



**NOTIFICATION TO ATTEND MEETING OF THE SOUTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE
TO BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER - CITY HALL
ON MONDAY 9 OCTOBER 2017 AT 3.00 PM**

AGENDA

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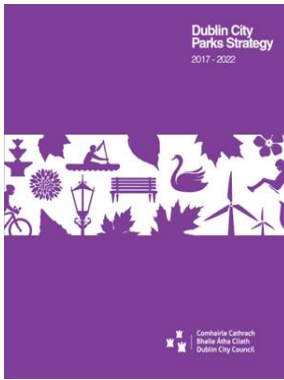
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Report to SEAC on Dublin City Parks Strategy 2017-2022

The Parks & Landscape Services Division are concluding their first Parks Strategy. The report is at draft final stage in advance of printing.

The strategy in summary looks at the wide range of resources and services under the Parks Services portfolio and determines policy and arising actions under the vision of: *Growing towards a greener and more liveable Dublin.*

The process of preparing the strategy included an initial public questionnaire from which nearly 1000 responses were received that helped to inform the strategy work that followed. Internal strategy drafts were then written leading up to the preparation of the Consultation Draft report late last year. Consultation was undertaken online using the DCC consultation hub and approximately 300 responses were received which informed updating of the report to the Draft Final stage.

The strategy comprises 6 chapters which are outlined below:

Chapter 1- Introduction:

The introductory chapter outlines the purpose of the strategy, the expected users, its vision and objectives and the methodology. The strategic vision is:

Growing towards a greener and more liveable Dublin City

The strategic vision of city parks and landscapes is to provide and enhance the experience of living in Dublin, working in Dublin and visiting Dublin through the provision of park resources and services befitting Ireland's capital and its role as an international city.

Chapter 2- City Parks and Landscapes in Perspective:

This chapter relates the development of the city landscape over time from the original natural landscape centred on the Liffey, through the Viking & Norman period, medieval period, Georgian, Victorian and Edwardian eras and on to pre and post war periods to contemporary Dublin. The parks and landscapes that we have today help tell the story of the historical development of the city. The policy context in which Park Services operates based on international, European, national and local level policy is then reviewed.

This chapter also outlines the value of our city parks, which include their contribution to meeting the recreation needs and contributing to the good health of the population, contributing to the identity

of the city, enhancing social and community interaction, providing environmental benefits, enhancing biodiversity and contributing to Dublin's tourism economy. The chapter concludes with an international case study review highlighting some contemporary achievements including Singapore's garden city vision, and New York's One New York vision with a focus on revitalising its public spaces.

Chapter 3-The Public's View

A public online questionnaire was created in advance of the main strategy work as part of the strategy's public consultation process and this chapter reviews the findings. The questionnaire consisted of 14 questions to determine the views of the public on park resources and services. Just under 1000 responses were received and results include the importance of parks as a local community resource, the importance of providing a balanced range of facilities within parks, the issues that act as barriers to visiting parks, the importance of recreation as the key value of parks to the city, as well as a very positive view of engaging further with parks through volunteering. The objective of engaging with the public is expanded further in this chapter with a look at volunteering and contemporary communication through digital and wayfinding methods.

Chapter 4-Resources and Services:

This key chapter examines the full resources and services of the Parks & Landscape Services and includes parks and their recreational facilities, visitor facilities, natural areas and biodiversity, public realm, public housing, cemeteries, trees, civic decoration, allotments, planning and development control, art in parks and research.

Under the first chapter section a park typology is defined which categorises parks into Flagship and Community Parks. The quantity of parks (approximately 17% of the DCC administrative area) and their distribution is then analysed which indicates an unequal distribution. A key policy proposal of providing 2.5ha to 3.6ha area of parks per 1000 population is concluded.

Access to parks is then analysed and this indicates unequal access to flagship parks, relatively good access to community parks, and access to smaller sized parks in city central areas. Ways to address access and quantity deficits is outlined, including the provision of a series of new city centre parks themed on Dublin writers.

Recreational facilities (playgrounds, playing pitches, etc) are then analysed. Provision and access to facilities is discussed with requirements for the provision of additional facilities to be taken forward in discussion with sport governing bodies. The provision for play in the city is examined based on current distribution and prioritising new provision in areas where there is a deficit and a higher population of children.

Policy and action on park visitor facilities is reviewed followed by particular park management issues that were highlighted during the consultation process.

Dublin's natural areas and biodiversity form part of the urban ecosystem in which human activity dominates. Parks play a key role in providing natural areas and their proper management enables conservation and enhancement of biodiversity. The Biodiversity Action Plan, which is reviewed every

5 years, outlines our approach to biodiversity. Parks Services biodiversity section has a strong community engagement role with projects involving business organisations, schools and NGOs.

Parks Services provide input into enhancing the city public realm by building on the shared vision under the Dublin City Public Realm Strategy. Key projects include the completed Liberties Greening Strategy, the City Centre Masterplan and the Docklands Public Realm Masterplan.

Public housing remains a key issue for the City Council and Parks Services continue to play a role in design and implementation of the associated housing landscape provision including the current redevelopment of St Teresa's Gardens and Dolphin Estate.

Park Services manages and maintains a number of smaller closed cemeteries in the city that are somewhat hidden yet provide a curious insight into those who lived and contributed to the development of Dublin. The Jewish cemetery in Fairview and Huguenot cemetery on Merrion Row are monuments to two distinct communities, many of whom settled here to escape persecution in other countries. Appropriate interpretation of these graveyards will be a policy initiative under this strategy.

City trees, both in public and private management, form the urban forest which benefits Dublin by greening, carbon sequestration and urban beautification. Park Services manages public street trees and those within our parks. A new City Tree Strategy has now been prepared to comprehensively define city tree policy and present a five year action plan. Parks services are also active in promoting appreciation of trees in the city through tree trails and assisting with the annual National Tree Week.

Civic decoration in the form of flags, floral decoration and Christmas trees helps to bring vibrancy to Dublin and mark particular events. Development of further civic decoration through engagement with community and business groups forms part of the proposed policy of Park Services.

Allotments in Dublin have had a resurgence in popularity in recent years. The Division contributes in the provision and management of a number of allotments for public use as they are seen as a strong community building activity. The proposed policy under this strategy is to provide allotments subject to demand and to enhance overall coordination through the appointment of an allotment officer.

Landscape planning and development control is undertaken by Park Services through assistance given to the Planning Department on planning application assessments and Development Plan / Local Area Plan preparation. Industry consultation through the Irish Landscape Institute was conducted as part of this strategy and areas were identified that would help improve the planning application process including updating current guidance for landscape and arboriculture submissions.

Parks provide an outdoor gallery for art in the city and we are fortunate to hold over 30 sculptural artworks. Park Services in association with the Arts Office manages and promotes appreciation of art in parks. A comprehensive guide to the artwork was recently completed as well as a smartphone multi-lingual guide to the popular Oscar Wilde sculpture in Merrion Square. The proposed strategic policy includes the desire for more equitable distribution of public art across city parks and assessing the potential to create a Dublin City Sculpture Park.

Parks and Landscape Services uses and commissions research that directly contributes to its role in planning, designing, implementing and managing its resources. Current research includes conservation studies on historic parks as well as a Dublin Tree Canopy Study in partnership with UCD, the OPW and the other Dublin local authorities.

Chapter 5-City Landscape Plan:

This chapter presents a broader discussion of the city landscape under the headings of the coast, arrivals and departures, the inner and outer city landscape and city waterways. It sets out broader concepts for the city landscape and will act as a precursor to more detailed city landscape plans, which aim to bring these concepts to reality.

Chapter 6-Implementation:

In this concluding chapter all strategy policy is summarised and the implementation of proposed resulting actions are categorised into short (1-5 year) medium (5-10 years) and long term (10 years plus) actions. As this is the first parks strategy we expect that conditions and constraints affecting delivery of actions will change over time and this will be reflected in future strategy versions.

End.



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 are 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.

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: Report to councillor.

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 Paddy McCartan

Chairperson

Monday 11 September 2017

Attendance:

Members:

Paddy McCartan (Chairperson)

Chris Andrews

Patrick Costello

Mary Freehill

Paddy Smyth

Members:

Kieran Binchy

Anne Feeney

Frank Kennedy

Ruairí McGinley

Members:

Claire Byrne

Mannix Flynn

Dermot Lacey

Sonya Stapleton

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

Non-Members:

Q.1 Councillor Ruairí McGinley

To ask the manager to carry out works at tenancy property details supplied.

Reply:

- Electrical Services have attended this dwelling in relation to the fuse board and carried out necessary works.
- This dwelling was cavity wall insulated in the past 2 years. The tenant declined vents at that time. The dwelling has been inspected and there is no evidence of dampness.
- The repairs to the plinth have been carried out.

Reply:

- Electrical Services have attended this dwelling in relation to the fuse board and carried out necessary works.
- This dwelling was cavity wall insulated in the past 2 years. The tenant declined vents at that time. The dwelling has been inspected and there is no evidence of dampness.
- The repairs to the plinth have been carried out.

Q.2 Councillor Ruairí McGinley

To ask the manager to take steps to deal with long standing rubbish in two laneways details supplied.

Reply:

The area around the ESB substation and in the laneway has been cleared of all rubbish.

One of the walled off areas referred to is in the charge of our tenant and appears to be clear; the second is the responsibility of the private owner. The Project Estate Officer for the area will arrange to call to the Dublin City Council tenant and inspect the location in the photograph.

Q.3 Councillor Ruairí McGinley

To ask the manager to install double yellow lines (DYLs) at details supplied.

Reply:

The Area Traffic Engineer has confirmed that it is not proposed to introduce parking restrictions where restrictions are already covered under existing legislation, such as placing yellow lines outside individual entrances. It is illegal under the Road Traffic (Traffic and Parking) Regulations to park so as to obstruct an entrance or an exit for vehicles to or from a premises. Instances of illegal parking should be reported to Dublin Street Parking Services, the City Council's parking enforcement contractor (tel.: 602 2500), or to the local Gardaí, as it is a matter for enforcement under the Road Traffic Regulations.

Q.4 Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the manager if she will arrange for an early pruning of the trees on Bloomfield Avenue, South Circular Road to reduce the impact of leaf falling and consequent demand for cleaning that occurs every year.

Reply:

The street trees on Bloomfield Avenue have been listed for pruning in the autumn 2017.

Q.5 Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the manager if she will arrange for the very large potholes outside 12 - 15 Bloomfield Park to be repaired as a matter of urgency. They are dangerous.

Reply:

Arrangements will be made to carry out repairs here.

Q.6 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the area manager issue a report with regards to waste management in the South East Area? This report to include all efforts at Dublin City Council's graffiti removal, Dublin City Council's street cleaning and street washing roster. How many staff are involved in waste management street cleaning in the South East Area? Further, what efforts are Dublin City Council making to recruit in this area in order to meet the demand of keeping the streets clean and washed?

Reply:

The South East area arranges for removal of graffiti from Dublin City Council property, including street furniture. It also contacts private owners as regards graffiti on their premises.

Dublin City Council carried out waste management operations from 2 locations in the South East Area; Rathmines Depot and Bow Lane Depot.

Rathmines Depot provides services outside the Central Commercial District with a complement of 30 staff. Services are provided from 6am – 2pm daily and this is supplemented with services provided between 1pm and 9pm by the Public Domain shift which operates 23 staff providing services to the South East and South Central Areas. Services provided include daily street-sweeping by large road sweepers, bin emptying, and street sweeping / litter picking

A wash crew operates from this depot also from 6am to 2pm providing power washing services to the South East Area that includes village areas, neighbourhood shopping locations, recycling facilities and other specific locations on a weekly and monthly basis.

Bow Lane Depot provides services to the Central Commercial District on a 7 day basis with 77 staff operating over 3 shift rosters with an early shift from 6am – 2pm and a late shift from 2pm – 10pm.

The services provided include routes based cleaning by compactor sweeper, manelec, handvac, handcart and large road sweepers.

There are also dedicated bin emptying routes operated throughout each shift on rotation.

A night shift operates 6 nights per week between 10pm and 6am providing cleaning, mechanical sweeping, bin emptying and washing services and covers areas such as Temple Bar, Dame Street, Grafton Street, Westmoreland Street, D'Olier Street and the south quays. There are 25 staff in total on 2 night shift rosters operating across the north and south city.

Graffiti removal is carried out both by direct service provision from the Waste Management Department and by corporate contract to all administrative areas.

Specific chewing gum removal services are also delivered on a scheduled basis throughout the Central Commercial District within the South East Area

The Waste Management Department has recently increased its workforce by 52 operatives to enhance service delivery across its various operations locations.

Q.7 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the area manager address the issue of ongoing anti-social behaviour in the York Street Aungier Street area? It has now become a regular occurrence where groups of young

people in and around the area have taken to pelting passers-by, cyclists etc. with eggs, potatoes and the like. This is extremely dangerous and criminal assault. There has been a number of serious injuries over the past while which are well documented. A series of photos have been supplied to estate management at York Street. This issue needs to be urgently addressed.

Reply:

This matter is currently under investigation by the Project Estate Officer for the area however, he is having difficulty identifying the individuals in the supplied photos. If the councillor could assist with details of these individuals that he is aware of then it would allow Dublin City Council to progress these investigations further and take the relevant action against the perpetrators.

Contact has been made with An Garda Síochána and a copy of the photos given to them to enable them to carry out a criminal investigation in the York Street area and its surrounds regarding this anti-social behaviour. A request has also been made to An Garda Síochána to increase their patrols in the whole area.

Q.8 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager give an update as to when the phone boxes on Camden Street, Kevin Street and Lord Edward Street will be removed? These phone boxes are continuing to be of great concern to locals and businesses. They are in constant use for drug taking, drug selling and as public lavatories.

Reply:

The phone boxes on Lord Edward Street have already been removed. Eir were requested by the Gardaí to remove the units on both Camden Street Upper and Lower and a reminder will be issued to Eir as regards these units, particularly due to the ongoing anti-social behaviour they are attracting. There are no existing units on Kevin Street. However, there is a double unit nearby on Bride Street outside the Iveagh Trust property which is on the Eir list of kiosks for removal.

Q.9 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the area manager contact the Viking Splash Tours and request that they tone down the volume on board their vehicles as they go about the city and in particular in residential areas? The Viking Splash Tour is a very popular activity but more and more residents and businesses are beginning to complain about shouting, screaming and noise levels which can be very startling particularly for elderly people who are going about their business on the street and most recently where an individual who is recovering from a serious medical condition was woken every 30 minutes as the vehicle passed beneath her window and people on board are encouraged to scream and yell. One suggestion would be that passengers onboard the tour would be issued with headsets and that they would refrain from screaming, all day long, in and around the streets of Dublin, as it can be construed as anti-social behaviour.

Reply:

The tour company will be contacted as requested.

Q.10 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the area manager issue a report with regards planning legislation for the placement of 'bird-scaring kites' on rooftops? The city rooftops and skyline is fast becoming dominated by these devices in order to stop seagulls and other birds from nesting and soiling the roofs of many offices, shops and houses. This can undermine the skyline of the city and cityscape which is protected by planning law.

Reply:

The Planning Acts / Regulations make no specific reference to 'bird scaring kites, either in terms of exemption or otherwise. Therefore, similar to all structures which are not specified in the legislation, and which come to our attention, each case will be dealt with on its own merits to determine whether or not such a feature would "*materially affect the external appearance of the structure so as to render the appearance inconsistent with the character of the main structure or neighbouring structures*"

Since, they would appear to be a recent innovation, with which we are unfamiliar; I would request that any evidence demonstrating their proliferation should be submitted for consideration.

Q.11 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager investigate breaches of planning with regards out of hours works, noise and dust pollution at the development at Kevin Street Lower and Clanbrassil Street which is the construction of the Maldron Hotel? This hotel is being built directly on top of residents and there have been many complaints of a complete indifference and disrespect for this Dublin City Council housing complex and its residents.

Reply:

The Air Quality Monitoring and Noise Control Unit have not received any complaints from residents regarding noise or dust from the construction of this development. If the contact details of those affected are passed to this unit I will undertake monitoring.

The issues raised by the councillor will be investigated and appropriate enforcement action will be taken, if required.

Q.12 Councillor Paddy Smyth

To ask the manager to include Morehampton Terrace in the planned resurfacing works in the Herbert Park Road area. The original tarmac top coat has deteriorated considerably over the past number of years and, following sustained traffic and engineering works, including water meter and gas main installation, the surface is now in quite poor condition with large potholes and cracks appearing.

Reply:

This carriageway will be considered for inclusion in next year's works programme.

Q.13 Councillor Paddy Smyth

To ask the manager to ensure that the building works currently being undertaken to the front of Leinster Park, Harold's Cross comply with the conditions of their planning permission vis-à-vis the commencing of works in the morning. The works regularly commence at 6.45am and are causing considerably disturbance to nearby residence.

Reply:

The standard hours of work attaching to permissions allow for "works to commence at 7am". All sites in the city have workers / vehicles arriving from 6.30 onwards. This is not a breach of the condition provided works do not commence until circa 7.00am.

Q.14 Councillor Paddy McCartan

Following the successful repainting of green lampposts in the Sandymount and Ballsbridge areas could the manager address a previous request for repainting of the lampposts at Wilfield Park, Sandymount and give a date for same?

Reply:

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

Q.15 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to address the traffic issues at Bremen Road and Bremen Avenue Ringsend. When there is an event in Aviva Stadium the area is overrun with parked cars. Could "No Parking" signs be put in place? Vehicles are also speeding in the road and avenue.

Reply:

There are no parking restrictions on Bremen Avenue / Bremen Road.

Provided vehicles are parked legally, e.g. not on the double yellow lines, within 5 metres of junctions or blocking driveway access there is no action that can be taken with regard to parking by non-residents.

Dublin City Council can proceed with the preparation of a Pay and Display and Permit Parking Scheme and subsequent ballot of residents where there is a demonstrable and clear desire in favour of a scheme. This may take the form of a number of written requests or a signed petition from the residents of the road.

A request for a Parking Scheme will be referred to the Traffic Advisory Group for examination and report.

On referral to the Traffic Advisory Group the request will be examined in accordance with the following guidelines:

- The road is mainly residential where in excess of 80% of available on-street parking is normally occupied on inspection during business hours.
- A proposed Parking Scheme would be subject to a plebiscite of the residents.
- The road must have a minimum width of 6.5 metres for two side parking and a minimum width of 4.6 metres for one-sided parking to allow access for emergency services and refuse collection. These are minimum dimensions which only provide for one lane of traffic and are only suitable for roads with low traffic volumes.

The request for pay traffic calming measures on Bremen Road and Bremen Avenue will be referred to the Traffic Advisory Group for examination and report. The councillor will be informed of the recommendation in due course.

Q.16 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager whether the pergola in Herbert Park is going to be reinstated? It was removed due to damage caused by heavy snow about six years ago, in a move that was supposed to be temporary.

Reply:

Partial collapse of the pergola occurred on the 29th November 2010, due to heavy snow fall with further collapse of the structure occurring over the following weeks.

At the time of the pergola collapse no commitment to restoring the pergola, which itself was completed in 1913, was given by the Parks & Landscapes Services Division.

In September 2015 a Conservation & Management Plan was undertaken by Grade 1 Conservation Architect on Herbert Park, which informs current work in the park. The report does not recommend the re-instatement of the pergola but to relocate the bandstand to this area, thus providing a new focus for the terraced area overlooking the pond.

Q.17 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to deal with the issue of a damaged footpath at bus stop number 855 Sandford Road, Ranelagh. The kerb of the footpath has gradually deteriorated and increasingly poses a challenge for frail and elderly folk disembarking at this stop.

Reply:

This will put on our works list and arrangement will be made to carry out a repair here.

Q.18 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to respond to each of the follow points regarding the complaint of unauthorised development at 31 Lower Leeson Street, Dublin 2.

- a. Has the owner engaged an expert in conservation to “regularise” the works that are carried out in breach of planning permission
- b. What is the current status of the enforcement proceedings given that the 12 week period following the issue of the Warning Notice has long since elapsed? Will enforcement action be taken and, if not, why not?
- c. What further action has Dublin City Council taken against the owner in relation to the further unauthorised works that took place after the Warning Notice was issued? Have these subsequent works been further investigated and considered for enforcement?
- d. Why has it taken Dublin City Council so long to address complaints in relation to this matter?

