



**MINUTES OF THE SOUTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2022 VIA HYBRID MEETING  
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, DAME STREET, DUBLIN 2.**

- 1 Election of Chairperson of the South Central Area Committee**  
**Order: Cllr. Sophie Nicoullaud elected as Chairperson.**
- 2 Election of Vice Chairperson of the South Central Area Committee**  
**Order: Cllr. Michael Pidgeon elected as Vice Chairperson.**
- 3 Minutes of Meeting held on 15th June 2022**  
**Order: Agreed.**
- 4 Questions to the Director of Services South Central**  
**Order: Replies to Questions and the Director of Services report circulated.**
- 5 Environment and Transportation Matters**
  1. Minutes of the Traffic Advisory Group held on the 28/06/22 in relation to Traffic Matters in the South Central Area.
  2. Traffic Service Requests Status Reports at 15/06/22 and 20/06/22.  
**Order: 1. Report noted.**  
**2. Report noted.**
- 6 South Central Area Matters**
  1. Presentation from LDA re St.Teresa's Gardens Project Overview. For information purposes only.
  2. Notification of Initiation of Pre-Part 8 Circulation of Layout under Part 8 Planning and Development Regulations 2001 of the proposed residential development and associated external works of the site situated at Crumlin Road and Rafters Road, Dublin 12. For information purposes only.
  3. Two Nominees to the Donore Project Consultative Forum.
  4. Director of Services Report.  
**Order: 1. Noted.**  
**2. Noted.**  
**3. Cllrs Máire Devine & Michael Pidgeon were nominated to the Donore Project Consultative Forum.**  
**4. Report Noted.**
- 7 Culture, Recreation & Economic Matters**
  1. Sports and Recreation Report for July 2022 South Central Area.  
**Order: Report noted.**

- 8 **Planning & Property Development Matters**  
1. With reference to the proposed disposal of lands at Braithwaite Street, Pimlico, Dublin 8.  
**Order: Agreed. Recommend to Council.**
- 9 **Emergency Motions**
- 10 **July 2022 Motions**

**DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL**  
**SOUTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE**  
**20<sup>th</sup> July 2022**

**M179 Councillor Máire Devine**

This Committee are dismayed at the possibility of yet another extinguishment of public access in the Liberties. The development of the Tivoli theatre on Francis St was given planning permission with provision of accessible open space as one of the conditions. If the recent application is granted it would nullify DCC's objective to provide increased permeability in the area, is contrary to the City Development Plan, undermines the planning process and invalidates the community gain to compensate for the loss of this much loved theatre.

**Order: Report Noted.**

**M180 Councillor Máire Devine**

That this Committee note the danger posed to the New Ireland Road residents given the significant increase in on street parking by outsiders which has rendered the road inaccessible for many vehicles including utility trucks. Of concern is the blocked access this poses to emergency "blue light services". A Traffic management plan is urgently required that considers installing DYL and/or other effective measures to safely manage the access and provide a more tolerable environment.

**Order: Report noted.**

**M181 Councillor Máire Devine**

That this Committee congratulate the Liberties Weavers who are proactive in reintroducing the skills of the Loom to the Liberties, once the heartland of Dublin's textile industry and we look forward to them presenting to the members at a mutually suitable date in the Autumn.

**Order: Agreed.**

**M182 Councillor Máire Devine**

This Committee agree to extend an invite to a delegation of residents from Reuben St. Dublin 8 to present to the members issues negatively affecting their street so discussion and solutions be agreed upon.

**Order: Agreed.**

- M183 Councillor Vincent Jackson & Councillor Hazel De Nortúin**  
That this Committee and Dublin City Council supports the community of Ballyfermot / Cherry Orchard in its efforts to retain the 79 Bus service which is a lifeline to the local population. We support the residents' concerns regarding the proposed changes to the 79 bus route in Ballyfermot. It is unbelievable that Bus Connects seems to think a bus service in operation serving some of the most disadvantaged housing estates can be withdrawn with any consideration. If this services is removed without any further consultation, those most vulnerable in our community will be affected. This Committee will write to the NTA and ask that they delay any changes until residents' concerns around accessibility are heard by the NTA and are fully explored before removing any services.  
**Order: Agreed to write to the NTA.**
- M184 Councillor Vincent Jackson**  
That Dublin City Council investigate the possible employment of a specific staff member similar to other areas in the South-Central Area in order to focus on the physical regeneration of the retail areas, business areas. Ballyfermot is screaming out for the recruitment of such a staff member who will liaise with traders, business people, school groups, community groups to deliver a more pleasant working / living environment for all.  
**Order: Report Noted.**
- M185 Councillor Daithí Doolan**  
The Area Committee congratulates Dublin City Council, in particular the community development staff, for the effort put in to making the recent Ballyfermot-Cherry Orchard Arts Festival a huge success.  
**Order: Agreed.**
- M186 Councillor Daithí Doolan**  
This Area Committee calls on Dublin City Council to immediately commence a consultation process with stake holders and agrees a timeframe for the development of the multi-purpose sports pitch at Cherry Orchard Park in line with the Cherry Orchard LAP.  
**Order: Agreed.**
- M187 Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud**  
That this Committee support the maker space TOG in identifying DCC owned building for them to call home permanently in support and to promote creativity in the city to support and to encourage this active and innovative community group working with technology. To ensure that the cultural and innovative life of the city have a permanent space to thrive and to be anchored in the local community. TOG has been the first volunteer based maker group in Dublin always present to promote technology and science at every public opportunity.  
**Order: Report Noted.**
- M188 Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud**  
That this Committee invites the County Childcare Community to present their organisation and discuss how we can work closer together to make sure childcare facilities are present in the area.  
**Order: Agreed.**

**M189 Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud**

That this Committee supports the Inchicore Regeneration Consultative Forum in regaining trust in their relationship and collaboration with DCC. They are very dissatisfied with response sent to them. Trust needs to be regained as a matter of urgency so the group and the community don't feel let down. That Coilín O'Reilly meet with the group asap.

**Order: Report Noted.**

**Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud**

**Chairperson**

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2022**

**Attendance**

**Members:**

Sophie Nicoullaud (Chairperson)  
Daithí Doolan  
Darragh Moriarty  
Hazel De Nortúin

**Members:**

Michael Pidgeon (Vice Chair)  
Michael Watters  
Vincent Jackson  
Máire Devine

Cllr Pat. Dunne, South East Area was also in attendance

**Apologies:**

Cllr Deirdre Cronin

**Officers:**

Kathy Quinn, Assistant Chief Executive, Finance Department;  
Derek Kelly, Director of Services South Central Area;  
Bruce Phillips, Senior Executive Officer, SWIC;  
Anna McDermott, Public Domain Enforcement Officer, South Central;  
Rhona White, Senior Executive Engineer, Environment & Transportation;  
Niall Bolger, A/Senior Executive Officer, Environment & Transportation;  
Stefan Lowe, Senior Executive Architect, Housing & Community Services;  
Patrick Conway, Executive Architect, Housing & Community Services;  
Aisling Browne, Administrative Officer, Housing & Community Services;  
Pat Smith, Area Housing Manager, Ballyfermot Area Office;  
Gabrielle Malone, Senior Staff Officer, South Central Area;  
David Quearney, A/Staff Officer, South Central Area;