q.25 <u>Councillor Paddy McCartan</u>

To ask the manager to ascertain from Dublin Bus a date for the installation of a bus shelter and Real Time Information at Glenmalure Square, Milltown Road inbound. The relevant buses are 44 and 61 and residents have been requesting this for the last two years.

Reply:

The issue of the installation of a bus shelter and a Real Time Passenger Information display at Glenmalure Square have been referred to Dublin Bus and the National Transport Authority and a reply will issue to the councillor when a response is received.

Q.26 <u>Councillor Paddy McCartan</u>

To ask the manager to address residents' concerns about excessive speed on Sandymount Road between 8 and 9.30am on weekday mornings for vehicles both entering and exiting the village. Can the manager ask the Gardaí to monitor the road, particularly in light of the recent extension of the 30km/h speed limit to the Sandymount area?

The Traffic Advisory Group, at its meeting of 23rd August 2016, reported that during a number of site inspections no adverse problems were observed with regards to vehicular speed or behaviour at Sandymount Village. As per the Design Manual for Urban Roads and Streets the on street parking provided narrows the carriageway, effectively acting as traffic calming. Sandymount Road leading into the village is already traffic calmed with full width ramps.

Q.27 Councillor Paddy McCartan

At the rear of Sandford Road, Ranelagh there is a pedestrian laneway that is shared by residents of Cherryfield Avenue and Hollybank Avenue. There is a tree in the garden of a house in Cherryfield that is overhanging the laneway at a very dangerous angle. Is there a mechanism that Dublin City Council (DCC) can write to or call the property owner to highlight the dangerous nature of this tree, or can DCC take their own remedial action?

Reply:

Dublin City Council will deliver a notice to the property owner requesting them to take remedial action.

Q.28 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To have a cul-de-sac sign erected at the first turn left on entering St Alban's Park Sandymount. As there is no sign to indicate this there is a flow of cars entering the road in error ending up trying to turn in a very restricted area, thus damaging the recently installed pavements.

Reply:

It is recommended to install two Cul-de-sac signs (F350), at the first turn left entrance of St Alban's Park, on both sides of the road facing oncoming traffic.

The installation of these signs has been added to the Traffic Officer's works programme and will be attended to when the schedule permits.

Q.29 <u>Councillor Paddy McCartan</u>

To ask the manager to address the following issue on Waterloo Road, Dublin 4. At the Upper Baggot Street end there are two parking meters and at the Leeson Street end there is a similar meter, but for the whole length of the road in between, there is no parking meter. Many people take a risk and pay for the consequences parking in the midpoint of the road (Note; Waterloo Road is the second most clamped road in Dublin).

Reply:

A review of parking meter locations in the city area will be carried out in the next couple of months. The location of parking meters on Waterloo Road will be included in the review.

Q.30 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to give an update on the derelict house at 7 Chapel Avenue, Irishtown which has become even more of a health and safety issue with pigeons and other vermin congregating.

Reply:

It is assumed the councillor is referring to No. 5 Chapel Avenue which was entered on the Derelict Sites Register on 10th July 2014. Planning permission Ref: 4104/16 has been granted and a Commencement Notice has now been lodged with works to commence on 15th June, 2017. This site will be kept under review.

Q.31 <u>Councillor Chris Andrews</u>

Can the manager have the leak coming out of the stop cock at 21 South Circular Road repaired as it has been discharging water for the last 4 / 5 weeks?

This matter was referred to Irish Water – <u>localrepsupport@water.ie</u> on the 24th and 30th May 2017.

Irish Water replied that the valve was repaired on the 25th May 2017.

Q.32 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager have the leak and damage done in *details supplied* repaired and made good following the leak in the shower which is in the bedroom?

Reply:

No repairs will be carried out in this dwelling until such time as arrangements are made by the tenant to remove their dog due to a recent incident with a staff member from our Maintenance Depot. The local area estate manager is making contact with the tenant in relation to this issue.

Q.33 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager give an update on the application by *details supplied for a disabled parking space outside this house and state why was this refused bearing in mind that other homes like this are granted permission for similar parking spaces in and around the area?

Reply:

Off-street parking is available at the address and therefore it does not comply with the criteria for an on-street disabled bay.

Q.34 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager remove the tree outside number 89 and 91 Beech Hill Avenue? The 'new' footpath has lifted and the boundary wall has cracked as a result of the root system. This is causing a danger to both the elderly, of whom there are many, and the young. I also request that you repair or replace the damaged boundary wall.

Reply:

The trees at this location have now been removed.

Q.35 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can double yellow lines be placed behind building number 17 Upper Mount Street?

Reply:

This request has been added to the Traffic Advisory Group Agenda for examination and report. The councillor will be notified of the outcome in due course.

Q.36 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager state who is responsible for water quality in the Grand Canal Docks and who tests the quality and what measures are taken to improve water quality?

Reply:

Grand Canal Docks are the responsibility of Waterways Ireland – the councillor's question has been referred to them for reply.

Q.37 <u>Councillor Chris Andrews</u>

Can the manager state if the restaurant at *details supplied is complying with environmental health regulations, bearing in mind the close proximity to residential area and can they confirm that the air conditioning unit complies with regulations?

Reply:

The Air Quality Monitoring and Noise Control Unit will carry out an investigation of this matter under the Air Pollution Act 1987 in terms of the potential nuisance factor as a result

of an emission. To that end, it is requested that the contact details for the complainant/s be forwarded to the unit so that the investigation can commence.

Q.38 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager arrange to have a sign with "Welcome to Ringsend" installed at entrance to Ringsend, similar to the nice black and gold signs many of the urban villages have e.g. Sandymount and Donnybrook?

Reply:

Work on the preparation of the Ringsend Irishtown Local Environment Improvement Plan (LEIP) is nearing completion. Following adoption of the plan work will commence on further detailed consultations to deliver the main elements of the plan under Part 8 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended). It is proposed that location and wording of appropriate village signs be agreed at that stage as part of these detailed consultations. Once this has been agreed the signs can be installed.

Q.39 Councillor Chris Andrews

When will the cameras be put in place so they are able to pick up dumping outside of boundary wall at the recycling centre in Ringsend?

Reply:

Temporary CCTV has now been installed and is monitoring the exit gate of the facility – with the aim of issuing fines.

Contractor cameras are also covering both gates on an ongoing basis.

Q.40 <u>Councillor Chris Andrews</u>

Can the manager arrange to have a hand cart sent up to Lombard Street East and have the channels swept as the bigger machines can't access this because of parking, particularly outside the birth certificate offices?

Reply:

Waste Management Services had the channels on Lombard Street East swept by the road sweeping machine early on the 30th May 2017 and had a clear run doing it before the parked cars arrived. We will monitor the cleaning of this street and will certainly vary methods of cleaning there, if necessary.

Q.41 Councillor Chris Andrews

As part of the Longboat Quay development on Horsefair Road, there are 16 spaces and as part of the agreement made with the fire upgrade works, residents were strongly encouraged into giving nine of these to the receiver... However, the remaining seven were residents - (300 apartment owners). It was agreed residents would keep these as visitors' parking spots. Last week residents got an email from the management company offering residents to apply to go into a raffle to rent one of these at a cost of €100 per month. Is it not the case that residents own them, so why should the management company rent them to residents and furthermore why are there loads of vacant spots under Longboat Quay that residents could use but the management company won't allow it?

Reply:

A reply is awaited and will issue to the councillor.

Q.42 <u>Councillor Claire Byrne</u>

To ask the area manager for an update on the Longfield's development, outlining when the completion date is due and when it will be open for business?

Reply:

Work on the refurbishment of the former Longfield's Hotel is ongoing and it is expected that the facility will be completed and in use before the end of the 4th quarter, 2017.

Q.43 <u>Councillor Claire Byrne</u>

To ask the area manager, who is responsible for the water quality in Grand Canal Basin, who is responsible for public health and safety in the area, if she is aware of recent cases of Weil's disease in people partaking in water sports in the basin, who should they be reported to and what is being done to address this issue?

Reply:

The Grand Canal Basin is the responsibility of Waterways Ireland – the councillor's question has been referred to them for reply.

Q.44 <u>Councillor Claire Byrne</u>

To ask the area manager why Dublin City Council is not taking part in the Kidsmarathon (<u>www.kidsmarathonfoundation.org</u>) this year, whether Dublin City Council might consider taking part in this great initiative again next year.

Reply:

Dublin City Sport & Wellbeing Partnership, Fingal County Council and SSE Airtricity Dublin Marathon, worked together last year on the MarathonKids programme (our two partners had devised the programme the previous year). The programme provides a resource for teachers to facilitate 6th class pupils to accumulate 25.2 miles over an 8 week period with the pupils completing the *Final Mile* at an organised event at the National Sports Campus (NSC). Approximately 2000 children in the Dublin City Council (DCC) administrative area took part in the 8- week schools programme. However, less than 10% of these 2000 pupils completed the final mile in the NSC. Reason for poor attendance at the final mile included:

- The final mile took place in the National Sport Campus, Blanchardstown on a Sunday morning;
- There is no public transport available at this time on a Sunday;
- Many of the parents did not have access to private vehicles;
- When DCC offered to organise buses, feedback received stated the time of the event would still lead to non-attendance.

Our policy in Sport & Wellbeing Partnership is to provide equal opportunities to all partaking in our programmes regardless of background and resources. We felt it was of extreme importance that all participants who had completed the 8-week schools programme had the chance to complete the final mile and receive a t-shirt and medal. The ethos of the programme is that all participants complete the final mile in a mass participation event. Our wish to host local final events to enable all pupils to complete the programme therefore did not marry well with this ethos. Despite this, our partners agreed to us hosting our own final miles in DCC parks in 2016.

MarathonKids is a wonderful programme and we received fantastic feedback from all schools that participated. However, as the programme format specifies mass event for the final mile, we feel that even if this was held on a week day (which was considered), this would continue to be a barrier for many of the schools who do not have access to a bus. Our budget does not extend to offer transportation to all primary schools in Dublin City and therefore we had to withdrawn from the programme in its current format.

The promotion and facilitation of primary schools athletics in prioritised in Dublin City Sport & Wellbeing Partnership's new suite of core programmes. As such, as an alternative to the MarathonKids programme, we have partnered with Athletics Ireland to roll out their Fit4Class programme in 2017.

Fit4Class is Athletics Ireland's new 10 week programme that introduces primary school children from junior infants to fourth class to athletics in a fun, engaging and non-competitive environment. It focuses on the use of games to develop fitness whilst enhancing agility, balance and co-ordination, all fundamental to longer term physical athletic development. Fit4Class rewards students for participating and having fun.

Schools will be given a resource pack plus assistance from a DCC Sport Officer and Athletics Ireland to deliver the programme. Primary schools will also have the opportunity to avail of a small equipment pack to assist with the roll out and sustainability of the programme. A full evaluation will be completed on the Dublin City Fit4Class programme to assess impact.

In addition to the Fit4All programme, we are further developing our Dublin City Schools Cross Country Programme. Schools will be supported to deliver a training programme leading into our Citywide Schools Cross Country Events which will take place in DCC parks in Spring 2018.

Further support offered to primary schools by Dublin City Sport & Wellbeing Partnership include:

- Assistance to achieve the Active School Flag (we provide advice, links to local clubs, playground markings, workshops for teachers plus support for Active School Week)
- Sport specific programmes and teacher training through our co-funded officers

Q.45 <u>Councillor Claire Byrne</u>

To ask the area manager what can be done to assist *details supplied with regards to used needles being regularly found on the premises, and to outline what emergency accommodation options are available in the neighbourhood to assist people sleeping rough on the premises.

Reply:

The city council has responsibility for the cleaning, collection and removal of needles and other drug paraphernalia from public areas such as streets and laneways but does not remove such materials from within private property or premises. It is the responsibility of the owners of such premises to organise the removal of these materials when they are on their premises.

We advise such businesses to exercise appropriate caution when handling such materials and take all necessary steps to ensure that such materials are disposed of in a safe and secure manner. Sharps boxes are readily available from most pharmacies for a low cost for use with the disposal of sharps materials and if necessary private cleaners with appropriate training and equipment can be engaged to remove actual materials and sharps boxes when the premises has been cleaned.

In relation to those rough sleeping in any area, the most effective course of action is that they are directed and supported to either present to their local authority or contact the Homeless Services Freephone (1800 707 707)

Alternatively, Focus Ireland's Intake Team may be able to link in with them at outreach locations to assist where possible.

All our emergency accommodation is utilised by clients making contact via the above services.

Q.46 <u>Councillor Claire Byrne</u>

To ask the area manager if she can please provide a full list of the lands owned by Dublin City Council on the Poolbeg Peninsula?

Reply:

According to the records on the property register Dublin City Council owns the following:

- Lands at former Poolbeg Power Station including Pigeon House Hotel
- Pigeon House Harbour
- Green strips of land at north & south boundary of main Ringsend Treatment Plant
- Irishtown Nature Reserve
- Dublin Waste to Energy Plant at Shelly Banks Road / Pigeon House Road
- Sean Moore Park

Q.47 <u>Councillor Claire Byrne</u>

To ask the area manager for an update on the walkway that is being built along the Dodder outside the Smurfit building, can she confirm the agreed width of this walkway, whether the developer has been compliant with the agreed width, and if she is confident that this walkway will also be able accommodate both a walkway and a cycle way as are outlined in the plans for the Dodder Greenway.

Reply:

This matter has been referred to the Senior Engineer, Road & Traffic Planning for report and a reply will issue to the councillor in due course.

Q.48 <u>Councillor Claire Byrne</u>

To ask the area manager for an update on the proposal to place the Poolbeg Chimneys on the Record of Protected Structures.

Reply:

The ESB completed the capping of the two chimneys at Poolbeg Power Station in 2015 as one part of their ten year management plan for the maintenance and management of the chimneys for the foreseeable future. As part of this plan, the ESB has committed to an ongoing, regular review process to ensure the city council is kept up-to-date with maintenance and management of the chimneys and the Planning & Development Department have requested an update from the ESB in this regard.

