



MINUTES OF THE NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD ON MONDAY 16 JANUARY 2023

1 Minutes of the December NCAC dated 12th December, 2022

Order: Agreed subject to amendment to Item 4e Area Managers Reports, Public Domain – *“Letter be sent to Transport SPC from NCAC re gritting of footpaths & NC to be used as a pilot scheme for grit to be given to residents groups (Clontarf Residents Association) to do the footpaths”.*

2 Questions to the Area Managers dated 16th January, 2023

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Order: Noted.

3 Roads & Traffic Matters

a Minutes of the TAG meeting dated 20th December 2022

Order: Noted.

b Gully Report for noting

Order: Noted.

4 Area Matters

a Extinguishments - proposal to initiate the procedure for the Extinguishment of the Public Right of Way over a laneway located at 63 - 65 Foxhill Avenue, Ayrfield, Donaghmede, Dublin 13.

Order: Agreed – Recommend to City Council.

b Leases & Licences - Proposed grant of a further Lease of Unit 1, Darndale Belcamp Village Centre, Dublin 17

Order: Agreed. Recommend to City Council.

c Community Wealth Building Presentation

Order: Noted. Cllr. Cooney requested that the chair write to ACE Richard Shakespeare & the Architects Department requesting the map of DCC community assets.

d Richmond Road - Verbal Update

Order: Noted. Cllr. O’Muirí requested that the chair write to AIB looking for their full engagement regarding the transfer of “the Square”, Richmond Road to DCC.

- e **Arts Officer Report**
- f **Report on Dublin City Council Sports Plan 2023-2028.**
- g **Sports & Wellbeing Partnership report for noting**
- h **Area Manager Report**
- i **Housing Supply Report**

5 **Motions**

a **Motion in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

That the North Central Area Committee supports an increase in greening our local area, in particular local carriageways. The North Central Area Committee agree that the stretch of tree lined central medians along the Malahide Road between the junction with Griffith Avenue and the Darndale roundabout be prioritised for enhanced greening, similar to the approach used along the median at Drumcondra Station/Dorset Street.

Reply

The Parks and Biodiversity Service is more than supportive of such initiatives but such a project on a major road will require the input of a number of departments and to be led by the Environment and Transportation Department. The current Bus Connects proposals for the Malahide Road which will impact on medians, verges and junctions currently with the Bord are due for a decision in April.

Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

We will refer the matter to the Bus Connects NTA team for comment and will advise of the outcome in due course.

Contact: Niall Bolger, A/ Senior Executive ITS Officer, BusConnects Liaison Team.
Email: niall.bolger@dublincity.ie

b **Motion in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell**

That this North Central Area Committee agrees to request a report / update on the forthcoming traffic calming plan / scheme for Marino please, particularly in respect of the ongoing C2CC works and the amount of traffic diverting through the Marino Scheme.

Reply

Clontarf to City Centre Scheme:

The Clontarf to City Centre Scheme with the assistance of our Traffic colleagues is finalising a plan with the intention to install road markings at the entrances to the Marino estate. Proposed markings include 30kph

markings on the roadway to increase awareness for motorists entering the estate.

It is intended to meet with the local resident group members in the coming weeks to review the proposal.

Contact: **Joe Mernagh, Senior Resident Engineer, Active Travel Programme Office.**

Email: joseph.mernagh@dublincity.ie

The Marino Neighbourhood Transport Scheme is aimed at addressing long-standing transport issues on Haverty Road and surrounding roads. The scheme is targeted at these roads in Marino due to the limited funding available from the Capital Works Budget.

The Haverty Road Filtered Permeability Trial was installed on the 28th August 2022 for a 6 month trial period. A before and after evaluation of the trial is currently being carried out to assess the effectiveness of the trial. The results will indicate if the trial should be made permanent, amended or removed, and if additional traffic calming measures should be considered for implementation on the surrounding roads.

A report summarising the analysis will be compiled and presented to councillors prior to the March 2022 North Central Area Committee meeting. We will seek feedback from councillors on the report and councillors will be given the opportunity to advise whether to implement the trial on a permanent basis.

A permanent scheme would likely involve the installation of permanent infrastructure such as traffic islands, planting and other traffic calming measures as required. We will be in a position to tender for the development of a detailed design in Q1 2023 if there is support from councillors for a permanent scheme.

A permanent scheme would likely require the allocation of all funds available to the 2023 North Central Area Neighbourhood Transport Scheme Programme. Therefore, due to limited funding, it is unlikely that we would be in a position to implement another scheme in other areas/roads in 2023.

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

Email: andrew.geoghegan@dublincity.ie

c Motion in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

That this North Central Area Committee agrees and requests that an update be given on the proposed plan for the Causeway on North Bull Island and proposed interpretative centre owing to the fact that some local residents have expressed concerns to me about the possible obtrusive nature of the proposals and their impact on the natural beauty of North Bull Island.

Reply

The proposed Interpretive Centre will replace the existing 'Visitor and

Interpretive Centre' which uses fossil fuel energy, is located within the sensitive dune system and is not fit for purpose. The new centre (subject to planning approval) will be located and designed so as not to have any environmental impacts. It will provide universal access for people with disabilities and the elderly/infirm who would not otherwise be able to appreciate the species, habitats and ecosystems which make the nature reserve and the bay (a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve) such an important resource for Dublin particularly in a Climate and Biodiversity crisis.

