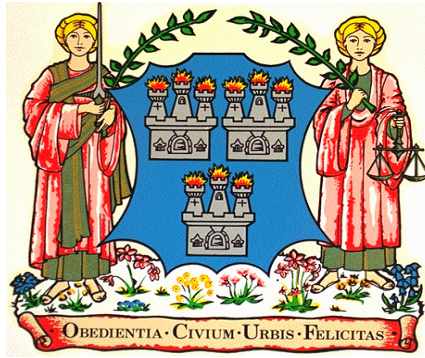


**COMHAIRLE CATHRACH BHAILE ÁTHA CLIATH**



Miontuairiscí Chruinniú Míósúil a tionóladh ar 7 Márta 2016 i Seomra na Comhairle, Halla na Cathrach, Cnoc Chorcaí ag 6.15 i.n.  
I Láthair an tArdmheara Críona Ní Dhálaigh sa chathaoir

**Attendance:**

**Comhairleoir:**

Chris Andrews  
Janice Boylan  
Claire Byrne  
Aine Clancy  
Patrick Costello  
Daithi De Roiste  
Gaye Fagan  
Mannix Flynn  
Alison Gilliland  
Jane Horgan-Jones  
Teresa Keegan  
Dermot Lacey  
Tina McVeigh  
Paul McAuliffe  
Seamas McGrattan  
Edel Moran  
Naoise Muiri  
Damian O'Farrell  
Cieran Perry  
Eilis Ryan  
Sonya Stapleton

**Comhairleoir:**

Kieran Binchy  
Tom Brabazon  
Cathleen Carney Boud  
Anthony Connaghan  
Ciaran Cuffe  
Daithi Doolan  
Anne Feeney  
Mary Freehill  
Paul Hand  
Vincent Jackson  
Greg Kelly  
John Lyons  
Sean Pau Mahon  
Paddy McCartan  
Ray McHugh  
Rebecca Moynihan  
Michael O'Brien  
Ciaran O'Moore  
Noeleen Reilly  
Norma Sammon

**Comhairleoir:**

Paddy Bourke  
Christy Burke  
Brendan Carr  
David Costello  
Hazel De Nortuin  
Pat Dunne  
Declan Flanagan  
Gary Gannon  
Deirdre Heney  
Andrew Keegan  
Frank Kennedy  
Micheal Mac Donncha  
Ray McAdam  
Ruairi McGinley  
Andrew Montague  
Emma Murphy  
Claire O'Connor  
Larry O'Toole  
Nial Ring  
Paddy Smyth

**Oifigigh**

Dick Brady  
Owen P. Keegan  
Vincent Norton  
Kathy Quinn

Oonagh Casey  
Brendan Kenny  
Terence O'Keeffe  
Declan Wallace

Mainard Gallagher  
Jim Keogan  
Mary Pyne  
Anja Haitmann

1 Lord Mayors Business

The Lord Mayor opened the meeting by congratulating former colleagues who were elected to Dáil Éireann a week ago and commiserating with those who were not successful. She informed the Members that a meeting to co-opt six new members to Dublin City Council would be held at 6.15pm on Wednesday 16th March 2016 in the Council Chamber.

She then referred to the issue of Modular Housing and said that following the Housing SPC meeting held Monday 29th February when a timeline was given to the Members of the SPC, a subsequent article appeared in the Irish Times on Wednesday 2nd March advising of a delay to the process.

She said she had spoken with the Chief Executive to convey her and the Member's anger, frustration and disappointment that there was no mention of the need to advertise the tender competition again in relation to modular housing at the Housing SPC meeting. She has requested a full update on this matter which will be given after the Emergency Motions.

The Lord Mayor then requested approval of the City Council for the attendance of Members at the National Planning Conference 2016, organised by the Irish Planning Institute, taking place on 14th and 15th April 2016 in the Sheraton Hotel, Athlone, Co. Westmeath. This was approved.

The Lord Mayor then announced that following her meeting with the Group Leaders on Friday 26th February and the Corporate Policy Group / Group Leaders earlier, she was formally proposing that Fr. Joseph Mallin SJ be admitted to the Honorary Freedom of Dublin and that his name be entered in the Roll of Honour. She then gave a brief resume of Fr. Joseph who is the last surviving child of an executed leader of the 1916 Rising. His Father Michael Mallin was in command of the Garrisons at St. Stephen's Green and Royal College of Surgeons and was executed in Kilmainham Gaol on 8th May 1916. Fr Joseph joined the Jesuit Order and travelled to Hong Kong and Macau where he led a very varied apostolic life, successfully doing the job of minister in the community, Mission Bursar, Director of a Social Centre, Secondary School Teacher, Headmaster of Pun Yu Primary School in Hong Kong and Principal of Ricci College in Macau.

She said that Fr. Mallin keeps in regular contact with his Irish relatives, writing in a beautiful old Irish script and keeps up to date with Irish and Chinese current affairs. He last visited Ireland to celebrate his 90th birthday but now considers Hong Kong his home. He is a man of few words, but of many loving actions and has devoted his life to serving God and the people of Hong Kong and Macau. The Freedom of the City acknowledges and celebrates this work and his family's connection to the Easter 1916 Rising which we commemorate this year.

The Lord Mayor then proposed the following resolution which was seconded by Councillor V Jackson and agreed by the City Council "That the Honorary Freedom of the City of Dublin be conferred on Father Joseph Mallin, SJ and that he be elected and admitted to the Honorary Freedom of Dublin City pursuant to the provisions of the Local Government Act 2001". It was agreed that the resolution be presented to Fr Joseph in Irish as he is such a devotee of the Irish Language – "Go mbronnfair Saoirse Chathair Bhaile Átha Cliath ar an Athair Seosamh Ó Mealáin agus go toghfar agus glacfar isteach é i Saoirse Oinigh Bhaile Átha Cliath de réir forálacha Acht um Rialtais Áitiúil dhá mhíle is a haon."

The Lord Mayor then informed the Members that several events to commemorate 1916 will take place in the near future in conjunction with Coiste Gaeilge and that the first of these will be a ceili in the Round Room on the 24th April. The Lord Mayor then referred to the assassination of a woman named Berta Cáceres in Honduras on the 3rd March which was brought to her notice by Councillor E Ryan. The approval of the City Council was given to her request to issue a letter to the Honduran Ambassador expressing the concern of the City Council at this and other recent assassinations there.

- 2 It was moved by Councillor V Jackson and seconded by Councillor C Burke "That Dublin City Council approves the Dublin Chief Executive answering the questions lodged". The motion having been put and carried, written answers to the 105 questions lodged for the City Council meeting were issued. The Questions and Answers are set out in Appendix A attached.
- 3 Letter dated 25th February 2016 from Limerick City and County Council conveying the terms of a motion from their January Council Meeting requesting the Ministers responsible, namely Finance and Agriculture, to legislate for the immediate reintroduction of the Early Retirement and Farm Installation Schemes so as to ensure viability and continuity within this valuable sector of our local economy. It was moved by Councillor R McAdam and seconded by Councillor R McGinley "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of this letter". The motion was put and carried.
- 4 The minutes of the Meeting of the City Council held on the 1st February 2016, having been printed, certified by the Meetings Administrator, circulated to the Members and taken as read, were signed by the Lord Mayor. Cllr M Freehill raised the matter of the Working Group which was set up to address the issue of impending legislation re ceasing the collection of waste in bags. The Members were informed that a date for the first meeting of the group would be circulated the following day, Tuesday, 8th March. It was confirmed that the nominee for the Fine Gael Group will be Cllr Ray McAdam. Cllr C O'Moore asked for a report on kerbside telephone boxes. It was agreed that a report would be sent to all Members as this issue has implications for emergency calls, particularly for the elderly.
- 5 Report No. 74/2016 of the Head of Finance (K. Quinn) - Monthly Local Fund Statement and reports as submitted under the EU/IMF Framework. It was proposed by Councillor C Burke and seconded by Councillor R McGinley "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 74/2016". The motion was put and carried.
- 6 Report No. 68/2016 of the Chairperson of the Audit Committee (B. Foster) - Annual Report of the Audit Committee, in respect of the year ending 31st December 2015. It was proposed by Councillor N Reilly and seconded by Councillor V Jackson "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 68/2016". The motion was put and carried.
- 7 Report No. 92/2016 of the Head of Finance (K. Quinn) - With reference to Area Committee Discretionary Funding 2016. It was proposed by Councillor S McGrattan and seconded by Councillor V Jackson "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 92/2016". The motion was put and carried.
- 8 To appoint two Members to vacancies on the Board of Ringsend Toll Bridge Designated Activity Company following recommendations from the the South Central (Councillor Ciarán Cuffe) and Central Area (Councillor Chris Andrews) Committee Meetings. It was proposed by Councillor D Lacey and seconded by Councillor R McGinley "That Councillors C Cuffe and C Andrews be appointed as members to represent Dublin City Council on the Board of Ringsend Toll Bridge Designated Activity Company". The motion was put and carried.

- 9 To fill a vacancy on the South Inner City Drugs Task Force following the resignation of Councillor Paddy Smyth from that Committee.  
It was agreed to defer this appointment until the April City Council meeting.
- 10 Report No. 65/2016 of the Chief Executive (O. Keegan) - Monthly Management Report - 7th March 2016.  
Members were reminded that there was a revised report issued on Friday, 4th March, in relation to the Housing portion of this Monthly Management Report. It was proposed by Councillor C Burke and seconded by Councillor J Boylan "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 65/2016". The motion was put and carried.
- 11 Report No. 67/2016 of the Assistant Chief Executive (B. Kenny) - Community Scheme 2016.  
It was proposed by Councillor S Mc Grattan and seconded by Councillor L O'Toole "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 67/2016 and hereby approves the Community Scheme 2016 as set out therein ". The motion was put and carried.
- 12 Report No. 91/2016 of the Assistant Chief Executive (J. Keogan) - Report On Metro North - Supplementary Development Contribution Scheme.  
It was proposed by Councillor P McCartan and seconded by Councillor R McGinley "That Dublin City Council hereby approves the contents of Report No 91/2016.in relation to the Development Contribution Scheme". The motion was put and carried.
- 13 Report No. 73/2016 of the Assistant Chief Executive (B. Kenny) - Naming of the East Link Bridge.  
It was proposed by Councillor M Mac Donncha and seconded by Councillor N Ring "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 73/2016 and hereby approves the naming of the East Link Bridge as Tom Clarke Bridge". The motion was put and carried.
- 14 The City Council agreed to take the following motion standing at Item No 2 on the Agenda Paper at this time as it was on the same topic.  
Accordingly, it was proposed by Councillor N Ring and seconded by Councillor M Mac Donncha "In view of the acceptance by the Commemorative Naming Committee of my proposal (supported by the Tom Clarke Memorial Committee and relatives of Tom Clarke) to have the City Council owned East-Link Bridge renamed the Tom Clarke Bridge in honour of the executed leader of the 1916 Rising, the Members agree that, in order to appropriately mark the renaming of the bridge, Dublin City Council will allocate sufficient funds from the 1916 commemorations budget and/or toll income to:
- Fund a clean up and lighting of the bridge
  - Erect suitable and prominent signage on the bridge indicating its new name
  - cUndertake a publicity campaign to inform the public of the new name
  - Fund public competition for the design of a suitable memorial to Tom Clarke and/or 1916 on the green area at the toll booths
  - Fund the erection of the winning memorial in partnership with the Tom Clarke Memorial Committee
  - Fund an official renaming ceremony.

