



**NOTIFICATION TO ATTEND MEETING OF THE SOUTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE
TO BE HELD REMOTELY ON ZOOM
ON MONDAY 8 FEBRUARY 2021 AT 2.30 PM**

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PROTECTED STRUCTURE: Permission for development at a site of 0.054 ha. The development relates to proposed modifications to part of the wider redevelopment of the site at No's 13-30 Fitzwilliam Street Lower, Dublin 2 comprising most of a city block bounded by Fitzwilliam Street Lower, Mount Street Upper, James's Street East and Baggot Street Lower. The proposed development comprises modifications to the development permitted on site under An Bord Pleanála Reference PL29S.244492 (Dublin City Council Reg. Ref. 3052/14), as amended by Dublin City Council Reg. Ref. 4428/17, currently under construction. The proposed development will consist of change of use to residential from museum use at lower ground level of No's 29 and 30 Fitzwilliam Street Lower and No.62 Mount Street Upper, ground, 1st, 2nd and 3rd floor levels of No. 29 Fitzwilliam Street Lower to provide 3 no. residential units comprising 1 no. two bed unit at lower ground floor level (c.118m² GFA), 1 no. two bed duplex unit at lower ground and ground floor level (c.122m² GFA) and 1 no. three bed triplex unit at ground to 3rd floor levels (c.248m² GFA). No increase to existing GFA is proposed. Access to the proposed units will be provided from lower ground level on Mount Street Upper and Fitzwilliam Street Lower and from ground floor level on Fitzwilliam Street Lower. The proposed development also consists of the following works: part replacement of the external stair providing access to lower ground level from Mount Street Upper; installation of post boxes/keypad at ground

level; demolition of external walls in front external lightwell area and part replacement with gate/railings; provision of ancillary storage/services in existing external vaults; amendments to vault doorways; new window and door opens at lower ground level; amendments to existing window and door opens at lower ground and rear first floor levels; replacement of existing fenestration at all levels of No. 29 Fitzwilliam Street Lower; balcony at rear first floor level of No. 29 Fitzwilliam Street Lower; reconfiguration of internal layouts including provision of internal stairways connecting lower ground and ground levels of No's 29 and 30 Fitzwilliam Street Lower; removal of existing stairwell connecting lower ground and ground level of No. 29 Fitzwilliam Street Lower; erection of external boundary walls to rear; amendments to external storage and open space areas to the rear of No. 61 Mount Street Upper; associated amendments to hard and soft landscaping and all other associated site development works above and below ground.

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- i. Verbal update on Strand Road Cycleway.
- ii. Minutes of the Traffic Advisory Group Meeting held on 26th January 2021.
- iii. Road Maintenance South East Area Works Programme 2021.

4 Planning and Property Development Department Matters 53 - 56

- i. Report on proposal to initiate a variation of the Development Plan 2016 – 2022, Ballsbridge Hotel site, Pembroke Road, Dublin 4. For noting.

5 Culture, Recreation and Emergency Services Department Matters 57 - 68

- i. Report on proposed tree works at Brickfields Park, Drimnagh.

6 South East Area Office Matters 69 - 94

- i. Report of the Director of Services, South City.
- ii. Report on proposed naming and numbering of a development of 148 apartments at 1,3,5,7,9,11 Eglinton Road, Donnybrook, Dublin 4: Plás Eglinton / Eglinton Place.
- iii. Report on proposed revisions to approved naming and numbering scheme in a mixed use development at Cearnóg Charlemont/Charlemont Square, Dublin 2.
- iv. Draft Discretionary Fund 2021 for approval.

7 Motions

Motion 1 from Councillor Dermot Lacey

This Committee requests the Manager to investigate with the various courier and distribution companies the possibility of developing an ECargo delivery depot (similar to one in Prague) with universal charging and showering facilities and which could possibly be located in part of a DCC car park or other such available premises.

Motion 2 from Councillor Dermot Lacey

That the Manager would bring forward the long promised Belmont Avenue Traffic Plan.