Reply:

- a. The owner has engaged an expert conservation architect with a view to regularising the works.
- b. Enforcement action is ongoing in this matter and we are continuing to engage with the owner’s conservation architect. Enforcement action has already commenced and a file will remain open until the matter is resolved to our satisfaction.
- c. All works carried out to date have been fully investigated and the owner has been made aware of the works that are required to be regularised.
- d. This matter has been dealt with in the appropriate manner given the circumstances pertaining to the case and there have been no undue delays in the investigation to date.

Q.19 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to deal with issues that have arisen on Ovoca Road in Dublin 8 over the last month. Three cars and one van have been set on fire. The fire brigade and Gardaí have been called. Residents are seeking an increased effort to stop such events happening again. Could the manager arrange to have a Garda report to the area committee on the situation?

Reply:

This is a matter for the Gardaí at Kevin Street.

Q.20 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to deal with the following issue as outlined by a constituent (photos attached)?

Reply:

The area from Sean Moore Road to the entrance to the ESB station will be examined with a view to getting the pathway cleared. The area from the entrance to Irishtown Nature Park to Poolbeg Lighthouse is under the control of the ESB and they will be requested to follow up in that location.

The property owners will be issued with notices to cut back foliage.

Q.21 Councillor Paddy McCartan

Following the introduction of the 30kph speed limit in Sandymount there is concern that the majority of drivers are not taking any notice of the new limits. The signs are not noticeable. Would it be possible to erect new signs at strategic locations in Sandymount to help with compliance as there is no point in introducing new bye laws if motorists ignoring these new rules?

Reply:

There are speed limit signs posted at the points of entry and exit to the 30 Km/h zone in the Sandymount area. It is Dublin City Council's policy not to erect repeater signs as this will lead to a proliferation of signage throughout the city. If the councillor can indicate specific signage locations where the sign(s) are obscured or unnoticeable, these will be examined and rectified if necessary.

If there is a problem with excessive speeding or non-compliance with the speed limit in the area it should be referred to An Garda Síochána as this is an enforcement issue.

Q.22 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to have the footpath on Newgrove Avenue, Sandymount opposite St. Catheryn's Court apartments examined. Roots are protruding from a copper beech tree pushing up the footpath. As a number of people have tripped at this point could the pavement be levelled?

Reply:

This will be put on our works list and arrangements will be made to carry out a repair here.

Q.23 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to deal with the following issue at the grotto at Bremen Avenue, Ringsend Four trees have been planted in a small space. The roots are protruding and the glass panels of the grotto are cracked. Local residents have a strong spiritual attachment to this site and at this stage would request the removal of the trees and the replacing of the panelling.

Reply:

The area has been inspected and the trees at this location (*Acer sps.*) were considered to be in good condition with no visible damage to the immediate surface. Therefore, it is not proposed to have the trees felled as requested. However, we will arrange for the lower tree branches to be removed over the coming weeks.

Replacement of the glass panels is not a matter for Parks & Landscape Services Division.

Q.24 Councillor Claire O'Connor

Can the Manager arrange for the footpaths in Cedar Court to be fixed?

Reply:

This will be put on our works list and arrangements will be made to carry out repairs here.

Q.25 Councillor Claire O'Connor

Can the potholes outside *details supplied be repaired?

Reply:

Arrangements will be made to carry out repairs here.

Q.26 Councillor Claire O'Connor

Can the potholes on Ashdale Road be repaired?

Reply:

Arrangements will be made to carry out repairs here.

Q.27 Councillor Claire O'Connor

Can double yellow lines be painted onto Coulson Avenue in circumstances where cars park across the entire entrance / exit of this access lane way, blocking or at times partially obstructing access / exit by parking rear / front of their vehicle across the lane way. At present there are over ten car owners who use this lane way on a daily basis. This lane way is also a fire lane.

Reply:

The Traffic Advisory Group, at its meeting of 23rd May, 2017, reported that under the Road Traffic (Traffic and Parking) Regulations, Section 36, paragraph (2) "A vehicle shall not be parked – (g) 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 existing legislation.

The Traffic Advisory Group, therefore, did not recommend double yellow lines at the laneway on Coulson Avenue.

Instances of illegal parking should be reported to Dublin Street Parking Services at 602 2500 or to the local Gardaí as they occur, for enforcement under the Regulations.

Q.28 Councillor Claire O'Connor

Can a wheelchair spot be made available outside *details supplied?

Reply:

The criteria for the provision of a disabled parking bay outside a private residence will be forwarded to the resident.

Q.29 Councillor Claire O'Connor

Can the footpaths be repaired outside *details supplied?

Reply:

Arrangements will be made to carry out repairs here.

Q.30 Councillor Claire O'Connor

Can Morehampton Terrace be resurfaced in circumstances where the original tarmac top coat has deteriorated considerably over the past number of years and, following sustained traffic and engineering works, including water meter and gas main installation, the surface is now in quite poor condition with large potholes and cracks appearing?

Reply:

This carriageway will be considered for inclusion in next year's works programme.

Q.31 Councillor Claire O'Connor

Can a pedestrian light be installed at junction of Cowper and Palmerstown Road, which would enable a first year student in a wheelchair to turn right onto Cowper and access school?

Reply:

A request is listed on the Traffic Advisory Group Agenda for a pedestrian phase at the existing traffic lights at the junction of Cowper Road and Palmerston Road. The Area Traffic Engineer has indicated that it is expected that the request will be assessed the week of Monday, 18th September to Friday 22nd September, 2017, when the schools have re-opened. The councillor will be informed of the recommendation in due course.

Q.32 Councillor Claire O'Connor

Can this meeting write to Transdev and ask them to ensure that Luas works do not happen at 3am on Northbrook Road in Ranelagh?

Reply:

The councillor's question will be conveyed to the Railway Procurement Agency.

Q.33 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager consider upgrading of the playing surface at the Cabbage patch pitch astro to 3G grade and outline how much would this would cost and would the manager consider accepting local funding in order to allow more teams train and use this facility?

Reply:

The existing all weather pitch at the Cabbage Patch is fit for purpose and is currently the only item in the park that is not mistreated or vandalised. Any proposed upgrade should involve the entire park with the community buying in.

Q.34 Councillor Chris Andrews

I understand that toilets and Bins are sanctioned by management at Aviva events but it seems that they are not always installed and therefore can the manager arrange to have toilets and bins at all Aviva events?

Reply:

Arrangements are currently in place to provide toilets on Londonbridge Road, South Bank Road and Sean Moore Road for all major sporting and entertainment events which take place in the Aviva Stadium. These toilets are provided by Extra Space Solutions. Additional bins are also provided at these locations by Waste Management Services Division.

Q.35 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager have the gate at *details supplied repaired as it is not opening or closing properly?

Reply:

This gate will be inspected and any necessary repairs carried out within the next few weeks.

Q.36 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager arrange to have the footpath outside *details supplied repaired as it is a trip hazard?

Reply:

This will put on our works list and arrangement will be made to carry out repair here.

Q.37 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager arrange to have under surface pipes installed at it is unreasonable to expect these pipes to be installed on the surface as it is not done in other flats and that it's not the tenant's fault Dublin City Council cannot clear the blockage and the council should have to do the work in a professional way rather than just a patch up?

Q.8 Councillor Chris Andrews

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?

Reply:

Housing Maintenance has attended to a heating issue with one radiator in one bedroom in this dwelling on a number of occasions. The heating system is working. The radiator in one of the bedrooms is not heating correctly. There is a blocked heating circuit pipe in a concrete floor. Recently the system was flushed. However, this did not remove the blockage. The entire heating circuit pipe work needs to be replaced as a surface circuit. This was explained to the tenant and the tenant has refused to allow works to commence. Further contact was made with the tenant who to date has not agreed to allow this work.

Reply:

The gas boiler and central heating system was installed in this property in the late 1990s. The pipe-work system was installed by cutting ducting into the concrete subfloor and placing copper heating pipe-work into the ducting underneath a semi permanent timber flooring nailed directly to the concrete subfloor. The depth of the original ducting cut into the concrete floor would not allow for replacement pipe work to include pipe insulation as required to comply with current regulations. The ducting in question cannot be cut any deeper to accommodate the pipe work including insulation as this would compromise the integrity of the structure. As a consequence, the only practical solution available is to install the pipe work on the surface. However, Dublin City Council makes every effort to install the surface pipe work as neatly as possible and all pipe work will be boxed in with timber boxing and painted sympathetically to match existing colours. This is deemed to be the least intrusive solution to this issue.

Q.38 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager arrange to have the air vents installed in *details supplied and also have the down pipe causing blackening in bedroom repaired?

Reply:

Vents have been ordered for the kitchen, bathroom and bedrooms and will be installed over the next few weeks. The bedroom with the stains will be painted subsequently.

Q.39 Councillor Chris Andrews

Given the ongoing development in the Poolbeg area and the recent infestation of flies in this area which damaged the image of the area I would ask that a designated community group would be set up assuage fears and rumours among local business and community and this group would inspect and monitor compliance with current legislation by the companies.

Reply:

Dublin City Council has established a Community Gain Liaison Committee in accordance with the statutory approvals obtained for the Dublin Waste to Energy Facility. The committee acts as a liaison between Dublin City Council and the local community in relation to ongoing monitoring of the facility operations.

Q.40 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager say when will the waste interceptor be installed in Ecochem which is on the Poolbeg peninsula and also when will netting be installed on this work site to prevent cement dust as has been previously committed to?

Reply:

Ecochem advised Dublin City Council Pollution Control staff in June that they had appointed consultants to carry out a detailed design for drainage on the site. They expected to be in a position to commence the tendering process for the award of the construction contract by mid September. Ecochem have recently confirmed that there has been no change to this schedule. Therefore, we are not in a position to advise a timeline for the

installation of the interceptor or any other construction activity until a construction programme has been provided by the appointed contractor.

Ecochem has confirmed they have received pricing for the works for the netting to be installed on this work site to prevent cement dust. The next stage they have to undertake involves commissioning a safety assessment of the existing site perimeter boundary structure to address safety issues during and following installation.

Q.41 Councillor Paddy Smyth

To ask the manager to see that the footpath along the Grand Canal on the Charlemont Place side is repaired. The surface of the footpath along the canal on the Charlemont Place side and it is in a very dangerous condition, and a risk to people twisting their ankles. It is only a matter of time before there is a serious injury.

Reply:

This will put on our works list and arrangements will be made to carry out repairs here.

Q.42 Councillor Paddy Smyth

How often is Summerville Park, Rathmines inspected by parking enforcement? How many parking spaces are available on the street and how many residential parking permits are currently issued?

Reply:

There are 29 parking spaces available with 22 residential permits valid for Summerville Park issued. Inspections are carried out on foot of complaints and on regular patrols. Six vehicles were clamped on Summerville Park in the last 12 months with the most recent on 18/8/17. Dublin City Council does not keep records on how many individual inspections are carried out by crews on particular streets.

Q.43 Councillor Paddy Smyth

To ask the manager to see that TAG reviews the current layout between the Aldi entrance and Greenmount Road on Terenure Road East and, if possible, implement the below actions as there are major safety concerns given the recent increase in vehicular traffic.

1. The implementation of traffic wardens during peak school hours, from the beginning of the school year.
2. A survey of pedestrian and traffic movements, especially at peak school times, and resulting action to decrease the danger of the pedestrian crossing.
3. A risk assessment addressing, in particular, traffic speed, bus stop location conflicting traffic movements (Aldi, church car park).
4. The implementation of a level crossing at the Aldi exit / entrance.
5. Implementation and enforcement of 30km/h speed limit.
6. Traffic calming signage pertaining to school entrance and crossing.

Reply:

The request for school wardens (1) and signage (6) has been referred to the Traffic Advisory Group for examination and report. The councillor will be informed of the recommendations in due course.

In relation to (2), (3) and (4), the Area Traffic Engineer has noted that there is a pedestrian crossing on Terenure Road East at Aldi, located approximately 85 metres from the junction with Greenmount Road. At the junction of Terenure Road East / Terenure Road North / Rathfarnham Road, pedestrian crossings have been recommended across Rathfarnham Road and across Terenure Road East - these pedestrian crossings will be listed on the 2018 Works Programme for implementation subject to the availability of funding and resources.

The location between Greenmount Road and Aldi will be monitored by the Traffic Control Room to identify issues.

Terenure Road East is an arterial route and has a speed limit of 50Km/h. It is proposed to review the arterial routes as part of Phase 3 of the 30Km/h implementation. This is due to commence in early 2018.

Q.44 Councillor Patrick Costello

To ask the manager to respond to the correspondence from the Royal Hospital Donnybrook (RHD) outlining safety concerns, if she will outline what options are available and if she will organise a meeting on site to discuss these options.

The CEO has written to Cllr. Frank Kennedy and Cllr. Paddy McCartan directly as they are Dublin City Council appointees to the Board of Management of the RHD. As the hospital is in the Rathgar - Rathmines ward and Cllrs. Kennedy and McCartan are representatives in the Pembroke-South Dock ward, we are copying this letter to all councillors in both wards asking for your assistance, insofar as you can assist, in bringing the concerns of the hospital board of management in relation to the serious safety issues arising from traffic / parking management on Bloomfield Avenue to the attention of the relevant parties in Dublin City Council.

Any assistance you can give in this matter would be very much appreciated. Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Reply:

A request has been received to rescind the Pay and Display and Permit Parking on the south side of Bloomfield Avenue, Dublin 4. The request has been referred to the Traffic Advisory Group for examination and report. The councillor will be informed of the recommendation in due course.

Q.45 Councillor Ruairí McGinley

To ask the manager to arrange to put up street signage for Olney Crescent, Terenure - lack of signage is an issue for street directions etc.

Reply:

Arrangements will be made for new signage if deemed necessary.

Q.46 Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the manager for a full report on the possibility of restoring the pergola in Herbert Park as originally proposed, the costs of same and the whereabouts of the artefacts that made up the previous pergola.

Reply:

Partial collapse of the pergola occurred on the 29th November 2010, due to heavy snow fall with further collapse of the structure occurring over the following weeks. The natural black stone which was used to construct the piers is stored in Ringsend and the concrete cross beams were sent to landfill as they were considered not to be fit for purpose.

At the time of the pergola collapse no commitment to restoring the pergola, which itself was completed in 1913, was given by Dublin City Council's Parks & Landscape Services Division.

In September 2015 a Conservation & Management Plan was undertaken by Grade 1 Conservation Architect on Herbert Park which informs current work in the park. The report does not recommended the re-instatement of the pergola but to relocate the bandstand to this area, thus providing a new focus for the terraced area overlooking the pond.

Q.47 Councillor Mary Freehill

Would the manager please ensure that the footpath at 5 Ashfield Avenue, Ranelagh is reinstated - see attached background information?

Reply:

The Temporary reinstatement was carried out by Kendra Ireland working on behalf of ESB. T4-4122 & T2 E.S.B8031-1 (7 Nov 2016 to 3 Dec 2016). The opening has not been returned to Dublin City Council and is still the responsibility of the ESB.

Q.48 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager say if there has been any work carried out with Irish Rail around the issue of the improving parking spaces for bikes at the various Dart stations and if not, is this something that can be started with a view to having the stations in Pembroke South Dock as a pilot scheme?

Reply:

In order to facilitate cycle stands at the Dart stations at Tara Street, Pearse and Grand Canal Dock, the area engineer will assess it and the councillor will be informed in due course.

There are proposals for 5 no. stands to accommodate 10 bicycles adjacent to Lansdowne Road Dart Station for On-Street Cycle Parking.

Cycle stands are not recommended at the train station of Sandymount and Sydney Parade as the width of the footpaths adjacent to the area is insufficient to accommodate the bike stands. In addition, the National Cycle Manual indicates that lighting is important for cycle parking to allow for bicycle locking, for checking the bicycle equipment etc. It is also very important from the point of view of both personal security and bicycle security.

Holyrood Park and Ailesbury Gardens are the roads nearest the Dart Stations that could facilitate on-street parking for bicycles. Unfortunately, the public lighting is not adequate in these areas. It is therefore not recommended to place cycle stands at these locations.

Q.49 Councillor Sonya Stapleton

To ask the manager how can a constituent put their name on the affordable housing list for the IGB Site or other sites for that matter?

Reply:

In June 2011, the Minister of the Environment, Community and Local Government announced the standing down of all Affordable Housing Schemes. As part of the Housing Policy Statement of 2011, Affordable Housing is no longer available and Dublin City Council has not been notified by the Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government of any plans to introduce a new scheme.

Q.50 Councillor Sonya Stapleton

To ask the manager where *details supplied is positioned on the housing list and if he is being considered for any over 55 senior accommodation?

Reply:

The applicant (details supplied) is on Band 2 of the Older Person Housing list for one bedroom accommodation with the following position

- 43 for Area M (City Quay / Ringsend / Irishtown / Donnybrook / Mount Street / Pearse Street)
- 49 for Area N (Ranelagh / Harold's Cross / Rathmines / Terenure)

- 29 for Area P (Church Street / Ormond Quay / North King Street / O'Devaney Gardens / Chancery Street)

Dublin City Council allocates properties based on time on the list and currently there are applicants on the waiting 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. The number of vacancies arising will be a determining factor in the length of time applicants could expect to be on the waiting list.

Q.51 Councillor Sonya Stapleton

To ask the manager to investigate reports from residents (details supplied) in O'Carroll Villas flats, of birds caught in the gutter and making their way into the roof top?

Reply:

The gutters of this complex were inspected 5th September. There was some debris, leaves etc., in the gutters which has now been removed. The roofs were inspected; no evidence of any birds caught in the gutters or in the roofs was found.

Q.52 Councillor Sonya Stapleton

To ask the manager if *details supplied can be considered for a flat that has become vacant in 29 St. Andrews Court, Pearse Street, Dublin 2.

Reply:

In relation to the applicant's (details supplied) request to be considered for 29 St. Andrew's Court, Pearse Street, Dublin 2, the property is no longer available.

The applicant (details supplied) is on Dublin City Council's housing list since 06/3/2012.

The applicant is currently in Band 2 on the housing list for 2 bedroom accommodation and has the following positions on the list:

- 173 for Area H (Ballybough / Phibsborough / Dorset Street / Dominick / East Wall / Sherrif Street)
- 117 for Area L (York Street / Rialto / Coombe / Portobello)
- 102 for Area M (Ringsend / Irishtown / Ballsbridge)

Dublin City Council allocates 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. The number of vacancies arising will be a determining factor in the length of time applicants could expect to be on the waiting list.

An applicant's position on the housing list may be subject to change as applicants may move within bands as their circumstances change.

Q.53 Councillor Sonya Stapleton

To ask the manager if *details supplied can be considered for an inter transfer to a flat that has become available in 6D Cuffe Street, Dublin 2?

Reply:

The property 6D Cuffe Street is currently occupied by a tenant of Dublin City Council.

(Details supplied) will need to make an application for an inter-transfer with the tenant of 6D Cuffe Street. If it is suitable to their needs, a request will be made to the local area office for a decision on estate management and maintenance grounds.

Q.54 Councillor Sonya Stapleton

To ask the manager to investigate and help a man that has been sleeping rough in a car for over a year.

Reply:

The Dublin Region Homeless Executive (DRHE), on behalf of Dublin City Council and the three other Dublin local authorities, funds the Housing First Service (operated by Peter McVerry Trust and Focus Ireland) to engage with people who are rough sleeping in the Dublin region, and to support them to access temporary accommodation and other support services. The Housing First Team members have professional competencies including psychiatry, substance use / addiction, and nursing.

DRHE has requested the Housing First Team to visit this area in order to engage with the man in *details supplied to provide supports to him, and offer temporary accommodation which he may require.

If any member of the public would like to make Dublin's Housing First Service aware of a person who may be sleeping rough in the Dublin region, who is in need of assistance, please contact DRHE & Housing First at this weblink <http://www.homelessdublin.ie/report-rough-sleeper> which provides an interactive map to support the Housing First team in quickly locating persons who may be vulnerable. The Housing First Team can also be contacted at 086 8139015.

Q.55 Councillor Ruairí McGinley

To ask the manager to look into footpath reinstatement work at (details supplied).

Reply:

Road Maintenance Services contacted the ESB Medium & Low Voltage faults Department who has investigated the issue. The ESB has instructed their contractor Kendra Civil Engineering Ltd. to escalate both reinstatements for completion. Kendra Civil Engineering Ltd. will notify Dublin City Council upon completion.

