



MINUTES OF THE SOUTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD ON MONDAY 11 SEPTEMBER 2017

- 1 **Presentation and Report on Proposed Part 8 Works Flood Defence Sandymount Strand and Environs**
Order: Agreed to initiate the Part 8 process.
- 2 **Minutes of South East Area Committee Meeting held on 10 July 2017**
Order: Noted.
- 3 **Environment and Transportation Department Matters**
 - i. Minutes of Traffic Advisory Group Meeting held on 22nd August 2017.
Order: Noted.
- 4 **Planning and Property Management Department Matters**
 - i. Report on proposed disposal of three year licence for tearoom at St. Patrick's Park to Mange Tout Ltd.
Order: Agreed to recommend to city council.
- 5 **South East Area Matters**
 - i. Update on Community Development, Environmental Services Unit, Housing Projects & Local Area Improvements and Sports & Recreation Sections.
Order: Noted.
 - ii. Report on proposed naming of a development on Sandymount Avenue, Deerfield Lodge, 1 – 9.
Order: Agreed.
 - iii. Proposed grant of lease of residential units at Crampton Buildings by Irish Property Value Fund Public Ltd. to Dublin City Council.
Order: Agreed to recommend to city council.
- 6 **Motions**
Motion 1 from Councillor Gaye Fagan
That this committee agrees to undertake a health & safety audit of the current operation given recent accident and emissions at the incinerator.
Order: Falls.

Motion 2 from Councillor Dermot Lacey

Recognizing the intensive use and damage to the two roads (Rampart Lane and Eglinton Terrace, Donnybrook) arising from the building works along the Dodder and the former AIB Building - Donnybrook House, this committee requests the manager to provide for a full upgrade to both roads following the completion of both sets of works - probably by beginning of quarter 2 2018.

Order: Agreed.

Motion 3 from Councillor Dermot Lacey

This committee requests that Herbert Park (Road) be included in the next works programme for upgrade.

Order: Agreed.

Motion 4 from Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the Manager to arrange a meeting between councillors, the RDS, the Traffic Department, the temporary parking providers and local residents to discuss how to improve traffic and parking arrangements during such events as the Dublin Horse Show to improve this for future years.

Order: Agreed.

Motion 5 from Councillor Paddy Smyth

This committee requests that the Minister of Transport, Sport and Tourism secure funding for the progression of the Fitzwilliam Cycle Route to ensure that it can be completed prior to the city hosting the Velo-City Conference in June 2019.

The feasibility study for the project, which aims to provide 'parking protected cycle lanes' from Fitzwilliam Place to Merrion Square, was recently endorsed by the council's traffic engineers at the Transport Strategic Policy Committee and perfectly encapsulates the conference's theme for that year: "Cycling for the Ages".

Order: Report to councillor.

Motion 6 from Councillor Mannix Flynn

That this committee supports the book market at Temple Bar Square and supports the retention of this amenity and facility.

Order: Agreed.

Motion 7 from Councillor Mannix Flynn

That this committee supports the residents and residents groups in and around the Charlemont Street area in their efforts to contain the excessive noise, dust and dirt and out of hours working that is negatively impacting on their lives and the enjoyment of their homes. There are now a number of development sites in this immediate area and the residents here have been treated appallingly by developers and the builders who conduct out of hours working with complete disregard for local residents. In future, it is important that all local residents are informed of all applications for out of hours works. Recently, at Charlemont Mall, a concrete pour lasted until 2.30am, completely and absolutely illegal. This activity caused great distress to the local residents in Charlemont Mall and the immediate facility.

Order: Agreed.

Motion 8 from Councillor Mannix Flynn

That this committee of South East Area calls on Dublin City Council to investigate all noise and music nuisance emanating from premises in the Harcourt Street area. This investigation to be carried out alongside planning enforcement. It would appear that there are a number of premises in the Harcourt Street, Camden Street area, which are using the backs of their premises both as a smoking area

and as a music venue. Crystals in Harcourt Street is one of the main perpetrators of loud noise coming from their premises. This is a huge impact on residents in Camden Street, O Carroll Villas and York Street Apartments as well as Digges Street etc. Children are woken up as the noise carries and can be heard very clearly up to 2 and 3 in the morning.

Order: Agreed.

