



MINUTES OF THE CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD ON TUESDAY 14 DECEMBER 2021

- 1 **With reference to the minutes of the Central Area Committee held on 9th November 2021.**
ORDER: Agreed.
- 2 **With reference to the Questions to the Area Managers.** 8 - 48
ORDER: Noted.
- 3 **With reference to the proposed grant of a further licence of a plot of land to the rear of St. Laurence O'Toole Recreation Centre, Dublin 1 to the North Wall Community Development Project CLG.**
ORDER: Agreed. Recommend to City Council.
- 4 **With reference to a naming proposal for a development at a site at the junction of East Wall Road and Alfie Byrne Road, Dublin 3.**
ORDER: Not agreed.
- 5 **With reference to the proposal to Extinguish the Public Right of Way over a cul-de-sac known as Strong's Court off Findlater Place, Dublin 1.**
ORDER: Agreed. Recommend to City Council.
- 6 **With reference to the Traffic Advisory Group minutes.**
ORDER: Noted.
- 7 **With reference to Public Domain.**
ORDER: Noted.
- 8 **With reference to the Cabra/Glasnevin Area Report.**
ORDER: Noted.
- 9 **With reference to Housing Matters in the Central Area.**
ORDER: Noted.

10 **With reference to DCC Community Grants Scheme 2021.**

ORDER: Report noted.

11 **With reference to Community Development Matters in the Central Area.**

ORDER: Report noted.

12 **With reference to Sports in the Central Area.**

ORDER: Report noted.

13 **With reference to the North East Inner City Initiative.**

ORDER: Report noted.

14 **With reference to Motions to the Area Managers.**

The following Emergency Motions to the Area Managers were tabled:

Item 1:

Emergency motion in the name of Councillor Mannix Flynn (South East Area Committee member):

That this meeting of Dublin City Council support the casual traders of Moore Street in their call to have the CEO withdraw the tendering process for a private service provider to manage a Moore Street market.

Many of the traders whose family have traded in this street for over a century, are completely opposed to this process and feel that they have been shut out and not listened to by Dublin City Council.

This is evidenced by the fact that very little has changed in the long struggle to have Dublin city council directly provide proper services for the street traders. Instead, DCC now wish to transfer the whole management of casual trading at Moore street into a private company via a tendering process. It is important to note that Moore Street is not a market and never was. Moore street is a casual trading street and famously known throughout the world as a casual trading street coming from the long tradition of casual traders in Dublin.

It is vitally important that this casual trading heritage be maintained and serviced properly and solely by Dublin City council.

Reason:

It is of the highest importance that we protect the cultural fabric of our city. Indeed, the recent issue around the cobblestone highlighted this particular issue. Moore Street as a trading street is no different and indeed ranks very highly in the cultural hierarchy of this city. There are more people globally that are aware of Moore Street and its cultural significance than they are of a lot of our national cultural institutions.

At present DCC have issued a tendering process for a private event management company to manage what has been termed as a Moore St Market without any regard to the concerns of the native casual traders who feel they have been shafted, undermined and othered.

Their cultural sensibilities and their history on the street ignored. Recently, DCC, published a report on the matter of a Moore Street market. Many casual traders in the street feel that this did not represent their input or their sensibilities or indeed their vision for the future. Many felt that this was just privatisation of their casual trading area, their livelihood.

They felt a great sense of betrayal that DCC was renegeing on their responsibility to directly develop the area and indeed the casual trading offering. The traders now are calling on you, Dublin city councillors, to stand down the tendering process for a market service provider at Moore Street and reengage with the casual traders here and with them create a much brighter future for the culture of Dublin's casual trading at iconic Moore Street.
Please support this motion.

ORDER: Agreed and noted.

Item 2:

Emergency motion in the names of Councillors Cieran Perry, Nial Ring and Christy Burke:

As part of the An Bord Pleanála decision granting permission for the Bartra development at O'Devaney Gardens, Condition 21 imposed an obligation on Bartra to produce a Construction Environment Management Plan prior to construction commencing. The CEMP is to be agreed with Dublin City Council.

This committee insists that consultation with local residents is officially included as part of the final Construction Environment Management Plan for the Bartra development.

ORDER: Agreed. Letter to be sent to An Bord Pleanála.

Item 3:

Emergency motion in the name of Councillor Declan Meenagh:

The Central Area Committee:

- Notes with concern the fact the last tenant of Corpus Christi Church Hall in Drumcondra is moving out next week,
- Notes the community concern that the hall may not be available for community use
- Calls on the church to continue to offer this hall for use as a crèche in light of the child care crisis
- Calls on the church to continue to make the hall available as a necessary community amenity.
- Calls on the City Council to make contact with the church to offer support in keeping the hall available for public use.

ORDER: Agreed. Letter to be sent to Corpus Christi Church.

Item 4:

Emergency motion in the name of Councillor Joe Costello:

That the Central Area Committee requests the Area Manager to establish a liaison structure with Bartra Ltd and local residents associations, including Stoneybatter O'Devaney Gardens Action Group (SODA), to ensure that the O'Devaney Gardens development is well managed, closely monitored and that issues of concern to the local community are swiftly addressed.

ORDER: This motion was not agreed.

The following Motions to the Area Managers were tabled:

Item 1

Motion in the name of Councillor Nial Ring

That this Area Committee requests the Area Manager to investigate the possibility (feasibility, costings, maintenance, updating etc.) of installing an electronic signage/notice board outside the Central Area Office (where the current information board is located) which could be used to inform and update DCC customers on local issues such as Choice Based Lettings, amended / new services, [out of hours] contact details, Covid information, The Big Scream etc.

ORDER: Agreed. Noted by the Area Office.

Item 2

Motion in the name of Councillor Nial Ring

That this Area Committee notes the disgraceful and contemptible decision of An Bord Pleanála to grant permission for c. 1,600 housing units at Holycross College and agrees that, in making this decision, An Bord Pleanála ignored the report of the Chief Executive which, inter alia, described the scheme as "alarming", ignored the 120 plus submissions against the development, thereby showing a total disdain for the opinions of the local community, and contemptuously disregarded the many requests for an Oral Hearing in this case.

The Committee notes that this is the same "law unto themselves" body which refused permission for the Children's Hospital plans for the Mater Hospital site on the basis that the additional floors would infringe on the skyline and could be seen from O'Connell Street, yet which has allowed 18 storeys on this site which will be visible from a lot further than O'Connell Street. The former unilateral decision has left us waiting many years for a state of the art children's hospital and has cost the taxpayer in excess of €2bn more than the projected cost of the Mater Hospital alternative (Budgeted at €680m).

ORDER: Agreed. Letter to be sent to An Bord Pleanála.

Item 3

Motion in the name of Councillor Joe Costello

That this Area Committee request the Public Domain Officer draws up a scheme to remove the clutter of public street furniture at the junction of Manor Street and Shea's Court where there are 7 items of street furniture within a 1 metre radius and which attract dumping, rubbish and detract from the overall streetscape and recent mural commissioned by Greening Stoneybatter. There are also two poles and one planter on the other side of Shea's Court- bringing the total number of items to 10) and contributing to street clutter.

Photo 1

1. Lamppost (with graffiti)
2. Disused post-box

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3. Parking sign
4. Parking metre
5. Bus lane/parking sign
6. Speed limit sign
7. Welcome to Stoneybatter sign

Photo 2:

8. Lamppost
9. Planter
10. Speed limit sign



ORDER: Agreed. The Area Office will pilot a 'declutter' project in the North Inner City.

Item 4

Motion in the name of Councillor Joe Costello

That this Area Committee expresses its concern at the Minister for Housing's decision to open up flats in Constitution Hill and Matt Talbot Court which have been closed for years and which are part of a collective regeneration scheme agreed with tenants and Councillors; requests the Area Manager to give a written guarantee that this will not impede or set back the regeneration process in both complexes; and calls on the Minister not to take such unilateral action in the future and to ensure that there is proper consultation with the Area Committee.

ORDER: Agreed. Letter to be sent to Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage.

Item 5

Motion in the name of Councillor Colm O'Rourke

That this Central Area Committee requests Dublin City Council to carry out a technical assessment of Ashtown Gate to ascertain if a signalised junction would be suitable at this location.

ORDER: Agreed. Refer to Senior Executive Engineer, Environment and Transportation Department.

15 **With reference to proposed Redevelopment of George's Dock.**

ORDER: Report noted.

16 **With reference to update on Stoneybatter Greening Strategy.**

ORDER: Report and presentation noted.

17 **With reference to Proposed Protected Cycle Lane linking Alfie Byrne Road with East Road.**

ORDER: Item deferred to adjourned meeting on 20/12/2021.

18 **With reference to Hanlon's Corner- Proposed Cycle Lane Protection.**

ORDER: Item deferred to adjourned meeting on 20/12/2021.

19 **With reference to Connecting Cabra presentation.**

ORDER: Presentation noted.

20 **With reference to the proposed grant of a further lease of part of the premises at No. 22 Buckingham Street Lower, Dublin 1 to Inner City Organisation Network (ICON) Limited (now CLG) Dublin 1.**

ORDER: Agreed. Recommend to City Council.

Councillor Ray McAdam

Chairperson

Tuesday 14 December 2021

Attendance:

Members:

Ray McAdam (Chairperson)
Janice Boylan
Janet Horner
Séamas McGrattan
Colm O'Rourke

Members:

Christy Burke
Darcy Lonergan
Declan Meenagh
Cieran Perry

Members:

Joe Costello
Eimer McCormack
Cat O'Driscoll
Nial Ring

Officers

Sean Callaghan
Brendan Doggett

Blathnaid Conlon
Ursula Donnellan

Claire-Marie Dempsey
Marion Foran

Mairead Jonsson
Karl Mitchell
Stephen Wearen

Derek Kelly
Brian Mongey
Paul White

John McPartlan
Neil O'Donoghue

Apologies:

Non-Members:

Appendix 1

Question to Area Managers

Central Area Committee Meeting
14th December 2021

Q1 Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the Area Manager that the (details supplied) be cleaned given the developments in the area are new and the (details supplied) stands out as an eyesore.

Reply

The Councillor will be issued with a reply within the next 2 weeks.

Contact: **Joseph Kelly, Senior Engineer. Road Design & Construction Division.**
Email: joseph.kelly@dublincity.ie

Q2 Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the Area Manager when zoom workshops will be set up to outline the traffic plan for East Wall area as residents in the area are seeking updates on the plan.

Reply

It has not been possible due to Central Area staff resourcing issues to advance this plan as it falls outside the core business of the Area Office.

With the imminent assignment of new administrative resources to Central Area, we will be in a better position to work with the Environment & Transportation Department, in accordance with the relevant processes, to assist at local level to prioritise and progress this long standing commitment over the coming months.

This will be done in consultation with the local public representatives.

Contact: **Ursula Donnellan, A/Senior Executive Officer**
Email: Ursula.donnellan@dublincity.ie

The Environment & Transportation Department currently have no plans to hold zoom workshops on the East Wall Neighbourhood Transport Scheme. We are awaiting feedback on the Central Area Office's public awareness campaign around Residential Permit Parking Schemes and to see if residents on particular streets who want to deal with rat running/illegal parking wish to carry out surveys on their streets regarding possible pay and display schemes.