Given the written commitment of the ESB to this 10-year management and maintenance plan for the two chimneys, it is not recommended to proceed at this time to the initiation process for the addition of the two chimneys at the former Poolbeg Power Station to the Record of Protected Structures. A further report will be brought to the South East Area in due course.

Q.49 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the area manager can she please provide an update on the plans to reconfigure the cycle way on Grand Canal Square, when can we expect to see these plans, and whether the plans will go out for public consultation?

Reply:

Dublin City Council, with the support of the National Transport Authority (NTA) was in the process of developing proposals for safety improvements for all users of Grand Canal Square during 2016. However, funding for the project was suspended in July 2016 before proposals for the square could be finalised and agreed.

Grand Canal Square is not part of the current priority projects for the NTA and no funding has been allocated to this project to date in 2017. It will not be possible to advance proposals for this area until funding is secured.

Q.50 <u>Councillor Claire Byrne</u>

To ask the area manager for an update on the issues regarding Longboat Quay and whether Dublin City Council is close to a satisfactory agreement with the residents who purchased their homes through the affordable housing scheme.

Reply:

Dublin City Council representatives attended settlement talks with the Longboat Quay Management Company and representatives of the receiver acting for the National Assets Management Agency (NAMA) in September 2016. At these talks an agreement was reached in relation to the level of contribution from each party to the cost of rectifying the fire safety concerns and the defects to the roof of the complex.

This agreement was subsequently ratified by the residents at an Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) held on <u>19th December 2016</u>.

The Docklands Office has worked closely with solicitors acting for each party to bring the matter to a satisfactory and speedy conclusion so the required remedial works can be completed since the settlement talks in September 2016.

The city council as part of the settlement agreement ensured that the social and affordable units would be exempt from any levy that may be applied to the owners / residents of apartments in Longboat Quay by the management company as part of the management company contribution to the costs of the remedial works.

The city council has recently transferred its agreed contribution to the settlement to the management company's solicitors and now considers the matter closed.

Q.51 Councillor Ruairí McGinley

To ask the manager to install a number of ramps in Greenlea Grove to ensure that traffic exiting rugby club is travelling at a safe speed have regard to the high number of pedestrians using various routes to access Lakelands on this road.

Reply:

The Traffic Advisory Group, at its meeting of 27th September 2016, reported that Greenlea Grove does not meet the criteria for the installation of speed ramps for a number of reasons. The road is narrow and residential in nature. It is also a cul-de-sac that is short in length and not conducive to speed.

Q.52 <u>Councillor Ruairí McGinley</u>

To ask the manager to give a date for footpath renewal on Terenure Road West.

Reply:

The 2017 Footway Contract (encompassing Terenure Road West) is due to go out to tender by the end of June 2017. Tenders are expected back by mid July 2017 and works expected to commence in August/September 2017.

Q.53 <u>Councillor Ruairí Mc Ginley</u>

To ask the manager to reinstate parking spaces which were removed in Gulistan Terrace to cater for waste management vehicles. The space is no longer needed for these vehicles and local residents report a major scarcity of parking for residents which would be alleviated by the reinstatement of parking spaces.

Reply:

The Traffic Advisory Group, at its meeting of 27th May, 2014, did not recommend the reinstatement of permit parking spaces or the provision of additional permit parking spaces on Gulistan Terrace for the following reasons:

- Parking spaces were removed and clearways introduced to allow for reasonably safe driving for two-way traffic to and from the bring centre and to discourage and prevent vehicles mounting the footpath and causing a danger to pedestrians.
- There is pedestrian access through the bring centre from Gulistan Terrace to Rathmines Road Lower which is regularly used by the public, parents, students and school children in the locality.
- While there has been a decrease in the number of large vehicles using the bring centre, there remains a significant number of large vehicles accessing the bring centre including road sweepers, grab and hook trucks servicing the bring centre and general waste collectors requiring a safe turning location.
- The existing clearways only restrict parking for the peak period and allow free parking from 16.00 until 09.00.

Q.54 Councillor Sonya Stapleton

To ask the manager to consider *details supplied 1 for a transfer to *details supplied 2, so that she can be closer to her 80 year mother Vera whom she is caring for. Please see doctor's letter attached. I have spoken with both ladies and strongly believe everything should be done to accommodate these ladies, for both their mental, physical health and safety.

Reply:

- 1. The above (details supplied 1) has an inter transfer application. The inter transfer application is currently with the local area office awaiting a decision on estate management and maintenance grounds.
- 2. When the above property (details supplied 2) is refurbished and returned to housing stock, the property (details supplied 2) will be allocated to the next available person most suitable on the housing list.

Q.55 <u>Councillor Sonya Stapleton</u>

To ask the manager to have graffiti painted over on Mercer Street Upper flats, block facing onto the South Area Youth Services (SAYS) Club on Cuffe Street.

Reply:

This work will be carried out within the next week.

Q.56 <u>Councillor Sonya Stapleton</u>

To ask the manager for a list of housing / flat complex painting jobs that have been done in the past three years and with a list of outstanding jobs to be completed in the South East Area.

Reply:

The following lists flat complexes painted in the South East Area:

2014

Bride Street 15 Lord Edward Street The Pumphouse

2015

McDonagh House Ranelagh Close Pearse House Whitefriar Gardens

2016

Canon Mooney Gardens

Leo Fitzgerald House Maxwell Court Rathmines Avenue Beechill Villas Beechill Court Markievicz House Mercer House (in Progress)

2017 Draft Programme: It should be noted that this programme can change or painting be delayed or deferred due to weather delays or emergency painting.

Digges Street Glover Court O'Carroll Villas Cuffe Street York Street Bishop Street

Q.57 <u>Councillor Sonya Stapleton</u>

To ask the manager when it is expected that the new library on Kevin Street will be completed?

Reply:

The final phase of construction work began on 8th February 2017 and is continuing. The appointed main contractor, Townlink Construction, will complete the programme and handover to Dublin City Council in Q3. Fit-out and moving in will commence immediately thereafter, with the library opening before the end of the year. Evaluation of the furniture / fit-out tender was completed on 2nd June. All tenderers will be notified of the result the week starting 5th June. The fit out of the library will commence once the construction work has been completed.

Q.58 <u>Councillor Sonya Stapleton</u>

To ask the manager for a list of purpose built homes for elderly people in the South East Area.

Reply:

Please find below a list of Dublin City Council Senior Citizens complexes in the South East Area.

Μ	Beechill Court, Behind C.I.E. Garage, Donnybrook
Μ	Greenore Court, Macken Street
Μ	Rostrevor Court, Macken Street
Μ	Verschoyle Court, Off Mount Street
Μ	Hogan Court, Pearse Street
Μ	Powerscourt, Mount Street
Μ	Beggars Bush Court, Beggars Bush
Μ	Heskin Court, Merrion Road
Μ	Cambridge Court, Ringsend
Ν	Maxwell Court, Oxford Road, Rathmines
Ν	Rathmines Avenue Court, Rathmines Road Upper
Ν	Oxford Grove, Ranelagh
Ν	Woodstock Court, Ranelagh
Ν	Mount Drummond Court, Harold's Cross
Ν	Ranelagh Close, Ranelagh Road

Q.59 <u>Councillor Patrick Costello</u>

To ask the manager when the footpath renewal on Terenure Road West will commence?

Reply:

The 2017 Footway Contract (encompassing Terenure Road West) is due to go out to tender by the end of June 2017. Tenders are expected back by mid July 2017 and works expected to commence in August/September 2017.

Q.60 Councillor Patrick Costello

To ask the manager if she can give a likely start date for the works on Morehampton Road junction with Herbert Park and Marlborough Road?

Reply:

The possible start date of the works for the pedestrian crossing on Morehampton Road junction with Herbert Park and Marlborough Road would be towards the end of the third quarter of 2017 / beginning of fourth quarter 2017.

Q.61 <u>Councillor Patrick Costello</u>

To ask the manager for an update on repairs to the footpaths on Mountain View Road, which I have previously requested.

Reply:

These repairs are on our works list and will be completed when there is a crew in the area.

Q.62 <u>Councillor Patrick Costello</u>

To ask the manager for an update in relation to the Harold's Cross greyhound site and any communication with the department of education and if there are any issues arising that councillors should be aware of.

Reply:

It is anticipated that a request will be received from the Department of Education and Skills seeking the rezoning of the lands to zone Z15 in the City Development Plan (institutional / Educational / community purposes) which will entail a public consultation process.

Q.63 <u>Councillor Patrick Costello</u>

To ask the manager to assess the installation of playground off Orwell road in the grassy area at the back entrance of High School near the kiosk shop.

Reply:

There is currently no proposal to install a playground at the entrance to Orwell Park off Orwell Road as part of the current playground works programme.

There is however a proposal to install a new playground in Herzog Park, Rathgar this year. Consultation with local schools and a design brief for this project is at an advanced stage and it is anticipated that the playground will be completed this year.

It is also proposed to renew the existing playground in Bushy Park and it is anticipated that this work will also be completed this year.

Playground installation and renewal are based on area demographics and child population densities and is reviewed annually. However, it is considered that current proposals will be sufficient to meet existing needs.

Q.64 Councillor Patrick Costello

To ask the manager following the recent changes in Sandymount if she can give an indication of when the rest of the 30km zones in Dublin south east will be in place.

Reply:

The Sandymount Area is the only area in the South East that is planned for 30 Km/h in 2017. A comprehensive review will be undertaken in September / October to assess the first two phases and a report will issue based on this review.

Phase three will be commencing in early 2018 looking at the arterial routes, but also possibly examining additional areas for a 30Km/h introduction. This will include areas in the South East as well as other areas around the city.

Q.65 <u>Councillor Anne Feeney</u>

To ask the manager to consider parking and traffic safety issues for Lavarna Grove and Parkmore Drive (Terenure) at the junction with Terenure Road West. In relation to Parkmore, consideration should be given to extending the double yellow lines from the junction for safer turning from Terenure Road West. In the case of Lavarna Grove, consideration should be given to putting double yellow parking lines on one side of the road from the junction with Terenure Road West up to the first house, as the road is narrow.

Reply:

The Area Traffic Engineer has reported that it is not recommended to install double yellow lines at the junction of Parkmore Drive / Terenure Road West as this is not current Dublin City Council policy, as it would lead to a proliferation of double yellow lines. During a recent site visit no adverse problems with congestion or traffic flow were observed. Furthermore, parking restrictions are not recommended where restrictions are already covered under current legislation. Under the Road Traffic (Traffic and Parking) Regulations, Article 36 paragraph (2)c, "A vehicle shall not be parked within 5 metres of a road junction". Infringements should be reported to Dublin Street Parking Services at 01 6022500 or to the Gardaí as they occur.

With regard to Lavarna Grove, the Traffic Advisory Group at its meeting of 25th March, 2014 reported that an inspection of Lavarna Grove at the junction of Terenure Road West was carried out on 6th March, 2014 during peak morning traffic. Approximately 15 metres of double yellow lines have already been installed along this section of Lavarna Grove on both sides. A yellow box is in place at the junction to facilitate access onto Terenure Road West. Access from Lavarna Grove onto Terenure Road West was satisfactory during the inspection. The Traffic Advisory Group reported that additional double yellow lines were not warranted and, therefore, were not recommended. The Area Traffic Engineer as at June, 2017, has confirmed that there is no change to this recommendation.

Q.66 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the manager to consider changing the 'clear way' hours in locations (i.e. Urban Villages - Harold's Cross, Terenure) where small shops / traders are dependent on delivery vans being able to park for a short period to load / unload. Appropriate 'clearway' times for different sides of the road on the main routes into town, to facilitate inbound and outbound traffic and also small businesses.

Reply:

In the specific locations mentioned in the question, clearways are in place for safety reasons - to ensure buses and cyclists inbound and outbound in the morning and evening peak do not immediately come into conflict with other traffic. There is no grace time allowed for parking on a clearway during operational hours.

The hours of operation of clearways are generally in line with peak traffic. However, if the councillor is aware of a specific area that requires a review this will be facilitated and referred to the Traffic Advisory Group for consideration.

Q.67 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the manager to plant new trees in the lane behind Maxwell Road. Trees were felled recently in this lane by Dublin City Council and residents would like them replaced.

Reply:

Replacement trees will be planted at this location as part of our 2018 tree planting programme.

Q.68 <u>Councillor Anne Feeney</u>

To ask the manager to advise when will the pavements in Terenure Village and on Terenure Road West be repaired / replaced?

Reply:

The 2017 Footway Contract (encompassing Terenure Road West) is due to go out to tender by the end of June 2017. Tenders are expected back by mid July 2017 and works expected to commence in August/September 2017.

Q.69 <u>Councillor Anne Feeney</u>

To ask the manager to advise when will the pedestrian crossing be finished in Rathgar Village (between 108 Pub and Deli). Considerable construction work has been completed in implementing this as part of the Rathgar Village Plan, but it hasn't been finished.

Reply:

A report will be issued to the councillor.

Q.70 <u>Councillor Mary Freehill</u>

The motion below was tabled at December 2016 meeting and reply states that Kevin O'Sullivan met residents. Please see attached letter from residents and it is clear that many of these issues have not been addressed. As I asked in my December motion would the local area office meet this residents association to discuss their problems in the next few weeks?

Motion 5 from Councillor Mary Freehill

Clareville Road, Shanid Road and Adrian Avenue have recently formed a residents' group. Recently on a walk about with them the following issues were raised.

- 1. Graffiti needs to be cleared from corner of Clareville Road and Kenilworth Park. The graffiti is mainly on utility services boxes. Also the name plates at either end of Clareville Road are badly disfigured and would benefit from repainting.
- 2. The state of Clareville Road and Adrian Avenue roads are very unsafe. The area that is tarred is uneven and the concrete part because it has subsided in parts has very dangerous lips measuring a few inches. This is extremely dangerous for cyclists and pedestrians crossing. There is a slight bend on Clareville Road beside Shanid Road which causes vehicles to move to other side of the road at that point, this need to be examined by Traffic Engineers. Traffic moves very fast outside rush hours, to slow it down a "children sign" might help at the school. It is agreed that Clareville Road which is a very busy artery and Adrian Avenue be listed for resurfacing in 2017.
- 3. Clareville Road is the main artery from Crumlin to Rathmines and is the route of No. 18 and 83 buses. The stop sign on Kenilworth Park turn causes very serious tail backs on this road especially from <u>8.00 am</u> to 10.00 am on weekdays with Kenilworth Park having priority when they have the least of the through traffic. This needs to be re-examined by the Traffic Department and also to take into account that these two buses are the only west east public transport route, due to hold up at this corner travel time is severely lengthened.