The motion was put and carried.

- 15 Report No. 71/2016 of the Area Manager (D. Dinnigan) - With reference to the proposal to extinguish the public right of way to the rear of 1-29 Kinvara Road, 3-55 Kinvara Avenue, and rear of 35-45 Kinvara Park, Dublin 7.  
It was moved by Councillor B Carr and seconded by Councillor T Keegan "That We, the Lord Mayor and Members of Dublin City Council, being the Roads Authority for the City of Dublin and being of the opinion that the Public Right of Way to the rear of 1-29 Kinvara Road, 3-55 Kinvara Avenue, and rear of 35-45 Kinvara Park, Dublin 7, as shown on the attached Drawing No 36468, is no longer required for public use, extinguish the public right of way in accordance with Section 73 of the Roads Act 1993" The motion was put and carried.
- 16 Report No. 89/2016 of the Executive Manager (C. Reilly) - With reference to the disposal of the Fee Simple Interest under the Landlord and Tenant (Ground Rents) (No. 2) Act, 1978 in 18 premises.  
It was proposed by Councillor V Jackson and seconded by Councillor C Burke "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 89/2016 and assents to the proposal outlined therein" The motion was put and carried.
- 17 Report No. 75/2016 of the Executive Manager (P. Clegg) - With reference to the proposed disposal of the Council's fee simple interest in the premises known as Nos. 12, 13 & 14 Grattan Crescent (including an additional plot to the rear), Inchicore, Dublin 8.  
It was proposed by Councillor V Jackson and seconded by Councillor C Burke "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 75/2016 and assents to the proposal outlined therein" The motion was put and carried.
- 18 Report No. 76/2016 of the Executive Manager (P. Clegg) - With reference to the proposed grant of a lease of part of the premises known as Ashgrove Community Centre, The Coombe, Dublin 8.  
It was proposed by Councillor V Jackson and seconded by Councillor C Burke "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 76/2016 and assents to the proposal outlined therein" The motion was put and carried.
- 19 Report No. 77/2016 of the Executive Manager (P. Clegg) - With reference to the proposed disposal of the laneway to side of No. 29 Adare Park, Coolock, Dublin 5.  
It was proposed by Councillor V Jackson and seconded by Councillor C Burke "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 77/2016 and assents to the proposal outlined therein" The motion was put and carried.
- 20 Report No. 78/2016 of the Executive Manager (P. Clegg) - With reference to the proposed grant of lease of Workshop 2, Poppintree Neighbourhood Centre, Ballymun, Dublin 9, to Garridebs Limited.  
It was proposed by Councillor V Jackson and seconded by Councillor C Burke "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 78/2016 and assents to the proposal outlined therein" The motion was put and carried. Councillor N Reilly declared an interest in this item and withdrew from the Chamber for the duration of the discussion.
- 21 Report No. 79/2016 of the Executive Manager (P. Clegg) - With reference to the proposed grant of a 3 year licence of The RECO building, Sillogue Road Ballymun, Dublin 11 to The Ballymun Regional Youth Resource Limited (BRYSR).  
It was proposed by Councillor V Jackson and seconded by Councillor C Burke "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 79/2016 and assents to the proposal outlined therein" The motion was put and carried.

- 22 Report No. 80/2016 of the Executive Manager (P. Clegg) - With reference to the proposed disposal of site on Newtown Avenue, Malahide Road Industrial Park, Dublin 17 to Peter Reid, The Kitchen Warehouse.  
It was proposed by Councillor V Jackson and seconded by Councillor C Burke "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 80/2016 and assents to the proposal outlined therein" The motion was put and carried.
- 23 Report No. 81/2016 of the Executive Manager (P. Clegg) - With reference to the proposed disposal of a plot of land to the rear of 47 McKee Avenue, Finglas, Dublin 11.  
It was proposed by Councillor V Jackson and seconded by Councillor C Burke "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 81/2016 and assents to the proposal outlined therein" The motion was put and carried.
- 24 Report No. 82/2016 of the Executive Manager (P. Clegg) - With reference to the proposed disposal of plots of land adjacent to 32, Newmarket, The Coombe, Dublin 8.  
It was proposed by Councillor V Jackson and seconded by Councillor C Burke "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 82/2016 and assents to the proposal outlined therein" The motion was put and carried.
- 25 Report No. 83/2016 of the Executive Manager (P. Clegg) - With reference to the proposed disposal of land and foreshore at Pigeon House Road Dublin 4.  
It was proposed by Councillor V Jackson and seconded by Councillor C Burke "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 83/2016 and assents to the proposal outlined therein" The motion was put and carried.
- 26 Report No. 84/2016 of the Executive Manager (P. Clegg) - With reference to the proposed grant of a 31 year Lease of St. Agatha's Court, Dunne Street and North William Street, Dublin 1 to The Peter McVerry Trust Ltd. for the provision of homeless accommodation.  
It was proposed by Councillor V Jackson and seconded by Councillor C Burke "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 84/2016 and assents to the proposal outlined therein" The motion was put and carried.
- 27 Report No. 85/2016 of the Executive Manager (P. Clegg) - With reference to a proposed exchange of land with the ESB at Saint Teresa's Gardens, Dublin 8.  
It was proposed by Councillor V Jackson and seconded by Councillor C Burke "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 85/2016 and assents to the proposal outlined therein" The motion was put and carried.
- 28 Report No. 86/2016 of the Executive Manager (P. Clegg) - With further reference to the proposed disposal of lands at Dunmanus Road and Fausagh Avenue, Dublin 7.  
It was proposed by Councillor V Jackson and seconded by Councillor C Burke "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 86/2016 and assents to the proposal outlined therein" The motion was put and carried.
- 29 Report No. 62/2016 of the Chairperson of the Finance Strategic Policy Committee (Councillor Ruairi McGinley) - Breviate of meeting held on 21st January 2016.  
It was proposed by Councillor N Reilly and seconded by Councillor V Jackson "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 62/2016". The motion was put and carried. Referring to Item 2 on this brieve, the Members asked when the report on the Special Committee for Emergency Services would be available and they were informed that it would be presented to the April City Council Meeting.

- 30 Report No. 66/2016 of the Chairperson of the Transportation Strategic Policy Committee (Councillor Ciarán Cuffe) - Meeting held on 10th February 2016. It was proposed by Councillor P Hand and seconded by Councillor T Keegan "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 66/2016". The motion was put and carried.
- 31 Report No. 72/2016 of the North West Area Committee - Breviate for the month of February 2016 - Councillor Áine Clancy, Chairperson. It was proposed by Councillor N Reilly and seconded by Councillor E Murphy "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 72/2016". The motion was put and carried
- 32 Report No. 70/2016 of the North Central Area Committee - Breviate for the month of February 2016 - Councillor Ciarán O'Moore, Chairperson. It was proposed by Councillor C O'Moore and seconded by Councillor J Boylan "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 70/2016". The motion was put and carried.
- 33 Report No. 87/2016 of the Central Area Committee - Breviate for the month of February 2016 - Councillor Ciarán Cuffe, Vice-chairperson. It was proposed by Councillor C Cuffe and seconded by Councillor P McCartan "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 87/2016". The motion was put and carried.
- 34 Report No. 90/2016 of the South Central Area Committee - Breviate for the month of February 2016 - Councillor Ray McHugh, Chairperson. It was proposed by Councillor G Kelly and seconded by Councillor V Jackson "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 90/2016". The motion was put and carried.
- 35 Report No. 64/2016 of the South East Area Committee - Breviate for the month of February 2016 - Councillor Paddy McCartan, Chairperson. It was proposed by Councillor P McCartan and seconded by Councillor R McGinley "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 64/2016". The motion was put and carried.
- 36 Report No. 63/2016 of the Protocol Committee - Breviate of the meeting held on 28th January 2016 - Councillor Dermot Lacey, Chairperson. It was proposed by Councillor D Lacey and seconded by Councillor T Keegan "That Dublin City Council approves Report No 63". The motion was put and carried. Councillor S McGrattan thanked all those involved in securing the return of Na Fianna banner for the 1916 commemoration ceremonies.
- 37 Report No. 88/2016 of the Central Area Joint Policing Sub-committee - Breviate of the meeting held on 18th January 2016 - Councillor Janice Boylan, Chairperson. It was proposed by Councillor J Boylan and seconded by Councillor R McAdam "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 88/2016". The motion was put and carried.
- 38 Topical Issue - following a vote, it was agreed that the following Topical Issue would be discussed 'Closure of Young Ballymun'

- 39 Emergency Motion - the City Council suspended Standing Orders to debate the following Emergency Motion submitted by Councillors A Gilliland, D Lacey and M Freehill:  
"That Dublin City Council views the delay in the modular unit building programme with deep concern and that, in order to avail of a broader choice and availability within the housing market, and utilising its powers under Section 179(6)(b) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 as amended (Non requirement for full planning permission procedures by a local authority whereby a situation arises that ' is necessary for dealing urgently with any situation which the manager considers is an emergency situation calling for immediate action'), it considers including in its re-issued tender description for rapid build units for homeless emergency accommodation both modular units and permanent (bricks and mortar) units" The motion was put and carried.
- 40 Mr Jim Keogan, Assistant Chief Executive, Planning Department, briefed the Members in relation to the submission of seven emergency motions arising from recent newspaper reports on the Phibsborough Shopping Centre. He confirmed that no member of the Planning Department has had any pre-application consultations with the owners /receivers of Phibsborough Shopping Centre in relation to any future planning application. He also addressed the current policy pertaining to the site and undertook to circulate to the Members a report on the matter.
- 41 The Chair was taken by Councillor J Boylan for 4 minutes at 8.43pm during the absence of the Lord Mayor.
- 42 It was proposed by Councillor A Keegan and seconded by Councillor J Lyons " That all contracts carried out by contractors and sub-contractors working on any project for DCC comply with all agreed rates of pay for their tradesmen and other operatives under their employment, and any agents employees on the bogus and illegal subcontract certificate RCT should not be permitted with DCC tender contracts and that DCC sets the gold standard for employment and workers employed properly with the full benefits of the state and not exploited" The motion was put and carried.
- 43 It was proposed by Councillor L O'Toole and seconded by Councillor S McGrattan "That this Council agrees to review the protocol for election postering". The motion was put and carried.
- 44 The City Council agreed that a report be issued to Councillor E Murphy on the following motion standing in her name at Item No 41 on the Agenda Paper "That Dublin City Council Parks Department undertakes on a trial basis the placement of standalone dog waste bins in a park in the city to tackle the issue of dog fouling. Although the presence of bins for dog waste is not the whole solution, the placement of them, especially in parks, will challenge & engage dog walkers & be part of a multifaceted approach to the dog fouling problem in the city. Figures from Derry City & Strabane District Council reveal that for the 2013/14 year, a total of 28.72 tonnes of dog fouling was collected from the cities dog waste bins. These figures show that people will engage & use the bins which have been specifically provided to the tackle dog fouling issue"



- 45 The City Council agreed that a report be issued to Councillor T Keegan on the motion 37 standing in her name at Item 27 on the Agenda Paper"  
"That the Members of Dublin City Council calls on the Executive to provide a report on the proposed plans by the Executive of Dublin City Council to provide 500 modular houses in the city. That the City Council requests the following information be supplied relating to the decision to acquire the first numbers of units.
- a. What was the tendering process adopted by the Executive in the decision to procure the first 150 units, which represents 30% of the overall spent in this project ?
  - b. What was the criteria used in selecting the suppliers of said houses?
  - c. The names of the supplier/suppliers selected to provide said houses?
  - d. The cost per unit of the house prior to installation?
  - e. The cost per unit for installation on the proposed sites?
  - f. Was there a cost benefit analysis carried out by the Executive in the provision of these type of houses compared to the more traditional timber framed houses and if so could the Chief Executive provide a copy of same to any member of the City Council?
  - g. Has the Executive entered into any agreement with the selected suppliers of the initial number of houses to provide any future number of units and if so could that information be provided.

