



**NOTIFICATION TO ATTEND MEETING OF THE SOUTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE
TO BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, DAME STREET, DUBLIN 2.
ON MONDAY 14 JANUARY 2019 AT 3.00 PM**

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DCC SHD Application No.: SHD0003/18

ABP SHD Application No.: ABP-303133-18

Location: Former Monastery Lands at, Marianella, 75, Orwell Road, Rathgar, Dublin 6

Description: Residential Development (Construction of 107 no. Residential Units in 2 no. Blocks)

Dear Sir/Madam

I refer you to above Strategic Housing Development Application submitted to An Bord Pleanála under the Planning and Development (Housing) and Residential Tenancies Act 2016.

Section 4(c)(i) of the Act requires the planning authority to notify elected members of the making of the application, details of where the application can be inspected/purchased and including details relating to observations/submissions etc.

With regards to the above, the Area Office is requested to please notify all members of the South East Area Committee of the following:

- **Application was submitted to An Bord Pleanála on 30th November 2018.**
- The application, may be inspected, or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, during public opening hours at the offices of:
 - An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, at the following times 9.15 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. on Monday to Friday (except on public/bank holidays) and
 - Dublin City Council, Planning and Property Development Department, Block 4, Floor 0, Civic Offices, Wood Quay, Dublin 8 at the following times: Monday-Friday, 9.00a.m. – 4.30p.m. (except on public/bank holidays)

The application may also be inspected online at the following website:

<https://monasterylandsplanning.com/>

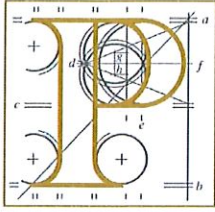
- **Submissions/Observations**

Any person may, within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by An Bord Pleanála of the application and on payment of the prescribed fee of €20, may make a submission or observation in writing to An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, relating to the implications of the proposed development, if carried out, for proper planning and sustainable

development in the area or areas concerned and the likely effects on the environment or the likely effects on a European site, as the case may be, of the proposed development, if carried out.

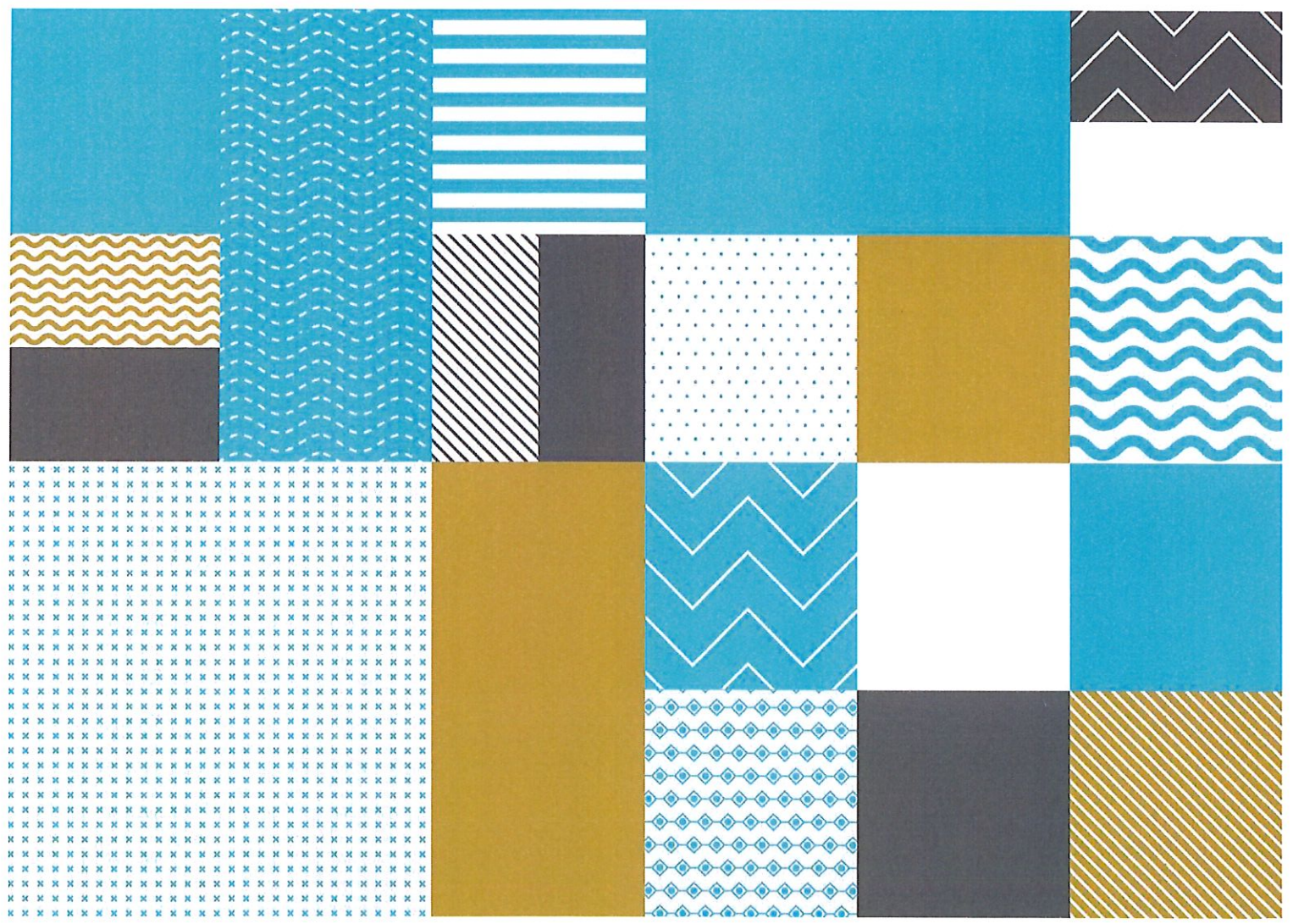
Yours faithfully

Gillian Carroll
For Executive Manager



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Planning and Development (Housing) and Residential Tenancies Act 2016
Planning and Development (Strategic Housing Development) Regulations 2017

Section 4 applications for strategic housing development (SHD) are to be made directly to An Bord Pleanála. These new arrangements are operational from Monday, 3 July 2017 and will apply for the period up to 31 December 2019, at which time the period may be extended to 31 December 2021, subject to a review process.

An Bord Pleanála has published general guidance in respect of the various new procedures introduced in the Act of 2016. This document is one of a suite of documents relating to SHD applications to An Bord Pleanála.

Further guidance is available in respect of pre-application consultations for SHD to An Bord Pleanála and of section 7 requests for EIA / AA screening determinations / scoping opinions to An Bord Pleanála.

What is Strategic Housing Development (SHD)?

SHD is defined under section 3 of the Planning and Development (Housing) and Residential Tenancies Act of 2016 as:

- (a) the development of 100 or more houses on land zoned for residential use or for a mixture of residential and other uses,
- (b) the development of student accommodation units which, when combined, contain 200 or more bed spaces, on land the zoning of which facilitates the provision of student accommodation or a mixture of student accommodation and other uses thereon,

- (c) development that includes developments of the type referred to in paragraph (a) and of the type referred to in paragraph (b), or containing a mix of houses and student accommodation or
- (d) the alteration of an existing planning permission granted under section 34 (other than under subsection (3A)) where the proposed alteration relates to development specified in paragraph (a), (b), or (c).

Legislative Basis for SHD

Section 4(1) of the Planning and Development Act of 2016 provides that an application for permission for a strategic housing development (SHD) shall be made directly to An Bord Pleanála under this section and not to a Planning Authority.

Role of Planning Authority

While planning applications for such large-scale developments will only be capable of being made to the Board, there will remain a key role for the relevant planning authority in the SHD application process as follows:

- **Availability of Application**
- **Notification of Elected Members**
- **Receipt of Submissions / Observations**
- **Chief Executive Report**
- **Part-Payment of Application Fee**
- **Notification of Decision**
- **Compliance and Enforcement**

Availability of Application

Prior to the making of an SHD application, the applicant shall send a copy of the application and its particulars to the relevant planning authority, as provided for under article 297(6) of the Regulations of 2017.

The application must also be made available for public viewing in the offices of the Planning Authority (as well as in the offices of An Bord Pleanála) for a period of 8 weeks after the applicant is notified of the decision, as per article 301 of the Regulations of 2017.

The applicant must make the application available for public viewing on a website set up for this purpose, the details of which will be contained on the newspaper and site notice.

Notification of Elected Members

On receipt of an application, the Planning Authority is required to notify the relevant elected members of the making of the application, its availability for public inspection, set out the 5-week period for making of submissions / observations and indicate the types of decision the Board may make in relation to the application. This is outlined in Section 8(4)(c) of the Act of 2016.

At the next Area Committee meeting, or the municipal district meeting for each municipal district concerned, as appropriate, the Planning Authority shall inform the relevant elected members of the following:

- The details of the application,
- The consultations that have taken place in relation to the proposed development with both the Planning Authority and An Bord Pleanála
- Details of the Notice of Opinion issued by An Bord Pleanála
- Where the meeting concerned takes place after the expiry of the 5 week period for public submissions, information relating to the points raised in the

submissions / observations received by An Bord Pleanála in relation to the application, together with the views of the Chief Executive

Receipt of Submissions / Observations

An Bord Pleanála must send copies of any submissions / observations to the Planning Authority according as An Bord Pleanála receives them and no later than three working days of expiry of the 5 week submission period, as per Article 302(5)(b) of the Regulations of 2017.

Chief Executive Report

Section 8(5) of the Act of 2016 provides that within 8 weeks from its receipt of a copy of the application, the Planning Authority shall prepare and submit to An Bord Pleanála a report of its Chief Executive setting out:

- (i) a summary of the points raised in the submissions or observations received by An Bord Pleanála in relation to the application,
- (ii) their views on the effects of the proposed development on the proper planning and sustainable development of the area of the authority and on the environment, having regard in particular to –
 - the matters specified in section 34(2) of the Act of 2000 relating to the considerations when making a decision on a planning application, and
 - submissions and observations received by An Bord Pleanála in relation to the application, and
- (iii) where the Area Committee meeting(s) have taken place, a summary of the views expressed by elected members at the meeting(s) on the proposed development
- (iv) set out the Planning Authority's opinion as to whether the proposed strategic housing development would be consistent with the relevant objectives of the development plan or local area plan, as the case may be.

- (v) include a statement as to whether the authority recommends to the Board that permission should be granted or refused, together with the reasons for its recommendation. In this regard,
- planning conditions (if any) that the Planning Authority would recommend in the event that the Board decides to grant permission, together with the reasons and grounds for such conditions, shall also be included.

In addition to the Chief Executive Report, the Board may, where it considers it necessary to do so, require the Planning Authority to submit to the Board additional information in relation to the effects of the proposed strategic housing development on the proper planning and sustainable development of the area concerned and on the environment as the Board may specify, as per section 8(6) of the Act of 2016.

However, as the intention of the legislation is to provide certainty for developers in terms of timeframes for decision, An Bord Pleanála will not seek further information, as a general principle.

Part payment of application fee

The planning application fees paid by applicants to An Bord Pleanála in respect of Strategic Housing Development proposals will generally be shared between An Bord Pleanála and the relevant Planning Authority, having regard to their respective inputs to the determination process, as per article 305 of the Regulations of 2017.

On the making of a decision, An Bord Pleanála shall pay to the Planning Authority 50 per cent of the fee paid by the applicant to the Board. In a case where the proposed development would be situated in the functional area of more than one planning authority, An Bord Pleanála shall pay a proportionate amount to each Planning Authority concerned.

In a case where a Planning Authority fails to submit to An Bord Pleanála a report of its Chief Executive within 8 weeks and 3 working days from the receipt by the

Authority of a copy of an application and the An Bord Pleanála fails to make a decision on an application within the specified period, An Bord Pleanála shall not pay the Planning Authority any proportion of the fee paid.

Notification of Decision

An Bord Pleanála shall send a copy of the decision to the applicant, the Planning Authority and any person who made submissions / observations on the application. The decision will also be available at www.pleanala.ie

Compliance and Enforcement

Powers of compliance and enforcement shall remain with the Planning Authority, as per section 10(5)(b) of the Act of 2016.

For all queries in relation to this Guidance, you can:

Telephone us on:	(01) 858 8100 or LoCall: 1890 275 175
Email us at:	strategichousing@pleanala.ie
Visit our website at:	www.pleanala.ie/shd/applications/index.htm
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MINUTES OF THE SOUTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD ON MONDAY 10 DECEMBER 2018

- 1 **Presentation on Planning Application Reference 4421/18**
Order: Noted.
- 2 **Presentation and Report on Proposed Part 8 Works: Playground at Sean Moore Park.**
Order: Agreed to recommend to City Council
- 3 **Minutes of the South East Area Committee meeting held on 12th November 2018**
Order: Agreed.
- 4 **Environment and Transportation Department Matters**
 - i. Minutes of Traffic Advisory Group meeting held on 27th November 2018.
Order: Noted.
- 5 **Planning and Property Development Department Matters**
 - i. Report on proposed disposal Joshua Dawson House, site for ESB substation.
Order: Agreed to recommend to City Council.
 - ii. Report on the proposed grant of a further licence of a premises at Bushy Park, Rathdown Road, Terenure, Dublin 6W to Mr. Patrick Lynch on behalf of Sportsworld Running Club.
Order: Agreed to recommend to City Council.
 - iii. Report on the proposed grant of a temporary convenience letting of the plot of land adjoining 51 Hazelbrook Drive, Terenure, Dublin 6W to Mr. John O'Neill.
Order: Agreed to recommend to City Council.
 - iv. Report on proposed disposal of lease Rathmines Square to John Paul Construction.
Order: Agreed to recommend to City Council.

6 South East Area Matters

- i. Update on Community Development, Environmental Services Unit, Housing Projects & Local Area Improvements and Sports & Recreation Sections.
Order: Noted.
- ii. Update on the commissioning of Luke Kelly sculpture.
Order: Noted.

7 Motions

Motion 1 from Councillor Dermot Lacey taken with Motion 13

This committee agrees to write to the Buildings Manager of Baggot Street Hospital to ask for a temporary licence to be given to the Dublin City Council and the Pembroke Road Association jointly to renovate the garden spaces on either side of the entrance to the hospital and to open them up for use by the local community.

Order: Agreed.

Motion 2 from Councillor Dermot Lacey

This committee requests the manager to outline why double yellow lines were placed on Wellington Lane, Dublin 4 against the wishes of residents, when the simple fact is that cars parked along the road in front of the houses acted as a safety barrier and encouraged passing cars to slow down and if these double yellow lines will be removed. To further ask if a limited entry period sign could be erected to reduce the number of cars entering the lane as a rat run in the evenings. Further details for information purposes are submitted with this motion.

“The traffic on Wellington Lane in Ballsbridge, Dublin 4 is of huge concern for the residents. It impacts on quality of life and more importantly is a massive safety issue. Commuter traffic is bad in the morning and in the evening and is getting worse each year. Wellington Lane is a small narrow residential lane. It cannot accommodate massive flows of commuter traffic. The evenings are particularly bad. Commuter traffic should be restricted to the main roads.

I attach photos from last night. Between the hours of 4.30pm and 6.30pm the traffic is constant on the lane. The cars were backed up almost the entire length of the lane. Some cars mount the footpath to avoid each other as you can see in one photo.

There is a very small footpath in bad condition on the north side of the lane. Often pedestrians with buggies and children on bikes / scooters have to move onto the road to navigate the path as it is too narrow. This is an accident waiting to happen.

Yesterday double yellow lines were reinstated outside all houses on the lane to prevent residents parking on the lane. Previously Roy O'Connor of DCC had suggested that getting more residents to park on the lane would help slow down and reduce traffic.

The bigger picture is removing commuter traffic from the lane. We have suggested the following to the council in December 2016 with our plebiscite:

1. One way system heading east
2. No right turn from Waterloo Road heading north
3. Widen footpath
4. Remove all double yellow lines

Wellington Lane is the only lane in the area with double yellow lines on both sides of the road - why is this? The result is the lane is used as a rat run by commuters.

What do the council suggest? This is an urgent safety issue. Many children living in the area use this lane to access schools and Herbert Park.”

Order: Agreed.

Motion 3 from Councillor Dermot Lacey taken with motion 9

This committee agrees to discuss and requests a response from the manager on the idea of a Rathmines Bus gate as outlined in the documentation submitted with this motion.

“Rathmines would thrive with bus gates limiting thru car access

IMAGE: A line of people cycle down the Rathmines Road after crossing the Portobello Bridge, while only a few cars cross the bridge in the same sequence.

COMMENT & ANALYSIS: Transport authorities are looking to abandon key sections of the Greater Dublin Area Cycle Network before it gets off the ground, as this website reported in June, but there’s another way.

The plan for the route along the Rathmines Road in the infrastructure part of the BusConnects project (see the consultation document) is the key example of the bus plan having little regard for the cycle network plan when both were authored by the National Transport Authority.

The background for Rathmines is that, as far as Dublin goes, Rathmines is as close as it get to the centre of bicycleland. Portobello Bridge at the northern end of the Rathmines Road has by far the largest volume of bicycles entering the city centre. In the AM peak last year, there was 1,637 bicycles and 1,325 cars/van, even with the traffic counts happening in November.

The Census shows that more commuters who live off the Rathmines Road, Rathgar Road, Harold’s Cross Road, Ranelagh Road, and Sandyford Road routes use their bicycles than get the bus.

As well as outnumbering cars in the AM peak, 12-hour traffic counts for Portobello Bridge shows cycling here has a better chance than any other route at outnumbering cars across the day way more than any other route into the city — this will be accelerated by BusConnects, which will reduce the space for cars across the city centre.

The numbers of bicycles is already increasing but the people on them are left mixing with cars and buses.

Rather than upgrading the cycle route as outlined in the GDA Cycle Network Plan, the National Transport Authority wants to remove cycling priority by removing cycle lane, and possibly also narrowing footpaths — in effect, the street would become a busway and road for through traffic in both directions or one:

The Rathmines Road route is planned to support the (11) Tallaght to Terenure and (12) Rathfarnham to City Centre bus corridors:

One of our most popular articles last year was “What to do with a problem like cycling in Rathmines?” which was published before BusConnects. It this details a solution using continuous cycle paths and peak-time bus gates. It suggested:

“The bus gate could operate peak times and in peak directions only — this would give higher priority to buses than is currently given by broken bus lanes in one direction only and often abused.”

Here’s some examples which can fit along the Rathmines Road:

BusConnects changes things. So, adding to the above, the European Cyclists’ Federation (ECF) published an interesting article last week — “Filtered permeability on cycle highway C95 in Copenhagen“.

The ECF gives us an example of what we know as a “bus gate”. One which is in place in Nørrebrogade in Copenhagen which is much like the location of Rathmines in Dublin. The ECF article outlines the example in more detail (although this kind of bus priority is not usually referred to as filtered permeability).

Basically, the only motorised through traffic allowed is bus lane traffic in two lanes and the space left over allows for segregated cycle paths in both directions:

The above photo of the street in Copenhagen (taken from the ECF’s article) is much like the cross-section we suggested last year for Rathmines:

Here’s the locations of Nørrebrogade — with the two bus gates highlighted — north of Copenhagen’s city centre, just beyond the city’s large artificial lakes:

IMAGE: Of Nørrebrogade with two bus gate locations. Image by European Cyclists’ Federation and Open Street Maps.

In Rathmines — just south of Dublin’s Grand Canal — the locations of the bus gates would need to be placed in a way to allow cars and vans etc. to access the car parks like the ones in the Swan Shopping Centre, the Cricket Ground, the school, the church, and the private residents.

Unlike the wider bridge in Copenhagen, Portobello Bridge at the Grand Canal is not wide enough to maintain car and bus access while providing segregated space for cycling — this means it is a must that the canal bridge is a bus gate, for safety alone.

Here’s some suggestions for bus gate locations in Rathmines:

There might be better locations, but, as said above, the canal bridge one is a must. Why must? To provide for cycling safety and priority while also providing for a high frequency of buses as planned under BusConnects.

YES — all of this would be a big change. But a big change is needed in a growing city which claims it wants to be sustainable, have better public transport and be cycling friendly.

Some people will claim the bus gates would be anti-business but there’s little evidence of this in Dublin or internationally. The opposite is true — the claims are made and proven wrong.

Providing segregated cycle routes would be of huge benefit to the area and our suggestions above would be better than the suggestions by the National Transport Authority — their suggestions would be mainly about providing through traffic for buses and it seems also cars. By removing the cycle lanes, buses would be closer to pedestrians and one of their solutions is to notably narrow the footpaths.

On the other hand, if bus gates and cycle paths are provided, it's not just good for cycling but also pedestrians and street life in Rathmines. It's also good for buses — bus lanes without cycle paths will mean buses will mix with cycling and that's not good for cycling or the bus service.

Bus priority, with continuous cycle paths and local motoring access will provide the same kind of mix in Copenhagen and that's common in Dutch cities too. It would make the area more liveable, healthier, environmentally friendly, and allow local businesses to thrive more than currently and far more than BusConnects without cycle paths.”

Order: Agreed.

Motion 4 from Councillor Mary Freehill

That the need for a pedestrian crossing on Upper Rathmines Road as first proposed last May be treated as an urgent safety matter. This is a route to many schools, traffic travels at high speeds up and down this road plus the bend at Murphy's pub considerably curtails the vision of pedestrians when crossing what is quite a wide road. It is unsafe for even 12 year olds to cross this road and parents find that they have to be with their children to help get them safely to and from school. This makes life both unsustainable for many and dangerous for children. In the circumstances, I propose that this proposal be treated as an urgent health and safety issue that requires very urgent attention.

Order: Report to councillor.

Motion 5 from Councillor Dermot Lacey

This committee requests the Traffic Department to prepare a comprehensive traffic plan for the area bordered by Sandford Road / Lower Beechwood Avenue and Anna Villas to reduce traffic speeds and rat running.

Order: Report to councillor.

Motion 6 from Councillor Patrick Costello

That the council pilot an underground glass recycling facility within the Harold's Cross area, these are common in many other countries and currently there is no glass recycling facility in the area.

Order: Report to councillor.

Motion 7 from Councillor Patrick Costello

This area committee agrees to install a pedestrian crossing on the junction of Cowper Road and Palmerston Road.

Order: Report to councillor.

Motion 8 from Councillor Patrick Costello

That this area committee calls on the manager to address the lack of toilets in Terenure library as a matter of urgency.

Order: Report to councillor.

Motion 9 from Councillor Patrick Costello taken with Motion 3

This area committee agrees to examine the feasibility of a bus gate on Rathmines Road.

Order: Agreed.

Motion 10 from Councillor Patrick Costello

This area committee agrees to a site meeting at Rathgar Junior School to address the significant outstanding pedestrian safety concerns.

Order: Agreed.

Motion 11 from Councillor Mannix Flynn moved by Cllr. McGinley

That this committee of Dublin City Council agrees that any motion to delist any of Dublin City Council's public housing complexes in the south east area must come before the South East Area Committee for consideration prior to any presentation to other committees or Strategic Policy Committees.

Order: Report to councillor.

Motion 12 from Councillor Mary Freehill

That the person responsible for delivery of cleansing services attend and make a report to our December LAC meeting setting out the cleansing service in the Rathmines Rathgar Ward area. The fact that the leaf sucking machine has not been seen for a while, although we were told at the last meeting that staff were being trained to operate the machine all day, we need to know why the machine seems not to be functioning. There are more leaves on footpaths this year than in recent years, this is extremely serious as our area has a drainage system that is not fit for purpose and we cannot afford to have leaves clogging up our drainage system.

We therefore ask that the manager state the current staffing levels and compare with 6 years ago. Has the move to Davitt Road had a deleterious impact on the delivery of service? It is agreed by the meeting that the cleansing service needs to be seriously improved and that this committee receives a monthly report on the delivery of the street cleansing and gully cleaning services during the winter months.

Order: Report to councillor.

Motion 13 from Councillor Frank Kennedy taken with Motion 1.

This committee resolves that the area Manager shall write to the Buildings Manager of the Baggot Street Hospital building to request that he grant a temporary licence to Dublin City Council and the Pembroke Road Association jointly to renovate the garden spaces on either side of the entrance to the hospital and to open them up for use by the local community.

Order: Agreed.

Motion 14 from Councillor Frank Kennedy

This committee resolves that the area manager shall write to each home insurer in the Irish market advising them of the extensive flood prevention/defence works in the Pembroke South-Dock ward over the past five years and the updated scientific estimates as to flood risk (or lack thereof) in Pembroke South-Dock including but not limited to the following areas:

- Bath Avenue (and surrounds, including Havelock Square);
- Serpentine Park;
- Sydney Parade Avenue;
- St Alban's Park; and
- Richelieu Park.

Order: Report to councillor.

Motion 15 from Councillor Mary Freehill

That the Parks Department prunes the trees along Clogher Road, even in winter they are so overgrown that they seriously impact on the level of public lighting on the road. Furthermore that this road is prioritised for LED lighting, it's a long dark road which is difficult to walk at night especially for females walking alone.

Order: Agreed.

Motion 16 from Councillor Claire Byrne

That this area committee calls on the area manager to put an end the dumping of uneven tarmac as a solution to fixing roads and pathways. This is an ongoing issue in the city, but especially in the South East Area and is particularly problematic along key cycle lanes and pathways. It makes the city unsightly and poses threats to the safety of cyclists and pedestrians, in particular the more vulnerable. Can the area manager also put further measures in place to ensure that proper plans are put in place when resurfacing works are carried out to ensure that there is sufficient quality control, particularly when works are carried out by utilities companies?

