



**NOTIFICATION TO ATTEND MEETING OF THE TRANSPORTATION SPC
TO BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, DAME STREET, DUBLIN 2.
ON WEDNESDAY 4 JULY 2018 AT 3.00 PM**

AGENDA

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9	Motion in the name of Councillor Patrick Costello: "That this committee agrees to undertake a pilot study, including broad public consultation, of "School Streets" where the streets around a school temporarily become pedestrians and cycles only at set times in the morning and afternoon around opening and closing of the school. Vehicles, with some exemptions, are not permitted to enter the street between these times. Such School streets have been trialed in other countries and would help ensure safe and sustainable routes to schools."	

10 Motion in the name of Councillor Ciaran O' Moore, Councillor Larry O'Toole and Councillor Ray McHugh:

"In light of the recent revelations in the media in relation to rickshaws, I would propose that this transport SPC request that Minister Shane Ross carries out an immediate safety review with the view to implementing and introducing robust regulations for rickshaws within a short timeframe."

11 Motion in the name of Councillor Ciarán Cuffe:

"That the 'green man' period at pedestrian signals throughout the city centre be increased by one second in order to better facilitate more vulnerable road users who would benefit from additional crossing time."

12 Motion in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney **(regarding part 1)**:

"Following a recent successful prosecution by Gardai in a court case involving animal cruelty against a carriage horse owner in Dublin, and in order to reduce/eliminate cruelty to horses in our city, that Dublin City Council:

1. Review its Horse Drawn Carriages bye-laws,
2. Work with An Garda Síochána, the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine, the DSPCA, the Control of Horses Act 1996, Dublin City Council's Control of Horses Bye-laws 2014 in order to bring about greater enforcement of existing legislation and
3. Arrange the introduction of routine welfare checks of horses (including checks on harnessing etc) by a qualified equine veterinarian or suitably qualified authorised officer."

(The Motion was referred to the Arts, Culture and Recreation SPC in relation to parts 2 and 3).

13 Motion in the name of Councillor Paddy Smyth: "This committee calls on the Minister for Transport to amend the Road Traffic Act to allow for the introduction of 'Living Streets' i.e. traffic restrictions on urban residential streets similar to those used in Germany (Spielstraße) and the Netherlands (Woonerf) in which pedestrians/cyclists are prioritised over motor vehicles."

Background: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Living_street

A living street is a street designed primarily with the interests of pedestrians and cyclists in mind and as a social space where people can meet and where children may also be able to play legally and safely. These roads are still available for use by motor vehicles, however their design aims to reduce both the speed and dominance of motorised transport. This is often achieved using the shared space approach, with greatly reduced demarcations between vehicle traffic and pedestrians. Vehicle parking may also be restricted to designated bays



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Motion in the name of Councillor Dermot Lacey: "To request management to prepare a report on the possibility of installing Disabled Cycle Parking facilities."



MINUTES OF THE TRANSPORTATION SPC MEETING

**HELD ON THURSDAY 19 April, 2018 AT 3.00 P.M.
IN COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, DUBLIN 2**

- 1 Minutes of meeting held on 7th February, 2018

Minutes agreed.

Mr Colm Ryder said that the matter of cyclist collisions on Luas tracks, as referred to by him at the February meeting under Item 3, was not listed in the Minutes of 7th February, 2018. Minutes amended accordingly.

- 2 Metrolink - presentation by Ms Anne Graham, CEO, National Transport Authority

Ms Anne Graham, CEO, NTA, gave an overview of the proposed key public transport projects, and Mr Aidan Foley, Project Director Metrolink, gave a presentation on the proposed Metrolink. Members raised a wide range of issues. Ms Graham and Mr Foley replied in detail. Mr Foley said that concerns raised during the public consultation process for Metrolink are being listened to and will be addressed and incorporated into further emerging designs, including disability access to stations. Details of the Metrolink project are available at www.metrolink.ie; The Chairperson thanked Ms Graham and Mr Foley for their presentation.

Presentation noted.

- 3 College Green - verbal update

Mr Brendan O'Brien, a/Executive Manager (Traffic), reported on the recent An Bord Pleanála oral hearing in relation to College Green. A decision is expected from An Bord Pleanála in August/September of this year. Over 100 buses an hour have been removed from College Green in peak time and a 3 hour ban on southbound taxis is in place Monday to Friday, which have considerably alleviated but not fully addressed issues. The City Council will look at what can be done to reduce delays for pedestrians at College Green. It will look also at signaling arrangements in the area, alternative routes and possible solutions for issues that have arisen on the alternative routes impacting buses, such as on Tara Street. Mr O'Brien said also that he would welcome increased enforcement of College Green by the Gardaí.