Q.56 Councillor Ruairí McGinley

To ask the manager to take action regarding the dangerous parking that takes place in the Mount Argus estate due to the lack of yellow lines on the corners of the estate.

There are two issues of danger:

Reduction in visibility going around certain corners due to people parking on corners as they are not lined.

No speed signs or warning signs re children at play.

Reply:

Requests for double yellow lines in Mount Argus Close and Mount Argus Court are listed for examination and report by the Traffic Advisory Group. The councillor will be informed of the decision in due course.

Speed limit signs are provided only at the points of entry to a speed limit zone and at the points of change from one speed limit to another. The general speed limit of 50 km/h applies unless otherwise specified by the signage indicating a higher or lower speed limit. A request for the introduction of a 30km/h speed limit in the estate will be referred for consideration as part of the next review of the Dublin City Council Special Speed Limit Bye-Laws.

Children crossing signs are only considered at the entrance to housing estates from main traffic routes. Signage is not recommended within residential estate roads, as this would lead to a proliferation of signs throughout the city. In addition, Dublin City Council does not erect such signs on roads that are already traffic calmed or cul de sacs. Mount Argus Road

is already traffic calmed with the provision of speed ramps spaced appropriately and in accordance with the design specifications of the Traffic Management Guidelines. Introducing additional ramps would not comply with current design standards and would encourage harsh braking and consequent heavy acceleration.

A “Children crossing” sign was recommended on the 25th November, 2016 at the junction of Mount Argus with Kimmage Road Lower, which leads onto Mount Argus Park. The sign has since been erected.

Q.57 Councillor Ruairí McGinley

To ask manager to investigate noise complaint at (details supplied).

Reply:

The Air Quality Monitoring and Noise Control Unit will initiate an investigation in relation to the noise complaints but will require the contact details of those residents making these complaints to ensure the matter can be expedited.

Q.58 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager ensure that the small area on the public domain at entrance into Cambridge FC clubhouse is concreted in as the Fire Officer will not give the new works fire certificate until it is?

Reply:

The Cambridge Boys’ Football Club should make their application to have the emergency exit / entrance path-way widened formally through the planning process. Upon receiving approval they can apply to Road Maintenance Services Division for a quote to carry out the work.

Q.59 Councillor Patrick Costello

To ask the manager if it would be possible to resurface Morehampton Terrace. Local residents have stated that:

“The original tarmac top coat has deteriorated considerably over the past number of years and, following sustained traffic and engineering works, including water meter and gas main installation, the surface is now in quite poor condition with large potholes and cracks appearing. Dublin City Council has been very responsive in undertaking limited repairs in recent times but a more robust solution is now needed.”

Reply:

This carriageway will be considered for inclusion in next year’s works programme.

Q.60 Councillor Patrick Costello

To ask the manager to have the road surfaces and footpaths in Gulistan Cottages repaired. They remain in a state of disrepair following installation of water meters and have not been returned to a decent state.

Reply:

Arrangements will be made for permanent reinstatements to be carried out here.

Q.61 Councillor Patrick Costello

To ask the manager to provide painting of the wall joining Rutland Grove and Eamonn Ceannt Park. This wall is in a state of disrepair and is an eye sore. At the recent family fun day numerous residents have asked for it to be painted.

Reply:

Representatives of the Rutland Grove Residents' Association now attend the regular Friends of Eamonn Ceannt Park meetings. The next meeting is due to be held on Thursday 21st September 2017 and possible solutions can be discussed at that stage.

Q.62 Councillor Patrick Costello

To ask the manager to provide an update on outstanding concerns raised by the Lower Kimmage Road residents, including a date when the improvements will be completed, in particular - installation of speed cameras / digitized signs. General park upgrades, including new park furniture.

Reply:

The speed cameras / digitized signs refer to the radar signs. These 2 No. radar signs have been ordered and will be installed / operational by the end of September 2017.

Painters are currently on site working on the railings and street furniture. Two new benches will be installed and work on cutting back of vegetation will continue over the wintertime.

Q.63 Councillor Frank Kennedy

When turning left from Carlisle Street onto the South Circular Road (i.e. towards the city centre) there is a single yellow line (which commences approx. at outside no.44 South Circular Road) which continues up to the bus stop. This present situation is very dangerous for cyclists and potentially motorists. To ask the Area Manager to:

- a) explain why this stretch of road is not double yellow lines;
- b) to explain whether local residents have been consulted on the current situation;
- c) for a proper investigation as to the dangers arising from the status quo to be carried out; and
- d) if appropriate on completion of A-C above, to change the single yellow line at this stretch to double yellow.

In light of the real and immediate safety concerns the above steps should be carried out as a matter of urgency.

Reply:

The request to rescind the single yellow line at the above location and replace with double yellow lines has been referred to the Traffic Advisory Group for examination and report. The councillor will be informed of the recommendation in due course. (Residents are not normally consulted on road markings required for traffic management purposes).

Q.64 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the Manager to address the following issues of concern to the residents of Hollybank Avenue Lower:

- a) to provide an update on the upcoming parking ballot; specifically, what precise question(s) will be posed, and when this ballot will take place;
- b) to repair the footpaths on the avenue which in parts are in very poor condition at present and constitute a serious safety risk; and
- c) in light of the fact that the view for motorists turning right at the junction of the Avenue with Sandford Road is dangerously obscured at present by the ESB power box, to ensure that the ESB box is relocated as a matter of urgency to avoid severe accidents occurring.

Reply:

A) Hollybank Avenue Upper and Lower are currently out to ballot with a request from 25% of residents for a change of operational hours from the current Mon-Fri 0700-1900H to

Mon-Sun 0700-2400H. The closing date for receipt of ballots is the 15th September 2017. Copy letter to residents and ballot paper attached.

- B) This will be put on our works list and arrangements will be made to carry out repairs here when a crew is available.
- C) The Area Engineer assessed the location of the ESB power box and deemed that it does not obscure motorists' view and it is not recommended to have it relocated

Q.65 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the Area Manager to address the following issues at Sandymount Green:

- a) At present there is no barrier for pedestrians (especially children) who exit the Green from the exit opposite Borza. There is (quite properly) a barrier at the opposite exit, opposite Browne's. The lack of a barrier at the exit opposite Borza is extremely dangerous, especially for children playing in the green. One should be installed as a matter of urgency, and it should also have regard for the need for the width of a wheelchair to pass through; and
- b) Buses travel astonishingly quickly down the stretch of Sandymount Green from Sandymount House to Christchurch Hall. To ask the manager to install traffic calming measures including ramps at this very dangerous stretch.

Reply:

- a) The Area Traffic Engineer has reported that during a site inspection it was noted that the footpath located at the exit of Sandymount Green is narrow in sections. Placing barriers would further reduce the available widths and be contrary to the Design Manual for Urban Roads and Streets. Guardrails may be counterproductive:

- Create a false sense of safety for both drivers and pedestrians
- Can result in pedestrians being trapped on the outside of the guardrail.
- Reduce the width of footpaths
- Create a collision hazard for cyclists.

It would also pose difficulties for wheelchair users, buggies and vulnerable pedestrians. It is therefore not recommended to place a barrier at this location.

Dublin City Council's Parks & Landscape Services Division has in the past, proposed to install self closing gates at the entrances to the "green" and this is still this division's preferred option because of its low intervention and impact on the historic integrity of the gates and railings. Unfortunately these proposals did not meet with local support at the time. This solution of a self closing gate mechanism has been recently introduced to one of the gates in Mountpleasant Square Park and appears to be working well with no complaints thus far.

- b) 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. Sandymount Green is lightly trafficked and does not meet the warrant for traffic calming. The criteria for the provision of traffic calming measures are as follows:

- The road should have a straight run of approximately 200 metres.
- The 85th percentile speed (speed exceeded by 15% of vehicles) should exceed 50km/h.

- Traffic volumes should exceed 60 vehicles per hour.
- There should be genuine road safety concerns based on accident statistics or observed road safety patterns or a written report from an Inspector in the Garda Traffic Division, Dublin Castle, relating to an issue of safety.

Q.66 Councillor Frank Kennedy

With regard to the initial and then subsequent parking ballots on Durham Road, Sandymount, to ask the Manager:

- a) to provide copies of all correspondence, including maps, which has issued to residents to date on the initial ballot, the nullification of the result of the initial ballot, and the subsequent ballot;
- b) to provide a clear explanation as to why the initial ballot was nullified;
- c) to explain why there is a proposal to reduce so dramatically the number of places in the subsequent ballot on the horseshoe shaped type cul de sac on that stretch of Durham Road, in particular where at least one of the properties on this stretch, being [details supplied] does not have access to off street parking; and
- d) in the event that the ballot proposal is adopted, having regard to the fact that due to ease of access the volume of cars passing through is likely to increase, to introduce traffic calming measures to reduce the speed by which cars pass through (the non cul de sac section of) the road.

Reply:

- a) Copies attached - covering letter and map sent on 9/3/17 – covering letter and map dated 6/6/17 together with letter explaining the reason for the re-ballot.
- b) A number of residents complained about the poor quality of the map that issued on the 9/3/17. Several residents objected to these complaints on the basis that the map was clear and that complaints about same were a stalling tactic to delay the implementation of any proposed scheme. In light of this it was deemed prudent to re-ballot with a clearer map.
- c) There is no change to the proposed parking layout from the initial ballot.
- d) Should the proposal be passed the request for traffic calming will be passed to the Traffic Advisory Group for examination.

Q.67 Councillor Frank Kennedy

In light of the serious and dangerous problems with footpaths (including overgrown vegetation) as comprehensively set out in the e-mail forwarded separately (including attached photos), to ask the manager to address these problems as a matter of urgency in the two identified areas, being Part A from Sean Moore Road to the entrance to the ESB station / Poolbeg Chimneys / Stacks and Part B from the entrance of Irishtown Nature Park to Poolbeg Lighthouse.

Reply:

The area from Sean Moore Road to the entrance to the ESB station will be examined with a view to getting the pathway cleared. The area from the entrance to Irishtown Nature Park to Poolbeg Lighthouse is under the control of the ESB and they will be requested to follow up in that location.

The property owners will be issued with notices to cut back foliage.

Q.68 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the Manager to address the very dangerous crack on the pavement outside No. 176 Merrion Road as shown in the photo sent by separate e-mail.

Reply:

This will be added to our works list and arrangements will be made to carry out a repair here.

Q.69 Councillor Frank Kennedy

In light of concerns expressed by local residents as to noise, smell and unhealthy food, to ask the manager to explain why unhealthy fried food is being sold (a) at a festival in Herbert Park and (b) the precise start and end date and licensing rules for this festival.

Reply:

The permission granted for this event did not stipulate what type of food could be sold, however, it was subject to the organisers compliance with all Health and Safety Legislation, the Safety, Health and Welfare at work Act 2005, Health and Welfare at work Act (Construction) 2013, Health and Welfare at Work Act (General) 2007, Fire Services Act 1981, along with and all other relevant legislation, regulations and approved Codes of Practice, to ensure the safe running of the event. A full list of the terms of conditions applied to this event can be made available if required.

The event was permitted to open to the public between the following times:

17th August 2017 - 12.30 pm to 10 pm
18th August 2017 - 12.30 pm to 10 pm
19th August 2017 - 12.30 pm to 10 pm
20th August 2017 - 12.30 pm to 9 pm

Q.70 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the Area Manager to arrange for a junk collection in the Sandymount and Ringsend area to enable people dispose of a substantial build up of bulky waste and to encourage recycling and waste disposal.

Reply:

The free city wide household bulky waste collection service is no longer available to any area of the city as it was decided that this free service was contrary to the core principle that the person(s) generating the waste should pay for its disposal, regardless of the type of waste been generated. The associated costs of this service had also become unsustainable and had reached approximately €500,000.00 per year. The service was therefore discontinued in favour of a more flexible and accessible service which is available on demand all year round and for which households pay a nominal fee which is currently €40.00. This service was introduced in May 2016 and has proved very popular with the public. Average collection time between request and collection taking place is currently 3 – 4 days and unlike the previous service it operates all year round. Full details of the service are available on the City Council website. The waste management department would not be in favour of reinstating the free collection service as it is not considered an efficient use of our resources.

Q.71 Councillor Frank Kennedy

The following question was asked and answer received at a recent (full) meeting of Dublin City Council with regard to the problem of bicycles which are illegally parked against railings and posts on Kevin Street and Wexford Street:

"To ask the Chief Executive

- a) To confiscate bicycles which are illegally parked against railings and posts on Kevin Street and Wexford Street where those bicycles cause an obstruction. These are extremely narrow footpaths and bicycles frequently create unlawful obstructions for elderly pedestrians and those with limited or impaired mobility; and*
- b) to the extent that such remedial steps do not fall within the remit or power of Dublin City Council, to contact An Garda Síochána to request that they take the necessary action to enforce the law.*

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The enforcement powers under the Road Traffic Act that allow Dublin City Council to organise for the removal of illegally parked vehicles are restricted to mechanically propelled vehicles and do not include bicycles.

Abandoned bicycles can be removed under the Waste Management Act 1996 and their removal is managed on an area basis by our Public Realm Officers. 88 abandoned bikes, within the South East Area, have been removed so far in 2017. The procedure for the removal of abandoned bicycles, which was adopted by the Transportation Strategic Policy Committee meeting on 10th February 2016, includes tagging them to allow potential owners remove them. The area continues to be monitored the area for such bikes.

In the meantime, the Traffic Planning Section will investigate if some additional stands can be located in the area."

To ask the manager what constitutes 'abandoned' in the above reply. For instance residents have referred to one bicycle in particular parked on the footpath on Kevin Street, which is locked to a pole all day everyday which causes a definite obstruction to walkers.

Reply:

Abandoned bicycles are usually identified by their condition. Flat tyres on both front and back wheels, buckled or missing wheels, damaged frames or heavily rusted chains and sprockets are taken as indications that the bicycle has been abandoned. Otherwise, an abandoned bicycle is defined as a bicycle located on a public street or in a public car park that would appear to have been in the same location unmoved for a period of more than two weeks. However, caution needs to be exercised in determining that a bicycle is actually abandoned. The bicycle mentioned above will be identified and, once determined as abandoned, an Abandoned Bicycle Tag will be placed on the bicycle, which will state a date after which the bicycle will be removed.

Q.72 Councillor Claire Byrne

Can the area manager please investigate building work that is taking place at *details supplied, as there have been complaints of builders operating in breach of working hours as per the City Development Plan, even working on a Sunday which is prohibited. There have also been issues with noise, dust and traffic congestion due to the construction vehicles. Can the area manager also confirm whether this building is a legal development?

Reply:

The Air Quality Monitoring and Noise Control Unit will initiate an investigation in relation to the noise complaints but will require the contact details of those residents making these complaints to ensure the matter can be expedited.

The issues raised by the councillor will be investigated and appropriate enforcement action will be taken, if required.

Q.73 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the area manager can she please install further road signs indicating the new 30kmph speed limit in the Sandymount area as the current signs are not very visible and therefore the speed limit is not being adhered to? Can the area manager also provide details of how adherence to the new speed limits is being monitored in the South East Area?

Reply:

There are speed limit signs posted at the points of entry and exit to the 30 Km/h Zone in the Sandymount area. It is Dublin City Council's policy not to erect repeater signs as this will lead to a proliferation of signage throughout the city. If the councillor can indicate specific

signage locations where the signs visibility is inadequate these will be examined and rectified if necessary.

Dublin City Council regularly through its various communication outlets, VMS signs, Twitter handle and radio station promote and keep awareness of the 30Km/h initiative and encourage motorists to comply with the limit in the areas where it applies. There are also frequent collaborations with the Road Safety Authority on speed and accident campaigns which again promote the 30km/h speed limit as well as speed limits in general.

Dublin City Council actively engages with An Garda Síochána both directly and through working groups on issues such as speed limit and statutory measure enforcement. A review of Phases 1 & 2 will be commencing over the coming weeks and if speeds in the 30Km/h zones are not showing a reduction then Dublin City Council may introduce soft engineering measures to assist speed reduction.

Q.74 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the area manager to please increase the frequency of litter picking and general street cleaning in the Ringsend area, in particular Sean Moore Road and Sean Moore Park as there have been complaints from local residents regarding the level of litter in these areas. Can the area manager also outline when the next intensive cleaning of Ringsend is due to take place?

Reply:

Ringsend Village is cleaned on a daily basis. Residential streets in the Ringsend area are cleaned on a twelve week cycle. The next intense cleaning of Ringsend is during the first week of September 2017. There is a sweeping machine and van assigned to Sean Moore Road twice a week for cleaning.

Sean Moore Park will be litter picked on a weekly schedule.

Q.75 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the area manager if she can please write to the manager of the Viking Splash Tour to request that they be mindful of local residents when operating the tour and that noise from the host and participants be kept to a minimum when passing through the residential area of Golden Lane, Dublin 8.

Reply:

The South East Area Office will convey your concerns to Viking Splash Tours, RGI House, 18 Mill Street, Dublin 8

Q.76 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the area manager if she can please include the traffic signalling and electrical boxes in Beggars Bush junction as part of the Dublin Canvass project this year, and that local artist David Uda be selected to design and paint the canvass at the request of the local Beggars Bush D4 business group.

Reply:

Art work for Dublin City Council traffic light boxes throughout the South East Area for 2017 has already been selected. However, community and public domain staff are looking at options for painting these boxes in conjunction with the local business group in this location.

Q.77 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the area manager how many staff are currently working in the Dublin City Council Planning Enforcement Section, what is the process by which a member of the public can report a breach in building working hours as per the City Development Plan, how many cases of developers / builders operating in breach of working hours have been investigated

and dealt with in the Pembroke South Dock Ward since 2014 and what action has been taken in this regard.

Reply:

There are 16 staff currently working in the Planning Enforcement Section. All complaints can be made through the dedicated enforcement email planningenforcement@dublincity.ie

Regarding the specific numbers of complaints relating to working hours in Pembroke South Dock Ward it is not possible to give numbers of such complaints as the complaints are site specific on the system, as opposed to complaint type. It is estimated that there has been in excess of 50 such complaints in that area since 2014. Inspections are carried out following receipt of complaints and the site managers are spoken to in an effort to improve any issues that are brought to our attention causing annoyance to area residents.

Q.78 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the area manager what laws or bye-laws are currently in place to deal with the issue of commercial and household alarms, what is the process by which a member of the public can report an on-going commercial or household alarm, how are such reports dealt with and what is the process by which an ongoing alarm can be dealt with.

Reply:

There are no specific laws or bye-laws dealing with noise from security alarms. Where there is an ongoing issue with reoccurring alarms this unit will use the general noise control provisions under the Environmental Protection Agency Act 1992 to endeavour to resolve the matter with the occupier of the premises. The current legal provisions under this act do not allow for any local authority to force entry onto premises to deactivate an alarm system.

In other legislation, The Private Security Authority in exercise of the powers conferred on it by the Private Security Services Act 2004 operates the Private Security (Licensing and Standards) Regulations 2012. These Regulations require that installers of such equipment are licensed, and carry out that their work to a designated national standard.

Further information on this can be found at:

<https://www.psa.gov.ie/en/PSA/Pages/enforcement>

Q.79 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the area manager can she please investigate the following issues regarding *details supplied. According to the City Development Plan, the space in front of this premises is a designated public green space. However the adjacent business is operating a beer garden here and playing loud music that is disturbing the local residents. Can the manager please 1) confirm the status of this space, 2) clarify whether such operations are permitted here and 3) investigate the noise pollution complaints as a matter of urgency.

Reply:

There is no record of planning permission being granted for use of this space as a beer garden. The triangular plot of land adjoining *details supplied is zoned Z9: To preserve, provide and improve recreational amenity and open space and green networks.

The Air Quality Monitoring and Noise Control Unit will initiate an investigation in relation to the noise complaints but will require the contact details of those residents making these complaints to ensure the matter can be expedited.