If and when any schemes come to pass the Environment & Transportation Department will continue to work with stakeholders including the Central Area Office, DCC Parks and Elected Members to agree next steps and deliver any additionality in terms of traffic calming and greening.

Further to the above, petitions for Residential Permit Parking Schemes have been received from the residents of Abercorn Road and Church Street East and two maps for separate schemes on these streets have been designed and recommended subject to the ballot of residents. These recommendations will go for approval at TAG 16/12/2021 and Central Area Committee 11/01/2021 as 'recommended subject to ballot of residents' and will then be referred to Parking Enforcement Section for the balloting of residents.

Notwithstanding this, contractors have been appointed to carry out improvement works as part of the East Wall Neighbourhood Transport Scheme on Ossory Road and Ossory Road/West Road junction.

Works include installation of new footpath, uncontrolled pedestrian crossings and a buildout on the Ossory/West Road junction to calm traffic and improve pedestrian facilities for pedestrians travelling from East Wall towards North Strand Road and vice versa. Works are due to be complete by February 2022.

Contact: Andrew Geoghegan, Covid Mobility Engineer (North City).
Email: andrew.geoghegan@dublincity.ie

Q3 **Councillor Christy Burke**

To ask the Area Manager that the double yellow lines be reinstated at (details supplied) after the road was repaired.

Reply

Roadstone will arrange to have the permanent road markings installed within the next week.

Contact: Ronan Connolly, Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services
Tel: 222 2576.
Email: ronan.connolly@dublincity.ie

Q4 **Councillor Christy Burke**

To ask the Area Manager that the gutters be cleaned at (details supplied) as I was informed by Senior Management this work would be complete some months ago

Reply

The Area Maintenance Officer in Housing Maintenance had the gutters of the address provided cleaned on Monday 6th December 2021.

Contact: Clive Ahern, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance.

Email: clive.ahern@dublincity.ie

Tel: 2223517

Q5 **Councillor Christy Burke**

To ask the Area Manager, that given a number of flat complexes in the NEIC are due for redevelopment, why is it the Department of Housing are approving funds to refurbish units that are empty. Residents in these complexes have made that point that such works will delay again redevelopment in their complexes.

Reply

Dublin City Council applies to the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH) for approval and funding for the regeneration of our estate projects in accordance with its 4 stage approval process.

The regeneration of our housing complexes takes time to advance through the 4 stage process and includes lengthy timeframes for procurement, final development design, community consultation, the Part 8 Planning process, tender issue and assessment and appointment of relevant contractors. Taking this into consideration, refurbishing some voids to allow for letting should not add any delay to

the redevelopment of the housing schemes and will go towards relieving the housing pressures in the area.

The Housing and Community Services Regeneration Section will continue to liaise with our colleagues in Housing Maintenance and the Local Area Office to ensure the reopening of these voids will not impact any regeneration plans in place.

Contact: Michelle Robinson

Tel: 087 4541126

Email: michelle.robinson@dublincity.ie

Q6 **Councillor Christy Burke**

To ask the Area Manager if the (details supplied) can be upgraded as residents say the (details supplied) for the area is of small standard.

Reply

This tree has now been replaced with a larger tree.

Contact: Stephen Wearen, A/Public Domain Enforcement Officer

Email: stephen.wearen@dublincity.ie

Q7 **Councillor Christy Burke**

To ask the Area Manager for an update on (details supplied)

Reply

The Housing Department have acquired 30 Part V units at (details supplied). Units are now being allocated according to the Scheme of Lettings.

Contact: Michelle Robinson, A/Executive Manager

Telephone: 222 6114

Email: michelle.robinson@dublincity.ie

Q8 **Councillor Christy Burke**

To ask the Area Manager when the Old Age Persons Unit at (details supplied) will be in housing stock for letting.

Reply

The unit, at the details supplied, should be available for re-letting within the next 2-3 weeks.

Contact: Clive Ahern, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance.

Email: clive.ahern@dublincity.ie

Tel: 2223517

Q9 Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the Area Manager to secure the (details supplied)

Reply

When the residents move across to their new homes, the vacant flats will be made secure. When the blocks are fully decanted the entrances to each will be made fully secured. I will be in talks with Housing Maintenance to look at what options are available to prevent street drinking at this complex.

Contact: Marion Foran, Area Housing Manager
Email: marion.foran@dublincity.ie

Q10 Councillor Declan Meenagh

To ask the Area Manager if additional (details supplied)

Reply

Parks, Biodiversity and Landscape Services have installed a number of picnic benches in (details supplied) over the last few years and intend to add to this during our 2022 NW Parks improvement program.

Contact: Stephen Groome, NW District Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 3395
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q11 Councillor Nial Ring

To ask the Area Manager to detail the number of current applicants on each housing list for area H and P.

Reply

See below as in the recently issued quarterly report.

| Band 1 | Band 2 | Band 3 |
|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| H- 180 | 688 | 630 |
| P- 36 | 138 | 104 |

Contact: Cathal Daly, Allocations Officer, Housing Allocations & Transfers
Tel: 2222639
Email: cathal.daly@dublincity.ie

Q12 Councillor Nial Ring

To ask the Area Manager for an update on the Stoneybatter Greening Strategy and to detail the future plans and timetable for the completion thereof.

Reply

Following the completion of the Stoneybatter Greening Strategy in July 2019, developed through a co-design process with local residents, Parks, Biodiversity and Landscape Services have been working to implement the list of projects identified.

Please see <https://www.dublincity.ie/residential/parks/strategies-and-policies/greening-strategies/stoneybatter-greening-strategy>

Delivered to date

- Murals on 1 Ben Edair Road, 21 Malachi Road, Aughrim Street Scouts Hall and Viking Place
- Planting projects at Drumalee Green and Stoneybatter Green
- Constructed pits and planting on Lucky Lane
- Tree & Herbaceous planting on Arbour Hill
- New planting at Halliday Square park
- Alton Lane planting pits

Planned

Contract in Place

- Q4 2021- Large specimen tree planting Drumalee Green, New planting Montpelier Drive entrance & Stoneybatter Green
- Q1 2022 - Tree planting on Harold Road, Ostman & Viking Place, Thor Place park improvements & Montpelier Gardens play pocket park

Detail Design - aim to complete in 2022

- Arbour Hill, N-S – Rain garden
- Green School Zone on Cowper Street

Feasibility - Consultation in Q1 2022

- Options for permanent tree planting on Niall Street, Sigurd Road, North Fitzwilliam Place, Swords Street & Montpelier Hill.
- Moira Road Planting with possible pocket park in one section.

€156,670.74 has been spent to date. By the end of Q1 2022, it is anticipated that €400,000 will be spent, assuming there are no delays associated with Brexit and supply issues that contractors have been experiencing in the last few months. Consultation will continue locally for all projects and an area wide update leaflet will be distributed in December.

Contact: Suzanne O' Connell CMLI | Executive Landscape Architect |
Email: Suzanne.oconnell@dublincity.ie

Q13 **Councillor Nial Ring**

To ask the Area Manager for a progress report on the site at (details supplied)

Reply

A third party claim to the title is currently being examined by the Law Agent. When this legal issue is resolved further consideration will be given to proceeding with the disposal of the council's freehold interest in the property.

Contact: Oliver Hickey, Administrative Officer
Tel: 222 3055
Email: oliver.hickey@dublincity.ie

Q14 **Councillor Nial Ring**

To ask the Area Manager if the (details supplied) and to further ask if findings/results will be made available to councillors and residents and, if so, on what basis and how often.

Reply

The air quality monitoring data for all Dublin City Council air quality monitoring stations, including (details supplied), can be viewed in real time at <https://dublincityairandnoise.ie/>

The site also has information on interpreting the data displayed and useful air quality and health advice.

Contact: Martin Fitzpatrick, Principal Environmental Health Officer, Air Quality Monitoring and Noise Control Unit.
Tel: 222 3742.
Email: martin.fitzpatrick@dublincity.ie

Q15 **Councillor Nial Ring**

To ask the Area Manager for a list of DCC units currently vacant in the Central Area (North Inner City side) and to indicate when these will become available for reletting (update on comprehensive answer given to my question No. 80, March 2021 CAC would be perfect)

Reply

The following is a summary of the vacant properties currently in the North Inner City.

| Property | No. Beds | No. Units | Total Units |
|------------------|----------|-----------|-------------|
| Apartments | 0 | 29 | 50 |
| | 1 | 18 | |
| | 3 | 3 | |
| Houses | 1 | 1 | 35 |
| | 2 | 10 | |
| | 3 | 24 | |
| | 4 | 0 | |
| Senior Citizens' | 0 | 7 | 16 |
| | 1 | 8 | |
| | 2 | 1 | |

The properties above are currently being refurbished through the Framework or by Direct Labour and are at various stages of completion. It is anticipated that the properties will be returned to productive use in two to twelve weeks' time.

In the year to date, 107 properties were refurbished in the Central Area. These were made up of 55 apartments, 26 houses and 26 Senior Citizens Units.

Contact: Clive Ahern, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance

Email: clive.ahern@dublincity.ie

Tel: 222 3517

Q16 Councillor Nial Ring

To ask the Area Manager for an update on progress of the proposed (details supplied). Also to include a high level and clear summary of the proposal which I can distribute to residents for their information.

Reply

Dublin City Council (DCC) has received Stage 1 approval from the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH) for the regeneration of (details supplied). An integrated design team has been appointed and are currently progressing the design of the new housing scheme.

Consultation on regeneration proposals commenced informally with (details supplied) residents with the circulation of an information leaflet in April 2021. A more informative newsletter on proposals was distributed to all residents and local elected members in October 2021 which included an introduction from the new Area Housing Manager and provided information on the design team, the vision, and next steps in the consultation process with the residents.

A follow up to this newsletter is due to be issued in the coming week to all residents and local elected members.

Separately the Area Housing Manager and his team made house to house calls in (details supplied) on the 25th November 2021, where he spoke with residents on the regeneration plans and invited them to take part in future consultations on the new development designs. It is the intention of the Area

Housing Manager to agree a schedule of formal consultation meetings with residents, groups and elected members in early 2022, compliant with government Covid 19 guidelines.

Contact: Michelle Robinson
Tel: 087 4541126
Email: michelle.robinson@dublincity.ie

Q17 Councillor Nial Ring

To ask the Area Manager for an update on progress of the proposed (details supplied). Also to include a high level and clear summary of the proposal which I can distribute to residents for their information.

Reply

The Housing and Community Services Department are liaising with the A/Area Manager and her staff to review and finalise the feasibility study for the redevelopment of (details supplied).

The regeneration plans for (details supplied) are currently at proposal stage and are linked with the former depot site at Portland Row. A decision is due soon on the delivery mechanism of public housing at Portland Row and this may have an impact on the redevelopment plans for (details supplied).