In terms of visual impact, the illustrations will demonstrate that the careful consideration and detailing of the building and the use of natural materials will mean that it will have minimal impact on views. The existing 'Visitor and Interpretive Centre' which is a two storey structure will be demolished.

Contact: Leslie Moore, Head of Parks, Biodiversity and Landscape Services, Culture, Recreation and Economic Services Department
Tel: 222 5049
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

6 REMINDER

Councillor Alison Gilliland
Chairperson
Monday 16 January 2023

Attendance:

Members:

Alison Gilliland (Chairperson)
Dearbháil Butler
Donna Cooney
Racheal Batten
Jane Horgan-Jones
Damian O'Farrell

Members:

Daryl Barron
Catherine Stocker
Tom Brabazon
John Lyons
Larry O'Toole

Members:

Patricia Roe
Terence Flanagan
Deirdre Heney
Naoise Ó Muirí
Declan Flanagan

Officers

Patrick P Smith
Les Moore
Derek Farrell

Catherine Cahill
Richard Cleary
Fiona Moore

Fergus O'Carroll
Deirdre Murphy
Derek Kelly

Apologies:

Micheál MacDonncha

Non-Members:

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Q.1 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones

“To ask the Area Manager to give me an outline history regarding the laneway behind Hollybrook Grove, Clontarf when the right of way was extinguished.

This laneway appears to be controlled by a Residents Association and residents whose properties back onto the laneway are having difficulty accessing it even though their own properties border it.

Can the manager give these residents any advice as access to this laneway seems to have become a "closed shop" and it is padlocked by a small number of residents. Are there any precedents for this kind of thing or any general information that might be useful for this resident”

Reply

The North Central Area Office holds no information locally about this laneway as this extinguishment predates the existence of the local area office. However, we have checked with a Senior Executive Technician in our Roads & Traffic Department, who was able to find some correspondence that dates back to 1969, which references the laneway’s status as “*not in charge*”. The overall housing development dates back to 1962.

It is the norm with current extinguishments for there to be a pre agreement in situ with all residents that abut the laneway to be given access by key or code. This agreement is completed before the formal extinguishment is processed. As this is a private laneway, it is the responsibility of residents that abut the laneway to manage access not Dublin City Council. I would advise residents to try to mediate regarding access were possible.

Contact: Niamh Reilly, Senior Staff Officer, North Central Area Office.
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Q.2 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons

“To ask the Area Manager for an update on the housing case of **(details supplied)**”

Reply

The above applicant is on the Housing List with an application date of 21/10/2009, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

Area	Bedsize	Position
Area B	3	48
Area D	3	28

Dublin City Council allocates properties based on time on the list and currently there are applicants of longer standing who have to be considered as suitable vacancies arise. It is not possible to indicate accurately the prospect of an offer for any applicant. The number of vacancies arising will be a determining factor in the length of time applicants could expect to be on the waiting list.

The applicants should keep checking the Dublin City Council website for any Choice Based Lettings that may become available in their area of choice. They are advertised every Friday and remain advertised for a period of 3 weeks.

The applicants may be eligible for HAP which will provide them with financial assistance towards the cost of renting another property. Should the applicant wish to apply for the HAP scheme, she should make contact with the Allocations Section with income details for the previous 12 months where a Housing Advisor can provide information and advice on the scheme.

Contact: Sandra Barry, A/Allocations Officer, Housing Allocations & Transfers

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Email: sandra.barry@dublincity.ie

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Q.3 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons

“To ask the Area Manager for an update on the extension required to **(details supplied)** the mother of a child with additional needs”

Reply

Plans have been drawn up for the extension. Details are being prepared and it is anticipated that the Tender will be issued to Building Contractors in February 2023.

Contact **Robert Buckle, Senior Engineer, Housing Maintenance**
Tel: **222 3708**
Email: robert.buckle@dublincity.ie

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Q.4 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons

“To ask the Area Manager to request a clean-up of the laneway between Belcamp Crescent and Darndale Park”

Reply

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned laneway cleaned on the 4th January 2023.

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

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Q.5 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon

“To ask the Area Manager to ensure that the seven entrances to the open space at **(details supplied)** have kissing gates installed to prevent these motor bikes entering the open space”

Reply

While kissing gates can act to slow down and restrict access for such motor bikes it is not possible to prevent them entering open spaces. To provide such gates at each entrance will require significant funding. If such funding can be made available arrangements can be made to have kissing gates installed.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

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Q.6 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon

“To ask the Area Manager to arrange to install traffic light at **(details supplied)** as exiting is proving very difficult and unsafe with the recently installed bollards and with drivers indicating a left turn but passing the junction”

Reply

There is a set of traffic lights on The Hole in the Wall Road (pedestrian crossing) approx. 35 metres from the junction with **(details supplied)**; the installation of additional lights at the above junction has not made the shortlist for capital works for 2023.

A yellow box is located at this junction to facilitate egress from the estate along with the Stop sign and associated road markings that impose a requirement on all approaching traffic to stop, and continue only if safe to do so.