South East Oct Area Agenda 09/10/17 (TAG Date: 26/09/17)											
Item	Ref	Request	Road	Post-code	Topic	Request Description	Request by	TAG Result	TAG Comments	Sec	Date Rec'd
1	40303	Parking Prohibitions	Baggot Lane	Dublin 4	Double Yellow Lines (Rescind)	On the road.	Resident	Recommended	Rescind double yellow lines (DYLs) south side, from the western pier of the vehicular entrance to property no. 106, eastwards to the western pier of the pedestrian entrance to property no. 106.	0	14/09/2017
2	38170	Traffic Signs	Bushy Park Road	Dublin 6	School Ahead Sign	Request for school ahead sign for Zion Parish School, Bushy Park rd	Cllr. Costello	Recommended	Install School ahead sign W141. At the lamp stand number 4 facing Westward. Install School ahead sign W141. At the lamp stand number 2 facing Eastward.	0	18/05/2017
3	38942	Admin.	College Green	Dublin 2	Cycle Track	On the west side of the street	Dublin City Council Traffic Projects	Recommended	One way, northbound, segregated off road cycle track on the west side of College Green from a point 83 metres south of the southern boundary of property No.1 Westmoreland Street, north for 66 metres to a point 17 metres south of the southern boundary of property No. 1 Westmoreland Street. Hour of operation 24 hours, seven days. One way, northbound, on road cycle lane on the western side of College Green from a point 7 metres east of the eastern gateway edge of the western vehicular entrance into Bank Of Ireland College Green northwards for a distance of 37 metres around College Green to a point 83 metres south of the southern boundary of property No. 1 Westmoreland Street to join the segregated off road cycle track.	0	23/06/2017
4	40206	Parking Prohibitions	Cowper Road	Dublin 6	Pay & Display & Permit Parking (extension of area)	Outside No. 80 towards the garage entrance.	Resident	Not Recommended	Extend the existing pay and display permit is not recommended as it would encroach on the garage entry. However, in order to facilitate the bus to dock parallel and close to the kerb, to assist passengers particularly those with a mobility handicap, it is recommended to install double yellow lines from a point 5m west of PLS No. 2 for 6.4m westwards (see SR 40299).	0	11/09/2017
5	40299	Parking Prohibitions	Cowper Road	Dublin 6	Double Yellow Lines	At the Dublin Bus Stop south side approaching Rathmines Road.	Dublin City Council Traffic Management	Recommended	In order to facilitate the bus to dock parallel and close to the kerb, to assist passengers particularly those with a mobility handicap, it is recommended to install double yellow lines, south side, from a point 5m west of PLS No. 2 and extending westwards for 6.4m.	0	14/09/2017
6	40241	Parking Prohibitions	Nassau Street	Dublin 2	Loading Bay(Rescind)	On Nassau Street south side near the junction with Grafton Street.	Dublin City Council Traffic Projects	Recommended	Rescind the loading bay (Mon. - Sat. 0700 - 1900) on the south side of Nassau street from the common boundary of Nos. 47 / 48 west to the western boundary wall of No. 50 Nassau Street.	0	12/09/2017
7	39918	Traffic Conditions	St. Stephen's Green North	Dublin 2	One-Way System	Taxi Stand/Loading Bay and One-way system	Dublin City Council Traffic Projects	Recommended	Provide a loading bay (Mon. - Sat. 0700 - 1900) on the northern side of St. Stephen's Green North from a point 20m west of the east facing side (front) of No. 24 Dawson Street west for 31m. Provide yield road markings on St. Stephen's Green North outside No. 4/5 on the northern westbound lane where it joins the southern westbound lane. Provide a westbound one way system on St. Stephen's Green North from its junction with Dawson Street west to its junction with Grafton Street. Provide a southbound one way system on St. Stephen's Green West from its junction with Grafton Street south to its junction with Glovers Alley.	0	25/08/2017

**The Chairperson and Members
of the South East Area Committee**

**Report on the Part VIII for the proposed interventions to the former caretaker's
apartment for use as a formal guest apartment in the Mansion House**

The Chief Executive's Office lodged a Part VIII planning application (Reg. Ref. 3470/17) for works to the caretaker's apartment on the first floor of the Mansion House, Dawson Street, Dublin 2. The Mansion House, built 1710, a protected structure, is of international significance with important civic, architectural, historical and cultural associations.

Proposed works to the former caretaker's apartments for use as a formal guest apartment include 3 no. interventions to the rear (South West) corner of the Mansion House at first floor level. Intervention 1: Removal of 20th C. internal stud partition.

Intervention 2: Installation of new en-suite bathroom, with local pipework only.

Intervention 3: Forming of new external, single door opening in existing victorian brickwork wall.

The interventions will improve the appeal and functionality of the existing apartment. The works are considered minor in nature and will be carried out in accordance with best conservation practice. The works are a key part of the agreed Conservation Plan (2009) strategy to provide modern, high quality facilities befitting a residence of this stature.

Plans and particulars of the proposed development were available for inspection or could be purchased from 20th July 2017 for a period of six weeks. Submissions or observations in relation to the proposed rebuilding of the house were also invited and the deadline for receipt of these was 4.30pm on 01th September 2017.

Following the passing of the above deadline, no third party submissions were received in relation to the application.

The Planning Department letter recommending that the proposal be approved was issued on 28th September 2017.

It is considered that the proposed works are in accordance with the policies and objectives of the Dublin City Development Plan 2016-2022, with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area and will address a number of conservation issues. Therefore, it is recommended that the proposed works are approved.

As approval of a Part VIII application is a reserved function of the city council, it is now our intention to bring the proposal to the November city council meeting for formal approval.

**Deirdre Ni Raghallaigh
Senior Executive Officer**

To the Chairperson and Members of the
South East Area Committee

**PART 8 Notification of Approval – Application for the construction of a new tearoom
and ancillary landscape works in Merrion Square Park, Merrion Square, Dublin 2**

Plan No. 3284/17

Part 8 Planning Application for the construction of a new tearoom and ancillary landscape
works in Merrion Square Park, Merrion Square, Dublin 2

There were no third party submissions to the proposal.

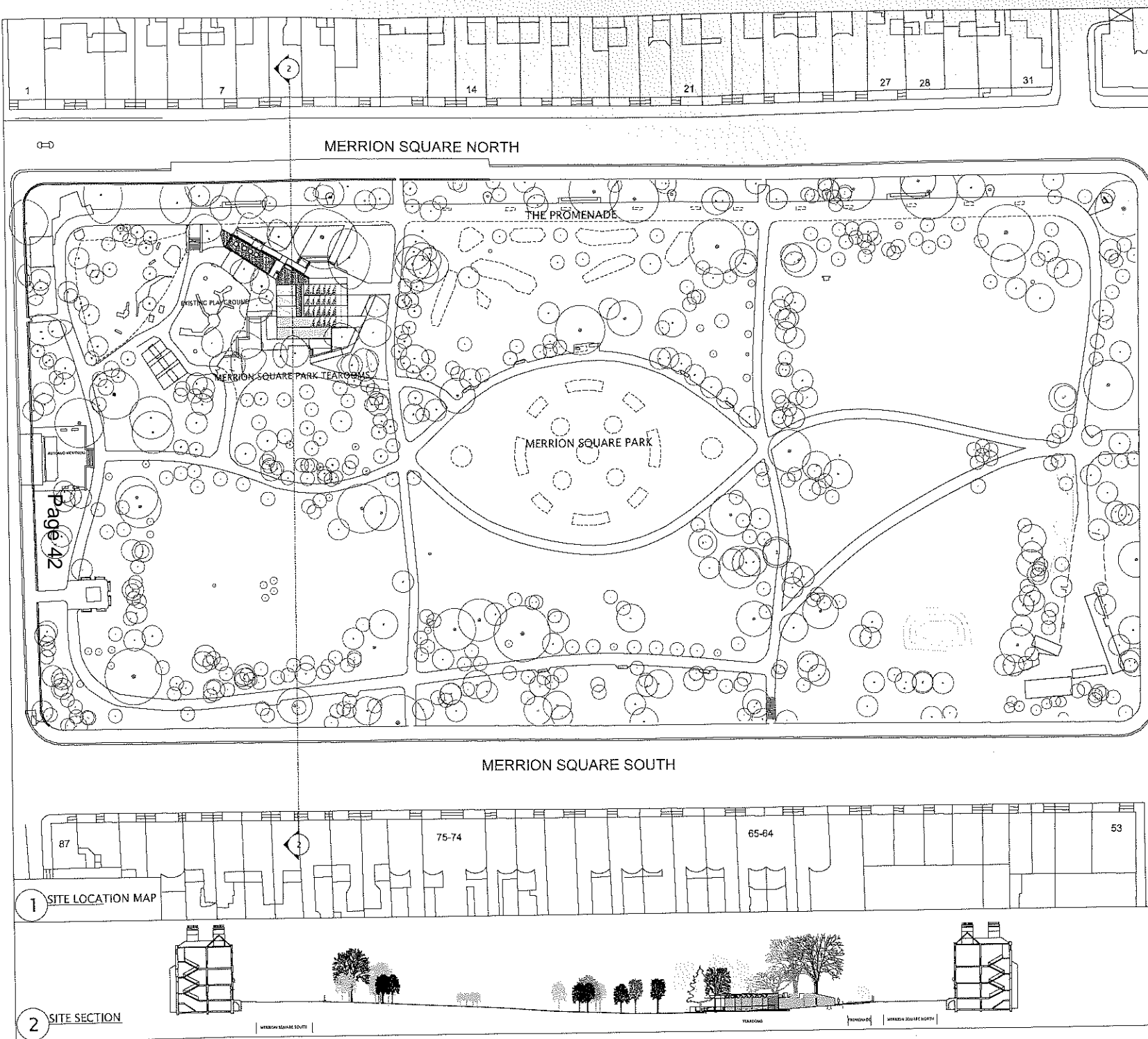
A notification of approval to carry out the development, subject to a number of conditions,
has been issued on 19th September 2017.

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.”*

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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**The Chairman and Members of
the South East Area Committee**

- (a) Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) & Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) (Part 8)**
(b) Local Government Act 2001 (as amended)
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In compliance with the provisions of Section 179 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) and Part 8 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) and in compliance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 2001 and pursuant to the requirements of the above, notice is hereby given of Dublin City Council's intention to carry out the following works:

Refurbishment of Temple Bar Square Dublin 2.

This is a public realm refurbishment project comprising upgrade of square and adjacent streets to allow for more public and cultural activities. The proposals include the removal of the existing street furniture, trees, outdoor seating terraces and replacement with new street furniture, new tree planting, seating and public lighting. The proposals include all necessary service, utility and associated site works.

The square is to be extended as a single surface across the adjoining streets of Temple Bar, Crown Alley and Fownes Street to the adjoining buildings. It is also proposed to fully pedestrianise Temple Bar Square and Crown Alley and exclude regular vehicular traffic from these areas.

The measures taken will lead to a significant improvement in disability access to the project area and support the principle of universal access for all.

The project proposal was developed in collaboration with residents, business owners and stakeholders as part of an open participative process.

Observations:

A number of observations/objections have been received in regard to the proposed Part 8 development.

- Temple Bar Company supports the proposed Part 8 Application and welcomes the development of the space. The submission makes a number of points:
 - Bollards should be used to exclude traffic from the pedestrian zone
 - Fownes Street Upper should be included in the overall proposal to allow for its refurbishment and improvement
 - The communal seating is welcome. However, no one entity should monopolise the use of this space

- Temple Bar is a Cultural Quarter of the City and this should be reflected in the design of the space, for example in the form of artists' work embedded in the surface stone work or in street furniture.
 - A public toilet should be accommodated within the proposal
 - A managed construction plan should be put in place to ensure businesses and residents are fully informed of works
 - An architectural supervisor should be appointed
- The Westin Hotel, Dublin supports the proposed refurbishment of the square and the new space will enhance both the tourist and local residents' experience of Temple Bar and Dublin
 - The Porterhouse, Temple Bar supports the proposed works and states that the refurbishment of the square is a significant step in enhancing the appearance and accessibility of Temple Bar
 - Temple Bar Gallery & Studios write to support the proposed development of the Square, agree with the removal of outside terracing and state that the simplicity of design will be much more fitting to a flexible and democratic use of the space
 - Gourmet Burger Kitchen is in favour of refurbishing the square. However, it is considered that the proposed development in its current form will have a substantial negative impact on their business
 - Hughes & Associates Solicitors on behalf of Café Vivaldi state that the proposal will have a detrimental impact on their business.
 - Barnacles Hostel, Dublin supports the redevelopment of the square
 - John Spain Associates on behalf of Benqueues Ltd, trading as Bad Ass Café object to the proposed development due to the perceived negative impact that the change to outdoor seating will have on their business.
 - Further general submissions have stated:
 - A number of observations have supported the idea that the outdoor terraces around the square are removed and the creation of centralised outside terrace is likely to have a positive impact on the square and surrounding environs
 - The proposal presents the opportunity to include a space or structure for advertising which would be useful to advertise various cultural events and / or promote culture and tourism
 - Few places in Dublin have decent outdoor areas for restaurants and it would be undesirable to completely eliminate them from the street
 - Allow more flexibility regarding seating which could be removed with notice, if an event is occurring
 - The use of cobbles is not family friendly and is unsafe
 - The square should be completely free of all obstacles including benches, trees signage to allow all year round use by various organisations for setting up various tables, temporary shops, pop ups etc.
 - The cobblestones should not be removed as they are a unique characteristic of the city
 - Further planting and greening is required and should be integrated into the design
 - Mature trees should not be removed
 - The proposed scheme is more in keeping with the 1991 Temple Bar Architectural Framework Plan

- There is no reference to the issue of noise in the proposed development and that a city bye-law prohibiting the use of external loudspeakers by pubs, restaurants cafés and shops is required

The proposed development will provide an open and inviting space for future visitors and in terms of its practical use; will provide seating facilities and an important space for hosting cultural events.

It is noted that a number of local businesses have objections to the removal of the existing outdoor terracing to their premises. It is considered, however, that a centralised seating area to the east side of the square will allow the size of the square to significantly increase and discontinue the encroachment of private businesses onto public lands. This freeing up of public space is likely to complement the conservation area by enhancing the visual amenity of the space with the removal of garish signage, clutter, hoarding etc. and is likely to support and enhance the amenity value for both local and visitors alike.

The nature and scale of the proposed development would not seriously injure the amenity of property in the vicinity. The proposed development accords with both the City Development Plan and the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

The area committee, as appropriate, were informed of the initiation of the Part 8 planning process for the proposed development at its meeting on July 2017. We now wish to inform the area committee that the managers' report is to be submitted to the city council at the November meeting.

The manager's report will be submitted to the city council pursuant to Section 138 of the Local Government Act, 2001 and Section 179 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended) subject to the provisions of Section 139 of the Local Government Act, 2001.

Leslie Moore
City Parks Superintendent

**To the Chairman and Members of the
South East Area Committee**

Report on the Development Department Community Group Lettings / Licences

Historical Background

One of the functions of the city council is to provide community facilities to the various community organisations such as sports clubs, residents' associations, youth clubs etc. within its functional area so that they can carry out their various activities. In the late 1960s and early '70s in particular and possibly as a result of the expansion of the suburbs, the city council began disposing of sites to community organisations on long term leases.

In general the disposals were made by way of a Building Agreement and subsequent lease i.e. the council provided the land and the community organisations through fundraising and in some cases grant aid from Dublin City Council and others built the premises. In return for this the council gave the groups in question a long term lease (usually 99 years) subject to an open market rent but abated to a nominal rent so long as the premises was used for a specific community purpose.

Usually there were two bands of abatement. If there was a covenant in the lease prohibiting the organisation from selling alcohol on the premises then they were charged either €33.00 (£25.00) or €127 (£100). However if there was no such prohibition in the lease then that group were charged an abated rent of €1,270 (£1,000). As these are leases and so long as the groups abide by the covenants therein there is no scope to increase rent on these properties. It should be noted that in the more recent leases of this type the abated rent is indexed to the open market rent so if the open market rent increases the abated rent will also increase by the same percentage.

The benefit of the above to Dublin City Council was that there was no capital outlay in building the premises and secondly the maintenance of the facility once built rested with the groups themselves and not with Dublin City Council.

Move to Licences

More recently there has been a shift away from this method of disposal for a number of reasons. Firstly there just would not be the same number of sites available as there was previously. Secondly the council has found it difficult to reassert its ownership over properties which have been given out for the benefit of the community where either the original entity to which the property was leased is now defunct or where a dispute has arisen within the original group to whom the property was leased. Thirdly as a result of the recent economic downturn there was a lot of property and sites left vacant and it was felt that it was better to put these to use even on a short term basis rather than leaving them idle.

As a result over the last number of years the Development Department's Property Section has tended to grant short term rolling licences (usually 11 months) to various community groups on the instruction of the area managers or heads of department. The benefit of this method to Dublin City Council is that there is no title transfer and a licence can be terminated quickly in the event that the council requires the property back for another use or is unhappy with the service that is being provided by the group in situ.

Also as a further protection and to prevent groups from acquiring renewal rights by virtue of long occupation the council now insists that all community groups sign a Deed of

Renunciation renouncing any rights they may acquire to a new tenancy under Landlord and Tenant legislation.

Types of Community Group

There is no exact definition of what constitutes a community group letting / licence. In general the Property Management Section has worked on the basis that if the rent was abated it was considered a community group letting / licence. Originally and as mentioned this generally would have only included sports clubs, residents' associations and youth clubs and groups of that nature.

However over the years this has expanded further to include non-governmental organisations (NGOs), childcare facilities, youth and employment centres and educational training projects to name but a few and each letting / licence, when created, is categorised on the basis of what is contained in the agreement e.g. is the rent abated, what is the property being used for, what type of group is the tenant etc.

The range of community groups that the council now provides facilities to, make consistency in respect of the level of abatement to be applied very difficult as some of these groups have a better ability to pay a higher premium than others i.e. those groups which tend to be government funded (usually through Pobal).

Types of Premises

The range of council's facilities that have been let / licensed to community groups range from a room in a council community centre to a purpose built community facility such as the MACRO Building to small development sites which are currently being used for community gardens.

Grant Aid

Whilst the council has moved away from long term agreements over the last number of years it is important to bear in mind that in order to secure state funding (e.g. Lottery grants etc.) the groups must be able to prove to the minister firstly that they have title to the property for which they require funding and secondly where the funding is substantial that the property is capable of being charged, which usually requires a tenure of more than 20 years.

Property Management Records

Oracle Property Manager is the council's computer system which keeps the records of the council's commercial property portfolio. The council's commercial property portfolio is defined as properties which the council owns but are currently surplus to its day to day requirements i.e. properties not currently being used by Dublin City Council directly. Currently on Oracle Property Manager there are 278 records for community group lettings / licences.

The income currently generated from these agreements amounts to €247,365. As noted above most of these agreements contain abated rents / fees and is not reflective of the true commercial value. The current open market value of these properties is estimated to amount to €10M but is probably higher than this as the current open market value is not available to the Property Management Section for all these properties.

Please note the above records do not include special lettings granted by the Housing & Residential Services Department or lettings or licences granted by the Parks and Landscape Services Division in respect of facilities operated by them or other units within Culture, Recreation & Economic Services Department.

Attached is the latest list of community groups in the South East Area.

