



MINUTES OF THE SOUTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD ON WEDNESDAY 17 NOVEMBER 2021

- 1 Minutes of meeting held 20th October 2021**
Order: Agreed.
- 2 Questions to the Director of Services South City**
Order: Replies to Questions and the Director of Services report circulated.
- 3 Environment and Transportation Matters**
 1. Minutes of the Traffic Advisory Group held on the 26/10/21 in relation to Traffic Matters in the South Central Area.
 2. Traffic Service Requests Status Reports at 15/10/21 and 26/10/21.
Order: 1. Report noted.
2. Report noted.
- 4 South Central Area Matters**
 1. Presentation on the Kilmainham Inchicore Tourism Strategy.
 2. Nomination to the Board of the Dolphin House Community Development Association.
 3. Nomination of Chairperson to Chapelizod Steering Group.
 4. Schedule of Lighting of Christmas Trees in the South Central Area.
 5. Post Halloween 2021 Report South Central Area.
 6. Director of Services Report.
Order: 1. Presentation given by Ali Curran, ChI Consulting.
Presentation noted.
2. Deferred to December Meeting.
3. Cllr. Daithí Doolan nominated as Chairperson to the Chapelizod Steering Group.
4. It was noted that amid safety concerns over rising Covid case numbers all Christmas trees listed would be switched on but no associated event would take place.
5. Report Noted.
6. Report Noted.
- 5 Culture, Recreation and Economic Matters**
 1. Sports and Recreation Report for November 2021 South Central Area.
Order: Report noted.

6 Planning & Property Development Matters

1. With reference to the proposed disposal of a site at Basin Street Lower, Dublin 8.
2. With reference to the proposed grant of a further temporary convenience letting for plot of ground on St. Lukes Avenue, Dublin 8.

**Order: 1. Agreed. Recommend to Council.
2. Agreed. Recommend to Council.**

7 Emergency Motions

The order of business was suspended to deal with the following Emergency Motions:

Emergency Motion 1

This Area Committee urges Dublin City Council to review the decision to install a cycle lane between Conyngham Road and Bulfin Road, with particular focus on the section at the shops along South Circular Road, Kilmainham. The bollards are causing serious access problems for business.

We also urge Dublin City Council to communicate directly with businesses and local residents, outlining the consultation process that took place and the reasoning behind the decision to install the cycle lane along this section on South Circular Road.

Councillors Daithí Doolan and Vincent Jackson

Order: Withdrawn.

Emergency Motion 2

Phase 2 of the BusConnects Network Redesign will be launching on 28th November in West Dublin. In Chapelizod, the work on the passengers access to the bus stop at the Chapelizod Bypass stop has not commenced. This leaves Chapelizod residents cut out of the new C-Spine. AT the same time only the 26 bus will remain and all the other routes will be terminated. It leaves Chapelizod residents cut out totally from West Dublin and Kildare. I urge DCC to liaise with TFI to remediate to this issue. An urgent solution needs to be in place for the 28th of November. Access to the Chapelizod Bypass stop needs to be in place for the 28th and a bus connecting to West Dublin and Kildare needs to remain and be functioning for the 28th of November. I would urge DCC to work with TFI and for both to take on board proposals from the residents and bus users in Chapelizod.

Councillors Sophie Nicoullaud and Hazel De Nortíun

Order: Agreed to write to TFI and the Minister for Transportation.

8 November 2021 Motions

**DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
SOUTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
17th November 2021**

M134 Councillors Vincent Jackson and Daithí Doolan

That the Elected members congratulate all various DCC Departments, Community Groups and emergency services for their sterling work in providing a very family friendly oriented Halloween across the South Central Area and a report be drawn up for the elected members on the outcome of the various activities on the ground.

Order: Report to Councillors.

M135 Councillor Vincent Jackson

That this Committee seeks from An Post a commitment to increase the size of the main Ballyfermot Post Office to create a fit for purpose facility for the thousands who use the current facility on a weekly basis. Ballyfermot has now lost nearly all its Banking services which the recent closure of Bank of Ireland and the scaling back of Banking services in Permanent TSB. 20 years ago there were 4 building societies, 3 Banks. We now have one PTB branch which does not accept cash and a Credit Union for nearly 25,000. I am aware the Post Offices are operated by contract. An Post could ensure when contracts are up for renewal the branch has the capacity to meet existing and future needs especially when the Post Office network continues to take on more business. The recently closed Bank of Ireland branch would and could make an excellent Post Office offering modern facilities. I regret a common sight in Ballyfermot is large queues outside on the public footpath and many using the service have children or are elderly.

Order: Agreed to write to An Post and seek a meeting with members.

Councillor Vincent Jackson

Chairperson

Wednesday 17 November 2021

Attendance

Members:

Vincent Jackson, (Chairperson)

Sophie Nicoullaud (Vice Chair)

Daithí de Róiste

Michael Watters

Hazel de Nortúin

Daithí Doolan

Darragh Moriarty

Michael Pidgeon

Tina MacVeigh

Apologies

Cllr. Máire Devine

Officers:

Derek Kelly, Director of Services South City;
Bruce Phillips, Senior Executive Officer, South Central Area;
Dave O'Donovan, A/Senior Executive Officer, Ballyfermot Area Office;
Frank Murphy, Administrative Officer, South Central Area;
Aoife Hannan, Project Manager, South Central Area;
Neil O'Donoghue, Executive ITS Officer, Environment & Transportation;
Paul Clegg, Executive Manager, Planning & Property Development;
Helen McNamara, Senior Executive Officer, Planning & Property Development;
Suzanne White, Executive Planner, Planning & Property Development;
Martina Bracken, Senior Valuer; Planning & Property Development;
Brendan Doggett, Senior Staff Officer, Planning & Property Development;
Brid Brosnan, Executive Parks Superintendent, Culture Recreation & Economic Services;
David Quearney, Acting Staff Officer, South Central Area;
Gabrielle Malone, Senior Staff Officer, South Central Area;