The junction of The Hole in the Wall Road and Main Street / New Priory is proposed for modification as part of the Bus Connects (Clongriffin to City Centre) project will be upgraded. We believe that if this modification goes ahead it would alleviate these concerns.

Contact: Gerry McEntagart North City Executive Engineer
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Q.7 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon

“To ask the Area Manager to arrange to have Grange Road from the county boundary through Donaghmede to Kilbarrack through to Clarehall Avenue, and all of the Malahide road from the County Boundary to Coolock Village litter picked on both sides. It is currently an absolute disgrace and measures need to be put in place to prevent recurrent littering on these main roads”

Reply

Waste Management Services will have the above mentioned locations litter picked as requested during the first two weeks of January 2023.

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

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Q.8 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to explain why the objective/intention of building a roadway from the Clonshaugh Industrial estate out onto the Cloughran/R139 roundabout in the Dublin City Development Plan 2016 - 2027 was removed - who decided to remove it? Why was this decision made? /what was the rationale? /what had changed between Development Plans to warrant its removal? and, given that several motions were passed at the North Central Area Committee in the last 6 years seeking that the building of this road be explored so as to ease the traffic congestion on the Oscar Trainor Rd, why the Committee were not made aware of the intention to remove this objective/intention? (See photo attached of road)”

Reply

As part of the preparation for the 2022 City Development Plan all transport objectives in the previous plan were reviewed to consider their appropriateness for the new Plan. In relation to this objective the positioning of the road connection was re-considered on foot of significant concerns raised by the Parks Department and the Conservation Section of the impact on the historic Woodlands House and the surrounding curtilage. Woodlands House (dated circa 1735) is rated by the National Inventory of Architectural Heritage (NIAH) as being of national significance; and the ornamental canal and gardens all form part of the curtilage of the RPS designation in the City Development Plan and the NIAH designation.

In addition, the former route also was identified as a concern in relation to the viability of connecting to the roundabout to the north and obtaining agreement from TII, who are the relevant owner of the junction; due to the likely impact such a connection would have on the M1/M50 national routes.

For the above reasons the location of the connection was moved to connect eastwards onto Clonshaugh Road. Future options for other connections that address both issues above could form a future variation of the Plan where it is clear that any new routes would have support from TII and avoid significant negative impacts on Woodlands House and grounds.

The Development Plan review process was extensive and detailed with a full re-write of the Plan undertaken and hundreds of mapping changes- large and small included. Three public consultation processes were completed as part of the review, and the making of the new Development Plan.

Contact: Deirdre Scully, Deputy City Planner
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Q.9 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to arrange to get the Double Yellow Lines re-marked on both sides of the corner at **(details supplied)**”

Reply

The Traffic Officer has reported that the double yellow lines at this location were re-painted in 2022, following a request for same. See screenshot attached.

Contact: Mary Boyle, Acting Senior Staff Officer, Administration/Transport Advisory Group

Email: mary.boyle@dublincity.ie

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Q.10 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to arrange for the gullies to be cleaned on at **(details supplied)**”

Reply

The gullies at the above address have been placed on the list of cleaning works for the week commencing 9th January 2023.

Contact: Richard Sheehy, Senior Executive Engineer, Surface Water and Flood Incident Management.
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Email: richard.sheehy@dublincity.ie

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Q.11 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following questions in relation to **(details supplied)**”

Reply

The road markings were designed as part of the **(details)** Road QBC and implemented in 2008. The scheme was designed based on the National Road Authority’s Design Manual for Roads and Bridges. There was a Road Safety Audit completed for this design.

There was no reference to DMURS as this was launched on 25th March 2013 by Mr. Leo Varadkar, T.D. Minister for Transport Tourism and Sport and by Ms. Jan O’Sullivan, T.D., Minister for Housing and Planning at the Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government
Also the National Cycle Manual was launched in June 2011 by the National Transport Authority.

The road markings were recently renewed by Dublin City Council in accordance to the original design.

The scheme was based on the existing National Road Authority’s Design Manual for Roads and Bridges which was the reference guidance of the time.

The NTA submitted the Clongriffin to City Centre Core Bus Corridor Scheme statutory application documentation to An Bord Pleanála in April 2022. The junction of Malahide Rd/Griffith Avenue forms part of this scheme and will be upgraded pending approval by An Bord Pleanála.

Contact: Neil O’Donoghue, South City Engineer, Transport Advisory Group.

Email: neil.odonoghue@dublincity.ie

Contact: Niall Bolger, A/ Senior Executive ITS Officer, BusConnects Liaison Team.

Email: niall.bolger@dublincity.ie

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Q.12 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager consult with local businesses along this small stretch at **(details supplied)** with a view to creating a one way system and better traffic management”

Reply

The area engineer is investigating land ownership of the parking area and environs opposite the small row of businesses and shops at this location. This will decide whether the area engineer is in a position to look at the current access/egress arrangements at this location.

The parcel of land where the filling station is located is private land there is nothing that the area engineer can do in terms of vehicles accessing the row of shops from the filling station.

Contact: Gerry McEntagart – North City Executive Engineer.
Tel: 087 2615965.
Email: gerald.mcentagart@dublincity.ie

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Q.13 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to arrange for cycle parking on the median beside **(details supplied)**”

Reply

The location at **(details supplied)** will be examined and if deemed suitable cycle parking will be included in Batch 19 of the On-Street Cycle Parking Project.