Dublin City Council (DCC) applies for social housing capital funding from the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH) in accordance with its 4 stage approval process. In order to achieve initial project approval and funding, DCC are required to submit a Stage 1 application. This submission to the DoHLGH will be the next step in the regeneration plans for (details supplied).

Upon receipt of further information, the residents and local elected members will be updated through the local Area Office.

Contact: Michelle Robinson
Tel: 087 4541126
Email: michelle.robinson@dublincity.ie

Q18 Councillor Nial Ring

To ask the Area Manager for an update on the proposed public realm improvement work at (details supplied). Also to include a high level and clear summary of the proposals which I can distribute to residents for their information.

Reply

Confirmation was received from the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government on 24th August 2021 of preliminary approval for the inclusion of Dublin City Council's North Inner City Concept Area 1 proposal in the URDF supported capital programme and approval to move to the next stage of the project lifecycle, preliminary business case stage.

The overall funding approval for the North Inner City Concept Area (€121.2M) includes the proposed public realm improvements in the (details supplied) area in the sum of €4.8 M

On foot of this approval City Architects Department has assigned professional resources to work with the Central Area Office to progress the project within an overall vision for the area that sets out a clear path to achieving a high quality integrated public realm that supports the objectives of the (details supplied) Masterplan Report by Urban Agency, the NEIC Greening Strategy, and the Dublin City Public Realm Strategy 2012.

Work is currently underway on drafting of the Project Scope and Brief, this phase will involve

1. Analysis and Survey Mapping
2. Vision & Design Proposals for the Local Public Realm Plan
3. Implementation Plan and Phased Programme

When the **Project Scope and Brief** has been agreed it will be presented to the Area Committee in Q1 2022 with a view to ongoing public engagement and consultation with local residents as the project moves to implementation stage over the period 2022 – 2025.

A reply will issue to the Councillor within the next two weeks with regards to the proposed refurbishment of the library.

Contact: Ursula Donnellan, A/Senior Executive Officer,
Email: Ursula.donnellan@dublincity.ie

Q19 Councillor Nial Ring

To ask the Area Manager for an update on the (details supplied)

Details: **issue below and specifically to ask when a survey of residents will be commissioned, undertaken and reported on and ultimately the results analysed and acted upon. Also, to ask the Area Manager if the Central Area office is agreeable to the engagement of a professional market survey company in order to guarantee independent, unbiased and nonpartisan results.**

I refer to my Motion (Item 2) discussed at the April Central Area Committee meeting which read as follows:

Motion in the name of Councillor Nial Ring

That this Central Area Committee, noting the findings of the Neighbourhood Transport Scheme Preliminary Phase 3 Report and the proposals on how the East Wall Neighbourhood Scheme could be delivered, agrees that Central Area, rather than local Councillors, should arrange a survey of all residents in the East Wall Area to ascertain the support or otherwise of residents to implement Residential Pay & Display And Permit Parking Schemes on specific streets (or group of streets for smaller streets) in East Wall. Furthermore, if necessary, the Central Area should assist residents generating any petition which seeks a vote on the introduction of a new P&D scheme with signatures from at least 25% of residents who live on each road. In addition, the survey should also ask residents for their suggestions

on any other traffic calming measures they would like to be assessed, such as build outs, trees, ramps or filtered permeability at specific locations.

The report thereon is also reproduced below:

The Central Area Office will work with public representatives to drive awareness of the need to hold relevant surveys/plebiscites to gauge the interest/desire to have pay and display schemes introduced on streets in the East Wall area. If and when any schemes come to pass the area office will work with our Environment & Transportation Department/Parks Division etc to deliver any additionality in terms of build outs/ greening.

The Central Area Office Public Domain and Community teams will start working with the numerous community/environmental groups in East Wall to organise an awareness campaign around pay and display and to see if residents on particular streets who want to deal with rat running/illegal parking wish to carry out surveys on their streets regarding possible pay and display schemes.

Reply

Further to the reply issued at the July meeting (Q26), it has not been possible due to Central Area staff resourcing issues to advance this plan as it falls outside the core business of the Area Office.

With the imminent assignment of new administrative resources to Central Area, we will be in a better position to work with the Environment & Transportation Department, in accordance with the relevant processes, to assist at local level to prioritise and progress this long standing commitment over the coming months.

This will be done in consultation with the local public representatives and may include the engagement of an external resource to conduct the relevant residents surveys as suggested.

Contact: Ursula Donnellan, A/Senior Executive Officer

Email: Ursula.donnellan@dublincity.ie

Q20 Councillor Declan Meenagh

To ask the Area Manager what plans, if any, there are to install electric vehicle charging points in the vicinity of (details supplied) and the adjoining streets, to cater for demand there.

Reply

Dublin City Council is aware of the transition to electric vehicles as set out in the Climate Action Plan as we prepare to respond to the needs of the citizens of the City by providing a sustainable urban mobility strategy. The Council is also aware that technology is changing rapidly and that a range of different solutions will be required to successfully address current and future mobility demand, not only in the City, but also across the wider Dublin Metropolitan Area.

This requires careful consideration and planning to ensure that the Council can play their part to facilitate the provision of a comprehensive, reliable and interoperable electric vehicle-charging infrastructure. This is so that members of the public and business community can be confident in making decisions to purchase electric vehicles and to use electric vehicles for personal, leisure and business use, for use on both short and long journeys.

In order to inform the four local authorities of the type and number of chargers required, the four Dublin Local Authorities, together with SMART Dublin and CARO, have commissioned a strategic study. This will allow us examine how the four Councils can best facilitate the provision of electric vehicle-charging infrastructure across the Dublin region and the scale of investment required.

The study sets out modelled EV uptake and consequent grid capacity requirements (ESBN are looking to pilot a number of new technical innovations). It also details numbers and recommended types of chargers required together with suitable business models, capital costs (including anticipated leveraged private sector capital), and areas more suited to Charge Points.

The Dublin Local Authority Electric Vehicle Charging Strategy is now practically complete. The consultants are currently finalising some additional inputs from stakeholder engagement and we expect delivery of the final report in the weeks before year end.

The working group are now moving forward with the next steps of the project, which will include a procurement plan required for the roll out of the strategy in balance with the Council's wider sustainable mobility policies. However this will be subject to resources & availability of funding from the Department of Transport.

In addition, variations to the City Development Plan 2016-2022 introduced new objectives such that all new parking for new (or extensions to) housing, apartments and places of employment that provide car parking shall be electric charge enabled.

Dublin City Council shall work closely with the ESB and other stakeholders to increase the number of EV charge points across the city. All new (or upgraded) commercially operated car parking developments shall be required to provide a minimum of 50% of spaces with EV charging facilities.

The preparation of the new City Development Plan 2022-2028 will provide an opportunity to review the implementation of the revised objectives from the previous plan and also incorporate the relevant outcomes of the above mentioned study.

This is a pressing matter for us in the Council and indeed with our colleagues in the Dublin Metropolitan area that we may enable and facilitate the transition to more sustainable mobility.

Contact: Cormac Healy, Energy Management Lead.
Email: cormac.healy@dublincity.ie

Q21 Councillor Darcy Loneragan

To ask the Area Manager to consider putting measures in place (such as benches, planters) outside (details supplied) to prevent cars from being on the path outside. The cars are proving to disturb the accessibility of pedestrians, those with buggies, wheelchairs etc.

Reply

There are a number of bollards and cycle stands provided on the public footpath which prevent parking on the footway at the location, however from inspection of the GIS mapping system, it is noted that this section of footpath is a private landing and is in not in charge of Dublin City Council Roads & Traffic Department. Dublin City Council would therefore not have any jurisdiction to install any street furniture at the location.

Contact: Seán Callaghan, Central Area Engineer, Transport Advisory Group.
Tel: 222 6397.
Email: sean.callaghan@dublincity.ie

Q22 Councillor Ray McAdam

To ask the Area Manager to provide a report into (details supplied); whether the property is in the ownership of Dublin City Council, if not, is it on the Register of Derelict Sites, if so, when was it entered and when was it last inspected? Has the property been inspected for addition as a building for the Vacant Sites tax; and if she will make a statement on the matter?

Reply

This building was acquired under the Derelict Sites legislation. However, ownership of the building is the subject of dispute between Dublin City Council and another party and is the subject of legal proceedings. It had been hoped to have the matter before the Courts early in 2020 but this was not possible due to lengthy delays as a result of the pandemic. The Law Agent has advised that until a Court date is set and the matter heard the details of the case must remain sub-judice.

The building has been surveyed on a number of occasions by City Architects Division (Structural Engineering Section) and certain works are planned to address water ingress on the roof and to prevent further deterioration to the building. Works carried out to date comprise the following:

- An Invasive Species survey has been completed.
- Works to remove vermin and overgrowth to allow a full structural survey of the building and determine essential works to prevent further water ingress to the building and adjoining property have been completed.
- Electrical Services has de-energised the building which will allow internal surveys to be carried out safely.
- Asbestos survey has been completed.
- Apex Surveys was engaged to carry out a topographic and measured survey of the building which is required to inform the tender documents for the refurbishment works.
- The project requires a Civil & Structural Engineer, Quantity Surveyor and Conservation Specialist to move it forward (A PSDP has already been appointed). The Structural Engineering Section has appointed McCrae Consulting Engineers for this work.
- The brief for the Design Team also includes for the carrying out of condition / dilapidation surveys of the adjoining buildings and it is proposed to do this during Stage 1 of the process which will be commencing in the near future.

Contact: Oliver Hickey, Administrative Officer
Tel: 222 3055
Email: oliver.hickey@dublincity.ie

Q23 Councillor Ray McAdam

To ask the Area Manager to confirm whether an inspection under Planning Enforcement legislation has taken place yet of (details supplied); what actions have been ordered and the timeline for their implementation; and if she will make a statement on the matter?

Reply

Inspections by the Planning Enforcement Officer for the Area have revealed that the property concerned is being structurally renovated. There is no evidence of unauthorised development or use of the property at this time. The Planning Enforcement Section will continue to monitor the property in the coming months.

Contact: John Downey, A/Planning Enforcement Manager
Tel: 222 3465
Email: john.downey@dublincity.ie

Q24 **Councillor Ray McAdam**

To ask the Area Manager to support the efforts of householders in (details supplied) to relocate the bus-stop outside the complex due to continuing anti-social behaviour and criminal behaviour; and if she will make a statement on the matter?

Reply

Unfortunately Dublin City Council would not be in the position to relocate any of the bus stops along (details supplied). These bus stops are very busy and were strategically located at their present position as part of the NTA Bus Connect project. There are no alternative locations in the area for these bus stops. Also there was a lot of planning and capital invested in locating these bus stops in their present location. The issue with anti-social and criminal behaviour is a matter for the Gardaí.

Contact: Will Mangan, Acting Senior Executive Engineer,
Email: will.mangan@dublincity.ie

Q25 **Councillor Ray McAdam**

To ask the Area Manager to provide a comprehensive report into plans for the redevelopment of Dalymount Park, Phibsborough, Dublin 7 the indicative timeframe for each phase; the projected costs for each stage and what is planned for each phase of the redevelopment; and if she will make a statement on the matter?