Paul Clegg
Executive Manager

Electoral Area	Number	Name	Customer Name
South East Area	A23-7291	Beech Hill Road (Beech Hill AFC)	TRUSTEES OF BEECHILL AFC
South East Area	A01-8747	City Assembly Building (The IGF)	THE IRISH GEORGIAN SOCIETY
South East Area	A23-7126	Clarendon Row (No. 6)	DUBLIN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
South East Area	A19-24167	Hogan Court (Nos. 1-12)	PETER MCVERRY TRUST CLG
South East Area	A25-6520	Hogan Place (No. 46)	ST ANDREWS RESOURCE CENTRE
South East Area	A23-7143	Kimmage Road Lower (Site)	TRUSTEES OF LARKVIEW BOYS FC
South East Area	A23-7481	Lord Edward Street (No. 19 Rere)	COOLMINE LIMITED
South East Area	A23-7242	Lord Edward Street (No. 19)	TRUSTEES OF COOLMINE HOUSE
South East Area	A54-10087	Neagh Road (Mount Tallant Boxing Club)	MOUNT TALLANT AMATEUR BOXING CLUB
South East Area	A23-7186	Pigeon House Road (Dublin Sea Scouts)	SCOUTING IRELAND C.S.I.
South East Area	A23-7282	Pigeon House Road (Poolbeg Yacht Club)	TRUSTEES OF POOLBEG YACHT & BOAT CLUB
South East Area	A54-11287	Pigeon House Road (Ringsend Fishermen Site)	RINGSEND REGISTERED FISHERMEN & PRIVATE BOATOWNERS ASSOCIATION
South East Area	A23-7302	Pigeon House Road (Ringsend Reg Fishermen)	RINGSEND REGISTERED FISHERMEN & PRIVATE BOATOWNERS ASSOCIATION
South East Area	A54-11307	Pigeon House Road (Stella Maris Site)	TRUSTEES OF STELLA MARIS ROWING CLUB
South East Area	A23-7283	Pigeon House Road (Stella Maris)	TRUSTEES OF STELLA MARIS ROWING CLUB
South East Area	A23-5800	Pine Road (Cambridge Boys FC)	TRUSTEES OF CAMBRIDGE BOYS FC
South East Area	A11-0667	Rathmines Road (Town Hall 1)	CITY OF DUBLIN EDUCATION & TRAINING BOARD
South East Area	A11-0668	Rathmines Road (Town Hall 2)	CITY OF DUBLIN EDUCATION & TRAINING BOARD
South East Area	A23-7367	Sallymount Avenue (No. 17A)	SONAS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CHARITY LTD
South East Area	A54-9007	St. Stephen's Green (No. 15 Little Museum)	THE LITTLE MUSEUM OF DUBLIN LIMITED
South East Area	A64-20167	The Turnpike (Unit 3 Dogs Aid)	DOGS AID ANIMAL SANCTUARY
South East Area	A23-7284	Thorncastle Street (York Road)	ST PATRICK'S ROWING CLUB CLG
South East Area	A23-7378	Windsor Road (Rere 10 - 22)	COWPER CARE CENTRE LIMITED

**Housing, Community & Emergency Services Department
South East Area Office**

**To the Chairperson and Members of the
South East Area Committee**

Community Development Section Report

- Sep 27–Oct:** Ranelagh Arts Festival – Facebook: Ranelagh Arts Festival for full details.
- Oct 1st:** Ranelagh Community Dog Show at Dartmouth Square from 12-2pm. Registration from 10am.
- Oct 4th:** Verschoyle Court Social History Project at 11am.
Mount Drummond Social History Project at 3pm.
- Oct 6th:** Bimís ag Siúl agus ag Caint – Tour of Clondalkin Round Tower. Meet at Meeting House Square, Temple Bar at 11am.
- Oct 7th:** Latin American Children’s Day at Archbishop Byrne Hall, Synge Street from 2pm.
- Oct 8th:** Ranelagh Children’s Garden Party at Mount Pleasant Square from 1pm
Bath Avenue Harvest Festival from 2.30 - 5pm.
- Oct 11th:** Verschoyle Court Social History Project at 11am.
Mount Drummond Social History Project at 3pm.
- Oct 26nd:** Pearse Street Halloween Sing along afternoon at St. Andrew’s Resource Day Care Centre at 2pm.
- 27 - 31st Oct:** Sandymount Halloween Pumpkin & Scarecrow Festival
Ringsend Halloween Festival – Dockers & Demons.
- Oct 27th:** Closing date for applications for the Dublin City Council Community Grants Scheme 5pm.
Terenure Halloween Tea Dance at the Evergreen Centre 2 - 4pm.
- Oct 28th:** Terenure Halloween Market, Bushy Park from 11 - 4pm.
- Oct 29th:** “Souls of Donnybrook” for Sunday 29th October. Consisting of: Halloween costume parade and competition for all ages, dance display from local Youth Club, Remembrance finale for all “Souls of Donnybrook” and a dusk tour of local Donnybrook Graveyard by local historians as a preamble to Souls event.
- 27-31st Oct:** Sandymount Halloween Pumpkin & Scarecrow Festival Ringsend Halloween Festival.
- Oct 31st:** Donnybrook Halloween Sing along Afternoon at Parish Centre, Church of the Sacred Heart 2.30pm.

Weekly Activities:

- Every Monday from 2 - 3.30pm – **Maxwell Court Art Classes** at Maxwell Court, Rathmines.
- Every Tuesday at 11am – **Dance for Life** dance classes for older people at the Evergreen Centre, Terenure.
- Every Tuesday at 2pm – **Let’s Walk & Talk** walking group, meeting outside the Barge Pub, Charlemont Street.
- Every Wednesday at 2pm – **Let’s Walk & Talk in Spanish** walking group, meeting at Kildare Place, Kildare Street.
- Every Thursday at 10am – **Parent & Toddlers’ Group** at the Evergreen Centre, Terenure.
- Every Thursday at 2pm - **Let’s Walk & Talk** walking group, meeting at Sandymount Green.
- Every Thursday from 3 - 5pm – **Knitting Classes** at Beech Hill Court, Donnybrook.

Every Friday at 11am - **Let's Walk & Talk as Gaeilge** walking group, meeting at Meeting House Square, Temple Bar.

Every Friday at 11am - **Let's Walk & Talk in French** walking group, meeting at Kildare Place, Kildare Street.

Every Saturday from 11 - 4pm – **Terenure Village Market** at Bushy Park.

Every Saturday at 2pm - **Let's Walk & Talk** walking group, meeting at the car park of the Dropping Well Pub, Milltown.

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

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.

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

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

The area did very well in the City Neighbourhood Awards, we eagerly await the Pride of Place and Tidy Towns Results, but we are encouraging all residents to keep cleaning, tidying and greening the key villages.

2018 Community Grants:

The Community Grants Application Forms for 2018 are now available.

The closing date for applications is **Friday 27th October 2017 at 5.00PM.** Applications received after that date cannot be accepted.

Applications should be returned to:-

**Dublin City Council
Community and Social Development Section
Block 3, Floor 1
Civic Offices
Wood Quay
Dublin 8**

Claims that any application form has been lost or delayed in the post will not be considered, unless applicants have a Post Office Certificate of Posting in support of such claims.

**Housing, Community & Emergency Services Department
South East Area Office**

**To the Chairperson and Members of the
South East Area Committee**

Environmental Services Unit Report

Dublin City Neighbourhoods Competition 2017

The city-wide award winners and runners-up were announced in Croke Park on Thursday 21st September. A list of winners was emailed to south east area councillors.

Tidy Towns 2017

Tidy Towns results were announced in late September and all of the entrants in our area improved their marks year on year over the last four years, as detailed below. Sandymount topped Category B.

	Category	2014	2015	2016	2017
Donnybrook	B	243	253	263	276
Ranelagh	C	-	230	234	249
Sandymount	B	269	274	279	289
Temple Bar	D	274	276	279	283
Terenure	E	279	284	286	292

Pride of Place Awards 2017

Terenure is the nomination from the south east area for this year's all-Ireland Pride of Place competition and the results will be announced in December.

Events

- Bram Stoker Festival 27th to 30th October
- SSE Airtricity Dublin Marathon, Sunday 29th October

Halloween

The South East Area will work, in conjunction with the Gardaí where necessary, to tackle issues as they arise over the next few weeks up to and including Halloween, which this year falls on the Tuesday after the bank holiday Monday. Some bonfire material has already been collected in the South East Area and the area will continue to be monitored. Safety campaigns will be promoted by the Gardaí, Dublin City Council (DCC) Fire Services and DCC Media Relations.

**To the Chairperson and Members of the
South East Area Committee**

Housing Projects and Local Area Improvements

Charlemont

Practical completion for French Mullen House is scheduled for mid October 2017. Dublin City Council Project Office continues to communicate with the residents and the neighbours.

Canon Mooney

A small amount of exterior works for this phase should be completed in the coming weeks. We are in the process of engaging a contractor to carry out extensive roof works.

Crampton Buildings

The new lease for Crampton Buildings will be in front of city council on 10th October. The Law Department has been instructed to complete the acquisition of the courtyard.

Southern Campshires Flood Protection Scheme

The contractor moved on site on 23rd 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. The Southern Campshires Project is substantially complete from a flood protection point of view in that outstanding flood barriers can be installed on a temporary basis prior to a forecast tidal flooding event. Outstanding minor works are programmed to be installed over the next six months.

Grand Canal Sub Group

The latest meeting of the Grand Canal Sub-committee was held on 6th September 2017. It was agreed to commence a pilot Canal Warden scheme with Waterways Ireland. Canalaphonic Festival took place on Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th September in Rathmines and Portobello and was a great success. This year the festival was very kindly sponsored and supported by: South East Area Office, Clancourt Group, McGarrell Reilly Group, Green Properties, Dublin City Council Arts Office, Dublin City Council Events Section, Fáilte Ireland and Waterways Ireland. The next meeting of the Grand Canal Sub-committee will be held in October 2017.

Rathgar Village Improvement Plan (VIP)

The finalised Rathgar Village Improvement Plan (VIP) was approved at the January 2015 South East Area Committee. The Part 8 was approved at the meeting of the City Council on 9th January 2017. Implementation works will commence with re-alignment of the bring centre. Waste Management Section has awarded tender and works will commence in Sept 2017. Consultation was carried out with three local primary schools in relation to providing a nature play area in the woodland area. Tenders have now been returned and works should commence in Sept/Oct 2017 on site.

Ranelagh Gardens Park

The Part 8 was approved by the City Council in July 2015. The playground has now been completed. Other elements of the Part 8, including bird garden, planting, works to pond edging and island will be carried out later 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 6 weeks from 18th January 2017 until 28th February 2017 and 39 submissions were received. The final Local Environment Improvement Plan, taking all submissions into consideration, was adopted at the June South East Area Committee. Work will begin on preparation of Part 8 planning 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.

GB Shaw House

A copy of the lease has been received and the Law Department is examining the conditions contained in the lease and the implications for any works that we need to undertake. Conversations have taken place between libraries and city architects who are examining the resources required to deliver the project.

**To the Chairperson and Members of the
South East Area Committee**

Dublin City Sports and Wellbeing Partnership (DCSWP) Report

Beat the Street

Beat the Street is an innovative walking and cycling initiative designed to get young people and communities moving by turning a town / city into a giant game. Last year 865 schools across the United Kingdom and Northern Ireland were involved in the programme, which saw more than 300,000 people participating. Launched on 13th September and running until 1st November, Beat the Street is currently 'live' in Dublin and has been rolled out in 51 schools, primarily across Dublin South Central & South East Areas.

The aim of the programme is to inspire people to make small changes to improve their physical activity levels and health by encouraging walking or cycling as a way of getting from place to place e.g. to and from school. Beat Boxes are placed throughout these areas that enable participants to tap with cards or fobs in order to score points and win prizes. The further the distance travelled the more points accumulated. Prizes include All Ireland Hurling and Football tickets, World Cup Qualifier Moldova vs. Ireland Soccer tickets, vouchers for lifestyle sports up to €500 and other prizes such as signed sports memorabilia.

Beat the Street's fun competitive element not only allows schools to compete against each other – it also encourages the whole family and neighbourhood to get involved meaning parents, grandparents, siblings, friends, streets etc. can form teams, climb to the top of a leader board and be crowned winner of the competition. Cards / fobs for the programme are available to the general public in Dublin City Council libraries and sport & fitness centres – specific locations are listed on www.beatthestreet.me/dublin.

This initiative is being delivered by Intelligent Health (the creators of Beat the Street) on behalf of the Dublin City Sport & Wellbeing Partnership (DCSWP), Dublin City Council (DCC), Healthy Ireland, the Dormant Accounts Fund and Sport Ireland. For more information on Beat the Street, the Dublin City Engagement Manager, Helena McColgan can be contacted by email at helena.mccolgan@intelligenthealth.co.uk or by phone on 0044 7825 630 544.

Men on the Move

This is a FREE physical activity programme aimed at adult men who have been inactive for a sustained period and want to get back to exercising and improving their fitness levels. It involves twice weekly exercise sessions made up of a combination of aerobic, strength & flexibility components.

The 12 week programme is currently running in St. Joseph's Parish Hall, Terenure Road East, on Tuesday evenings at 7pm and also in the Evergreen Centre, Terenure Road North, on Thursday evenings at 7pm. This programme is a joint initiative between the Health Services Executive (HSE) Health Promotion & Improvement Officer, David Phelan, and the local DCSWP Sports Officer, Michelle Malone. For further details or to sign up please contact David on 222 7734 / 087 6525 001 or david.phelan6@mail.dcu.ie

Couch to 5K

There will be a number of Couch to 5K programmes running in the South East Area during October and November. Two of these sessions will take place in Ringsend Park and Herbert Park respectively. The participants are local parents that will meet after dropping off their children to school. It is envisaged that they will take part in the Remembrance Run on Sunday 12th November in the Phoenix Park (free entry provided) and also continue to participate in local Parkruns which operate every Saturday 9.30am.

A similar programme is also taking place with staff of St. Vincent's Hospital in partnership with the hospital's Health Promotion Office. There are two groups currently participating every Tuesday afternoon - one at 4.30pm and the other at 5.30pm.

A further programme has also commenced in Ranelagh. The runs are open to the general public and set off from Ranelagh Village. Again, it is envisaged that participants from both these groups will take part in the Remembrance Run on Sunday 12th November in Phoenix Park (free entry provided) and also continue to participate in their local Parkrun.

The programmes are a partnership between the DCSWP Sports Officer, local schools or organisations, Parkrun and Athletics Ireland.

Dance for Life

Dance classes for older adults take place at the Evergreen Centre in Terenure every Tuesday at 11am. Classes are €4 per session and a great way to meet new people and keep fit.

Forever Fit

Chair fit classes will continue every Thursday morning at 10.30am in the Enterprise Centre, Terenure. Classes are aimed at older adults in the area and run for 6 weeks.

Two further Forever Fit programmes will operate each week in the Ringsend / Irishtown area. The programme involves a range of physical activities for older adults. Activities may include Go for Life Games, Tai Chi etc.

The programmes are run as a partnership between the DCSWP Sports Officer and the Active Retirement Groups.

'Give it a Try' Rugby

There will be a *Give it a Try* Rugby Programme in Trinity College during October. The aim of the programme is to encourage new students and local women over 18 to get involved in rugby. The programme is run in partnership between the IRFU, Trinity College and the DCSWP Sports Officer.

Thrive

Thrive is a programme geared towards engaging people with mental health difficulties. The programme will link with participants from Headway Ireland and introduce Yoga over eight weeks so that participants can gain a basic understanding. Classes can contribute towards an improvement in the participant's mobility & range of motion and also help increase confidence levels.

Halloween Camp

A Halloween camp will operate in Irishtown Stadium from Tuesday 31st October until Friday 3rd November. The camp will cater for up to 80 young people aged between 6 - 12 years. The days will comprise of an FAI Soccer Camp from 10am - 1pm and a multi-sports session from 1pm - 3pm. The camp is a partnership between the local FAI / DCSWP Development Officer, DCSWP Sports Officers & Irishtown Stadium.

Sports & Fitness Markievicz

Learn to Swim: Children's swimming lessons have recommenced. Classes will take place each Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday at 3.15pm & 4.15pm.

Aquaphysical Classes: Sports & Fitness Markievicz proudly announce the roll out of these classes, the first fitness centre in Ireland to do so! Classes take place on Tuesday lunchtimes & Wednesday evenings. Please contact the centre directly for more details.

Pilates: New classes now taking place every Tuesday, Thursday & Friday. Please contact the centre directly for more details.

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 Augier Street (currently 80 participants).

Club Development: A Kick Start Course for local coaches will be held on October 13th & 14th in Irishtown Stadium.

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. There are currently 15 participants.

Soccer Sisters: A six week intro programme for girls from St. Brigid's Primary School.

Rugby

Our Leinster Rugby Development Officer has now recommenced primary & secondary school programmes in the South East Area. The primary programme consists of weekly tag rugby sessions and is aimed at 4th, 5th & 6th class pupils.

The secondary programmes (targeting both boys' & girls' schools) will commence with tag sessions for TY students, eventually leading to full contact seven or ten-a-side matches. This transition will occur once participants have familiarised themselves with the rules, skills & tackling technique etc. required to be able to play the game in a safe manner.

Rowing

Get Going... Get Rowing

This initiative, jointly supported by DCSWP, Sport Ireland, Healthy Ireland, Active School Flag & Trinity College, has been successfully rolled out for a number of years by Rowing Ireland's Leinster Women's Development Officer, Michelle Carpenter. This is a 4/6 week school's programme for girls (second level). Rowing Ireland provide rowing machines and a community coach to the schools.

A Transition Year Programme gives students the opportunity to get on the first step of the coaching ladder and enables them to be involved in a youth leadership role, working in a fun and interactive environment with younger students and hence, bringing value to the school.

Olympic Values Education Programme (accompanies above programme)

Students will be taught values such as fair play, respect, dignity etc... through rowing. Get Going... Get Rowing will be the first programme in Ireland to roll this out. School's partaking in this include:

- Presentation College, Terenure
- Our Lady's School, Templeogue Road, Terenure
- High School, Rathgar

Boxing

The Boxing Development Officer for the area has now commenced the rollout of a five week 'Startbox Bronze' Programme in the following schools:

PRIMARY

- St. Louis National School (76 students, mixed; 3 sessions per week)
- City Quay National School (49 students, mixed; 2 sessions per week)
- Star of the Sea Boys National School (60 students; 2 sessions per week)
- Scoil Chaitríona, Baggot Street (30 students, mixed; 1 session per week)

TRANSITION YEAR

- Marian College (64 students, boys; 2 sessions per week)
- Good Counsel (75 students, mixed; 3 sessions per week)

The Boxing Development Officer will also be working with Roslyn Park College (for people with learning difficulties) and the Spellman Centre (for people with addiction issues) up until Christmas.

It is planned to host weekly fitness sessions for a teenage girls group and also a young men's group aged 18 - 25 years that currently engage with the local youth service. During the planning stages of the programme, participants decided that boxing would be the activity of choice. It is planned to use the facilities at St. Andrew's Resource Centre and link in with the IABA / DCSWP Boxing Development Officer. The programme will run as a partnership between the DCSWP Sports Officer, St. Andrew's Resource Centre, local youth service and the IABA / DCSWP Boxing Development Officer. It is an aim of this programme that participants may link with 'the Ringer' Boxing Club, which was recently established.

Cricket

Our Cricket Development Officer is liaising with DCSWP Sports Officers in the area to plan programmes for the period October to Christmas.

School coaching visits have re-commenced in Star of the Sea B.N.S. and St. Matthew's National School, Sandymount.

Provincial cricket sessions start back in early October on Friday nights from 5pm - 9.30pm in North County Cricket Club, where we have a number of players from the South East Area involved in these sessions. Players are between 10 and 18 years of age.

Our annual Dublin City U12 and U14 Cricket Camp will be taking place on the 1st and 2nd of November in North County Cricket Club from 10am - 4.30pm, where we have participants from all Dublin City areas combined.

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**To the Chairperson and Members of the
South East Area Committee**

**With reference to a proposal to extinguish the Public Right of Way
at Bracken's Lane, Dublin 2.**

At its meeting on 6th February 2017, the City Council assented to the proposed exchange of lands at Gloucester Street South / Moss Street / Bracken's Lane, with Brigante Investments Ltd (subsidiary of Tetrarch Capital Ltd) subject to the terms and conditions as outlined in Report No. 67/2017 (copy attached).

Condition 2 states inter alia "That the City Council will dispose of Fee simple interest subject to a lease forever dated 19th July 1732 in the area known as Bracken's Lane, off Moss Street, Dublin 2 as shown shaded yellow on the attached map Index No SM-2016-0549. The City Council will commence the process to extinguish the public right of way which currently exists over the lane."

Condition 6 states inter alia "That the City Council shall be granted a right of way for both pedestrian and vehicular access to the proposed residential block outlined at condition No. 3 over the existing Bracken's Lane (as shown in yellow on map index no. SM-2016-0549) and a right of way over the attached proposed entrance from Gloucester Street South (as shown hatched on map index no. SM-2016-0549). The ROW's are indicative and shall be determined by the line of the buildings in the final approved development site plan. Dublin City Council shall have a right of way to connect to all services along the route of each right of way".

The extent of the proposal to extinguish the public right of way at Bracken's Lane is shown on the attached Drawing No. R.M. 36645 dated 23rd November 2016. The laneway is under the charge of Dublin City Council and therefore a public right of way exists over it. The laneway is not a through-way.

The South East Area Committee, at its meeting on 13th March 2017 agreed to initiate the statutory procedures to extinguish the public right of way at this location under the provisions of Section 73 of the Roads Act 1993.