Contact: Chris Adamson, Executive Engineer.
Tel: 222 3970.
Email: chris.adamson@dublincity.ie

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Q.14 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to arrange for a barrier to be placed at each end of the path that crosses the green at **(details supplied)**”

Reply

Pedestrian barriers/guardrails are not used currently by DCC as per Design Manual for Urban Road and Streets Guidelines as counterproductive in terms of visibility between drivers and children, false sense of safety and increased vehicle speeds and aggressive driver behaviour, create a collision hazard for cyclists.

As such the Transport Advisory Group, will not recommend barriers/guardrails at this location.

Contact: Gerry McEntagart – North City Executive Engineer.
Tel: 087 2615965.
Email: gerald.mcentagart@dublincity.ie

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Q.15 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to provide an update on the enhancements to **(details supplied)** as per the walkabout with local Councillors in 2020”

Reply

The manager will forward a report to the Councillor over the coming days.

Contact: Derek Farrell, Local Area Manager for Artane - Whitehall LEA
Phone: 222 8546
Email: derek.farrell@dublincity.ie

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Q.16 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí

“To ask the Area Manager to formulate a plan to replace trees either removed or lost to disease/decay in the Ennafort estate over the last 10 years”

Reply

This is a very challenging environment for street tree planting as there are no grassed verges and significant parking pressures. The locus will be inspected with a view to identifying street tree planting opportunities. Any locations identified as suitable will be listed for inclusion in the next street tree planting programme for the area.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

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Q.17 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Area Manager can the council prune the large trees at the end of the cul-de-sac at **(details supplied)**”

Reply

The trees will be inspected in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

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Q.18 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Area Manager do the council intend to carry out any works on the tree outside **(details supplied)** which residents believe to have been diseased for the last four years”

Reply

The tree appears in reasonable condition but a more detailed inspection will be arranged in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

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Q.19 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Area Manager can the Council install a small playground in Rockfield Park”

Reply

This park was not identified as an area of deficit in the Parks review of play facilities and is considered to be within the catchment of the existing playground at Maypark 400m to the east and as such it would be a very low priority for the provision of a new playground. The priority for the Parks Service remains to bring the existing playgrounds in the area up to standard before the provision of new playgrounds.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

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Q.20 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Area Manager can a safe four way pedestrian crossing be provided at the junction of Grace Park Road / Collins Avenue”

Reply

The Transport Advisory Group is in the process of implementing an upgrade of the traffic signals at the Collins Avenue/Beaumont Road and Grace Park Road junction to provide pedestrian crossings on all four arms of the junction. These works are scheduled to commence early 2023.

Contact: Gerry McEntagart – North City Executive Engineer
Email: gerald.mcentagart@dublincity.ie

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Q.21 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Area Manager can the tree that was knocked down on Mount Olive Road near the corner with Mount Olive Park be replaced”

Reply

The locus will be inspected in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and if considered suitable i.e. the stump and major roots of the previous tree do not prevent planting at this time; the location will be listed for inclusion in the next street tree planting programme for the area.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

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Q.22 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to arrange for the installation of a bin at the bus stop on **(details supplied)** as previously committed to by the North Central Office last autumn”

Reply

Waste Management Services will have a litter bin installed at the above mentioned bus stop during week beginning 16th January 2023.

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

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Q.23 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell

“To ask the Area Manager to organise a community presentation of the proposed part 8 for St Anne’s Park (Red Stables, changing places, kiosk at car park, sculpture, overflow car park and new exit, landscaping etc). I’m aware this will be going to public consultation but would be appreciated to have a community presentation beforehand please”

Reply

The Parks Service intends organising an onsite presentation to the area committee of the proposals. The drawings and plans can be made available in a location in the Red Stables at this time once a suitable date can be identified.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

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Q.24 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell

“To ask the Area Manager to organise the reinstatement of the broken glass in The tram shelter along Clontarf Road please. This has been broken for quite some time”

Reply

Staff from the North Central Area Office visited the tram shelter in December 2022 and assessed the damage to the glass. A number of panels have been broken and would require replacement. Dublin City Council have previously replaced damaged glass at the shelter with each panel costing approximately €3,000. In light of the most recent damage, Dublin City Council are in the process of looking at options for a more sustainable alternative as continual replacement is not financially sustainable.

Contact: Niamh Reilly, Staff Officer
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Q.25 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell

“To ask the Area Manager to report on the house in St Anne’s Park at James Larkin Road please. The report to include the shed in the front garden and whether or not that is a temporary structure requiring planning permission”

Reply

This is a garden shed, a temporary structure which does not require planning permission located in the private space of the residence.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

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Q.26 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell

“To ask the Area Manager whether or not the new proposed sculpture in St Anne’s Park needs planning permission”

Reply

Given the scale and impact of the proposed land art sculpture it is considered to be appropriate to include same in upcoming part 8 application.

Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

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Q.27 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell

“To ask the Area Manager to report on the light pole that was knocked over / removed on Philipsburgh Ave (opposite Spar Shop) please. Can the replacement be similar please”

Reply

The lighting column that was knocked down on Philipsburg Avenue will be replaced with a very similar column

Contact: Seamus MacSweeney, Senior Executive Engineer
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Q.28 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following regarding rubbish at **(details supplied)** and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply

Dublin City Council are always willing to assist groups who clean-up their areas. If the Councillor is willing to contact me separately at email below I'm sure we can work together.