Order: Report to councillor.

Motion 17 from Councillor Claire Byrne

That this area committee calls on the area manager to put protections in place for the fountain, railings and trees in Wilton Park, to ensure there is minimal impact on the park during the development of surrounding area and to avoid the commercialisation of the park. Can the manager also ensure that any development is in keeping with the local area conservation orders?

Order: Report to councillor.

Motion 18 from Councillor Claire Byrne

That this area committee calls on the area manager to increase the level and frequency of gully clearing as a preventative measure in light of the impact of recent storms and related flooding.

Order: Report to councillor.

8 Questions to the Chief Executive 10th December 2018

Order: Noted.

Councillor Ruairí McGinley
Chairperson
Monday 10 December 2018

Attendance:

Members:

Ruairi McGinley (Chairman)
Chris Andrews
Patrick Costello
Frank Kennedy
Claire O'Connor

Members:

Kieran Binchy
Anne Feeney
Dermot Lacey
Sonya Stapleton

Members:

Claire Byrne
Mary Freehill
Paddy McCartan

Officers

Rossana Camargo
Leah Johnston
Fiona O'Brien
Garrett Hughes
Michael Noonan

Mark Ginnetty
Rose Kenny
Neil O'Donoghue
Aida Baragwanath
Eithne Gibbons

Brian Hanney
Eileen Martin
Jennifer Wall
Helen McNamara

Apologies:

Mannix Flynn

Q.1 Councillor Patrick Costello

To ask the manager to find space for glass recycling bring bank in the Harold's Cross area, including linking with developers and local institutions, as there is currently a gap in provision of glass recycling in this area.

Reply:

The Waste Management Department recognises that there are areas in the city where there is a lack of bottle banks. However, the reality is that finding new sites for bottle banks in the city is very problematic.

We are committed to recycling and providing the best service we can in a busy, urban environment. We are always open to the possibility of adding new bottle banks in any area.

All possible locations are investigated as to their suitability and where at all possible we will locate new ones.

We are restricted in where we can place them under planning regulations (SI 600 of 2001) e.g. *"no such receptacle shall be situated within 50 metres of any house, save the consent in writing of the owner or occupier"*.

Bottle banks are difficult to maintain and despite cleaning by our own staff and contractors, dumping is often an issue for us – which makes them unpopular.

Furthermore our service provider needs to be able to service all sites in a safe manner. I hope this explains in greater detail the challenges we face in locating bottle banks in Dublin City. I will visit and investigate the suitability of all suggested locations.

Q.2 Councillor Ruairí McGinley

To ask the manager to report on volume of leaf removal in Rathgar / Rathmines.

Reply:

Waste Management Services operate a leaves removal programme city wide during the autumn and winter months. Main thoroughfares and arterial routes into the city are cleared on an ongoing basis. Priority is also given to tree-lined streets with heavy pedestrian use and areas particularly prone to flooding. As leaves removal is a labour intensive and time consuming task, it takes time to get around to all parts of the city. As many staff as possible are dedicated to this task, including our public domain staff in the afternoons and weekends.

In residential areas where it is not possible to provide the same frequency of service, many residents groups get involved in helping to manage their own areas by carrying out leaf clearing initiatives. We provide bags and equipment to these groups and later remove all of the collected and bagged leaves free of charge.

The Rathgar / Rathmines area is currently being cleared of leaves and will be included as often as possible during the course of our leaves removal programme. As leaves are gathered and disposed along with general litter, it is not possible to measure the actual volume of leaves removed.

Q.3 Councillor Ruairi McGinley

To ask the manager to check water valves outside 194 Upper Rathmines Road where water flowing.

Reply:

Water Services Division inspected this location on 12th November 2018 and found no leak.

Q.4 Councillor Dermot Lacey

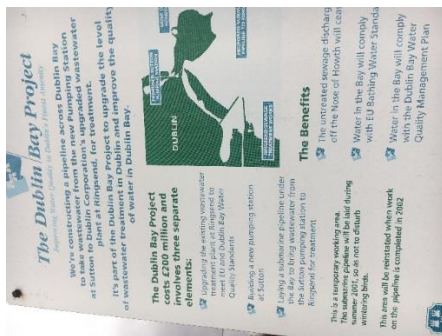
To ask the manager if she can report on when the two spaces at the entrance (the non-residential side) to Belmont Villas were deemed to be public property and pay for parking locations. What TAG Report was this included in?

Reply:

The Parking Enforcement Officer has reported that this matter is being investigated. A report will be forwarded to the councillor on completion.

Q.5 Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the manager if she will arrange for this obsolete sign along Sandymount Strand to be removed.



Reply:

Dublin City Council Drainage Division will remove the sign by the end of the week (9/12/2018).

Q.6 Councillor Ruairi McGinley

To ask manager to advise status of TAG item 7002950 where immediate pedestrian risks are at stake and to make a detailed statement on actions being taken to address matter.

Reply:

The area traffic engineer has reported that following a site investigation, there is a demand for a pedestrian crossing on Rathmines Road Upper outside Kildare Place School. A traffic survey took place on the 28th November 2018, from 8.30 a.m. to 9.00 a.m. A total of 122 pedestrians crossed the road in a period of 30 minutes. The above is the best location in order to achieve visibility for the crossing and for pedestrians to cross safely; also this location was the desire line where pedestrians crossed Rathmines Road Upper. A recommendation for a pedestrian crossing at this location will be submitted to the next meeting of the Traffic Advisory Group. The recommendation will provide for consideration of the measure for inclusion on a future works programme subject to available funding and resources.

Q.7 Councillor Mary Freehill

Would the manager please state why the pot hole in the middle of the road in Parkview Avenue has not been repaired despite several requests? It is dangerous and please state when the work will be carried out.

Reply:

This pothole has been logged in our Asset Management System and will be repaired as soon as possible.

Q.8 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager arrange to have a contractor fix the heating at *details supplied, as the tenant was told by Dublin City Council staff that the dampness issue can only be resolved if there is good insulation, ventilation and heating in the flat and there is no heating in bedroom, as the radiators have not been working since first reported in January 2016.

Reply:

In order to repair the heating system at this property, high level re-piping, in trunking throughout the dwelling is required. The tenant is in agreement with having these works carried out and Housing Maintenance have spoken with her and will make arrangements to proceed with same in January 2019.

Q.9 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager say when she expects the CCTV to be installed in and around the Cabbage Patch area and have the Gardaí committed to monitoring it?

Reply:

We have a quotation for the installation of CCTV for the Cabbage Patch. We have written to Kevin Street Gardaí and have requested that the CCTV be connected to the Garda Station and monitored as the need arises. If the Gardaí are happy to monitor the CCTV then the cost of the installation could be included in the discretionary fund for 2019.

Q.10 Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the manager if she will request the relevant council staff to undertake a review as to what, if any damage was done to the footpaths in the vicinity of Mornington Road, Ranelagh and the new hotel and any other building projects in that area and to ensure that all necessary repairs are carried out and paid for by any developer who has been responsible for same.

Reply:

Road Maintenance Services do not sanction the release of the Planning & Development bond to any developer unless we are satisfied that any damage caused to roads or footpaths as the result of the development have been repaired at the developer's cost.

Q.11 Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the manager if she will prepare a comprehensive reply to the issues raised by residents of the Mornington Road area and submitted with this question.

Reply:

The road cleaning schedule of residential areas like Mornington Road is now determined following a weekly inspection which is carried out by the local cleansing supervisor in the area. Upon inspection, if this road is considered to be in an unacceptable condition litter wise , it will be scheduled for cleaning in the following few

days. This is considered the most efficient and cost effective method for the allocation of available resources.

The location has been subject to an increased level of monitoring for the past couple of months, including a period of daily visits by Dublin Street Parking Services. Up to mid November 31 vehicles were clamped on Mornington Road, Ashfield Road and Ashfield Avenue for various parking offences.

The laneway immediately to the rear of the hotel is not in charge of Dublin City Council and no parking enforcement action is possible. Dublin Street Parking Services have been instructed to continue monitoring these roads and will take enforcement action where possible.

Q.12 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to deal with the following issue on Church Road, Sandymount which leads from Londonbridge Road and onto Sean Moore Road.

The road is very narrow and parking is permitted on the left hand side which means traffic exiting Beach Road cannot easily turn left into Church Road and often blocks traffic coming from Tritonville Road and Londonbridge Road.

Reply:

The issue regarding Church Avenue as above has been referred to the Traffic Advisory Group for examination and report. The councillor will be informed of the recommendation in due course.

Q.13 Councillor Paddy McCartan

An audit list was submitted to Dublin City Council from Sandymount Tidy Towns last March 2018. Could the manager give an update particularly in relation to the bike racks which were to be installed at various locations? This would enable the painting of the railings to be completed on Sandymount Green.

Reply:

Following receipt of the audit in March, 2018, it was intended to install cycle parking stands on Sandymount Green as part of the on-street cycle parking programme. However, the proposals were suspended as the Traffic Advisory Group for the South East Area were separately working on proposals to improve pedestrian facilities on Sandymount Green and had included for the installation of approximately 20 new stands as part of this project.

At a recent meeting (29/11/2018) arranged by local representatives and attended by Dublin City Council officials and local representatives, the general consensus was that residents were not in favour of new stands in the vicinity of the green.

There are currently no proposals to install cycle parking that will affect the painting of the railings on the green.

Q.14 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to deal with this issue again from a constituent in Donnybrook re a hedge at 45 Marlborough Road.

“As discussed 3 photos attached - 2 taken in August before pruning and 1 after pruning? DCC roads section were advised of this and got owners to prune but as you can see not near enough. - Most hedges only extend up to 6 inches from railings - this hedge is 1ft 9 inches out from railings - a visual hazard to motorists & pedestrians. For

the last few years owners rarely maintain this hedge - only seem to do so after I get on to DCC and they get them to cut it.}" (Pics to follow).

Reply:

Road Maintenance Services will issue a notice to the owner / occupier of the property requiring them to cut the hedge back. Where an owner/occupier fails to comply with a notice Dublin City Council will cut back the hedge.

Q.15 Councillor Paddy McCartan

Residents have expressed concerns about the road surface on Belmont Avenue, Donnybrook. This is a very busy thoroughfare and needs remedial attention. Could the manager address this issue?

Reply:

Belmont Avenue is included in our draft 2019 Carriageway Repair & Resurfacing Programme subject to funding being ratified.

Q.16 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager what progress has being made on Rathmines, Pembroke, and Swan Drainage Scheme?

Please see correspondence dating to February 2013 from my colleague Cllr Mary Freehill but there has seemingly been no progress since. For the record her comments were as follows:

"We on Dublin City Council made a submission to the Dept. of Environment for funding to carry out a hydraulic study and an assessment of needs of the Rathmines and Pembroke Drainage Scheme. In the application the Council also requested that the Swan River be included in this study. For those who are not aware the Swan which is underground was culverted many years ago and it's been the cause of flooding in some areas of Dublin 4 and 6. Also the Rathmines & Pembroke Drainage scheme dates back to 1846 and currently is really not fit for purpose, particularly now that the density of rainfall has increased so much.

To try and get an early decision on funding I have just had a discussion with a senior Executive in the Dept. of Environment to day and he assures me that a decision will be made on the Rathmines and Pembroke by the end of March. Furthermore, he also assured me that the Swan will be included. He was very positive and indicated that the decision will be made in favour of the application and possibly with amendments. So I feel confident that this part of the process will proceed."

Reply:

Irish Water took over responsibility for the combined Drainage Network in Dublin city and country wide on 1st January 2014. They are carrying out studies on all of the major drainage networks in the Dublin city area as presented at the recent Environmental SPC meeting. Michael Goss of Irish Water or one of his colleagues may be able to give an update with regard any studies being carried out on the old Swan River.

Q.17 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to deal with the following issue on Marlborough Road, Donnybrook. The tree roots are lifting the paths which is making it dangerous to walk on also the people coming from the Royal Hospital Donnybrook are trying to use these paths with wheelchairs.

Reply:

These footpaths will be logged in our Asset Management System for repairs to be carried out.

Q.18 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to respond to this issue from a constituent:

"Recently I've observed an increased usage of scooter use as a means of transport which I'm sure is not meant for use on the public roads, and not insured I would say. This morning while driving on Park Avenue, Sandymount I observed a man with his young son both travelling on the road on the same scooter which is an accident waiting to happen. I have written twice to the Minister Shane Ross on this and never received a reply. This is a regular occurrence in the area and one only has to go to "Google Land" to observe the so called trendies using the same means of transport to get around. These items either need to be banned or regulated by ensuring that they are insured, as they are a danger to both road users and pedestrians as they are used on the footpath."

Reply:

Clarification on the use of electric scooters on footpaths and on the public road and the need for insurance is a matter for the Department of Transport Tourism and Sport. The Environment and Transportation Department will write to the Minister to convey the councillor's question and request clarification on these issues.

Q.19 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to give an update on this traffic issue at Sydney Parade Avenue, Sandymount from a constituent:

"We have noticed that the council has put extra signage in place at Dodder View Cottages, Ballsbridge in relation to the Slow Zone.

As discussed with Dermot Stevenson of the Traffic Dept. earlier this week our association would be grateful if the council could put some reminder signs on the road to remind motorists that they are in the Slow Zone.

In addition we would be grateful if 'on road' markings could be put on the road to remind drivers of the Slow Zone & the 30kph limit.

Unfortunately we have not noticed any reduction in the speed that cars are travelling through the road since the Slow Zone was introduced & we believe that at least part of the reason is that many drivers are not aware of the Slow Zone or the 30 kph limit hence the request for the signage & the road markings."

Reply:

It is Dublin City Council's policy not to erect additional repeater signage as this will lead to a proliferation of signage throughout the city.

The TAG Engineers have been requested to install painted 30km/h roundels and "Slow" logos in the areas as means of complimenting the existing 30Km/h signage.

An Garda Síochána at Dublin Castle have been made aware of areas where excessive speeds are being experienced. It may also be beneficial for residents and local councillors, experiencing excessive speeding, to make representations to the local Garda station to reaffirm the need for enforcement.

The Road Markings Section will inspect these locations with a view to installing 'SLOW' where appropriate. (Weather permitting, we will install this within 30 days of the SEAC meeting of the 10/12/18).

Q.20 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to deal with the following issue:

Over the last number of years residents of Ramleh Park, Milltown have expressed their concerns about the future of the area known as Scully's Field. Could the manager provide an update on any plans that are pending for its future development?

Reply:

This area of land is zoned Z9 (recreational amenity, open space and green networks) in the 2016 – 2022 City Development Plan. The following policy and objective in the Development Plan refer to this parcel of land –

GI 15: To protect, maintain and enhance the natural and organic character of the watercourses in the city, including opening up to daylight where safe and feasible. The creation and/or enhancement of riparian buffer zones will be required where possible. It is the policy of Dublin City Council to maintain and enhance the safety of the public in its use and enjoyment of the many public parks, open spaces, waterways and linkages within the city, including the River Dodder between Ringsend and Orwell (Waldron's Bridge) and at the area known as Scully's field between Clonskeagh and Milltown.

GIO 16: To provide and actively pursue the development of a park in the area known as Scully's Field between Clonskeagh and Milltown.

The lands are within a flood risk area associated with the adjacent River Dodder.

The area has local biodiversity value for the River Dodder and forms a riparian buffer zone for the river bank. It is the intent of the Council to acquire these lands to provide for a park area that addresses and incorporates the risk of these lands.

Q.21 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to deal with the following issue from a constituent.

To have the trees cut down at the back of 26, 27 Ramleh Park Milltown she writes the following:

"The trees overhang our garden and in summer drip black sticky residue - from aphids on the branches - onto trees, flowers and plants in our garden. The residue also builds up on the lid of our compost bin and on our worm bin.

I attach two photographs below, which I took in July showing healthy leaves on trees in our garden and ones affected by sticky residue from these neighbouring trees.

We have asked through the residents' association for the work to be undertaken and I know you have made representations on behalf of the Residents' Association to DCC; they circulated us with the relevant report from the Council - so thank you very much for that.

Unfortunately the council did undertake the pruning work at Prospect Lane in June of this year but they did not do the trees at the Green at Ramleh Close.

We queried this and were visited in July by Joseph O'Reilly, the District Parks Officer for our area.

He had two suggestions in regard to the trees: one was to have a contractor prune the trees in the autumn or in January. He thought that the DCC crew could come in the meantime to do some remedial work thinning the trees. Neither pruning nor remedial thinning has happened. We have been asking for three years now for the work to be done.”

Reply:

The timeline verbally communicated to the residents’ association in July was that tree works would be undertaken at these locations in the ‘autumn or in January’.

In the meantime, emergency tree works resulting from recent storms had to be prioritised which has resulted in a back log to other commitments which were given prior to the storms.

However, in this case, some of the commitments have been completed, i.e. works to trees on Prospect Lane, and we are still within the timeline communicated to the residents in July to complete the work ‘in the autumn or in January’ and we will endeavour to adhere to this timeline.

Q.22 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to deal with the following issue regarding dogs off the leash in Dartmouth Square, Ranelagh. Parents with young children have expressed concerns about large dogs roaming the park at all times of the day.

Reply:

Dublin Corporation Bye – Laws make provisions for the control of dogs in certain places. The Bye Laws set out the times during which a dog may be unleashed in a public place. A copy of these Bye laws is available on our website www.dublincity.ie

A person in charge of a dog in an area specified in the First Schedule to these Bye-Laws [except (a) American Pitbull Terrier, (b) Bull Mastiff , (c) Doberman Pinscher, (d) English Bull Terrier, (e) German Shepherd(Alsatian), (f) Japanese Akita, (g) Japanese Tosa, (h) Rhodesian Ridgeback, (i) Rottweiler, (J) Staffordshire Bull Terrier, and to every dog of the type commonly known as a Ban Dog (or Bandog) and to every other strain or cross of every breed of every type of dog described above] shall keep the dog on sufficiently strong chain or leash, not exceeding two metres in length if a fixed leash, or ten metres if retractable, while in that area, except during the following times when the dog may be unleashed in such areas (but excluding the North Bull Island and any other such area for which a Special Amenity Area Order is made) provided that such dog must still be under the effectual control of the person-in-charge of the dog in accordance with the Control of Dogs Acts, 1986 and 1992:

January & December:	8.00 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. 4.00 p.m. - 5.00 p.m.
February & November:	8.00 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. 4.30 p.m. - 5.30 p.m.
March & October:	8.00 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. 5.30 p.m. - 6.30 p.m. (wintertime) 6.30 p.m. - 7.30 p.m. (summertime)
April & September:	8.00 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. 7.30 p.m. - 8.30 p.m.
May & June:	8.00 a.m. - 11.00 a.m.
July & August:	8.30 p.m. - 9.30 p.m.

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Any -

- (a) park,
- (b) garden,
- (c) open space,
- (d) field,
- (e) stadium,
- (f) seashore,
- (g) other place used for outdoor recreational or sporting activities, which is under the control of the Corporation.

I have asked the wardens to inspect the park outside these permitted times.

Q.23 Councillor Paddy Smyth

To ask the manager to initiate the process of installing traffic calming measures on Harold's Cross Road adjacent to St. Clare's National School. The current road design is not conducive to a safe environment for children walking or cycling to and from the school.

Reply:

The area traffic engineer has reported that Harold's Cross Road which passes St. Clare's National School is an arterial route for Dublin City with a 50 km/h speed limit.

The following traffic calming measures are already in place:

- There are pedestrian crossing facilities 100 metres to the north and south of the school.
- There are School Keep Clear road markings at the entrance to the school. These markings should be kept free from vehicles. The enforcement of the markings is a matter for the Gardaí.
- There are pedestrian barriers on each side of the entrance into the school.
- There are two School Wardens provided outside the school on Harold's Cross Road who are in place from 8:10 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and from 2:25 p.m. to 2:45 p.m.

The Road Safety Unit of the City Council would recommend that parents consider a 'Walking Bus'. It comprises two volunteer parents, one to "drive" and one to "conduct" a group of school children. It follows a set route to school, collecting pupils at "bus stops" on the way. The Road Safety Unit can provide assistance and support in this regard.

Q.24 Councillor Patrick Costello

To ask the manager to install extra lighting in and around the Milltown Luas stop to provide extra security.

Reply:

Upgrading of the lighting on Richmond Avenue South to LED lighting will be considered as part of a future upgrade project, subject to available finances. The installation of additional lighting here is not required. The lighting at the Milltown LUAS platform is not maintained by Public Lighting Services.

Q.25 Councillor Patrick Costello

To ask the manager to repair the footpath at Corrib Road joining Mount Tallant which is in a state of disrepair due to tree roots.

Reply:

This footpath will be logged in our Asset Management System for repairs to be carried out.

Q.26 Councillor Patrick Costello

To ask the manager to install traffic lights at the junction of Mount Tallant Avenue and Harold's Cross Road, this is a dangerous and difficult junction and will only get worse when the St. Pancras site is finished.

Reply:

The request for traffic lights at the junction of Mount Tallant Avenue and Harold's Cross Road is still listed for examination on the Traffic Advisory Group Agenda. The Councillor will be informed of the recommendation in due course.

Q.27 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager issue a full report with regards Dublin City Council's refurbishment and alterations of its Palace Street building, formerly International Affairs DCC?

This report to include all drawings and plans for the upgrade. All tendering processing documents for the upgrading works. Overall budget for these works. Start times and completion dates and all documentations relating to the planning of these works.

Also, what sections of Dublin City Council were informed about these works taking place? When will the works be completed and who will occupy the building?

Reply:

The works currently being carried out in Palace Street are quite substantial as numerous building defects have been discovered. The roof and part of the façade requires complete recladding and all existing roof membranes and cladding have to be removed and replaced. The estimated cost associated with this element of the project is €400,000. A recent Health & Safety report was carried out on the building which highlighted a number of structural and Fire Safety issues. This has necessitated a complete strip down of the interior to remedy these defects which when completed will require a new fit out of walls, ceilings, carpets etc.

The building also did not have air conditioning which has become quite an issue for those working there particularly during the summer months where staff experienced very high temperatures. As a result, air conditioning is also being installed as part of the refurbishment. The costs of the internal works have not been fully estimated yet but a budget of €500k has been set aside for this. A full account of expenditure will be available when the project has been concluded.

A number of departments within the council were consulted as part of the process. Assistance has been provided by Quantity Surveyors, Architects, HVAC and Health & safety Sections and also the Planning Department. The sections who occupied the building at the time of its closure were also consulted, namely Sports Partnership, International Relations the CORE Project. These sections will be returning to Palace Street in mid to late January and a number of other sections will also partially occupy the building, namely, Smart Cities, Dublin.ie and a National Building Control Project team.

The floorplans of Palace Street will be provided directly to the councillor.

Q.28 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager give a report with regards the usage of scooters / skateboards on the footpaths and also the usage of electric scooters on the road way?

Reply:

Clarification on the use of electric scooters on footpaths and on the public road is a matter for the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport. The Environment and Transportation Department will write to the minister to convey the councillor's question and request clarification on these issues.

Q.29 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager issue a full report with regards to the works that are to take place on Pearse Station roof? This roof is a historical structure, it's unique and one of its kind in this state. Sometime back this area committee agreed to have it listed on the record of protected structures. This report to include: where it is on that process and whether Irish Rail have been informed that this process is in train and to desist from interfering with the roof in any way without planning permission.

Reply:

Please refer to the response to Motion 15 of the South East Area Committee Meeting on the 12th February 2018, as follows:

The front façade (only) of Pearse Station and the Railway Bridge at Westland Row, Dublin 2, are Protected Structures (RPS Ref. No: 8520 and No: 890 respectively).

The Planning Authority granted a Section 5 Declaration on the 30th June 2014 per Reg. Ref: 0150/14 in respect of exempted development to Pearse Station (Protected Structure), Westland Row, Dublin 2 comprising the following works: "Proposed renovation of the railway station roof over the main platform area & adjacent car park roof & associated works as described in the attached application report & appendices A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, J, K". The works proposed may be summarised as follows (as per Planning Officer's Report) *"The internal works will comprise for the greater part alteration, repair and renewal works to the trusses and associated supports. The external works comprise works to the glazing and other external finishes of the roof (replacing Perspex inserted in the 1970's with glazing as was originally the case) and to the gable ends of the station roof."*

Having regard to the Section 5 Declaration above, which provided for the replacement of the seriously corroded trusses, it is not considered necessary at this stage to initiate the process of adding (or otherwise) the structures to the RPS.

It is noted that Motion 15 was not agreed by South East Area Committee at its meeting on the 12th February 2018.

Accordingly, the Planning & Property Development Department has decided not to initiate the process of assessment and proposed addition of the roof structure at Pearse Street Railway Station to the RPS. The works to the roof of the station are a matter for Irish Rail.

Q.30 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the area manager issue a full report with regards the proposed works of reconstructing footpaths in Creighton Street, Dublin 2? This report to include who will carry out these works, when these works will start and be completed? Have all residents been notified of these works? Have the residents been informed of their rights and due process in relation to these works and the impact they will have on the enjoyment of their homes.

Reply:

An Emergency Motion was passed at the November South East Area Committee meeting (copy attached for ease of reference). No application has been made by the developer to Road Maintenance Services Division for a Road Opening Licence to reconstruct the footpath on the western side of Creighton Street to date.

**DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
SOUTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE
12th NOVEMBER 2018**

Emergency Motion from Councillor Chris Andrews

That this area committee supports the offer by Hibernia Reit to upgrade the pavement on the west side of Creighton Street as a matter of urgency before the end of the year in accordance with Dublin City Council requirements, as the company will be moving off site at the end of 2018 and the upgrading works may cost more to be carried out or may be significantly delayed.