Taking into account the sizeable amount of capital expenditure which the provision of these units represents to the City, will the Chief Executive be making a statement addressing the mounting disquiet which this project is generating in the areas where the proposed houses are being designated. Will he also explain the manner in which the decision was made to acquire this type of house in preference to the more traditional structure"

The meeting concluded at 9.30pm in accordance with Standing Orders and all items remaining on the Agenda were deferred to the next meeting of the City Council to be held on the 4th April 2016.

**Correct.**

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**LORD MAYOR**

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**MEETINGS ADMINISTRATOR**

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**QUESTIONS LODGED PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER NO.16 FOR REPLY AT THE MONTHLY MEETING OF DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, 7<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2016**

**Q.1 COUNCILLOR RUAIRÍ MCGINLEY**

To ask the Chief Executive to set out any arrears in commercial rents due to Dublin City Council, to itemise any amounts greater than €10k, and to advise of amounts due more than 12 months overdue.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The Council's commercial rental property portfolio which is sometimes known as the City Estate Rental is managed by the Development Department's Property Management Section and comprises of 2,559 individual accounts or leases/licences/lettings etc. These accounts include Industrial Site Premises, City Centre Offices & Retail Units, Community Group Premises and Community Gardens, Old Residential Shop Premises and other. The City Estate Rental's current rent roll amounts to €5.9M per annum.

As at 1st March 2016 the total balance outstanding on the City Estate Rental amounts to €2.5M (includes the most recent February Bill Run). There are 45 accounts who owe in excess of €10K and whose total arrears amount to €1.7M approximately. Of this amount €1.5M is 3 months or more overdue but given that most accounts are only billed semi annually (i.e. every six months) this would not be unusual.

In respect of the 45 accounts who owe in excess of €10K, 10 of these accounts with arrears totalling €580K are in respect of properties which have been repossessed by Dublin City Council for non payment of rent and for which the Council are currently in the process of trying to recover arrears.

In respect of the remaining accounts the majority have agreed payment plans with the Council in respect of their arrears which will see these arrears reduced over time. In some cases negotiations are ongoing and a further number have been referred to the Council's Law Agent for the institution of legal proceedings as no progress has been made in respect of same.

**Q.2 COUNCILLOR REBECCA MOYNIHAN**

To ask the Chief Executive to outline what conditions were applied to the developers of Smithfield with regards to the provision of cultural space within the development and if he could give a report on the Cultural Plan for Smithfield.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

There is currently no Cultural Plan proposed for the Smithfield Area.

In order to meet their obligations in relation to community gain the developers of Smithfield allocated part of the development for cultural use. The provision of an art house cinema fulfilled this obligation for tax incentive purposes.

In addition the developers sought and were granted planning permission for a children's museum as part of their original permission. However there was no interest in developing the museum. It is important to note that despite a number of amended planning permissions being granted in the intervening years these permissions were not implemented as the developer was not successful in securing a viable cultural

use for the museum space. As a result the building remained empty until planning permission 3579/14 was granted permission. On foot of this permission the Story of the Irish, Beyond the Gateway Project, (which is supported by Bord Fáilte) now occupies the museum space.

Every effort has been and continues to be made to ensure cultural space is supported in Smithfield as evidenced by the outcome of the above planning permission which has led to the provision of a very welcome cultural attraction in the area.

**Q.3 COUNCILLOR TOM BRABAZON**

Can the Chief Executive please provide a report on **(details supplied)**?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.4 COUNCILLOR DERMOT LACEY**

To ask the Chief Executive if he could provide this Councillor with the names of the members of the north side and south side Dublin Children's and Young people's Services committee and how these were chosen.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

In 2012 the Department of Children and Youth Affairs publication Toolkit for Development of Children's Services Committee CSC (now CYPSC) constituted the membership of the committees.

The membership consists of senior managers from statutory, community and voluntary providers of services to children, young people and families in the CYPSC area.

**Dublin City South CYPSC** membership includes representatives from the following organisations:

Tusla Child and Family Agency	Doreen Mc Gowan (Chair)
Local Authority Dublin City Council	Brendan Kenny (Deputy Chair)
Health Service Executive (HSE)	Ellen O Dea & Concept De Bruin
City of Dublin Education and Training Board (CDETb)	Stephen Mc Carthy
Dublin City Childcare Committee DCCC	Joe Rynn
Probation Service	Janice Kelly
An Garda Síochána	Superintendent Mc Mineman – TBC
Social Inclusion partners - e.g. Local Development Companies –	Ciarán Reid (Ballyfermot Chapelizod)
Tusla –PPFS	Maria Hayes
Tusla – Education Welfare Services	Glenn Perry
Irish Primary Principals' Network (IPPN)	TBC
Community and voluntary organisations	Geraldine O Hara Daughters of Charity & Clare Dean, Barnardos

**Dublin City North CYPSC**

Tusla Child and Family Agency	Joy McGlynn (Chair)
Local Authority Dublin City Council	Brendan Kenny (Deputy Chair)
Health Service Executive (HSE)	Angela Walsh
Tusla – Education Welfare Services	Janet Colgan

Tusla – PPFS	Gráinne Sullivan
City of Dublin Education and Training Board (CDETb)	Bernadette Sproule
Probation Service	Ursula Fernee
An Garda Síochána	Finbarr Murphy
Social Inclusion partners - e.g. Local Development Companies –	Marian Vickers
Irish Primary Principals' Network (IPPN)	Mark Candon
Community and voluntary organisations	Liam Ó'Dalaigh Daughters of Charity & Kerri Smith, Barnardos

**Q.5 COUNCILLOR DERMOT LACEY**

To ask the Chief Executive how many fines were issued to the **(details supplied)** who had dozens of posters up without the required permission and which were reported to Dublin City Council.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.6 COUNCILLOR REBECCA MOYNIHAN**

To ask the Chief Executive to detail what are the requirements for a dog park in the City and to advise if there are any suitable recreation areas in the Dublin 8 and 12 areas which could facilitate this?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A designated dog park exists in St Anne's Park, Raheny. This facility was increased in area to cover 1 acre as the original space was too small to work successfully. A dog park must be fenced off with railings approximately 1.2 metres high and the location would ideally contain trees and be free draining. Eamonn Ceannt Park, Crumlin would be deemed to be the most suitable location in the Dublin 8 and 12 area. There is no budget available to provide a facility at the present time.

**Q.7 COUNCILLOR REBECCA MOYNIHAN**

To ask the Chief Executive to give a detailed report on the new waste management regulations due to come in on July 1st. To further ask the Chief Executive what options are available to householders who can't facilitate a bin and what is the legal responsibility of the council to them in this regard.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Please see attached report on the new waste regulations due to come into effect in July 2016. It was presented to Councillors at the end of January 2016 and outlines the background to the forthcoming legislation and also the current status regarding the implementation of the legislation.

**Q.8 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE HENEY**

Can the Chief Executive refer to the Emergency Ambulance control centre in Tara Street and say if this responsibility of the control centre is to remain with Dublin Fire Brigade and if he is actively pursuing this outcome and if he will make a statement on the matter.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Briefing Note was circulated to Elected Members during the Council meeting held on 2 March 2015 entitled '**Response to HIQA Report on Pre-Hospital Emergency Care Services**'. The Report advised Members that agreement in principle had been reached between the HSE and the Chief Executives of the four Dublin local authorities on the following changes in response to the HIQA report:

1. the NAS Emergency Operations Centre in Tallaght will assume responsibility for call taking in respect of all emergency ambulance calls in the Dublin region,
2. the NAS Emergency Operations Centre in Tallaght will assume responsibility for the dispatch of the emergency ambulance resources of both the NAS and DFB and
3. DFB's emergency ambulance resource will be subject to an integrated clinical governance structure under the NAS.

Implementation of (1) and (2) above clearly has implications for the DFB Emergency Ambulance Control Centre in Tara Street.

A joint DCC/Trade Union Emergency Ambulance Forum was established in March 2015 to address all matters arising from the HIQA report recommendations relating to the DFB emergency ambulance service. The Forum has yet to complete its work.

**Q.9 COUNCILLOR RAY MCHUGH**

To ask the Chief Executive to advise this Councillor what provisions are being made to facilitate **(details supplied 1)** within the regeneration of **(details supplied 2)**.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.10 COUNCILLOR DERMOT LACEY**

To ask the Chief Executive if he can quantify how many homes were rated for domestic rates in 1996 and how many new homes have been built since then in the City Council area.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Domestic dwellings were valued up to mid 80's by the Valuation Office and are valued with a rateable valuation of €3.5M which represents approximately 160,500 dwellings. Domestic dwellings since then are not valued.

However the revaluation of Dublin City was completed in 2013, effective January 2014 for commercial/industrial properties and the valuations of the domestic dwellings already valued were not revalued.

**Q.11 COUNCILLOR RAY MCHUGH**

To ask the Chief Executive to advise this Councillor what action is being taken by DCC to address the problems of dumping at **(details supplied?)**

This derelict house is an eyesore in the area and a constant gathering place for anti social behaviour.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.12 COUNCILLOR RAY MCHUGH**

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for speed ramps for **(details supplied)** this is a very narrow road with many young children playing out.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.13 COUNCILLOR NOELEEN REILLY**

To ask the Chief Executive (**details supplied**)

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.14 COUNCILLOR NOELEEN REILLY**

To ask the Chief Executive (**details supplied**)

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.15 COUNCILLOR NOELEEN REILLY**

To ask the Chief Executive (**details supplied**)

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.16 COUNCILLOR NOELEEN REILLY**

To ask the Chief executive officer (**details supplied**)

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.17 COUNCILLOR DERMOT LACEY**

To the Chief Executive further to the reply to the Q supplied with this Question can I ask the Chief Executive to outline in what circumstances does the Drainage Dept of DCC approve construction which is in contravention of Dept of Environment Building Regulations?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The answer to the previous question simply states that – in the event that a soakaway is to be utilised – the construction of it must comply with the relevant international standards. Otherwise it is not acceptable.