Reply

The plan for the redeveloped Dalymount Park which will become the home of Bohemian FC and Shelbourne FC is

- UEFA Category 3 Stadium with a capacity of 6000
- Community Facilities including a new library and flexible community facilities

A preliminary design for the Dalymount Park Redevelopment Project was completed in November by the appointed architect led design team. The Quantity surveyors are currently drawing up an initial cost report for the preliminary design which will be the baseline cost for the project going forward.

There is funding in place to get the project up to the construction stage via a grant from the Large Scale Sports Infrastructure Fund (LSSIF) stream 1 and internal DCC funding. The current plan is to lodge a Part 8 Planning Permission Applicant at the end of April/early May 2022.

The further progress of the project following the planning process is uncertain until the City Council receive further clarity about the application process for Steam 2 of LSSIF. An update on the project will presented to Councillors of the Central Area early in 2022.

Contact; Don Daly, Project Manager, Dalymount Park
Email: don.daly@dublincity.ie
Tel: 222 7733

Q26 Councillor Ray McAdam

To ask the Area Manager to provide a specific update on plans for the delivery and implementation of East Wall Road cycle lane; the work undertaken to date; the indicative timeframe for the delivery of same; and if she will make a statement on the matter?

Reply

Progress on the Point Junction Upgrade and East Wall Road Cycleway was delayed by the Exo development and the requirement to co-ordinate with Dublin Port's Liffey-Tolka Greenway proposal which is currently waiting a planning decision. Following a decision on the Port's scheme it is proposed to advance the DCC scheme in two phases. The first phase will involve the delivery of the signalised junction to replace the existing roundabout in order to improve safety for pedestrians and cyclists as quickly as possible. The second phase will include the delivery of cycling facilities and will require the advancement of a Part 8 proposal. Both phases will be progressed in 2022.

Contact: Karen Kennedy, Senior Executive Engineer, Road Design & Construction Division.

Email: karen.kennedy@dublincity.ie

It is intended to make a presentation on interim proposals for the East Wall Cycle Lane to the Central Area Committee at their meeting in December 2021.

Contact: Alec Dundon, A/Senior Executive Engineer.

Email: covidmobility@dublincity.ie

Q27 Councillor Ray McAdam

To ask the Area Manager to specify the projects located within the Central Area included in Fiveer Year Walking and Cycling Intrastructure Programme; the work undertaken to date on each; the indicative route for each; the works involved in each; the cost of each and the timeframe for delivery of each; and if she will make a statement on the matter?

Reply

The table below outlines details of the Five Year Walking & Cycling Infrastructure Programme projects within the Central Area:

| Project Code | Project Name | Delivery Phase | Indicative Route | Project Cost To Date |
|---------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| DCC/12/0007 | Royal Canal Greenway Phase 3 | 5: Detailed Design & Tender | Along the Royal Canal, from North Strand Road to Prospect Road | €938,513 |
| DCC/12/0008 | Liffey Cycle Route (part) | 3: Preliminary Design | Parkgate Street, Wolfe Tone Quay, Sarsfield Quay, Ellis Quay, Arran Quay, Inns Quay, Ormond Quay Upper, Ormond Quay Lower, Bachelors Walk, Eden Quay, Custom House Quay | €835,271 |

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|-------------|--|-----------------------------------|--|------------|
| DCC/12/0018 | Point Junction | 3: Preliminary Design | East Wall Road, from North Wall Quay to Sheriff Street Upper | €454,259 |
| DCC/12/0033 | Clontarf to City Centre (part) | 5: Detailed Design & Tender | Amiens Street, North Strand Road | €2,729,744 |
| DCC/13/0014 | Royal Canal Greenway Phase 4 | 4: Planning & Statutory Approvals | Along the Royal Canal, from Prospect Road to Ashtown Road. Includes parts of Broombridge Road & Ashtown Road | €1,657,746 |
| DCC/18/0002 | Point Pedestrian & Cycle Bridge (part) | 2: Concept & Options | Across the River Liffey, adjacent to Tom Clarke Bridge | €362,020 |
| DCC/18/0003 | Blood Stoney Bridge (part) | 2: Concept & Options | Across the River Liffey at Blood Stoney Road | €970,120 |
| DCC/19/0002 | East Coast Trail (East Wall Road) (part) | 4: Planning & Statutory Approvals | East Wall Road, Alfie Byrne Road | €5,897 |
| DCC/19/0007 | Grangegorman Toucan Crossings | 6: Construction | Grangegorman Lower, outside TU Dublin campus | €65,463 |
| DCC/19/0008 | Grangegorman to Kevin Street (Portobello) (part) | 1: Scope & Purpose | North King Street, Green Street, Little Green Street, Arran Street East | €31,986 |
| DCC/21/0002 | Parnell Street to Prussia Street | 1: Scope & Purpose | Parnell Street, King's Inns Street, Henrietta Street, Kings Inns Park, Constitution Hill, TU Dublin Campus | €0 |
| DCC/21/0003 | Bolton Street to Parliament Street (part) | 1: Scope & Purpose | Bolton Street, Capel Street, Grattan Bridge | €0 |
| DCC/21/0004 | Amiens Street to George's/City Quay (part) | 1: Scope & Purpose | Amiens Street, Memorial Road, Talbot Bridge | €0 |
| DCC/21/0005 | Prospect Way | 1: Scope & Purpose | Prospect Way, between Finglas Road & Botanic Road | €0 |
| DCC/21/0010 | Glasnevin to Clontarf | 6: Construction | Griffith Avenue Extension, Griffith Avenue | €TBC |
| DCC/21/0014 | Grangegorman to Thomas Street (part) | 3: Preliminary Design | Grangegorman Lower, George's Lane, Queen Street, Mellows Bridge | €TBC |
| DCC/21/0020 | North Circular Road | 1: Scope & Purpose | Infirmary Road, North Circular Road, Portland Row, Seville Place, Sheriff Street Upper | €TBC |
| DCC/21/0021 | Drumcondra (Fairview) to Parnell Street (part) | 1: Scope & Purpose | Luke Kelly Bridge, Ballybough Road, Summerhill Parade, Summerhill, Parnell Street | €0 |
| DCC/21/0026 | Tolka Greenway | 2: Concept & Options | Along the River Tolka, from Annesley Bridge Road to St. Mobhi Road | €TBC |
| DCC/21/0028 | Cabra to Blanchardstown (part) | 2: Concept & Options | Ratoath Road | €TBC |
| DCC/21/0029 | Chesterfield Avenue to Farmleigh | 1: Scope & Purpose | Ordnance Survey Road, White's Road | €0 |
| DCC/21/0030 | Chesterfield Avenue | 1: Scope & Purpose | From Conyngham Road to Castleknock Road | €0 |

Due to the high level of detail involved, it is not possible to provide information on the work undertaken to date and the works involved for each project at this time. This information would best be provided on a project-by-project basis by the relevant project engineers. An update on the projects is covered in the Chief Executive Report 346/2021.

In addition, it is not possible to provide delivery timeframes for all projects at this time, as most of them are unable to progress due to having no project teams in place. Additional staff are to be recruited to fill these positions.

Contact: **Padraig O'Brien, A/Senior Executive Engineer.**

Email: padraig.obrien@dublincity.ie

Q28 Councillor Ray McAdam

To ask the Area Manager to provide a comprehensive update into plans to redevelop (details supplied); the number of units to be built; the indicative plot ratio and site coverage of the proposed development; the indicative cost of same; the likely timeframe for the preparation and presentation of a Part VIII planning application; and if she will make a statement on the matter?

Reply

The former (details supplied) has already been approved by the DoHLGH for the development of general need social housing, under Bundle 3 of the Government's Public Private Partnership Programme. The design team is currently finalising the drainage design for the proposed development and will be making a presentation on the proposed design to the Elected Members at the January 2022 Central Area Committee meeting.

It is currently envisaged that the proposed development will deliver 68 apartments, comprising a mix of 1, 2 and 3 bed units including a small number of apartments to be constructed to Universal Design standards. We are currently targeting the end of Q1 2022 for formal lodgement of the planning application.

Contact: **James Nolan, PPP Manager**
Email; **james.nolan@dublincity.ie**
Tel; **2224858**

Q29 Councillor Ray McAdam

To ask the Area Manager to provide a comprehensive report into plans to redevelop (details supplied); the number of units to be provided in the redeveloped complex; the results of site surveys undertaken to date; the indicative timeframe for the preparation and presentation of a formal Part VIII planning application; and if she will make a statement on the matter?

Reply

Dublin City Council (DCC) applies for social housing capital funding from the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH) in accordance with its 4 stage approval process.

DCC has received Stage 1 approval from the DHLGH for the regeneration of (details supplied). The project approval was for the construction of 92 apartments, however this number may change as the design development progresses to allow for design efficiencies.

Site investigation surveys are due to commence onsite in early January 2022.

The Housing and Community Services Department anticipates a Stage 2 application (approval to seek planning permission) will be submitted to the DHLGH in July 2022, followed by Part 8 lodgement in September 2022(subject to DHLGH approval).

Contact: Michelle Robinson

Tel: 087 4541126

Email: michelle.robinson@dublincity.ie

Q30 Councillor Ray McAdam

To ask the Area Manager to specify and detail the improvements undertaken this year in (details supplied) with regards to (1) housing maintenance, (2) public realm or public domain and by the (3) Parks Department; and if she will make a statement on the matter?

Reply

1. Housing Maintenance:

Housing Maintenance deals with over 60,000 service requests across our 26,000 housing units each year. A tenant with a housing maintenance service request can call the Housing Maintenance section by phone on 01-222 2222 or they can email maintenance@dublincity.ie to assist with their queries. Equally, public representatives can email Housing Maintenance a list of maintenance issues for individual properties to be logged/recorded onto our system and any follow up on the requests. To process a request, we would require the tenants name, address, relevant details of the maintenance issue and their contact details, in order for the depot to arrange an appointment with the tenant.

All jobs are logged on a system called Anite, which every depot has access to this. On receipt of jobs by the depot, they are allocated to the relevant personnel in each depot.

It is important that maintenance requests are recorded on Anite by contacting Housing Maintenance, the Local Area Offices or via a public representative. On occasion, in response to representations, we have found that maintenance requests have not been logged/recorded onto our Anite system and the Housing Maintenance section has no knowledge of works that may be required, therefore repairs can remain undone.

The existing Anite system that Housing Maintenance uses has limited functionality and it is challenging to capture the works that we have done in a particular area. However, if there are any queries about a particular property or properties, we can provide specific details in relation to those housing units. Furthermore, Housing Maintenance has begun the process of replacing our current computer system and so we will be in a better position to answer similar queries when this is complete.

Contact: Clive Ahern, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance.