Contact: Bernie Lillis, Litter Prevention Officer.
Tel: 222 4243
Email: bernie.lillis@dublincity.ie

Regrettably, under GDPR, the community team is not at liberty to divulge contact information for groups. However, we would be happy to relay **(details supplied)** details (with their permission), to our contacts in the Clarehall area to see if they would be interested in working together. We currently do not have an active group in Belmayne. The above mentioned can contact the undersigned if they wish to proceed.

Contact: Tony Fagan, Community Officer.
Tel: 086 8150297
Email: tonyp.fagan@dublincity.ie

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Q.29 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following planning application at **(details supplied)** and if he will make a statement on the matter. Can I be supplied with details of the planning application”

Reply

DCC can confirm that a planning application for the development of Lands at **(details supplied)** was submitted by the Developer on 21st December last under a Large Scale Residential Development (LRD) Application the the Council’s Planning Department.

This is the result of extensive consultation with stakeholders in the community via the **(details)** Road Consultative Forum established back in March 2017.

The full development description is as follows:

Development of a Large-scale Residential Development (LRD) encompassing 853 new homes comprising 343 social housing units (40%), 340 cost rental units (40%) and 170 affordable purchase units (20%) on a site of approx. 17.1 ha known as the 'Oscar Traynor Road Site, Dublin 5/Dublin 9, bounded by Coolock Lane (R104) to the north, Castletimon estate to the east, Lorcan estate to the south and by the N1 to the west, south-east of the M50 Junction 2 Interchange. The development will consist of:

I. 4 apartment buildings ranging in height from 3 to 6-storeys located along the northern boundary (Coolock Lane) of the site, with a total of 435 apartments and 40 duplex units, as follows:

a) Block BA-01 is 6-storeys in height with a total of 162 apartments, including 6 studio units, 38 no. 1-bedroom units, 88 no. 2-bedroom units and 30 no. 3-bedroom units, with a semi-private courtyard of 2,455 sq.m;

b) Block BA-02 is 6-storeys in height with a total of 158 apartments, including 7 studio units, 33 no. 1-bedroom units, 89 no. 2-bedroom units and 29 no. 3-bedroom units over podium carpark together with a podium semi-private courtyard of 1,400 sq.m;

c) Block BA-03 is 5-storeys in height with a total of 95 apartments including 28 no. 1-bedroom units, 48 no. 2-bedroom units and 19 no. 3-bedroom units, with a semi-private courtyard of 1,390 sq.m; and

d) Block BA-04 is 3-storeys in height with a total of 20 apartments including 12 no. 1-bedroom units, 8 no. 3-bedroom units and 40 no. duplex 2-bedroom units, over podium carpark and with a semi-private podium courtyard of 1,758 sq.m total.

II. 240 no. houses and 138 duplex apartment units, as follows;

a) 226 no. 2-storey houses including 58 no. 2-bedroom units and 168 no. 3-bedroom units;

b) 14 no. 3-storey 4-bedroom houses; and

c) 138 no. 3-storey duplex units, including 7 no. studio units, 50 no. 1-bedroom units, 54 no. 2-bedroom units and 27 no. 3-bedroom units.

III. A total of 3.64ha public open spaces comprising;

a) Lawrence Lands Park' (3.12ha), featuring the re-opened River Naniken and incorporating allotments, orchards, nature trails, skate and scooter park, wetlands with boardwalks and weir/pedestrian bridge over, cycle trails and woodlands; b) 5 pocket parks, including Kilmore Gardens (580 sq.m), Lawrence Gardens (2,548

sq.m), Castle Gardens (1,522 sq.m) Pocket Park West 1 (260 sq.m) and Pocket Park West 2 (260 sq.m).

IV. A 2-storey neighbourhood hub building with a cumulative GFA of 1,680 sq.m including a ground floor unit of 269.3 sq.m to facilitate a Class 1 (shop) and café (food and beverage) use, with 1,411 sq.m of floorspace at ground and first floor levels designated for Class 10 (community/arts) and/or Class 11 (cultural) uses

V. A 2-storey crèche (with capacity for 154 children) including an associated outdoor play area.

VI. 797 car parking spaces including 671 residential spaces and 126 parking spaces to serve the Neighbourhood Hub, crèche and visitors parking. 32 spaces will be disabled access compliant and there are 16 motorcycle parking spaces provided.

VII. 1412 long-stay resident and 394 short-stay visitor bicycle parking spaces to serve the development. Separately 40 scooter parking spaces are proposed to serve the Neighbourhood Hub and crèche.

VIII. The primary vehicular access will be via a new three-arm signal-controlled junction from Coolock Lane (R104). This new signal-controlled access junction will provide for upgraded/new pedestrian and cyclist infrastructure.

IX. A second vehicular access will be created from Lorcan Park to the south. This access will serve a cluster of 64 units (Phase 1A) of the development only with no through access for general vehicular traffic to the remainder of the site.