Report:

Environment & Transportation Department has no objection to the reconstruction of the western footpath on Creighton Street with the same materials as have been installed on the east side by Hibernia Reit. This is provided the works are carried out under a Road Opening Licence Agreement with Road Maintenance Services, as with the eastern footpath.

Q.31 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the area manager issue a full report with regards the Rates Office and the relocation of staff? Further, can the manager confirm whether there was a case or cases of Legionnaires' disease found within the building basement area?

Reply:

Water quality testing is carried out on an annual basis in the Rates Office. Tests carried out in September identified traces of legionella in one water system in the gent's toilets in the basement. This area was then closed to all staff. Additional testing carried out in October identified further traces of legionella in a number of water outlets in the Rates Office.

The day after the test results were received 1st November a decision was taken to vacate the Rates Office and relocate staff. Thirty staff were relocated to the Civic Offices (Block 1, Floor 8 (23 staff) and the Customer Service Centre (7 staff)). A number of Rate Collectors are working from home and have access to the Rates Office to view files.

We are currently exploring options to facilitate the transfer of all staff to a permanent location. The business function and IT elements of our systems have transferred to the Civic Offices. No staff contracted legionella.

Work is currently underway to determine the source of the legionella and remedial work will be carried out on the building in due course.

Q.32 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager issue a full report with regards the cancellation of the Christmas lighting events within the city? This report to include when the decision was taken and when the public were informed. What is the future for the Christmas lighting events in Dublin city centre?

Reply:

For the last number of years, Christmas light switch-on events on Henry Street and Grafton Street have been organised by Dublin Town, supported by Dublin City Council. In 2016, the crowds that attended the Grafton Street event were at unsafe levels and the event had to be cut short. Following a statutory agency de-brief meeting, there was general consensus that static events could no longer be managed on Grafton Street and Henry Street and an alternative format would have to be used.

Based on the 2016 findings, it was agreed that a procession event (similar to the successful Macnas parade) would replace the traditional, static Henry Street and Grafton Street events and also incorporate the usual Lord Mayor's O'Connell Street switch on.

Despite considerable event planning taking place, which included all of the main statutory agencies, the event saw unprecedented attendance numbers, particularly on O'Connell Street. While the event did not result in any injuries, there was widespread concern among all of the statutory agencies regarding the significant crowd control problems which had occurred. In the interest of public safety, the event also required the invoking of a number of emergency contingency measures and the curtailment of major elements of the event.

Following the event, a high level statutory agency de-brief meeting was convened on 23rd November 2017 in Pearse Street Garda Station. A number of recommendations were made at the meeting regarding the organising of future Christmas events of this nature in the City Centre. The main findings were that the same level of resources and infrastructure that are required to run the St. Patrick's Day parade would need to be allocated to running this event again, and if they weren't available, it would be unlikely that the event would be allowed to proceed. The significant restrictions to all public transport services in the City Centre, including Luas Cross City that this event causes were also a major consideration.

In light of the above, a decision was made by the Assistant Chief Executive not to allocate the considerable funding that would be required to run another one off lighting ceremony, but to divert it to the delivery of a new, stand alone, Dublin City Council organised, month long Christmas project. A considerable amount of international research and concept development was then carried out by the DCC Events team in order to formulate an alternative Christmas experience. This was to be developed to provide all citizens with an opportunity to come in and enjoy the City, at a time of their choice, with none of the previous public safety or crowd management implications. This is where the idea for "Winter Lights Dublin City" originated, which proposed to illuminate and animate the City for the month of December. This concept was mainly developed around the installation of festive projections on nine of our most iconic buildings, ambitious lighting installations on two City bridges and the significantly upscale tree dressing of two of our most impressive tree lined streets – O'Connell Street and Parliament Street. It is planned that this initiative will encourage families and visitors to come in to the City across the month of December and, not only enjoy

the festive atmosphere, but also reengage with some of the institutions that we are proudest of, such as the GPO, Trinity College, the Hugh Lane Gallery, etc. This proposal was subsequently approved by the Assistant Chief Executive and Chief Executive.

Based on the project concept and design, a request for tenders for the services required to deliver the project was issued by Dublin City Council, via e-tenders on 12th July 2018. The contract was awarded to Eventco Management Limited on 18th September 2018, based on theirs being the most economically advantageous tender received.

As in previous years, several Community based lighting ceremonies are being organised across the City, in addition to Winter Lights, this year.

Q.33 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager inform the building contractors and developers working in close proximity to McDonagh House on Whitefriar Street on sites that are to build hotels and student accommodation at Stephen Street Lower, Ship Street and Chancery Street - not to park their trucks from early morning outside of the flats with their engines running. There are also huge issues of noise and dust and also great confusion about the road layout and road traffic management. These three sites are in close proximity to each other in a very very busy area with local residents and school going children. Can the manager issue a full report to me also as to how Dublin City Council intends to manage this complicated situation?

Reply:

The Air Quality Monitoring and Noise Control Unit are investigating complaints received concerning environmental noise/air nuisance caused by the development works at Ship Street and Chancery Street, Dublin 8.

Following meetings with the developers a series of measures have been implemented or are in the process of being put in place:

1. Liaison programme with neighbours and Dublin City Council
2. Live noise and vibration monitoring with a notification system on agreed limits
3. Noise control audits at regular intervals
4. An additional dust monitor giving a total of four dust monitors on site
5. Potential noisy activities scheduled according to its noise level and proximity to sensitive locations
6. White noise beacons and quiet plant options for new plant
7. Noise control at source
8. Screening
9. Vibration and piling control measures
10. Water bowser, road sweeper and other dust suppression systems

This unit continues to keep this case open and is in ongoing dialogue with the developers.

This unit has not received any complaints regarding noise from Stephen Street Lower.

Q.34 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the area manager write to the Health Services Executive (HSE) and ascertain what kind of management plan they are operating with regards the methadone clinic on Castle Street? Most days this area is saturated with various addicts who attend the

clinic for their medication. The area is awash with drug dealing and many of the addicts are in a very bad comatose state.

This activity can take place throughout the day. On some days it can be most chaotic on Castle Street, Lord Edward Street and Werburgh Street. Nobody from the HSE methadone clinic seems to control or manage their clients away from the area once they have received their treatment.

Many of the residents, neighbours and businesses are now reaching boiling point. This has been going on for years and nobody has done anything about it. Regularly An Garda Síochána and the ambulance services have to attend here to deal with overdoses and fights. This is not acceptable that the HSE or anybody in the drug treatment services can abdicate their responsibility and their duty of care. You cannot simply abandon your clients and patients in this manner and you have a responsibility to the public.

Reply:

The South East Area Office wrote to the Health Service Executive on 27th November 2018.

Q.35 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the area manager issue a report with regards the vacant apartments at Townsend Street? These apartments are above shops on the corner just before Tara Street. These flats were formerly in the ownership of Dublin City Council and now appear to be vacant and idle for a number of years.

Reply:

Dublin City Council owns Nos 180 to 187 Townsend Street which comprises 18 apartments and 2 commercial units. The Peter McVerry Trust received planning permission (application no 3991/17) for the redevelopment of the 18 apartments. On 26th October 2018, the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government issued Stage 3 funding approval under the Capital Assistance Scheme for the project. The Trust is in the process of finalising the tender documentation with a view to going to tender in early January, 2018. It is expected that the tender period including assessment, completion of the tender report and issue of approval from the Department should be concluded by end of April, 2019. A Section 183 is currently being prepared to lease the units to the Peter McVerry Trust for a period of 31 years.

Q.36 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager issue a report as to how many motor cars and vans are now being parked in Dublin City Council's flat complexes in the south east area. To include: registered vehicles and non-registered vehicles. Further, how many vehicles have been clamped in these flat complexes for illegal parking in the last two years?

Reply:

The information requested has been sought from the contractors and will be forwarded to the councillor on receipt.

Q.37 Councillor Patrick Costello

To ask the manager to have the lamp posts on Fortfield Terrace painted.

Reply:

We will examine the public lighting standards on Fortfield Terrace, and if painting is required we will add them to a list for inclusion on a future painting programme, subject to finances made available.

Q.38 Councillor Patrick Costello

To ask the manager to arrange for cleaning of illegal dumping on the lane behind houses on Upper Rathmines Road and Villiers Road.

Reply:

Arrangements have been made to have the above mentioned lane cleaned in early December 2018.

Q.39 Councillor Patrick Costello

Can the manager agree to tree planting in Rutland Grove to accompany the redevelopment of the park facilities?

Reply:

Planting of trees at appropriate locations within Rutland Grove will be discussed with residents when Park Services meet with them before Christmas to discuss improvements to the park depot.

Q.40 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager arrange to have the severe and chronic dampness at *details supplied repaired as it is causing the tenant health issues.

Reply:

This matter will be attended to in the next 7/10 working days.

Q.41 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager arrange to have the work carried out to make the boiler safe in *details supplied, as in April new boilers were put in, condenser ones, only in and it started to overflow from its trap and the water was backing up. Apparently a council official said they wouldn't do the work as an inspector said it needs be six inches higher so the old Dublin City Council pipes could flow however they are exactly the same height as everyone else's kitchen. The heating man had to disconnect the pipe now since April and the residents have to let the pipe run into a bucket and keep emptying out the water as it fills from the overflow!

Reply:

Our Heating Section is aware of the issue at this address and has made arrangements to have the matter investigated and repaired in the next 2/4 working days.

Q.42 Councillor Chris Andrews

The residents in Conway Court have contacted me in relation to the hoarder in the ground floor flats. They claim he is dumping urine in bags around the forecourt. They said he has taken over two one beds.

Would you be able to let me know what measures are being taken to address the difficulties this resident has and is creating in the flat complex?

Reply:

The city council has no record of a hoarder in Conway Court. If the councillor is referring to a tenant of Macken Villas, the city council is currently involved in legal proceedings regarding same.

Q.43 Councillor Chris Andrews

Residents in Markievicz House have asked the following in relation to planned improvements:

1. Can a second gate be put in the play area facing D block?
2. Is the water connection in the pram shed facing D block going to be moved?
3. Is the drainage fixed, as it seems that it still floods badly particularly close to both the car entrances and one of the drains at car entrance was covered up a few years ago and has not been restored? There is pooling around the drains when there is heavy rain. This means that when the new surface is complete it will still flood?

Reply:

1. It was agreed with the residents that a review of the current playground layout be undertaken.
2. The water connection in pram shed facing D block is not going to be moved.
3. The drains have been surveyed and some of the damaged lines repaired. It is anticipated that the tarmac which will be laid as part of the improvement works will remove the ponding issue on-site.

Q.44 Councillor Claire O'Connor

Can the manager give an update on the consideration of measures to avoid speeding on Northbrook Avenue in Ranelagh?

Reply:

Northbrook Avenue is part of a new 30 km/h speed limit zone which came into effect recently from 26th November, 2018. Signage has been put in place at the entrances to the zones, indicating the 30 km/h speed limit and that the area is a Home Zone / Slow Zone, which warns motorists that it is a residential area and to expect children.

The road will be monitored for compliance with the new lower speed limit.

Q.45 Councillor Claire O'Connor

Can an update be given in respect of previous motions stemming from 2016 in respect of a pedestrian crossing at Cowper Road / Palmerston Road?

Reply:

The Traffic Advisory Group at its meeting of 28th August, 2018, recommended pedestrian crossings on all four arms of the above junction. This measure will be considered for inclusion on a future works programme subject to the availability of funding and resources.

Q.46 Councillor Claire O'Connor

Can an extra parking meter be put on Nutley Avenue as there is only one meter in existence?

Reply:

On longer sections of road it would be normal practice to consider the placement of a machine at the midway point in the scheme to supplement one already located at the entrance to a road such as has been done at the only vehicular entrance to Nutley Avenue at Nutley Lane. However, the presence of driveways at the majority of dwellings on Nutley Avenue prevent the placement of Pay and Display ticket machines on the road other than at the entrance from Nutley Lane and the cul-de-sac at the Nutley Road end.

The policy of Dublin City Council is to minimise on-street furniture associated with Pay and Display and Permit Parking Schemes wherever possible, e.g. pay and Display ticket machines. This policy is aided by the fact that on average 52% of parking is paid via Parking Tag rather than at the ticket machine. Placing a ticket machine at the cul-

de-sac area of Nutley Avenue would be of little benefit when the existing machine is already located at the entrance to the avenue.

Q.47 Councillor Claire O'Connor

Can consideration be given to putting ramps on Claremont Road in Sandymount in circumstances where trucks travel at speed in the early hours of the morning?

Reply:

Claremont Road is part of a 30 km/h speed limit zone which came into effect in May 2017. The request for traffic calming measures has been referred to the Traffic Advisory Group for examination and report. The Councillor will be informed of the recommendation in due course.

Q.48 Councillor Claire O'Connor

Can Claremont Road in Sandymount be swept?

Reply:

Waste Management Services has arranged to have Claremont Road cleaned in the near future.

Q.49 Councillor Claire O'Connor

Can Merton Drive be attended to given the following circumstances? Late last year, a group of workers turned up on Merton Drive. They cut the concrete and dug a trench along the cul de sac outside houses at 12 to 38 Merton Drive. The trench was then backfilled, topped with tar and remains unfinished after many months. In the meantime, the road has begun to subside leaving large cracks and raised levels up to 50mm in one spot. There are 20 children under the age of 10 living on the cul de sac and it is a less safe place for them as a result of the poor standard of work. The street is dangerous and unsightly and should be reinstated to a safe, clean and tidy condition.

Reply:

Please be advised that the permanent reinstatement is the responsibility of Irish Water. Road Maintenance Services has highlighted this issue to Irish Water at the address above.

Q.50 Councillor Claire O'Connor

There is an Air B and B beside details supplied. The booking website indicates that the house is available to rent 3 weekends in Nov and 6 days over the Christmas holidays. Jan / Feb / Mar and April all have weekends available to rent. This is not a casual once off and is a constant. People in the nude are seen in the windows and does not reflect the character of this street which has a lot of young children. Can this be investigated?

Reply:

The use of a **house** for the purposes of short term holiday lets is currently deemed to be exempted development under Article 10(4) of the Planning and Development regulations 2001(as amended).

This may change in the future should the regulations be updated next year as was announced by the Minister in October of this year.

Q.51 Councillor Claire O'Connor

Can the manager consider the installation of a pedestrian crossing at the junction of Chelmsford Road / Ranelagh Road? This is a very dangerous crossing for pedestrians as you need to judge when there may be a long enough break in traffic to allow you to

cross. This is very difficult to judge as cars are coming from different directions at different times.

Reply:

The Executive Engineer, Transportation Planning Division, has confirmed as at November, 2018, that a consultant has been briefed to proceed with a preliminary design for the Dodder to Grand Canal phase of the Sandford (Clonskeagh) to City Centre Cycle Route. This phase includes the provision of a pedestrian crossing at the junction of Chelmsford Road / Ranelagh Road. It is expected that the public consultation on this phase of the route will follow in Quarter 3 of 2019. On completion of the public consultation, it is intended to proceed to detailed design and subsequent construction.

Q.52 Councillor Claire O'Connor

Can speeding measures be considered for Beechwood Avenue Lower? Beechwood Avenue Lower is a narrow single lane residential road with parked cars on both sides of the road and is lined with family homes, many with small children. However, it also takes the evening rush hour traffic from Ranelagh village / the city centre with hundreds of cars using the route daily. Many other roads in the area have already had traffic calming measures implemented. Ashfield Road, for example, which runs parallel to Beechwood Avenue Lower has several speed bumps to deal with the morning rush hour as it feeds into Ranelagh village. These traffic calming measures would point to precedent as the two roads are nearly identical in nature. Additionally, many cars perform illegal U-turns on the various alleyways along Beechwood Avenue Lower and drive off at speed in the wrong direction. Can additional signage be erected at the Dunville Avenue / Beechwood Avenue junction and at another point on Beechwood Avenue Lower alerting motorists to the one way system?

Reply:

The area traffic engineer has reported that there are two No Entry signs and a No Entry road marking on Beechwood Avenue Lower at the junction with Beachwood Road. There are No Left Turn and No Right Turn signs also on Beechwood Road before the junction. No Further signage is considered necessary at the junction and, therefore, is not recommended.

The area traffic engineer has confirmed that Beechwood Avenue Lower is not a one-way system. Two-way traffic still operates on the road.

Q.53 Councillor Claire O'Connor

Can the trees on Seafort Gardens be pruned moving forward as they cover the street lights on Seafort Gardens, Sandymount Avenue? Can a seat facing away from Sandymount Green be erected and face down Sandymount Avenue?

Reply:

There are no street trees located on Seafort Gardens and Sandymount Avenue. Parks Services does not install seats on public paths.

Q.54 Councillor Claire O'Connor

Can the manager confirm the leaf collection schedule for next autumn in Sandymount, Ballsbridge and Donnybrook?

Reply:

Waste Management Services are currently operating our leaves removal programme in the South East area and this will continue until all the leaves have fallen. As leaves removal is a labour intensive and time consuming task, it takes time to get around to

all parts of the area. As many staff as possible are dedicated to this task, including our public domain staff in the afternoons and weekends. Also some residential associations get bags and equipment from us to enable them to help clear the leaves in their area. The above mentioned areas are currently being cleared of leaves and will be included as often as possible during the course of our leaves removal programme.

Q.55 Councillor Frank Kennedy

At the June 2018 SEAC I proposed the following motion, which was unanimously passed:

“Motion 11 from Councillor Frank Kennedy

Last month the council painted yellow lines in Vavasour Square from No. 15 - 19 (photos attached). The effect of this is that it prevents families from parking outside their homes in a square where parking is already in exceptionally short supply. In light of the major difficulties that this creates, as illustrated in the attached letter sent by the Residents’ Association, which carries with it unanimous support from residents, (and the Residents’ Association further advise that the resident who requested this change has now written to the council to request that the yellow lines be removed) this committee calls on the council to reverse its decision and to revert to the pre-existing position.”

While the report which I received stated that “This will be the final decision on this matter” the officials subsequently agreed at the meeting, in light of the overwhelming view of local councillors, to look at this issue again. To ask the manager what is the update on this re-examination?

Reply:

The area traffic engineer has reported that the matter of the double yellow lines installed on Vavasour Square, as above, was re-examined by the Engineering Technical Group. However, the decision to retain the double yellow lines was upheld on health and safety grounds and, also, in order to maintain the flow of traffic, access for emergency vehicles, and to avoid vehicles reversing the full length of Vavasour Square onto the main road, Bath Avenue.

Q.56 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the manager to provide a list of streets in the area with dates for street cleaning.

Reply:

Individual streets are not allocated or cleaned on specific dates so there is no set schedule which applies to any one street. Instead the City Council now operates an Area Based Cleaning schedule.

Area-based cleaning was introduced into waste management to improve the frequency of street cleaning to all areas and recognises the fact that there are different cleaning requirements in different areas which cannot be met by applying a standard schedule to street cleaning city wide.

Locations which consists of urban villages, shop fronts and main thoroughfares are serviced every day, bins are emptied, streets are swept, litter removed and recycling facilities cleaned.

In residential areas litter bins are serviced Monday to Friday daily and streets are monitored by local management teams on a daily basis who deploy resources to where they are most needed at any given time to ensure a high standard of cleanliness is maintained.

All areas are assessed on an ongoing basis and cleaning is carried out as required and at a minimum of every 12 weeks.

Q.57 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the manager to repair the full stretch of footpath on Ailesbury Gardens, Dublin 4 which are in appalling condition and extremely dangerous.

Reply:

Ailesbury Gardens is not part of our draft 2019 Footpath Reconstruction Works Programme but we will log it in our Asset Management System for repairs to be carried out here.

Q.58 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the manager to provide a response to this e-mail from a resident in the vicinity of Mountpleasant Avenue Upper:

I live locally and am affected by trial traffic proposals at Mountpleasant Avenue Upper. I also lecture in transportation at DIT and take a strong interest in sustainable mobility and healthy streets.

Reasons why the status quo is unacceptable:

It is without argument that the current situation is undesirable. There is considerable traffic conflict between north and southbound traffic on the Avenue, exacerbated by the narrow road width, inadequate footpath standards and on-street car parking. Footpaths are excessively narrow and very dangerous at the northern end of the upper avenue where speeds are very high. Northbound traffic, in particular, tends to accelerate at this point, with a sharp downward gradient and a squirting-out effect after the on-street parking. For these reasons it is a very dangerous and threatening pedestrian environment, particularly for vulnerable users.

Issues with the proposed trial:

Notwithstanding the above, the proposed Mountpleasant Avenue Trial has some critical issues, which need to be examined:

- The trial is likely to increase traffic volumes and traffic speeds locally
- The trial is likely to reduce pedestrian safety and amenity locally
- The trial is likely to contribute to an increasingly congested city centre

The trial proposes a southbound straight ahead ban. This will inevitably promote northbound traffic volumes. Simply, the Avenue will become an easier route to drive making it an increasingly attractive rat-run, especially for morning commuter traffic.

This in turn will increase traffic into the city. This contravenes City Council Policy, whose overall aim is to reduce car access to the city centre in favour of sustainable alternatives, especially walking and cycling.

The northbound traffic will also have greater priority and freedom. This will inevitably increase speeds on the Avenue as the threat of oncoming traffic is apparently eliminated or much reduced.

This also contravenes City Council policy, whose aim is to create safer streets for people, through a commendable programme of legal traffic speed reductions. Unfortunately, there is much evidence that road design has a higher influence than legal measures in controlling traffic speeds.

Overall, pedestrian safety and amenity in the Mountpleasant area will be diminished by the trial, as a result of increased volumes and speeds, which are nearly always the consequences of the introduction of one-way traffic systems. Even though this is not a one-way system, most car drivers are likely to read it as one.

Proposed alternative solution:

A better proposal would be to implement a northbound traffic ban (except for cyclists) at the southernmost point of Mountpleasant Avenue, i.e. no access from Castlewood Avenue and Belgrave Square.

This would complete a car-reduced environmental cell for the entire Mountpleasant area. A similar ban at Oxford Road is very successful (though this should also be exempted for cyclists).

In turn this would help to regenerate the derelict parade of shops at the corner of Richmond Hill and Mountpleasant Avenue, which had been blighted by the already egregious local traffic conditions.

For the above reasons, it is strongly recommended that (a) traffic volumes and (b) traffic speeds be recorded as part of the before / after monitoring which the Council has committed to.

With the results likely to demonstrate increased speeds and traffic volumes, the Council should proceed and work to create an effective traffic-reduced environmental cell for the entire Mountpleasant area.

Reply:

The trial is in place until the 12/04/2019, the area engineer will review the trial before and after implementation, based on the review of the trial decision will be made if the trial will stay in place or not. For any further detail please check <http://www.dublincity.ie/mountpleasantavenueuppertrial>.

Q.59 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the manager to respond to the contents of the e-mail below and the very serious incident recounted therein:

I was wondering if you could ascertain for me from the manager of Dublin City Council's housing section if they now have a new policy that applicants must be on the housing list for 14 years before being considered for housing.

Reply:

The applicant (details supplied) is currently on the housing waiting list in Band 3 for two bedroom accommodation with the following positions:

- 167 for two bedroom accommodation in Area K (Crumlin, Kimmage)
- 95 for two bedroom accommodation in Area M (Pearse St., Ringsend)
- 181 for two bedroom accommodation in Area N (Ranelagh, Rathmines)

Dublin City Council are allocating properties based on time on the list and currently there are applicants on the Waiting List of longer standing who have to be considered as suitable vacancies arise. The applicant's mother rang on 2nd November regarding the applicant's status. The applicant's mother was advised that Housing Allocations are unable to give any information to the mother and advised that applicant can ring in person. Applicant rang 6th November to discuss their status on the housing list. The

applicant (details supplied) was advised on their number on the list for social housing support.

It is not possible to indicate accurately the prospect of an offer for any applicant. The number of vacancies arising is a determining factor in the length of time applicants could expect to be on the waiting list. However, applicants who request information on average waiting times for an offer of social housing are given an approximation based on the longest waiting times for their area of choice, their bedroom requirements and their banding on the waiting list.

The applicant is eligible for HAP (Housing Assistance Payment) in order to be assessed for this scheme applicants are advised to call to Housing Allocations between 9.30am to 4pm Monday to Friday with current income details.

Q.60 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the manager to allocate *details supplied a housing place in one of the available one bedroom units in either Cathedral Court or New Court, New Street, Dublin 8.

Reply:

The applicant (details supplied) is currently on the housing waiting list in Band 3 for one bedroom accommodation with the following positions:

- 83 for one bedroom accommodation in Area K (Crumlin, Kimmage)
- 140 for one bedroom accommodation in Area L (James St., Oliver Bond)
- 138 for one bedroom accommodation in Area N (Ranelagh, Rathmines)

Dublin City Council are allocating properties based on time on the list and currently there are applicants on the Waiting List of longer standing who have to be considered as suitable vacancies arise. It is not possible to indicate accurately the prospect of an offer for any applicant. The number of vacancies arising will be a determining factor in the length of time applicants could expect to be on the waiting list. The applicants' interest in Cathedral Court/New Court has been noted.