Update noted.

4 Draft Dublin City Council Special Speed Limit Bye-Laws 2018

Mr Dermot Stevenson, a/Senior Executive Engineer, reported on the proposed Dublin City Council Special Speed Limit Bye-Laws 2018, which propose to expand the 30 km/h zones in the city, including periodic speed limits outside a number of schools. Mr Stevenson responded to issues raised by Members. 30 km/h roundels are to be painted on the road at certain locations. The City Council will do more assessments on speeds later in the year and will look at what interventions can be done where compliance is an issue. The scope for interventions will be subject to budget and the road. In response to the Chairperson, a 40km/h speed limit on arterial routes within the canals will be examined after the 30 km/h speed limits have settled in.

It was agreed to refer the Draft Dublin City Council Special Speed Limit Bye-Laws 2018 to the City Council for approval to initiate the public consultation process.

5 Strategic Plan for Coach Parking in Dublin City Council Administrative Area - presentation

Mr Andy Walsh, Senior Engineer, gave an update on coach parking. There are 30 coach parking areas in the city, for 90 coaches, and 50 spaces in the new NTA coach park. It is proposed to reduce the amount of on-street coach parking - with the new coach park, there will be a net increase overall in parking by circa 20%. Usage of the coach park is low at present and the facility will require greater promotion. All on-street coach parking will be chargeable in due course and Bye-Laws will be brought to the SPC later this year in this regard.

Report noted.

6 4-axle vehicles and the HGV Permit system - presentation

Mr Brendan O'Brien, a/Executive Manager (Traffic), gave a presentation on this item. Mr O'Brien outlined the operation of the current permit system since its introduction in 2007. Design work is starting on a review of the HGV permit system, to take into account 4 axle vehicles accessing private houses, and the use also of smaller axle-size vehicles for certain areas such as Grafton Street. Mr O'Brien noted also that the new HGV permit checker app may possibly launch during the summer, following testing.

Presentation noted.

7 Electric Vehicle Charging for residents of terraced houses or apartments

Item deferred to next meeting of the Transportation SPC

8 National Transport Authority Capital Project funding 2018

Item deferred to next meeting of the Transportation SPC

9 Public Realm Strategy implementation - verbal update

Item deferred to next meeting of the Transportation SPC

10 Smart Phone Usage in Public

Item deferred to next meeting of the Transportation SPC

11 Minutes of Cycling and Walking Sub-Committee meeting held on 18th January, 2018

Cycling and Walking Sub-Committee Minutes noted.

12 Motion in the name of Councillor Paul Hand: "That this SPC requests that Dublin City Council improve their traffic monitoring of Bus Lanes and requests that An Garda Siochana increase enforcement of private vehicles using the bus lane. To this end we request that this motion be sent to the CEO Owen Keegan and the Garda Commissioner for their due consideration."

It was agreed to forward a report to the Councillor.

13 Motion in the name of Mr. Martin Hoey, Public Participation Network:

"To assist in on street decluttering of poles on footpaths can the following be agreed:

1. There there is a bus shelter and real time pole that the real time unit is integrated inside the shelter as is the case in Belfast for example and also where a bus stop pole and real time pole are together that the bus stop pole be removed and the stop headplate be attached to the realtime pole.

2. That all speed limit poles be removed and instead the speeds be written clearly on the roadway. If this is approved then it would result in several hundred poles being removed from the city's footpaths which benefits people with disabilities and the older element of the population the most."

Mr Brendan O'Brien, a/Executive Manager (Traffic), in response to part 1, said that the decision was made at the time not to combine real time units with bus shelters due to possible vandalism. The units, which are two-sided, were placed on poles to be seen from either side.

Report will be forwarded to Mr Hoey.

14 **AOB:**

In relation to the request for an update on stationless bikes, Mr Kevin Meade, Senior Executive Officer, said that 18th April, 2018, was the closing date for applications from operators. Five high quality applications were received. An Assessment Board was formed today (19th April, 2018) and the first licenses are expected to be issued in early May, 2018.

Councillor Ciaran Cuffe

Chairperson

Thursday 19th April, 2018

Attendance:

SPC Members:

Cllr Ciarán Cuffe, Chairperson; Cllr Tom Brabazon; Cllr Mannix Flynn; Cllr Paul Hand; Cllr Teresa Keegan, Cllr Frank Kennedy; Cllr Paddy McCartan; Cllr Ruairí McGinley; Cllr Ray McHugh; Cllr Ciarán O'Moore, Cllr Paddy Smyth.