Service Check

A service check was carried out.

Gas Networks Ireland, Road Maintenance Services, Public Lighting & Electrical Services and Road Design have no objections.

ESB Networks has no objection to the proposal but has stipulated that it will require a wayleave over the existing cables in the laneway.

Virgin Media has no underground services in this location but has some overhead cabling on adjacent buildings.

Eircom Limited trading as "open eir" has stipulated that its statutory rights in respect of plant at Bracken's Lane are respected by owners of the lane and that it also requires access to its plant in the lane on an ongoing basis.

Tetrarch Capital Limited has confirmed that the requirements stipulated by the Service Providers will be complied with.

Statutory Requirement

By public advertisement in the Irish Independent on 20th March, representations or objections were invited by the 10th May 2017. Site notices were erected on Bracken's Lane on 20th March 2017 for a period in excess of 14 days.

Two submissions were received in relation to the proposal. Mr Mark Lacey, on behalf of Gloucester Street Sports and Recreation Centre and Mr Robert Hughes on behalf Culture, Recreation and Economic Services, Dublin City Council both sought clarification in relation to continued access for deliveries to Gloucester Street Sports & Recreation Centre, access for plant maintenance and maintaining a fire exit for the centre which is located on the lane. In his submission Mr Hughes stated that Dublin City Council owns the premises known as Gloucester Street Sports & Recreation Centre and that Culture, Recreation and Economic Services require that Dublin City Council be granted a right of way over Bracken's Lane if the public right of way is extinguished at this location.

Tetrarch Capital Limited has confirmed that Dublin City Council will be granted a right of way over Bracken's Lane which in turn will provide Gloucester Street Sports & Recreation Centre with a right of way.

Recommendation

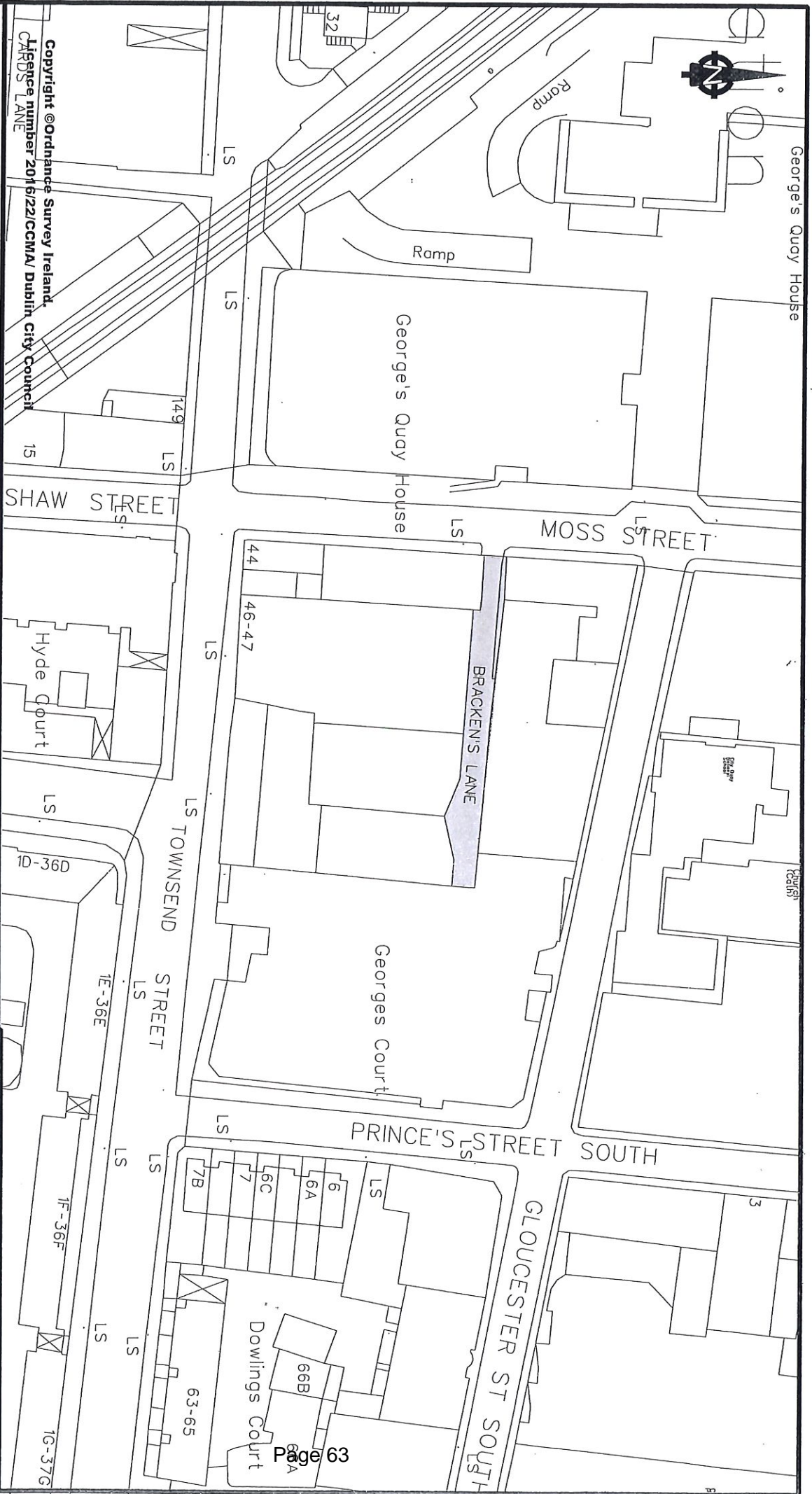
I have considered the issues raised by Mr Mark Lacey on behalf of Gloucester Street Sports & Recreation Centre and Mr Robert Hughes on behalf of Culture, Recreation and Economic Services, Dublin City Council and I am satisfied that their requirements will be met.

At its meeting on 6th February 2017, the City Council assented to the proposed exchange of lands at Gloucester Street South / Moss Street / Bracken's Lane, with Brigante Investments Ltd (subsidiary of Tetrarch Capital Ltd) subject to the terms and conditions as outlined in Report No. 67/2017 (copy attached).

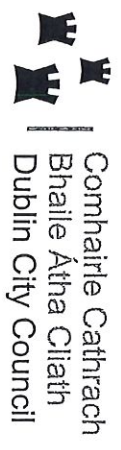
I accordingly recommend that the Committee recommend to the City Council that the extinguishment of the public right of way over the area indicated on Drawing No. R.M. 36645 be approved. The laneway shall not be used by the adjoining property owners or others for unauthorised use.

The extinguishment of a public right of way is a function reserved to the City Council.

Rose Kenny
Area Manager



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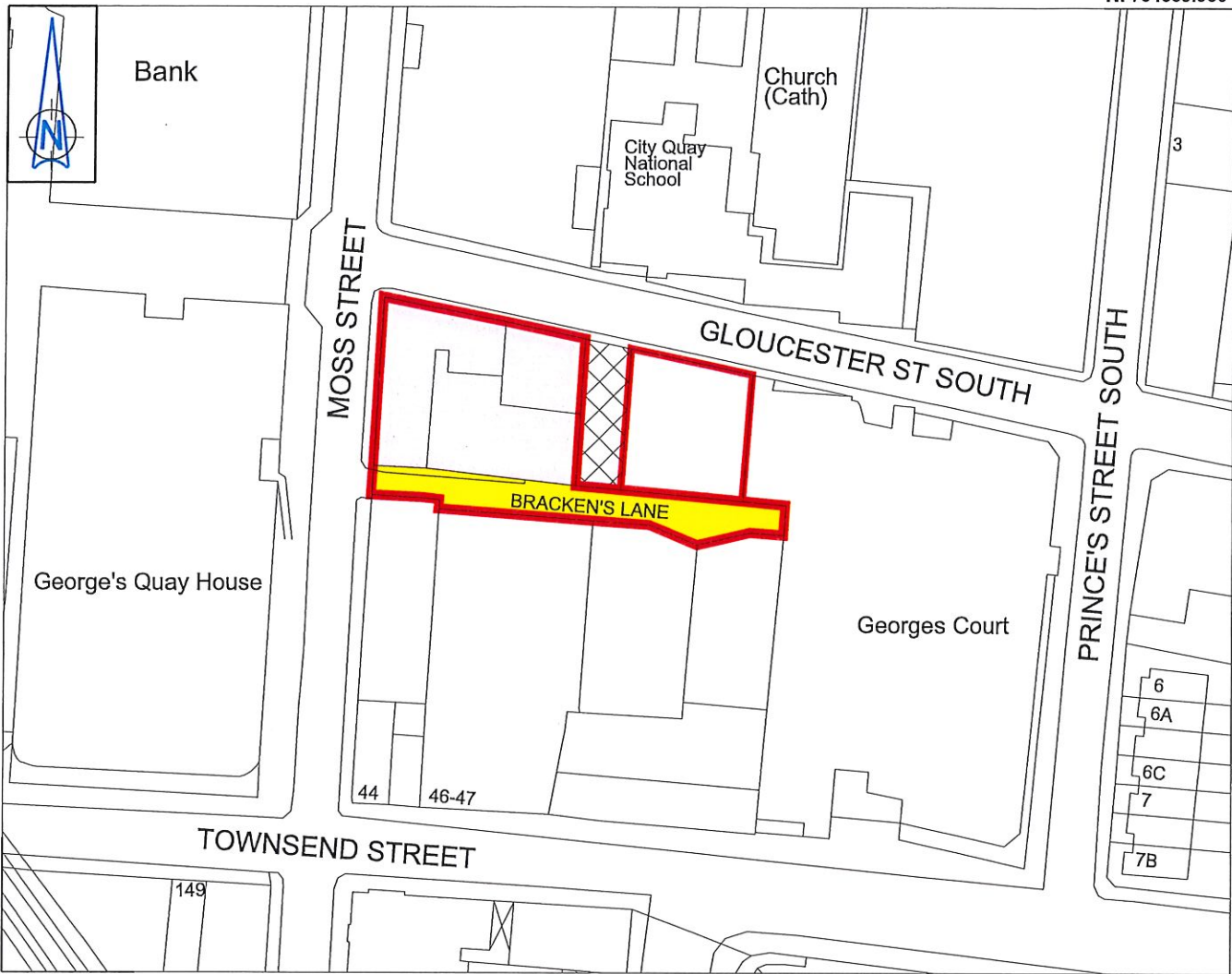
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With reference to the proposed exchange of lands at Gloucester Street South/Moss Street/Bracken's Lane, Dublin 2 to Brigante Investments Ltd (subsidiary of Tetrarch Capital Ltd)

It is proposed to dispose of a site located at Gloucester Street South/Moss Street/Bracken's Lane, Dublin 2, as shown outlined in red on Map Index No. SM-2016-0549, to the proposed purchaser Brigante Investments Ltd, and the City Council shall receive 1 retail unit and 20 turn-key residential units free of charge and 1 residential unit at market value for general social housing purposes subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. That the City Council will dispose of the freehold interest with vacant possession in the property at Gloucester Street South/Moss Street, having an area of 726 m² or thereabouts, as outlined in red and shaded pink on the attached map Index No SM-2016-0549.
2. That the City Council will dispose of its Fee simple interest subject to a lease forever dated 19th July 1732 in the area known as Bracken's Lane, off Moss Street, Dublin 2 as shown shaded yellow on the attached map Index No SM-2016-0549. The City Council will commence the process to extinguish the public right of way which currently exists over the lane.
3. That the disposal as outlined at condition Nos. 1 & 2 above are subject to the City Council acquiring the unencumbered freehold title or equivalent (to the satisfaction of the Law Agent) in one stand-alone block of twenty one turn-key residential units (to be defined in the agreement), plus one retail unit only, all on the adjacent site is shown outlined in red and shaded blue on Map Index No. SM-2016-0549. Twenty turn-key residential units and one retail unit, shall be provided to the City Council, for no consideration.
4. That one two bedroom first floor turn-key apartment unit shall be provided to the City Council at market value, disregarding local authority occupation of the remainder of the block. That the market value (to be agreed between parties) shall be determined when the building as outlined at condition No. 3, has reached practical completion, as certified by the City Architect.
5. That Dublin City Council shall have full control of the entire developed block as outlined at No.3 and shall acquire the freehold title in the completed block. The City Council shall be granted a 900 year lease of the associated open space @ €1 per annum, if demanded.
6. That the City Council shall be granted a right of way for both pedestrian and vehicular access to the proposed residential block outlined at condition No. 3 over the existing Bracken's Lane (as shown in yellow on map index no. SM-2016-0549) and a right of way over the proposed entrance from Gloucester Street South (as shown hatched on map index no. SM-2016-0549). The ROW's are indicative and shall be determined by the line of the buildings in the final

approved development site plan. Dublin City Council shall have a right to connect to all services along the route of each right of way.

7. That one ground floor retail unit shall be provided in shell and core condition with a fitted shop front and entrance door. A formal plan of the retail unit shall be provided by the proposed purchaser. This unit must be capable of independent usage and should be fitted with a separate metering for utilities i.e. electricity, water, gas, provide connections to telecoms and ISP, a separate sewer connection and all connections required for fire alarm to the main building, as required.
8. That the residential units, as outlined at condition No. 3 above, comprising of 14 x one bedroom apartments and 7 x two bedroom apartments, shall be completed to the Council's specifications, under supervision and approval of the City Architect. Specification shall be agreed by the respective architects of each party. Prior to signing of contract documentation or prior to lodging of planning permission, whichever is the earlier, the Council shall have the right to call for the 14 x one bedroom units to be converted, in whole or in part, to a lesser number of two bedroom units.
9. That the Law Agent shall prepare the necessary contract documents, to include a Building Licence, to be ready for execution by the parties within twelve weeks of the date of issue of the formal approval of the transaction by the Council. The proposed purchaser must execute and return such documentation within four weeks of receipt of same.
10. That an exchange of title to the lands as outlined at condition Nos 1, 2 & 3 shall be effected by the parties when the building as outlined at condition No. 3, has reached practical completion, as certified by the City Architect.
11. That the Part V obligation shall apply to any other residential blocks approved in the scheme of development, if applicable.
12. That that the proposed purchaser Brigante Investments Limited is a wholly owned subsidiary of Tetrarch Capital Limited.
13. That the proposed purchaser must lodge a planning application for a comprehensive scheme of development of the their lands at this location, to include the City Council's property as outlined at condition Nos 1 & 2 above, within six months of receipt of the requisite approvals of the City Council to this proposed disposal. If this does not occur the City Council, at its absolute discretion, may decide to rescind this agreement.
14. That the proposed purchaser will be allowed one opportunity to submit a planning application to Dublin City Council and, if necessary, an appeal to An Bord Pleanála.
15. That if planning permission for a comprehensive development is either refused (by Dublin City Council or An Bord Pleanála), or granted subject to onerous conditions, then either party may rescind the agreement within four weeks of the refusal or final grant of planning permission, without penalty or compensation due to the other party. All related costs to be borne by the proposed purchaser.
16. That the proposed purchaser must commence work on site within six months of the date of final grant of planning permission and must complete the City Council block as outlined at condition No. 3 above within eighteen months from the commencement date. The Council shall grant a Building Licence in respect of the demolition and development work on the property as outlined at condition Nos 1 & 2 above.

17. That the City Council reserves the right to re-enter on the site as outlined at condition Nos 1 & 2 and resume possession thereof should the proposed purchaser fail to commence and complete the buildings as outlined at condition No.3 within the specified period or in the event of the proposed purchaser's bankruptcy or insolvency, save in the case of a Financial Institution, which has entered into a mortgage with the proposed purchaser for the purposes of financing development of the site.
18. That all site investigations (including archaeological investigations), ground works, services connections, planning fees, development and associated professional costs incurred in the delivery of the completed development on the property outlined at condition Nos 1, 2 & 3 above, shall be borne by the proposed purchaser.
19. That the proposed purchaser shall ensure that all necessary safety precautions are taken in accordance with Health & Safety Regulations and all other statutory requirements.
20. That the proposed purchaser shall undertake not to use the said site outlined at conditions Nos 1, 2 & 3 for, or build on the site, anything other than the buildings shown on the approved drawings and for which planning permission is obtained.
21. That during the building period, the proposed purchaser will insure the buildings outlined at conditions Nos 1, 2 & 3 above against fire and all other insurable risks with an appropriate insurance policy and pay all necessary premiums.
22. That the insurance at condition No. 21 shall be in the name of the proposed purchaser and will be for such an amount as will provide cover for full reinstatement value of so much of the building as is erected at any time together with a sum for Professional Fees and removal of debris charges. The proposed purchaser's financial institution may be a mentioned party on this insurance policy.
23. That the proposed purchaser and its design team shall indemnify the City Council against any claim for compensation which may be made by any party arising out of building works being carried out on the property outlined at condition Nos 1, 2 & 3 above, or any working areas or on any access points thereto.
24. That this agreement is non-assignable or transferable to any other party, save in the case of a Financial Institution which has entered into a mortgage with the proposed purchaser for the purposes of financing development of the site outlined at conditions Nos 1, 2 & 3, which mortgage must be approved by the City Council in writing, and must have been entered into specifically for the purpose of financing the proposed purchaser to undertake the development of the property outlined at conditions Nos 1, 2 & 3.
25. That each party shall be responsible for their own VAT and Stamp Duty liabilities arising from this transaction.
26. That in the case of disputes concerning valuation issues in the agreement the Arbitration clause shall refer to the appointment of a Chartered Valuation Surveyor to act as Arbitrator. This person to be appointed by agreement of the parties or in default of agreement to be appointed by the President of the Society of Chartered Surveyors in the Republic of Ireland. The cost of any Arbitration to be borne equally by the parties.

27. That each party shall be responsible for their own professional costs arising in this transaction.

The value of the City Council's lands located at Gloucester Street South/Moss Street/Bracken's Lane, Dublin 2 as per map index.SM-2016-0549 is a sum in the region of €3,000,000 (three million euro). The value of the developed stand-alone block of twenty one turn-key residential units plus one retail unit is a sum in the region of €7,750,000 (seven million seven hundred and fifty thousand euro).

Dublin City Council acquired this site under the Dublin (Trinity Ward Area) Improvement Order 1913 and by vesting under the Derelict Sites Act 1990.

The dates for the performances of any of the requirements of the proposed agreement may be amended at the absolute discretion of the Executive Manager.

The disposal shall be subject to any such covenants and conditions as the Law Agent in his discretion shall stipulate.