Q.61 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the manager to respond to this issue raised by a resident in the Wilton Park neighbourhood:

As residents in the neighbourhood of 'Wilton Park', we are writing to you as our local representative out of concern for IPUT's plans for the redevelopment of the park. IPUT, who are currently demolishing Fitzwilton House at Leeson Street Bridge, will shortly be seeking to demolish the buildings currently occupied by the IDA on the north side of Wilton Place, and to make changes to the Park. As it has been communicated to us in various meetings with IPUT, the park will no longer be a place for residents—children, families, the elderly—as well as workers to enjoy nature among the mature trees of this historic and unique city centre park. According to the plans, it will serve the office development, becoming an extension of the 'campus' buildings for weekday employees. It is also to provide paths that act as short cuts from the canal area for the office workers and for the customers of the various planned dining amenities.

IPUT's development plans have ignored the neighbourhood ethos which is one that currently combines residential with commercial usage and is home to a growing number of families whose children frequent nearby schools. It seems that the policy of encouraging people to return to living in the city is not served well by this plan for a public space that prioritises the development of a business campus in a historic park; in fact, creating facilities that privilege office workers who go home each evening as

opposed to residents who live in, and care for, the neighbourhood seems to conflict with Dublin City Council's plan for city living.

To facilitate IPUT's development— the thoroughfares and a large glass pavilion for selling refreshments — many of the mature trees that are characteristic of the area and act as an important part of the eco system are to be cut down. The historic fountain which showcases nineteenth century engineering ingenuity (by working on water drawn from the canal) is to be relocated from its prime position along with part demolition of the rare, handmade original Georgian railings. These form an integral part of what remains of the Georgian streetscape and provide an historical visual amenity enjoyed by visitors and residents.

Our concern for the park is both historical in the sense of the destruction of a unique Georgian square as well as in terms of the threat to the very fabric of an area of Dublin that has a long heritage of family life. Turning this small corner of the city into a business campus of 5,000 office workers without any consideration of the diverse nature of an area with an important cultural and literary legacy as well as being home to many generations of Dubliners threatens to impact in an irreversible way the future of a city of sustainable communities and neighbourhoods.

Reply:

The concerns raised relate to a current planning application Reg. Ref. 4421/18. The appropriate and most effective way to ensure that issues in relation to a proposed development are considered is to make a written observation. All third party observations or submissions made to the Planning Authority in relation to the planning application during the period of 5 weeks from the date of receipt of the application (16th November 2018) will be taken into account by the authority in making its decision on the application.

Q.62 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the manager to respond to the planning issues raised in this e-mail by a Donnybrook resident:

I am concerned that the council, through its planning arm, is enabling the hollowing out of Donnybrook village by replacing shops, restaurants, pubs and services that comprise the village with buildings and uses that are of no relevance to the residents or visitors to the village. It is about planning for the right type of development.

There is an ongoing planning application for a hotel. The local butcher is being changed to an estate agent. Kiely's is almost sold – will that just become another residential development? Is there a similar plan for McCloskey's? Today I see the petrol station is now up for sale too. Therefore now is the time to act to ensure the village remains sustainable.

I think that the council and planners should be aware of the longer term effect of these changes to the village centre. There should be some consideration for future use and being of use to residents. While Donnybrook is a main thoroughfare to the city centre, there is also a village at the heart of it running from Donnybrook Fair to the garage. We should make sure that a cohesive centre should hold along that stretch, or a substantial part of it, that has the critical mass necessary to sustain the local businesses. This means ensuring sufficient footfall for those businesses to survive and thrive. People staying at a hotel don't go to the hardware shop. A thriving village needs a butcher over an estate agent.

Reply:

Donnybrook is recognised as an urban village and is zoned Z4 with an objective to provide for and improve mixed- services facilities. It is zoned to ensure that the village can provide services of a higher order than neighbourhood services and with a catchment area that can extend spatially to a greater area. Permissible Uses include residential, community facilities, cultural/recreational uses, a full range of retail uses, education uses, hotels/guesthouses, medical uses, public houses, restaurants and offices subject to a floor space cap. The Planning Authority cannot control changes in the property market but is seeking to maintain the village ethos and character of Donnybrook. The Planning Authority therefore supports well designed commercial uses that add vitality to the main thoroughfare and appropriately scaled mixed use schemes which include the residential element needed to support local businesses.

Q.63 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the manager to install more speed control/child safety signage on Brighton Square South and Garville Avenue i.e. route from Garville to Terenure Road North. This link road, with a lot of children now living on it, experiences cars speeding through it particularly at peak morning and evening hours.

Reply:

The area traffic engineer has reported that there are speed ramps on Garville Avenue, Garville Avenue Upper and Brighton Square South. There is parking on both sides of each road which acts as a traffic calming measure. It is not recommended, therefore, to introduce additional speed ramps on these roads.

The request for Children Crossing signage will be referred to the Traffic Advisory Group for examination and report. The councillor will be informed of the recommendation in due course.

Q.64 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the manager to repair footpaths on Cowper Road, where trees have uprooted paving and poses a risk to pedestrians coming and going to the Luas from Upper Rathmines Road and Palmerston Road.

Reply:

These footpaths will be logged in our Asset Management System for repairs to be carried out.

Q.65 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the manager to consider securing the wall between the playground on Upper Rathmines Road and Cowper Downs and to relocate the seat in the playground park to stop small children using it as a platform for climbing the wall and possibly suffering injury when they fall down on the Cowper Downs side of the wall.

Reply:

The park bench will be moved to another location within Tranquilla Park. It is considered that wall is in good condition and does not require security measures.

Q.66 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the manager to ensure that details supplied is properly cleaned as it was only partially cleaned recently when a team was sent out.

Reply:

Waste Management Services have arranged to have details supplied cleaned in the near future.

Q.67 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the manager to review the 'no right hand turn' from Terenure Road East to Greenmount Road to peak hours only, instead of all day.

Reply:

The Traffic Advisory Group at its meeting of 22nd July, 2014, did not recommend the rescinding of the No Right Turn restriction. It reported at the time that there are approximately 3,000 vehicles traversing Terenure village junction between the hours of 7 a.m. – 9 a.m. each weekday. This does not include cyclists or pedestrians. In order to provide a degree of efficiency to public transport going through the village, it is essential that the right hand turn from Terenure Place onto Rathfarnham Road (southbound) is maintained exclusively for public transport. To include general traffic with this turning movement would effectively seize the flow of eastbound traffic and in particular incur a substantial negative impact on bus journey times.

There are two prominent reasons for retaining the right hand turn ban onto Greenmount Road. From the local residents' perspective, Greenmount Road was previously a popular rat-run, with large volumes of commuter traffic reducing the community area to a strategic vehicular roadway. Secondly, there are substantial volumes of traffic on Terenure Road East travelling in both directions during the morning peak hours. If a car travelling east were to turn right onto Greenmount Road, it would have to wait for a time to make this turning manoeuvre, which would incur a prompt repercussion for traffic tailbacks on Terenure Road East from Greenmount Road as far as the Terenure Village junction (165 metres away). With circa 1,500 vehicles per hour travelling through the Village junction, the consequences of impacting traffic flow exiting the Village centre onto Terenure Road East, would be detrimental to the optimal flow of traffic.

The Intelligent Transportation Systems Section has an electronic S.C.A.T. System in place on the ground at each arm of the junction. SCATS is an adaptive traffic system responding to real time traffic demand and adjusting signal times where appropriate using predefined plans. This dynamic operating system is interactive and continually measures traffic flows, calculating signal phasing times and adjusting the traffic light sequencing accordingly, to provide the optimal traffic flow for the prevailing traffic conditions.

Q.68 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the manager to liaise with the Library Services to provide toilet facilities in Terenure library, particularly for young children.

Reply:

Officials investigated the provision of a toilet at Terenure some years ago as part of proposed accessibility works. It's not a simple job (as it was in Raheny or Dolphin's Barn for example) as the two buildings are not connected to each other except via the staff corridor. So, the corridor would need to be reconfigured to allow library users from either building to access it.

Libraries' management will revisit the issue but the current view is that the toilet could only be provided as part of the larger works which are under consideration.

Q.69 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the manager to arrange for rubbish bags to be removed from the lane behind Ormond Road. These bags are filled with rubbish left behind from an abandoned car

which was removed recently i.e. the rubbish does not belong to the residents who bagged the rubbish to tidy up the laneway.

Reply:

Arrangements have been made to have this rubbish removed from the above mentioned lane immediately.

Q.70 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the manager to remove the residual rubbish in the lane behind the SuperValu in Rathgar. Some cleaning did take place, but some rubbish was left behind

Reply:

Arrangements have been made to have any remaining rubbish removed from the above mentioned lane immediately.

Q.71 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the manager to arrange for child safety signage to be placed in the car park at Herzog Park as children jump out of cars to get to the new playground as quickly as possible, without them or their parents being aware of the care needed in relation to cars entering and leaving the car park. Also, review the need for safety signage on the driveway up to the tennis club, as it passes the playground.

Reply:

In discussion with Environment & Transportation Department they have agreed to place a 'Children Crossing' sign at the entrance to the park from Orwell Road.

Parks Services will place an additional two signs in Herzog Park at the entrance and exit from the slip road leading to the Rathgar Tennis Club.

Q.72 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the manager to consider putting in bicycle stands at the entrance to Mount Argus Church and Park.

Reply:

The location will be examined as part of the next Batch (Batch 9) of the On-Street Cycle Parking Project, anticipated to go to tender Q1 2019.

Q.73 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the manager to have Leinster Road and Garville Avenue cleaned up from a build-up of leaves and dirt which is a safety hazard for many older pedestrians on these roads.

Reply:

Leinster Road was cleaned during weekending the 25th November 2018. Arrangements have been made to have Garville Avenue cleaned as a matter of priority.

Q.74 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the area manager can she please provide a full list of council owned houses and apartment blocks in the South East Area who have received assessments this year as part of the overall housing stock assessment scheme that is currently taking place.

Reply:

As of November 28th 16175 units, or 65% of our Housing Stock, has been assessed citywide.

All of Dublin City Council's flat complexes have been assessed at this stage, and we are working through the remainder of our housing stock. It is currently not feasible to give a comprehensive area breakdown of all units which have assessed but we will provide this information at a future date and forward same to the councillor.

Q.75 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the area manager what efforts have been made to find alternative accommodation or homes for the number of people now living in tents along the Grand Canal.

Reply:

Dublin's Housing First Intake team, which is funded by the DRHE, works with our Central Placement Service and the HSE-funded Safety Net service to provide outreach services, street level healthcare and accommodation options to people rough sleeping in the Dublin region. Our Outreach Team has been targeting the Grand Canal Area, from Portobello Bridge to Grand Canal Bridge on a consistent basis.

There are approximately 5 – 10 tents observed in this area on a regular basis. Not all tents are occupied, some are used to store belongings. The Housing First team have established contact with the rough sleepers and have offered them supports. The intake team offered beds. However, sometimes people don't wish to take up the offer of a bed.

The Housing First team are monitoring the rough sleeping situation in the Grand Canal area and the wider Dublin Southside area in general. The team is continuing to target this area and will be there most evenings this week again to monitor and seek to engage with any person sleeping rough in the area.

We have a facility for the public to report rough sleeping. If you see anyone sleeping rough in the Dublin Region please report it to: www.homelessdublin.ie/report-rough-sleeper.

Q.76 Councillor Claire Byrne

Can the area manager please outline whether speakers playing music outside commercial buildings are permitted, if not what action can be taken to address this, and can she investigate the following buildings?

Reply:

The placement of speakers outside premises is dealt with in the first instance by the Planning Department who have developed criteria for this situation.

The Air Quality Monitoring and Noise Control can investigate noise complaints regarding a specific premises, and in order to do so it is necessary to have contact details for the persons making the complaint

The placing of speakers outside a development can only be considered development if there is a condition in a planning permission for the property precluding them or they are of a physical size or scale that would materially affect the physical character of the building. With modern speakers this is rarely the case. If a specific complaint is made relating to visual related aspects of speakers on a premises the planning enforcement section can investigate the matter from a planning point of view which would focus on the aesthetics of the speakers having regard to the external appearance of the building concerned or any pre-existing conditions attached to recent planning permissions for the building.

Complaints relating to this can be sent to planningenforcement@dublincity.ie

Q.77 Councillor Claire Byrne

Can the Area Manager please look into the following traffic issue as a matter of urgency?

“I am concerned about the safety of a particular road junction and have contact DCC on numerous occasions to have it assessed. Unfortunately, this does not appear to be a priority and I was hoping that perhaps you could look into this for me. I wish to have the Transportation Department assess the sight lines exiting Tritonville Crescent onto Sandymount Road to determine if it complies with regulations under the Design Manual for Urban Roads and Streets (DMURS) published by the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport and the Department of Environment, Community and Local Government which sets out access/exit sight lines in urban areas.

I have concerns regards the safety of this junction, you have to edge out, almost to the centre of the road before you get a clear view of any oncoming traffic and cyclists. This is often the case when a high vehicle such as a jeep or van is parked on Sandymount Road (right hand side on exit) which is quite frequent (see photos below). The view exiting this junction is often obscured by parked cars and would in my opinion be a potential public danger and I'm unsure if it meet standards. I would appreciate if you could expedite the assessment of this junction. I first contacted DCC, 25th September 2017 and as of yet no traffic engineer has undertaken an assessment. As this particular junction is within you constituency I hope you can have someone to look at it.”

Reply:

The above request is listed on the Traffic Advisory Group Agenda for examination and report. The councillor will be informed of the recommendation in due course.

Q.78 Councillor Sonya Stapleton

To ask the manager to have bath resurfaced at details supplied. The bath was resurfaced about a year ago. However, it is starting to bubble up again and the lady cannot use the bath. Unfortunately she cannot use the shower due to health condition.

Reply:

Arrangements are in place to have the bath resurfaced in the next 7/10 working days

Q.79 Councillor Sonya Stapleton

To ask the manager to have bin outside the Maldron Hotel on Kevin Street moved up to the wider side of the footpath.

Reply:

Arrangements have been made to have the above mentioned litter bin relocated as requested.



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Item	Enquiry	SP Ref	Topic	Road	Post	Request Description	Tag Result	Tag Comments	Request By	Received	Sec
1	7001523		Disab Park Bay General	FITZWILLIAM STREET (SE)	Dublin 4	Outside Ringsend Medical Centre, 5 Fitzwilliam St. Designated parking spot for patients.	Not Recommended	As Library Square (Fitzwilliam Street) is due for redevelopment and plans are being drawn up for same, this request will be considered in the context of the redevelopment. Not recommended at this stage.	Member of the Public	31/01/2018	0
2	7002081		Double Yellow Lines	MOUNT ARGUS VIEW (SE)	Dublin 6W	On the road	Not Recommended	<p>Not recommended: Dublin City Council's policy is to not introduce parking restrictions where restrictions are already covered under the law.</p> <p>Under Section 36 paragraph (2) (g) of the Road Traffic (Traffic & Parking) Regulations; "A vehicle shall not be parked in any place, position or manner that will result in the vehicle obstructing an entrance or an exit for vehicles to or from a premises, save with the consent of the occupier of such premises"</p> <p>In addition, under Section 36 paragraph (2) (k) of the Road Traffic (Traffic & Parking) Regulations; "A vehicle shall not be parked in a manner in which it will interfere with the normal flow of traffic or which obstructs or endangers other traffic."</p> <p>Parking issues when identified by Dublin Fire Brigade are referred to the Roads and Traffic Department. Illegal parking can delay Fire Brigade response. In an emergency if access is required by the Fire Brigade and is blocked by parked vehicles the offending vehicles will be moved by whatever means is necessary by the responding Fire Brigade Unit</p> <p>Infringements of the above acts should be reported to Dublin Street Parking Services tel. no. 01 6022500 or the Gardaí as they occur.</p>	Member of the Public	20/03/2018	0
3	7002115		P&D/Permit Parking	PEMBROKE COTTAGES (SE)	Dublin 4	Looking for Pay and Display	Recommended	Pay and Display and Permit Parking proposed, subject to ballot of residents indicating a majority in favour.	Member of the Public	22/03/2018	0



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4	7003229		P&D/Permit Parking	KENILWORTH LANE (SE)	Dublin 6	Stats for P&D/P on the west end.	Recommended	<p>From a point at the boundary wall of 14/15 on the north side of carriage install DYL in an eastwards direction up to a point at lamp standard number 12.</p> <p>From a point at lamp standard number 12 on the north side of the carriageway install P&D bay for 5 metres in an East ward direction</p> <p>From a point at the boundary wall of 24B/25A on the north side of the carriageway install 5 metres of P&D bay in a westwards direction.</p> <p>From a point 20 metres east of the boundary wall of 24B/25A on the north side of the carriageway install P&D bay for 6metres. From a point starting 5 metres east of lamp standard 10 install on the north side of the carriage way install 19metres of P&D parking. From junction of Harold's cross road and Kenilworth lane west from Southside of carriageway extending eastwards for 9.5metres install parking bay 7.5metres</p> <p>On Southside of the carriageway at the outside of the house number 24 KLW install 1 parking bay 5.5metres.</p> <p>On Southside of the carriageway at the outside of the house 22/23 KLW install 9.5metres of parking bay exclude entrance</p> <p>On Southside of the carriageway at the outside house 18 KLW install 15 metres of parking bay exclude entrance</p> <p>On Southside of the carriageway at between the house 17A and 16 KLW install 10 metres of parking bay exclude entrance</p> <p>On Southside of the carriageway at the outside of the house 15 KLW install 5m of parking bay exclude entrance On Southside of the carriageway at the outside of house 13 KLW install 2 parking bays exclude the door entrance On Southside of the carriageway at from lamp standard number 11 extending westwards for 5.5metres install parking bay (between house 12A and 12B exclude entrance)</p> <p>On Southside of the carriageway at the outside of house number 9 and 8 KLW install 2 parking spaces exclude entrance</p> <p>On Southside:outside of the house number 4 and 5 KLW install 13.5m parking bay exclude entrance. And 23.5M between 3 &4.</p>	Councillor	07/06/2018	0
5	7003238		Disab Park Bay Resid (Rescind)	LARKFIELD GROVE (SE)	Dublin 6W	nearby No.67	Recommended	<p>Disab Park Bay Resid (Rescind) Rescind Disabled Parking Bay on the eastern side from a point in line with the pedestrian walkway to property Nos. 57-67. From a point 21 metres north of Public Lamp Standard No. 8 extending southwestwards for a distance of 7 metre</p>	Member of the Public	07/06/2018	2



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6	7003307		P&D/Permit Park (Change Hours)	HEALTHFIELD ROAD (SE)	Dublin 6	extend to 7-24 Mon-Sat	Recommended	Extension of operational hours proposed, subject to ballot of residents.	Member of the Public	12/06/2018	0
7	7003602		Disab Park Bay Residential	CLONSKEAGH ROAD (SE)	Dublin 6	in vicinity of No.7	Recommended	Dublin City Council Traffic Advisory Group traffic engineer reviewed the request for a disabled parking space on Tramway lane at rear of 7 Clonskeagh Road. The Traffic Advisory Group traffic engineer investigated that there is not enough road width on Tramway Lane to allow for Fire brigade / Emergency Vehicles to attend incidents if a disabled parking space was implemented on the lane. The next best solution by Traffic Advisory Group traffic engineer is to recommend a disabled bay outside 86 Eglington Road. If this solution is acceptable the disabled bay will be installed as soon as possible.	Member of the Public	02/07/2018	0
8	7005576		Double Yellow Lines	AILESBUURY ROAD (SE)	Dublin 4	In front of Embassy.	Recommended	Double yellow lines to be installed at 1B Ailesbury Road (Pakistan embassy) and replace existing Stat for that location (Pay & Display/Permit Parking). These DYL's are to stop cars parking outside the Embassy which may lead to a security risk. Rescind existing Stat: Pay & Display/Permit Parking Ailesbury Road, Dublin 4, south side, from a point 9 metres west of the western boundary of No.1B, extending eastwards for 56 metres excluding driveways. (Mon-Fri, 07.00 to 19.00) New required Stat: Doubler yellow lines Ailesbury Road, Dublin 4, south side, from a point 9 metres west of the western boundary of No.1B, extending eastwards for 56 metres excluding driveways.	No Code Allocated	22/10/2018	0
9	7005577		Yellow Box	AILESBUURY ROAD (SE)	Dublin 4	For front gates of Embassy.	Not Recommended	The traffic flow from 1B Ailesbury road (Pakistan Embassy) is not significant. The warrant is not met for a yellow box. Yellow boxes are intended to prevent blocking of junctions. Side road traffic flows should be significant and the side road should serve a minimum of fifty houses or a major traffic generating facility. This guideline is in place to avoid a proliferation of yellow boxes in the city.	No Code Allocated	22/10/2018	0



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10	7005605		Double Yellow Lines (Extend)	PRINCE OF WALES TERRACE (SE)	Dublin 4	Extend DYLS down the south side.	Not Recommended	Dublin City Council's policy is to not introduce parking restrictions where restrictions are already covered under the law, such as placing Double Yellow Lines (RRM008) across an entrance to a premise, as this would lead to a proliferation of same and additional expense due to maintenance, etc. Parking issues when identified by Dublin Fire Brigade are referred to the Roads and Traffic Department. Illegal parking can delay Fire Brigade response. In an emergency if access is required by the Fire Brigade and is blocked by parked vehicles the offending vehicles will be moved by whatever means is necessary by the responding Fire Brigade Units. Under Section 36 paragraph (2) (g) of the Road Traffic (Traffic & Parking) Regulations; "A vehicle shall not be parked in any place, position or manner that will result in the vehicle obstructing an entrance or an exit for vehicles to or from a premises, save with the consent of the occupier of such premises" In addition, under Section 36 paragraph (2) (k) of the Road Traffic (Traffic & Parking) Regulations; "A vehicle shall not be parked in a manner in which it will interfere with the normal flow of traffic or which obstructs or endangers other traffic." Infringements of the act should be reported to Dublin Street Parking Services tel. no. 01 6022500 or the Gardaí as they occur.	Member of the Public	23/10/2018	0
11	7006349		Yellow Box	TOWNSEND STREET (SE)	Dublin 2	To allow cars coming out from Markievicz House onto Townsend Street in the mornings and evenings	Recommended	A Yellow box is recommended to allow traffic access from Markievicz House onto Townsend Street. STAT: Starting at a point 16 metres east of lamp standard 24, installation of a yellow box covering all with of road on Townsend street for a distance of 7 metres in an eastward direction. See sketch attached for details.	Councillor	04/12/2018	0
12	11070242		Disab Park Bay Residential	ANGLESEA ROAD (SE)	Dublin 4	wants to have the footpath lowered for access	Recommended	Buffer zone and dropped curb/dishing recommended at the Disabled Parking Bay outside 105/107 Anglesea Road. Install 1.2metre buffer zone to Southside of disabled bay at 105/107 Anglesea road. Move existing pay and display/disabled sign to end of buffer zone Southside. Requirement for road maintenance install dropped curb/ dished curb at this buffer zone. Existing disabled bay STAT:Disabled bay: 23366 - Westside, commencing in line with the boundary of house number 107/105 extending north for a distance of 6m.	Member of the Public	02/10/2018	1



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Item	Enquiry	SP Ref	Topic	Road	Post	Request Description	Tag Result	Tag Comments	Request By	Received	Sec
13	90045985	SP_30360	Double Yellow Lines	PRICES LANE (SE)	Dublin 6	and rescindment of Pay and Display and Permit Parking opposite the rear entrance to No. 16. Mountpleasant Square.	Not Recommended	Dublin City Council Traffic Advisory Group traffic engineers reviewed the request to remove the Pay and Display Permit Parking Spaces on Prices Lane to allow vehicle to access the rear of 16 Mountpleasant Square The request was investigated by the traffic engineers considering all options. There are currently 8 parking spaces on Prices Lane with 15 permit holders which shows there is a high demand for parking on the lane. The Traffic Engineers visited the site and investigated different options by re-configuring the positions of the parking arrangements and loading bay on Prices Lane, but were bound by the requirement to keep the current number of spaces on the lane. After reviewing the options, Dublin City Council Traffic Advisory Group traffic engineers with the Parking Enforcement section who maintain Dublin City Council Pay and Display & Permit parking schemes conclude that the current and existing parking arrangements should be maintained.	Member of the Public	21/03/2016	0
14	90046901	SP_35751	Double Yellow Lines	MOUNT ARGUS COURT (SE)	Dublin 6W	parallel to the river	Not Recommended	Dublin City Council's policy is to not introduce parking restrictions where restrictions are already covered under the law. Under Section 36 paragraph (2) (g) of the Road Traffic (Traffic & Parking) Regulations; "A vehicle shall not be parked in any place, position or manner that will result in the vehicle obstructing an entrance or an exit for vehicles to or from a premises, save with the consent of the occupier of such premises" In addition, under Section 36 paragraph (2) (k) of the Road Traffic (Traffic & Parking) Regulations; "A vehicle shall not be parked in a manner in which it will interfere with the normal flow of traffic or which obstructs or endangers other traffic." Parking issues when identified by Dublin Fire Brigade are referred to the Roads and Traffic Department. Illegal parking can delay Fire Brigade response. In an emergency if access is required by the Fire Brigade and is blocked by parked vehicles the offending vehicles will be moved by whatever means is necessary by the responding Fire Brigade Unit Infringements of the above acts should be reported to Dublin Street Parking Services tel. no. 01 6022500 or the Gardaí as they occur.	Councillor	06/01/2017	0