- 4. ESB and telegraph wires are hanging across the road and they are quite low. In the interest of safety, ESB and Eir need to be contacted to ask them to move them underground.
- 5. There is a lane running at the rear of 74 78 Clareville Road. Because of heavy traffic, residents have to park in their rear garages. There is no public lighting on this lane which makes it very dangerous at night. The residents installed lights over their garages but they have been stolen. Therefore, it is agreed that public lighting be installed on the lane and that the council comment on possibility of "Taking in Charge" of this lane as a whole.
- 6. Double yellow lines (DYL) were agreed sometime ago for Clareville Road and corner of Adrian Avenue, the DYL were only installed on Clareville and not around the corner in Adrian, the result is that vans regularly park right at the corner making it very difficult for residents to safely egress this road.
- 7. There are two large junior schools on Clareville Road, parents dropping off their children in the mornings causes major problems for residents, in many instances, the lane mentioned in No. 5 and several drive ways are blocked because parents park and block their way. It is agreed that Dublin City Council engages with the principals of both schools to get them to put it to parents to agree a protocol of consideration for local residents. Furthermore, that we engage with Green School organisers in this regard.
- 8. That the local area committee agrees to meet the residents' association in January to discuss progress on the above points.

Report:

The South East Area Public Domain Officer, Kevin O'Sullivan met with residents and walked through the estate, discussing these issues. The items have been noted and referred to all the relevant departments for replies, which will be forwarded to the councillor in due course.

Contact:

Rose Kenny, Area Manager, South East Area Office, tel.: 222 2639, email: rose.kenny@dublincity.ie

Reply:

- 1. Arrangements will be made to replace street nameplates on Clareville Road. There is very little graffiti in this area and any on Dublin City Council property will be removed.
- 2. Repair works on Clareville Road and Adrian Avenue are on Road Maintenance Services' Works List.

There is already an abundance of existing signage on Clareville Road to highlight the presence of children crossing and the nearby school. The existing signage is as follows;

- 6 no. existing School Warden Crossing signs erected on Clareville Road approaching the school from both directions.
- 3 no. W141 School Ahead signs in the vicinity of the school, one at the junction with Shanid Road, a second before the junction with Priory Road and a third on Larkfield Park / Larkfield Grove junction.
- 3 no. W142 Children Crossing signs on Larkfield Grove approaching the Clareville Road junction.

Due to the volume of existing signage further signage is not warranted. In an urban environment with the large number of informational, directional and warning signs it is important to manage the number of signs erected to help maintain their effectiveness.

Clareville Road is traffic calmed with 6 no. ramps that include one directly in front of the school and two either side in order to reduce vehicular speed. There is also a pedestrian crossing adjacent to the school to assist children crossing the road. Further ramps are not recommended. It is best practice to space vertical deflections as regularly and frequently as practicable. Additional ramps would not comply with current design standards and would encourage harsh braking and consequent heavy acceleration.

3. Dublin Bus stop number 2482, on Clareville Road near the junction with Kenilworth Park was observed between 08.00 am - 10.00 am. This stop was observed on a regular school day with 13 no. buses using the stop during this period, please find enclosed observations. The maximum number of passengers waiting to board during this time was 2 no. people; with the maximum standing time of any bus during this time was 37 seconds. During this two hour period, the use of this bus stop did not impact upon Kenilworth Road and the traffic movements at the junction. It is therefore not recommended to relocate the stop at this location.

Bus No. 18									
Bus Time	Arrival	Number of passengers waiting to board	Standing Time (seconds)	Observation					
08:10		0	0						
08:40		0	0	No impact on the junction with					
09:10		0	0	Clareville Road and					
09:35		2	37	Kenilworth Park					

Clareville Road -	Dublin Bus	s Stop Number 2482
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Bus No. 83		1	
Bus Arrival Time	Number of passengers waiting to board	Standing Time (seconds)	Observation
08:00	0	0	No impact on the
08:10	0	0	junction with
08:30	1	31	Clareville Road and Kenilworth Park
08:50	2	37	
09:05	0	0	
09:20	0	0	
09:35	1	35	
09:50	1	34	
10:05	0	0	

- 4. The residents' comments will be brought to the attention of the ESB and Eir.
- 5. It is policy of the Public Lighting Services Section not to provide lighting in laneways which serve as a rear access. As a result of this, we cannot provide public lighting in the lane running at the rear of 74 78 Clareville Road.

This lane is not of sufficient public utility and also cannot be brought up to taking in charge standard without incurring substantial expenditure.

6. It is not recommended to install double yellow lines at the corner of Adrian Avenue, as is not the current Dublin City Council policy as it would lead to a proliferation of DYL's. During a site visit no adverse problems with congestion or traffic flow were observed. In addition it is illegal to park within 5m of a junction.

Issues relating to illegal parking should be referred to Dublin Street Parking Services tel. no. 01 6022 500 or the Gardaí as they occur.

7. Having regard to the large number of proposals for new schools and extensions to existing schools, Dublin City Council will seek a meeting with the Department of Education and Skills (DES) in order to emphasize the need for a proactive approach by the new and existing schools to school travel planning, in collaboration with the DES.

Parks Service will arrange to have the location inspected to determine its suitability for tree-planting.

Q.71 Councillor Kieran Binchy

To ask the manager to investigate complaints about dangerous traffic, including trucks ignoring the lollipop lady and reversing dangerously when children are around, and unsupervised gas canisters near the site, and excessive noise during working hours, at the following building site *details supplied.

Reply:

Sarah Middleton from the Air Quality Monitoring and Noise Control Unit has visited the site and spoken with the site manager. Noise data is to be sent to the unit to determine if there are any breaches of noise limits. The site manager has also confirmed that he has signed up to and will adhere to the Good Practice Guidance for Construction Sites.

If the complainants' details are passed to this unit, Sarah Middleton will undertake noise monitoring to assess levels at the complainants' premises.

Q.72 <u>Councillor Kieran Binchy</u>

To ask the manager to clarify the ownership of the following lane, details supplied, to clarify what uses it is zoned for, and to clarify whether it can be used for private or public paid parking by its owners without an application for planning permission.

Reply:

In the City Development Plan, details supplied is not zoned for any particular land use, i.e. it is "white" land denoting an existing, long standing street or road, irrespective of whether it is public or privately owned. Planning permission is not required to use a longstanding, established street/road/avenue for parking purposes. Any traffic management measures would appear to be a matter for the Environment & Transportation Department.

Q.73 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the manager to install yellow zig zag no parking lines in front of the gates (which will be school gates) at the Roslyn Park site, Beach Road Sandymount similar to those outside Scoil Mhuire, Lakelands, Gilford Road, to avoid a situation in which cars park right in front of the school gates and then children step onto or attempt to cross the road invisible to oncoming traffic.

Reply:

The request to install yellow zig zag no parking lines in front of the gates at the Roslyn Park site, Beach Road has been referred to the Traffic Advisory Group for examination and report. The councillor will be informed of the recommendation in due course.

Q.74 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the manager to install a pedestrian crossing on Leahy's Terrace at the location shown in the attached photographs. This is an essential addition to the traffic management in this area in circumstances where it would be the *only* point at which children coming from Sandymount Village to St. Matthew's National School and children coming from Ringsend / Irishtown / Bath Avenue to Star of the Sea National School would be able to cross safely from one side of Leahy's Terrace to the other.

Reply:

The request to install a pedestrian crossing on Leahy's Terrace has been referred to the Traffic Advisory Group for examination and report. The councillor will be informed of the recommendation in due course.

Q.75 <u>Councillor Frank Kennedy</u>

To ask the manager to provide an update from the Derelict Sites Section in respect of the property at *details supplied in circumstances where Derelict Sites communicated to local residents on 5 May 2017 that *"Derelict Sites Section will carry out an inspection of the property and will revert to you following an assessment of its condition"*. This building is in dangerous and disgraceful condition:

- It is boarded up at the door;
- The front window is wide open;
- The railings are broken and the front garden is full of bags of rubbish;
- The chimney stack and part of the return to rear of No. 19 has collapsed into the rear garden, adjacent to the boundary wall with Synge Street school;
- The house continues to deteriorate and attract anti-social behaviour; and
- It is a fire hazard waiting to happen given that there is easy access.

(Please see photos attached).

Reply:

Details supplied was inspected by a member of the Conservation Team due to complaints received to the Enforcement Section regarding its demise. Further to that inspection it was entered onto the BAR Register (Buildings At Risk) and on 13/12/16 it was recommended that a Section 59 Endangerment Notice was issued in respect of the property to the owners. The Endangerment Notice required 5 specific items of works to be undertaken on the building in order to make it safe and secure. The works were to be completed by the end of March 2017. To date there has been no communication between the owners and the Conservation Section regarding commencing the repair works. It is decided that court proceedings will now be issued on the owners for non-compliance with the Endangerment Notice.

Q.76 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the manager without further delay to arrange for the installation of a disabled parking bay for *details supplied outside her home at *details supplied in circumstances where she has made the necessary application and has confirmed to Dublin City Council, on request, that (a) her property does not have off-street parking and (b) she is a full-time resident at this address.

Reply:

A request for a disabled parking bay was received from the resident who indicated in correspondence that there is off-street parking available at the property. However, if there is no off-street parking at the property, it will be necessary to receive written confirmation from the resident to this effect. On receipt of same, the request for a disabled parking bay will be considered further.

Q.77 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the manager to install signs to inform motorists of the 30km speed limit on the roads subject to this restriction surrounding the South Circular Road (e.g. St. Alban's Road).

Reply:

The necessary statutory signage has been erected where required resulting from Phases 1 & 2 of the recent speed bye-law rollout. Additional further information is available on the website, <u>www.dublincity.ie</u>

Q.78 Councillor Frank Kennedy

In circumstances where the cycle lane on the N11 between Donnybrook and UCD, particularly the small stretch between RTÉ and UCD is in a disgraceful state and very dangerous, to ask the manager to ensure that it is repaved as a matter of urgency. Residents and road users have reported a number of falls due to pot holes and badly poured concrete on this stretch.

Reply:

This will be considered for 2018 resurfacing programme. Arrangements will be made to carry out local repairs in the meantime.

Q.79 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the manager to paint the old green lampposts in Donnybrook Village in circumstances where they are in poor condition at present? Please see photo attached.

Reply:

The public lighting columns here will be investigated, and if any painting is required we will add them to our list for inclusion on a future painting programme, subject to finances made available.

Q.80 <u>Councillor Frank Kennedy</u>

To ask the manager to repair, as a matter of urgency, the footpaths outside Margaretholme Sheltered Housing, Claremont Road, Dublin 4. The footpaths are in a dreadful state and the residents of Margaretholme are elderly, vulnerable and in many cases are of limited mobility.

Reply:

Arrangements will be made to carry out repairs at this location.

Q.81 <u>Councillor Frank Kennedy</u>

To ask the manager for an update on the status on the Housing List of *details supplied.

Reply:

The applicant (details supplied) is registered on the Dublin City Council Housing List. The applicant is currently in Band 3 of the Housing List for a one bedroom property. The positions are: 126 for Area K, 184 for Area L and 188 for Area N.

Dublin City Council is allocating properties based on time on the list and currently there are a number of applicants on the housing list of longer standing who have to be considered as suitable vacancies arise. It is not possible to indicate accurately the prospect of an offer for any applicant as the number of vacancies arising will be a determining factor in the length of time applicants could expect to be on the waiting.

Item	Ref	Request	Road	Post-	Торіс	South East Jul Area 10/07/17 (TAG Date: 27/06/17) Request Description	Request by	TAG Result	TAG Comments	Sec	Date Received
		Pedestrian	AUNGIER STREET (SE-	code Dublin 2	Pedestrian	At the junction of Digges Street Upper.	Cllr. Stapleton	Not Recommended	Aungier Street was observed. There is already a pedestrian crossing less than 80m from this location. No reported accidents have occurred in Angier Street. Therefore pedestrian		0 10/11/2014
2	16260	Parking Prohibitions	EA) BARROW STREET (SE- EA)			Between the Google Building and Grand Mill Quay.	Resident	Not Recommended	crossings are not recommended to at this present time Under the Road Traffic (Traffic & Parking) Regulations, Section 36 paragraph(2) g; "A vehicle shall not be parked in any place, position or manner that will result in the vehicle obstructing an entrance or an exit for vehicles to or from a premises, save with the consent of the occupier of such premises;". It is not recommended to introduce parking restrictions where restrictions are already covered under the law, such as placing double yellow lines (DYLs) across entrances, as this would lead to a proliferation of same and additional expense due to maintenance etc. Infringements of the Act should be reported to Dublin Street Parking Services, tel.: 6022 500 for enforcement under the law.		0 21/01/2015
3	16336	Parking Prohibitions	BOYNE STREET (SE- EA)		0	At the rear entrance to the KBC Bank.	Resident	Recommended	Rescind loading bay marking RRM009, with the words LOADING and the pole with the plate information at Boyne Street, Dublin 2, on the south side, from a point 35m west of the junction with Erne Street Upper, extending westwards for 12m.		0 23/01/2015
4		Parking Prohibitions	CAMDEN STREET LOWER (SE-	Dublin 2	, O	From Camden Street to Dame Street, to 07.00 to Midnight.	Dublin Bus	Not Recommended	It is not recommended to extend the existing operational hours (7:00 to 19:00) to (7:00 to midnight), of the bus lane from Camden Street Lower to Dame Street, as this would cause difficulties for the local businesses of the area.		1 23/02/2015
5	38532		CASTLE STREET (SE- EA)			Dublin Bus Stop Pole on Castle Street.	Dublin City Council Parking Enforceme nt Section.	Recommended	Upon review of the bus markings on Castle Street and on the grounds of health & safety for pedestrians and road users; it is recommended to install a a Dublin Bus stop pole to accompany the bus markings. Other operators can also apply to DCC to use this stop. • Install a Dublin Bus stop pole on the southern side of Castle Street (on the footpath), at a point 26 meters south-westwards of Lamppost No. 4.		0 24/05/2017
6	30483		CLAREVILLE ROAD (SE- EA)	Dublin 6W		On Kenilworth Park at the junction with Clareville Road.	Resident	Recommended	Yellow box recommended on Kenilworth Park at the junction with Clareville Road. Both sides of the road, full width of the junction commencing from a point 9m west of PLS 10 (12m X 7.6m box).		0 29/03/2016
7		Parking Prohibitions	ELM PARK (SE-EA)	Dublin 4		For extension of operational hours.	Resident	Recommended	Accepted at ballot to extend hours to Mon - Sun 07.000 - 24.00. 21 on register, 14 votes returned, 13 for and 1 spoilt.		0 08/08/2016
8	14819	Pedestrian Facilities	GRAND CANAL STREET LOWER (SE-EA)	Dublin 2		At junction with Eblana Villas	Resident	Not Recommended	During a site visit no adverse problems regarding speed around Grand Canal Street Lower were observed. There is already a pedestrian crossing less than 80m from this location. Therefore pedestrian crossings are not recommended to at this present time.		0 22/10/2014
9		Parking Prohibitions	GRANTHAM PLACE (SE- EA)	Dublin 8		Remove DYLs from o/s 8A Grantham Place.	Resident	Not Recommended	It is not recommended to rescind the existing double yellow lines at Grantham Place as the road width doesn't have the minimum width to allow one sided parking and the existing double yellow lines (DYLs) are necessary in order to maintain the traffic flow in the area.		0 22/05/2017
10		Parking Prohibitions	GRATTAN STREET (SE- EA)		Pay & Display & Permit Parking	From Nos. 12-19.	Resident	Recommended	Accepted at ballot, hours Mon - Sat 07.00 - 19.00. 11 on register, 6 votes returned, all in favour.		0 05/10/2016