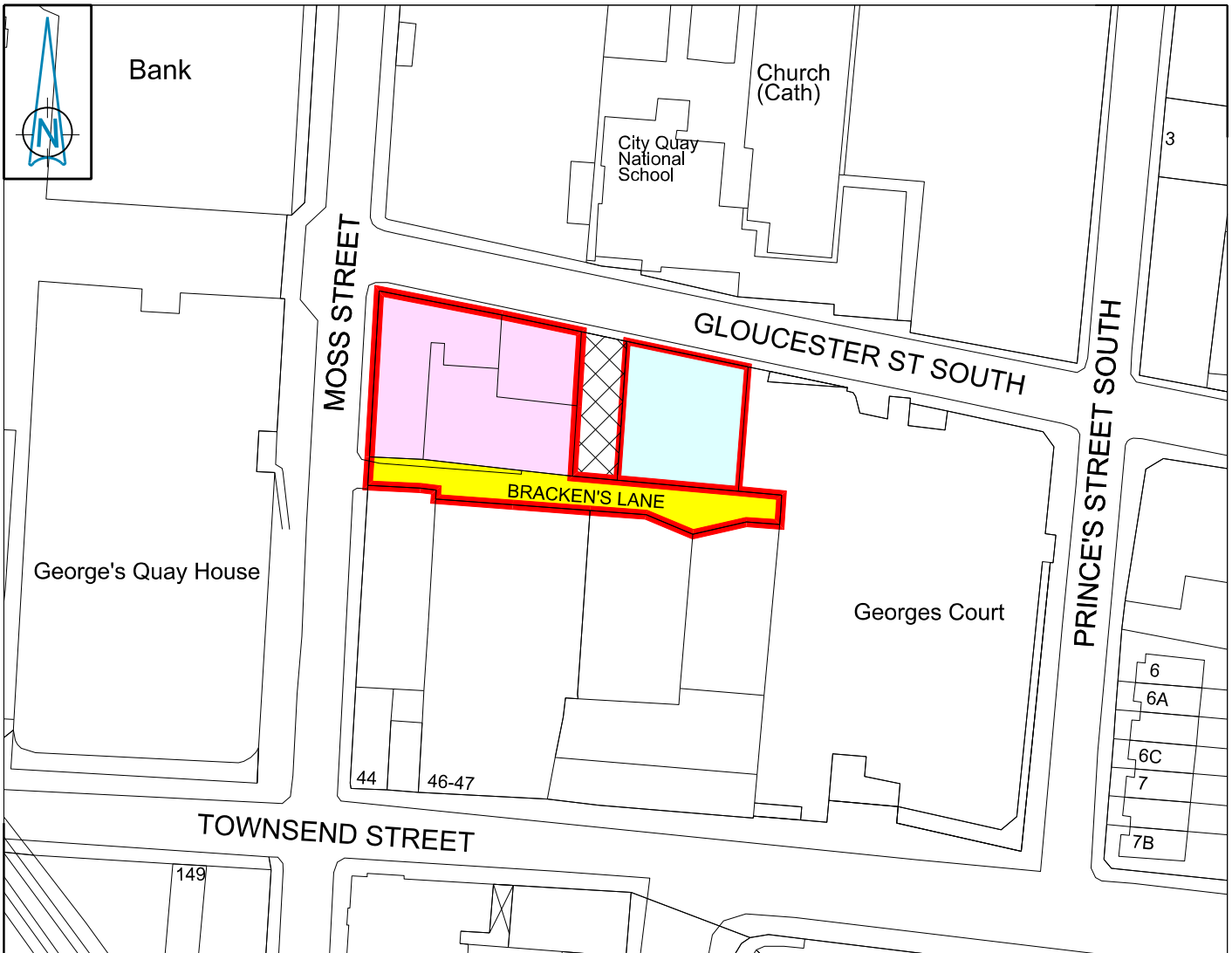
No agreement enforceable at law is created or intended to be created until an exchange of contracts has taken place.

This proposal was approved by the South East Area Committee at its meeting on 9th January 2017.

This report is submitted in accordance with the requirements of Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001.

Dated 24th January 2017

Declan Wallace
Assistant Chief Executive



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**Housing, Community & Emergency Services Department
South East Area Office**

**To the Chairperson and Members of the
South East Area Committee**

Naming and numbering proposal for new development on a site at the former St. Clare's Convent, Harold's Cross Road, Harold's Cross, Dublin 6.

Proposed name for overall development	Páirc San Chlár	St. Clare's Park
Proposed names for existing buildings	San Damiano Bethany An Séipéal An Clochtar	San Damiano Bethany The Chapel The Convent
Proposed names for new blocks	Bloc 1 Bloc 2 Bloc 3 Bloc 4 Bloc 5 Bloc 6 Bloc 7 Bloc 8	Block 1 Block 2 Block 3 Block 4 Block 5 Block 6 Block 7 Block 8

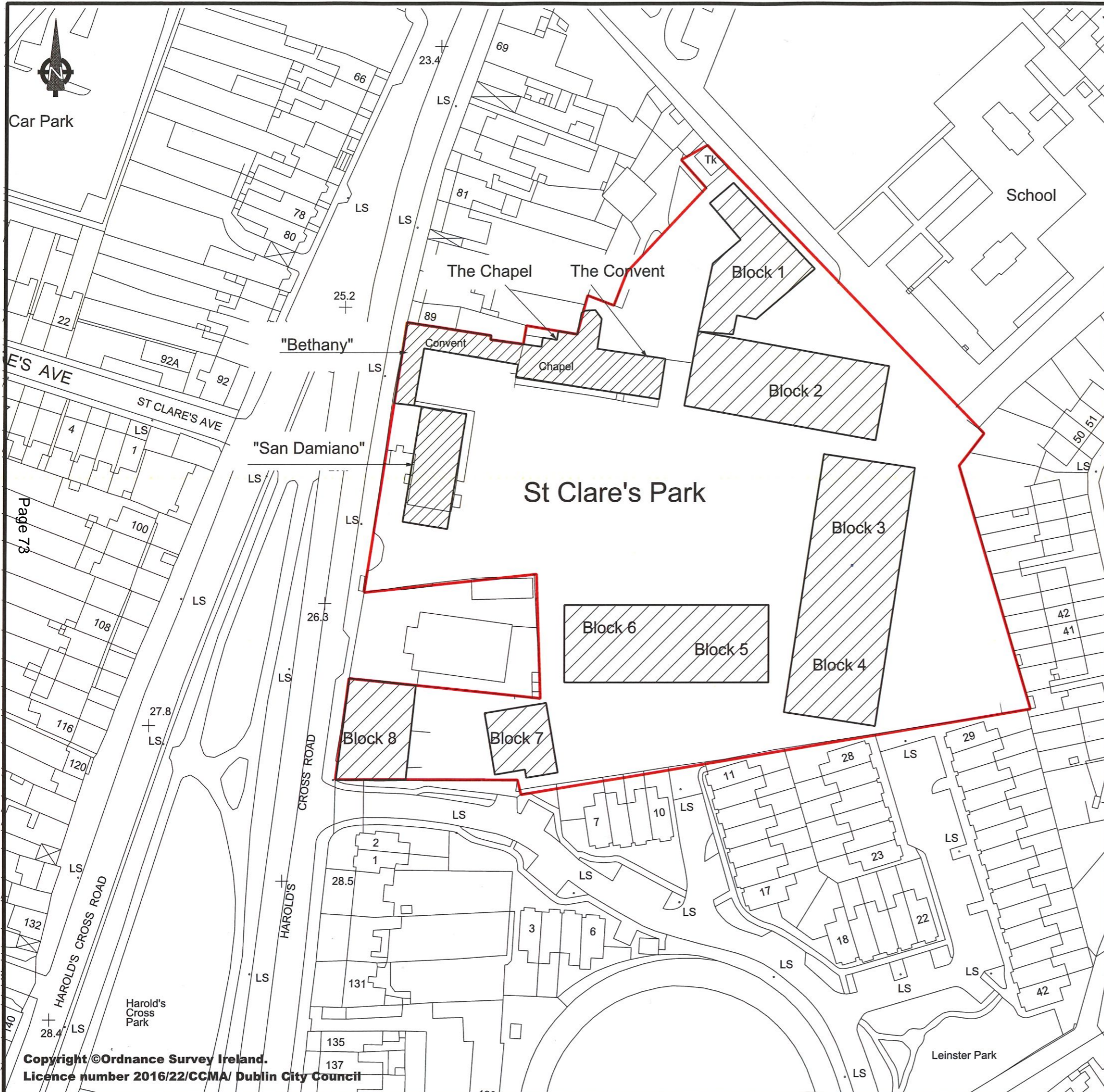
A request has been received from BKD Architects, 7 Harcourt Terrace, Dublin 2 to name a new development at the former St. Clare's Convent, Harold's Cross Road, Dublin 6 as shown in the table above.

The applicant has chosen the above names as the development is being built on the site of the former St. Clare's Convent on Harold's Cross Road.

The development is indicated on the drawing R.M. 36846.

The Heritage Officer considers the proposed names appropriate and accordingly the scheme is recommended for approval.

**Rose Kenny
Area Manager**



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New residential & commercial development
at 115-119 Harold's Cross Road.
Proposed naming: "St Clare's Park"

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Motions

Motion 1 from Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the manager to consider a planned approach (either within the area or in conjunction with other area managers) to deal with the proliferation of graffiti / tagging in the area, both on municipal and state property but also on business and residential property with consideration of the following:

- a) Providing practical support to small businesses and residential areas to remove graffiti from their property.
- b) Launch an awareness programme in secondary schools, youth clubs, etc. Similar to the Dublin City Council and An Garda Síochána 'Think don't Tag' campaign launched this year for junior school children.
- c) Initiate discussions with an Garda Síochána to increase surveillance and enforcement to highlight that this is not a victimless crime.
- d) Consider a registration system for the purchase of spray can paint
- e) Provide more opportunities for the promotion and proliferation of street art in a planned way.

Motion 2 from Councillor Dermot Lacey

This committee agrees that a review of traffic issues on Belmont Avenue be conducted with a view to resolving the chaos that occurs at various times during the day.

Motion 3 from Councillor Dermot Lacey

This committee requests the manager to clarify when and how the designation for the area on the northern side of Ashton's Pub running up towards Vergemount Park was changed from "Vergemount" to "Clonskeagh Road".

The committee further requests the manager to clarify if she is aware of the huge difficulty this has caused for residents of "Vergemount", who previously had residential visitor discs for "Vergemount" now having to compete with residents with discs for the much longer Clonskeagh Road and if she will arrange for the previous designation of "Vergemount" to be reinstated to enable the originally agreed parking scheme to be back in place.

Motion 4 from Councillor Mary Freehill

That the Community Department along with the Community Garda examine the problems currently being experienced around the Maxwell Lane area (details attached) and report on what measure will be taken to alleviate the problems.

Maxwell Lane seems to have become a magnet for antisocial behaviour in the past year or so. Fights, rows, drinking, drug selling, attacks on local houses, stealing palettes from local shops, and illegal dumping have all taken place in recent months. One family fled their house to Rathmines Garda station on a Sunday afternoon in August due to a violent argument metres from their kitchen window (topics included: acts committed in prison, drugs, stealing girlfriends (with names said aloud), etc.). Last Saturday night two houses were egged by a gang of about 10 hooded teenagers. As the homeowners were cleaning the debris from their windows and walls, the gang attacked again this time targeting the residents. While relatively minor in isolation these acts have the combined effect of making the laneway a source of concern and at times, genuine fear.

I am not sure of an easy solution, but part of the problem seems to be the fact that the lane can be used as through-way with access on both ends. Also, because it is a secluded lane way, people can act there with relative impunity. Dublin 6 is, of course, full of such lanes and alleys but it seems Maxwell Lane is much more heavily used than others. It is in effect a small roadway. As the Gardaí cannot be stationed there 24 hours a day, it seems some structural solution is required, e.g. blocking off access except to key holders. I am not aware of this type of problem with other local lane ways or solutions that may have been found in

other cases? If you can offer any help to improve the situation, it would be much appreciated.

Motion 5 from Councillor Chris Andrews

That bearing in mind the serious and ongoing burning of cars in Portobello - Arnott Street area that this area committee calls on the Gardaí to be given the extra resources that are clearly needed to tackle these serious criminal actions as the Gardaí are already stretched beyond what is needed to deliver reassurance and safety to the local community.

Motion 6 from Councillor Mannix Flynn

That the South East Area Committee, calls on Dublin City Council and all those concerned with the social redevelopment of Charlemont Street to formerly recognise the new residents' group and its representatives, known as "the New Charlemont Group" which has been initiated by local residents within the area of Charlemont Street.

This group has held meetings that were well attended and has elected a spokesperson chairperson. It is important to note that the rejuvenation board intends to stand down once the social housing aspect of the rejuvenation of Charlemont is complete.

Motion 7 from Councillor Mannix Flynn

That the South East Area Committee, calls on Dublin City Council (DCC) estate management and Housing Department and An Garda Síochána to urgently come up with a plan to tackle the criminality and serious anti social behaviour at Glovers Court and the surrounding area. Recently at this site workers were pelted with rocks and had to take shelter and stop work. On another occasion a dumbbell was dropped from the balcony on top of a resident, narrowly missing him. This could have been fatal.

This particularly incident forms part of an ongoing racism towards a particular resident at the Glovers Court by this well known group of youths. Another incident paper was stuffed into a letterbox of a family home and was set alight. Fortunately the fire didn't take hold. This is just a small sample of what residents businesses and visitors have to go through daily in this area. DCC has a care of duty to its residents in how it manages its estates and in these instances it has plenty of evidence but is continuing to fail the besieged residents of these blocks.

This committee is asked to stand shoulder to shoulder with the residents and help them end this scourge. One way that this can be achieved is by the installation of CCTV cameras another way is to hire private security to patrol the area and assist in gathering evidence.

Motion 8 from Councillor Mannix Flynn

That this committee calls on An Garda Síochána to put extra patrols and surveillance in and around the Portobello area in order to combat the upsurge in malicious damage and arson attacks in that area. Residents and businesses feel dismayed and isolated at the ongoing issues of malicious damage and arson attacks mainly on parked cars in this area. Many members of the community expressed terror and fear and have demanded extra garda patrols and surveillance and also that Dublin City Council steps up to the mark in terms of the public domain, safety and install CCTV and other modes of protection in this immediate area.

Motion 9 from Councillor Mannix Flynn

That this committee calls on Dublin City Council's (DCC) Traffic Department to realign the entrance of the car park and bring centre on the Milltown Road from the eastern side which faces onto houses and residents to the south side which will face onto the main road. At the present entrance, cars and trucks are mounting the footpath. On some occasions if there is heavy traffic coming in and out of the car park vehicles are mounting the footpath and blocking people's homes. This situation is very dangerous and needs urgent attention. It has been an ongoing matter for quite some time. The Bring Centre is very busy as is the car park and the impact of this on local residents in terms of noise traffic and danger has reached

unacceptable levels. This also takes place throughout the night as people are coming to deposit their glass, cans etc. This motion is on behalf of those residents who are calling on you to assist them in resolving this issue.

Motion 10 from Councillor Dermot Lacey

This committee agrees that a dog run facility would be developed in Herbert Park and that the manager would report on what measures can and will be taken to ensure that dog dirt is removed from football pitches in the park as quickly as possible.

Motion 11 from Councillor Patrick Costello

That this committee agrees to seek a parking protected cycle lane on St Stephen's Green East.

Motion 12 from Councillor Patrick Costello

That this committee requests a change to the timing of the pedestrian lights at St. Stephen's Green East, crossing from the island to the park entrance so that the pedestrian phase is matched fully to the right turning phase from Leeson Street. Such a change will prioritize pedestrians, and make entering the cycle lane safer for cyclist. Such a change would be in line with local and national policy to promote cycling and walking.

Motion 13 from Councillor Claire Byrne

That this committee calls on the area manager to increase the frequency of cleaning and litter picking on Grattan Street, Dublin 2. There has been an ongoing issue with litter on this street for some time that is not being addressed.

Motion 14 from Councillor Claire Byrne

That this area committee calls on the area manager to provide a report on what is being done to address the issue of public bin abuse in Portobello, and to please consider providing a different type of public bin in the Portobello Area as a means to address the ongoing issue of illegal dumping and litter. The council has removed a number of bins in the area but the problem is persisting, particularly on Lombard Street / Arnott Street which has been raised before. Bins with smaller entry points, such as the mixed waste bins that are currently being trialled in the city centre, may help to address the problem. Can the manager please examine the possibility of this and provide a report?

Motion 15 from Councillor Frank Kennedy

At approximately 9.50am on 25 September 2017, residents in certain neighbourhoods (Canon Mooney Gardens) in the Pembroke South Dock ward received a notification from Dublin City Council stating that Dublin City Council Water Services, on behalf of Irish Water, would shut down the mains supply from 9am on that date for a period of approximately six hours. This committee agrees that this notification (a) was completely inadequate and (b) failed entirely and unacceptably to have regard to the possibility of people, such as people with disabilities, having an urgent need to access water and who need time to plan for sufficient alternatives if the mains supply is to be switched off. Accordingly, this committee resolves to write to both Dublin City Council Water Services and Irish Water to seek the following:

- i. An explanation as to how and why notification came so late;
- ii. What consideration, if any, was given to the position of people with disabilities;
- iii. Is there a policy in place to address the water needs of people with disabilities where the mains supply is to be turned off; and
- iv. An assurance that turning off the mains supply with such inadequate notice will not happen again.

Motion 16 from Councillor Frank Kennedy

Having regard to the deeply worrying and dangerous pattern of anti-social and criminal behaviour in the Portobello area, including the burning out of 12 cars in the past two months, this committee resolves to write to An Garda Síochána calling on them to take immediate and urgent action to address this behaviour and to request that they provide a report to this committee on the actions which they are undertaking.

Q1. Councillor Paddy Smyth

To ask the manager to organise a plebiscite of the residents of Rostrevor Terrace and Rostrevor Road in Rathgar on the introduction of Pay & Display Parking prior to the completion of the Marianella Apartments on Orwell Road, which will significantly increase the demand for free on street parking in the area?

Q2. Councillor Paddy Smyth

To ask the manager to see that the lane between Villiers Road and Rathmines Road Upper is cleared of rubbish on a regular basis. It is becoming a littering black-spot.

Q3. Councillor Paddy Smyth

To ask the Traffic Advisory Group (TAG) to reassess the junction at Leeson Park and Appian Way. There have been complaints of cars queuing through the junction and moving through active pedestrian crossing once traffic ahead moves. Pedestrian sequences are also far too short.

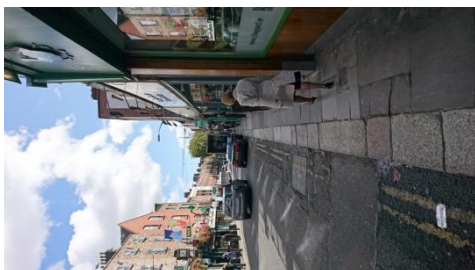
Q4. Councillor Paddy Smyth

To ask the Traffic Department to assess the feasibility of moving the cycle lane on St. Stephen's Green east to between the parking spaces and the pavement as per the photo attached.

Q5. Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the manager if steps will be taken to deal with the appallingly dangerous footpath at Lower Baggot Street, as outlined in the photograph supplied with this question and the accompanying text.

"I'm writing to ask if you could please table a question to have the path widened on Lower Baggot Street, please see attached photo.



I often see people stepping out onto the traffic because the path is too narrow - I have seen two near misses. There is however ample room for the path to be widened and still maintaining room for two lanes of traffic."

Q6. Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the manager if, further to previous requests, she could confirm who owns the piece of waste and overgrown small site adjacent to 28 Peter Place and if Dublin City Council could ensure it is cleaned up and also if Dublin City Council would arrange to meet the residents of Peter Place with a view to assisting them with top soil and plants to enable them improve the look of their area.

Q7. Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the manager if she could have the following issues examined in relation to St. Alban's Park, Sandymount and report back:

- The camber outside number 11 St. Alban's Park where the water cannot drain into the drains as it's too high.
- The drains are still very full and I doubt they have emptied in a while.
- The above two could still cause flooding on St. Alban's Park even with the pump so can this please be looked into before that happens.

Q8. Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the manager how many alleged breaches of planning regulations of TV receiver dishes on the front of buildings in the South East Area have been reported to the city council in the first six months (January to June) of 2017? How many have been investigated by the planning inspectors and the owners contacted?

How many have been removed or had action taken to secure their removal?

Q9. Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the manager if she would have situation at the drain on the lane at the rear of Belmont Villas where it takes a right hand turn further into the lane investigated. The slope on the lane at present means that water flows down the lane but cannot then reach the shore so it congregates at the corner causing significant dampness problems for the houses adjacent to that turn.

Q10. Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the manager to report back on progress made re issues raised over the last 12 months by Rutland Grove Residents' Association.

Q11. Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the manager to advise as to the schedule for household junk collections in Rutland Grove and generally across the South East Area.

Q12. Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the manager to review the adequacy of lighting around the green in Rutland Grove and around the Eamonn Ceannt Park.

Q13. Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the manager to ensure that the contractor repair the badly installed footpath between 107 and 117 Terenure Road West before completing the Terenure area contract. Path was laid during very heavy rain and as a result is of a very poor standard. In general the work being done by the contractor in the area is of a high standard.

Q14. Councillor Paddy Smyth

To ask the manager to have a "Big Belly" Solar bin installed in Dartry Park as the bins are regularly overflowing at the weekend. There is a potentially serious health and safety issue, as much of the waste is dog excrement in plastic bags.



Q15. Councillor Frank Kennedy

I asked the following question and received the following reply at the South East Area Committee meeting in July 2017:

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.*

Reply:

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.

Reply:

Housing Maintenance has called to this dwelling to inspect and determine if / what repairs are required, however access was not gained. Contact details for the tenant have been gained and arrangements will be made with the tenant to carry out an inspection of the dwelling.

To ask the area manager for a full report on the inspection which subsequently took place, the results of the inspection, and what action Dublin City Council has taken since then in circumstances where the resident advises that she was told that she would hear back further from Dublin City Council.