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15	90049031	SP_37902	Disab Park Bay General	FISHAMBLE STREET (SE)	Dublin 8	Request for disabled parking bays to be relocated further down the hill, near Handel's hotel, to allow easier access for wheelchair users exiting DCC	Not Recommended	It is not recommended: to relocate disabled parking bays from the top of Fishamble Street (South end) to further down the hill towards Handels hotel. There are currently 6 disabled parking spaces on Fishamble Street, 3 at the south end of the street and 3 more located at the other end of the street (North end). The 3 disabled parking spaces at the north end are located on a part of the carriageway that has a less severe gradient. These spaces are on the east side of the carriage way and are facilitated with dished curbs to cross safely. Access for people with disabilities can be gained from the Wood Quay main entrance via the disabled ramp.	Member of the Public	08/05/2017	0
16	90049652	SP_38529	Double Yellow Lines	CHURCH PARK AVENUE (SE)	Dublin 6W	request for DYs along Church Park Avenue	Not Recommended	Dublin City Council's policy is to not introduce parking restrictions where restrictions are already covered under the law, such as placing Double Yellow Lines on a road to ensure vehicles can enter/ exit a premise, as this would lead to a proliferation of same and additional expense due to maintenance, etc. Under Section 36 paragraph (2) (g) of the Road Traffic (Traffic & Parking) Regulations; "A vehicle shall not be parked in any place, position or manner that will result in the vehicle obstructing an entrance or an exit for vehicles to or from a premises, save with the consent of the occupier of such premises" In addition, under Section 36 paragraph (2) (k) of the Road Traffic (Traffic & Parking) Regulations; "A vehicle shall not be parked in a manner in which it will interfere with the normal flow of traffic or which obstructs or endangers other traffic." Infringements of the act should be reported to Dublin Street Parking Services tel. no. 01 6022500 or the Gardaí as they occur.	Member of the Public	06/06/2017	0
17	90049933	SP_38817	Double Yellow Lines (Extend)	ANGLESEA ROAD (SE)	Dublin 4	outside no. 63 - 65	Not Recommended	There is currently short broken white lines along the centre of this road which indicates: a division of two lanes of traffic travelling in opposite directions. You must not cross them unless it is safe to do so. There is also a 50kmph speed limit on Anglesea road. It is not recommended to install any additional measures at this location. Any isolated incidents of driving without due care should be reported to the Gardaí. The onus is on the motorist to drive with due care and at a speed appropriate for the prevailing conditions.	Member of the Public	20/06/2017	0
18	90050915	SP_39815	Double Yellow Lines	SAINT JOHN'S ROAD (SE)	Dublin 4	extend the dyl's at the curve opposite the entrance to Radcliff Hall on St. John's Court.	Recommended	Extend the existing double yellow lines along the circular wall on the south side (Church side) of St Johns Court opposite the entrance to Radcliffe Hall, for 5.7 metres southeastwards. Extend the existing double yellow lines along the circular wall on the north side of St John's Court (Church side) , opposite the entrance to the Polish Embassy, for 5.7m northeastwards.	Member of the Public	22/08/2017	0



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Item	Enquiry	SP Ref	Topic	Road	Post	Request Description	Tag Result	Tag Comments	Request By	Received	Sec
19	90051230	SP_40132	Double Yellow Lines	LANSDOWNE PARK (SE)	Dublin 4	DYs opposite 69 Lansdowne park	Not Recommended	Dublin City Council's policy at present is to not introduce parking restrictions where restrictions are already covered under the law, such as placing Double Yellow Lines on a road to ensure vehicles do not obstruct the flow of traffic, as this would lead to a proliferation of same and additional expense due to maintenance, etc. Under Section 36 paragraph (2) (g) of the Road Traffic (Traffic & Parking) Regulations; "A vehicle shall not be parked in any place, position or manner that will result in the vehicle obstructing an entrance or an exit for vehicles to or from a premises, save with the consent of the occupier of such premises" In addition, under Section 36 paragraph (2) (k) of the Road Traffic (Traffic & Parking) Regulations; "A vehicle shall not be parked in a manner in which it will interfere with the normal flow of traffic or which obstructs or endangers other traffic." Infringements of the act should be reported to Dublin Street Parking Services tel. no. 01 6022500 or the Gardaí as they occur.	Member of the Public	07/09/2017	0
20	90051246	SP_40148	Double Yellow Lines	PALMERSTON PARK (SE)	Dublin 6	on the road.	Not Recommended	Double Yellow lines: Dublin City Council's policy is to not introduce parking restrictions where restrictions are already covered under the law. Any vehicles that are abandoned can be logged through the Dublin city council self-service portal online. Any anti-social behaviour should be reported to the Gardaí as they occur. Under Section 36 paragraph (2) (k) of the Road Traffic (Traffic & Parking) Regulations; "A vehicle shall not be parked in a manner in which it will interfere with the normal flow of traffic or which obstructs or endangers other traffic." Infringements of the act should be reported to Dublin Street Parking Services tel. no. 01 6022500 or the Gardaí as they occur.	Member of the Public	07/09/2017	0
21	90051709	SP_40623	Disab Park Bay Gen (Rescind)	NEW BRIDE STREET (SE)	Dublin 8	Request to relocate the Disabled Parking Bay further south as it impedes view for motorists leaving the Iveagh Buildings.	Recommended	The relocation of disabled bay is recommended to allow for better visibility for traffic leaving Iveagh trust. Rescind 2 metres of parallel parking bay from a point 16 metres north of lamp standard 27 in a southward direction. Rescind 2 metres of disabled parking bay from a point 21.5 metres north of lamp standard 27 in a southward direction. Extend disabled bay 2 metres from a point 16 metres north of lamp standard 27 in a southward direction replacing parallel parking bay. Install 2 metres of Double yellow lines from a point 21.5 metres north of lamp standard 27 in a southward direction.	Member of the Public	04/10/2017	0
22	90051840	SP_40754	Loading Bay	BURLINGTON ROAD (SE)	Dublin 4	Change P&D space outside an office premises to a loading bay.	Not Recommended	As there are two (approx. 10 metre each) stretches of Double Yellow lines outside no. 1 Burlingron Plaza and it is permissible to park and actively load and unload on these double yellow lines for up to 30 minutes it is not proposed to install a loading bay at this location.	Member of the Public	11/10/2017	0

Technical Note

Project: Traffic Works Programme

To: All Councillors South East Area

Date: 20th December 2018

From:

- Neil O'Donoghue A / Senior Executive South Area
- Rossana Camargo South East Area Engineer

Councillors Request:

To inform all of the Councillors of the South East Area, the Works Programme 2019 from the Traffic Advisory Group.

Works Programme 2019 TAG

1.Sandymount Green	South East Area	All safety measure at Sandymount Green
Request from:	All the Councillors of the South East Area	

The following traffic measures are proposed to be implemented at Sandymount Green. In order to reduce the speed of the vehicles from 50km/h in compliance with the new speed limit on the road of 30km/h and improved the pedestrians facility in the area. Proposed installation of: (Cycle Parking Stands, Kerb / Footway Build-Out, Controlled Pedestrian Crossing, Uncontrolled Pedestrian Crossing and Raised Zebra Crossing at the different location on Sandymount Green).

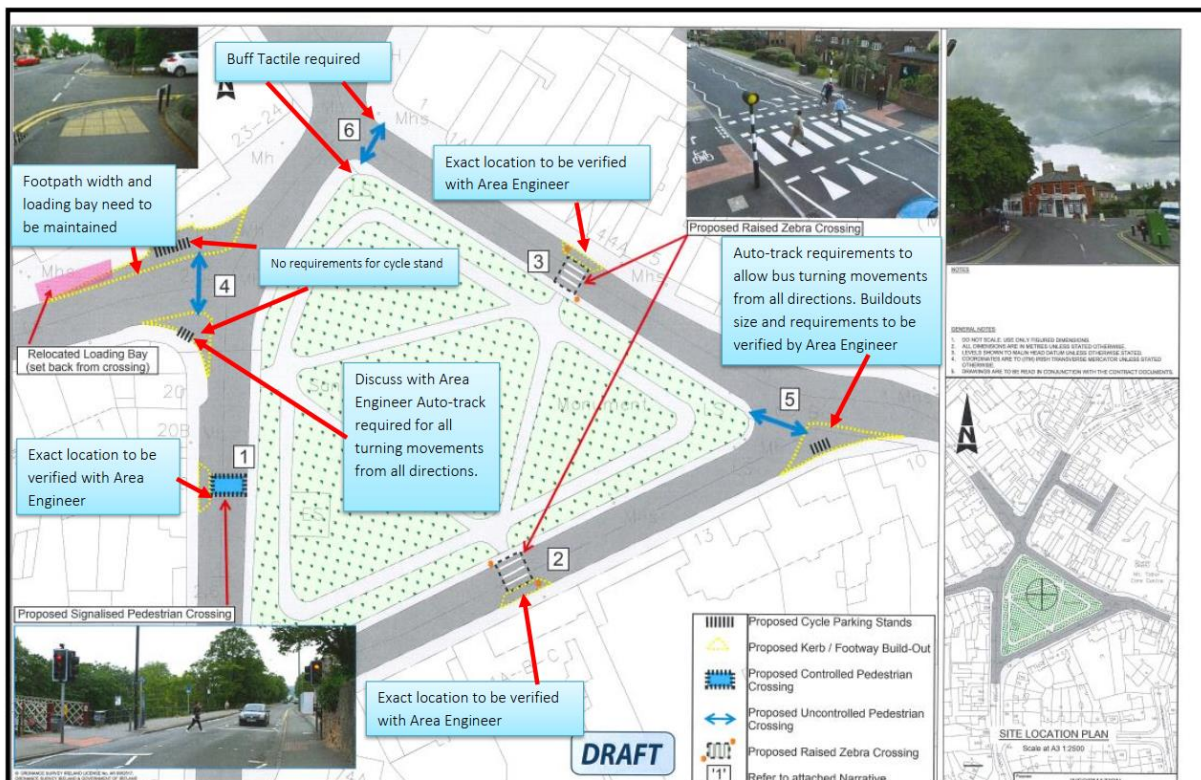


Figure 1: Sandymount Green – Improvement of Pedestrian Facilities

Technical Note

2. Lombard Street West, Emorville Avenue	South East Area	Traffic Calming.
Request from	Councillors Claire Byrne and Chris Andrews	

The appropriate traffic calming measure build-out and speed table will be applied on Lombard Street West and Emorville Avenue in order to reduce the speed of the cars from 50km/h in compliance with the new speed limit on the road of 30km/h and improve the pedestrians facility into the area.

This project is in the process of detail design, the Traffic Advisory Group seek to maintain the exiting parking arrangement in the area. After the detail design is produced and If resources becomes available, this project will be carried out for the construction stage (between the ends of 2019-2020).

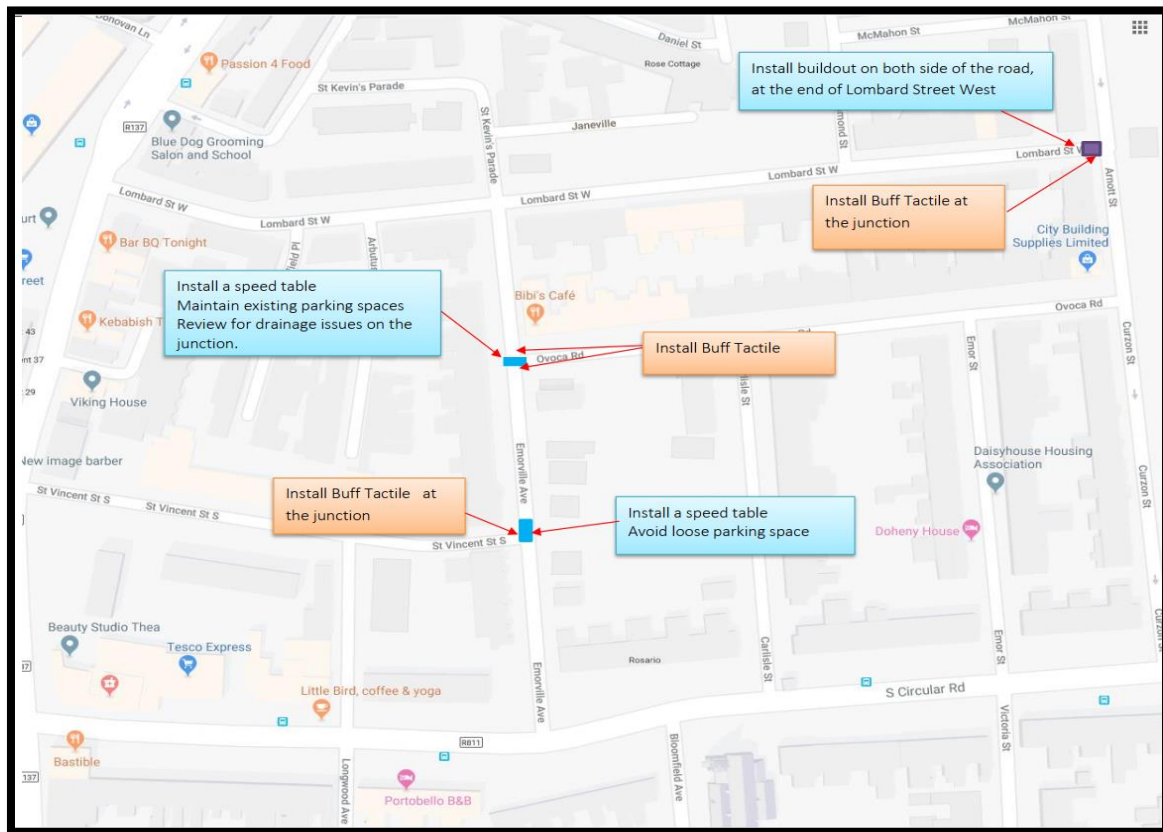


Figure 2: Build-out and Speed Table at Lombard Street West and Emorville Avenue.

Technical Note

NOTE 1 For the Future Works Programme 2020, the following projects are currently priority pending resources and funding being available.

Rathmines Road Upper	South East Area	Pedestrian Crossing
Request from	Councillors Paddy Smith, Rauri McGinley and Mary Freehill	

Installation of pedestrian crossing at the outside of Kildare Place School/ Rathmines Road Upper.



Figure 4: Pedestrian Crossing at the outside of Kildare Place School/ Rathmines Road Upper

Cowper Road/Palmerstone Road	South East Area	Pedestrian Crossing
Request from	Councillors Claire O'Connor and Patrick Costello	

The junction of Cowper Road/Palmerstone Road requires the installation of the 4 pedestrian crossing for the 4 arms of the junction.

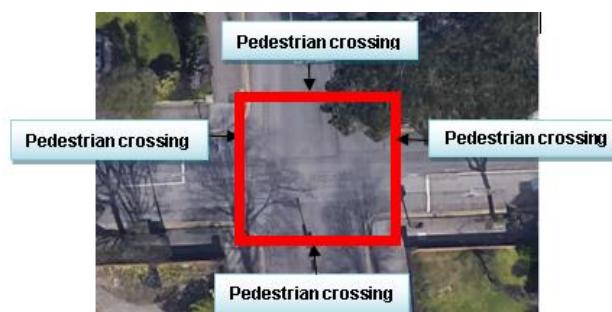


Figure 3: Cowper Road/Palmerstone Road – 4 Pedestrians crossings

Road Maintenance Services -Works Programme 2019

South East Area Scheme/Activity	Regional Carriageway Improvements				Regional Footpath Improvements				Regional Other		Local Carriageway Improvements				Local Footpath Improvements				Local Other	
	Length	Area	Contract	Direct Lab	Length	Area	Contract	Direct Lab	Contract	Direct Lab	Length	Area	Contract	Direct Lab	Length	Area	Contract	Direct Lab	Contract	Direct Lab
Repairs and Carriageway resurfacing																				
Shelbourne Road - Repairs and Resurfacing	893	9865	€572,170																	
Charleston Road - Repairs and Resurfacing											350	2170	€125,860							
Camden Street Lower - Repairs and Resurfacing	423	4000	€232,000																	
Aungier Street - Repairs and Resurfacing	212	3360	€194,880																	
Stephen Street Lower - Repairs and Resurfacing											149	870	€50,460							
Purser Gardens - Repairs and Resurfacing											112	765	€124,765							
Rathdown Drive - Resurfacing											479	3151	€182,758							
Bushy Park Road (Wasdale Park to Zion Road) - Repairs and Resurfacing											560	4377	€253,866							
Zion Road - Repairs and Resurfacing											395	2697	€156,426							
Molesworth Street - Repairs and Resurfacing											191	1993	€115,594							
South Anne Street - Repairs and Resurfacing											53	348	€20,184							
Belmont Avenue - Repairs and Resurfacing											499	3000	€219,000							
Donnybrook/Morehampton Road - Repairs and Resurfacing	814	7700	€562,100																	
Ranelagh Road - Repairs and Resurfacing	427	5000	€365,000																	
South Great Georges Street - Repairs and Resurfacing	95	1220	€89,060																	
Stillorgan Road - Repairs and Resurfacing	450	3720	€271,560																	
Ashfield Park - Repairs and Resurfacing											100	730	€52,560							
Homelee - Repairs and Resurfacing											75	360	€25,920							
Ailesbury Gardens - Repairs and Resurfacing											290	1363	€98,136							
Miscellaneous Direct Labour-Regional										€571,200										
Street Name Plates										€17,500										
Winter Maintenance										€25,000										
Incident Response Unit										€25,000										
Footpath Reconstruction																				
Fortfield Road (Inbound from Wainsfort Rd to Kimmage Rd West)														291	415	€41,500				
Kimmage Road West (south side between KCR to Lorcan o'Toole Park) - Concrete footpath Reconst.	640	1186	€118,600											283	457	€45,700				
Pearse Square - sections around park - Concrete footpath Reconstruction														1479	1819	€181,900				
Rutland Grove - various sections - Concrete footpath Reconstruction														342	920	€92,000				
Mercer Street Upper and Lower - Concrete footpath Reconstruction																				
Haddington Road (between Cramer Lane and Northumberland Road) - Concrete footpath Reconst.	248	764	€76,400																	
Mount Street Lower (North side for 75m east of Grattan Court East) - Concrete footpath Reconst.	75	270	€27,000																	
Ramps																			€100,000	
Miscellaneous Direct Labour-Local																				€571,200
Street Name Plates																				€17,500
Winter Maintenance																				€25,000
Incident Response Unit																				€25,000
Totals		37085	€2,508,770	€0		0	€0	€0	€0	€638,700		21824	€1,425,529	€0		3611	€361,100	€0	€100,000	€638,700

	Area	Contract	Direct Lab
Regional Carriageway Improvements	37,085	€2,508,770	€0
Regional Footpath Improvements	0	€0	€0
Regional Other		€0	€638,700
Local Carriageway Improvements	21,824	€1,425,529	€0
Local Footpath Improvements	3,611	€361,100	€0
Local Other		€100,000	€638,700
Totals		€4,395,399	€1,277,400



17th December 2018

To the Chairperson and Members of
The South East Area Committee

Meeting: 14th January 2019

Item No:

With reference to the proposed grant of a lease of a site at Shaw Street, Dublin 2 and the grant of a Building Licence at same address to the Peter McVerry Trust CLG.

At the request of Housing and Community Services it is proposed to grant a Building Licence and lease of a Council owned site at Shaw Street, Dublin 2 to the Peter McVerry Trust CLG (The Lessee).

The Chief Valuer has reported that agreement has now been reached with the Lessee, subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. That the subject property comprises a site with derelict industrial building, which is shown outlined in red on the attached map Index No. SM-2018-0177.
2. That the subject property is to be disposed of under a 31 (thirty one) year lease from Dublin City Council to the Lessee commencing from date of occupation.
3. That the Lessee shall lodge a planning application to develop 12 (twelve) residential units.
4. That the market rental value shall be the sum of €205,000 (two hundred and five thousand euro) per annum abated to €1,000 (one thousand euro) per annum (plus VAT if applicable), exclusive of all outgoings, provided the property is used for social housing only.
5. That the lease will provide for five year rent reviews:
 - I. That the passing rent will be reviewed to Current Market Rent.
 - II. That the abated rent will be reviewed in line with changes in Consumer Price Index.
6. That the leased area shall be used solely by the Lessee for the purpose of providing social housing. In the event of it ceasing to be used for such purposes the abated rent shall revert to full market rental value (plus VAT if applicable), payable quarterly in advance to Dublin City Council.
7. That the Lessee shall be responsible for the payment of all outgoings including rates, taxes, electricity, insurance, waste, water and any other charges that may become due on the leased area during the period of the lease.
8. That the Development will be funded through the Capital Assistance Scheme (CAS). That the Development must be fully completed and made fit for occupation

within the time frame agreed between the Executive Manager, Housing and Community Services and the Lessee.

9. That the Lessee and its contractor and professional team shall be permitted to enter onto the subject property under a 12 months Building Licence agreement, on standard terms to be agreed, for the purposes of commencing the approved development.
10. That the Lessee shall indemnify the Council against all claims as a result of their use and occupation of the demised property and shall arrange for insurance cover as follows: Public Liability Insurance (minimum of €6.5 million) and Employers Liability insurance (minimum of €13 million).
11. That the Lessee shall insure the buildings during construction against fire and all other insurable risks with an approved insurance company and pay all necessary premiums. The insurance shall be in the joint names of the parties and will be for such an amount as will provide cover for full reinstatement values of so much of the buildings as is erect at any time together with a sum for professional fees and removal of debris charges.
12. That the Council shall have 100% nomination rights to all of the units within the development.
13. That the premises shall be used as a supported housing facility.
14. That the premises shall not be used as a drug treatment centre or drug rehabilitation services at any time during the term.
15. That a charge in favour of Dublin City Council for the Capital Assistance Scheme (CAS) shall remain on the title for a term of 31 years. The Lessee shall comply in full with the Deed of Mortgage in respect of the CAS charge.
16. That in the event of the Lessee's bankruptcy or insolvency, Dublin City Council reserves the right to take possession of the property and all of the units, (partially completed or otherwise), at no cost to the Council, save in the case of a financial institution which has entered into a mortgage with the Lessee subject to and with the burden of the Capital Assistance Scheme Charge.
17. The Lessee shall at all times comply with all Health & Safety legislation and any other relevant legislation including the Waste Management and Litter Pollution Legislation.
18. That the Lessee shall at all times ensure the building is kept in good condition, carry out all internal and external maintenance and repairs and shall not allow it to be used in such a way as to be a nuisance to the public or to the owners or occupiers of surrounding properties. In particular, they shall not allow undue noise or commotion to emanate from the building at any time.
19. That any signage if permitted shall be subject to Council approval and shall be in accordance with the specifications of the Council.
20. That the Lessee shall be prohibited from erecting any mast or hoarding on the leased area.
21. That the Lessee shall not carry out any alteration or development of the leased area or erect any structure or make any excavation without prior written consent of

- the Development Department of Dublin City Council and without receiving full planning permission where necessary.
22. That the sale or manufacture of intoxicating liquor shall not be permitted in or about the leased area and that the consumption of alcohol shall not be permitted in any communal area.
 23. That the Lessee shall not sell, assign, sublet or part with possession of the property or part thereof without obtaining the written consent of the City Council, with the exception of tenancy and licence agreements with tenants or licensees for supported housing.
 24. That in the event of the Lessee failing to comply with any of the terms, conditions, warranties, covenants or the obligations and stipulations herein contained or the association becoming dissolved or ceasing to exist, the Council shall revoke this Agreement by giving the Lessee notice in writing to that effect or unless otherwise stated in such Notice this agreement shall cease immediately upon such Notice having been given.
 25. That the all roads and footpaths works shall be completed to the written satisfaction of the Council.
 26. That the Lessee shall be liable for the payment of VAT or Stamp Duty should any payments arise from this disposal.
 27. That the lease shall include any amendments and/or other conditions as are deemed appropriate by the Council or Law Agent.
 28. That each party shall be responsible for their own legal fees.