11		Parking Prohibitions	HADDINGTO N ROAD (SE- EA)	Dublin 4		Outside St. Mary's Church.	Resident	Recommended	Recommended to authorise the existing DYLs outside of Saint Mary's Church at Haddington Road. Stat as follows: From the common Boundary of 63 Haddington Road with the Saint Mary's Church at the south side of Haddington Road. extending 12.6m eastwards. From the common boundary 65 Haddington Road with the Saint Mary's Church at the South side of Haddington Road. extending 7.43m eastwards.	0	21/05/2015
12		Parking Prohibitions			Pay & Display & Permit Parking	On Kenilworth Lane.	Resident	Recommended	Recommended subject to ballot of residents (TAG 27/06/17).	8	26/04/2016
13		Parking Prohibitions	LANSDOWN	Dublin 2	Double Yellow Lines	At various locations.		Not Recommended	The location where the double yellow lines were requested as the map attached are at the corners of the entrances of Landowner Village. These DYLs are not recommended as under current road traffic regulations, it is illegal to park within 5 metres of a junction. To introduce parking restrictions in the form of double yellow lines would set precedence and could lead to similar requests throughout the entire residential area, this would lead to a proliferation of unnecessary lining and subsequent maintenance costs. Instances of illegal parking should be reported directly to Dublin Street Parking Services, tel.: 6022 500, or the Gardaí as they occur.	0	08/12/2014
14	38262	Admin	LARKFIELD GROVE (SE- EA)	Dublin 6W	Engineer Query	Request to reduce length of continuous white line	Resident	Recommended	It is recommended to reduce the length of continuous white line (RRM001) adjacent to the house number 23 Larkfield Grove, at the junction with Clareville Road and Larkfield Grove from 16m to 11m. This is the maximum in length that is recommended to be reduced in order to provide visibility for the cars from Larkfield Park when are turning left onto Clareville Road. Furthermore during a site inspection it was noted that the continuous white line (RRM001) adjacent to the house number 44 Larkfield Park, it was not in accordance with the Traffic Signs Manual as the existing length is only 5m. It is recommended to extend the existing continuous white line (CWL) at the Junction Clareville Road and Larkfield Park (on the Westside) from 5m to 11m. Stat: Rescind Centre White Line on Larkfield Grove adjacent house no. 23 Larkfield Grove northeast of the junction with Clareville Road by 5m from 16m to 11m in length. Extend the Continuous White Lines on Larkfield Grove, adjacent house No. 44 Larkfield Park, southwest of the junction with Clareville Road by 6m to 11m in length.	0	22/05/2017
15	36727	Traffic Signs	LENNOX STREET (SE- EA)		No Stright Ahead	7 - 10 except for cyclists from the line marked (east of the junction with Richmond Row) and rescind No Left Turn onto Richmond Street South.	Council	Recommended	In order to introduce No Straight Ahead (RUS 011), with supplementary plate (P 050) with the wording except cyclist and (P 051) periods of operation Monday to Friday 7.00- 10.00, at the junction Lennox Street with Richmond Row. It is necessary to do some alteration to the road as a build out on both sides of Lennox Street. These recommendations are subject to available staff resources and future funding being available.	0	27/02/2017
16		Parking Prohibitions		Dublin 2	•	In the area to the rear of Nos. 2A – 10A.		Not Recommended	Installing double yellow lines on the rear of Lombard Street East is not recommended, as this is not a carriageway, and this area is in charge to the Housing Department.	0	05/01/2015
17	20320	Traffic Conditions	LOMBARD STREET WEST (SE- EA)	Dublin 2	Yellow Box	Heading towards Pearse Street.	Dublin Bus	Not Recommended	It is not recommended to extend the existing yellow box at Lombard Street heading towards Pearse St, as Dublin Bus services are not currently operating on Lombard Street. the Buss Priority Officer spoke with the Depot Manager and it unlikely Dublin Bus services will go back to Briton Quay therefore no service operating Lombard Street in foreseeable future	0	21/09/2015

18	20319		LUKE STREET (SE- EA)	Dublin 2		On the street, north bound except for emergency services.	Dublin Bus	Not Recommended	 It is not possible to introduce one way system. A one way system is not recommended for a number of reasons as follows: It is considered that a one-way system would lead to increased traffic speeds and reduce pedestrian safety. A one way system would cause inconvenience to residents on and increase traffic on adjoining Roads. A one-way system would also hinder emergency services access, Garda operations and other service vehicles. The enforcement of turning bans and time plated restrictions is a matter for the Gardaí. 	0	21/09/2015
19		0	PALMERSTO N GARDENS (SE-EA)	Dublin 6	Double Yellow Lines	From No. 46, east to the Emerald Cultural Centre at the end of the laneway, on one side or both sides of the laneway.		Recommended	Install DYLs on both side of Palmerston gardens avoiding entrances: STAT: From the common boundary of 32 Palmerston Gardens extending 80m (exclude entrance to the garage) From 46 Palmerston Gardens, extending 85m eastwards (exclude entrance to the garage)	3	07/10/2014
20	16409	Parking Prohibitions	RICHMOND LANE (SE- EA)	Dublin 6	Double Yellow Lines	On the access and exit to the lane.	Resident	Not Recommended	However, Dublin City Council will proceed with the preparation of a Pay and Display and Residents' Permit Parking Scheme where it is first established that there is a demonstrable and clear desire for a scheme. On receipt initially of written supporting evidence from 25% of households of the road, the request for a parking scheme will be referred to the Traffic Advisory Group for examination and report. The supporting evidence may take the form of a number of written requests or a signed petition, indicating names and addresses. Apply to parkingenforcement@dublincity.ie	0	27/01/2015
21		Parking Prohibitions	SANDYMOU NT AVENUE (SE-EA)	Dublin 4	Parking Prohibition	Outside Nos. 12 - 18.	Resident	Recommended	Install double yellow lines outside of house number 12 on Sandymount Avenue, north-west side, from the laneway extending north-eastwards for 22.6m avoiding entrances of the houses.	0	27/09/2016
22		Parking Prohibitions	SPAFIELD TERRACE (SE-EA)	Dublin 4	& Permit Parking	Extension of operational hours on Spafield Terrace and on Sandymount Avenue (between Merrion Road and the Dart line).	Resident	Not Recommended	Rejected at ballot. 49 on register of electors, 20 votes returned, 7 for, 12 against (+ 1 not on register). The pro-rata vote was 7 for and 11 against.	0	22/06/2016

To the Chairperson and Members of the South East Area Committee

Re: Grants towards the running costs of private swimming pool for year 2017

An application has been received for financial assistance towards the running costs of the private swimming pool listed below, for the year 2017. The Pool Administrator has submitted accounts showing the operating costs. The swimming pool is open seven days a week and caters for members of the public, children's swimming lessons, adult swimming lessons and parent and toddler swimming groups and other schools in the area.

Dublin City Council has supported this facility financially over the years to ensure that the swimming pool remains open for public use as the council does not operate a swimming pool / leisure centre in this area. The grant is conditional on the swimming pool being available for public use. The grant being recommended is the same as the grant in 2016. The swimming pool would not be available to the public without the financial assistance of Dublin City Council.

I recommend that approval be given to the grant as detailed below.

Applicant

Marian College Lansdowne Road Ballsbridge Dublin 4 Swimming Pool Marian College Swimming Pool Grant Recommended for 2017 €30,000

Declan Wallace Assistant Chief Executive

To the Chairperson and Members of the South East Area Committee

PART 8 NOTIFICATION OF APPROVAL: for construction tea room, upgrade of existing bandstand and ancillary landscape works at Bushy Park

Plan No. 2480/17

At its meeting on the 10th October 2016, the South East Area Committee was informed of the initiation of the Part 8 planning process for the construction of a new tea room, upgrade of existing bandstand and ancillary landscape works at Bushy Park, off Rathdown Avenue in Terenure, Dublin 6W. The Part 8 Procedure for Works by a Local Authority requires that:

"Before any project is presented to council, a report shall be made to the local area committee informing them of the intention to present the proposal to the city council and advising them that the process for approval of a Part 8 is a reserved function of the city council."

Submissions / Observations:

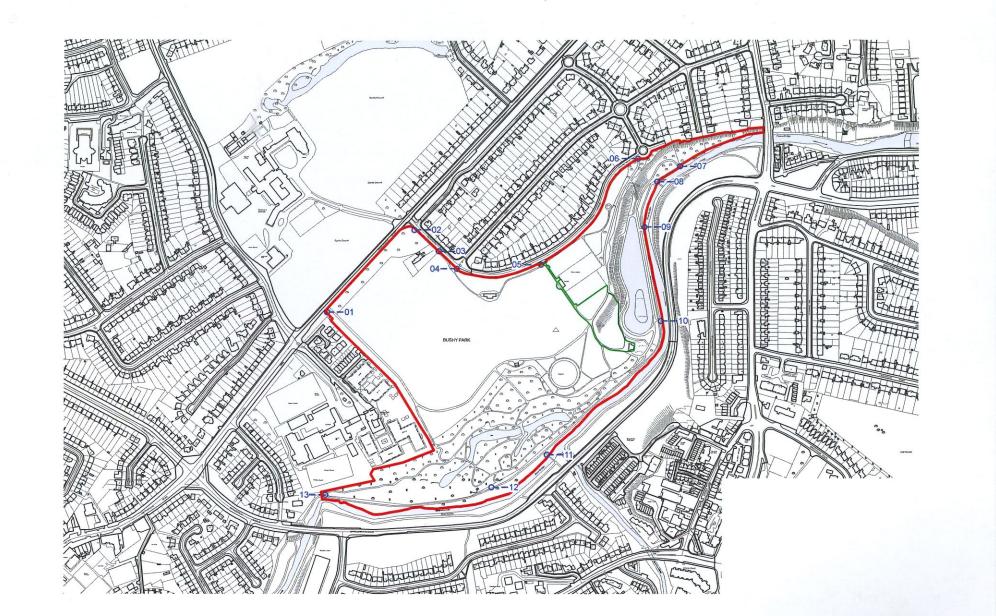
Six submissions / observations have been received in relation to this application. The main concerns raised relate to the traffic and parking issues at Bushy Park, and the potential impact of the proposed development on existing facilities.

Planning Considerations:

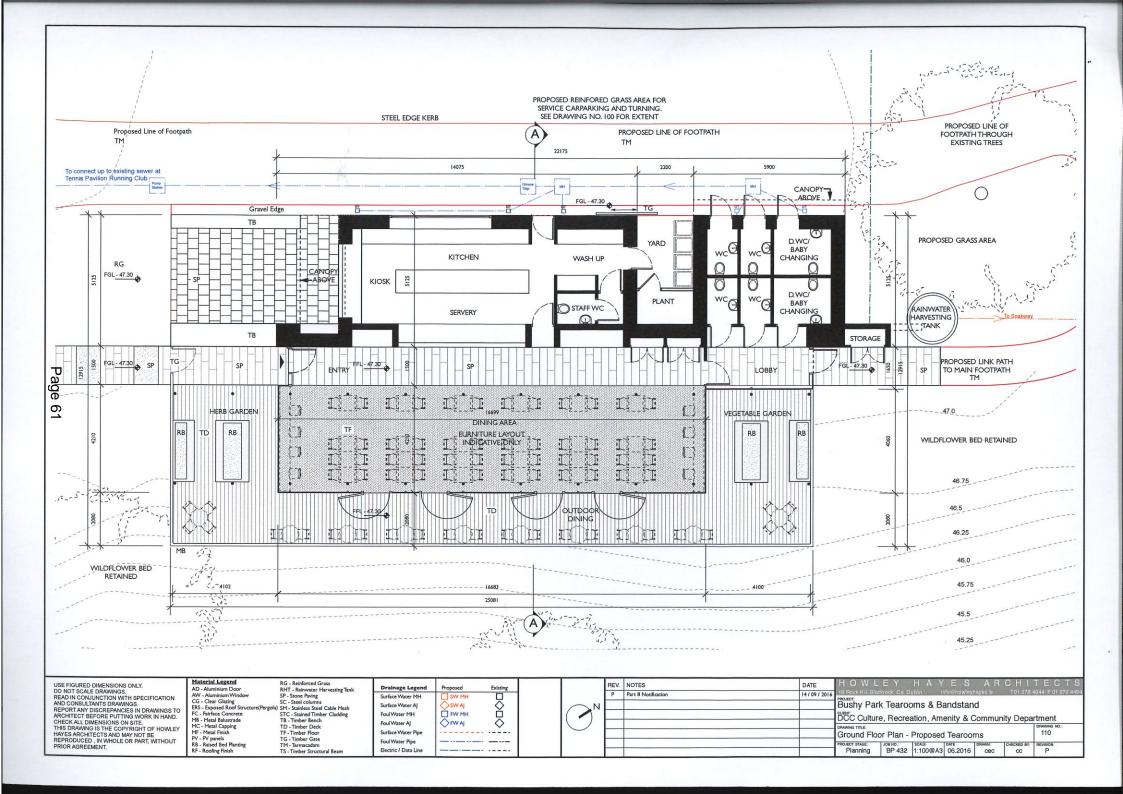
Concerns raised in the submissions relate to the impact on amenity space, traffic and parking issues, however, it is considered that the proposal for the tea room and the up-grade of the bandstand will enhance and complement the existing recreational facilities rather than create a new attraction in its own right. South Dublin County Council has proposals for a greenway (cycle / pedestrian route) and car parking along the Dodder to the south of this proposal. Although this scheme is not yet permitted, the proposals if it were to proceed would further serve to ventilate this area with pedestrian and cycle access.