There is no contravention of the drainage requirements outlined in the Building Regulations.

**Q.18 COUNCILLOR ANDREW KEEGAN**

Could the Chief Executive provide me with a floor plan layout of the various modular home designs being completed in Poppintree and other areas?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Dublin City Council is engaged in the delivery of 153 rapid delivery housing units within the City Councils administrative area.

**Site 1 – Poppintree, Ballymun (22 units):**

The site at Poppintree Ballymun is still a live contract and it is not possible to release details of the house designs at this time.

**Sites 2 – 5 (131 units):**

- Belcamp Site H, Belcamp Avenue, Malahide Road

- St. Helena's Court/Drive, Finglas
- Cherry Orchard, Ballyfermot
- Mourn/Curlew Road, Drimnagh.

Dublin City Council initiated a competition on Wednesday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of March 2016 for the Design and Build of 131 Rapid Build units. At this time, there are no specific floor plans available for these four sites as the contract is for works designed by the contractor.

It is proposed to arrange an open viewing of the Rapid Delivery Homes for all Public Representatives on the Poppintree site at the earliest possible opportunity.

**Q.19 COUNCILLOR ANDREW KEEGAN**

Could the Chief Executive provide me with update of the provisional plan scheme lay out for the Laurence Lands and report and any update on the build design and potential choice of developer.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Housing Land Initiative Feasibility Report December 2015 outlines a detailed proposal to develop the lands located at Oscar Traynor Road. A copy of the report can be forwarded to the Councillor on request.

The site at Oscar Traynor Road ( Laurence Lands) was included in the Housing Land Initiative Feasibility Study presented at the December 2015 Housing Planning and International Relations Strategic Policy Committee.

A development brief is currently being prepared to market part of this site in the coming weeks and following receipt of offers a report will be submitted to the members in relation to its disposal for approval under the provisions of S183 of the Local Government Act 2001.

**Q.20 COUNCILLOR ALISON GILLILAND**

To ask the Chief Executive to evaluate the effectiveness of the public lighting along **(details supplied)** and ascertain if additional lighting is required

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.21 COUNCILLOR RAY MCADAM**

To ask the Chief Executive to make arrangements for the pruning of trees in **(Details supplied)** and to indicate when the work will take place?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.22 COUNCILLOR NIAL RING**

To ask the Chief Executive to outline the powers currently available to DCC to ensure that protected structures are not allowed fall in to a state of dereliction. In particular, to ask the Chief Executive what powers are currently available and what powers (of CPO etc.) would the City Council require to allow DCC to acquire and/or take control of Aldborough House, Portland Row as this building is in a deplorable state of neglect and DCC has already carried out, at its own cost, substantial repair and security work on this building to prevent its collapse notwithstanding the fact that it is privately owned.



**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Question Q22 relates to DCC's powers of compulsory purchase regarding dereliction in general and Aldborough House in particular; the issue of CPO's is best dealt with by DCC Planning and Development Department who handle matters related to planning enforcement and compulsory purchase in conjunction with the Legal Department.

Aldborough House is a 18c Town House of major conservation & heritage significance, that has been the subject of several Dangerous Building Notices and interventions in the past.

City Architects note that there has been a recent change of ownership of the building.

City Architects Conservation Division have been informed by a Conservation Architect representing the new owner of Aldborough House that from the point of view of endangerment, all works have been implemented that can be carried out to secure the historic fabric of the building at this stage.

The outright ownership of the property is the subject of legal action in the High Court and, pending the decision of the Court on outright ownership, the new owner is not permitted access to carry out any further work until the ownership dispute has been resolved.

The Chief Conservation Officer has reported that City Architects with Planning Conservation inspected the site prior to Christmas 2015 and were satisfied that the interior was secure and in good order without any further deterioration.

Under Sections 71-77 of the Planning and Development Acts 2000-2015, a planning authority may acquire, by agreement or compulsorily, a protected structure within its functional area if it appears that it is necessary to do so for the protection of the structure (and provided that the structure is not occupied as a dwelling house). The provisions under Section 71-77 of the Act provide for public notification and notification of the owner(s) and occupier(s) of the structure.

Where one or more objections are made in relation to the acquisition, the planning authority must submit an application for consent to acquire the protected structure to An Bord Pleanála, together with the grounds of objection and comments on those grounds (Section 73 of the Act). The Board may grant or refuse the application to acquire the protected structure.

The use of compulsory acquisition is an extreme power to be used only in the last resort.

As reported to the Central Area Committee at its meeting on the 9<sup>th</sup> February 2016, the protected structure and its grounds were inspected in December last by officers of the Conservation Section (including myself) and the owner had (at that time) largely completed agreed works to secure the buildings and the boundaries, as well as the re-slating of the gatehouse roof.

Therefore, it is not recommended to pursue the compulsory acquisition of the protected structure at this time. The issue will be kept under review

**Q.23 COUNCILLOR NIAL RING**

To ask the Chief Executive to answer why, in the "College Green Proposal" a proposed four week Public consultation has been announced (to commence in March 2016) but yet, in the same document, a time frame for the "Open procurement of

architect lead design team", "appointment of architect lead design team" and "Part 8. Planning procedure - lodged" is clearly outlined. In other words, the document in its entirety shows a complete bias towards the project, pays what can only be describes as lip service to the "public consultation" and clearly has pre-empted any outcome of that public consultation by effectively presenting the proposal as a fait accompli. (Both in the document and as put forward in media releases and friendly media coverage)

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The public consultation phase in relation to the traffic management changes in the College Green area is due to commence in two weeks time. The purpose of this consultation phase is to get the views of the public and interested parties in relation to the proposed traffic management changes and resultant bus route alterations, taxi access etc. in the College Green area. It is our view that the best option to provide safe interaction for all transportation modes at this junction is by banning vehicular traffic in east and west direction in the section of Dame Street abutting College Green. By showing the resultant new public space is not pre-empting the consultation process but displaying how this change in traffic management arrangement would also facilitate a long held objective of the Dublin City Development Plan to locate a Civic Plaza in this area. The exact design of this plaza will, as you state, be the subject of a further consultation process leading to a proposed design which will be the subject of a Part VIII application. The appointment of a lead architect design team, Part 8 etc. is obviously dependant on the outcome of the public consultation process on the traffic management changes and the area remaining free of vehicular traffic but we were also requested by the Area Committee and SPC to give an indicative timeframe on the proposed public plaza works.

**Q.24 COUNCILLOR NIAL RING**

To ask the Chief Executive if, at any stage in the College Green Proposal, was any basic economic impact assessment carried out to determine the impact of the proposal on the businesses of the City Centre and if so, can the results be published before the public consultation process begins. Also, if no such assessment was carried out, can the Chief Executive confirm that this will be undertaken, not only in the interest of making a fair determination of the proposal but also to quantify the potential impact on the rate base of the City.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

An Economic Assessment of the City Centre Study and the proposals for College Green is being prepared by DCC and the NTA with the NTA taking the lead on procurement of the necessary consultancy services. All the main business groups have been involved in discussions regarding the assessment and also regarding the terms of reference.

**Q.25 COUNCILLOR NIAL RING**

To ask the Chief Executive if Dublin City Council retain ownership of any domestic wheelie bins still being used by waste collection companies and if not, and given that the DCC logos and crest are on some of these wheelie bins, to ask the Chief Executive to instruct all waste collection providers to remove any and all references to DCC as the presence of any DCC logo, crest etc. The presence of any DCC related information on bins gives the impression that DCC is still in the domestic waste collection business, which as we are told time and again when asking questions on this matter, DCC is no longer in the private domestic waste collection business.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Dublin City Council does not retain ownership of any domestic bins as all such bins were sold at the time of our exit from the waste collection business as part of the purchase agreement. Also contained within that agreement was a requirement that the purchaser would obscure, remove or otherwise cover up any Dublin City Council logos that existed on the bins within a 4 week period. I understand that initially in the vast majority of cases this was done by the application of large company branded stickers been placed over the City Council logos thereby identifying and associating them with the new collection company.

There were at the time of our exit from the market approximately 120,000 domestic bin customers all of which had the entitlement to remain with the new collection company or seek an alternative that better suited their needs and in such cases they would no doubt have continued to use their former Dublin City Council bins.

It has now been over four years since we exited the business and I believe that there is widespread acceptance and understanding among the general public that the City Council no longer collects domestic household waste. However I accept your point that the presentation of these former City Council bins for waste collection could give rise to some confusion and the City Council will therefore contact all waste collectors operating in our administrative area requesting that they examine any bins they might have in use and in cases were such bins still display City Council Logo's or identification that they obscure or replace this with their own branded Company information which clearly identifies the bin with their company.

**Q.26 COUNCILLOR RUAIRI MCGINLEY**

To ask the Chief Executive to address the safety issues in attached  
**(Details supplied)**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.27 COUNCILLOR ALISON GILLILAND**

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a breakdown of all residential planning applications submitted in 2014, 2015 and to date this year in the North Central Area and indicate for each one DCC Part V legislation return whether in for form of funding or units and to clarify which applications are subject to the new 'units only' legislation and which are subject to the previous units or funds legislation

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply will issue directly to the Councillor within two weeks

**Q.28 COUNCILLOR ALISON GILLILAND**

To ask the Chief Executive to explain the signing off process of void turnaround and to examine the signing off of **(details supplied)** and evaluate this property for compliance with electrical, heating, hot water and flooring standards.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

This dwelling was allocated to this tenant on 15th July 2013. Work had been carried out by a private contractor and passed for allocation by the Area Maintenance Officer.

In February 2016 a request was received to have a number of issues checked out in this dwelling. The Area Maintenance Officer carried out an inspection and reports the following:

- No work was carried out to the floor in the kitchen of this dwelling prior to reletting. PVC tiles were in place which were in good condition and not in need of replacement. On inspection in February 2016 it was found that these tiles had been removed. This work was not carried out by the City Council. The responsibility for replacing this flooring lies with the tenant.
- The tails at the fuse box were not connected. Contact with ESB was made by the Area Maintenance Officer and arranged with the tenant for 29th February 2016. The ESB had been to this dwelling on three previous occasions to connect these tails, however access was not gained, therefore the work could not be carried out.
- On inspection the Area Maintenance Officer also requested the electrical contractor who attended to this dwelling prior to reletting to be present. He (the contractor) reported that wires in the hot press had been disconnected. This work had not been carried out by the City Council. These wires have now been re-connected by the contractor.
- The central heating in the dwelling was inspected by our heating inspector. It was found to be in good working order. Some minor valve replacement has been carried out to the system to maintain it in good working order.
- There is a slight plaster crack under the window board in the bathroom. This will be repaired.
- One kitchen press requires re-fitting. This press will be re-fitted.