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

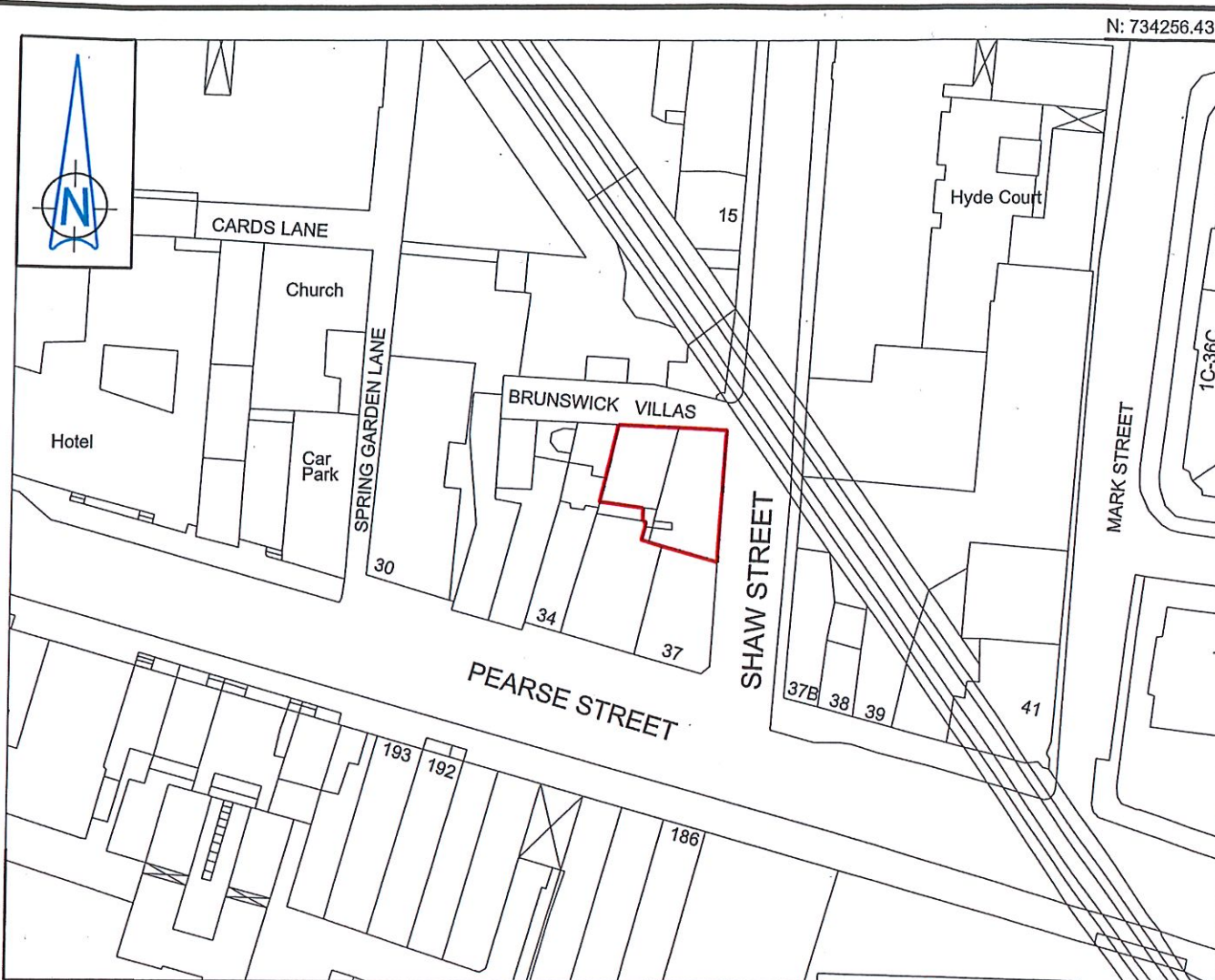
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SHAW STREET, DUBLIN 2 - Lands at

Dublin City Council to Peter McVerry Trust CLG

Grant of 31 year lease



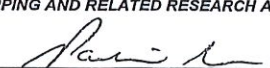
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**Culture, Recreation & Economic Services Department
Parks & Landscape Services Division**

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

**Part 8 Planning Application for the upgrade of the Depot Building and Compound at
Eamonn Ceannt Park, Rutland Grove, Crumlin, Dublin 12.**

PART 8 NOTIFICATION OF APPROVAL –

Plan No.: 4157/18

A notification of approval to carry out the development, subject to conditions, has been issued on 5th December 2018.

There was one third party submission to the proposal from Derek Fallon on behalf of Rutland Grove Residents Association. Park Services met with the Association to discuss the issues raised.

The Part 8 Procedure for Works by a Local Authority requires that:

“Before any project is presented to council, a report shall be made to the Local Area Committee informing them of the intention to present the proposal to the City Council and advising them that the process for approval of a Part 8 is a reserved function of the City Council.”

It is now intended to present this proposal to the City Council for approval at the February meeting in 2019, therefore the South East Area Committee is being updated in respect of this Part 8 as per attached report from the Planning Department.

**Sean Redmond
Executive Parks Superintendent**

DEPUTY PLANNING OFFICER

APPLICATION No. 4157/18
PROPOSAL LAW: Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended)
Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) - Part 8
Pursuant to the requirements of the above, notice is hereby given of the upgrade of the existing single storey Eamonn Ceannt Park Depot Building with the construction of a new single storey extension along the eastern boundary onto Rutland Grove and the construction of a new single storey extension along the southern boundary backing onto the other side of Rutland Grove; The extension of the northern Rutland Grove boundary wall up to Eamonn Ceannt Park entrance with new pedestrian gate to the proposed relocated Recycling Centre; the construction of new relocated vehicular entrance gateway onto Rutland Grove; general layout changes to the depot compound yards; at Eamonn Ceannt Park, Rutland Grove, Crumlin, Dublin 12.

LOCATION The Depot Building & Compound at Eamonn Ceannt Park, Rutland Grove, Crumlin, Dublin 12

APPLICANT Dublin City Council Parks & Landscape Services Division, Culture, Recreation & Amenity Department, Civic Offices, Wood Quay, Dublin 8

DATE LODGED 12-Oct-2018

ZONING

APPLICATION TYPE LAW

EUF / AD

5 December 2018

Site notice: Checked and in order

Zoning

The eastern portion of the site is located in an area subject to land use zoning objective "Z1 – "To protect, provide and improve residential amenities."
The remainder of this fog leg site is zoned Z9

The proposed development complies with the zoning objective for the area.

Site Location

The subject site is located at Eamonn Ceannt Park, Rutland Grove, Crumlin, Dublin 12. The site, located at the eastern edge of Eamonn Ceannt Park, abuts residential dwellings located in Rutland Grove to the east and south.

Proposed Development

This Part 8 application seeks to upgrade of the existing single storey Eamonn Ceannt Park Depot Building with the construction of a new single storey extension along the eastern boundary onto Rutland Grove and the construction of a new single storey extension along the southern boundary backing onto the other side of Rutland Grove; The extension of the northern Rutland Grove boundary wall up to Eamonn Ceannt Park entrance with new pedestrian gate to the proposed relocated Recycling Centre; the construction of new relocated vehicular entrance gateway onto

Rutland Grove; general layout changes to the depot compound yards; at Eamonn Ceannt Park, Rutland Grove, Crumlin, Dublin 12.

Departmental Reports:

Drainage Department: No objection however conditions are recommended.

Archaeology: Condition attached

Parks: Response to submission received by email, indicate that Parks will progress consultation with Residents

Submissions/ Observations

Prescribed Bodies:

No submission received from Prescribed Bodies

Third Parties: One third party submission has been received within the prescribed period.

Derek Fallon on behalf of Rutland Grove Residents Association

Main Concerns raised relate to

- Car Parking, Traffic Management, the impact of excessive levels of unauthorised parking on footpaths and the impact on residents in the area
- Impact of machinery on the condition of the road
- Need for enhancement of green areas and planting of trees
- Need to consider parking areas within the depot for public parking
- Noise pollution, mitigation measures should be required
- With respect to waste management issues and bring centre, residents wish to be notified of any changes proposed to operational hours.

Concerns raised are noted, I note that Parks have confirmed that relevant issues raised by the residents association will be addressed at a meeting in the coming weeks. It has been confirmed that no alterations are proposed to the volume or opening hours of the bring centre. It is further confirmed in the response that the contractor will be requested to set work times to limit disruption to residents.

Appropriate Assessment

Having regard to the nature and scale of the proposed development and the proximity to the nearest European site, no Appropriate Assessment issues arise and it is not considered that the proposed development would be likely to have a significant effect, individually, or in combination with other plans or projects, on a European site.

Assessment

This Part 8 application seeks to upgrade the existing single storey Eamonn Ceannt Park Depot Building with the construction of a new single storey extension along the eastern boundary onto Rutland Grove and the construction of a new single storey extension along the southern boundary backing onto the other side of Rutland Grove; The extension of the northern Rutland Grove boundary wall up to Eamonn Ceannt Park entrance with new pedestrian gate to the proposed relocated Recycling Centre. The development proposed also seeks to construct a new relocated vehicular entrance gateway onto Rutland Grove with some additional general layout changes to the depot compound yards.

The content of the submissions received on this Part 8 proposal are noted and have been considered, I note that Parks Division have responded to the issues raised, and addressed the relevant concerns pertaining to the proposed development.

Having regard to the location of the development works proposed within the confines of the existing depot, it is considered that the development works as proposed will not negatively impact upon the residential amenities of the area. The relocation of the existing bring centre in a westerly direction will decrease the impact generated by the facility on adjoining residential dwellings. The extension proposed to the depot building to the northern elevation will comprise of an extended canteen and welfare facilities, whilst the extension to the rear of this depot will consist primarily of a machinery store. It is not considered that the development as proposed will materially impact

upon the residential amenities of the adjoining dwellings or on the amenities of the area, and will serve to improve the existing bring facility operation on site.

It is noted that the proposed development is partially situated within of the Zone of Archaeological Constraint for the Recorded Monument DU018-04302 (Watercourse), which is listed on the Record of Monuments and Places (RMP) and is subject to statutory protection under Section 12 of the National Monuments (Amendment) Act 1994 (Figure 1). Further, the site in question is partially located within the Zone of Archaeological Interest in the Dublin City Development 2016-22. In this regard Archaeology Division has recommended a condition be attached to any resolution on this Part 8. It is further considered that the condition attached by Drainage Division is appropriate.

The development accords with the zoning objectives contained within the City Development Plan 2016-2022 and can be accommodated on site

Conclusion

It is considered that the overall design and scale of the proposal is well reasoned and can be accommodated on site. Therefore, in light of stated policies and objectives in support of developments such as that now proposed, it is considered that the development proposed, in the form provided, is acceptable; the development as proposed is considered to be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Recommendation

Accordingly, it is recommended that a decision be made by Elected Members of the Council to proceed with the proposed development.

The following recommendations have been received from internal Departments;

Appendix 1

List of Observations/Comments/Objections

1. Derek Fallon on behalf of Rutland Grove Residents Association

1. The following requirements of the Council's Drainage Department shall be complied with:
 - a. There is no objection to this development, subject to the developer complying with the Greater Dublin Regional Code of Practice for Drainage Works Version 6.0 (available from www.dublincity.ie Forms and Downloads).
 - b. The development is to be drained on a completely separate system with surface water discharging to the public surface water system.
 - c. The development shall incorporate Sustainable Drainage Systems in the management of surface water
 - d. All private drainage such as, downpipes, gullies, manholes, armstrong junctions, etc. are to be located within the final site boundary. Private drains should not pass through property they do not serve.

Reason: In the interests of orderly development

2. Archaeology

- a. No construction or site preparation work may be carried out on the site until all archaeological requirements of the Planning Authority are complied with.

- b. The project shall have an archaeological assessment (and impact assessment) of the proposed development, including all temporary and enabling works, geotechnical investigations, e.g. boreholes, engineering test pits, etc., carried out for this site as soon as possible and before any site clearance/construction work commences. The assessment shall be prepared by a suitably qualified archaeologist and shall address the following issues.
- i. The archaeological and historical background of the site, to include industrial heritage.
 - ii. A paper record (written, drawn, and photographic, as appropriate) of any historic buildings and boundary treatments, etc.
 - iii. The nature, extent and location of archaeological material on site by way of archaeological testing.
 - iv. The impact of the proposed development on such archaeological material.
- c. The archaeologist shall forward their Method Statement in advance of commencement to the Planning Authority.
- d. Where archaeological material is shown to be present, a detailed Impact Statement shall be prepared by the archaeologist which will include specific information on the location, form, size and level (corrected to Ordnance Datum) of all foundation structures, ground beams, floor slabs, trenches for services, drains etc. The assessment shall be prepared on the basis of a comprehensive desktop study and, where appropriate/feasible, trial trenches excavated on the site by the archaeologist and/or remote sensing. The trial trenches shall be excavated to the top of the archaeological deposits only. The report containing the assessment shall include adequate ground-plan and cross-sectional drawings of the site, and of the proposed development, with the location and levels (corrected to Ordnance Datum) of all trial trenches and/or bore holes clearly indicated. A comprehensive mitigation strategy shall be prepared by the consultant archaeologist and included in the archaeological assessment report.
- e. No subsurface work shall be undertaken in the absence of the archaeologist without his/her express consent. The archaeologist retained by the project to carry out the assessment shall consult with the Planning Authority in advance regarding the procedure to be adopted in the assessment.
- f. Two copies of a written report and a digital report (on compact disc) containing the results of the archaeological assessment shall be forwarded on completion to the Planning Authority. The Planning Authority (in consultation with the City Archaeologist and the National Monuments Service, Department Arts Heritage and Gaeltacht, shall determine the further archaeological resolution of the site.
- g. The developer shall comply in full with any further archaeological requirement, including archaeological monitoring, and if necessary archaeological excavation and/or the preservation in situ of archaeological remains, which may negate the facilitation of all, or part of any basement.
- h. The developer shall make provision for archaeological excavation in the project budget and timetable.
- i. Before any site works commence the developer shall agree the foundation layout with the Planning Authority.
- j. Following submission of the final report to the Planning Authority, where archaeological material is shown to be present the archaeological paper archive shall be compiled in accordance with the procedures detailed in the Dublin City Archaeological Archive Guidelines (2008 Dublin City Council), and lodged with the Dublin City Library and Archive, 138-144 Pearse Street, Dublin 2.

Reason: In the interest of preserving or preserving by record archaeological material likely to be damaged or destroyed in the course of development.

To the Chairperson and Members of the
South East Area Committee

Community Development Section Report

Community Grants:

All community development grants completed for 2019; grants being presently in process of sign off with South East Area Committee and Dublin City Council.

Community Development Plan 2019:

Full plan of activities for the year being developed and planned.

Vibrant Villages Greening projects & Tidy Towns:

Identifying and confirming projects for 2019. Plans for spring connections.

Tidy Towns

Meetings starting in January 2019.

Vibrant Villages Walking Trails and Maps:

Weekly walks ongoing in January.

Age Friendly Cities:

Plan of activities and development for older persons being developed for 2019. Older Persons' Council meeting due end of January. Reviewing activities in older persons' complexes and connection with liaison officers.

Allotments:

All allotments currently being renewed and lapsed leases allocated to new people on list. Improvement of infrastructure for allotments.

Weekly Activities:

- Every Tuesday at 11am – **Dance for Life** dance classes for older people at the Evergreen Centre, Terenure.
- Every Tuesday at 2pm – **Let's Walk & Talk** walking group, meeting outside the Barge Pub, Charlemont Street.
- Every Tuesday from 3 - 4pm – **Chair Yoga** at Woodstock Court, Ranelagh.
- Every Wednesday from 11.30am - 12.30pm – **Chair Yoga** at Beech Hill Court, Donnybrook.
- Every Wednesday at 2pm – **Let's Walk & Talk in Spanish** walking group, meeting at Kildare Place, Kildare Street.
- Every Thursday at 10am – **Parent & Toddler Group** at the Evergreen Centre, Terenure.
- Every Thursday at 2pm - **Let's Walk & Talk** walking group, meeting at Sandymount Green.
- Every Thursday from 3 - 5pm – **Knitting Classes** at Beech Hill Court, Donnybrook.
- Every Friday at 11am - **Let's Walk & Talk as Gaeilge** walking group, meeting at Meeting House Square, Temple Bar.
- Every Friday at 2pm - **Let's Walk & Talk in French** walking group, meeting at Kildare Place, Kildare Street.

- Every Saturday at 10am – **Parent & Toddler Group** at the Evergreen Centre, Terenure.
- Every Saturday from 11 - 4pm – **Terenure Village Market** at Bushy Park.
- Every Saturday at 2pm - **Let's Walk & Talk** walking group, meeting at the car park next to the Dropping Well Pub, Milltown.
- **Friends of Green Spaces** Projects at 30+ locations.
- **Allotments** at Ringsend Park and Herbert Park.

To the Chairperson and Members of the
South East Area Committee

Environmental Services Unit Report

Leaf Collection

Many residents' groups, associations and individuals throughout the south east area, up to late December, were involved in carrying out leaf clearing initiatives. Bags and equipment were provided by the area office who also arranged for the removal of the leaves collected.

Events

TradFest Temple Bar, 23rd to 27th January 2019.

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

Housing Projects and Local Area Improvements

Grand Canal Sub Group

The latest meeting of the Grand Canal Sub-committee was held on 28th November 2018. The group and local volunteers are partnering with An Taisce's Clean Coasts to facilitate corporate clean-ups as part of our Corporate Social Responsibility Scheme. The Canal Ambassador Scheme pilot was launched by Waterways Ireland. Waterways Ireland, with support from Fáilte Ireland, is developing a Dublin Canals brand, including new website to be launched in spring 2019. Plans are being prepared for Canals Action Day in April 2019. The next meeting of the Grand Canal Sub-committee will be held in January 2019.

Rathgar Village Improvement Plan (VIP)

The redesign of Herzog Park is the final element of the Rathgar VIP to be undertaken. The Nature Play Area was officially opened by the Lord Mayor on 13th September 2018. Works to construct the Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) on the site of the bowling green have commenced on 19th November 2018 and will run for approximately 12 weeks. This will constitute phase 2 of the works. Works to re-align the bring centre are ongoing and should be completed by end of 2018. Internal landscaping, boundary treatment and the car park area will be addressed in phase 3 in 2019.

Ranelagh Gardens Park

Cleaning of the main entrance archway to the park was carried out in April 2018. A contractor was appointed by Parks Services to upgrade the paths in the park and to address the drainage issues at the Chelmsford end. These works are now complete. Replacement of park benches will be considered, subject to funding, for 2019.

Ringsend Irishtown Local Environment Improvement Plan (LEIP)

The Ringsend Irishtown Local Environment Improvement Plan (LEIP) was adopted at the June 2017 South East Area Committee meeting. It is now proposed to prepare planning applications under Part 8 of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001, for the redesign of (1) Library Square and (2) Cambridge Road.

Library Square: (Mitchell & Associates) Meetings with internal stakeholders were held during September and October. A meeting was held with local businesses to discuss parking / loading arrangements on 5th December 2018. A draft design is being prepared and a public workshop for all stakeholders will be held in January 2019.

Cambridge Road: (Redscape Architects) An initial public workshop in relation to Cambridge Road was held on Thursday 30th August 2018 in the RICC on Thorncastle Street. Meetings with internal stakeholders took place in September and October and designs were drafted based on consultations which were brought to a second public workshop / meeting on 28th November 2018. Some refinements are currently being made to the proposal and it is expected to proceed with the Part 8 process early in 2019.

Terenure Village

Five additional lamp standards were identified for upgrade in 2017 and were installed in summer 2018. Proposal to screen recycling bins in car park on Terenure Road North is being examined in partnership with Terenure 2030 / Tidy Towns and Waste Management Services as a project for 2019.

New Playground at Sean Moore Park

Community gain funding has been approved to provide a new playground at Sean Moore Park. Consultations took place with local schools and a tender has been prepared to appoint consultants to design a new playground for Sandymount at Sean Moore Park. Pre Part 8 report was brought before the July 2018 South East Area Committee. The Part 8 Planning Application was lodged on 17th September 2018 and one third party submissions was received during the appropriate period. The recommendation of the Planning and Property Development Department's report was on the agenda for the December 2018 South East Area Committee meeting and the item was on the agenda for the January 2019 meeting of Dublin City Council.

O'Carroll Villas

Discussions have taken place with Housing Maintenance regarding the landscaping of O'Carroll Villas and a drawing is currently awaited.

Cabbage Patch

The area office will meet the Parks & Landscape Services Division early in the New Year to discuss the Cabbage Patch.

To the Chairperson and Members of the
South East Area Committee

Dublin City Sport and Wellbeing Partnership (DCSWP) Report

JANUARY EVENTS & PROGRAMMES

THE LORD MAYOR'S 5 ALIVE CHALLENGE 2019

The Lord Mayor's 5 Alive challenge is back for 2019! The initiative is a partnership programme between Dublin City Sport & Wellbeing Partnership and the Lord Mayor's Office. The challenge is now in its 7th year and has encouraged hundreds of people to take up regular exercise over the past 6 years.

Last year the initiative went back to its roots and targeted people who were interested in taking up jogging or novice joggers who needed some encouragement to sustain progress. The focus on encouraging new and novice joggers to sign up to the challenge continues in 2019. In 2018 the challenge also introduced mentors to accompany slower joggers and walkers and encourage them along each route. The mentoring aspect of the challenge also continues with 30 mentors appointed to support participants in the 2019 challenge. Each mentor has completed the 5 Alive challenge in previous years.

Over 400 participants have registered to take part in this year's challenge which commenced in the Phoenix Park with the New Year's Day Road Race on Tuesday 1st January 2019.

The challenge is to complete 5 Dublin road races between January and April 2019. Details of the races are outlined below. In the event that a participant is unable to complete the 5 races they will have the opportunity to substitute a race for one of the city's Parkruns. Dublin hosts free 5k Parkruns in 5 locations across the city every Saturday morning. Details on times and locations can be found at www.parkrun.ie.

- Tom Brennan Memorial 5k New Year's Day Road Race at 12noon on Tuesday 1st January 2019 in the Phoenix Park
- AXA Raheny 5 Mile at 3pm on Sunday 27th January 2019 in Raheny
- BHAA Garda Cross Country 2 Mile & 4 Mile country races at 11am on Saturday 2nd February in the Phoenix Park.
- MSB St. Patrick's Festival 5k Race and Family Fun Run
- BHAA Dublin City Council 10k race

CHANGE FOR LIFE 2019

Change for Life is an 8 week programme that aims to improve the health of local communities through a partnership approach designed to support people to become more physically active on a regular basis and adopt a healthier diet. The programme runs in tandem with the RTE Operation Transformation TV show.

The programme was first developed in 2013 when a partnership was developed between Dublin City Sport & Wellbeing Partnership, Fatima Groups United, Health Promotion & Improvement, HSE Dublin Mid-Leinster and Dolphin Health Project. This partnership identified a need to tackle the issues of obesity and low physical activity levels in a new and innovative way.

While weight loss was considered an important aspect of the programme it was also felt that there were many other health indicators that could be improved through participation in the programme such as aerobic fitness, body fat percentage and blood pressure. Improving the psychological well-being of participants was also considered an important outcome of the programme. Following planning and consultation meetings between the partners it was decided to run a diverse health & fitness programme aimed at having a positive impact on the overall health and wellbeing of the participants.

The 2019 Change for Life commenced in early January and is being rolled out in fourteen communities over the 8 week period. The programme provides fitness assessments, a 5K timed walk (repeated at week 8) and nutritional / dietary advice. Independent nutritionists gave a series of talks on healthy eating habits and dietary information such as portion size and calorie counting. Weekly weigh-ins to assess progress will also be provided.

- The following 8 week Change For Life programme will be delivered in the South East Area from January onwards;
- **Programme:** Change For Life
Dates/Times: Mondays. 21st January – 15th March. Times TBC.
Location: Irishtown Stadium. Other locations TBC.
Participants: Mixed 18 + years.
Partners: Local schools / sports clubs.

OPERATION TRANSFORMATION NATIONAL WALK DAY 2019

As part of the **Operation Transformation National Walk Day** Dublin City Sport & Wellbeing Partnership will host an open walk at 11am on Saturday, 12th January 2019 in the **War Memorial Gardens, Dublin 8** (Meeting Point: Municipal Rowing Centre, Island Bridge). The distance of the walk will be between 3 and 5 kilometres in order to target people who are currently engaging in below the recommended levels of physical activity.

The walks are currently in the planning stage with implementation to commence in January. The walk will kick start the **Get Dublin Walking Programme** which is a core programme delivered by DCSWP from January to March in partnership with the HSE and the DCC Community Section. Local walking programmes will commence in the 1st quarter of 2019.

- The following Get Dublin Walking programme will be rolled out in the area in the new year in partnership with local youth services, agencies and schools;
- **Programme:** Get Dublin Walking
Dates/Times: Mondays. January 21st – 15th March. Times TBC.
Location: Irishtown stadium. Other locations TBC.
Participants: Mixed all ages.
Partners: Healthy Ireland / HSE.

GAGA (GET ALL GIRLS ACTIVE)

GAGA is an initiative aimed at engaging female participation in sport and physical activity. There are two strands to the initiative; the first comprises of focused 6 – 8 week sport / physical activity programmes in communities around the city targeting teenage girls; the second is an online campaign #GAGA day to increase female engagement via live dance-fit classes, prize giving for uploads of photos / videos plus a citywide Glow Fit event. Now in its second year, the citywide #GAGA day took place on December 5th 2018. FloatFit and aqua aerobics classes were delivered in Markievicz Sports and Fitness Centre on the day as part of the GAGA event. The intention for 2019 will be to maintain the momentum of recent GAGA programmes and the citywide GAGA event.

As a Local Sports Partnership DCSWP will also be linking #GAGA into the women in sport 20x20 “If she can’t see it, she can’t be it” Campaign <https://20x20.ie> . This campaign is an all-inclusive movement to shift Ireland’s cultural perception of women’s sport by 2020 with a 20% increase in media coverage of women in sport, a 20% increase in female participation at all levels of sport and a 20% increase in attendance at women’s games and events.

SPORT FOR YOUNG PEOPLE – SMALL GRANTS SCHEME

Grants were advertised in mid-May via email to clubs and sports contacts, newspaper advertisement and via social media. Deadline for receipt of applications was Friday, June 29th 2018 at 4pm.

Applications were open to Sports Clubs and Organisations within the Dublin City Area affiliated to a National Governing Body providing opportunities for young people aged 10 -21 years of age to participate in sport & physical activity.

120 applications were received and 112 were approved for payment. Payment has been received for the 112 grants approved for payment.

More information can be found at:
www.dublincity.ie/smallgrantscheme2018

DCSWP CORE PROGRAMMES JANUARY 2019

YOUTH FIT (CORE) Youth at Risk (10 - 21 Years)

Youth Fit programmes are multi-sport and fitness initiatives aimed at young people in the area aged 10 years and over. Below are details of Youth Fit programmes ongoing on the area throughout

- Boxing classes will be delivered in the area throughout January and February as a partnership programme for males

Programme: Boxing Classes.

Dates/Times: Mondays. January 21st – 15th February. Times TBC.

Location: YMCA, Sandymount

Participants: Males 13-17 years.