Email: clive.ahern@dublincity.ie

Tel: 2223517

2. The following works have been carried out within the (details supplied) :

- There was damage caused to the MUGA pitch as a result of Anti-Social Behaviour. Fencing was repaired and replaced around the pitch to make this area secure.
- Pedestrian concrete steps and walkways were repaired.
- A couple of alleyways were opened, cleaned out and secured again.
- Three sets of steel panels were erected and completed around the boundary wall of (details supplied). This was requested by the residents for security reasons.

Contact: Marion Foran, Area Housing Manager

Email: marion.foran@dublincity.ie

3. In addition to tree maintenance work Parks Service intend to carry out tree planting at (details supplied) during the current tree planting season including the replacement of trees which have been vandalised. We also have sown a substantial area with biodiversity friendly native Irish wildflower seed.

Contact; Deirdre Prince, A/ Executive Landscape Architect /Parks Superintendent

Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q31 Councillor Ray McAdam

To ask the Area Manage to provide a list of Stage 1 funding applications lodged with the Department of Housing, Heritage and Local Government by the Housing Section for projects located within the Central Area; to specify whether each has been approved; the value of each; the current status of each; the number of units to be provided in each; whether an Approved Housing Body is being considered to manage any or if an AHB has been selected to manage any; and if she will make a statement on the matter?

Reply

| Project | Department of Housing, Local Government & Heritage (DHLGH) Approval | Current Status of Project | Number of Units |
|-----------------------------|--|---|-----------------|
| Constitution Hill, Dublin 7 | Stage 1 initial project approval and funding received for extended, retrofitted and new build apartments | Integrated design team appointed and scheme design is progressing. Community consultation has begun with the issuing of a newsletter to the residents & local elected members from the Housing Area Manager in November 2021 | 130 |
| | | Integrated design team appointed and scheme design is progressing. | 92 |

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|--|--|---|--|
| <p>Matt Talbot Court Dublin 1</p> | <p>Stage 1 initial project approval and funding received for full demolition of existing flat complex and construction for a new build development</p> | <p>Community consultation has commenced, a newsletter was issued to residents & local elected members from the Housing Area Manager in October 2021</p> | |
|--|--|---|--|

Dublin City Council (DCC) applies for social housing capital funding from the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH) in accordance with its 4 stage approval process.

Stage 1 approval from the DoHLGH gives initial project approval and funding which enables the Housing and Community Services Department to procure and appoint a design team to the project. The integrated design team is responsible for developing the design of the new housing scheme to bring it to Stage 2 (Part 8 planning). Budget approvals and unit numbers at Stage 1 are indicative and may vary as the regeneration projects move through the four stage approval process as a result of design efficiencies, costs and development.

No decision on the management of these complexes has been made to date.

Contact: Michelle Robinson

Tel: 087 4541126

Email: michelle.robinson@dublincity.ie

Q32 Councillor Ray McAdam

To ask the Area Manager to detail the current status of (details supplied); the nature of the delays to date; when works are likely to begin and the indicative timeframe for completion of same; and if she will make a statement on the matter?

Reply

Tenders were received for the construction of the (details supplied) in Q2 2021. These tenders have been assessed. Due to the magnitude of the total scheme costs additional governance procedures are now required. The project team is currently working through these. Given the successful completion of these procedures the scheme is expected to commence on site in Q2 2022. Once on site the estimated construction period is 2 years.

Contact: Conor Lynch, Executive Engineer, Sustainable Mobility & Projects Division.

Tel: 222 4566.

Email: conor.lynch@dublincity.ie

Q33 Councillor Joe Costello

To ask the Area Manager what actions can be taken in respect of (details supplied)

Reply

The City Council has added this property to its register of potential long term vacant properties in the City.

It will initiate an investigation into the status of the property as regards its vacancy and if confirmed to be long term vacant then contact the owner and advise them to return it to residential use in a timely manner.

Contact: John Ryan: Head of Vacant Property Unit.

Tel: 2225367.

Email: john.ryan@dublincity.ie

Q34 **Councillor Joe Costello**

To ask the Area Manager if a final sweep of leaves from footpaths on the (details supplied) can be arranged.

Reply

Waste Management Services commenced the leaf clearing programme on the 20th September 2021. This activity operates throughout the city over the autumn and winter months. Priority is given to tree-lined streets with heavy pedestrian use and areas particularly prone to flooding. We will ensure that the (details supplied) continues to be included as often as possible during the course of this programme.

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services,

Tel 222 4240,

Email: mick.boyle@dublincity.ie

Q35 **Councillor Joe Costello**

To ask the Area Manager when the cold weather strategy started and what plans there are for the Central Area.

Reply

In order to meet the increase in demand for homeless services and to have the appropriate contingency plans in place for cold weather conditions (or an emergency event), the Cold Weather Strategy 2021/ 22 was activated last month in the Dublin Region. The Cold Weather Strategy focuses on expanding current capacity to meet increasing demand for emergency accommodation whilst also providing a targeted response for people who are long-term rough sleeping.

The strategy focuses on the Dublin Region as a whole.

Full details of the Cold Weather Strategy 2021/2022 can be found:

www.homelessdublin.ie/our-work/news/cold-weather-strategy-2021-2022

Contact: Mary Hayes

Tel: (01) 222 6611

Email: mary.hayes@dublincity.ie

Q36 **Councillor Joe Costello**

To ask the Area Manager to state why (details supplied) has been boarded up for several months and what plans are in place for it to be refurbished for letting

Reply

Dublin City Council has checked this account and according to our records there is a tenant presently living at the details supplied. However, we will conduct a site visit to clarify the matter and ensure there is no confusion in relation to the specific address.

Contact: Clive Ahern, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance.

Email: clive.ahern@dublincity.ie

Tel: 2223517

Q37 Councillor Joe Costello

To ask the Area Manager to improve public lighting in the vicinity of the (details supplied 1.) and to repair the bollards on the (details supplied 2.) which have been damaged

Reply

1. Public Lighting Services do not provide lighting within the (details supplied) itself.

However, on Grangegorman Upper, there is existing public lighting located immediately outside the (details supplied) entrance and also directly opposite the entrance.

An inspection of this lighting has been carried out and all lights on Grangegorman Upper are currently operational.

This lighting will be upgraded to LED as part of a future lighting upgrade project, however we cannot give an exact timeframe at present for when this will be done.

Contact: *Karen Leeson, Executive Engineer, Public Lighting & Electrical Services Division.*

Email: karen.leeson@dublincity.ie

2. We will investigate damage to the bollards and have them repaired as soon as possible.

Contact: **Andrew Geoghegan, Neighbourhood Transport Engineer (North City).**

Email andrew.geoghegan@dublincity.ie

Q38 Councillor Joe Costello

To ask the Area Manager (a) how many HAP tenancies there are in the Central Area, (b) how many of these premises have been inspected, (c) how many were found to be satisfactory; (d) how many were found to need repair work carried out; (e) how many landlords carried out repair works within specified period; (f) and how many fines have been issued to landlords who failed to comply with repair notices.

Reply

There are a number of different computer systems used within the City Council to record various aspects of HAP. However none of these systems are configured to produce reports based on the Dublin City Council area structure.

HAP commenced in 2015 and currently there are 8647 HAP tenancies in the City Council area. Inspections of these properties and all rented properties are carried out by Environmental Health Officers under the Housing (Standards for Rented Houses) Regulations 2019. The following is a breakdown of the citywide inspections and actions taken under the Regulations:

| CITYWIDE | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 (to end September) |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|--|
| Number of Dwellings inspected | 3,560 | 5,606 | 2224 | 2676 |
| Number of Private Rented Inspections/re-inspections undertaken | 5,830 | 9,099 | 3020 | 2711 |
| <i>(Of which were HAP)</i> | <i>2973</i> | <i>4049</i> | <i>1620</i> | <i>1841</i> |
| Number found to be non-complaint on 1 st inspection | 3,387 | 4,973 | 1737 | 1753 |
| COMPLIANT. (i.e. Total number of Dwellings inspected that were deemed COMPLIANT in year, including those where initial inspection was carried out in the previous year but compliance was achieved in the current year). | 2,195 | 4,189 | 3446 | 2649 |
| Improvement Letters served (<i>Improvement Letters are included under Improvement Notices up to 2018</i>) | N/A | 4,562 | 1761 | 1530 |
| Improvement Notices served | 3,367 | 1,118 | 465 | 64 |
| Prohibition Notice's served | 46 | 61 | 10 | 0 |
| Legal actions initiated | 28 | 55 | 0 | 0 |

Contact: Frank D'Arcy, Executive Manager
Email: frankg.darcy@dublincity.ie

Q39 Councillor Joe Costello

To ask the Area Manager if she can have the door installed and the weather glaze windows installed as a matter of urgency for the elderly tenant at (details supplied)

Reply

An order has been placed with the Joinery Workshop to have new windows installed in the address provided. Due to the impact of COVID-19, the workshop is behind on its delivery schedule and at this time Dublin City Council are unable to give an exact installation date.

Contact: Clive Ahern, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance.

Email: clive.ahern@dublincity.ie

Tel: 2223517

Q40 Councillor Joe Costello

To ask the Area Manager when the paid parking scheme for (details supplied) will become operational.

Reply

The Parking Policy and Enforcement Section hope to introduce a parking scheme on (details supplied) in the first quarter of 2022.

Contact: Dermot Stevenson, Parking Enforcement Officer.

Tel: 222 2017.

Email: dermot.stevenson@dublincity.ie

Q41 Councillor Declan Meenagh

To ask the Area Manager for a list of the Christmas tree recycling facilities in the Central Area and to check if (details supplied) can be one.

Reply

In the Central Area, Christmas trees can be disposed of free of charge at Grangegorman Bring Centre from 6th to 23rd January 2022. A full list of Christmas tree recycling locations is available at www.dublincity.ie/residential/environment/waste-and-recycling/christmas-tree-disposal.

A number of these sites are in close proximity to the Central Area.

In relation to (details supplied), it will not be possible to add this as a new location for this year's program as arrangements and our advertising campaign have already been finalised at this point. Waste Management Services will raise the suggestion with Parks & Landscaping Services for future years, however as the car park at (details supplied) is quite small it is unlikely that sufficient space will be available to construct the necessary cage systems for the collection of trees at this location.

Contact: Sid Daly, Public Domain Enforcement Officer, Waste Management Services.

Email: sid.daly@dublincity.ie

Q42 Councillor Eimer McCormack

To ask the Area Manager if she is aware of (details supplied):

Reply

An approval for a new heating system has been granted. Housing Maintenance will contact the tenant to make arrangements to commence these works. The Area Maintenance Officer will carry out an inspection of the address provided and all necessary works will be done.

Contact: Clive Ahern, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance.

Email: clive.ahern@dublincity.ie

Tel: 2223517

Q43 Councillor Eimer McCormack

To ask the Area Manager to report on any plans to address the 200 year old footpaths on (details supplied), as they are in a hazardous and unsafe condition in many areas.

Reply

Further to an inspection of the footpaths on Lindsay Road, Road Maintenance Services shall add the tree trip defects to the annual footpath works programme for 2022.

Contact: Ronan Connolly, Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services

Tel: 222 2576.