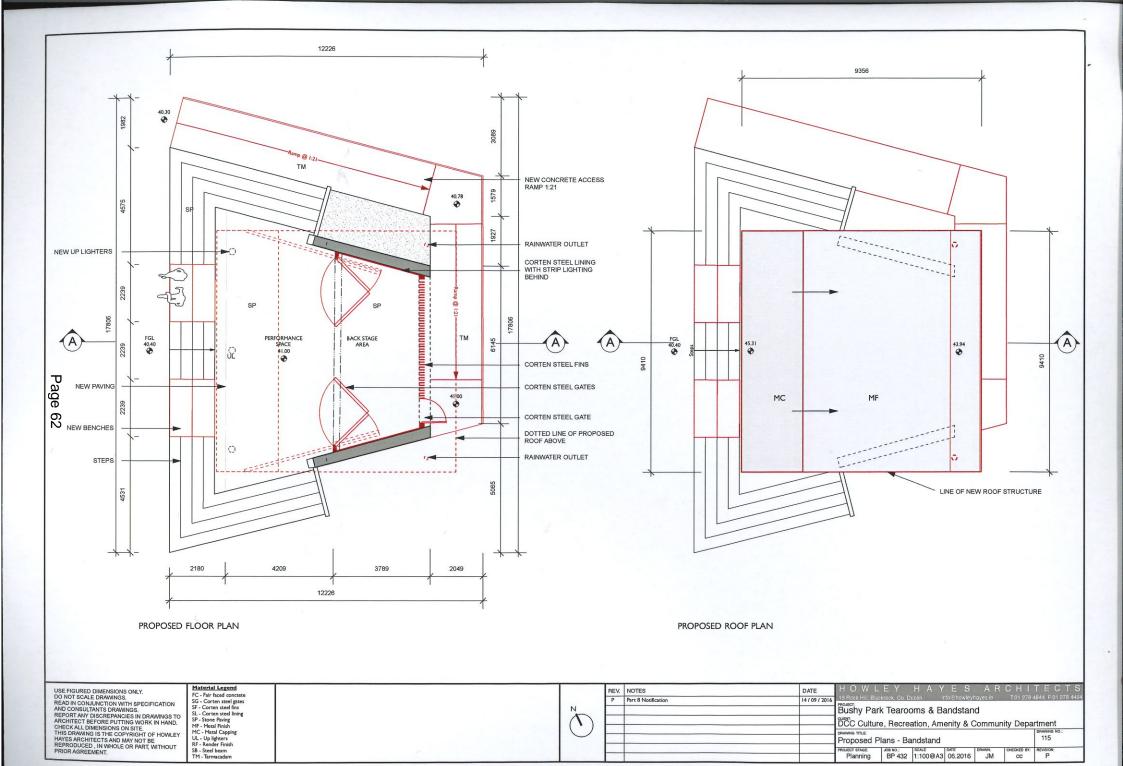
As it is now intended to present this development proposal to the city council for approval, the South East Area Committee is being advised as required.

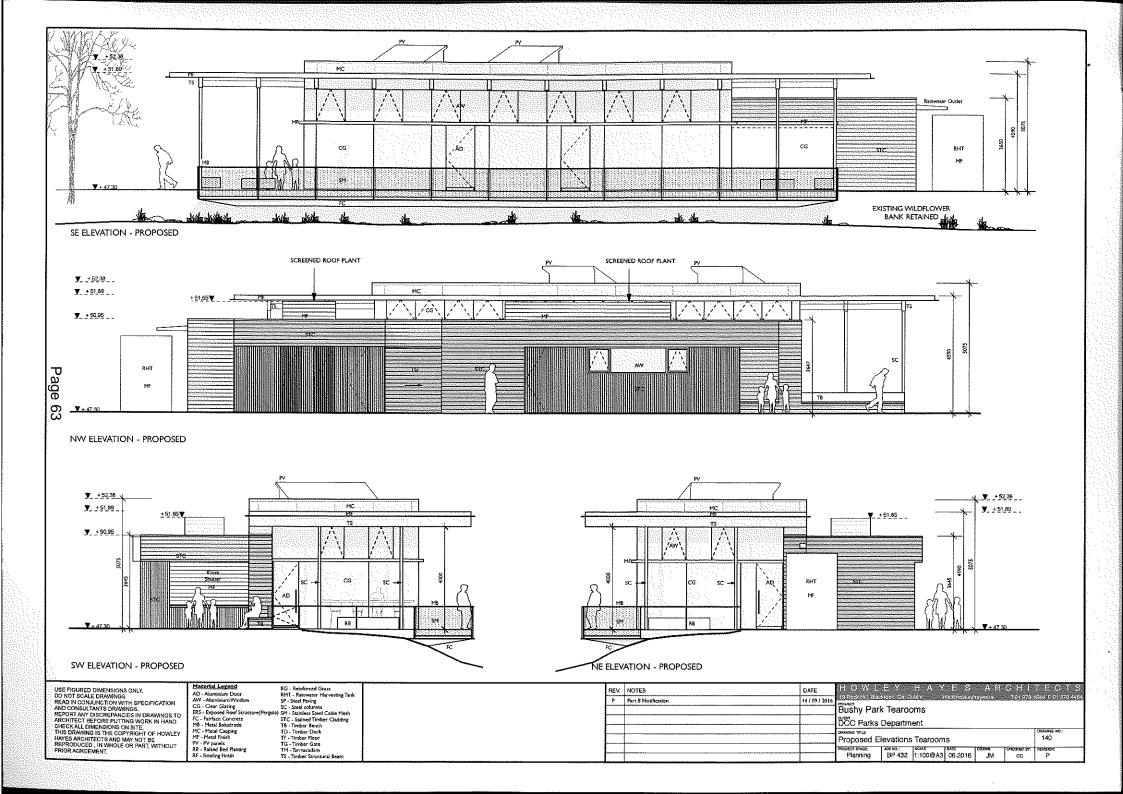
Bernard Brady Senior Executive Parks Superintendent



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View from Amphitheatre



02 View From Existing Steps



04 View of Entrance



06 View from Bandstand

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To the Chairman and Members of the South East Area Committee

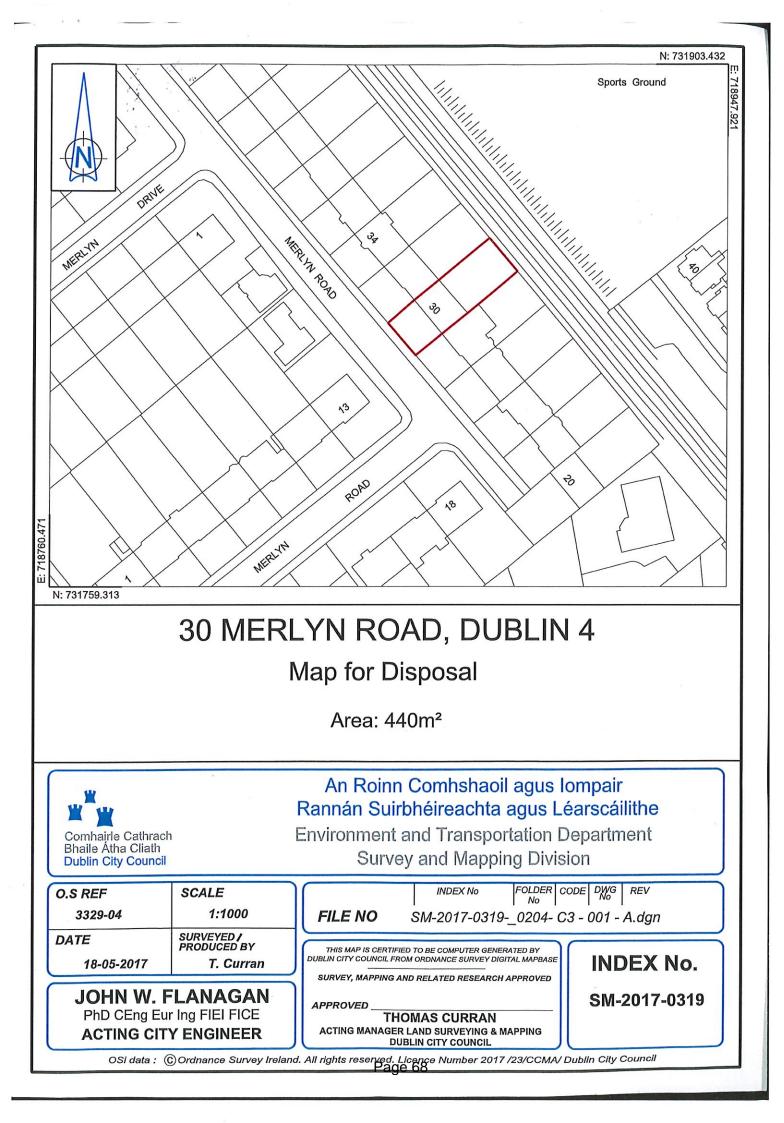
With reference to the proposed disposal of the property No. 30 Merlyn Road, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4 to Karen Heatley.

The city council in its drive to eradicate dereliction in the city exercised its legislative powers under s.14 of the Derelict Sites Act 1990 (as amended by the Planning & Development Act 2000) to acquire compulsorily 30 Merlyn Road, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4, a derelict site which was entered on the Derelict Sites Register on 5th April 2011. The council only exercises this power as a last resort in circumstances where all efforts to secure the carrying out of improvement works by property owners have been exhausted. The property vested in the city council in fee simple free from encumbrances and all estates, rights, titles and interests of whatsoever kind on the 1st March 2017.

The property was not required by the council and was placed for sale, by public auction. Lisney were appointed as an independent agent to market and sell the property at No. 30 Merlyn Road, which has now been sold by public auction dated 14th June 2017 to Karen Heatley. In this regard the Chief Valuer is now prepared to recommend for acceptance the following terms and conditions which are considered to be fair and reasonable:

- 1. That the subject property to be disposed of is the dwelling house known as No. 30 Merlyn Road, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4 and more particularly outlined red on the attached copy map Index No. SM-2017-0319.
- 2. That the title to be disposed of is the fee simple interest held under a Vesting Order dated 2nd February 2017 made by Dublin City Council under the Derelict Sites Act 1990, s.17.
- 3. That the disposal price shall be the sum of €980,000 (nine hundred and eighty thousand euro).
- 4. That the sale is subject to the Conditions of Sale dated 14th June 2017 executed by the parties.

Richard Shakespeare Assistant Chief Executive



Planning and Property Development Department Property Disposal Section

To the Chairman and Members of the South East Area Committee

With reference to the proposed disposal of property at Numbers 15 - 30 Beech Hill Terrace, Donnybrook, Dublin 4 to the Royal Hospital Donnybrook Voluntary Housing Association Limited

The Planning and Property Development Department has received instructions from the Housing and Community Services Department to dispose of the Fee Simple in the property as mentioned above to the Royal Hospital Donnybrook Voluntary Housing Association Limited (RHDVHA).

The Housing Association named above is an approved housing body and registered charity, who propose is to refurbish the existing two blocks of bedsits providing units with bedrooms for elderly / disabled persons. Planning permission was granted on 8th November 2016 (Ref. No. 3490/16).