Partners: Co-funded Officers / Local rugby clubs

- In partnership with Ballyfermot Adventure Centre and Riccy’s Youth Service, Irishtown / Ringsend, the following outdoor adventure group meets every Monday from January to March;

Programme: Outdoor Adventure Group.

Dates/Times: Tuesdays. January 28th – March 15th. 6.30-9.30pm.

Location: Ballyfermot Outdoor Adventure Centre.

Participants: Mixed 13 years+

Partners: Riccy’s Youth Service

- In conjunction with local schools and youth services in the South East area Teen Gym sessions will be delivered throughout January and February;

Programme: Teen Gym.

Dates/Times: Mondays. January 21st – February 15th. Times TBC

Location: Irishtown Stadium and Markievicz Sport and Fitness Centre.

Participants: Mixed 13-17 years.

FOOTBALL DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

- The following football projects will continue in the South East Area in January;
- **Sprog soccer:** The sprog soccer programme for 4 - 8 year olds continues in Sports and Fitness Irishtown on Fridays with 60 children participating, the YMCA on Wednesdays 9.30am with 80 children participating and in St. Catherine's Sports Centre on Mondays with 20 children taking part.
- **Men's league:** The football men's league is ongoing on Monday's and Wednesday's in Sports and Fitness Irishtown from 6pm to 8pm.
- **Football for all programme:** The Football for all Programme is targeted at children with learning difficulties and physical disabilities. The programme is delivered in Irishtown stadium on Saturdays at 10am with 10 to 15 children attending.
- **Soccer academy:** A soccer academy programme will be delivered y on Saturday mornings in Pearse Street.
- **Girls' development:** Soccer sessions aimed at encouraging female participation will be delivered every Tuesday and Thursday evening in Ringsend for girls 8 - 12 years.

FAI Officers are on leave in late December / January. A full update on New Year initiatives will be included in the next area committee report.

BOXING DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

The **Startbox** Initiative, a partnership between the Irish Amateur Boxing Association (IABA) and Dublin City Sport & Wellbeing Partnership, represents an ideal way for young people (10 – 17 years) to first engage with amateur boxing, Ireland's most successful Olympic sport. It is delivered by our 5 dedicated IABA / DCSWP Development Officers via local schools (primary & transition year level) in communities across the Dublin city area. Approximately 2,000 young people take part each year in the StartBox Programme.

The programme is structured into Bronze (non-contact), Silver and Gold phases. The first phase focuses on general strength & fitness, method and technique. The Silver Programme consists of higher intensity sessions & limited contact and the Gold phase takes it on to another level again.

The Startbox Bronze Programme will start again in schools in the South East area in January. For further information on boxing programmes in the please contact the Boxing Development Officer at Michael_carruth@ymail.com

CRICKET DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

- The following cricket projects will take place in the South East Area in January 2019;
- The Cricket Development Officer will liaise with Sport Development Officers in the area to organise the delivery of cricket programs in 2019.
- School coaching visits will be delivered in the following schools during the period;
- Star of the Sea Boys' National School (Wednesdays)

- St. Matthew's National School (Mondays)
- Provincial cricket sessions continue on Friday nights from 5.00pm-9.30pm in North County Cricket Club; a number of players from the South East area involved in these sessions in particular players from the Sandymount / Ringsend area. Players are between 10 - 18 years of age.
- The annual Dublin City U12, U14 and U17 Christmas and New Year camps took place on the 27th and 28th of December and the 2nd and 3rd of January in North County Cricket Club from 10.00am-16.30pm. Participants attending from the South East area will be from the Sandymount / Ringsend area.

RUGBY DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

- The following rugby programme will take place in the South East Area in January 2019;
- Primary school tag rugby blitzes have commenced in local clubs and in Irishtown Stadium.
- Primary and secondary school programmes are ongoing in the area.

Updates from the Rowing Development Officer and the two newly appointed Athletics Officers will be included in the next area committee report.

Markievicz Sports Centre

January sees the return of our swimming lessons for all ages. For the children there is our Learn to Swim Programme, starting with water confidence on Thursdays for those in armbands. Children can learn at the stage appropriate to them in our seal, marlin & orca levels which take place throughout the week at 15.15 and 16.15.

For adults there are beginner lessons on Monday & Tuesday evenings at 19.00, this is for those taking their first steps in swimming or coming back to swimming after a long time out. For more advanced swimmers we have lessons at 19.45 on Monday & Tuesday evenings.

We have a special 12 week programme run in conjunction with Swim Ireland, the Swim for a Mile event. A 12 weeks training programme will commence on the 15th January with the goal of preparing participants to swim a mile in April in the centre.

January 14th Learn to Swim children lessons (8 week)
Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays at 15.15 and 16.15.

January 17th Water Confidence (8 week)
Thursdays at 15.15.

January 15th Swim for a Mile (12 Week Programme)
Tuesdays at 7.15 and Thursdays at 15.30.
In association with Swim Ireland.

January 14th and 15th Adult Beginner and Improver lessons (6 week course)
Mondays or Tuesdays at 19.00 or 19.45.
€45 for member €60 non-member.

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2019 Proposed Projects €1,216,000 allocation

Public Realm Enhancements

It is proposed to continue again with three rounds of intensive cleaning of the high footfall commercial village areas throughout the SEA in 2019. This work involves using a low pressure, high temperature steam on the footpaths to remove chewing gum, stains and dog foul. It also includes the cleaning of street furniture, the application of disinfectant on areas where needed, including around bins, and the removal of waste. The work is carried out at night to avoid inconvenience to traders, but also taking into account residents where relevant.

The proposed timing is as follows: 1. March/April 2. June/July & 3. September /October

The areas are as follows: Ranelagh, Rathmines, Donnybrook, Sandymount, Rathgar, Ringsend, Harold's Cross, Terenure, Irishtown, Ballsbridge, Milltown, Baggot Street Upper & Lower

Dartmouth Square-paint railings.

Mount Argus Park-pathway resurfacing.

Tree pruning throughout the South East Area

Paint railings at Pearse Square, Sandymount Green and Poddle Park

Traffic boxes.

Litter blackspots

Lamppost painting

90,000

25,000

15,000

30,000

20,000

15,000

20,000

20,000

10,000

245,000

Vibrant Villages & Community Development

Age Friendly Initiatives and Older Persons' Events

Ringsend & Herbert Park Allotments-€10,000

Festivals -€46,000

Plant Sales-€12,000

Friends of Green Spaces-€15,000

Dog Shows-€14,000

Family Fun days & Fiestas-€31,000

Cultural Events-36,000

Village Enhancements-€24,000

Youth Initiatives & social inclusion-€18,000

40,000

10,000

46,000

12,000

15,000

14,000

31,000

36,000

24,000

18,000

246,000

Ringsend Halloween Festival

60,000

60,000



Housing Projects

Pearse House-Precinct Improvements	60,000	
Markievicz House-provision of playground	20,000	
Bin cages at Mercer House	12,500	
CCTV at Grove Road	15,300	
CCTV at Whitefriar Gardens	14,200	
Bin cages at Saint Vincent Street flats	12,500	134,500

Village Plans

Cabbage Patch CCTV and pitch improvement	130,000	
Portobello Square Brief for Refurbishment	40,000	
Herzog Park car park	100,000	
Ranelagh co- fund light standards	35,000	
Harold's Cross LEIP	50,000	355,000

Roads Resurfacing

Ailesbury Gardens resurfacing	98,000	
Homelee resurfacing	26,000	
Ashfield Park Resurfacing	53,000	
Residential bicycle parking (BETA Type)	24,000	201,000

Project Total **1,241,500**

Budget Allocated

1,216,000



Motions

Motion 1 from Councillor Mannix Flynn

That this committee of the south east area (SEA) acknowledge and support the Garda Youth Awards that were inaugurated in the south central area and acknowledge the great achievements by the recipients of the awards and also the great efforts that were made by An Garda Síochána to ensure that these awards were rolled out across the communities. The time and effort and commitment that was spent on this was enormous and the event that took place in Aviva Stadium as a result of these efforts was simply fantastic. It is important that the SEA get behind these awards and the people associated with them including Aviva Stadium and the Aviva insurance company and that this committee agrees to write to all those involved including Inspector Chris Grogan and Chief Superintendent Lorraine Wheatley and commend them for this great success.

Motion 2 from Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager carry out a full assessment of the sports pitch at Digges Street to ascertain the cost of a complete refurbishment and upgrade?

This pitch has become dilapidated over the past number of years and is well used by the local community. It is time now to give a serious upgrade to this facility, the only one in the neighbourhood.

Motion 3 from Councillor Claire Byrne

That in light of An Bord Pleanála decision regarding College Green Plaza that this area committee calls on the area manager to proceed with the following objective in the Dublin City Development Plan 2016 - 2022:

“MTO50: To introduce traffic-free areas on sections on Drury Street, South William Street, Exchequer Court, Dame Court and Dame Lane while ensuring that access to car parks and deliveries is still provided for.”

And to ask the area manager to also proceed with the full pedestrianisation of Suffolk Street.

Motion 4 from Councillor Mary Freehill

That the Planning Department takes action on the fact that the lift which was agreed by the council as part of The Swan Shopping Centre's access for people with disabilities on their Castlewood Avenue end is more often out of order than working. As I have pointed out in the past, these lifts are not appropriate and it is probably because people who try to use them may not know how they work which causes them to out of order so often. The point is that if it is not working then the centre at this entrance is not accessible. There is not even a telephone no. on the list to call, so people with access needs are left in a difficult position and I would argue that this current situation does not comply with the Planning Act access requirements.

Motion 5 from Councillor Mary Freehill

That the council take action on Wharton Hall off Harold's Cross Road. An Bord Pleanála decision that a floor be taken off this building over 10 years ago has not been acted on. Over a year ago this building changed hands. The new owners were informed of their responsibilities. This building is now an eye sore on the horizon and a Pigeon loft.

Motion 6 from Councillor Anne Feeney

The committee requests the city council to apply for EU funding (recently announced) for Wi-Fi hotspots for our urban villages in the South East Area - Rathmines, Rathgar, Terenure, Harold's Cross, Crumlin, Sundrive, Ranelagh, Donnybrook, Ballsbridge, Sandymount, Irishtown, Ringsend. This would be a boost to our urban villages and small businesses,

facilitating free Wi-Fi for shoppers and locals, making our urban villages more attractive to visit and spend in. The opportunity of accessing this EU funding should not be missed.

Motion 7 from Councillor Mary Freehill

That the Chief Executive Officer states whether Dublin City Council (DCC) has the power to make a bye-law requiring licensed premises to display the renewal dates on the exterior of their premises for licences to sell alcohol, Public Dance Licence and Public Music & Singing Licence. If the council doesn't have the power, would you state which department has and how we might go about progressing it?

Furthermore has the DCC Noise Dept. objects to the courts when Copan / Zenith Café Ltd. apply for monthly exemption licence. The noise goes on until 3a.m. and it's seriously disrupting people's sleep.

Motion 8 from Councillor Mary Freehill

That the Development Department clarifies the ownership of all the ground relating to the Swan Leisure development, Rathmines. The agreement in the first instance relating to the Public Private Partnership (PPP), was that the council would retain ownership of the ground and that the developer would own the air rights. It's important that if this issue comes before the January council meeting that this is clarified beforehand, otherwise that it is done at the DSE LAC.

Motion 9 from Councillor Mary Freehill

That Dublin City Council (DCC) agrees to the establishment of a dementia friendly village and indeed age friendly village in general for the Harold's Cross area. This has already been agreed by Health Services Executive Forum and promoted by the Harold's Cross Community Council. It is agreed that DCC personnel co-operate with the Community Council to aid its establishment.

Q.1 Councillor Ruairí McGinley

To ask the manager to advise on results of Rathdown estate Terenure traffic survey.

Q.2 Councillor Ruairí McGinley

To ask the manager to reinstate bins in the Dodder Park between Dartry and the Ely Arch.

Q.3 Councillor Ruairí McGinley

To ask manager to advise on provision of safe school crossing for Rathgar Junior school.

Q.4 Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the manager if she will arrange for this drain *details supplied to be unblocked before Christmas and obviously before this question is reached for reply.

For the past few months there have been renovations going on next door to us. There has been a lot of mud and dirt spilling out onto the footpath and into the drain. Some of my neighbours and I have been unable to park in front of our houses because of the mud and when it rains because of the flooding. Last week I had to go out and move my car to ensure the water wouldn't damage it. I had to wear a pair of crocs and shorts so I could actually get into the car as the water was that high. A few days ago the builders put up a new wall and there was wet cement out on the road and the drain is now looking even more blocked. I went out with a shovel myself to clear what I could off the road as the builders are disinterested but the drain needs to be unblocked as it's the only one down the whole left side of the estate. Parking is already a huge issue because of the school and this isn't helping.

Q.5 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager have the paving repaired on the south side of Kevin Street as the slabs are very loose in many places and are a trip hazard, particularly for the elderly and people with disabilities?

Q.6 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager clarify whether individuals attending the recent seminar on street art at the Mansion House wore balaclavas and covered their faces up and made derogatory statements about Dublin City Council at this event?

Q.7 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager ensure that all residents and households within in the Cabbage Patch area, Kevin Street flats, Cathedral Lane, Cathedral View, Long Lane, New Street and Clanbrassil Street and all the businesses within the area are invited to be participants in the refurbishment and improvement project for the Cabbage Patch grounds in Kevin Street from the very outset. This process needs to be inclusive and transparent and must be led from the ground up.

Of primary importance here is how we are going to deal with the issue of criminality and anti-social behaviour by a certain group of individuals who have undermined the area.

This process must take place first before we initiate any plans or consultation process to improve the area. We have to rid the city once and for all of this kind of behaviour and execute zero tolerance on any individual or any group that thinks they can terrorise

a neighbourhood to the extent that has happened at the Cabbage Patch. There is simply no point in clearing this behaviour in this area for it to simply take hold in other areas by the same group.

Q.8 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager install doorways and gateways on the stairwells at Glovers Court? The residents in this block of flats have suffered greatly over the past number of years. There are issues of intimidation, wholesale drug use and drug selling within the stairwells and complex. People are regularly assaulted including passers-by and tourists. They are pelted with eggs or potatoes or balloons filled with water. On other occasions they are simply assaulted and robbed.

The residents in Glovers Court are at their wits end. Most recently thousands of euros worth of criminal damage was caused to the new hotel at Bow Lane when a number of their windows were smashed by ball bearings and air rifles. This is further intimidation of the workers on the building site here who are basically in fear of their lives and their personal safety. We have an obligation to manage our estates in an orderly fashion and not allow anti-social behaviour and criminality rule the day.

Q.9 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager issue a full report with regards the delays on the precinct improvements for the Temple Bar area with particular reference to Temple Bar Square? The square is now in such a serious state of dilapidation that it would constitute a danger to the public and warrant listing on the dangerous structures within the city.

This is an appalling state of affairs given the amount of international tourists that visit this area.

Q.10 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager issue a full report regarding the oversized Christmas tree and base that was placed by Dublin Town on South King Street? Many businesses in the area contacted me regarding this tree and its size and the fact that it was blocking the street and blocking their premises from view. Also the fact that they were not informed that this oversized tree was to be erected on the street. They felt that this was duplication and a great waste of their hard earned money.

There was also concerns around emergency vehicle access to this area. There were also complaints around people urinating and using the base of the tree as a public convenience.

Further, a lot of residents in this area were concerned because it blocked the view on the street and gave rise to anti-social behaviour, criminality and fear for one's personal safety.

Q.11 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager examine the possibility of placing bollards at the edge of the footpaths on the Ross Road North facing side? This footpath is being used for parking vehicles day and night. Some evenings it is impossible for wheelchair users to use this side of the street. In the day time it is also being used and the street becomes blocked. It is right beside the children's playground and it becomes a danger as motorists driving on the road cannot see if a small child will walk out from behind a car that is parked on the footpath.

There are already many cars parking legally on Ross Road which is a very small space. Also, there is a private carpark with a gate on Ross Road and many of the residents in this complex are finding it very difficult to enter and exit this carpark as a result of cars and large jeeps parking close to the gates and on the footpath outside.

Q.12 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Given the issues that are constantly being brought up by residents and businesses within the Temple Bar area regarding noise from legal and illegal busking and given the fact that Temple Bar area is predominantly a residential area with over 3,000 residents, can the manager initiate a plebiscite on the issue of continuing to designate the Temple Bar area as a busking zone?

Q.13 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager investigate the illegal parking of cars in Digges Street flats that are associated with the builders constructing an office block in Cuffe Street? Many residents in Digges Street flats are complaining that the flats are full of cars that are illegal and they cannot park their own cars.

Q.14 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager install a children's play area within the Bishop Street flats complex? This complex is without any facility for young children to play in and many residents and families feel this is a great inequality and great disadvantage considering that Ross Road got one and Mercer House also received one. It is time to roll out a children's play area within Bishop Street flats. Can the manager initiate a feasibility study?

Q.15 Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the manager if he can clarify when the repairs to the footpaths referred to in Question 10 of the December 2018 meeting will be carried out.

Q.10 Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the manager if she will request the relevant council staff to undertake a review as to what, if any damage was done to the footpaths in the vicinity of Mornington Road, Ranelagh and the new hotel and any other building projects in that area and to ensure that all necessary repairs are carried out and paid for by any developer who has been responsible for same.

Reply:

Road Maintenance Services do not sanction the release of the Planning & Development bond to any developer unless we are satisfied that any damage caused to roads or footpaths as the result of the development have been repaired at the developer's cost.

Contact:

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Q.16 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to deal with the following issue from a constituent about the traffic coming from Sydney Parade Train Station up Ailesbury Road to the lights at Merrion Road. The traffic lights from the DART station onto Merrion Road only last ten seconds. It takes five changes of lights to get traffic through which is now backing up onto the DART gates. His advice is to increase the timing to 30 seconds. His second suggestion is the filter lights going onto Merrion Road are being jammed up by buses and trucks thus holding up traffic behind them. This exit should be widened by up to three or four feet to ease that pressure.

Q.17 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to have an extra seat placed in Sandymount Green at the rounded intersection opposite Sandymount House Pub. There is an existing seat there facing inwards towards the green but a second seat facing outwards through the railings towards the village would prove very popular. This would give a lovely recreational view of the comings and goings of the village. See attached photo,



Q.18 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to deal with the following issue from a constituent on Temple Road Dublin 6. He writes:

"We have an awful lot of old trees on the road that are not well maintained and we face regular flooding on the road because the dead leaves are not swept up properly by the council. There is paid parking until 1pm every day after which it is free parking and once 1pm comes a lot of cars are parked on the road for free as people drive to the area to get the LUAS with free parking. Recently the council had a road sweeper attempt to clean the leaves on the road. However, as it did not begin work until after 1pm it could not clean the leaves near the top of the road beside the LUAS. Surely the council should sweep the road in the morning when it is possible for the road sweeper to do its work. Unless the council come out and clean the leaves we will face another three months of flooding until the next road sweep is scheduled."

Q.19 Councillor Paddy McCartan

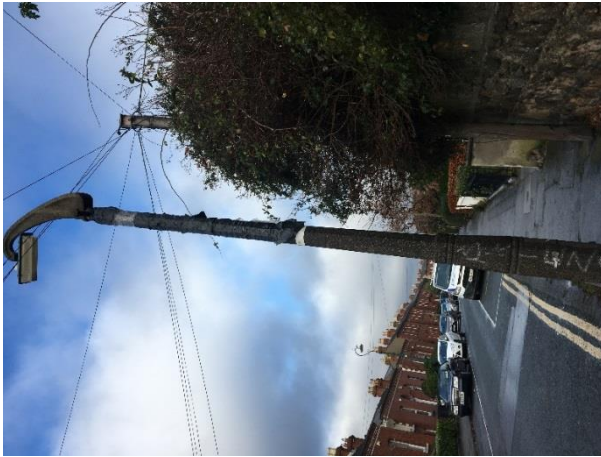
To ask the manager to deal with the following issue from a Ranelagh constituent. He writes:

"The issue that I want to bring to your attention is the state of the streets and roads as the Dublin City Council seem to have given up on clearing the leaves from the gutters and shore in the roads. Many of the drains around us are totally blocked from the fallen leaves and yesterday even after a short sharp shower most of the roads had large puddles of water, in most cases at the corners where the leaves totally blocked the drains. Mountain View Road at the junction of Beechwood Road is a constant problem as is the junction of Merton Drive and the main Sandford Road. So why is this simple task not undertaken? I cycle to work and from that point of view these large puddles are very dangerous as you cannot see if there is a pothole under the water or some other obstruction. Cars have to drive around these puddles and people walking past are likely to get drenched from some uncaring drivers who go too fast. All over the city I see examples of the leaf problem, quite a simple one, just clear them up. Leeson Park is a good example also, loads of leaves and blocked drains at junctions. It's not a new happening so why is it not dealt with? I would like to advise that my wife has filled over 20 bags of leaves from the road beside our house, which were collected

by the council but what about the areas where this does not happen. And why does the council opt out of this problem."

Q.20 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to deal with the following issue on Lower Beechwood Avenue Ranelagh. The lampposts are in a terrible condition and some have plastic wrapping on them. There are 7 or 8 of them all in the same state. Can the manager give a time frame for replacing these old lamp standards with new ones as clearly these poles have come to the end of their natural life span? (Pic to follow.)



Q.21 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to respond to the following issues related to Dartmouth Square Park in Ranelagh.

- A. When will the railing be repainted and extra seating be provided for the community?
- B. Is extra planting being considered for the park?
- C. When will the pathway around the park be redone?

Q.22 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to deal with the following issue regarding drainage on the road adjacent to the AIB bank in Sandymount.

He writes:

"As you can see the water feature courtesy of Dublin City Council (DCC) and SIAC still remains at AIB Sandymount despite assurances (July 2017) via yourself from hydraulic expert in DCC to tell staff that water doesn't go uphill and fix it. I know big bodies move slowly but.

I'm in communication with RSA in Ballina about the complete dog's dinner DCC made of this job with end result of transforming a reasonably safe crossing with good visibility to both pedestrians and motorists into a nil visibility death trap just because some in DCC never asked Dublin Bus how much space was needed for one of their buses to get around Sandymount Road onto Seafort Avenue. It needs fixing before the emergency services are scraping some unfortunate off the road and given DCC metered parking situation at Ryans side it'll be probably be a child in a buggy or wheelchair user." (Pic to follow.)

Q.23 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to have graffiti removed from the road sign on the entrance to Morehampton Lane, Donnybrook.

Q.24 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to give a time frame for the replacement of the all- weather carpet for the Bowling Club in Herbert Park. They have applied for the sports grant and it is vital for the future of the club that the necessary works are undertaken as soon as possible.

Q.25 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to deal with the following issue from a constituent living in Cullenswood Park, Ranelagh. He writes:

“Cullenswood Park is a terrace of 12 houses (built c1938) in a cul-de-sac off the main road through Ranelagh village and faces the back of the Royal Hospital Donnybrook. The sewerage system for the houses is under a lane at the rear of the houses. The concrete surface of the lane must be at least 50 years old and is disintegrating, probably due to the volume and weight of traffic (cars on a daily basis, vans frequently and trucks occasionally) for which it was neither designed or constructed. In the last few years there have been several blockages in the sewerage system, where gravel is the main culprit probably due to cracked pipes.

When we've tried to discuss the problem with DCC, they say the lane is private. There is no folio for the lane area as it's not registered, so we cannot find out who the owner is. We believe the problem is that, while the council have provided the sewerage system under the lane (and manholes and lighting on the lane), the lane has never legally been 'taken in charge' by the council. We would be interested in finding out if the houses on Sandford Road which back onto the same lane use the same sewerage system. Hence the request for the plan.

Q.26 Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the manager if he can ask the Traffic Department to check if the new solid fencing around the property as you exit Peter Place does not create a visual barrier and a danger for motorists exiting.

Q.27 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager arrange to have the surface of the playground in Macken Villas repaired or replaced as residents feel it is unsafe and a trip hazard.

Q.28 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager arrange to have the increased number of rats in St. Andrews Court treated and put in place an ongoing plan to deter rats from the courtyard where the kids are playing?

Q.29 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager arrange to have the trees which roots are breaking up the footpaths replaced with smaller trees on Bishop Street as two elderly people have tripped there recently, and have railings similar to the rest of the railings around Bishop Street installed at the corner at pedestrian crossing on Kevin Street?

Q.30 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager confirm that checks are being carried out so that disc parking permits are not being abused in Bishop Street, Digges Street and Cuffe Street as the parking is tight enough and should be only for residents or visitors to residents short term?

Q.31 Councillor Chris Andrews

Will the manager have a new door installed at details supplied?

Q.32 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager treat the rats in Cuffe Street and Digges Street flats treated and clear out the old shoots and either knock them or allow residents use them for storage and arrange to have the bin storage area improved as they appear to be just thrown in the corner and are encouraging rats?

Q.33 Councillor Chris Andrews

That the manager increases the height of the railings around Cuffe Street and Digges Street flats as the existing low railings are allowing and facilitating significant anti-social behaviour from people using the huge amount of pubs and restaurants across the road on Aungier Street and Camden Street which is getting busier and making things worse for residents and that CCTV would be considered for these four block of flats.

Q.34 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the area manager if she can please address the issue of speeding and rat running on Curzon Street, Portobello. A number of car mirrors and car doors have been damaged by cars speeding through this narrow street at peak times.

Q.35 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the area manager can he please take further action to address the ongoing issue of illegal dumping in Portobello Harbour? I raised this issue a year ago and some action was taken, but the problem has arisen again.