Motion 3 from Councillor Mary Freehill

Early Last Autumn this LAC agreed a motion that funding be made in the 2021 budget to repair and resurface Clareville Road. Details below will show the serious and unsafe state of this main thoroughfare. Therefore, that this meeting be made aware of when this work will be carried and to verify that the funding has been made available as agreed by this meeting.

"I'm wondering if you can help us with a solution to the condition of the road surface on Clareville Road which has steadily deteriorated since I was last in touch. It really is appalling and has been badly and irregularly patched in places over the years with no comprehensive resurfacing done, certainly not since we moved here over 6 years ago. I attach photos from directly outside my house (between the junction of Kenilworth Park and Westfield Road) which show the current state of that stretch of road.

Even in lockdown, Clareville Road is a very busy road-not quite the gridlock we see on it in normal times-but it is in constant heavy use with the 83, 83A and 18 buses and a steady flow of cars. Despite the fact that it is a main road, a busy road and a heavy use road, there is little investment in it in general and it shows. The most pressing element of that neglect is the appalling road surface-would you be able to escalate this within DCC so that it can be properly resurfaced and then properly maintained thereafter?

We would very much appreciate anything you can do on this, Mary. I look forward to hearing from you and just to say again that our parking solution is truly a game changer for us. It's such a pleasure to be able to park on the road again."

Motion 4 from Councillor Mary Freehill

Further to my earlier motion some months ago requesting an update from ESB regarding their commitment to development their properties on Fitzwilliam Street Lower and Mount Street into apartments, it is now agreed that the ESB be invited to a meeting to give us an update on the above and also to bring us up to date on the reopening of their museum on the corner of Fitzwilliam Street and Mount Street.

Motion 5 from Councillor Mannix Flynn

That this committee of DCC calls on the CEO, Mr. Owen Keegan to suspend parking enforcement to ease restrictions with regards parking in the city centre and the greater Dublin area during the extended lockdown period. Many people are working from home and their cars are parked on streets. Many have contacted me as they have been fined for parking in prohibited spaces or that they were out of time. This has caused great stress to many people who are trying to cope with the many issues of lockdown and restriction. It is an unnecessary worry for many at this particular time and some measure of relief for the many who find themselves confined to home would be very welcome in these dark times.

Motion 6 from Councillors Dunne, Conroy, Deacy, Feeney, Freehill and Moore

This Area Committee notes that the citywide distribution of the Discretionary Fund is based proportionately upon the population size of each of the six Local Area Committee's. We further note that this is a fair method.

Given the above, we agree to use the same method of distribution within our own Local Area whereby each of our three Local Electoral Area's will qualify to receive a share of the 2021 Discretionary Fund in proportion to their population size and for this to remain the policy for future years.

Motion 7 from Councillor Tara Deacy

Many local communities have reported an increase in dog ownership since the pandemic. This has obviously led to increase in dog walking and dog fouling locally. Can we agree to develop an awareness raising strategy to both encourage and highlight safe dog walking, and the appropriate discarding of dog fowl and invest in this initiative?

Many parents of young children, some learning to walk, in our green spaces have expressed their frustration and fear of dogs being let off leads to roam freely. Can we look at signage as a start point in our local parks to include Stannaway, Eamonn Ceannt, Bushy, and Brickfield Parks? Is there an opportunity to work with dog wardens on this with our park wardens?

Could we look at creating a dog park locally to work more efficiently with dog owners? Are there resources for this?

Can we address the huge increase in dog fouling that we have all experienced, and look to other communities that have dealt with this for good practice models. For example, a suggested dog fouling solution used in Laois: <https://www.facebook.com/1960985567528264/posts/2551863508440464/?sfnsn=mo>

Motion 8 from Councillor Tara Deacy

Traffic Calming Brighton Road, Rathgar.

That this committee agrees to support the residents of Brighton Road with urgent traffic calming measures to address the ongoing dangers with speeding cars on this residential stretch. Since March the speeding on Brighton Road has got worse.