**Q.29 COUNCILLOR ALISON GILLILAND**

To ask the Chief Executive to clarify the process regarding the EIS for the development on the Oscar Traynor Rd. and respond to the following questions: a) Will one overall EIS be drawn up as I fear individual ones for each 'lot' would be misleading with regard to the impact on the total number of units/families that will form the community? b) What is the difference between an EIS & a SEA - what each covers & when each is required? c) Would a SEA for this development be more appropriate even if it is not a legal: technical requirement? d) Does either include an audit of crèche/ pre-school & primary school places capacity? There are no crèches in the immediate vicinity except for the Naoinara attached to Gaelscoil Cholmchille and this is fully booked up. There are only 2 local schools in the area - a Gaelscoil Cholmchille bordering it & Scoil Fhursa (1x Boys & 1x Girls) at primary level

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) is a process for anticipating the effects on the environment caused by a development / project. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is the document produced as a result of that process. Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) is a process by which plans and programmes are evaluated by reference to the same environmental topics as are used in EIA and have regard to the likely significant environmental effects, of implementing the plan or programme. Therefore, the primary difference between EIA & SEA is that an EIA relates to a development project (e.g. a substantial planning application) whereas an SEA relates to a plan or programme (e.g. the city development plan or a local area plan). A range of environmental topics are typically covered by EIA & SEA including: human beings; fauna and flora; soil; water; air; climatic factors; the landscape; and material assets such as architectural and archaeological heritage and cultural heritage. EIA is required for a wide range of projects but in the suburban residential context it typically relates to proposals for the construction of more than 500 dwelling units or urban development which would involve an area greater than 10 hectares. In relation to an SEA, there is a requirement for example to prepare an environmental report for a local area plan with a population or target population of 5,000 persons or more.

It is difficult to prescribe the type and level of environmental assessment necessary for this process prior to the finalising of the brief for the disposal of the lands and the subsequent identification of preferred proposal(s) for Members to consider.

Any environmental assessment will focus on anticipating the likely effects on the environment. Under the current Dublin City Development Plan 2011-2017, proposals for 200 dwellings or more are required to submit an audit of existing facilities within an area and to demonstrate how the proposal will contribute to the range of supporting community infrastructure and how it will deliver a key social infrastructure element. Furthermore, proposals in excess of 200 units must be accompanied by an assessment of the capacity of local schools to accommodate the proposed development in accordance with the national code of practice on the provision of schools 2008. It is noted that the threshold for the submission of an audit has been reduced to 50 units in the Draft Dublin City Development Plan 2016-2022.

Appendix 20 of the Dublin City Development Plan 2011-2017 contains 'Guidelines for Childcare Facilities'. The guidelines indicate that the City Council will have regard to the Dublin City Childcare Committee and their identification of areas that are under-provided or over-provided in terms of childcare provision. For new residential schemes, one childcare facility will be required unless there are significant reasons to the contrary. A benchmark provision of one childcare facility per 75 dwellings is recommended. Regard shall be given to the existing geographical distribution of childcare facilities and the emerging demographic profile of the area.

**Q.30 COUNCILLOR CLAIRE BYRNE**

To ask the Chief Executive if he will please prioritise the replanting of Merrion Square Park as a matter of urgency to replace the trees that have been removed as part of the redevelopment of the park'

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The Merrion Square Conservation & Management Plan produced in May 2014 lays down the broader vision for the regeneration of the park. This document underpins and supports every decision made on work in Merrion Square.

The trees removed were either self-seeded and/or inappropriate tree species planted as a whip too close to the important specimen trees within the park. Any tree of value is being retained.

There will be 50 new Oak and Beech trees planted in the Park over the next few weeks in selected locations.

**Q.31 AN TARDMHÉARA CRIONA NI DHÁLAIGH**

To ask the Chief Executive to consider **(details supplied)**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.32 COUNCILLOR PADDY SMYTH**

To ask the Chief Executive if he will conduct an examination of the traffic lanes on Winetavern Street, Dublin 8 (at the bottom of the street, near the junction with Wood and Merchant's Quays and O'Donovan Rossa Bridge), as the left hand lane tends to be used by two streams of traffic (one going over the bridge and one turning left), which leaves little room for cyclists, and if he will consider a revision of the layout of

the lanes at this location with a view to avoiding confusion and promoting road safety?"

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Following a brief examination of the traffic lanes on Winetavern Street, at the approach to O'Donovan Rossa Bridge, it was decided to take no action. This cycle lane layout which coincides with the main traffic lane layout is evident elsewhere throughout the city. It is just another example where the onus is on the motorist to drive with due care toward cyclists and other road users and at a speed appropriate for the prevailing conditions.

**Q.33 COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE**

To ask the Chief Executive to indicate when this work will be carried out. **(Details supplied).**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.34 COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE**

To ask the Chief Executive to respond to this query **(Details supplied)**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.35 COUNCILLOR PADDY MCCARTAN**

To ask the Chief Executive the following, Covanta has just secured waste contracts with Panda for the Dublin Waste to Energy facility at Poolbeg. In it they state "under the project agreement with the Dublin Regional Authorities, Covanta is responsible for sourcing waste supply for the facility, which will consist of residential, commercial, and industrial waste streams from Dublin and surrounding areas.

Could the Chief Executive elaborate on what is included in the phrase "Dublin and surrounding areas", since the incinerator only has planning permission to take waste from the County of Dublin (the four Local Authorities)?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

For clarity, the planning permission as granted by An Bord Pleanála in November 2007 states that:

*'The waste thermally treated at the facility shall be in the form of municipal non-hazardous residual waste generated primarily in the Dublin Waste Management Region as proposed in the application.*

***Reason:** To ensure compliance with national waste management policy and with the provisions of the Dublin Waste Management Plan.'*

The planning permission requires the facility operator to source municipal non-hazardous residual waste generated **primarily** in the Dublin Waste Management Region.

**Q.36 COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE**

To ask the Chief Executive to make provision for **(Details supplied)**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.37 COUNCILLOR REBECCA MOYNIHAN**

To ask the Chief Executive to give a report on the dumping at the community garden on Reuben St and if he will provide CCTV there which is DCC property.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Local knowledge and reports from litter wardens would lead us to believe that local people are depositing garden waste and household waste at side wall of community garden leaving no evidence to link a person to the offence.

CCTV cameras are only installed at locations where a vehicle is used in the commission of an offence where the registration number is captured to identify the owners of the vehicle.

CCTV cameras would be of no benefit as the offenders would not be identifiable and no enforcement action could be taken.

**Q.38 COUNCILLOR PAUL HAND**

To ask the Chief Executive when was the last time Dublin City Council built a housing unit with its own members of staff?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Dublin City Council has not used direct labour for construction of a housing scheme for many decades. It is likely that the 1950's or 1960's was when direct labour would have last been used in the construction of dwellings.

**Q.39 COUNCILLOR PAUL HAND**

To ask the Chief Executive **(details supplied)**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.40 COUNCILLOR PAUL HAND**

To ask the Chief Executive **(details supplied)**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.41 COUNCILLOR PAUL HAND**

To ask the Chief Executive **(details supplied)**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.42 COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE**

To ask the Chief Executive to respond to **(Details supplied)**.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.43 AN TARDMHÉARA CRIONA NI DHÁLAIGH**

To ask the Chief Executive **(details supplied)**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.44 AN TARDMHÉARA CRIONA NÍ DHÁLAIGH**

To ask the Chief Executive to consider the following request (**details supplied**)

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.45 COUNCILLOR CHRIS ANDREWS**

Can the Chief Executive have the tree outside (**details supplied?**)

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.46 COUNCILLOR DAVID COSTELLO**

To ask the Chief Executive following on from (**details supplied**) can you please provide numbers by area of the tenants waiting on housing adaptation stating their category? Please define category?

Has outsourcing this work been considered?

Could the council open up the normal adaptation scheme for tenants as it is applied to tenants in the rental private sector and allow for private adaptations to be carried out funded by the adaptation grant?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.47 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN**

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for a full inspection of the boiler and heating system at (**details supplied**).

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.48 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN**

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a full list of grades and job titles within the various sections of Dublin City Council and the numbers of staff contained within these grades per year in tabular form since 2000. Can the Chief Executive also provide a breakdown of how many of these staff are working anything other than full time i.e. job sharing, 3 day week etc etc.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The chart below shows the number of employees in different categories from 2008 – 2015. Within each category, there are a range of grades, with over 300 different grades in Dublin City Council.

The figures shown are whole time equivalents (WTE), which take account of the number of worksharers. For example, the number of employees in Dublin City Council at the end of December 2015 was 5624, but when taking into account the 385 worksharers, the WTE figure is 5,308.

Prior to 2008, figures were not collated in this format.

CORE STAFF	WTE	WTE	WTE	WTE	WTE	WTE	WTE	WTE
	Dec '08	Dec '09	Dec '10	Dec '11	Dec '12	Dec '13	Dec '14	Dec '15
Managerial	53	50	45.8	42.8	39.8	40.6	37	35
Clerical/Administrative	2,252.00	1,946.90	1,923.80	1,874.70	1,819.00	1,743.70	1,693.80	1,626.00
Professional/Technical	544.6	460.4	438	419.6	403.4	406.1	400.4	395



Operational	2,966.10	2,957.40	2,828.60	2,709.80	2,535.90	2,430.40	2,359.70	2,264.60
Fulltime Firefighters	979	909	897	876	876	865	867	842
Incentive Career Break Scheme			56.9	55.9	5.6			
Contract posts	84.5	105.1	65.2	68.6	70	61	60.8	118.5
Temporary/Seasonal	52.3		43	25	23	24	27	27
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,931.50</b>	<b>6,428.80</b>	<b>6,298.30</b>	<b>6,072.40</b>	<b>5,772.70</b>	<b>5,570.80</b>	<b>5,445.70</b>	<b>5,308.00</b>

**Q.49 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN**

To ask the Chief Executive how many DCC housing schemes have been disposed of to Voluntary Bodies/Housing Associations in recent years? Can the Chief Executive give details of the arrangements of DCC staff in complexes which DCC have disposed of i.e. Fold takeover of Ballygall Road East Senior Citizens complex? Have any previously made agreements been broken with relation to outsourcing which were supposed to be protected under the Haddington Road Agreement?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Four housing schemes have been disposed of to Approved Housing Bodies in recent years. These schemes were Pim St. (PMVT) Ballygall Rd (FOLD Ireland), Hogan's Court (PMVT) and Canon Troy Court (Iveagh Trust) Nine housing schemes are currently in the process of being disposed of to Voluntary Bodies. These schemes are St. Agatha's (PMVT), St. Marys Mansions (Cluid,) Beech Hill (RDVHA), Moss St. (Co-operative Housing Ireland), Townsend St. (PMVT), Ellis Court (Tuath Housing). 7 of these schemes had been empty for a number of year

Senior Management have met the Unions in relation to this matter and regular briefings will be given to Unions in relation to any further stock transfers.