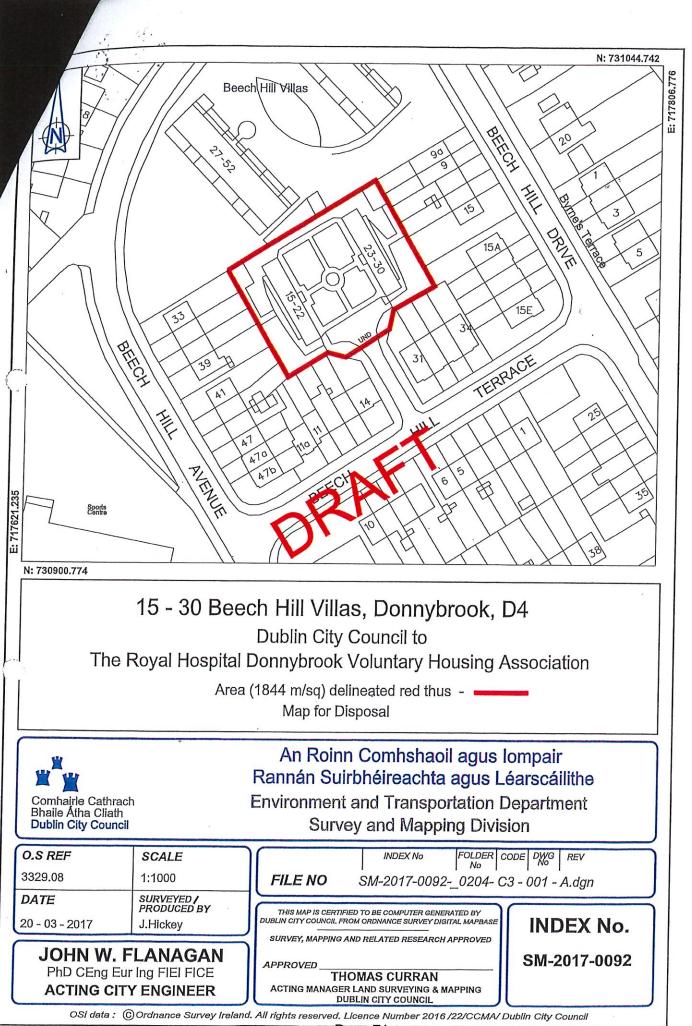
It is now proposed to dispose of the Fee Simple in Numbers 15 - 30 Beech Hill Terrace, Donnybrook, Dublin 4 to RHDVHA, as shown outlined in red on Map Index No. SM-2017-0092, subject to the following terms and conditions:

- 1. That the subject property is located at 15 30 Beech Hill Terrace, Donnybrook, Dublin 4 and is shown outlined in red on the attached draft map Index No. SM-2017-0092 (which is for identification purposes only). A formal map will be prepared for the disposal.
- 2. That the RHDVHA has obtained planning permission (Ref. No. 3490/16) for the renovation of 16 existing social housing units and construction of four additional social housing units.
- 3. That the council shall dispose of the fee simple title in the subject property under the terms of the Low Cost Sites Scheme, to the applicant, following the receipt of the requisite approvals.
- 4. That the disposal price shall be €127 (one hundred and twenty seven euro) plus VAT (if applicable) **per residential unit** (20 units in total).
- 5. That the title to be transferred shall be subject to a building covenant that the development on the subject property shall comply with the planning permission (Ref. No. 3490/16) granted and all other necessary statutory approvals.
- 6. That the development must be fully completed and made fit for occupation within the time frame agreed between the Executive Manager, Housing and Community Service and the RHDVA.

- 7. That prior to the transfer of title, the Proposed Purchaser and its contractor and professional team shall be permitted to enter onto the subject property under a Building Licence Agreement, on standard terms to be agreed, for the purposes of commencing the approved development.
- 8. That the council shall have 100% nomination rights to all of the units constructed on site.
- 9. That a charge in favour of Dublin City Council for the Capital Assistance Scheme (CAS) shall remain on the title for a term of 30 years. The applicant shall comply in full with the Deed of Mortgage in respect of the CAS charge.
- 10. That the title is to be transferred when the development is completed and the Mortgage Deed is executed.
- 11. That there is an inhibition on the title that the subject property can only be used for social housing purposes.
- 12. That should subject property cease to be used for social housing purposes at any stage, then the land and the units will revert free of charge to Dublin City Council subject to and with the burden of the Capital Assistance Scheme Charge.
- 13. That in the event of the applicant's bankruptcy or insolvency, Dublin City Council reserves the right to take possession of the site and all of the housing units, (partially completed or otherwise), at no cost to the council, save in the case of a financial institution which has entered into a mortgage with the purchaser subject to and with the burden of the Capital Assistance Scheme Charge.
- 14. That the applicant shall not sell, assign, sublet or part with possession of the property or part thereof without obtaining the written consent of the city council.
- 15. That each party shall be responsible for the own legal fees.
- 16. That the Royal Hospital Donnybrook Voluntary Housing Association Limited shall be liable for the payment of VAT or Stamp Duty should any payments arise from this disposal.
- 17. That the legal agreement shall include any amendments and / or conditions deemed by Dublin City Council's Law Agent.

No agreement enforceable at law is created or intended to be created until an exchange of contracts has taken place.

Paul Clegg Executive Manager



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Community Development Section Report	
July 1 st :	Morehampton Terrace Street Party 2pm Havelock Square Family Fun Day 2 - 5pm
July 2 nd :	International Women's Rugby Trophy Tour Sandymount Green 2 - 4pm Donnybrook Residents' Association Family Fun Day 2 - 6pm
July 4 th :	Sandymount Older Persons' Tea Party Sandymount Green 2.30pm
July 13 th :	Family Open Day Allotment and prize giving 6 - 8pm in Ringsend Allotments
July 15 th :	'Woolly Wards' Farm visit to Bushy Park 12 - 3pm
July 16 th :	"Taking Liberties" Fun Day in the Cabbage Patch 2 - 6pm
July 20 th :	Ballroom of Romance – Older Persons' Evening Party, RCSI 7.30 - 10.30pm

July 22nd:Colombia National Day St. John's Terrace 1pm

Tidy Towns and City Neighbourhoods

Tidy Towns and Dublin City Council City Neighbourhood Competition support with village cleaning flowering and greening though main plant sales and direct work in Donnybrook, Harold's Cross, Lansdowne Park, Palmerston Park, Rathmines, Ranelagh, Terenure and Sandymount.

The main judging for Tidy Towns and City Neighbourhoods will happen in late June early July, so please encourage all residents to clean, tidy and green the key villages.

Company Volunteer Clean Up Projects Day in Verschoyle Court and St. Patrick's School garden in June.

Friends of Green Spaces:

Specific work and projects in:

Beech Hill, Dunville Avenue, Heskin Court, Macken Street, Magennis Square, Northbrook Avenue, Pearse House, Ringsend, Verschoyle Court and York Street.

In addition to the above a number of weekly events continue to take place as part of ongoing community work, including older persons' activities, weekly walks, yoga, knitting club, Friends of Green Spaces and allotment links etc.

Environmental Services Unit Report

Dublin City Neighbourhoods Competition 2017

The number of applications received within the South East area has increased this year. Judging took place at local level in June and city-wide judging will occur this month. Awards ceremonies at local and city-wide level will both take place in September.

Weed Control

The 2nd round of spraying is due to commence in the South East Area on 7th August.

<u>Events</u>

Grand Dublin Swim 15th July 98FM Big Slide Festival 15th and 16th July Rock and Roll ½ Marathon 13th August

Housing Projects and Local Area Improvements

Southern Campshires Flood Protection Scheme

The contractor moved on site on 23^{rd} October 2014. The works are being carried out by the Office of Public Works (OPW) and various sub-contractors and supervised by various consultants for different aspects of these works. A number of ground condition problems have slowed this project down to date. The estimated cost of this whole project from Butt Bridge to Cardiff Lane is $\leq 3.5m$ and is around 75% completed. George's Quay is reopened except for trees to be installed later. One third of flood gates were installed before Christmas 2016. Substantial completion will be around March 2017 except for some minor contracts on works.

Grand Canal Sub Group

The latest meeting of the Grand Canal Sub-committee was held on 7th June 2017. A canal warden scheme is being progressed by Waterways Ireland. The next meeting of the Grand Canal Sub-committee will be held on Wednesday 12th July 2017.

Rathgar Village Improvement Plan (VIP)

The finalised Rathgar Village Improvement Plan (VIP) was approved at the January 2015 South East Area Committee. New lamp standards have been installed. The Part 8 was approved at the meeting of the full city council on 9th January 2017. Implementation works will commence with re-alignment of the bring centre. Waste Management Section is preparing a tender document at present – works to commence in September 2017. Consultation was carried out with three local primary schools in relation to providing a nature play area in the woodland area. Tender is now being prepared, with works to commence in September 2017.

Ranelagh Gardens Park

The Part 8 was approved at the City Council meeting on Monday 6th July 2015. The playground has now been completed. Other elements of the Part 8 include bird garden, planting, works to pond edging and island will be carried out in 2017.

Ringsend Irishtown Local Environment Improvement Plan (LEIP)

A draft Local Environment Improvement Plan was put on public display for consultation for a period of six weeks from 18th January 2017 until 28th February 2017 and 39 submissions were received. A final Local Environment Improvement Plan, taking all submissions into consideration, has now been finalised. The plan was agreed at the June South East Area Committee meeting. Work will begin on preparation of Part 8 application in relation to Library Square and Cambridge Road later in 2017.

Terenure 2030

In 2016 six new lamp standards were provided in the village along with cycle parking and new litter bins. A further five new lamp standards have now been identified and Public Lighting Section has been instructed to cost, order and install in 2017.

Charlemont

Works continue on site with a revised completion date of 10th of November 2017. A World Café event was held in Charlemont Community Centre on the 28th of June. It was well attended and well received in the community. The Dublin City Council Project Office continues to provide a service to the community. Regular meetings take place with the various stakeholders in the delivery of the new housing.

Canon Mooney Gardens:

The environmental improvement works for Canon Mooney Gardens are complete and we are now exploring the possibility of carry out some minor additional works.

Dublin City Sports and Wellbeing Partnership (DCSWP) Report

Green Scene is a new summertime initiative aimed at getting more people active through better use of our parks & green spaces in Dublin City. DCSWP Sports Officers will work with partners to organize new, interesting & enjoyable games, activities and coaching sessions.

Complimenting The Green Scene will be the following:

Seen on the Green – Efforts will be made to entice well known sporting personalities to attend activities. We will promote these through a 'Seen on the Green' segment on social media and other relevant media channels. This will help build the profile of the programme and assist with securing future sponsorship.

The Green Machine – Awards/prizes will be presented to participants attending the highest number of sessions.

Green Scene Events taking place in the South East Area in July include:

Green Scene Charlemont Street

Multi-sports fun and games sessions will take place every Friday afternoon on the green in Charlemont Street, commencing Friday 14th July from 3pm – 4pm and continuing until 25th August. Sessions are free and open to all young people in the area, catering for all ages.

Green Scene Ringsend Park

A multi-sports family fun day will take place on Friday 28th July in Ringsend Park. The event is run in partnership with Ringsend Irishtown Community Centre staff. The event will run from 11:30am – 3:30pm.

Green Scene Boot Camp Sessions

Dates/times/venues to be confirmed.

Roslyn Park College's 8-week **athletics training programme** continues throughout July. Participants with mild learning difficulties will learn new skills in athletics at Irishtown stadium where they will be able to avail of the track.

DCSWP Sports Officer will link with **St. Andrew's Youth Resource Centre Summer Project** to facilitate **outdoor pursuit activities**.

A number of participants from the **Spellman Centre (Ringsend & District Response to Drugs)** are taking ongoing visits to **Larch Hill Scout Camp** throughout the summer. They will be working to complete a number of activities & challenges with the overall aim of achieving the **Gaisce Award**. This has been facilitated by the local DCSWP Sports Officer.

There are a number of '**Bike 4 Life**' programmes planned for the area this summer, using the Sutton to Sandycove Cycleway.

Boxing

'The Ringer' This new boxing club is the first of its kind in the South East Area for approx. 30 years and is the result of some fantastic collaborative work between the DCSWP/ Irish Amateur Boxing Association (IABA) Boxing Officer, the DCSWP Sports Officer and Ringsend & Irishtown Community Centre. The official launch took place on Tuesday 18th April and the club hopes to be operational and open for business by mid summer.

Aviva Stadium Tours & Boxing Taster Session:

All 5th & 6th class pupils and Transition Year students throughout the Dublin City area, including many from the South East Area, who took part in the Startbox Programme, have been invited to take part in free tours of the Aviva stadium throughout June & July (which will be guided by DCSWP/IABA Boxing Officers). Students will also experience a short coaching session and view some famous Irish, International & Olympic boxing memorabilia (this will be coupled with interesting & informative stories/anecdotes to inspire and educate the students!).

Sports & Fitness Markievicz

Swim Summer Camps: July 3rd – 21st from 2pm till 4.30pm, catering for 40 young people daily

Football

Sprog Soccer: This initiative for 4 – 8 year olds takes place every Friday morning in Sports & Fitness Irishtown (currently 60 participants) and every Wednesday at 9.30am in YMCA Aungier Street (currently 80 participants).

Summer Camps: 4 weekly camps will take place throughout July in Ringsend Park. The camps are for both boys and girls and over 200 young people are registered to take part.

Men's League: Ongoing every Monday & Wednesday evenings from 6pm to 8pm in Ringsend Park.

Football for All: This programme is aimed at young people with learning difficulties and/or physical disabilities and takes place in Irishtown Stadium on Fridays 5pm – 6pm.

Cricket

Cricket Development Officer will liaise with DCSWP Sports Officers to organise the running of summer projects for the area e.g. summer camps, family fun days etc...

We have a number of players involved in the **provincial teams** (U11, U13, U15, U17 & U19), both male and female, from 9-18 years of age and in particular players from the Sandymount/Ringsend area who have training sessions and cricket tours during this period. These sessions take place on a weekly basis at different venues in the Dublin City area. Although all the venues may not be in the area, a lot of the participants will be from the South East Area. Some of these events include:

- Dublin City Summer Camp, 17th-19th July from 10am 4pm in the Phoenix Park
- Dublin City U17 match in YMCA cricket grounds on the 24th July from 11am 5pm
- Dublin City girls camp from 31st July 2nd August from 10am 4pm (Venue TBC)
- Boys U11 training session on Friday 11th August from 10.30am 1pm in YMCA cricket grounds.
- Boys U11 Interprovincial match in Pembroke CC on the 14th of August from 11am 4pm.

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Naming and numbering proposal for a development at Hanover Street East

Plás an Rópadóra / Ropemaker Place

A request has been received from Henry J Lyons Architects, 51 - 54 Pearse Street, Dublin 2, to name and number a development at Hanover Street East. It is proposed to name and number the apartment development "Plás an Rópadóra / Ropemaker Place, numbers 1 - 56 inclusive.