A great deal of work has already been done by residents to date. A petition was completed with 85% of residents asking that bollards be put in place, 100% of those petitioned requested that some type of traffic calming measure be put in place. This road houses three childcare facilities, a large number of young families and elderly residents. The residents have on many occasions expressed their concerns and are fearful that an accident is imminent.

Can this committee agree to take action on this under COVID Mobility Measures, or the Neighbourhood Transport Scheme? Can we, at a minimum, consider large strategically placed planters, larger ramps and/ or increased signage and address residents' concerns for once and for all before an accident occurs?

Motion 9 from Councillor Pat Dunne

Given continual reports regarding anti-social behaviour and drug dealing in Willie Pearse Park, this Area Committee calls on the Area Manager to take appropriate actions and for these to include the installation of CCTV around the playground areas.

Motion 10 from Councillor Kevin Donoghue

This area committee notes recent developments in respect of the Irish Glass bottle site in regarding the selection of a preferred developer.

The area committee also notes the commitment to the delivery of 900 social and affordable units on the site. Further, it acknowledges recent reports in the media regarding the failure to purchase lands for affordable housing at the site.

That the relevant groups in the council will seek to engage with the preferred developer and other relevant stakeholders at the Irish Glass Bottle site to ensure delivery of previously agreed social and affordable units.

Further that we will seek a meeting with the Minister for Housing, Local Government & Heritage to secure support from the department and the requisite funding to guarantee the delivery of at least 900 social and affordable units on the Irish Glass Bottle site.

Motion 11 from Councillors Deirdre Conroy and Danny Byrne

That this committee agrees to support the retention of 29 Fitzwilliam Street Georgian Museum, which was a basic compensation to Dublin Corporation, South Georgian Core in 1978, after the ESB destruction of the Georgian terrace of 16 houses and the demolition of the interiors of 3 Mount Street properties. ESB plans to abolish the museum to make even more income by selling three luxury apartments.

No 29 was restored in 1988, opened in 1991, closed in 2017 to suit ESB demolition of the 50 year-old replacement of 200 year old Georgian terrace.

Motion 12 from Councillor Claire Byrne

That this Area Committee Calls on the Area Manager to address the following issues on Grantham Place, Portobello:

- Resurface the road which has been left in a terrible condition after the Weatherspoons development
- Address the ongoing issue of litter and illegal dumping on the road
- Address the issue of illegal parking that takes place blocking residents into their own homes where no enforcement takes place

Motion 13 from Councillor Claire Byrne

That this Area Committee calls on the Area Manager to explore options for the use of the vacant plot adjoining the Christchurch Q Car Park. I understand that there is limited development potential of this small plot due to the presence underneath of part of the old City Wall. However the site could be used as a community garden or a 'pocket forest'.

Motion 14 from Councillor Claire Byrne

That this Area Committee supports the Irish Georgian Society and local residents calls to reject the ESB Group's proposals to destroy the Georgian House Museum and convert the building into luxury apartments for sale.

Motion 15 from Councillor Claire Byrne

That this Area Manager calls on the Area Manager to please consider installing pedestrian lights at the following locations:

The junction of Tritonville Road, Irishtown Road and Church Road
The junction of Sean Moore Road and Bayview

Motion 16 from Councillor Danny Byrne

That this area committee will agree that where work is being carried by any utility companies and by the council and any contractors on behalf of the council, are working late in the evening / night time that an advance letter would be sent to residents to inform them of the work to be carried out to include dates/ times / name of contractors etc.

Motion 17 from Councillor Danny Byrne

That this area committee would agree that together with tidy towns groups that we could adopt the nobutts.ie street ashtrays.

Motion 18 from Councillor Carolyn Moore

That this area committee recognises the work and contribution to Irish society of Dr Dorothy Stopford Price, who pioneered the use of the TB vaccine in Ireland, and whose life and work were inextricably linked to the communities of the South East Area.