Ms Fiona Kelty, National Council for the Blind of Ireland; Mr Frank Mulligan, Irish Road Haulage Association; Mr Richard Guiney, Dublin City Business Improvement District t/a Dublin Town; Mr Keith Gavin, Irish Parking Association; Mr Martin Hoey, Public Participation Network; Mr Colm Ryder, Dublin Cycling Campaign; Mr Barry Aldworth, AA Ireland Ltd.

Apologies: --

Dublin City Council Staff:

Mr Brendan O'Brien, Acting Executive Manager (Traffic); Ms Céline Reilly, Executive Manager; Mr Kevin Meade, Senior Executive Officer; Mr Frank Lambe, Senior Executive Officer; Ms Siobhan Maher, Administrative Officer.

Mr Andy Walsh, Senior Engineer, Transportation Operations; Mr Dermot Stevenson, a/Senior Executive Engineer; Mr William Mangan, a/Senior Executive Engineer; Mr Neil O'Donoghue, Executive ITS Officer, Traffic Management and Control.

Mr Stephen Hickey, Senior Staff Officer; Ms Mary Boyle, Staff Officer; Mr Michael Mann, Staff Officer; Mr Fergal McKay, Assistant Staff Officer, Mr. Patrick Davis, Clerical Officer;

National Transport Authority: Ms Anne Graham, CEO; Mr Dermot O'Gara, Head of Public Affairs.

Transport Infrastructure Ireland: Mr Aidan Foley, Project Director Metrolink; Mr Peter Walsh, Director Capital Programme Management.

Table A: Dublin City Council

Sustainable Transport Measures Grants: 2018 Allocation		
Project Code:	Project Name	2018 Allocation
<u>Dublin City Council</u>		
DCC/12/0003	Hole in the Wall Jct Improvement Scheme	€200,000
DCC/12/0005	Royal Canal Cycle Scheme: Phase 2	€1,000,000
DCC/12/0006	Newcomen Bridge	€150,000
DCC/12/0007	Royal Canal Cycle Scheme: Phase 3	€250,000
DCC/12/0008	Liffey Cycle Route	€25,000
DCC/12/0010	DublinBikes Expansion Programme	€400,000
DCC/12/0018	Point Jct Improvement Scheme	€125,000
DCC/12/0024	Grand Canal Cycle Scheme	€80,000
DCC/12/0025	Heuston to Chapelizod Greenway	€25,000
DCC/12/0033	Clontarf to City Centre Cycle Scheme	€300,000
DCC/12/0035	Dodder Cycle Scheme (Project Concept and Options Selection)	€150,000
DCC/18/0001	Dodder Works at Herbert Park (Detailed Design and Construction)	€400,000
DCC/12/0048	High Density Cycle Parking	€450,000
DCC/13/0012	AVL Bus Priority Projects	€200,000
DCC/13/0014	Royal Canal Cycle Scheme: Phase 4	€200,000
DCC/13/0019	On - Street Cycle Parking Programme (Batch 5 - 220 stands)	€150,000
DCC/13/0022	MID Pedestrian Improvements Winetavern St	€25,000
DCC/14/0001	Clonskeagh to City Centre	€75,000
DCC/14/0005	Safety Improvement - Grand Canal Scheme	€50,000

Sustainable Transport Measures Grants: 2018 Allocation

Project Code:	Project Name	2018 Allocation
<u>Dublin City Council</u>		
DCC/14/0011	South Campshires	€10,000
DCC_14_0013	DPTIM Civil Interventions	€100,000
DCC/16/0001	East Link Bridge Studies	€10,000
DCC/18/0002	Point Pedestrian and Cycle Bridge (New 2018 Application)	€30,000
DCC/18/0003	Blood Stoney Bridge (New 2018 Application)	€25,000
DCC/18/0004	Dodder PT Opening Bridge (New 2018 Application)	€70,000
DCC/16/0003	City Centre Study Proposals - Various	€100,000
DCC/16/0004	City Centre Orbital Junctions	€75,000
DCC/16/0005	Luas Cross City - Associated Traffic Changes including Cycling interventions	€600,000
DCC/16/0006	College Green	€250,000
	2-Way Cycling Facilities at College Green	€150,000
DCC/17/0001	Bus Lanes North and South Quays	€50,000
DCC/17/0002	Asset Renewal - Cycle Markings	€10,000
DCC/17/0003	Asset Renewal - Bus Markings	€10,000
DCC/17/0006	Park Lane - North Wall Quay Jct Improvements	€200,000
DCC/17/0007	RTPI Programme	€250,000
	RTPI Programme - Phase 13	€200,000
DCC/17/0008	Fitzwilliam St Cycle Route	€500,000
DCC/17/0009	Harold's Cross Bridge Transport Study	€50,000