X. 7 new pedestrian/cyclist access points including 4 at Coolock Lane, 1 at Lorcan Park, 1 at Castletimon Gardens and 1 at Castletimon Road.

XI. 4 no. ESB substations/service buildings to serve the apartment and duplex buildings (including 2 standalone single storey substations).

XII. Plant, solar PV panels, waste storage areas and bring centre, boundary treatment, lighting and all ancillary site development works.

An Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) and Natura Impact Statement (NIS), have been prepared in respect of the proposed development.

The application may be inspected online at the following website set up by the applicant: <https://oscartraynorroadlrd.ie>

Contact: Martin Donlon, Development Manager
Tel: 222 3943
Email: matin.donlon@dublincity.ie

A large scale residential development planning application was received on 21st December 2022 for '**Details Road Site, Dublin 5 / Dublin 9, bounded by Coolock Lane (R104) to the north, Castletimon estate to the east, Lorcan estate to the south and by the N1 to the west, south-east of M50 Junction 2 Interchange**', reference LRD6019/22-S3.

The details and documents associated this planning application are available for viewing at the planning public counter in the Civic Offices, Wood Quay. Details of the development are also available for viewing online at <https://oscartraynorroadlrd.ie> or alternatively will be available for viewing on the Dublin city council website in due course, using the following link:

[Citizen Portal Planning \(agileapplications.ie\)](https://www.dublincity.ie/citizen-portal-planning)

As the decision due date on this application is the 23rd February 2023, no comment can be made on the application at this time.

Contact: Sheila Hennessy, Senior Executive Officer
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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
16th January 2023

Q.30 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following regarding crossing at **(details supplied)** and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply

There is design work underway at present to provide pedestrian crossings on across the **(details)** Interchange to allow pedestrians to safely cross on the North and Southside of the interchange. This work is currently being advanced by TII with the agreement and involvement of DCC and Fingal County Council.

Contact: Brendan O’Brien, Head of Technical Services (Traffic).
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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
16th January 2023

Q.31 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following regarding discretionary funding **(details supplied)** and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply

At present the Area Office is reviewing the works carried out last year out of the discretionary budget. It is planned to prepare a presentation for the February Area Committee on the projects completed. If the Councillor has any questions on particular projects, he is welcome to call the manager to discuss.

Contact: Derek Farrell, Local Area Manager for Artane - Whitehall LEA
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Email: derek.farrell@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
16th January 2023

Q.32 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following regarding cleaning at **(details supplied)** and if he will make a statement on the matter. How much has been set aside to clean this road and can the expenditure be spread throughout the year as the road constantly suffers from fly tipping”

Reply

This slip road is looked after by Transport Infrastructure Ireland.

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services,
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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
16th January 2023

Q.33 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following regarding a playground at **(details supplied)** and if he will make a statement on the matter. Is there any proposal to place a playground in the green park in this estate or outdoor gym equipment”

Reply

This park is just outside the catchment of existing playgrounds and given previous commitments to provide playgrounds at Harmonstown and Kilmore with joint funding from Parks and the Discretionary funds and the requirement to bring other playgrounds in the area up to standard this park would be considered a lower priority for a new playground in the short to medium term. There are no current proposals to provide a playground at this location. Adult exercise equipment was recently installed.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
16th January 2023

Q.34 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following **(details supplied)** regarding Roads and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply

Dublin City Council's Road Maintenance Services' Division received circa €5.4 Million in funding from the National Transport Authority in 2022. The National Transport Authority operates under the aegis of the Department of Transport. This funding was invested in the repair of footpaths, cycle lanes and shared bus and cycle lanes. Road Maintenance Services' plan to prepare a similar application to the National Transport Authority for funding this year.

In addition to this Road Maintenance Services had a budget of €12.3 Million funded by Dublin City Council in 2022 also invested in the repair of footpaths, cycle lanes and carriage ways. A similar budget has been provided for 2023.

Any increase in funding is welcome and will be spent improving the roads and footpaths further provided there are suitable resources available to manage tenders and contractor resources to complete works on the ground.

In addition to the Major works budgets described above for carriageway resurfacing and footpath repairs there are direct labour crews available to carry out localised pothole repairs.

Contact: Shane Satell, Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services
Email: shane.satell@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
16th January 2023

Q.35 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager for a report re: fire station at **(details supplied)** and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply

In Q4 of 2022 a total refurbishment of the internal space of **(details)** Fire Station was completed. It is purposed the remainder of works which include the engine bay and external works will be completed by Q2 2023

Contact: Karen Munds, Staff Officer
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CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
16th January 2023

Q.36 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager if there is plans to do up the empty apartments at **(details supplied)** and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply

Housing Maintenance has completed all works on these units with the exception of works required to be completed by ESB Networks. Once these works have been complete, these units will be ready for letting.

Contact: Clive Ahern, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance.
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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
16th January 2023

Q.37 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following regarding housing at **(details supplied)** and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply

Dublin City Council has initial funding and project approval for the redevelopment of Phase 1 **(details)** Court, which includes the development of the Old **(details)** site. An integrated design team has been working to progress design development and we have now applied for the next step in project approval (Stage 2) to the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH).

The current plans show for 116 homes on the **(details)** Court site, a mix of one, two and three bedroom homes, while it is planned to provide for 36 older person homes on the Old **(details)** site.