Motion 9 from Councillor Mannix Flynn

That this committee of Dublin City Council calls on the Events Department of Dublin City Council to refrain from issuing a licence to We Are Dublin Town / BID for any event in the South East Area until such time as Dublintown/BID have informed all of the local businesses of such an event and have got the informed consent of such businesses. There has been controversy recently over an event planned by Dublintown in the South William Street Area. I have attached information in relation to this. Given the fact that a vast amount of businesses in this district and area voted "No" to the BID Renewal, it is high time that we listened to these traders and that the criteria for issuing licence for marketing events of this nature be changed to involve the local businesses and their say.

Order: Report to councillor.

Motion 10 from Councillor Mannix Flynn

That this area committee call on Dublin City Council's Traffic Department to address the issues of illegal parking of deliveries at Temple Bar West / Charlotte Row / Cows Lane. The situation at this location has become extremely dangerous for pedestrians. It is almost impossible to use the footpath on the South side of this street at the entrance to Cows Lane. It is also causing fire exit obstructions and is forcing those who are in wheelchairs and visually impaired onto the inappropriate cobbled road. There is also the issue of blind spots in that traffic travelling down Charlotte Row cannot see people who have to step onto the road because of parked vans/trucks/ delivery vans at the entrance of Cows Lane. We need to create a proper loading bay in this area maybe at Fishamble Street? At present in early morning it is simply chaotic in this area. Many traders in the area have made complaints that their doors and windows are blocked and indeed their outside seating is blocked by parked delivery vehicles. I have supplied photos already but can supply more.

Order: Agreed.

Motion 11 from Councillors Paddy McCartan and Frank Kennedy

That this area committee supports the following proposal for the resolution of serious safety issues arising from traffic / parking management and the hazards of legally and illegally parked vehicles being encountered at present on Bloomfield Avenue-the public vehicular access to the Royal Hospital, Donnybrook.

The hospital requires 24/7 access for ambulances and fire tenders in case of emergencies. Recently, there has been a significant increase in on-street parking on Bloomfield Avenue. When on-street parking is fully utilised, only one vehicle can use the avenue at any one time as there is insufficient space for two vehicles to pass on the remaining roadway.

In addition; since construction work began at Bloomfield House; there have been numerous occasions when large commercial / construction vehicles completely blocked access to and from the hospital. The hospital management notified the Gardaí when illegal parking took place and liaised on a regular basis with the site manager of the construction company to ensure the roadway was kept clear. Notwithstanding these efforts, there continues to be blockages regularly. The hospital is also conscious that construction work is likely to commence in the near future on the St. Mary's, Donnybrook site also on Bloomfield Avenue.

The Royal Hospital requests that Bloomfield Avenue be designated as a no parking zone on the left hand side of the avenue from Morehampton Road to the entrance of the hospital. This is particularly important to ensure that emergency vehicles can access the hospital expeditiously, which, if met by oncoming traffic is impossible at present.

Order: Deferred to November meeting.

Motion 12 from Councillor Chris Andrews

Given the number of dogs in the DSPCA and Dogs Trust that the manager consider setting up a pilot scheme where dog owners in the Dublin Bay South Area would not get a dog licence unless they undertake a certain number of dog training classes.

Order: Report to councillor.

Motion 13 from Councillor Sonya Stapleton

This committee calls on the manager to contact Viking Splash to resolve an issue some residents in Golden Lane, Castle Way, Whitefriar Gardens, McDonough House and the Iveagh Trust Complex, are having with the Viking Splash Tour.

Order: Report to councillor.

Presently, as the Viking Splash Tour approaches the end of the street just before St. Patrick's Cathedral, where the area is residential, the tour guides instruct the tour to scream in unison. This begins at 9.45 in the morning, including on weekends outside people's homes, and continues through the day.

Order: Agreed.

Motion 14 from Councillor Mary Freehill

Following last November's public meeting in Terenure Library regarding the community's future library needs; quite a few suggestions were made and it was recognised that the confined space in this library is its main drawback. There is a solution to the problem. This library backs on Terenure Enterprise Centre which is also a community facility.

This meeting therefore agrees that the council's Architects Department discuss a plan to share both buildings. This would maximise the functioning of both the library and enterprise centre which could better serve the area. It is therefore agreed that LAC will receive a report within six months.

Order: Agreed.