**Q.50 COUNCILLOR FRANK KENNEDY**

To ask the Chief Executive the number of Georgian buildings in Dublin, if a schedule of such buildings is available, including the number that have been lost in each of 2013, 2014 & 2015, how many are protected structures, and how many are derelict?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The City Council does not have a schedule of this information at present. To compile a schedule of Georgian buildings would require undertaking a comprehensive, building-by-building survey of the entire inner city and Georgian city-suburbs. Under the Draft Development Plan, it is intended in 2017 to commence the comprehensive survey and assessment of the city from the historic core outwards, having regard to the existing RPS, the designation of new ACAs and the recommendations of the Minister and the National Inventory of Architectural Heritage (NIAH). The first phase of this programme identifies 10 priority areas in the historic core for assessment in the period 2017-2021. It is envisaged that the survey not only include those buildings in disrepair but also those that have been restored year on year.

It should however, be noted that Dublin City Council has a Buildings at Risk Register, which is a database maintained by DCC Conservation Section of those buildings on the Record of Protected Structures (including Georgian Buildings) which are at risk i.e. at various stages of endangerment. This list, which currently comprises some 395 structures, is monitored and reviewed on an ongoing basis by the Conservation Unit of the City Council and to ensure that buildings do not get into a stage of endangerment. When finances are available DCC also use the list as a means of subventing works to ensure that the buildings are structurally secured and minimise further endangerment. For example, 53 projects, most of which are on the BAR Register, have received approval for funding from the Department of Arts, Heritage

and Gaeltacht under the Built Heritage Investment Scheme 2016, on the recommendation of the DCC Conservation Section.

**Q.51 COUNCILLOR FRANK KENNEDY**

To ask the Chief Executive why space has been cleared outside the new location of the Embassy of France on Merrion Square, Dublin 2, when this does not appear to be the case outside other countries' embassies?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The Clearway signage and road marking outside the French Embassy on Merrion Square South have been put in place as a security measure which was advised by the Gardaí.

**Q.52 COUNCILLOR FRANK KENNEDY**

To ask the Chief Executive if he will report to this Committee on the state of the traffic lanes as they cross the junction westbound between Cuffe Street and Kevin Street Lower, specifically if the merging of two lanes is safe, particularly for cyclists, since no warning is given that two lanes merge into one?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The junction of Cuffe Street/Wexford Street has moderately high traffic volumes and is signalised, this results in relatively slow vehicular speeds passing through the junction onto Kevin Street Lower. The geometry of two lanes merging into a single lane preceding the junction is not uncommon throughout Dublin City Centre and drivers yield accordingly entering Kevin Street Lower. Having observed the junction in operation no adverse problems were noted.

To highlight the presence of cyclists an additional M116 Cycle symbol is recommended before and after the junction to increase driver awareness.

**Q.53 COUNCILLOR FRANK KENNEDY**

To ask the Chief Executive if he will make a request of the Courts service to renovate the space at the side of the Four Courts on Chancery Place, Dublin 7, including removing the chains between the bollards there, so that the space is more readily useable by members of the public, and if, in the event of a positive response from the Courts Service, he will consider installing some seating at this location?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A letter has been forwarded to The Courts Service. The Councillor will be informed when a reply is received.

Substantial refurbishment has been carried out to the adjacent DCC owned chancery Park which is very well utilised.

**Q.54 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN**

Can the Chief Executive issue a full report regarding the replacement of parking meters. This report to include all locations of parking meters that were damaged within the last two years. All locations in which parking meters were vandalised. All locations where parking meter money was stolen from parking meters. All areas where the new parking meter are being installed and in what manner is the planned roll out of the new parking meters and what districts and areas will receive them first. How will the old parking meters be disposed of or sold off? Has an Garda Síochána been informed of the criminal damage to these parking meters and the theft from these parking meters. Can you supply a copy of these filed complaints, times and dates? Are these parking meters insured? And has DCC received any insurance claims and have they made any insurance claims for the replacement to the parking meters, damage to the parking meters and theft of the parking meters.

### **CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

This issue has been the subject of a previous freedom of Information request and under Section 32 (1) (a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2014 the Council refused to release details of the locations of damaged meters and the amount of money stolen from meters as to do so could reasonably be expected to prejudice or impair the prevention of offences and the security of property. There have been approximately 3,000 incidents of interference with parking meters in Dublin City Council's administrative area since 2013. These vary from incidences of vandalism, attempts to jam the coin slot, attempted robberies and robberies. This would average one incident per meter per year – there are over 1,000 meters in the Council area. The cost of repairs to meters, which includes replacement of consumables and periodic routine scheduled maintenance came to €1.27M in 2013, €1.3M in 2014 and is estimated to be around €1M in 2015. There were no costs associated with purchasing new meters in that period.

100 new meters were rolled out in the last quarter of 2015 at the following locations;

Fitzwilliam Place	Pembroke Street Lower	Francis Street
Hatch Street	Earlsfort Terrace	Peter Street
Lower	Synge Street	St. Stephen's Green
Grantham Street	Heytesbury Street	South
Mountpleasant	Elmpark Avenue	Ely Place
Avenue Upper	Brighton Square	Ely Place
Annesley Park	Ormond Quay Upper	Baggot Street Lower
Anna Villa	Ormond Quay Upper	Fenian Street
St. Albans Park	Sir John Rogerson's	Fenian Street
Strand Road (Car	Quay	Cumberland Street South
Park@ Martello	Mount Street Upper	Macken Street
Tower)	Fitzwilliam Square North	Macken Street
Strand Road	Terenure Road North	Hanover Quay
(South Car Park)	Cullenswood Park	Grand Canal Quay
Shelbourne Road	St. Stephen's Green East	Percy Place
Sir John	Fitzwilliam Square East	Lad Lane
Rogerson's Quay	King's Inns Street	Adelaide Road
City Quay	Seafort Terrace	Adelaide Road
Whitworth Place	Clonmel Street	Adelaide Road
Cabra Road	George's Place	Adelaide Road
Hollybank Road	Lindsay Road	Harcourt Terrace
St. Columba's	Wigan Road	Heytesbury Street
Road Upper	St. Ignatius' Road	Long Lane
Dorset Street	Ormond Road	Blackpitts
Lower	St. Alphonsus'	Dufferin Avenue
Rathdown Road	RoadFairview Avenue	Blackberry Lane
Grangegorman	Lower	Grosvenor Road
Lower	Marino Mart	Leinster Road
Harold Road	Railway Street	Brighton Square
Benson Street	Parnell Square North	Milltown Road
Townsend Street	Bow Street	Belmont Avenue
Herbert Street	Benburb Street	Auburn Avenue
Baggot Street	Sitric Road	Burlington Road
Lower	St. Joseph's Road	Northbrook Road
Fitzwilliam Street	Maidens Row	Northbrook Road
Upper	Grattan Crescent	Mount Street Upper
Fitzwilliam Square	South Circular Road	Fitzwilliam St. Lower.
East	James' Street	

It is proposed that over the next year the Very High Demand Yellow parking zone will be fully populated with new meters – there are approx. 400 meters in the yellow zone which stretches from Dorset Street to Leeson Street bounded by Church Street on the west and Grand Canal Street on the east.

The Council has commenced selling off old meters securing €550 + VAT each where the machines are saleable – the balance of machines will be stripped for spare parts with the carcasses being sold for scrap and a reserve of approx. 100 functioning machines will be maintained.

An Garda Síochána have been fully briefed on the issue with regular updates at both local level at a very senior level. A number of covert operations have been carried out successfully with numerous arrests and convictions. In a number of cases the Courts have also ruled that the perpetrators pay compensation to the Council. The undersigned attends court on average once a month to assist with the successful prosecution of offences and there are a number of cases pending. Due to the ongoing nature of investigations it is not possible to provide further details.

Dublin City Council is self-insured up to a limit of €325,000 for any one property damage incident so the issue of making an insurance claim does not arise.

The attached report recently presented to the Transport SPC provides further details.

**Q.55 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN**

Can the Chief Executive immediately install security cameras at the senior citizens complex in Cambridge Court? Many residents here are gravely concerned about their personal safety and their property particularly after the tragic and horrendous murder of one of the residents of this complex recently which resulted in the conviction of two individuals. The gates of this complex are not secure and CCTV footage is not evident anywhere in this particular area. Given the recent events here this complex is in urgent need of safety and security measures for its vulnerable elderly residents.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

There are seventeen senior citizens complexes in the south east area none of which has CCTV. In considering any request for CCTV a number of things must be taken into account; including establishing a need for CCTV (and confirming same with An Garda Síochána) and the cost of installing it. There have been no reports of anti-social behaviour or security infringements in Cambridge Court received in the South East Area Office.

It is not proposed to install CCTV in Cambridge Court at this time.

**Q.56 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN**

Can the Chief Executive examine the possibility of issuing guidelines and instructions for the use of social media by councillors? Certain councillors have used social media in an inappropriate abusive and bullying manner. The code of conduct for councillors in DCC must extend itself into all aspects of their conduct including that on social media forums such as Facebook and Twitter.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The Chief Executive has no role in monitoring the social media accounts of Councillors as these accounts are not in any way routed through the City Council systems. Every Member of the City Council who signs their Ethics Declaration Forms undertakes to abide by the Code of Conduct which is sent to them in January every year.

**Q.57 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN**

Can the Chief Executive initiate the process whereby the proposed plaza at College Green be designated and named Cumann na mBan Plaza in honour of the outstanding contribution Irish women made to the cause of Irish freedom.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

This is a matter for the South East Area Committee.

**Q.58 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN**

To ask the Chief Executive for a full and comprehensive update on the plans for the site at Scribblestown, Finglas South.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

In October 2015 the Minister for the Environment announced that funding would be available to develop the site at Scribblestown for social housing. This proposed development is being examined by the National Development Finance Agency who are carrying out due diligence for the site. It is also under review in the Department of the Environment Community and Local Government who are considering the nature of funding and the development model which could be best utilised to implement this proposed scheme. A Project Board and Steering Group, featuring representatives from the above mentioned organisations, is being formed to progress development of this site (and also a site in Ayrefield)

**Q.59 COUNCILLOR CIARAN CUFFE**

To ask the Chief Executive to comment on the rise of short term let apartments such as booking.com and AirBnB at the expense in some instances of long term residents and to indicate how this can be addressed under the planning codes such as the judgement in McMahon v Dublin Corporation 1996

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The planning question here is whether a change of use is involved from a residential use to short term let accommodation use and the answer will depend on the particular circumstances of each case. A bedroom that is let out for a few days in the year with the full-time resident also in occupation at the time would not likely be a change of use. However, entire apartment/s that are let out continuously would seem to be a change of use from residential to commercial aparthotel-type use.

The McMahon case related to the full time letting of a building for commercial purposes as opposed to occasional use of part of a premises.

In the McMahon case there was a condition in the permission as follows:

*No part of the proposed houses or apartments shall be used for non- residential purposes such as offices, surgeries or consulting rooms.*

In the absence of such a condition a property should be used for the purpose for which it was built and ancillary uses, and this can be determined from an examination of the documents furnished at planning stage.

**Q.60 COUNCILLOR CIARAN CUFFE**

To ask the Chief Executive whether he can make available on the City Council's website the agenda and minutes of Strategic Policy Committees."