Email: ronan.connolly@dublincity.ie

Q44 Councillor Eimer McCormack

To ask the Area Manager to provide a report on plans to combat the extensive littering and illegal dumping on (details supplied) ? Inadequate bins and lack of enforcement have led to the area becoming a littering blackspot of late.

Reply

The following actions have been put into action:

1. A litter warden will be inspecting the street and removing illegally dumped bags.
2. Temporary CCTV will be installed on the street.
3. The bin declaration process has commenced on the street. All houses/flats will be asked to declare and provide evidence on how they dispose of their waste.

Contact: Stephen Wearen, A/Public Domain Enforcement Officer

Email: stephen.wearen@dublincity.ie

Q45 Councillor Eimer McCormack

To ask the Area Manager to report on when a segregated cycle route will be provided on (details supplied)

Reply

There are currently no plans to install segregated cycle lanes along this section of (details supplied). The current arrangement has cyclists sharing the inbound and outbound bus lanes. The route was

identified for intervention in the *Interim Mobility Programme for Dublin City May 2020*. However providing protected cycle lanes in this area would involve very significant alterations to the current layout and is beyond what can be currently delivered by the Covid Mobility Unit.

The Bus Connects proposals for the Swords to City Centre include for dedicated cycle lanes to be provided on (details supplied) in both directions.

Contact: Alec Dundon, Senior Executive Engineer
Email: COVIDMOBILITY@dublincity.ie

Q46 Councillor Cieran Perry

To ask the Area Manager, in relation to Halloween, to provide the following details:-

- a) What events were carried out in the Cabra area over the Halloween period, excluding the day/evening?
- b) What events were carried out in the Cabra area on Halloween day/evening?
- c) Can the Manager detail the expenditure by DCC on the Halloween festivities in the Cabra area?
- d) Can the Manager detail the expenditure by DCC on the Halloween festivities in the four other administrative areas in Dublin?

Reply

Cabra Area Office

- a) Spring Bedding and Bulbs were distributed to over 40 residents groups for planting over the Halloween Period.
In addition, street parties were supported at 15 locations and also 4 mini festivals.
The combined effect resulted in local residents taking more control of their neighbourhoods, diverting people away from negative behaviour.
Fortunately, one bonfire was discouraged at the rear of Faussagh Avenue shops.
- b) 15 street parties, some very brief, due to inclement weather.
- c) Bedding Plants and bulbs. €12,000
Party goods €2,150
Financial Contributions to local groups organising festival events. €3,500
 St. Finbarr's G.A.A. (€1,000)
 St Oliver Plunkett's G.A.A. (€1,000)
 Cabra Youth Services. (€1,000)
 Cabra Community Development. (€500 Euro)

Total €17,650

Note: One large bonfire and one small bonfire were held at Killala Road and Dunard Estate.
These areas will be targeted for special attention in 2022.

Contact: John McPartlan, A/Senior Executive Officer, Cabra – Glasnevin Area Office
Email: john.mcpartlan@dublincity.ie

North Central Area

The spend in the Clontarf and Donaghmede LEA's was in the region of €17,000 for three lazer light shows.

Contact: Bernie Roe, North Central Area Manager
Tel: 222 8846
Email: Bernie.roe@dublincity.ie

North West Area

Finglas 2021

| <u>Activity</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Youth Services Halloween Activity | €1,418.00 |
| MC for online event (incl. promotion) | €1,500.00 |
| Leaflet distribution NWA | €132.00 |
| 5 Lightshows NWA | €9,594.00 |
| Children's Programme | €500.00 |
| Barnardos Art Workshops | €500.00 |
| Fencing for light show | €670.00 |
| Better Finglas Reading | €1,000.00 |
| Prizes | €400.00 |
| Health & Safety TBC (No costs likely) | €000.00 |
| Total | €17,819.00 |

Ballymun 2021

| <u>Activity</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
|---|----------------|
| Spooky Garden Competition BTT | €1,300 |
| Silloogue Neighbourhood Centre: Halloween Party | €370 |
| Halloween Poster Competition | €500 |
| Local Youth and Community Events | |
| Ballymun Regional Youth Resource | €1500 |
| Poppintree Youth Project | €500 |
| Glas Community Garden Event | €1,300 |
| Setanta Hurlaween Programme | €480 |
| Axis – Production/Programming Costs for Online Events | €8,450 |
| Total | €14,400 |

Total North West €32,219

Contact: Jackie O'Reilly, A/Area Manager, Ballymun
Email: Jackie.oreilly@dublincity.ie

Contact: Aidan Maher, Senior Executive Officer, Finglas Area Office
Email: Aidan.maher@dublincity.ie

South Central Area

€83,000 was spent on Halloween festivities in 2021 in the South Central area.

Contact: Bruce Phillips, South Central Area Manager
Email: bruce.phillips@dublincity.ie

South East Area

The approximate cost of Halloween events in the Cabbage Garden, Dublin 8 and as part of the Dockers & Demons Festival in Irishtown/Ringsend was € 30,000 and € 60,000 respectively.

Contact: Brian Hanney, Area Manager, South East Inner City & Pembroke
Tel: 222 3199
Email: brian.hanney@dublincity.ie

Q47 Councillor Cieran Perry

To ask the Area Manager to provide a detailed report on the conservation works in (details supplied)

Reply

A reply will be forwarded to the Councillor within the next 2 weeks.

Contact: John McPartlan, A/Senior Executive Officer
Email: john.mcpartlan@dublincity.ie

Q48 Councillor Cieran Perry

Can the Manager provide a detailed report on the outstanding maintenance works in (details supplied), as detailed by the residents, the local area office and myself?

Reply

Dublin City Council's Housing Maintenance is fully committed to changing the windows in (details supplied). However, due to the building being listed, we are having to go through a detailed planning process. We have also had a number of staff changes in our Planned Maintenance Engineering Unit in Housing Maintenance and this has added to what can already be a lengthy process.

As it stands, we are waiting on Part 8 Planning approval, once we receive this we can then proceed to a tendering process and issue out the work.

Part 8 Planning on listed buildings can be time consuming and also involves essential inputs from other departments.

Housing Maintenance has three projects citywide that require Part 8 Planning and it is our intention to assign an engineer solely on these projects to bring them to fruition as quickly as possible. We acknowledge the importance of completing this project and we will work to speed up the process in 2022.

Contact: Clive Ahern, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance.

Email: clive.ahern@dublincity.ie

Tel: 2223517

Q49 Councillor Cieran Perry

To ask the Manager to provide an update on the request for a replacement back door for the tenant in (details supplied). This issue was raised at the July Central Area Committee and the repair remains outstanding.

Reply

The Area Foreman has carried out an inspection of the door at the address provided and an order has been placed with the Joinery Workshop. In the meantime repairs will be made on the door until a new door can be installed.

Contact: Clive Ahern, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance.

Email: clive.ahern@dublincity.ie

Tel: 2223517

Q50 **Councillor Cieran Perry**

To ask the Manager to provide an update on the request for the repair of the gutters at (details supplied). This issue has been outstanding for a number of months.

Reply

The Area Maintenance Officer has carried out an inspection of the address provided and works on the gutters and a new downpipe will be completed in the coming weeks or early in January.

Contact: Clive Ahern, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance.

Email: clive.ahern@dublincity.ie

Tel: 2223517

Q51 **Councillor Cieran Perry**

To ask the Manager to provide an update on Q.14 to the September Central Area Committee meeting in relation to (details supplied)

Details: crash statistics at Cabra Cross at the junction of the Navan Road and the New Cabra Road

Reply

Dublin City Council Road Safety Section contacted the Road Safety Authority, and the following report was received from the Research Section in relation to the crash statistics at the junction of Cabra Road/Navan Road:



Collisions on R147, Cabra Road/Navan Road Junction

Introduction

Prior to 2014, the Gardaí completed a form (C(T)68) on the initial investigation of each road traffic collision in which a fatality, serious or minor injury had occurred. Since 2014, the Road Safety Authority (RSA) receives an electronic copy of this information. The forms, and now the electronic versions, are completed by the Gardaí and forwarded to the Research Department of the RSA for statistical analysis. The data, relating to fatal, serious, and minor injury collisions occurring on a public road, is then analysed, and included in the Road Collision Factbook published annually by the RSA.

The information in this report is extracted from the RSA collision dataset and database. The data relates to fatal, serious, and minor injury collisions only. Material damage collisions and collisions not reported to An Garda Síochána are not included in the analysis. Material damage collisions are collisions where no deaths or injuries occur, but damage is caused to a vehicle or property.

The RSA hold collision data from 1996 but more recent data covering a period from 2016 to 2019 was used in this analysis. Data for 2019 is considered provisional and subject to change.

Data for 2020 and 2021 is currently being analysed by the Research Department and, as such, is unavailable for inclusion.

This analysis is based on a request for data relating to the route R147, specifically the Cabra Road/Navan Road Junction.

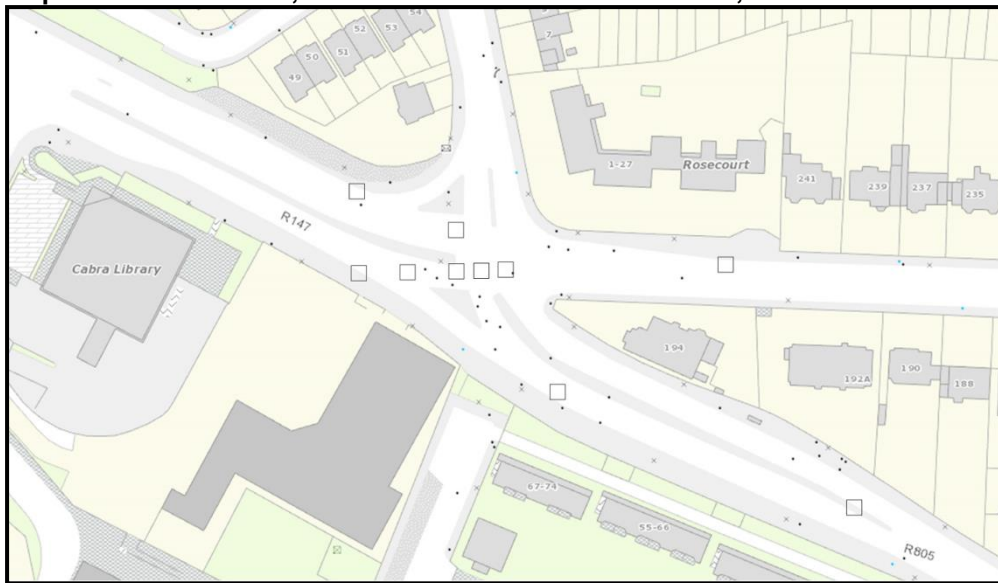
Please be advised that every effort is made to ensure the accuracy of the location of collisions and the inclusion of all relevant collisions. However, this is dependent on the initial reporting of the incident. For instance, some collisions are reported after the fact. Therefore, it may not always be possible to get accurate location information.