Sustainable Transport Measures Grants: 2018 Allocation

Project Code:	Project Name	2018 Allocation
<u>Dublin City Council</u>		
<u>New Projects</u>		
DCC/18/0005	South William Street Cycle Route	€200,000
DCC/18/0006	Broadstone Plaza	€1,000,000
DCC/18/0007	Cycling (Quick-Wins) Infrastructural Improvement Works	€100,000
DCC/18/0008	Rueben St: Pedestrian Crossing link to St James's Campus	€30,000
Total		€8,275,000

Item No. 4

Report to the Chairperson and Members of the Transportation Strategic Policy Committee

Report on Electric Vehicle Charging for residents of terraced houses or apartments

**Dublin City Council
Environment and Transportation Department
Civic Offices
Wood Quay,
Dublin 8**

Kevin Meade
Senior Executive Officer

April 2018

At the Transportation Strategic Policy Committee meeting of the 27th September, 2017, the following Motion in the name of Councillor Ciaran Cuffe was agreed:

“That the Manager prepare a report on options for how the City Council might provide for the charging of electric vehicles owned by residents in terraced houses or apartments who are unable to charge their vehicles at home, and for how the City Council might further support electric vehicles such as the provision of charging both on street and in other locations, and other regulatory options available to us that would favour this form of transport with lower emissions than conventionally fuelled cars.”

The issue of providing Electric Vehicle (EV) chargers in residential parking areas has proven to be quite controversial to date. Initially, EV chargers were installed throughout the City by ESB E-cars without reference to the Environment and Transportation Department. EV chargers installed in residential parking areas were objected to by local residents and elected representatives as the presence of an EV only charging bay was reducing the already limited parking available for residents. As a result of these representations, EV charge points in residential parking areas were removed.

Because of the nature of the infrastructure required, the Environment and Transportation Department is not in a position to install EV chargers but has offered many suitable locations for EV chargers. Installation of an EV chargepoint in a private terraced dwelling would require that the charging lead traverse the public footpath which would present an obvious tripping hazard. Even if this obstacle was overcome, the dedication of an EV only bay in a scenario such as this would in effect make a public parking space private and only for the use of the particular resident contrary to Dublin City Council policies.

The Department of Transport recently established a Low Emission Vehicles (LEV) Taskforce Working Group. The working group is led by Ms. Laura Behan from the Department's Climate Change Unit and comprises members from the Department and members from the Department of Communications, Climate Action and the Environment, the Department of Housing, Planning, Community & Local Government, the Department of Public Expenditure & Reform, the Department of Finance, the County and City Management Association (CCMA), Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland (SEAI), Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII), the National Transport Authority (NTA) and the ESB.

The objective of the working group is to present a range of 2020-2025 vehicle growth scenarios, recommend a revised national LEV target for 2020, accompanied by a roadmap, and to link these growth rates to a range of stimulus options and public leadership measures.

The working group recently surveyed parking operators, both private and local authority, and at a recent meeting sought parking operators' views regarding

the installation of charging infrastructure in their facilities and potential incentives to encourage more widespread deployment. It is expected that the working group will issue an initial report shortly.

In relation to the use of Public Lighting assets to facilitate Electric Vehicle Charging:

The Public Lighting Section have also had some preliminary discussions with representatives from the Electric Vehicle Charging industry. The discussions have been very informative to both the Council staff and the relevant companies, and DCC has committed to continuing to engage with the relevant stakeholders. The main outcomes that are under consideration at this point include:

1. DCC are not an energy provider and under current regulations are not permitted to provide energy to a 3rd party. This is an issue that needs to be addressed with ESB Networks and the Commission for Regulation of Utilities (CRU).
2. It is unclear at this point if there is spare capacity in the Public Lighting power system to facilitate Electric Vehicle Charging, especially in residential areas. The exact power requirement from the relevant companies needs to be established.
3. How the Electric Vehicle Charging equipment would integrate with the existing public lighting column needs to be established, or a new asset needs to be designed.

Further collaboration is needed in this area, but ultimately item number one above, which is not in DCC's control, needs to be addressed before any real progress can be made.