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Under the Transparency Code outlined in The Regulation of Lobbying Act 2015 Dublin City Council are obliged to publish the agenda and minutes of SPC meetings on its website. Below are the links to each SPC whose documentation can be viewed online:

- [Arts, Culture and Recreation SPC](#)
- [Environment SPC](#)
- [Finance SPC](#)
- [Planning, International Relations and Property Development SPC](#)
- [Transportation SPC](#)

The Housing SPC and the Economic Development and Enterprise SPC are currently in the process of making their meeting documentation available on the web.

**Q.61 COUNCILLOR CIARAN CUFFE**

To ask the Chief Executive whether any bonds are in place or drawn down by Dublin City Council for the remediation of the Longboat Quay Development.”

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE’S REPLY:**

There are no bonds in place or drawn down by the Dublin Docklands Development Authority for the remediation of the Longboat Quay Development.

**Q.62 COUNCILLOR CIARAN CUFFE**

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a list of all lands under the ownership of Dublin City Council outside the Council’s functional area.”

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE’S REPLY:**

List of properties owned or leased by Dublin City Council outside its functional area attached.

No	Lands/Properties owned by DCC in Fingal County Council	Current Utilisation	Lessee/Licensee	Plans for Disposal
1	Sutton Golf Club Burrow Road	Lease granted by DCC for 75 yrs from 30.3.1966	Sutton Golf Club	-
2	Baldoyle Youth Club Grange Road Baldoyle	Lease granted by DCC for 65 yrs from 1.11.2004	Baldoyle Youth Club	-
3	Baldoye Industrial Estate - approx 25 Sites	Leases granted by DCC for 99 yrs from 1970s	Details in Property Management	-
4	Site at Baskin Court Stockhole/Baskin Clonshaugh Road	Traveller's Site	N/A	Proposed exchange with Fingal CC
5	Land at Stockhole/ Baskin Clonshaugh Road	Conacre Licence granted by DCC for 10 mths from 15.3.2015	Ronan Snow	Yes
6	Sports ground Ballymun United FC St. Margaret's Road	Lease granted by DCC for 35 yrs from 1.12.2008	Ballymun United FC	-
7	IKEA Site (New) St. Margaret's Road	Lease granted by DCC for 999 yrs from 1.1.2006	IKEA	-
8	Sillogue Golf Course Ballymun	Golf Course	N/A	No
9	Site for Fire Station Stephenstown Industrial Park Balbriggan	Acquired for DCC Environment & Engineering Dept.	N/A	No
10	Lands at Meakstown ( Acquired by BRL in 2001)	Occupied by Dogs Trust Charity & Equestrian Centre	N/A	-
11	Baltray ( Former Roads Depot) Howth	Former Roads Depot	N/A	Being transferred to Fingal County Council
12	Site adjoining St Peter & Paul Church Main Street Baldoyle	vacant site	N/A	To be transferred to Fingal County Council
13	Lands at Ballymun	vacant lands	N/A	-

14	Lands at Damastown/Macetown Blanchardstown	Transferred to Fingal County Council on 50/50 Agreement Basis	N/A	No
15	Part of Mountview House Shelerin Road Clonsilla	Lease granted by DCC for 10 yrs from 29.9.2001	Mountview Youth & Family Centre	
<b>No</b>	<b>Lands/Properties owned by DCC in South Dublin County Council</b>			
1	Ballyboden Water Treatment Plant Stocking Lane Rathfarnham	Water Treatment Plant	N/A	To be Transferred to Irish Water
2	Boherboy Reservoir Slade Road Saggart	Reservoir	N/A	-
3	Land adjoining Boherboy Reservoir Slade Road Saggart	Licence granted by DCC for 9 mths from 1.3.2015 for hay making	John Kelly	-
4	Ballyowen House Lucan	Occupied by the HSE	N/A	To be sold to HSE
5	Rowlagh Community Centre Liscarne Gardens Clondalkin	Lease granted by DCC for 99 yrs from 15.5.1991	SDCC	-
6	Part of open space at Raheen Close/Whitebrook Park Tallaght	Part of open space	N/A	To be transferred to South Dublin County Council
7	Site at Calmount Road Walkinstown	vacant site	N/A	To be transferred to South Dublin County Council
8	Site at Old Blessington Road Tallaght Village	vacant site	N/A	To be transferred to South Dublin County Council
<b>No</b>	<b>Lands/Properties owned by DCC in South Dublin County Council</b>			
9	Strip of land at Newlands Road Old Lucan	Pathway adj. open space linking Griffeen Road to Ballyowen Road	N/A	To be transferred to South Dublin County Council
10	Fire Station Site Belgard Road Tallaght	Occupied by DCC Fire Brigade	N/A	No
11	Land at Tallaght Town Centre	Transferred to South Dublin County Council on 50/50 Agreement Basis	N/A	-
12	Bohernabreena Reservoir Tallaght	Reservoir	N/A	To be Transferred to Irish Water
<b>No</b>	<b>Lands/Properties owned by DCC in Dun Laoghaire/Rathdown County Council</b>			
1	Stillorgan Reservoir	Reservoir	N/A	To be Transferred to Irish Water
<b>No</b>	<b>Lands/Properties owned by DCC in Wicklow County Council</b>			
1	Roundwood Reservoir	Reservoir	N/A	To be Transferred to Irish Water
<b>No</b>	<b>Lands/Properties Rented /Leased by DCC in Fingal County Council</b>	<b>Current Utilisation</b>	<b>Leased to DCC by</b>	
1	DCC Fire Brigade premises - Boylan's Garage Dublin Road Skerries	DCC is Leasing this property for 20 years from 1.8.2012	James Boylan	
<b>No</b>	<b>Lands/Properties Rented /Leased by DCC in South Dublin County Council</b>			
1	Former Clondalkin Motor Tax Office Ninth Lock Road D.22.	DCC is Leasing this property for 20 years from 8.9.1999 - Sub-Lease to be granted by DCC to the OPW	Raconteur Limited	

**QUESTIONS 63 TO 66 WITHDRAWN DUE TO CLLR ELECTED TO DAIL EIREANN.**

**Q.67 COUNCILLOR RAY MCHUGH**

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for an inspection of **(details supplied)** as the residents are concerned with dampness in the house.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.68 COUNCILLOR MICHAEL O'BRIEN**

To ask the Chief Executive **(Details supplied)**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.69 COUNCILLOR MICHAEL O'BRIEN**

To ask the Chief Executive if it is not the normal practice for boiler servicing charges to be integrated into the rent charged to Dublin City Council tenants and specifically what **(Details supplied)**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.70 COUNCILLOR MICHAEL O'BRIEN**

To ask the Chief Executive to report on the anticipated schedule of the refurbishment of all of Priory Hall and how many units of each phase of refurbishment be allocated to people on the housing list and whether **(details supplied)**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.71 COUNCILLOR MICHAEL O'BRIEN**

To ask the Chief Executive if inspections can be carried out at the Sunny bank Hotel some of whose emergency accommodation residents have complained to me about damp, mould and the overall standard of cleanliness.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

In relation to the Sunny bank Hotel, a maintenance schedule is currently in place, which includes the painting of the entire hotel, the upgrade of floor covering in bedrooms and the dry lining of internal walls facing the external façade of the building. The majority of these works are now complete. A member of our Facilities Management Team will now carry out a full inspection of the property to approve these works which cover areas including condensation build up and the general upkeep/cleanliness of the hotel.

Dublin City Council's Homeless Services Facilities Management work to ensure that all homeless service providers meet the necessary standards to make certain that the welfare and safety requirements of residents are managed.

Each accommodation unit must meet health standards as outlined by the Environmental Health Officer (EHO).



If complaints are made with regard to any aspect of homeless services they are investigated thoroughly and the organisation/owner or operator are met by City Council Officials to ensure the appropriate action is taken.

**Q.72 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON**

To ask the Chief Executive to have the following looked into Mary Queen of Angels School 2 recently received a water rates bill for €6,000 euro for 3 months School 1 similar School €550 water rates bill it now appears there were water leaks as residents from rossaveal court DCC older persons complex on Drumfinn Road Ballyfermot Dublin 10 said water is coming into their complex for the last few years. The School had the leak fixed however another major leak was found and is being fixed. This water bill cannot be paid as it would take the whole non pay budget of the school which is a DEIS designated disadvantaged school. I am asking DCC to waive the charges & bill as in its sister school €550.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The above query is not a matter for Dublin City Council.

All water supply queries should go to [localrepsupport@water.ie](mailto:localrepsupport@water.ie)

**Q.73 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON**

Can the Chief Executive ask EIR formally known as Eircom to come up with a removal or a maintenance plan for coin boxes around the city & suburbs they are currently falling apart, are filthy & many handsets don't work I recently went into a coin box outside a new dealz outlet in Thomas Street it was in a shocking state 2 weeks later it was exactly the same, coin boxes have doors broken, panels missing & are never repaired. I am asking they repair, maintain or remove another example is the coin boxes outside the old Health Centre Ballyfermot Road next to the Ballyfermot Civic Centre.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

This question has been referred to Eir for response, who are responsible for the maintenance, removal and relocation of their assets. On receipt of the Eir response, I will forward same to the councillor.

**Q.74 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON**

Can the Chief Executive please have the following looked into **(details supplied)**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.75 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON**

Can the Chief Executive please look at **(details supplied)?**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.76 COUNCILLOR ANDREW MONTAGUE**

Will the Chief Executive fix the footpath outside 696 Collins Avenue? Water pools at the entrance to this house.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

This issue will be investigated by the Road Maintenance Department and a reply issued to the Councillor.

**Q.77 COUNCILLOR ANDREW MONTAGUE**

Will the Chief Executive make the gap between Shangan and Shanliss Grove Wheelchair friendly?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Road Maintenance will install a disabled dishing at this location, subject to the earliest availability of a road maintenance crew in the area.

**Q.78 COUNCILLOR ANDREW MONTAGUE**

Will the Chief Executive fix the floors at **(details supplied)** to make them level. Two of the residents in the house are in wheelchairs, and they find it difficult to get around the uneven surfaces

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.79 COUNCILLOR ANDREW MONTAGUE**

Will the Chief Executive check **(details supplied)**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.80 COUNCILLOR EMMA MURPHY**

To ask the Chief Executive, **(details supplied):**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.81 COUNCILLOR EMMA MURPHY**

To ask the Chief Executive, **(details supplied):**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.82 COUNCILLOR EMMA MURPHY**

To ask the Chief Executive, **(details supplied):**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.83 COUNCILLOR EMMA MURPHY**

To ask the Chief Executive, **(details supplied):**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.84 COUNCILLOR JANICE BOYLAN**

Can the Chief Executive provide me with a detailed list of how many houses and flats we have unoccupied at the moment waiting to be allocated. I would like the figures for all of Dublin Central.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

There are currently 34 vacant units in the Central area as indicated in the chart below:

**Houses**

No of Beds	No of Vacant Units	Being Refurbished	For Refurbishment
1	2	0	2
2	3	2	1

#### Senior Citizen Units

No of Beds	No of Vacant Units	Being Refurbished	For Refurbishment
1	3	3	

#### Apartments

No of Beds	No of Vacant Units	Being Refurbished	For Refurbishment
0	6	2	4
1	7	2	5
2	12	10	2
3	1	1	

**Q.85 COUNCILLOR JANICE BOYLAN**

Can the Chief Executive provide with me a time frame when the backlogs of TAG requests are likely to be completed? Taking into consideration the amount of time it takes to get a TAG request from 1 to 5.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The time frame would be 10 months to clear the TAG requests agenda currently estimated at over 1000 items. This time frame is dependent on an average of 100 reports being submitted monthly by the traffic engineers across the 5 electoral areas.