Collisions R147, Cabra Road/Navan Road Junction

Between 2016 and 2019* there were 10 road traffic casualty collisions on this road. Two of these collisions were recorded as fatal or serious injury collisions, eight were minor injury collisions. In all collisions, it was reported there were twelve casualties, including three people who were killed or seriously injured and nine people who suffered minor injuries.

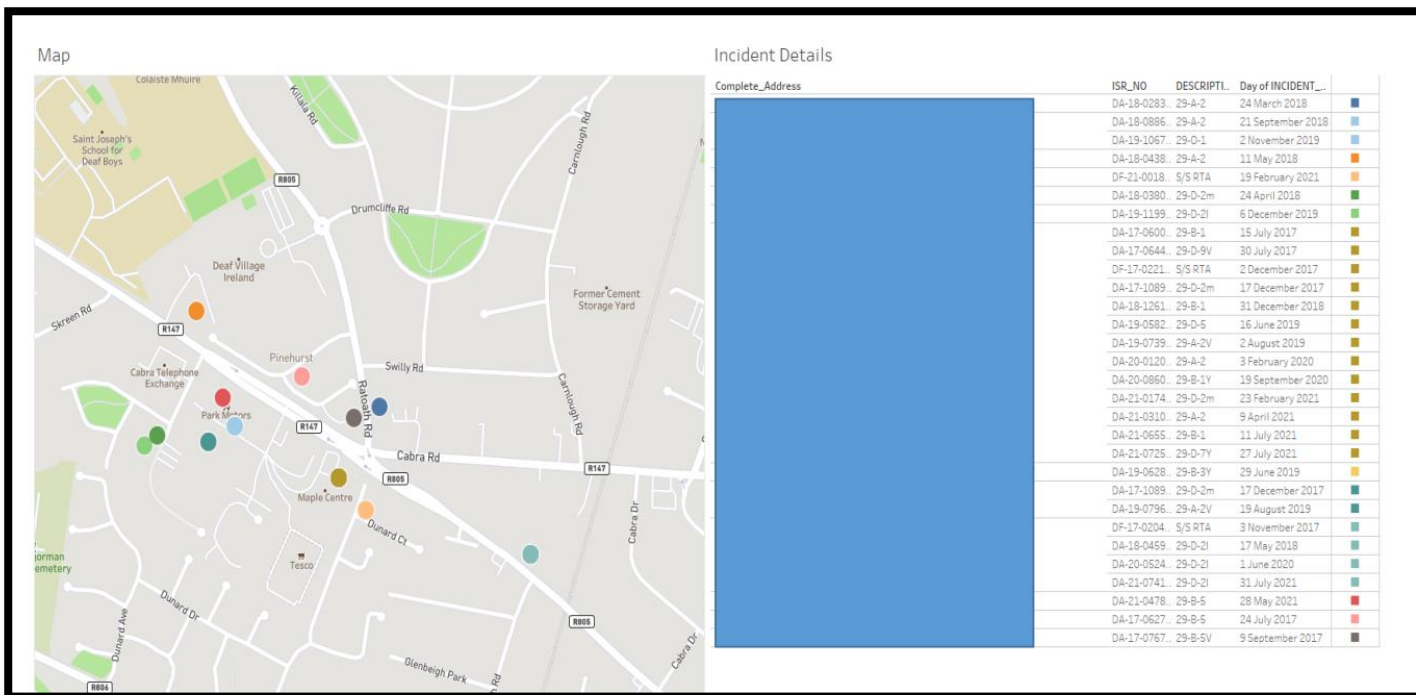
*** Data for 2019 is provisional and subject to change**

Map of collisions R147, Cabra Road/Navan Road Junction, 2016 – 2019



Furthermore, the Road Safety Section received the following information from the Dublin Fire Brigade department:





If the Councillor has any questions about the above report, please get in touch with the Road Safety Section, and we will lease with the research department of RSA and Dublin Fire Brigade for a response.

Contact: Rossana Camargo, Executive Engineer, Transportation. Road Safety. Policy, Strategy and Innovation Section.

Email: rossana.camargo@dublincity.ie

Q52 Councillor Joe Costello

To ask the Area Manager if she will state the number of landlords that have exited the rental market in each of the last five years in the Central Area. Threshold launched its Annual Report and stated some 4,500 landlords had exited the rental market and if there are figures for Dublin Central Area, and if so what impact they might have for DCC's housing strategy.

Reply

There have been no exits by Landlords on long term lease with DCC over the last five years.

Contact: Kayanne O Mahony, A/Senior Executive Officer

Phone: 01 222 5354

Email: kayann.omahony@dublincity.ie

Rental Assistance Subsidy (RAS) Landlord Exit 2017-2021

| Year | (Number) RAS Landlord Exit 2017-2021 |
|-------|--------------------------------------|
| 2017 | 43 |
| 2018 | 48 |
| 2019 | 62 |
| 2020 | 17 |
| 2021 | 7 |
| Total | 177 |

Contact: Richard Herlihy Administrative Officer
Phone: 01 222 7178
Email: richard.herlihy@dublincity.ie

This information is not available to the HAP section. The HAP section ceases tenancies in cases where the landlord is selling the property but the cessation itself refers to the individual tenancy and property rather than all properties connected to a particular landlord. We would not be aware if a particular landlord is actually exiting the rental market. The same would apply to Homeless HAP.

Contact: Emma Leahy
Position: A/Administrative Officer
Tel no: 01 2226396

Q53 Councillor Colm O'Rourke

To ask the Area Manager if the trees at (details supplied) could be pruned due to the trees overhanging and hitting vehicles and cyclists.

Reply

These trees will be examined in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in our 2021-22 tree care programme for the area

Contact: Stephen Groome, NW District Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 3395
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q54 Councillor Colm O'Rourke

To ask the Area Manager to request that the tarmacadam at (details supplied) be repaired due to the cracks and damaged caused by machinery when works were previously being carried out here.

Reply

Road Maintenance Services hope to have this repaired by January 2022.

Contact: Ronan Connolly, Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services
Tel: 222 2576.
Email: ronan.connolly@dublincity.ie

Q55 Councillor Colm O'Rourke

To ask the Manager if there is any grants or supports available through Dublin City Council to assist residents (details supplied) in the major upgrading of fire safety measures.

Reply

The proposed works would not be covered under any of Dublin City Council's grant schemes.

Contact: Deirdre Cahill
Tel: 222 2640
Email: deirdre.cahill@dublincity.ie

Q56 **Councillor Colm O'Rourke**

To ask the Manager if Dublin City Council are undertaking a survey of (details supplied) and if the Park's, Biodiversity and Landscape Services Division are planning to plant a tree at (details supplied) or elsewhere on the road.

Reply

Parks, Biodiversity and Landscape services have appointed an arborist on a 4 year contract to conduct a yearly inventory and ground based visual assessment survey of approximately 4,000 trees, beginning with the 20/21 winter season. It is anticipated this inventory will include assessment and recommendations for all our trees in the district in the future. In addition, local management conduct routine checks of tree stock within the area and list any recommended works in our Tree care programme. All works are carried out on a priority basis subject to available budget.

The tree pit outside house number (details supplied) has been listed for planting during our Winter Tree Planting programme (Nov – March) subject to available stock.

Contact: Stephen Groome, NW District Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 3395
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q57 **Councillor Colm O'Rourke**

To ask the Area Manager if Dublin City Council could provide a building/houses for the purpose of accommodating (details supplied)

Reply

The Area Office do not have any building or houses available to accommodate the (details supplied). The Area Manager will contact development department to ask them to look at providing space for them in current or future developments in the Central Area.

Contact: John McPartlan, A/Senior Executive Officer, Cabra – Glasnevin Area Office
Email: john.mcpartlan@dublincity.ie

Q58 **Councillor Colm O'Rourke**

To ask the Area Manager for an update regarding Q77 that I raised at the Central Area Committee on 13th July 2021 which requested that (details supplied) be investigated and the appropriate measures be put in place to manage the volumes of traffic here. Since first raised, the issue has escalated and needs to be tackled.

Reply

Due to traffic flows being reduced in the summer from school holidays it was deemed appropriate to arrange traffic surveys when traffic volumes increased in Autumn/Winter. A batch of traffic surveys are being carried out in early December across the Central Electoral Area. It is

anticipated to include (details supplied) in the next batch of surveys in January 2022 to confirm traffic volumes and inform any potential recommendations thereafter.

Contact: Seán Callaghan, Central Area Engineer, Transport Advisory Group.
Tel: 222 6397.
Email: sean.callaghan@dublincity.ie

Q59 Councillor Colm O'Rourke

To ask the Area Manager to improve the safety for cyclists at (details supplied) as well as introducing cycle lanes especially as many children cycle to their school at this location. Cars park both sides of the road, leaving no space for bicycles to pass on the road when cars are travelling on the opposite side. In addition to this cars are often parked on the footpaths and leave no room for buggies, those in wheelchairs and children bringing their bicycle in to their school.

Reply

(Details supplied) were successful in both the School Zone and Safe Routes to School applications. A site visit was carried out and preliminary designs were drawn up which included a footpath buildout to create more space for the children accessing the school. We then informed by the Department of Education that there was a major drainage upgrade happening on the road to facilitate the expansion of the school. The plans were subsequently adjusted to include necessary changes to the drainage system. We are currently awaiting engineering resources to be assigned to the School Zone Programme, after which we will re-visit the school and progress plans.

Contact: Antonia Martin, Communication & Promotion Officer, Covid Mobility Team.
Email: antonia.martin@dublincity.ie

Q60 Councillor Colm O'Rourke

To ask the Area Manager for an update to Q58 that I raised at the Central Area Committee on 12th October 2021 regarding the inspection of a site and a full report that is to be issued on it

Reply

The property which consists of a terraced house was inspected on 25/11/2021. The windows, door and roof are intact and the overall appearance of the property is good. It is not considered derelict within the definition set out in the Derelict Site Act 1990, cited below. The property will be referred to the Councils Vacant Property Unit, Housing & Community Services which actively pursues the acquisition of vacant housing units.

Definition of a Derelict Site

"any land which detracts, or is likely to detract, to a material degree from the amenity, character or appearance of land in the neighbourhood of the land in question because of:

- (a) the existence on the land in question of structures which are in a ruinous, derelict or dangerous condition, or*
- (b) the neglected, unsightly or objectionable condition of the land or any structures on the land in question, or*
- (c) the presence, deposit or collection on the land in question of any litter, rubbish, debris or waste, except where the presence, deposit or collection of such litter, rubbish, debris or waste results from the exercise of a right conferred by statute or common law."*

Contact: Nial Dully, Administrative Officer
Phone: 01 2223941
Email: nial.dully@dublincity.ie

Q61 **Councillor Colm O'Rourke**

To ask the Area Manager to request an update and indicative timeline regarding the Pay & Display & Permit Parking scheme for (details supplied) that was referred to the Area Engineer for assessment and to request if the process could be expedited due to the volume of issues being caused due to a lack of such scheme.