As part of the review of the Dublin City Council Parking Control Bye-Laws due later this year, a proposal will be made to reduce the price of parking for EVs to probably 50% of the normal applicable rate. The introduction of an Environmental Parking Charge will also be considered i.e. higher parking tariffs for vehicles with higher emissions.

The Council currently has designated 35 EV only charging bays throughout the City.

**To Members of the Transportation
Strategic Policy Committee**

**Public Realm Projects Report
June 2018**

**Dick Brady
Assistant Chief Executive**

1. Projects under the Public Realm Strategy

The City Council is continuing work on a number of Public Realm Projects which were identified in the City Centre Masterplan or nominated under the Public Realm Strategy. These works may be joint projects in association with other city stakeholders such as Transport Infrastructure Ireland, Irish Water, National Transport Authority or may sit within internal Departments of Dublin City Council.

The newly established Strategic Public Realm Group which is comprised of the heads of Departments in each of the strategic areas delivering or managing public realm is chaired by Mr. Dick Brady Assistant Chief Executive and has oversight of these projects.

A multi-disciplinary working group initiates projects and inputs into the projects through to delivery. The Group bring forward policy documents and advocates for quality public realm and design in compliance with the objectives of the Public Realm Strategy and Universal Design Principles. All projects are assigned to the appropriate Department with the Public Realm Working Group providing initial briefs, guidance and policy documents. The intention is to deliver a number of key projects to act as exemplars to other agencies, departs and individuals delivering public realm.

Projects	Progress in Previous Quarter	Next Stage
Grafton Street Quarter Public Realm Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chatham Street, Harry Street and Balfe Street area - Works ongoing and are scheduled for completion by the end of 2018 • Clarendon Street / Clarendon Row – Part 8 planning approval in place Detailed design and tender process to be conducted in 2018 with works scheduled to commence in late 2018 / early 2019 • South Anne Street / Duke Street Area -Preliminary design works underway with Part 8 planning application to be lodged in 2018 	<p>On site to be completed .</p> <p>Procurement and Design process in train.</p> <p>Initiate projects taking account of works by others in the area and timelines</p>
Parnell Square Public Realm Project	Preparation of Environmental Impact Assessment report ongoing and application due to be lodged Q3 2018	Application to Bord Pleanale.
Dubline	Ongoing Project under South Central Area, which includes greening and seating strategy, shopfront competition, lighting and animation in the Public Realm funded by Fáilte Ireland. Delivery includes information panels, greening of High Street and lighting of the City Walls at Cook St., upgrade of Crane Street Currently tech project running on tourist wayfinding.	Ongoing engagement with Stakeholders and identifying appropriate projects for funding approval.
Dublin Docklands SDZ Public Realm Plan	Public Realm Plan produced. Palette of materials produced as guidance to developers and stakeholders in the public realm. water animation strategy produced as guidance document for consultation. Ongoing liaison with Developers, the Port, Waterways Ireland in delivering spaces/animation in the public realm. A number of Part 8 to be brought forward in 2019..	Ongoing engagement in Community Forum and with developers for delivery of objectives including trials.

2. Public Realm Master Plan Projects

Project	Progress in Previous Quarter	Next Stage
College Green	Oral Hearing concluded on 28 th March, 2018. Application with An Bord Pleanála for decision.	Decision anticipated Q3
Liffey Street Upper Liffey Street Lower	Both Upper and Lower are included in the project although they have very different uses and issues. Design Team in place carrying out stakeholder engagements to bring to Part 8 in Quarter 3 2018	At design detail to bring to Part 8.
Mary St West	At Tender for Design Team	Works will be balanced with works on Wolfe Tone Square and traffic management requirements.
Castle Street/ Cork Hill	Part 8 in place. Currently at design detail to go to construction. Procurement works currently underway in Dublin Castle by OPW, logistically issue to be agreed.	
Barnardos Sq/ Exchange Street	Exchange Street has Part 8 and will be the next stage of the project Q4 2018	Design detail and procurement.
Temple Bar Public Realm Plan	Tender for Construction Q3 which will include significant rehabilitation works on behalf of Irish Water and ground excavations which mean a longer project timeline than anticipated	Construction tender review and procurement.
Little Mary Street Talbot Street West Talbot Street East	Not Commenced Not commenced Not Commenced	Existing Planning permissions and anticipated works mean these projects are contraindicated currently and will be advanced as soon as feasible.
Luas Associated Projects		
Cathal Brugha Street	Consultations ongoing with local Stakeholders and internal Departments with a view to commencing Part 8 Q3 2018	Outline design being drafted for agency/ stakeholder agreement. No current action.
Sackville Place /Cathedral Street	Cathedral Street and Sackville Place Part 8 to May City Council Meeting. Part 8 not adopted.	
St Stephens Green North	Remedial works complete. Impacted by Rail Order and awaiting outcome of consultations on Metro and Luas running	
Westmoreland Street (West) Suffolk Street	Not commenced Not commenced Not Commenced. Impacted by live planning permissions and build project	
North Earl Street		
City Centre Transport Plan Projects		
Dame Street East	Included in College Green Application to An Bord Pleanála and awaiting decision.	
Eden Quay	Part implementation with new road layout signage and lines	