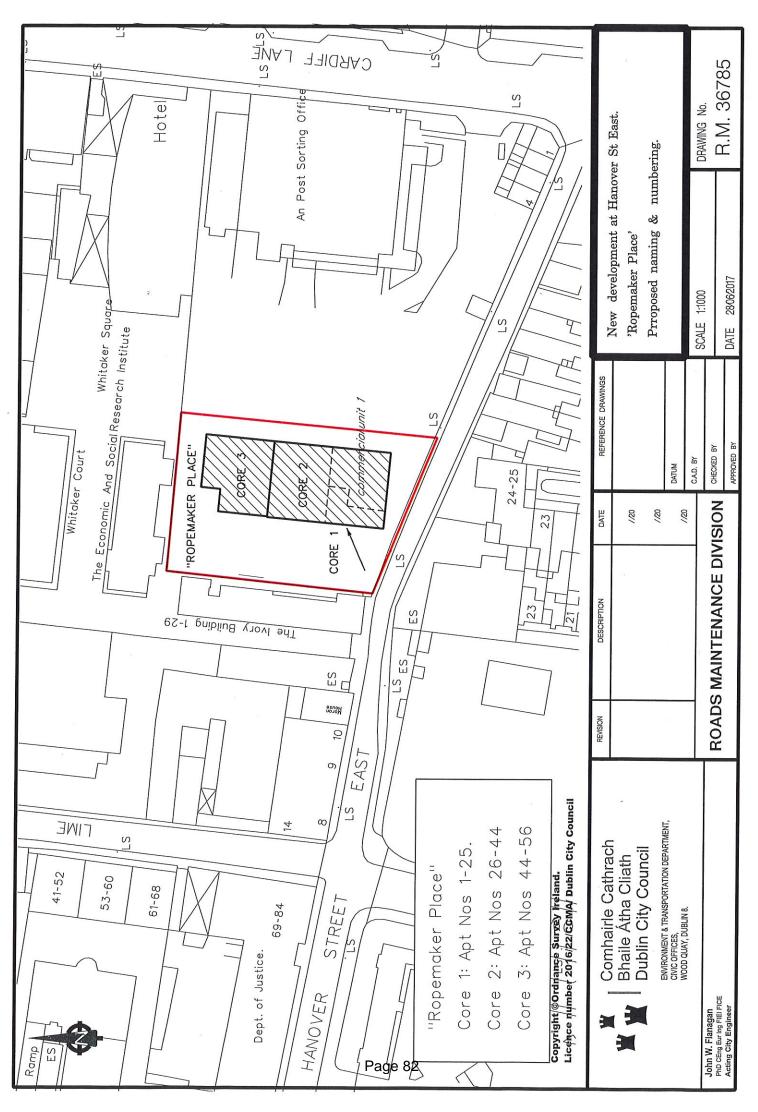
The application states that the proposed name "Ropemaker Place" is an appropriate name as it refers to the historical use of the site as a rope making works.

The development is indicated on the drawing R.M. 36785.

The Heritage Officer considers the proposed name appropriate.

The name proposed is considered suitable and is recommended for approval.

Rose Kenny Area Manager



Naming and numbering proposal for a development at Lime Street

Cearnóg an Chlóis Adhmaid / Timberyard Square

A request has been received from Henry J Lyons Architects, 51 – 54 Pearse Street, Dublin 2, to name and number a development at Lime Street. It is proposed to name and number the apartment development "Timberyard Square / Cearnóg an Chlóis Adhmaid, numbers 1 – 100 inclusive.

The application states that the proposed name "Timberyard Square" is an appropriate name, as historical maps of the area from 1773 and 1907 show that there were vast areas which were dedicated timber yards servicing the shipping industry.

The development is indicated on the drawing R.M. 36784.

The Heritage Officer considers the proposed name appropriate.

The name proposed is considered suitable and is recommended for approval.

Rose Kenny Area Manager

Question to Chief Executive

South East Area Committee Meeting 10th July 2017

Q.1 <u>Councillor Ruairí McGinley</u>

To ask the manager to take steps to remedy (details supplied).

Q.2 <u>Councillor Dermot Lacey</u>

To ask the manager why the waste collection depot in Rathmines was closed at 3.55pm on Monday 12th June, depriving a resident of the opportunity to deposit empty bottles there?

Q.3 <u>Councillor Ruairí McGinley</u>

To ask the manager to prune the tree at *details supplied.

Q.4 <u>Councillor Ruairí McGinley</u>

To ask the manager to initiate a plebiscite to introduce residential disc parking on Clareville Road, Harold's Cross. This matter has become urgent after the introduction of residential disc parking on nearby Westfield Road.

Q.5 <u>Councillor Dermot Lacey</u>

To ask the manager if she can clarify if Dublin City Council owns the piece of waste land at the entrance to Peter Place housing estate (beside number 28 approximately) also to ask the manager to arrange for the green area at the centre of the complex to be cleaned, pruned and upgraded.

Q.6 <u>Councillor Ruairí McGinley</u>

To ask the manager to provide Dublin Fire Brigade report on April 28th 10pm callout including inability to access Hannaville Park via Mayfield Road East.

Q.7 <u>Councillor Dermot Lacey</u>

To ask the manager to outline the reasons for the low water pressure in Canon Mooney Gardens; there has been low water pressure intermittently with no explanation for the residents. Can the manager furnish a report as to the cause and the steps that are being taken to ensure that residents have a safe reliable water source in their homes?

Q.8 <u>Councillor Chris Andrews</u>

Can the manager explain why *details supplied has not had central heating for the last two years and why the blockage has not been fixed and can the manager also say when this work will be carried out to ensure they are not without heat for a third year?

Q.9 <u>Councillor Chris Andrews</u>

Can the manager have the three balcony lights rewired at *details supplied so they last longer than three days when replaced, leaving the balcony in darkness, which is dangerous for the 91 year old resident.

Q.10 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager have the balcony railings at *details supplied repaired as they have separated from the flooring?

Q.11 <u>Councillor Chris Andrews</u>

Can the manager put in place for a play area in Digges Street to be installed?

Q.12 <u>Councillor Chris Andrews</u>

Can the tree be cut down and replaced to the rear of *details supplied, as it is completely overgrown and overshadowing this flat and others close to it. It is blocking out the light and can be touched from the balcony.

Q.13 Councillor Chris Andrews

Residents have an issue with people misusing a specific bin that is on the corner of Arnott Street and Lombard Street. This bin is being used by people to dump their domestic waste; bottles etc. and is constantly overflowing with rubbish blown all over the place.

Can you advise if it would be possible to remove this bin completely? The consensus from the residents, particularly at that end of the street, is that they would prefer to see it gone. The council is very good at cleaning up the mess when it is reported but it would seem to make more sense not to have the bin at all.

Q.14 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager have the tree to the rear of details supplied pruned back as it has lost all shape and is severely blocking the light into the flats it is growing in front of?

Q.15 <u>Councillor Chris Andrews</u>

When will Bishop Street flats be painted and when were they last painted?

Q.16 <u>Councillor Chris Andrews</u>

Can the manager arrange to have *details supplied inspected and have the damage to the walls repaired?

Q.17 <u>Councillor Chris Andrews</u>

Can the manager have the tree to the rear of *details supplied replaced with a smaller tree that does not block the light, as it is growing up against their window?

Q.18 <u>Councillor Paddy Smyth</u>

To ask the manager to ensure that the drains west of Templemore Avenue (i.e. in the lane way behind Templemore Avenue) are unblocked as soon as possible, as this poses a serious health risk and is attracting rats.

The residents (details supplied) have employed a drain expert on two occasions to fix the problem, but were told the blockage is beyond their property and to call Dublin City Council.

Q.19 Councillor Chris Andrews

Bearing in mind the large number of cars in Pearse House and the increasing numbers looking to park will the manager allow for residents to park their cars on Hanover Street East when they can't get parking in Pearse House in a similar manner to some residential streets can park on neighbouring streets when they can't get parking on their own street?

Q.20 Councillor Paddy McCartan

A lime tree located on Haddington Road at the entrance to Beggars Bush has its roots protruding, thus making the path surface uneven and potentially dangerous. Can the manager arrange to have the tarmacadam area surrounding the tree resurfaced?

Q.21 Councillor Paddy McCartan

Late in 2016 the footpath outside 24 St. Alban's Park, Sandymount was dug up and then temporarily filled in. This may have been due to a suspected water leak. Could the manager clarify when the pavement will be re-concreted?

Q.22 <u>Councillor Paddy McCartan</u>

To ask the manager to deal with the issue of the state of the pavements on Upper Baggot Street, as outlined in the following email from a constituent.

"As a resident who lives just around the corner from Baggot Street Upper, I would appreciate if you could liaise with Dublin City Council, as a matter of priority, to ensure the re-paving of both footpaths on either side of the road. As our local public representative, you must be aware of the poor and dangerous state of the footpaths on both sides of the street.

For the last couple of years, both pavements have deteriorated to a stage that many of the paving stones are broken, loose and jagged, and it is a veritable obstacle course walking on either footpath. Between offices, businesses and residents, there is a huge amount of footfall daily on this street. Given the amount of footfall, the neglected condition of the paving stones is an ongoing serious problem, it is dangerous and a Health and Safety hazard.

Unfortunately, on Thursday 1st June, my 57 year old sister stepped on a paving stone located between Eathos coffee shop and Baggot Wines and she had a bad fall and was injured. On closer inspection, we discovered that the paving stone was split down the middle and completely loose (see attached photo). My sister had to be taken by ambulance to St. James's Hospital Emergency Department and they confirmed she had fractured a bone in her foot and has considerable bruising including soft tissue. She has to wear a medical walking boot for at least five weeks, and we do not know what the long term impact of her fall may be. Her fall would have been completely avoidable if the paving stones had been maintained in good condition. A very concerned Garda came along, Garda Niall Burke from Donnybrook Garda Station, and he must have notified Dublin City Council that same day, as I note that the offending paving stone has since been repaired with tarmac but the rest are as bad as ever.

I know, from talking to staff in various businesses in Upper Baggot Street, that this is not an isolated incident. Another lady fell outside Eathos at Christmas and broke her ankle very badly. A man fell outside Boots Pharmacy a few months ago. The staff in Meaghers' Pharmacy said that a number of people have come into them after falls on the pavements and one of their own staff fell and fractured her arm on the same pavements as long as two years ago. I know that, in the fortnight since my sister fell, two ladies had bad falls on a loose paving stone between Meaghers' and No. 8 News agency, one lady as recently as yesterday evening!

Repairing individual faulty paving stones after they cause a fall and injury is not a solution. The council needs to assess and re-pave the whole street as a matter of urgency, as it is evident that accidents are happening on a regular basis and people are being injured.

I am sure you will understand our frustration, on paying our Property Tax that we see no obvious benefit, nor do local businesses paying rates. Instead, we see our built environment deteriorate to the point that it is unsafe for citizens to walk there. I am asking you, as our local public representative, to ensure that Dublin City Council assesses and re-paves both footpaths as a matter of priority, in order to protect people from injury. I would appreciate if you could let me know what practical action you intend to take to address this very serious Health and Safety issue, when you have taken that action and the outcome. I look forward to a positive response."

Q.23 Councillor Paddy McCartan

Following a request from me to have an inspection carried out of a perceived derelict building at 13 St. Mary's Road, Ballsbridge, their response was that the building is considered to be in reasonable condition and is not deemed to warrant entry on the derelict sites register at present. I communicated this to the complainant who responded as follows:

"Thank you. I am shocked by this. Having looked at the definitions of a derelict site:

Structures which are in a ruinous, derelict or dangerous condition, or The neglected, unsightly or objectionable condition of the land or of structures on it, or The presence, deposit or collection of litter, rubbish, debris or waste

My theory is that it mistakenly failed under the "unsightly or objectionable condition of the land" criteria. One of the neighbours on the road arranged to have the 'jungle' cleared as it had become so unsightly. I think ironically that this might have backfired now! Having said that, as you can see from the attached photos of the front garden, some people might take the view that it looks neglected and unsightly and that there is a build up of debris and waste. I do wonder whether they looked at the correct house.

While 'Derelict Sites' might not realise it is derelict, I think it is fair to say that most casual observers including children would. The gate is unlocked so there is a potential safety issue as a result.

My understanding is that the house itself has not been touched for about eight to ten years so I presume it is now in a very poor condition. However, if we need to wait for the roof to cave in or a wall to collapse I guess this could take another 30, 40, maybe 50 years! I believe the house was owned by a developer who ran into financial difficulty after starting work on the site. I don't know what the ownership situation is now but it has effectively been a closed site since the developer left."

Q.24 <u>Councillor Paddy McCartan</u>

To ask the manager to deal with the issues raised by a constituent in relation to road and footpath works at Sandymount Village at the corner of the AIB building. He has concerns about how dangerous the crossing between Ryan's and AIB is since the works have been completed as the photos included will indicate.

- 1) Who in Dublin City Council (DCC) was responsible for drawing up this set up?
- 2) How was contractor selected?
- 3) Did anybody in DCC supervise contractor (SIAC)?
- 4) Did anybody in DCC sign off on it as satisfactory?
- 5) How much did it cost?
- 6) Has contractor been paid?
- 7) When are the puddles going to be drained?
- 8) Could the previous much safer (not perfect) arrangement be reinstated urgently?



Q.25 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the manager to extend the double yellow lines just beyond the entrance to the western end of Grosvenor Lane, Rathmines, Dublin 6 i.e., between 83a and 83b Grosvenor Lane, to allow access to the off-street parking spots of these two residences and to facilitate access onto the lane for fire engines or ambulances in case of emergency.

Q.26 <u>Councillor Anne Feeney</u>

To ask the manager to urgently address the anti-social and completely unacceptable erection of a tent, littering of furniture and graffiti on Rutland Green. The residents of Rutland Grove and Green have been working hard over many months to enhance their area and the ongoing issues around the Bring Centre and the nearby Eamonn Ceannt Park.

Q.27 <u>Councillor Anne Feeney</u>

To ask the manager to extend double yellow lines along Terenure Road West from the shops opposite Terenure Park to the Garda Station and from Greenlea Road to the Garda Station and also to consider extending double yellow lines on the opposite side of the road for a distance both left and right of the Presentation School. The request is that this would be auctioned before school starts back again end of August / early September. The issue of cars parking up on the kerbs and blocking entrances to houses while dropping off and picking up children from the school is causing considerable inconvenience and frustration to residents, traffic hold-ups on a narrow stretch of Terenure Road West and is posing a potential safety risk to children who are walking between cars and can't be easily seen on such a busy road. The Gardaí in Terenure are very supportive of the extension of yellow lines for safety reasons.

Q.28 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the manager to initiate a full traffic study of Mountpleasant Avenue with a view to addressing the many issues of safety for pedestrians, cyclists and motorists on this very busy road, which has had a changing demographic over recent years, increase in traffic volumes and inappropriate speed limit for such a narrow road with narrow footpaths in parts of the road. As part of the traffic study, local councillors for the area and residents' groups should be part of the input to the study and finding short, medium and longer term solutions.