As a child, Dorothy Stopford lived at 28 Highfield Road, and later in the townland of Terenure. She studied at Trinity College, completing part of her training working as a clinical clerk at the Meath Hospital. As a qualified doctor worked at St. Ultan's Hospital, Charlemont Street while residing on Fitzwilliam Place.

Dorothy Stopford Price pioneered the use of the TB vaccine in St Ultan's in 1937, making it the first hospital in Ireland or Britain to use the BCG. She was nominated for the World Health Organisation Leon Bernard prize for her contribution to social medicine, and was appointed head of the national vaccination programme by Noel Browne in 1949.

Her work was pivotal in ending the Tuberculosis epidemic in Ireland and in recognition of her contribution to Ireland's public health system, this area committee will write to the Commemorative & Naming Committee seeking to memorialise Dr Dorothy Stopford Price as a timely reminder of the importance of vaccines and in recognition of a trailblazing woman in science.

Motion 19 from Councillor Mary Freehill

This committee confirms the importance of retaining the Citizens Information Centre in Rathmines. The building is currently on the market for sale and it is agreed that we write to the Citizens Information Board pointing out the need to continue this service in the Rathmines area.

Furthermore we regret that CICs are not open to the public during shut down and can only be accessed by phoning in a phone no. There are many people who are faced with crisis situations and need easy access to services. The same applies to services in Bishop Street. People who need emergency help do not have easy access.

It is agreed that this committee write to both the CIB and Dept. of Social Welfare pointing out that they need to make a more easily accessible service available to people who need it.

Motion 20 from Councillor James Geoghegan

That the South East Area Committee write to the Minister for Health and Chief Executive of the HSE;

expressing our collective disappointment at the manner in which a decision was taken to remove a lactation consultant position in the Dublin South East Local Health Office;

welcoming the statement issued by the HSE to the RTE Drivetime programme on the 25th of January 2021 that "A replacement lactation consultant has been designated to assist in Dublin South East";

noting that Ireland has one of the lowest rates of breastfeeding in the world;

recognising that all mothers that are breastfeeding who need support should have access to that support and should not have to contact the media or their local politicians begging for an essential resource.

seeking a report as to how Maternity Hospitals, Local Health Offices and Support Groups can be better resourced to support mothers and reverse Ireland's low rates of breastfeeding.

Motion 21 from Councillor James Geoghegan

That the South East Area Committee requests that Dublin City Council work with

Ranelagh Gaels to ensure it has access to playing pitches for its over 600 juvenile boys and girls in their academic across 30 plus teams.

Motion 22 from Councillor James Geoghegan

That the South East Area Committee support the following request;

“I am writing to you on behalf of the Sandymount Tidy Towns Community Association (STTCA) in connection with the need for greater waste bin provision within The Green in Sandymount. While there are currently 6 old black/gold cast iron waste bins in the Green, it falls far short of what is needed.

During 2020, there was a remarkable increase in footfall in the Village of Sandymount due mainly to Covid 19 restrictions, with many more people out walking, walking dogs, running, families cycling, grabbing a coffee and/or food from the local shops and restaurants. This in turn increased the amount of waste generated, be it a pizza box, a burger box, coffee cups, newspapers, and plastic bottles. While some of these items are bulky, you will have to agree that the current capacity falls far short of the requirement. There are 2 Belly Bins outside the park, and they too have been filled to capacity.

My request today is for you to table a motion at your next South East meeting in conjunction with the Parks and Public Domain Departments of DCC, to look into this request. It may necessitate the removal of some of the old cast iron bins and replacing them with bins of greater capacity. As it is a Heritage Village which the residents are all very proud of, we understand that large "heritage type" bins can be sourced which would be more in keeping with the heritage ethos.

Waste and litter are always a big problem and in the absence of the twice weekly programme that Tidy Towns had (due to Covid), we placed extra plastic bags on the railings to assist with the extra litter within The Green. This initiative was also assisted by local restaurants and shops.”