<p>Spaces Peace Garden</p> <p>Wolfe Tone Park</p>	<p>Minor works proposed to address foliage and make the garden more accessible Part 8 Agreed, Design detail complete. At procurement for construction which will issue within next few weeks.</p>	<p>Parks Department Progressing</p> <p>Tender doc under review prior to issuing Q3</p>
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3 Animation Projects

Items of Interest		Next Stage
Dublin Canvas Project	Open Call for artist complete for 2018. Submissions will be adjudicated before end of April with a view to commencing installations from May 1 st . South Dublin and Fingal are now engaged in the project and have liaised with DCC	Implementation and painting of circa 70 Traffic Light control Boxes and rejuvenation of others already within the project.
Crinniu na nÓg	A number of events were supported by the Project Manager as an animation in the Public realm and a mechanism for trialing new approaches	National Day 23rd June2018
Playable City Dublin	First workshop held and project will now progress for open international call for smart animations in the city to be shortlisted to 6 proposals. A previous winner will be installed in the city as an exemplar for what is possible.	Call out and follow up workshop.
Greening	The Public Realm Group continues to work with the Areas and parks department to identify small spaces and lingering opportunities in the city for animation or playful engagement. A number of Community gardens receive assistance and advice	
Love the Lanes	The Project Manger for Public Realm is a member of the Working Group on Love the Lanes (Temple Bar) and assists with installations and permissions for various interventions to improve the environment and usability of the Cities Laneways.	

Item No. 6

Report to the Chairperson and Members of the Transportation Strategic Policy Committee

The following Motion submitted by Councillor Frank Kennedy was agreed at the Transportation Strategic Policy Committee meeting held on 7th February, 2018. It was agreed also that a report on the Motion would be submitted to a future meeting of the SPC:

“In light of the ever growing practice of people using smartphones while walking (in particular sending texts and reading emails and articles), which creates serious risks to health and safety including that oblivious smartphone users could step onto oncoming traffic, be hit by cars and bicycles, or walk into stationary objects, this Committee resolves that Dublin City Council conducts an assessment of the ways in which it could (a) encourage people not to engage in this practice and to be aware of the serious consequences that it can cause, and (b) introduce safety measures to prevent injuries and collisions.”

In view of the safety issues raised in the Motion, which are considered to be of national relevance, it is deemed appropriate to refer the Motion to the Road Safety Authority to request that the issues raised be highlighted in a nationwide safety campaign. The Environment and Transportation Department has written to the RSA in this regard and their response will be circulated to the Transportation SPC on receipt.

In addition, the City Council will design a web insert for the DCC website to highlight the dangers involved.

Kevin Meade
Senior Executive Officer
Environment and Transportation Department

22nd March, 2018

Addendum:

Copy of letter dated 23rd April, 2018, from the Road Safety Authority in relation to the use of Smart Phones while walking is attached and copy of the City Council's reply to the letter.

19th June, 2018

Working To Save Lives


 RSA

23 April 2018

Mr Stephen Hickey,
Senior Staff Officer,
Administration / Traffic Advisory Group,
Environment and Transportation Department,
Dublin City Council,
Civic Offices,
Wood Quay,
Dublin 8.



Re Smartphone distraction while walking

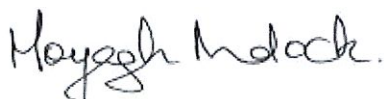
Dear Stephen, many thanks for your letter of the 22 March. I note that a motion was passed at a meeting of Dublin City Council's Strategic Policy Committee on Transport asking the Road Safety Authority (RSA) to consider mounting a nationwide campaign to address the distraction caused to those walking from using smartphones.