However, it should be noted that as additional items for examination are received then the time frame increases. Currently we are receiving on average over 100 additional items each month. It should be further noted that we have just come through a period where a number of Engineering posts have been vacant for some time. These have now been filled and we are back to our full Engineering complement so accelerated progress on the backlog should be possible.

**Q.86 COUNCILLOR JANICE BOYLAN**

Can the Chief Executive provide me with the contact details of the contractors we use for Window repairs/replacement in our flat complexes?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Window repairs/replacement to City Council dwellings are in general carried out by City Council staff. Replacement windows are manufactured in our Joinery Workshop. In some circumstances depending on resources private contractors are engaged. If the Councillor wishes to identify a specific dwelling where repairs are required arrangements will be made to investigate what is required.

**Q.87 COUNCILLOR JOHN LYONS**

To ask the Chief Executive to transfer two of our tenants, **(details supplied)**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.88 COUNCILLOR JOHN LYONS**

To ask the Chief Executive to survey the paths around McAuley Park, Artane and carry out all necessary repairs to the badly damaged pavements to be found in the area.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The Roads Maintenance Division completed a survey of this location. Localised repairs have been scheduled when a crew is next available in the area.

**Q.89 COUNCILLOR JOHN LYONS**

To ask the Chief Executive to survey the paths around the Snowdrop Walk area of Darndale and carry out all necessary repairs to the badly damaged pavements to be found in the area.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The Roads Maintenance Division completed a survey of this location. Localised repairs have been scheduled when a crew is next available in the area.

**Q.90 COUNCILLOR JOHN LYONS**

To ask the Chief Executive to explain why **(details supplied)**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.91 COUNCILLOR CATHERINE ARDAGH**

To ask the Chief Executive to set out the procedure for removal and relocation of Eir boxes from outside residential homes **(details supplied)**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.92 COUNCILLOR CATHERINE ARDAGH**

To ask the Chief Executive to have the roads and footpaths swept and cleaned on a regular basis in Somerville Drive as they are a hazard to the many elderly people in the area **(details supplied)**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.93 COUNCILLOR CATHERINE ARDAGH**

To ask the Chief Executive to install public lighting on Clonmacnoise Green in the interest of safety of local people **(details supplied)**.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.94 COUNCILLOR CATHERINE ARDAGH**

To ask the Chief Executive to examine the possibility of installing a 'Pay and Display' parking area for a small number of cars on the **(details supplied)** between **(details supplied)** and **(details supplied)**. Presently cars are parked at random and are blocking the driveway of **(details supplied)** that has a wheelchair bound invalid in the house and needs access to her driveway at all times.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**QUESTIONS 95 TO 98 WITHDRAWN DUE TO CLLR ELECTED TO DAIL EIREANN.**

**Q.99 COUNCILLOR DAITHI DOOLAN**

To ask the Chief Executive for an update on phase 2 of the insulation of council houses, when do we expect funding to be released & will DCC consider prioritising Lower Ballyfermot?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Funding for phase two has yet to be announced by the Department of Environment Community and Local Government (D.o.E.C.L.G.) It is envisaged that the D.o.E.C.L.G will announce details of funding for phase two in 2016. Consequently, D.C.C. is not in a position to schedule any works for this phase of the insulation programme at present.

**Q.100 COUNCILLOR DAITHI DOOLAN**

To ask the Chief Executive to ensure DCC will resurface the remaining part of Cherry Orchard Avenue as soon as possible?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Road Maintenance Services carried out an inspection of the carriageway on Cherry Orchard Avenue between the junction of Cherry Orchard Avenue and Blackditch Road and the roundabout outside the Equine centre. The carriageway on this section of Cherry Orchard Avenue is in good condition. Resurfacing is not required. The speed ramps located on this section of Cherry Orchard Avenue have been proposed for replacement by contract.

**Q.101 COUNCILLOR DAITHI DOOLAN**

To ask the Chief Executive for an update on **(details supplied)**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.102 COUNCILLOR DAITHI DOOLAN**

To ask the Chief Executive for an update on traffic calming for the Cherry Orchard area?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A request was received in July 2015 from a public representative for traffic calming measures on Cherry Orchard Avenue, Dublin 10.

This request is listed for examination and report by the Traffic Advisory Group. The Councillor will be informed of the recommendation in due course.

**Q.103 COUNCILLOR GREG KELLY**

To ask the Chief Executive **(Details supplied)**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.104 COUNCILLOR GREG KELLY**

To ask the Chief Executive **(details supplied)**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.105 COUNCILLOR GREG KELLY**

To ask the Chief Executive **(details supplied)**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.106 COUNCILLOR GREG KELLY**

To ask the Chief Executive (**details supplied**)

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.107 COUNCILLOR TINA MACVEIGH**

To ask the Chief Executive to install school/pedestrian crossing alert signage along the Upper Rathmines rd on either side of the Kildare Place School at 96 Upper Rathmines rd. The school Parent's Association have requested the installation of such signage following a number of incidents where cars failed to stop once the Lollipop lady had commenced crossing the street and as such putting children in particular, but pedestrians generally in danger at school starting and finishing times.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A request for additional advisory signage on both approaches to Kildare Place School and for flashing lights outside the school are already listed for examination and report by the Area Traffic Engineer.

A request for a zebra crossing at the school is already listed for examination and report by the Traffic Advisory Group. The councillor will be informed of the recommendation in due course.

**Q.108 COUNCILLOR TINA MACVEIGH**

To ask Chief Executive to install a cycle lane running from top of Dame Street (Parliament Street end) through to O'Connell bridge on both sides of the road (where appropriate). This section of the road is extensively used by public vehicles that often pull into the side of the road (taxis and buses stopping) with little regard for cyclists.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Dublin City Council is currently developing proposals for Dame Street/College Green/Westmoreland Corridor to improve the environment for pedestrians and cyclists as well as providing for the required bus movements and operation of Luas Cross City.

**Q.109 COUNCILLOR TINA MACVEIGH**

To ask Chief Executive for a full report on works currently being completed or planned at our tenant's home at number (**details supplied**)

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

**Q.110 COUNCILLOR TINA MACVEIGH**

To ask the Chief Executive to provide this Councillor with a full list of both functioning and currently vacant/not in use council depots on the south side of the city to include depot location, depot site footprint and a map indicating the location of all of these depots.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A list of the operational depots on the south side of the City is below:

## South City Depot Locations

Address	Dept	Site Acres
65-67 Marrowbone Lane, Liberties, Dublin 8.	Drainage (SLA & Non SLA)	1.63
68-70 Marrowbone Lane, Liberties, Dublin 8.	Water	2.63
Stillorgan Reservoir	Water (SLA)	0.29
Ballyboden Pipe Storage	Water (SLA)	2.74
Gulistan Terrace, Rathmines, Dublin 6.	Waste Management	2.85
Davitt Road, Inchicore, Dublin 12	Waste Management	1.09
Sweeneys Terrace, Liberties, Dublin 8.	Waste Management	0.19
Kylemore Park North, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10.	Waste Management	0.17
Bow Lane, Bow Lane East, Dublin 2.	Waste Management	0.12
Unit 13A Cherry Orchard Ind Estate, D10	Housing Maintenance	1.29
Kylemore Park South, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10.	Housing Maintenance Stores	0.93
25-31 Garryowen Road, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10.	Housing Maintenance	0.20
Sundrive Road, Crumlin, Dublin 12.	Housing Maintenance	0.12
61-64 Marrowbone Lane, Liberties, Dublin 8.	Public Lighting	2.59
Marrowbone Lane, Liberties, Dublin 8.	Road Maintenance	1.28
29 Cherry Orchard Industrial Estate, Dublin 10	Traffic	0.88
St. Patrick's Park, Dublin 8	Parks	within Park
Merrion Square, Dublin 2	Parks	within Park
Bushy Park, Terenure, Dublin 6	Parks	within Park
Brickfields Park, Crumlin, Dublin 12	Parks	within Park
Walkinstown Park, Dublin 12	Parks	within Park
Long Meadows Pitch & Putt, Chapelizod Dublin 10	Parks	within Park
Le Fanu Park, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10	Parks	within Park

## South City Depot Locations

Address	Dept	Site Acres
Harolds Cross (Lock Up), Dublin 6	Parks	within Park
Eamonn Ceannt Park, Crumlin, Dublin 12	Parks	within Park
Herbert Park, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4	Parks	within Park
St. Audeons, Dublin 8	Parks	within Park
Willie Pearse, Windmill Road, Dublin 12	Parks	within

		Park
Stannaway Park, Crunlin, Dublin 12	Parks	within Park
Ringsend Irishrown	Parks	within Park

There is a small depot in Mulberry Lane that was in use by Waste Management  
This is 140 m2.

**Q.111 COUNCILLOR CLAIRE BYRNE**

To ask the Chief Executive to ensure that the cycle counter at Grove Road Dublin 6 is put back in service at the earliest opportunity.”

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE’S REPLY:**

The cycle counters were not installed and are not maintained by Dublin City Council  
The counters were originally purchased and installed by the National Transport Authority (NTA) the NTA are currently viewing the operation and maintenance of these cycle counters.

**Q.112 COUNCILLOR CLAIRE BYRNE**

To ask the Chief Executive whether he can consider installing pedestrian operated signals at each leg of Grove Road, Parnell Road, Harold’s Cross Road and the R137.”

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE’S REPLY:**

The above request falls within the scope of the Grand Canal Premium Cycleway Project. The Environment and Transportation Department is awaiting an overarching Ecological Impact Assessment and Biodiversity Impact Assessment of the entire Grand Canal Corridor. This report requires input from other Local Authorities where the Grand Canal traverses their areas. It is anticipated that these reports will be completed in the first quarter of 2016. Notwithstanding the above, the section in Dublin City Council’s area, between Portobello and Blackhorse, is currently being finalised for the Part 8 planning process, subject to the approval of Waterways Ireland and the National Transport Authority.

**Q.113 COUNCILLOR CLAIRE BYRNE**

To ask the Chief Executive if he will arrange a meeting with the staff and members of Block T as a matter of urgency with a view to working with them in order to find a suitable alternative location for the 120 artists and creative's that work there and are under threat of losing their studio space due to increased rent and redevelopment of their current premises'

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE’S REPLY:**

The Art’s Office had been in contact with Block T in late November and early December 2015 in regard to the imminent closure of the space and an invitation for them get back in contact in the new year was made at that time. Another invitation has since been extended and a representative from the Arts Office will meet them as soon as they can confirm availability. While the Arts Office continues to support artists in their attempts to access suitable spaces, the closure of a large number of studios in the last few years, the decrease in the amount of spaces available and increasing cost mean that the situation in regard to artist spaces across the city remains largely unchanged at this time.