Motion 15 from Councillors Mary Freehill and Dermot Lacey

GB Shaw family Home in Synge Street was in the ownership of Dublin Tourism but following this organisation's merger with Fáilte Ireland in 2012, this building was transferred to the Office of Public Works (OPW). Concerned that this building was left unused, the Arts Strategic Policy Committee agreed that Dublin City Council acquire GB Shaw from the OPW in June 2016. To try and accelerate the process it is therefore agreed this issue become an item on DSE LAC monthly agenda until the process is completed."

Order: Agreed.

Motion 16 from Councillor Patrick Costello

That this committee agrees that the manager provides the councillors with a report on road opening licences granted in the south east area since 1st January 2015, and inspections carried out relating to reinstatement of footpaths and roads, with special attention to Irish Water and installation of water meters.

Order: Report to councillor.

Motion 17 from Councillor Mary Freehill

In the interest of maximising good design and utmost consultation in regard to the Dublin City Council's four acre prime urban site in the Rathmines cleansing yard and also the adjacent ESB building, which is located between the Town Hall and Gulistan, that DCC commission a design review ideally with help of RIAI:

- To explore the site's constraints and opportunities.
- To integrate planning, architectural and engineering assessment of the site.
- In relation to uses on the site, this LAC has already agreed to involve HSE in the location of a Primary Care Centre and to the provision of senior citizen private and public housing.

This review will also be an opportunity to explore other opportunities and needs for the area. This is a key site and will impact on the quality of life of residents and the commercial life of Rathmines for generations to come, so it's important that we get it right.

Order: Agreed.

Motion 18 from Councillor Mary Freehill

That the Welcome to Harold's Cross Village signs be changed to "WELCOME TO HAROLD'S CROSS VILLAGE All-Island PRIDE OF PLACE WINNERS 2013"

at - Le Vere Terrace / Harold's Cross Road approaching from the city centre
- Mount Tallant Avenue / Harold's Cross Road approaching from Terenure
and
- Mount Argus View / Kimmage Road Lower (approaching from Kimmage)

Because there is nothing on the signs to indicate or acknowledge the fact that Harold's Cross Village won the prestigious "Cities Category of the 2013 / 2014 All-Island Pride of Place Competition. In order to ensure that this particular award is remembered in perpetuity and to act as a reminder to residents and indeed to those who are traversing the village.

Order: Agreed.

Motion 19 from Councillors Claire Byrne and Dermot Lacey

That this area committee calls on the area manager to actively explore the possibility of installing safe, secure bike parking facilities in the Dart Stations within Dublin Bay South, in particular Sandymount Avenue and Sydney Parade Dart Stations, where there is a shortage of bike parking facilities close to the stations. This would greatly help commuters, visitors and local residents who wish to cycle.

Order: Agreed.

Motion 20 from Councillor Claire Byrne

That this area committee calls on the area manager to reinstate the on street bike parking on Drury Street that was recently removed as a matter of urgency. While the additional off street parking in Drury Street Car Park is most welcome, this should not be at the expense of on street parking of which there is a shortage of in the city centre. Can the manager also outline the reasons why these bike racks were removed in the first place.

Order: Report to councillor.

Motion 21 from Councillor Claire Byrne

That this area committee calls on the area manager to address the following crime related and anti-social behaviour issues in the South East Area as a matter of urgency:

- Cars being burnt out in Portobello.
- Residential break-ins in the Donnybrook area.
- Bonfires in Ringsend, Sean Moore Park.

Order: Agreed.

7 Questions to the Chief Executive 11 September 2017

Order: Noted.

Councillor Dr Paddy Smyth
Chairperson
Monday 11 September 2017

Attendance:

Members:

Paddy McCartan (Chairperson)
 Chris Andrews
 Patrick Costello
 Mary Freehill
 Paddy Smyth

Members:

Ruairi McGinley
 Kieran Binchy
 Anne Feeney
 Frank Kennedy

Members:

Sonya Stapleton
 Claire Byrne
 Mannix Flynn
 Dermot Lacey

Officers

Mark Ginnetty
 Fiona O'Brien
 Rossana Camargo
 Eileen Martin

Brian Hanney
 Jennifer Wall
 Gerry O'Connell
 Brian Kavanagh

Rose Kenny
 Neil O'Donoghue
 Barry Knowles
 Leah Johnston

Apologies:

Claire O'Connor