I will certainly bring this to the attention to my Director of Road Safety, Driver Education and Research and ask that due consideration be given to such a campaign. In the meantime I would be grateful if you would pass on any research or statistics that underpin the request. For example, is the council itself in possession of any incident or hospital data that points to the severity of the problem. Any such information you could pass onto us would be of great help in framing any proposed response. But in the meantime we will highlight the dangers of pedestrians using smartphones through our extensive Social Media presence.

You may separately be interested to know that we are planning to publish a Pre-Crash report on pedestrian and cyclist fatalities this year. This involves an analysis of the forensic investigation files of fatal collisions conducted by the Gardai over a recent five year period. The results of this research are expected to be published at the RSA annual Academic Lecture in early October. Armed with the results of this research the RSA is planning commission a national pedestrian safety campaign.

I would be grateful if you could bring the above to the attention of the SPC on Transport.

Kind regards,



Moyagh Murdock



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Dublin City Council

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26th April, 2018

Dear Ms Murdock,

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 23rd April, 2018 with regard to Smartphone distraction while walking and thank you for your response. Your letter will be circulated to the Members of the Transportation Strategic Policy Committee at their next meeting on 21st June, 2018.

Dublin City Council is not currently in possession of any data with regard to Smartphone distraction while walking.

Yours sincerely,

Mary Boyle
Staff Officer | Oifigeach Foirne

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Cycling & Walking Sub-Committee

7th March 2018

Attendance:

Cllr Ciarán Cuffe, Chair of Cycling & Walking Sub Committee

Edel Kelly, DCC

Clive Ahern, DCC

Colm Ennis, DCC

Kieran Ryan, Dublin Cycling Campaign

Nuala Kelly Dublin Cycling Campaign

Stephen McManus, IBIKE

Orlaith Maguire, RSA

Damien Ó Tuama, Researcher/Consultant

Christopher K Manzira, DCC

Apologies:

Dick Brady, DCC

Barbara Connolly, Cycling Ireland

Fiona Kelty, National Council for the Blind of Ireland

Colm Ryder, Dublin Cycling Campaign

Alita Rivero, Dublin Cycling Campaign

Jane Hackett, An Taisce

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1 Minutes of Cycle & Walking Sub – Committee meeting held on 18/01/18

1 item raised: 30K Speed Limit needs to be brought out to the suburbs, there is a 'Speed Limit Sub Committee' being formed to look at issues.

January 2018 - Minutes agreed.

2 Projects

Royal Canal Phase 2, tenders are due in today at 2.30pm (7th March) contract should be in the next 6 weeks.

Clontarf to City Centre, meeting with the NTA on Friday and construction works should commence this year.

Dodder/Herbert Park to Donnybrook, designer in now, DCC received notification from the NTA regarding the final budget.

Royal Canal phase 3, Nuala Kelly asked is there any movement on phase 3? Christopher K Manzira (CKM) says there is a 3rd quarter phase 3 plan for this year, the design is awaiting approval. DCC hope to complete the process within 4 weeks which will allow us to go to tender in April. Designs previously had been sent back hence the delay.

Cross Guns Bridge is in phase 3, a preliminary assessment has been done on Phibsboro Bridge, and something specifically is needed for the bridge.

Cllr Cuffe suggested if it's possible to work with Waterways Ireland, CKM says they are very helpful with communication and that we are working with them regarding licences.

Orlaith Maguire asked if Clonskeagh project will resume, CKM says yes it's to resume in May, it has been paused. DCC and the NTA made a decision to pause due to staff limitations and resources and also with the Dodder project.

Cllr Cuffe asked if there was a 3rd party review on the Clontarf to City Centre project and is this a reference to legal advice? CKM says no it's our own view; it's not covered in the cycle manual.

Cllr Cuffe wants it noted that all projects on the project list should be discussed.

3 ITS Report /Pedestrian Crossings

Edel Kelly updated committee regarding prioritizing requests from Green Schools, i.e. giving more 'Green time' on pedestrian lights requested by school kids.

Cllr Cuffe discussed the alignment of proposed bus traffic corridors ie Mountjoy Square/Parnell square, there's no pedestrian crossing which is unfair on residents. Parnell Square put in improvements cheaply e.g. using tarmac instead of granite. The use of Zebra/Pelican crossings as a cheaper and quicker alternative to signalised crossings was discussed.

4 Quick wins

Christopher K Manzira informed the committee that there is an allocation from the NTA to deliver quick wins. The NTA are open to 'Quick Wins'. Edel Kelly stated that she has asked for an engineer to help in Sarah Scannell's section in identifying difficulties.