Upon receipt of Stage 2 approval, the Part 8 process will commence. We anticipate lodging the Part 8 planning application in Q2 2023.

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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
16th January 2023

Q.38 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following regarding Recycling centre at **(details supplied)** and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply

Waste Management Services have introduced additional services such as small WEEE recycling and inkjet recycling to the majority of bring centres across the city during the last two years. Additionally, polystyrene recycling technology was trialled at Ringsend Civic Amenity site in 2021. The trial was unsuccessful due to the emission of fumes that were a potential hazard to the health and safety of staff and patrons, and to the local environment. Waste Management Services are keen to continue trialling new recycling services at our facilities to augment the services currently available to patrons, subject of course to feasibility and available space. We intend to trial Oxfam book/CD/DVD banks in our bring centres this year.

There are currently no plans to change the opening hours of Dublin City Council bring centres.

(Details supplied) bring centre is the most used of our bring centres with a monthly average of 110 tonnes of materials retrieved there in 2021. At the time of writing, we are still awaiting details of tonnages retrieved here in December 2022 and stats for the year are not yet available, however I have included tonnages for 2020 and 2021 below.

Waste Stream	Packaging	Green Waste	Glass	Textiles	WEEE
2020	659.14t	251.74t	233.01t	66.29t	24.12t
2021	719.7t	268.4t	218.7t	55.22t	46.9t

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

Email: sid.daly@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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16th January 2023

Q.39 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager if a full yellow box can be installed to cover both southbound lanes outside the entrance to Griffith Downs on the Swords Road as drivers have great difficulty in entering or exiting this estate”.

Reply

Following a previous investigation during peak times, it was observed that the traffic exiting from Griffith Downs (Cul de Sac road with no major traffic) onto Drumcondra Road Upper was not significant and no blocking of the junction was observed. The waiting time was acceptable. Dublin City Council’s Transport Advisory Group does not provide yellow boxes in bus lanes as priority is given to public transport methods of travel.

DCC’s Bus Priority Team have proposed to change the hours of operation of the inbound and outbound bus lanes on Drumcondra Road Upper and we believe that if this modification is to go ahead it would alleviate this issue.

However, after the implementation, any issues relating to vehicles breaking the law by blocking the aforementioned junction should be referred to the Gardaí as they occur.

Contact: Gerry McEntagart – North City Executive Engineer

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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
16th January 2023

Q.40 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager if a disabled parking space can be provided at a location (details supplied)”.

Reply

Transport Advisory Group recommended installation of a disabled parking bay outside of above location at the end of November 2022. This measure will be implemented subject to the completion of the necessary statutory consultation process with the Gardaí. This process normally takes at a minimum a number of weeks.

The area engineer will ensure that the provision of this disabled parking bay is carried out as quickly as possible. Ref: 7029532.

Contact: Gerry McEntagart – North City Executive Engineer
Email: gerald.mcentagart@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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16th January 2023

Q.41 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager to repair damaged caused to wall of private residence at **(details attached)**”

Reply

Road Maintenance Services completed footpath repair works in this estate approximately one year ago. However, we have no record of completing footpath repair works directly outside house no. **(Details supplied)**. Road Maintenance in addition to visiting this location also checked with our contractor who confirmed that they have no record of any complaints or damage caused at this location from these works.

Contact: Derek Horan, Executive Engineer.
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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
16th January 2023

Q.42 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager that weeds be removed and litter swept from **(details supplied)**”

Reply

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned footpath cleared on the 6th January 2023.

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

The Public Domain Enforcement Officer has inspected this laneway at back of restaurant and reports that this location is a private lane which is not serviced by Dublin City Council. The footpath between **(details supplied)** was cleaned & weeds were removed by Waste Management Services.

Contact: Richard Cleary, Public Domain Enforcement Officer
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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
16th January 2023

Q.43 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager to have compacted leaves cleared from (**details supplied**)”.

Reply

Waste Management Services will have the above mentioned footpaths cleared of leaves during the first two weeks of January 2023.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
16th January 2023

Q.44 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Manager to respond to the following regarding Traffic Summit – Oscar Traynor Road and if he will make a statement on the matter”.

Reply

The manager will forward on the agreed actions from this meeting to the Councillor in the coming days.

Contact: Derek Farrell, Local Area Manager for Artane - Whitehall LEA
Phone: 222 8546
Email: derek.farrell@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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16th January 2023

Q.45 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Manager to respond to the following regarding LAP (**Details supplied**) and if he will make a statement on the matter”.

Reply

The Dublin City Development Plan 2022 - 2028 (the Development Plan) contains a robust policy framework to manage the development of public and private land. The new Development Plan was subject to extensive public consultation and provided an opportunity for the community in Santry to highlight their concerns and ambitions for this neighbourhood.

Table 2.14 of the Development Plan sets out a schedule for the preparation of the local area plans (LAPs) / village improvement plans (VIPs) to be progressed over the next 6 years, subject to resources. Table 2.14 includes the Santry/Whitehall (including the Omni Key Village Centre).