Q.29 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the manager to arrange for pruning of the overhang of trees around the park on Neagh Road.

Q.30 <u>Councillor Anne Feeney</u>

To ask the manager to remove the tree on the footpath outside 5 Rathdown Crescent as it has raised the concrete and has caused people to trip and fall over it.

Q.31 <u>Councillor Ruairi McGinley</u>

To ask the manager to put a "No Through Road" sign at entrance to Rutland Grove.

Q.32 Councillor Ruairi McGinley

That the manager reports on progress on works due to be completed in Rutland Grove estate.

Q.33 <u>Councillor Claire Byrne</u>

To ask the area manager to immediately address the issue of illegal dumping at the bin on Lombard Street West, Dublin 8 and to outline the exact measures that will be taken to deal with this ongoing issue in the this location and in the Portobello area as a whole.

Q.34 <u>Councillor Claire Byrne</u>

To ask the area manager what immediate measures can be taken to address the issue of drug dealing on Castle Street and the 40 Steps beside Dublin Castle and if the manager could write to Kevin Street Garda Station and request a greater Garda presence in the area as one measure to address this ongoing issue.

Q.35 <u>Councillor Claire Byrne</u>

To ask the area manager who installed the new source separation bins on South King Street, how many of these bins have been installed in the city and whether the use of these bins is being closely monitored.

Q.36 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the area manager for an update on what is being done to address the issues caused by Airbnb rentals in residential apartment blocks in the city, in particular *details supplied.

Q.37 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the area manager if she can provide a full list of proposed renovation and upgrade works in 2017 for Dublin City owned residential buildings in the South East Area.

Q.38 <u>Councillor Claire Byrne</u>

To ask the Area Manager to outline the process and steps that would be required for an individual to start a business as a mobile coffee unit along the Grand Canal.

Q.39 Councillor Patrick Costello

To ask the manager to provide an update on each item in the motion relating to Rutland Grove passed at the meeting of June 13th 2016, many of the requests by residents are still outstanding.

Q.40 <u>Councillor Patrick Costello</u>

To ask the manager to repair the damage to footpaths on Wellington Lane caused by bin trucks mounting the footpath and to ask what steps will be taken to prevent this damage happening again.

Q.41 <u>Councillor Patrick Costello</u>

To ask the manager to place a solar compactor bin in Mount Argus Park as the current bin and cleaning schedule leads to overflowing and littering.

Q.42 Councillor Patrick Costello

To ask the manager details supplied.

Q.43 <u>Councillor Claire O'Connor</u>

Can the manager please arrange for the underlined works to be carried out to enable a student who is in a wheelchair to be able to make his own way from Ferrard Road to Cowper Road when he starts secondary school in September?

<u>Upgrading of paths on Ferrard Road</u> would facilitate the outset of his journey. Then turning left onto Terenure Road East; the <u>small lip at the corner of Brighton Road and Terenure Road East needs attention</u>. Then down to the lights at Rathgar; he has to cross at O'Connell's pharmacy and then cross a second time to the deli as a result of a lack of alternatives; is there any way to make a more direct crossing here? Moving onto Highfield Road; he has to cross again just after the church on the left at a pedestrian crossing because if he keeps going down there are deterrents. <u>A lip at Oaklands Crescent</u> would support him to stay on the right hand side of Highfield Road because in staying on the left there is multitude of deterrents, i.e. one lip change at Oaklands Crescent will save four sets of crossings in quick succession at one junction.

Moving onto Palmerston Road there is no pedestrian light half way up at the junction with Cowper; so there is no crossing possibility so his journey has to stop. A <u>pedestrian light at junction of Cowper and Palmerston Road</u> would enable him to turn right onto Cowper and access school across the bridge. Notwithstanding this student's need Palmerston Road is a very busy road all day and I would respectfully suggest that pedestrian lights be installed for the following reasons: 1. There are many young families living in the area that use this road crossing in the morning when going to school and when going to Palmerston Park 2. The Cowper Luas is nearby so this road crossing is used throughout the day by Luas users

3. It's is a very wide road so crossing takes time for both elderly and young kids so it is imperative for safety reasons that pedestrian crossing are installed 4. It is a busy pedestrian crossing as there is a retail area on top of Rathmines Road that is used by residents

Q.44 <u>Councillor Claire O'Connor</u>

Can the manager arrange for a gate to be placed at the entrance to the alley that leads from Leinster Place to the main Harold's Cross Road, beside Centra? A gate used to be in place here that was closed at night time. The quiet nature of the cul de sac allows for a quick get-away for those who wish to vandalise. It may also help with the dumping issue that has arisen lately also.

Q.45 <u>Councillor Claire O'Connor</u>

Can the South East Area Manager have the following graffiti removed:

 A large piece of graffiti on the Church of Ireland primary school on Rathgar Avenue. The graffiti is on the Winton Avenue & Rathgar Avenue corner.
 3 pieces of graffiti on the wall next door to the Jehovah Witnesses church on Wesley Road just off Rathgar Road; beside the Mehek Restaurant.
 3 pieces of graffiti on the corner of Winton Avenue and Rathgar Road.
 4. Graffiti on the side of 54 Garville Avenue. The wall is actually on Rathgar Avenue.
 5. A piece of graffiti on the corner of Kenilworth Square and Rathgar Avenue.

Q.46 <u>Councillor Claire O'Connor</u>

Can the manager arrange for the footpath outside 4 Oaklands Crescent to be repaired?

Q.47 <u>Councillor Claire O'Connor</u>

Can the pavements on Merton Road be repaired?

Q.48 <u>Councillor Claire O'Connor</u>

Can the end of Corrib Road near the Centra shop have more frequent cleaning than is currently accounted for on rota?

Q.49 <u>Councillor Claire O'Connor</u>

Can a "children at play" sign be placed at entrance to the cul de sac encompassing 14 - 38 Merton Drive?

Q.50 <u>Councillor Claire O'Connor</u>

Can the yellow lines be extended from corner of Highfield Road past the entrance gates to the lodge on Oaklands Crescent to facilitate cars and ambulances exiting?

Q.51 <u>Councillor Claire O'Connor</u> Can pedestrian lights be considered for junction of Garville Road and Rathgar Road?

Q.52 Councillor Claire O'Connor Can the cracks in the footpaths along Melvin Road be repaired?

Q.53 <u>Councillor Claire O'Connor</u>

Can Oakley Road be maintained to include repairing and cleaning of footpaths together with the installation of dog bins?

Q.54 Councillor Frank Kennedy

I asked the following question at the South East Area Committee in May 2017:

Q.72 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask Dublin City Council to visit and repair the structural damage to the house of *details supplied in circumstances where serious damage has been caused by truck vibrations.

<u>Reply:</u>

Dublin City Council Housing Maintenance will investigate this.

The resident has had no contact from Dublin City Council since this question was asked. To ask the manager to (a) provide a full report on the progress of the investigation to date and (b) to contact the resident as a matter of urgency to arrange a site visit in order to investigate this issue properly.

Q.55 Councillor Frank Kennedy

In light of queries raised from the Adelaide Road Presbyterian Church Committee concerning rough sleeping on their premises, to ask the manager to arrange a meeting between the relevant officials and the church committee to work towards a compassionate and effective solution to this issue.

Q.56 Councillor Frank Kennedy

On 16 December 2016 I received the following e-mail:

An Roinn Comhshaoil agus Iompair, Oifigí na Cathrach, An Ché Adhmaid, Baile Átha Cliath, 8.

Environment and Transportation Department, Civic Offices, Wood Quay, Dublin 8. T. 01 222 2257 F. 01 222 2609 E. <u>traffic@dublincity.ie</u>

Our Ref: 28314/SH/CK

Please quote Our Ref:

16th December, 2016

Councillor Frank Kennedy.

Email: frank.kennedy@dublincity.ie

Re: Reps for double yellow lines outside 16 Merlyn Drive, Dublin 4

Dear Councillor

I refer to Question 19 submitted to the South East Area Committee meeting 14th December 2015, regarding the above.

I wish to inform you that the Traffic Advisory Group at its meeting of 29th November, 2016, recommended to rescind pay and display and permit parking on the northern side of Merlyn Drive, from a point 1.3 metres southwest of lamp standard No. 3 to a point 3.7 metres northeast of lamp standard No. 3 (1 space), and replace with double yellow lines.

Please note the above measures will be implemented subject to the completion of the statutory consultation process with the Gardaí. Yours sincerely

Stephen Hickey, Senior Staff Officer, Administration/Traffic Advisory Group, Tel: 222 2528.

As seven months have now passed, to ask the manager when this change will be implemented.

Q.57 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the manager for a dedicated report on all Traffic Advisory Group (TAG) requests currently outstanding in respect of Merlyn Drive, Dublin 4.

Q.58 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the manager to clarify what is the current zoning of St. Mary's Home, Pembroke Park, Dublin 4.

Q.59 Councillor Frank Kennedy

In September 2014 I asked the following question at the South East Area Committee:

Q39. <u>Councillor Frank Kennedy</u>

To ask the area manager to arrange for the repair of the wall on Sydney Parade Avenue which connects the Merrion Court complex with the side wall on the road, in circumstances where the wall is structurally damaged at the corner, and poses a safety risk to residents in the event that it collapses, which appears to be a real possibility (photos attached)?

Reply:

An Inspector from the Dangerous Buildings Section will inspect the wall as soon as possible and a report will be issued to the Councillor in due course. I raised this issue again on at the April 2015 and November 2015 meetings. The issue has still not been determined. As it is almost three years since it was first raised, to ask the manager to provide a comprehensive report on the matter.

Q.60 <u>Councillor Mannix Flynn</u>

Can the area manager give a full update with regards the ongoing works on the Grafton Quarter? What repair works are being done to the broken pavements? What new works are to be carried out with the street improvements?

Q.61 <u>Councillor Mannix Flynn</u>

Can the area manager ascertain from the Norma Smurfit Famine Foundation when they propose to begin the works on Merrion Square Park or can they confirm that they cancelled this project. The City Council needs to know whether this project on Dublin City Council park land is going ahead. There has been no movement whatsoever with regards this diaspora project. There are many interested parties and artists willing to work on this site and bring a much more interesting project to bear here. Also, the fountain that is there could be brought back into use as a worthy public project.

Q.62 <u>Councillor Mannix Flynn</u>

Can the manager issue a full report with regards the ongoing criminal activity and antisocial behaviour in the York Street, Glovers Court, Mercer Street social housing estates? Many tenants at these locations are being intimidated and threatened by individuals and gangs. There is photographic evidence of heroin smoking on the stairwells at the new York Street apartments, as well as ample evidence of criminal and threatening behaviour against the residents in Glovers Court and Mercer House A and B block as well as in the general area. This is a Dublin City Council (DCC) housing estate management issue. What has DCC done to date to assist the residents in this area and what do they propose to do in the future to stamp out this growing nuisance?

Q.63 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager have the seat that was removed from South Georges Street replaced? Also, can a report be given as to what happened the seat and who took it away?

Q.64 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the area manager request a much more appropriate proclamation to be hung in City Hall? The present offering in a lit-box lying on the floor is inappropriate, insulting and demeaning to the significance of the 1916 proclamation. Dublin City Council has shown complete disregard in the manner in which presented this proclamation at one of the most significant buildings in the city and it is now time that this document be given prominence in the City Hall Rotunda and displayed properly.

Q.65 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the area manager issue a report regarding the removal of graffiti in the South East Area (SEA)? This report to include the costs, how often graffiti is removed and the exact locations and premises graffiti is removed from. Also, have the Garda Síochána been involved in the investigation of the criminal damage caused by graffiti in the SEA; i.e. how is it reported to an Garda Síochána as an act of malicious damage, what prosecutions or cautions, if any have been issued to offenders?

Q.66 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the area manager examine the ongoing issues of anti-social behaviour and drug dealing at the Lord Edward Street end of Castle Street between the Lord Edward pub

and the Bull and Castle steakhouse pub? In recent weeks there has been wholesale mayhem in this area with violent fights, drug dealing, and general criminal and antisocial behaviour. Many residents and businesses are now demanding that something be done. Indeed, it is just a stone's throw away from Civic Offices. Surely, the powers that be see this daily.

Q.67 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager fast forward the double yellow lines for Dame Lane - west end? It is almost impossible most days to get up this laneway. I have many photos of vans, trucks etc., blocking the entrance onto Georges Street. Can the manager place a bollard at the entrance at Georges Street beside the George Pub? This is a major health and safety issue in this area and needs immediate attention.

Q.68 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the area manager issue an update with regards the intended relocation of the Bring Centre and Bottle Bank at Milltown Carpark? Also, what measures have been taken to deal with the rat infestation that has been identified here?

Q.69 <u>Councillor Mannix Flynn</u>

Can the manager address the issue of a loading bay in Essex Street West at Cow's Lane? Many of the traders here are very concerned about the level of illegal parking at the entrance of Cow's Lane. It creates a very dangerous situation for pedestrians, it also blocks out visibility for businesses, as well as blocking a fire exit. There is an opportunity to create a loading bay at the Smock Alley Side of the street which is the north side of the street which would give proper place for deliveries.

Q.70 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the manager to give a specific date as to when the footpaths and road will be repaired on Gulistan Terrace following the installation of water meters in early 2016. They were left by Irish Water in a disgraceful state.

Q.71 <u>Councillor Anne Feeney</u>

To ask the manager to switch the disabled parking spot outside Rathmines Post Office from the middle of three parking spaces to the one nearest the bus stop itself, to make it easier for drivers with a disability to park their car.

Q.72 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the manager to arrange to have the lamp posts around Belgrave Square repainted as they are in a bad state and undoubtedly will deteriorate over time if not maintained.

Q.73 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the manager to source stronger plastic refuse bags/other solution for houses that do not have wheelie bins. Given the growing number of foxes in the city, bags are easily torn by foxes during the night and litter scattered.

Q.74 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the manager to allocate parking permits to York Road Residents for both York Road and York Avenue. Currently York Avenue residents can legitimately party on York Avenue or road, which sometimes results in no parking for York Road residents on their own road. Recently some have been clamped for parking on York Avenue (unaware that they this was not allowed).