Reply

Currently the Area Engineer is working through applications for Pay & Display & Permit schemes in the Central Area in order of receipt of applications. There are 2 No. applications currently being finalised. Following this, the application for (details supplied) will be assessed. Please note that due to this application containing a number of roads there is significant assessment involved. It is expected that the design will be completed for the four streets by mid-January. Please note that following completion of design, the request will be referred to Parking Enforcement.

Contact: Seán Callaghan, Central Area Engineer, Transport Advisory Group.
Tel: 222 6397.
Email: sean.callaghan@dublincity.ie

Q62 **Councillor Colm O'Rourke**

To ask the Manager if the request for additional black cannon bollards to be extended at (details supplied) be re-examined due to the high volume of vehicles parking here.

Reply

The Traffic Department have been made aware of the issue of motorists ignoring the times of the cycle lane at the location and parking illegally in the cycle lane. The cycle track was recently extended to include Sundays in an aim to remove this issue of illegal parking at weekends. The new measure worked well, as the issues of illegal parking at the weekends subsided due to action from the Parking Enforcement team. The illegal parking appears to have arisen again in recent weeks.

The signage in place is appropriate and prevents parking in the cycle track during active times. In terms of bollards, it is not recommended to install bollards at this location as this would significantly reduce the effective width of the footpath for pedestrians and vulnerable road users.

We will refer this to the Parking Enforcement Section for appropriate action, which has been effective in the past.

Contact: Seán Callaghan, Central Area Engineer, Transport Advisory Group.
Tel: 222 6397.
Email: sean.callaghan@dublincity.ie

The Parking Enforcement Inspector will attend the area and arrange for the necessary enforcement and DSPS will enforce any illegal parking.

Contact: Dermot Stevenson, Parking Enforcement Officer.
Tel: 222 2017.
Email: dermot.stevenson@dublincity.ie

Q63 Councillor Seamas McGrattan

To ask the Area Manager to clear the large amount of dumped material on the (details supplied)

Reply

The Cabra Area Office have undertaken to procure a private contractor to remove the waste at this property.

Contact: Stephen Wearen, A/Public Domain Enforcement Officer
Email: stephen.wearen@dublincity.ie

Q64 Councillor Seamas McGrattan

To ask the Area Manager to plant new trees on (details supplied)

Reply

Parks, Biodiversity and Landscape Service have previously investigated the possibility of planting trees in (details supplied), unfortunately due narrow footpaths and considerable amount of underground cabling, planting of trees is not possible at this location.

Contact: Stephen Groome, NW District Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 3395
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q65 Councillor Seamas McGrattan

To ask the Area Manager when will insulation programme resume in Cabra and can a date be provided when works will begin at (details supplied)

Reply

The programme has resumed in the Cabra area and will continue in 2022, subject to funding confirmation from the Department. Due to the volume of properties involved, it is a roll out programme and areas/estates must be targeted in their entirety from both an operational and magnitude/economies of scale perspective. The programme has proved hugely successful to date and will run for a number of years, subject to continued Departmental funding support, until it reaches its conclusion. We would hope that these properties will be upgraded in 2023/2024 depending on funding and progress of the programme.

Contact: Clive Ahern, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance.

Email: clive.ahern@dublincity.ie

Tel: 2223517

Q66 **Councillor Seamas McGrattan**

To ask the Area Manager when will an extension be provided for the tenants at (details supplied)

Reply

A review of this case has taken place and a letter has been sent to the tenant outlying the details.

Contact: Clive Ahern, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance.

Email: clive.ahern@dublincity.ie

Tel: 2223517

Q67 **Councillor Seamas McGrattan**

To ask the Area Manager to repair the damaged pathway outside (details supplied)

Reply

Road Maintenance Services will carry out the necessary footpath repairs at this location in early 2022.

Contact: Ronan Connolly, Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services

Tel: 222 2576.

Email: ronan.connolly@dublincity.ie

Q68 **Councillor Seamas McGrattan**

To ask the Area Manager to install double yellow lines at the entrance to (details supplied) to prevent commuters blocking the entrance.

Reply

In order to keep the junction clear at all times it is recommended to install double yellow lines on the north and south sides of (details supplied), at its junction with Ratoath Road, starting from the western side of the pedestrian refuge island, extending east for 5m.

Contact: Seán Callaghan, Central Area Engineer, Transport Advisory Group.

Tel: 222 6397.
Email: sean.callaghan@dublincity.ie

Q69 **Councillor Seamas McGrattan**

To ask the Area Manager to repair the damaged pathway outside (details supplied (a)) and the sinking road outside (details supplied (b)).

Reply

Road Maintenance Services will arrange to have this footpath repaired in early 2022.

Contact: Ronan Connolly, Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services
Tel: 222 2576.
Email: ronan.connolly@dublincity.ie

Q70 **Councillor Seamas McGrattan**

To ask the Area Manager to sweep the leaves on (details supplied) on a regular basis

Reply

Waste Management Services were clearing leaves from (details supplied) all week, Monday to Friday from the 29th November 2021 to the 3rd December 2021. We will ensure that (details supplied) continues to be included as often as possible during the remainder of our leaves removal programme.

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services.
Tel: 222 4240.
Email: mick.boyle@dublincity.ie

Q71 **Councillor Seamas McGrattan**

To ask the Area Manager does Dublin City Council still own (details supplied) or was this property sold.

Reply

The property address (details supplied) was never in Council ownership. It is possible that the Councillor may be thinking of a premises two doors away which Dublin City Council did own but disposed of to the Dubco Credit Union in 1988. More recently, the Council occupied a floor of the building under a lease arrangement with the Credit Union but this use ended in 2013.

Contact: Oliver Hickey, Administrative Officer
Tel: 222 3055
Email: oliver.hickey@dublincity.ie

Q72 **Councillor Seamas McGrattan**

To ask the Area Manager to replace the surface on the pathway outside (details supplied)

Reply

Road Maintenance Services will arrange to have the entire footpath fronting (details supplied) resurfaced in early 2022.

Contact: Ronan Connolly, Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services
Tel: 222 2576.
Email: ronan.connolly@dublincity.ie

Q73 Councillor Seamas McGrattan

To ask the Area Manager to provide protected cycle lanes at (details supplied) (a) the main Navan Road from Kinvara Avenue to Cabra Cross and at (b) Ratoath Road from Reilly's Bridge to Cabra Cross. Both these routes are used by a large number of school children every day.

Reply

(a) Installation of protected cycle lanes across the city is funded by the National Transport Authority. The NTA is not looking to advance protected cycle facilities along the Navan Road at present as the Navan Road forms part of the Blanchardstown to the City Centre Busconnects programme and cycling improvements will be addressed as part of that project.

Contact: Alec Dundon, A/Senior Executive Engineer.

Email: covidmobility@dublincity.ie

(b) The NTA-funded Cabra to Blanchardstown Cycle Scheme was incepted in Q1 2021 and it proposes improved cycling and walking infrastructure along Ratoath Road, between Navan Road (Cabra Cross) and Cappagh Road. There has been no progress in the development of the project due to unavailability of staff.

Contact: Pdraig O'Brien, A/Senior Executive Engineer.

Email: padraig.obrien@dublincity.ie

Q74 Councillor Cat O'Driscoll

To ask the Area Manager to put a focus on the cleaning of footpaths outside schools in high litter and dog fouling areas including (details supplied)

Reply

Waste Management Services clean (details supplied) and surrounding streets on a daily basis and arrange power washing outside the schools there when necessary. We will continue to do all we can to keep this area as clean as possible, with particular emphasis on the footpaths outside the schools there.

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services.
Tel: 222 4240.
Email: mick.boyle@dublincity.ie

Q75 Councillor Cat O'Driscoll

To ask the Area Manager to outline the waiting list or expression of interest process being used for affordable housing units in the Central Area

Reply

At this time Dublin City Council has not designed or opened a waiting list or expression of interest process for affordable units across the city. This process will be progressed and we will keep the elected members updated on this.

Contact: Michelle Robinson

Tel: 222 6114

Email: michelle.robinson@dublincity.ie

Q76 Councillor Darcy Lonergan

To ask the Area Manager if he will meet with the (details supplied)

Reply

The Area Manager has reservations about meeting with the (details supplied) as it may raise their expectations. Dublin City Council do not have any role in accommodating privately run Montessori services.

Contact; John McPartlan, A/Senior Executive Officer, Cabra – Glasnevin Area Office

Email: john.mcpartlan@dublincity.ie

Q77 Councillor Janet Horner

To ask the Area Manager for an update regarding the plans for (details supplied) and anticipated completion date?

Reply

(Details supplied) is due to be complete in early 2022, with an official opening in spring 2022.

Contact: Gareth Toolan, Executive Landscape Architect

Email: Gareth.toolan@dublincity.ie

Q78 Councillor Janet Horner

To ask the Area Manager to install Sheffield stands for bike parking outside (details supplied)

Reply

The location in the vicinity of (details supplied) will be examined and if deemed suitable cycle parking will be installed as part of the next batch of the On-Street Cycle Parking Project.

Contact: Chris Adamson, Executive Engineer.

Tel: 222 3970.
Email: chris.adamson@dublincity.ie

Q79 Councillor Janet Horner

To ask the Area Manager for a map of the jurisdictions of Garda stations with remit in the Central Area.

Reply

A letter has been forwarded to An Garda Síochána and the Councillor will be informed when a reply is received.

Contact: Ursula Donnellan, A/Senior Executive Officer
Email: Ursula.donnellan@dublincity.ie

Q80 Councillor Janet Horner

To ask the Area Manager what the policy is regarding allowing cars entrance to (details supplied)

Reply

The park at (details supplied) includes a working depot building where access is required , in addition to service vehicles , for the cars of staff who are in performance of their duties in and around the vicinity of the park .

Contact; Deirdre Prince, A/ Executive Landscape Architect /Parks Superintendent
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q81 Councillor Janet Horner

To ask the Area Manager whether informal car parking at the (details supplied) is enforced by DPSP

Reply

The area referred to is not in charge of Dublin City Council administration and is not enforceable by Dublin Street Parking Services.

Contact: Dermot Stevenson, Parking Enforcement Officer.
Tel: 222 2017.
Email: dermot.stevenson@dublincity.ie

Q82 Councillor Janet Horner

To ask the Area Manager to investigate and upgrade lighting on (details supplied) , where the path is very dark due to the shadow of the trees.

Reply

The existing public lighting here is designed to sufficiently illuminate both the road and footpath. However the distribution of light on this section of footpath is effected by the mature trees. Although the existing lighting will be upgraded to LED lighting as part of an upcoming Lighting Upgrade Project, we consider that tree pruning where possible, will also be required to alleviate the blocking effect. We will provide Parks with any assistance required, to help resolve the issue.

Contact: Nicola O'Shea, Executive Engineer, Public Lighting & Electrical Services.
Tel: 222 4452.
Email: nicola.oshea@dublincity.ie

Parks are seeking quotations from tree surgeons for the trees at that section of (details supplied). The trees have been part of a 5 year tree pruning program.

Contact: Deirdre Prince, A/Executive Landscape Architect
Tel: 222 5276
Email; Deirdre.prince@dublincity.ie