5 BYPAD

Damian O Tuama gave a presentation of his Bypad audit of Dublin City Councils' impact on cycling conditions and cycling numbers. The audit identifies the current strengths and weaknesses of Dublin City Councils' cycling policy.

Cllr Cuffe asked how we move forward on the Greater Dublin Cycle network with other city councils.

Cllr Cuffe suggested that members may be interested in Rachael Aldret's work; she did a good project on 'near misses' in London.

Orlaith Maguire spoke about the new ad campaign launched re the 1.5 metres motorized vehicles spacing from cyclists.

Cllr Cuffe suggested it will be useful to reflect on BYPAD and respond to it!

6 Velo City

Cllr Cuffe would like to see the record of the workshop meetings for Velo City held in 2017; Edel Kelly & Sarah Scannell wrote the report. Edel Kelly indicated that there should be no problem circulating the report. Cllr Cuffe suggested that our web site would be useful for reporting on it and on cycle issues.

7 Stationless Bikes

The launch date for Stationless bikes is intended to be April 19th. Kevin Meade will put an ad in the media next week. There will most likely be 2 companies in Dublin; it's not a tender process but a willingness to comply with by-laws. We are looking for quality over quantity.

8 IBIKE

Stephen MacManus gave a report to the committee of the work that the lobby group do for cyclists. He stated that cyclists feel like second class citizens at times.

There have been 36 Actions by the group where they would physically prevent parking on cycle lanes in the city. There are 58 people on the IBIKE team and at least 275 volunteers who help with activities. Stephen says the IBIKE community is 4,827 strong.

The action on South Andrew Street regarding the contraflow cycle lane was seen as a success as bollards went up to prevent motorists from parking on the lanes after the 'Action'

Gardai claimed to have 417 fines issued to illegal parked motorists in 2017, whereas IBIKE claim to have identified 490 in one week.

IBIKE identified 61 TD's that support the cyclist amendment of 1.5 metres. They would like to engage Councillors to promote change regarding issues like bad road surfaces, bad design, bad enforcement etc.

IBIKE propose that a project where, for example Georges/Camden/Aungier Street could be used as a trial area and road fixing, removing parking spots and loading bays, best practises would be applied with buses and pedestrians. Advisory cycle lanes could be turned into mandatory and loading bays used only at particular times. That cycling safety receives DSPS' (Dublin Street Parking Services) equivalent attention that parking does.

South Great George's Street is part of Clonskeagh 2016. The study will start again in May 2018. The real issue there is trucks parking in cycle lanes.

Cllr Cuffe stated that the frustration in the cycling community i.e. Stonybatter – is there is no motivation to catch people parking in cycle lanes. We should give a direction to the DSPS to enforce it. We should get a report back on it.

Stephen McManus suggests 'community participation' in reporting illegal parking.

9 Delivery & Logistics Working Group Report

A report was given by Colm Ennis Senior Executive Engineer on the 2016 City Centre Transport Study; the group is working its way through the study regarding the delivery of goods and how to improve it in an environmental and sustainable manner.

Timing arrangements are being looked at regarding possibly reducing the amount of delivery hours in the morning and to extend it in the evening to help illegal parking on cycle lanes.

SBIR Fund (Small Businesses Innovation Research) - a competition was funded with help from Enterprise Ireland to run a competition for innovative research into "Last Mile City Centre deliveries". Small enterprises are invited to put forward solutions to making deliveries more efficient. There will be a launch on 26th April at the Lexicon Library in Dun Laoghaire inviting interested parties to send in their ideas.

10 Contra Flow Cycle Lanes (i.e Nassau Street)

No update for item 10

11 Update on Cycle Parking Provision

Chris Adamson (Acting Executive Engineer) previously gave the committee a report to read regarding the amount of cycle stands in the city, it included a map and a table of batches.

2013- 2016	120 Sheffield Stands (Batches 1-3)
2017	193 Sheffield Stands (Batch 4)
2018	45 to date (through other projects) and 220 to be completed by March 2018 (Batch 5)
	270 proposed installation by the end of May 2018 (Batch 6)
	And approx 310 in another 8/9 weeks (Batch 7)

12 LUAS Cross City and Cyclist Safety

The above item was not discussed at this meeting; it will be referred to a future date.

13 November Cordon Counts

The above item was not discussed at this meeting; it will be referred to a future date.

A.O.B

A two way cycle path on a one way street was discussed regarding Kildare Street/ /Nassau Street, Christopher K Manzira has submitted a proposal project to the NTA, it may require a statutory Instrument by the Government, the meeting regarding this didn't happen due to the snow!