Q.36 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the area manager can he please provide a full list of streets in the Pembroke South Dock area that have received replacement LED public lighting to date, and can he provide a list of streets that will receive replacement bulbs in 2019.

Q.37 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the area manager for a full list of development levies paid in the Pembroke South Dock area in 2016, 2017 and 2018. Can the list include what developments the levies came from, how much the levies were, and what this money funded?

Q.38 Councillor Claire Byrne

Can the area manager please provide an update on the redevelopment of the following vacant sites?

- Site on the junction of Luke Street and Townsend Street
- Site at the top of Clanbrassil Street (adjacent to Vincent Street South Flats and Leonards Corner, disposed of in 2016 / 2017)
- Site on Moss Street

Q.39 Councillor Claire Byrne

Can the area manager please outline what discussions and consultations have taken place between Dublin City Council and the NTA with regards to the plans to demolish Markievicz Leisure Complex to facilitate Metro Link? Can he outline what alternative arrangements are in place to relocate the leisure centre should this proceed? Can the manager also confirm whether there are council tenants residing in the College Gate apartment complex and if so what are the plans for re-housing these tenants should the project proceed? Can the manager also confirm if alternative site have been considered to facilitate Metro Link in this area?

Q.40 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the area manager for an update on the following cycle routes:

- Clonskeagh to City Centre cycle route
- Completion of the Grand Canal Cycle Route

Q.41 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the Area Manager can he please provide an update on the below motions and questions:

April 2018:

Q36. Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the area manager to please provide an update on the progress of the following motion that was agreed on April 10th 2017. Since the motion was agreed, aside from one phone call from the planning office in June 2017, there has been no follow up correspondence regarding this motion and the process and action taken to make such a variation to the Docklands Strategic Development Zone (SDZ).

Motion 16 from Councillor Claire Byrne

That this area committee calls on the area manager to initiate the process by which a variation to Docklands SDZ can be made in order to provide for the long term protection of the Graving Docks in Grand Canal Dock.

Reply:

The Planning Department emailed Councillor Byrne with an update on 8th August 2017 to advise that a meeting had been held with the CEO of Waterways Ireland to discuss their plans for Plot 19 including the graving docks in the context of the SDZ Scheme and the conservation of the docks.

Waterways Ireland subsequently appointed a conservation consultant to carry out a full conservation assessment of the graving docks. This assessment is being supplemented by an archaeological test trending report.

It is understood that these reports are currently being finalised, and will provide for the retention of all 3 graving docks in situ as part of the sensitive redevelopment of Plot 19 incorporating public realm, community and other uses. A representative from Waterways Ireland will be enlisted to make a presentation to the next South East Area Meeting.

Contact:

John O Hara, A/Dublin City Planner, Planning & Property Development Department, tel.: 222 3813, email: john.ohara@dublincity.ie

Q.42 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the area manager if he could please address the following issues in Shelbourne Park / Ringsend Road Area:

- Litter and lack of street cleaning – can the manager provide the cleaning schedule for this area
- Provision of litter bins – in particular near the Dublin Bikes stands on South Dock Road next to Arup and Barrow Street.
- Noise pollution from the Shelbourne Park Race Track and bin collection trucks and how can such incidents be reported

- The provision of dog litter bins in the area in particular at the grassed area in front of the gas transfer station on South Lotts and on South Dock Road near to the river / canal basin.

Q.43 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the area manager for an update on the plans for addressing the traffic issues in Lansdowne Park, in particular the below queries:

223 90047831 SP_36687 LANSDOWNE PARK (SE) Traffic Calming on the road. 24/02/2017 11:2

224 90047832 SP_36688 LANSDOWNE ROAD (SE) No Right Turn (Rescind) Rescind the No Right Turn from Pembroke Road onto Lansdowne Road to reduce the through traffic on Lansdowne Park.

307 90051230 SP_40132 LANSDOWNE PARK (SE) Double Yellow Lines DYLS opposite 69 Lansdowne park 07/09/2017 12:09

Q.44 Councillor Patrick Costello

To ask the area manager if she can please provide a full list of road resurfacing projects planned for 2018 and 2019 in the south east area.

Q.45 Councillor Patrick Costello

To ask the manager for an update on the extension of the Grand Canal cycle way, a summary of the issues delaying the work, and a date when the work will be completed by.

Q.46 Councillor Patrick Costello

To ask the manager for details of the dog poo only bins inside parks in the south east area.

Q.47 Councillor Patrick Costello

To ask the manager to install a contra-flow bike lane on Werburgh Street to support cycling in the city centre.

Q.48 Councillor Patrick Costello

To ask the manager to respond to the issue raised in the email below

<https://www.google.ie/maps/@53.329974,-6.2633349,3a,75y,169h,84.88t/data=!3m6!1e1!3m4!1silq2wuz5DhtjLZGfV-p4qQ!2e0!7i16384!8i8192>

I wonder if this junction could be revised. While there is a pedestrian refuge, the total width of Mountpleasant Avenue Lower at this point is approximately 25 metres.

I use the location about once per week and vehicular traffic tends to enter / exit Mountpleasant Avenue Lower at speeds that are intimidating to pedestrians.

Q.49 Councillor Patrick Costello

To ask the manager for an update on the two motions relating to a bus gate at Rathmines Road.

Q.50 Councillor Patrick Costello

To ask the manager to provide an update on motion 6 from the meeting on December 10th.

Q.51 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager arrange for new windows to be installed at details supplied as they are not opening and closing as they should be and are a fire hazard?

Q.52 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the manager to request the Traffic engineers to conduct a detailed review of safety for school children in the vicinity of Rathgar Junior School.

Q.53 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the manager to arrange for footpath repairs on Greenlea Road, Greenlea Avenue, Greenlea Park and Greenlea Drive.

Q.54 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the manager to arrange for weed removal and street cleaning of Templemore Avenue together with repair of potholes from course of speed ramps.

Q.55 Councillor Ruairi McGinley

To ask manager to itemise 2019 works programme for footpath reinstatement and road improvement.

Q.56 Councillor Claire O'Connor

Can refuse be removed from Dartry and Dodder parks?

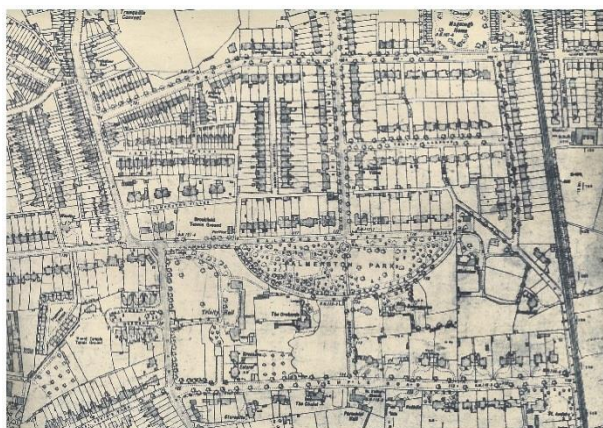
Q.57 Councillor Claire O'Connor

Can the council provide any information on the Health Services Executive moving out of the Ranelagh Medical Centre and if they have any role in same?

Q.58 Councillor Claire O'Connor

This motion seeks additional funding beyond the current annual expenditure for Palmerston Park in connection with the Conservation and Management Plan 2013 prepared by Howley Hayes Architects.

See Dublin City Council Palmerston Park <http://www.dublincity.ie/main-menu-services-recreation-culture-dublin-city-parks-visit-park/palmerston-park>



Ordnance Survey MAP of Palmerston Park

By 1909 the park appears largely as it is today. Designed by William Sheppard who also designed the park at St. Stephen's Green.

Since 2013 the pond and park shelter have been restored to great effect.

There are concerns about the trees, particularly in light of storm damage in recent years.

Page 14 of the Howley Hayes Report states that the arborist's list of trees *included 37 species of trees and 12 shrub types.*

The report also refers to the following articles which are contained within the International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) Florence Charter (published 21 May 1981) and they address the conservation of gardens:

*“Art 1: An historic garden is an architectural and **horticultural composition** of interest to the public from the historical or artistic point of view. As such, it is to be considered as **a monument.***

*Art 2: The historic garden is an architectural composition whose constituents are **primarily vegetal** and therefore living, which means that they are perishable and renewable.*

Art 4: The architectural composition of the historic garden includes:

- Its plan and topography*
- Its vegetation, including its species, proportions, colour schemes, spacing and respective heights.*
- Its structural and decorative features. • Its water, running or still, reflecting the sky.*

*Art 10: **In any work of maintenance, conservation, restoration or reconstruction of an historic garden, or any part of it, all its constituent features must be dealt with simultaneously. To isolate the various operations would damage the unity of the whole.***

*Art 11: **Continuous maintenance** of historic gardens is of paramount importance.*

*Since the principal material is vegetal, the preservation of the garden in an unchanged condition requires **both prompt replacements when required and a long-term programme of periodic renewal (clear felling and replanting with mature specimens).***

Art 21: The work of maintenance and conservation, the timing of which is determined by season, and brief operations which serve to restore the garden's authenticity, must always take precedence over the requirements of public use.

Palmerston Park is a centrepiece of one of the finest and most intact examples of Late-Victorian urban design in the city.

CONDITION & USE

*Overall, the park is a well-preserved and intact example of a Victorian park, however its structures and **planting would benefit from immediate intervention to conserve them into the future...** Trees and shrubs planted in the late nineteenth century, alongside those planted at later dates and that have self-seeded, have been found to be putting the historic park structures at risk. A programme of removal that would be in addition to those trees identified in the recent arborist's report would not adversely affect the overall character of the park, while helping to extend the longevity of the built heritage”.*

Current condition of Trees

Many trees have broken branches and crossing branches at high level which require maintenance by a sensitive tree surgeon.

The trees on the central path between Palmerston and Orchard Roads need attention. One has been partially cut down. Some trees were pollarded at some time but then allowed to grow to a considerable height. The branches which grew from the pollarded level are thus weak. New mature trees should be planted here.

The area of the park at the north east corner has fallen trees and needs to be replanted. While we understand that fallen trees can be a habitat for insects, this area looks unsightly and needs to be replanted.

It is vital that the existing trees are maintained properly (Article 10) and a careful programme of planting semi-mature trees is put in place and that this be done simultaneously (Article 11) to maintain this horticultural composition (Article 1).

Q.59 Councillor Sonya Stapleton

To have radiators fixed in hallway and bedroom of *details supplied. Someone called out from the council to fix them, but they just bled them and the problem returned a few day later. Possible new radiators needed or blockage in the pipes. Please can you follow this up and have radiators fix properly. The lady's flat is freezing cold.

Q.60 Councillor Sonya Stapleton

To ask the manager to help *details supplied. She is badly in need of a small area to store her flowers in the evenings. I have some suggestions if you can contact me to discuss. She presently stores the flowers in David Marshall's hair salon door entrance which is about 4 foot by 3 foot, but she is getting older and is not able to work the long hours she used to, but David Marshal close late and she has to wait until they lock up before she can finish.

Q.61 Councillor Sonya Stapleton

To ask the manager to investigate why *details supplied does not seem to be moving on the Transfer List? She is situated as of last week at 162 for area L and on the list 10 years?

Q.62 Councillor Chris Andrews

In 2007 Dublin City Council presented plans to residents of Conway Court for the redevelopment of the site and the delivery of new apartments for residents. Bearing in mind the work and support residents in Conway Court had at the time for the project will the manager revisit these plans and state if they could be reactivated and redevelop this site so that residents have modern accommodation?

Q.63 Councillor Chris Andrews

Can the manager put a plan in place and take action against the growing number of council tenants who are selling drugs and facilitating addicts hanging around Ross Road / Bride Road / Bride Street and can the manager state how many flats are idle in this area while tenants are serving time in prison?

Q.64 Councillor Frank Kennedy

Recently while [details supplied] was in hospital the fire brigade broke down her front door. This was because her home help did not know that she was in hospital and was concerned that something was wrong. The council has since installed a new door. However, this is an inside door which is unsuitable as a front door and presents serious security concerns. The resident is concerned for her safety because she does not feel

that the new door is sufficiently secure. She is also concerned that the new door is too small for the frame and lets in the cold. To ask the manager to install a suitably appropriate new front door to this property as a matter of urgency.

Q.65 Councillor Frank Kennedy

At the November 2018 SEAC meeting I asked the following question and received the following answer:

“Q.26 Councillor Frank Kennedy

I have raised on a number of occasions the condition and general cleanliness of the area adjacent to and at the railway bridge at Merrion Church. At the October 2016 SEAC I asked the following question and received the following response:

Q.12 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the Area Manager to arrange for the area surrounding the footbridge over the Dart line between the Merrion Gates and Sydney Parade Avenue (which is the bridge from behind Ailesbury Mews and the OSG office building into Merrion Parish Church) to be cleaned as it is currently very dirty. This question refers in particular to the footpath and surrounding area between the railway line and the OSG building / Ailesbury Mews.

Reply:

Waste Management Services had the parts of this location which comes under the remit of Dublin City Council cleaned on the 27th September 2016. Contact will be made with Irish Rail to ensure that they clean up their property at this location.

Contact:

Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services, tel.: 222 4240, email: mick.boyle@dublincity.ie”

At the January 2017 meeting I proposed the following motion which was passed unanimously:

“Motion 12 from Councillor Frank Kennedy

This committee thanks Iarnród Éireann for the clean-up conducted at the area surrounding the footbridge over the Dart line between the Merrion Gates and Sydney Parade Avenue (which is the bridge from behind Ailesbury Mews and the OSG office building into Merrion Parish Church), and in particular at the footpath and surrounding area between the railway line and the OSG building / Ailesbury Mews following the motion passed at the November meeting of the SEAC. However, notwithstanding the considerable improvement, a significant portion of the original rubbish remains, with the area under the footbridge remaining the most acutely affected. Regrettably, the area remains generally dirty and unhygienic and there is still a lot of litter and bottles scattered around and gives the impression of being a dumping ground which cultivates the accumulation of further waste. In circumstances where one further effort will significantly enhance the area and maximise the return on the works which have been carried out to date, this committee requests that Iarnród Éireann completes this job and resolves to write to Iarnród Éireann to so request.”

Regrettably, the state of cleanliness at this area has recently deteriorated yet again. Furthermore, there seems to be a degree of uncertainty as to which part of this area is the responsibility of Dublin City Council and which part falls within the domain of Irish Rail. A constituent recently received a communication from Dublin City Council in which Waste Management Services stated that area was bridge number OBR65A and a matter for Irish Rail. However, clearly the Irish Rail territory stops at some point and, as stated in the reply to my question in October 2016, there are “parts of this location which comes under the remit of Dublin City Council”. Therefore, to ask the Manager:

- (a) To provide a coloured map of the area surrounding the footbridge over the Dart line between the Merrion Gates and Sydney Parade Avenue (which is the bridge from behind Ailesbury Mews and the OSG office building into Merrion Parish Church), and in particular the footpath and surrounding area between the railway line and the OSG building / Ailesbury Mews, which clearly delineates thereon which part of the area is the responsibility of Irish Rail and which part is the responsibility of Dublin City Council;
- (b) To clean the part of the area falling within the remit of Dublin City Council, especially the footpaths on both sides of the bridge; and
- (c) To cut back the growth along the public footpath which leads into the OSG car park.

Reply:

- a) Maps indicating those areas named above within the remit of Dublin City Council will be provided by our Roads Technician. Maps indicating those areas within the remit of Irish Rail were requested from Irish Rail on 6th November 2018. Their reply indicates that the points from A to B on the map below are in the ownership of CIE.



- b) Waste Management Services have made arrangements to have the parts of this location which comes under the remit of Dublin City Council cleaned.
- c) The public footpath is not under the maintenance of Parks Services.

Contact:

- a) Ronnie Hamilton, Senior Executive Technician, Roads Division, tel.: 222 2546, email: ronnie.hamilton@dublincity.ie
- b) Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services Division, tel.: 222 4240, email: mick.boyle@dublincity.ie

- c) *Michael Noonan, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent, Parks and Landscaping Services, tel.: 222 3434, email: parks@dublincity.ie*

However, despite the reply received I cannot see any delineation from A to B on the Irish Rail map and separately I have not received any maps indicating those areas within the remit of Dublin City Council either from the Roads Technician or otherwise. Therefore, to ask the manager:

- (i) Please provide the Irish Rail map with the delineation from A to B marked clearly on it;
- (ii) Please provided the maps indicating those areas named within the remit of Dublin City Council which were to have been provided by the Roads Technician;
- (iii) If the public footpath is not under the maintenance of Parks Services, please identify the department with Dublin City Council which does have responsibility for it;
- (iv) If the answer to (iii) above is that no department within Dublin City Council has responsibility for it, then who does?

Q.66 Councillor Frank Kennedy

At the April 2018 Dublin City Council meeting I submitted the following question and received the reply which follows it:

Q.111 COUNCILLOR FRANK KENNEDY

E&T *To ask the Chief Executive regarding my previous Council question 65 for March which I received the response below:*

Q.65 COUNCILLOR FRANK KENNEDY

To ask the Chief Executive to take all necessary remedial measures to address the problems from the grass area which runs alongside the Grand Canal, parallel to The Moorings apartment complex, Portobello which is in an appalling condition. As evidenced by the attached photograph, it creates a serious risk of falls for pedestrians. It is also dangerous for cyclists (who use this path despite the fact that such usage is prohibited) and an eyesore. To ask the Chief Executive to address this problem and to provide a report to the Council as to what these measures constitute.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

This area is not within the remit of Dublin City Council. It is the responsibility of Waterways Ireland who may be contacted directly at Eastern Region, Floor 2, Block C, Ashtowngate, Navan Rd, Dublin 15, D15 Y3EK or phone number 8680148.

Contact: Mark Jones, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 3701
Email: mark.jones@dublincity.ie

However, the problem is caused by Dublin City Council because the reason why the grass area is in such bad condition (see photo attached) is because every morning council officials drive along this path to empty bins – these vehicles create the tracks evident in the photos. Of course it is quite proper that the bins must be emptied but I formally ask the Chief Executive to work with Waterways Ireland to bring about an appropriate solution (which may include provision of a gravel path, or an alternative method to emptying the bins

in this area). Simply outsourcing the issue to Waterways Ireland is not acceptable when the Council has a major causative role in the problem.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Waste Management Division will work with Waterways Ireland to identify and implement a workable solution to this issue to ensure that damage to the grass area caused by bin servicing is minimised or eliminated while continuing to provide the service.

Contact: Simon Brock, Administrative Officer, Waste Management Division
Tel.: 222 4237
Email: simon.brock@dublincity.ie

The resident who first raised this issue has now recently reverted as follows:

- *The green margin continues to be eroded by cyclists and the council van which has continued to drive long this path in the mornings despite the previous note which suggested this would be addressed;*
- *Instead of a addressing the actual issue some gravel was thrown where the grass was which looked terrible but has predictably disappeared as the cyclists and vans continue; and*
- *the problem has been further compounded by additional soil which was added between the jetty and the path (I have no idea why this was added). But it has helped flood the path consistently as the rain now have nowhere to go, which means the path is no longer fit for its intended purpose and pedestrians now also walk on the green margin. The condition is now so bad people walk along the apartments using my balcony as a hand rail.*

Please see relevant photos below, which illustrate the situation. The situation is unacceptable at present with Dublin City Council and Waterways Ireland each taking no effective action. To ask the Manager to address this situation urgently and to implement a long-term solution without delay.



Q.67 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the manager to respond to the issues raised by a resident of the Christchurch area on behalf of a local group in respect of proposed injection centres in the area:

"I represent a group in the Christchurch area who are concerned about the proposed injection centres in the area.

As you know there is already a high crime level in the area, and anti-social activity every day including on street drug dealing.

We strongly object to the Merchants Quay injection centres proposal being debated by Dublin City Council at the moment.

The "kitchen table" group agreed to bring all the following points to you, with the hope that you will write to Dublin City Council and object to this proposal.

Specifics:

- We feel that the community has not been consulted.*
- We feel that the concentration of facilities in this area already attracts high levels of drug dealing and anti-social activities.*
- We suggest that a hospital is more appropriate as they have security on the street, and a buffer area of a car park and large entrances. Injection centres next door to residential areas means heroin users getting high and passing out in our doorways etc.*
- We have very serious concerns about the Gardaí's ability to enforce the law in the neighbourhood in the event of an injection centre being opened in Christchurch. There would potentially be a "non-enforcement zone" surrounding the injection centre. This is standard in other countries apparently, where drug users are not searched going into or out of the area. However, in other countries, there are no residential areas inside these "non-enforcement zones". We are HUGE supporters of the Gardaí and we are really grateful for their occasional patrols. We understand that they are underfunded in the area.*
- Tourism is already negatively affected by the anti-social element. Dublin Castle, Christchurch Cathedral, St. Patrick's, St. Werburgh's Church, St. Auden's Church, Old Dublin Wall, and other attractions are in the area and are not compatible with legalising drug injection centres.*
- Injection centres do not solve the problem of how drug users obtain money for heroin.*
- Injection centres do not solve the problem of crystal meth, crack cocaine and others which are increasingly a problem in the area (as all Gardaí in the area already know).*
- We strongly believe that while the intentions are good, this will increase crime in the area rather than decrease crime in the area."*

Q.68 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the manager to respond to the query raised by a constituent in respect of street noise on Ringsend Road, emanating especially from Shelbourne Park stadium:

"There is an ongoing issue with noise from the customers of the Shelbourne Park Dog Track. Customers spill out of the venue and to the surrounding streets, and are really loud. This is all happening at 11 / 11.30 / 12 / 12.30 at night. There are sometimes coaches parked up outside people's houses (and not very far from their front doors, given the housing style), with engines running, waiting to collect people. There is also a littering issue associated with the people leaving the dog track - programmes, plastic glasses, bottles, fast food and glasses. I know that this is not a new issue and that the dog track management work with the residents' committee, including giving free tickets to events at the venue. However, nothing seems to be improving. I haven't seen any signs near the exit asking clients to respect residents, or any litter picking by the dog track employees. I'm quite tolerant, but this should be the

bare minimum to help address thoughtless drunks being really noisy at night and littering the area. It's also an issue from other places like Basil Pizza, but not on such a regular basis.

What can I do when the noise is unacceptable (level of noise, lateness of noise)? Should I contact the Gardaí? Environmental Noise department in Dublin City Council? Can the company operating Shelbourne Park Dog Track be encouraged to contribute to clearing up the litter that their business generates? Do they have any penalties for noise issues, and how are the noise issues measured? How about other businesses in the area?"

Q.69 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the manager to respond to the query raised by a constituent in respect of commercial refuse collections and noise on Ringsend Road:

"The commercial refuse collectors are collecting rubbish in the middle of the night from local commercial premises, including 2am, 4am. This includes parking up on residential streets and waiting with the engine running, lifting skips, bottle bins. It's really noisy.

Is there any regulation governing acceptable timings on these collections, seeing as they are in what is also a residential area?"

Q.70 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the manager to respond to the query raised by a constituent in respect of pedestrian / cyclist safety at and near Ringsend Bridge:

"I was in touch with Dublin City Council and some of the councillors about the pathway on Ringsend Bridge. The issue I raised is that it's really, really unsafe for pedestrians and cyclists. A few days ago I saw a man almost get hit extremely hard in the head by a bus wing mirror as I crossed the bridge behind him. I've previously been in touch with councillors and Dublin City Council and given examples of this type of thing, and dangers to cyclists (I've almost been irreparably harmed twice and see others in risky situations). I suggested that separate footbridges should be constructed on the outside of the existing bridge, and that the current footpath area should be turned into a cycle track.

Could you update me on that please?"

Q.71 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the manager to respond to the query raised by a constituent in respect of general litter in the vicinity of Ringsend Road:

There are insufficient litter bins in the area, and there are no dog mess bins. It's also a bit of a wind-tunnel area, and there doesn't seem to be much street cleaning. I helped out on the last Shelbourne community street clean, and it looked great after. That was on a Saturday morning and by the next day it looked like we'd done nothing - a combination of dog track customer / other litter, and a windy weekend. It was a bit demoralising. Specific locations in my immediate vicinity that more bins are needed are:

1. *Next to the Dublin Bikes stands on South Dock Road next to Arup (and probably on Barrow Street also) - there always seems to be litter there and it suddenly occurred to me that people are dropping bikes off with rubbish in the baskets, and that the next users are just emptying the litter on the ground.*

2. *South Lotts and Ringsend Road - there need to be more bins for litter. I have many short walks from A to B in the area, and I often pick up dropped litter when walking along - it makes me realise how far between bins it is. A dog poo bin is definitely needed next to the grassed area in front of the gas transfer station on South Lotts. There should also be one on South Dock Road near to the river / canal basin - it's an area where lots of people walk their dogs. I'm sure there are other areas too - I don't own dogs so local residents / dog owners should be consulted on this.*

Could we get more bins (litter and dog mess) and could we aim a little bit higher than currently and get some of the solar bins that all of the other Dublin district councils seem to have?

Also, can you tell me the current street cleaning schedule? Can the frequency of street litter cleaning be increased?"

Q.72 Councillor Frank Kennedy

To ask the manager to respond to the query raised by a constituent in respect of the Ringsend local area plan:

"Please could you update me on the Ringsend Village LAP? I go to the village regularly and it strikes me that it could be improved an awful lot by just maintaining what is there. It does need improvements and plans etc. However, a lot could be achieved by cleaning up litter sufficiently regularly, washing the pavements, particularly outside the pubs / shops. I worry that a lot of money will be spent on works in the area, and that it will go the way of the upgrades that were undertaken about 10 years ago."