Q16. Councillor Frank Kennedy

Having regard to the housing crisis, homeless crisis and the lack of housing supply, to ask the area manager:

- a) What powers fall within the remit of Dublin City Council to direct residential properties that are being used on a full time as Airbnb properties to be used instead for residential tenants?; and
- b) To implement the necessary steps to give effect to these powers.

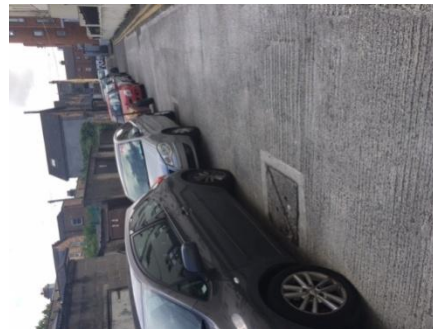
Q17. Councillor Frank Kennedy

The reorganisation of traffic necessitated by the LUAS Cross City has resulted in the diversion of vehicular traffic from Dawson Street to South Frederick Street, a notably narrow street that includes residential houses. Those properties date back to the mid 18th century and have associated cellars underneath the roadway, one of which (outside No.12 South Frederick Street) collapsed in the past year necessitating significant repair works. The street also includes a restaurant with an outdoor terrace area and a number of art galleries and office buildings. Accordingly, to ask the area manager:

- a) What assessment has been made of the impact of the change on South Frederick Street?
- b) What is the percentage increase in traffic on that street that will be caused by this change?
- c) What consultation was engaged in with residents and businesses on that street before this change was implemented?

Q18. Councillor Frank Kennedy

The residents of Byrne's Lane, Dublin 2 find it impossible to get access to their houses because of illegal / out of control parking by non-residents. There are double yellow lines on one side but to address access issues there is a need for double yellow lines on the other side. Most of the end of the lane has no double yellow lines on one side. While some residents have car ports they literally cannot get their cars down the lane. Accordingly, to ask the area manager to hold a ballot for the installation of double yellow lines on Byrne's Lane to facilitate residents gaining access to their houses with their cars. [**Please see photos attached**]





Q19. Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the area manager to remove graffiti in the lane & to clean the lane which connects Dartry Park & Temple Road (via St. Phillip's Church)?

Q20. Councillor Chris Andrews

Given the number of both young and old enjoying Sandymount Green, can the council indicate what happened to the consultation below and can the manager arrange to have a safety audit carried out for the green and the environs in order to make it a safer space for pedestrians

<http://www.dublincity.ie/sites/default/files/content/YourCouncil/LocalAreaServices/SouthEastArea/SouthEastArea/Documents/Sandymount%20Green%20Presentation%200Slides.pdf>

Q21. Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager confirm that Bath Avenue has a 3 ton vehicle limit on it and can Key Waste and Thornton Waste be contacted, as they continually have large waste trucks driving up and down Bath Avenue?

Q22. Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager indicate when the replacement windows will be installed in details supplied?

Q23. Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager indicate on a map who is owner of the triangle of land in front of the Irishtown House, 60 Irishtown Road, Dublin 4?

Q24. Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager arrange to have speed signage put on Sean Moore Road, as there is none there at present and it is a busy road?

Q25. Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the city manager liaise with the Gardaí in Irishtown and allow a bonfire take place in a safe area, which will allow young people enjoy the event and also mean that Gardaí won't have to get into unnecessary conflict with young people?

Q26. Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the manager if she will arrange for the area known as the "Pocket Park" on Ailesbury Gardens (along the railway line) to have the grass cut, and the area tidied and cleaned up as previously requested.

Q27. Councillor Chris Andrews

That given the entrance into and out of the car park in Milltown opposite Wild and Green is so close to a bend in the road and also very close to exits to the car park

across the road for existing exit point to the car park, can the manager arrange to have the exit from the car park moved to the other corner of the car park and in doing so make it safer as it will mean its further away from the bend in the road and further away from the entrances opposite, thus making it safer to enter and exit the car park?

Q28. Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager supply me with a map for the section of the Dodder Greenway from Milltown Bridge to O'Shea's Pub?

Q29. Councillor Mary Freehill

Would the manager please state?

1. When the painting of railings along the avenue at Mount Argus will be completed.
2. That a programme for the regular maintenance of Mount Argus Park is put in place.
3. That the area office deals with the now heavy level of illegal drinking and consequent littering of the park.

Q30. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the area manager initiate a plebiscite for residents only parking in and around Leinster Square, Rathmines? Many residents are dismayed here and deeply frustrated and find it almost impossible to find parking. This area is constantly used by non residents and utility companies to simply dump their vehicles. This is an extremely stressful situation for families with children and those who are working to come home and find parks of the street dug up, bollards blocking vacant parking spaces etc. The residents would be most grateful and appreciative for Dublin City Council (DCC) to conduct the plebiscite. I will supply DCC with a list of the residents in this area who are seeking this solution. Also, can the manager ascertain whether the utility company that has been working in this area of the past number of months and taking up many parking spaces were charged parking fees by DCC?

Q31. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the area manager issue a full report with regards the anti social behaviour and rock throwing incident and other anti social behaviour that are taking place in Glovers Court in the past few weeks?

Q32. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the area manager have an extra cleaning rostered for the Georges Street area? Many businesses here are complaining about the dirt of the street and the fact that this is a main thoroughfare that is only washed down on occasion. This is one of the busiest streets in the city for pedestrians, businesses and traffic.

Q33. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager have a street pole beside the loading bay removed from outside the Green Hen, Exchequer Street? This pole is used constantly for the parking of bicycles blocking up the entire footpath and making it almost impossible for those in wheelchairs and parents with buggies to get by. Most recently an elderly person had a very bad fall here due to the amount of bicycles that were fastened to the pole and that had fallen onto the footpath. The sign itself is defunct and there are plenty of other poles in the given area where signage can be placed.

Q34. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the area manager issue a full report with regards the works taking place at present in the Staircase Guest House, Aungier Street? Also, that this report clarifies

any intentions by Dublin City Council or the Dublin Regional Homeless Executive to use this National Monument, listed building for Homeless Services or medically supervised injection rooms centre. There are great concerns in the area within the community that this facility is to be turned over for a medically supervised injection centre and people in the area, both business and residents would like a say in this and certainly want clear honest information around this premises.

Q35. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the area manager have a plan made and initiated for the improvement and upkeep of the public domain in and around Cathedral View, Cathedral Lane, Clanbrassil Street, and Kevin Street? This small enclave and community have been entirely neglected by Dublin City Council (DCC) over the past number of years. At present there is a large hotel development taking place on the corner of Kevin Street and the beginning of Clanbrassil Street. This development has further impacted negatively on the residents of the area and there are many ongoing issues. A number of these being the noise, dirt and working and delivery schedules to this site. This development has also given DCC substantial monies by way of levies etc. It is time that a plan in collaboration with the local residents is initiated for improvements and amenities within this area. I have supplied a series of photos which show the dilapidation and neglect. The residents would also like a meeting with the relevant DCC officials regarding the above matters at your earliest convenience.

Q36. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the area manager issue a full report with regards the assembly rooms in South William Street? This report to include the taking over by the Georgian Society of the former Clongowes Boys' Club. This takeover or change was never brought before Dublin City Council (DCC) as a disposal and was not part of the original lease and contract created by DCC and the Georgian society. This report to include all monies that were paid to Clongowes Boys' Club for vacating the premises. All correspondence between DCC, Clongowes Boys' Club and the Georgian Society and all contractual arrangements for the takeover of this basement area and all planning permission and conditions.

Q37. Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to have a litter bin outside the College of Further Education on Bull Alley Street replaced. A bin was taken away while repairs were being made to the footpath.

Q38. Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to raise the following issue with Covanta? Smells and odours emanating from the trucks leaving the plant have been commented on by many residents in Ringsend. Could a system be put in place so that empty trucks can be hosed and washed down prior to their return journey?

Q39. Councillor Paddy McCartan

One of the main water pipes in Ramleh Park, Milltown was recently replaced and some of the existing double yellow lines on the road were removed as a consequence. To ask the manager to have the lines reinstated and when the lines will be reinstated.

Q40. Councillor Paddy McCartan

There have been quite a number of houses refurbished in Ramleh Park, Milltown and the construction traffic has caused damage to the footpaths. Could the manager facilitate repairing these paths? Relevant householders may be prepared to make a financial contribution to the works where they have caused damage.

Q41. Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to have repairs made to the footpath opposite Milltown Church (photo attached). This request has already been made by local residents.



Q42. Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to refer to the O.P.W. the following issues raised about summer events in the Iveagh Gardens.

The summer programme of events in Iveagh Gardens is now well established in the Dublin live entertainment calendar. No doubt the OPW makes up for some budget shortfalls here and there with revenues from event promoters. But at what cost?

1. The gardens are closed to the public during the month of June apart from a narrow strip at the Hatch Street entrance. The closure is needed to allow time for the construction and de-construction of the now massive 'Taste of Dublin' which runs for just 4 days in the middle of June.
2. About 50% of the gardens are closed to the public during all of July & early August for the live music & comedy events.
3. Large parts of the gardens continue to be out of bounds as of today's date as the (excellent) OPW ground staff implement ongoing recovery/restoration operations.
4. Each year the damage is greater and recovery takes longer.

Essentially, the OPW and the Event Promoters are jointly engaged in an annual project to commercially exploit Iveagh Gardens, a heritage site that the OPW is charged with protecting.

1. There is no justification for hosting a 4 day event in mid-June that requires the gardens to be closed for the entire month. Furthermore this event (The Taste of Dublin) causes most damage to the grounds due to the heavy machinery deployed all over the grounds as well as the extensive ground coverage with walk ways. This event should be moved to another venue as soon as the current agreement runs out.
2. There are far too many events in July. The number of events has gradually increased each year from an initial 4 or 5 to 14 in 2017!

3. The development of alternative activities at Iveagh Gardens should be encouraged - guided tours / yoga / painting / nature trails for schools...

Live stage events de-construction 31 July - 4th August

Comedy Festival 30 July 2017

Comedy Festival 29 July 2017

Comedy Festival 28 July 2017

Comedy Festival 27 July 2017

[Passenger @ Iveagh Gardens](#) - 23 July 2017

[Damien Dempsey @ Iveagh Gardens](#) - 21 July 2017

[Belle & Sebastian @ Iveagh Gardens](#) - 20 July 2017

[Dropkick Murphy's @ Iveagh Gardens](#) - 16 July 2017

[Nathan Carter @ Iveagh Gardens](#) - 15 July 2017

[Fleet Foxes @ Iveagh Gardens](#) - 14 July 2017

[Fleet Foxes @ Iveagh Gardens](#) - 13 July 2017

[Olly Murs @ Iveagh Gardens](#) - 8 July 2017

[Aslan @ Iveagh Gardens](#) - 7 July 2017

[Future Islands @ Iveagh Gardens](#) - 6 July 2017

Live stage events construction 1-6 July 2017

Taste of Dublin de-construction 19 - 30 June 2017

Taste of Dublin 17 June 2017

Taste of Dublin 16 June 2017

Taste of Dublin 15 June 2017

Taste of Dublin 14 June 2017

Taste of Dublin construction 29 May - 13 June

Below, please find attached (pics 2 & 3) some photos taken on 15 August.

The grounds have since 'recovered' following intense treatment with a special imported mix of grass seed, 'nutrients' and fertiliser. One wonders about this kind of intense treatment by the OPW in their haste to cover up the mess left by the events.

Q43. Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to respond in detail to the issues raised by concerned parents and residents living on Sandymount Green

As I'm sure you are aware, Sandymount Green is an extremely popular village green. Surrounded by montessoris, schools, crèches, nursing homes, as well as the commercial and residential public. It is the very busy heart of the village with a continuous flow of many people including families with young children every day. Every day people have make unsafe crossings and give this example to their children. It's unacceptable and shocking that there are:

No pedestrian lights

No zebra crossing

No speed bumps

No speed limit signs

No safety signs at all (please slow down / children at play etc.)

No safety features on two of the three gates between the green and the very busy roads surrounding the green. (All of the green's internal paths start at the gates – there is a major danger here as children on bikes/scooters can and do continue out onto the road, as well as running straight out after a ball.)

We have been witness to many near accidents and we just cannot understand why there are no safety features in such a busy pedestrian and traffic area which is primarily used by children and families and in the direct path of bus routes and termini.

Recently, on Cross Avenue in Blackrock, a little child ran out from St Philips and St James Primary School onto the road and was knocked down. Afterwards, the council implemented impressive safety pedestrian crossing and signs. Surely it doesn't need for this to happen to implement change?

Every parent and person I speak with locally about this issue is in complete agreement that we need something done immediately about this. It would be easy to raise a petition to this effect however I am hoping by informing you of this extremely serious issue, that it doesn't need for extreme measures.

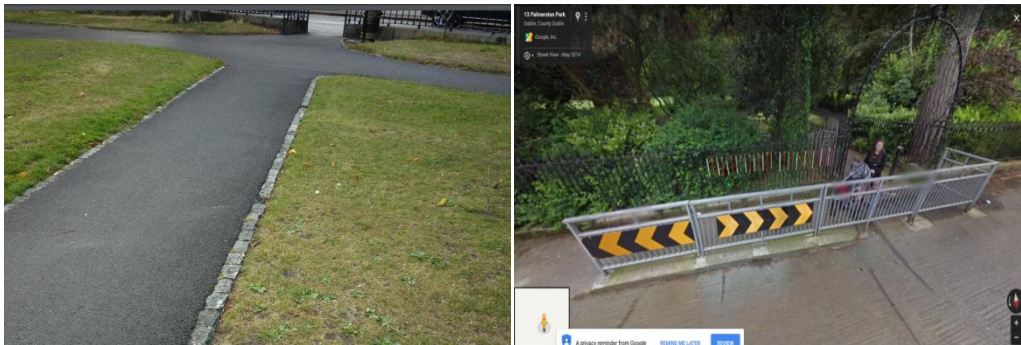
Plenty of other public parks or squares in Dublin, even in conservation areas, have safety features and speed/warning signs. See Palmerston Park gate pictures attached.

I see from the Dublin City Council application of November 2014, (see here: <http://www.dublincity.ie/sites/default/files/content/YourCouncil/LocalAreaServices/SouthEastArea/SouthEastArea/Documents/Sandymount%20Green%20Presentation%20Slides.pdf>) that there was an impressive proposal to increase the safety of the green itself, along with other features. (Link above and some slide pics attached)

What happened to this proposal and why has nothing been done?

What grounds could there be to refuse ensuring the safety of children and people in an extremely busy and hazardous area?

Surely it is not complicated or time consuming to attach some safety features to this area? Even a simple zebra crossing along with gate amendments would make all the difference. Recently Newgrove Avenue was resurfaced and disappointingly, there were no speed bumps added, just a nice smooth road which will no doubt increase the temptation for buses and cars to travel even faster towards the Green, there are absolutely no speed limits or warning/slow down signs to dissuade them. Surely this is an obligation of a City Council?



Q44. Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the Manager to deal with the following issue from a constituent *details supplied.

Q45. Councillor Patrick Costello

To ask the manager to prune the trees on Larkfield Grove, they have grown very tall and are pushing on phone lines.

Q46. Councillor Patrick Costello

To ask the manager *details supplied.

- Q47. Councillor Patrick Costello**
To ask the manager *details supplied.
- Q48. Councillor Patrick Costello**
To ask the manager to have the road at Terenure Road East resurfaced given the number of pot holes that are a safety hazard for people using the cycle lane.
- Q49. Councillor Patrick Costello**
To ask the manager to upgrade the street lighting within Rutland Grove estate.
- Q50. Councillor Patrick Costello**
To ask the manager to arrange for the used and damaged electricity poles in Rutland Grove to be removed.
- Q51. Councillor Patrick Costello**
To ask the manager to repair the footpaths in Rutland Grove.
- Q52. Councillor Patrick Costello**
To ask the manager to install extra Sheffield hoop bike stands outside the swan centre, the current provision is often full, especially at peak times, and there is space available to install extra.
- Q53. Councillor Mary Freehill**
That the Roads Department treat as urgent the incorrect gradient on the footpath at Portobello Bridge, details attached. There have been a number of accidents at this spot.
- Q54. Councillor Mary Freehill**
Would the manager make arrangements with Waterways Ireland to have the walkway along the Grand Canal (Portobello to Leeson Street Bridge) resurfaced? It is now full of holes and very dangerous for walkers
- Q55. Councillor Chris Andrews**
Given the ongoing serious criminal behaviour residents are facing in Glovers Court can the manager have CCTV placed in the flats and also state how much this would cost?
- Q56. Councillor Chris Andrews**
Can the manager give an update and outline the process for the installation of double yellow lines at the entrance to Rutland Grove as requested by the Rutland Grove Residents' Association?
- Q57. Councillor Claire O'Connor**
Can Maxwell Lane be blocked off allowing access only to key holders in circumstances where it has become a magnet for antisocial behaviour? Fights, rows, drinking, drug selling, attacks on local houses, stealing palettes from local shops, and illegal dumping have all taken place in recent months.
- Q58. Councillor Claire O'Connor**
Can the overgrowth in Mount Argus Park be cleared?
- Q59. Councillor Claire O'Connor**
Can the trees on Mornington Road be pruned?

Q60. Councillor Claire O'Connor

Could a safe and fully functioning traffic light & pedestrian system be installed at Rathgar junction? Can the manager confirm if a CCTV camera has been installed at said junction?

Q61. Councillor Claire O'Connor

Can repairs be made to pavements outside entrance to Stratford Haven on Orwell Road?

Q62. Councillor Claire O'Connor

Can reasons be given for why a disabled parking bay outside No. 26 Derravaragh Road was refused?

Q63. Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the area manager if she can please provide a full list of vacant buildings and vacant land in the South East Area, the challenges posed by each site / building, and to please reference whether each site has been identified for potential development and the type of development proposed.

Q64. Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the area manager what can be done to address the ongoing vandalism of The Icon Walk in Temple Bar and can she please outline the measures the council will take to manage the issue.

Q65. Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the area manager if she can please arrange for a planning enforcement officer to visit the following site at details supplied.

Q66. Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the area manager can she please provide an update on the Sandymount Green Conservation and Management Plan from 2014?

Q67. Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the area manager if she could please consider the following safety measures in and around Sandymount Green to address the traffic issues and to protect the more vulnerable users such as children and elderly people:

- Pedestrian lights
- Zebra crossing
- Speed bumps
- Speed limit signs
- Safety signs such as 'Slow Down' and 'Children at Play'
- Safety features on all of the park gates

Can the manager provide a response to each of the above options?

Q68. Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the area manager can she please outline how a car park owner might go about installing electric car charging points in their car park for public use?

Q69. Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the area manager to please address the issues for cyclists on the new cycle lane on College Green heading from Dame Street to the junction with Westmoreland Street, around the Bank of Ireland. This cycle lane initially starts off segregated, but

then joins / merges with the lane for use when you're heading straight over O'Connell Bridge. However, this causes problems for cyclists wishing to turn down onto Fleet Street as there is a conflict when cyclists and cars merge into the same lane and the priority is unclear here. If a cyclist wants to turn onto Fleet Street from College Green / Dame Street, they need to cross the multiple lanes of traffic, in a very short distance to take this right turn. It's almost impossible as a cyclist to take the lane with the Luas tracks to make this turn easier as this also involves a merge in traffic forcing cyclists to stay left and use the cycle lane. One potential solution would be to introduce a second cycle lane to be used beside the Luas tracks which would then allow cyclists to turn right onto Fleet Street. Can the manager please consider this as an option or outline what other solutions are available?

Q70. Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the area manager can she please provide an update on the progress of the following?

- The completion of the pedestrianisation of Suffolk Street
- The introduction of traffic free areas on Drury Street, South William Street, Exchequer Court, Dame Court and Dame Lane as per MT050 in the City Development Plan
- The completion of the Public Realm Strategy for Chatham Street / Clarendon Street
- The resurfacing of South Anne Street and Duke Street

Q71. Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the area manager to outline the process by which a rental tenant can report a landlord and or property agency who is breaching the regulations regarding rent increases and what action can be taken.

Q72. Councillor Frank Kennedy

In circumstances where flooding in [details supplied 1] under the porch area is now spreading to [details supplied 2] (including through the kitchen wall) and where damage (both structural and cosmetic) is being caused to both properties as a result of this, to ask the area manager (a) to visit both properties to assess this and (b) to resolve the problem.