The preparation of a LAP/VIP for Santry/Whitehall (including the Omni Key Village Centre) will be based on a prioritisation selection procedure to be agreed upon with the elected members as part of the implementation of the Development Plan. The selection prioritisation will be based on:

- Areas that require economic, physical, and social renewal.
- Development potential and ability to assist in the delivery of the Core Strategy.
- Need for regeneration within an area based on the Pobal Index of Deprivation.

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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
16th January 2023

Q.46 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Manager to respond to the following regarding public toilets (**details supplied**) and if he will make a statement on the matter”.

Reply

As previously committed the Parks Service is currently investigating the repair of the toilets at Fr. Collins park with a view that they could be made available during events and when appropriate supervision can be put in place. It is intended to retender the coffee concession in Fairview Park which will allow the toilet at the pavilion be made available to the public. The part 8 planning application for the new toilet block in St. Anne’s Park including accessible toilets and a Changing Places facility is to be formally initiated in the near future.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
16th January 2023

Q.47 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Manager to respond to the following regarding discretionary funding (**details supplied**) and if he will make a statement on the matter”.

Reply

At present the Area Office is reviewing the works carried out last year out of the discretionary budget. It is planned to prepare a presentation for the February Area Committee on the projects completed. If the Councillor has any questions on particular projects, he is welcome to call the manager to discuss.

Contact: Derek Farrell, Local Area Manager for Artane - Whitehall LEA
Phone: 222 8546
Email: derek.farrell@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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16th January 2023

Q.48 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Manager to respond to the following regarding roundabout (**Details supplied**) and if he will make a statement on the matter”.

Reply

The addition of a coloured surface on the North Exit arm (The Hole in the Wall Road) of the (**Details**) Roundabout to highlight the position of the Toucan crossing is being considered and subject to agreement will be installed in Q1 2023.

Contact: **Conor Lynch, Senior Executive Engineer, Active Travel Programme Office.**
Tel: **222 4566.**
Email: **conor.lynch@dublincity.ie**

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
16th January 2023

Q.49 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Manager to respond to the following regarding Road (**details supplied**) and if he will make a statement on the matter”.

Reply

The civil works for the (**details supplied**) Street project will be complete in February 2023. Landscaping works and commissioning of traffic lights and public lighting will continue for a further few months. It is not yet possible to finalise a date for the full opening of the road as it is dependent on delivery of commissioning equipment and availability of resources but it is hoped that this will be early Summer.

The project cost is not yet finalised but the majority of the funding will come from the National Transport Authority and LIHAF.

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

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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
16th January 2023

Q.50 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Manager to respond to the following regarding Clongriffin (**details supplied**) and if he will make a statement on the matter”.

Reply

The North Central Area Office continues to liaise with the Developer (Gannon Homes) regarding vacant commercial units in Clongriffin. Smart Property who look after the retail units for Gannon Homes are actively seeking/negotiating with prospective tenants for vacant units. They are in negotiations with a café/restaurant and a dog groomers to occupy two of the units on Main Street. The retail units are let as ‘shell and core’ and therefore fit-out costings can be quite expensive. The large supermarket chains remain uninterested in a retail unit in Clongriffin due to insubstantial footfall.

Dublin City Council have no empty units in Clongriffin.

Contact: Deirdre Murphy, Administrative Officer
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Clongriffin

Dublin City Council do not own any Commercial Units in Clongriffin.

New Priory Retail Units:

There are 4 Retail units at New Priory, Hole in the Wall Road, Dublin 13. These units are advertised for letting by Mason Owen & Lyons Estate Agents on behalf of Dublin City Council. There is currently a proposal for a 10 year lease for a coffee shop to operate Unit 2A, Block 19 and it is anticipated that a report will be presented to the North Central Area Committee shortly.

Contact: Bláthnaid Conlon, Senior Staff Officer, Property Disposals.
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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
16th January 2023

Q.51 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Manager for an update (**details supplied**) and if he will make a statement on the matter”.

Reply

The shrubbery at this location will be examined and any necessary works scheduled before the bird nesting season.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
16th January 2023

Q.52 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Manager for an update re: resurfacing of a road (**details supplied**) and if he will make a statement on the matter”.

Reply

Irish Water have completed the resurfacing of the carriageway on (**details supplied**) (between The Malahide Road and The Griffith Woods development) following the Irish Water service works.

Contact: Deri Flood, SEE, IMU, RMS
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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
16th January 2023

Q.53 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Manager regarding development plan (**details supplied**) and if he will make a statement on the matter”.

Reply

The lands at (**details supplied**) are not in Council ownership. As far as the Council is aware, the lands are in the ownership of the OPW. It is considered that any promotion and any future development options for the site in question are best addressed to the OPW.

Contact: Deirdre Scully, Deputy City Planner
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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
16th January 2023

Q.54 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Manager to provide an up to date report re: **(details supplied)** and its future and if he will make a statement on the matter”.

Reply

In 2016 Shelbourne FC committed to relocating to the planned redeveloped stadium at Dalymount Park as one of the anchor tenants alongside Bohemian FC.

In January 2022 following the completion of the original Preliminary Design for Dalymount, Shelbourne FC notified Dublin City Council that they were stepping away from the Project. On 18th February 2022 Shelbourne Football Club submitted a proposal to purchase Tolka Park Football Stadium from the City Council and redevelop it into a multi-sport stadium.

Dublin City Council agreed in good faith to examine the proposal, however, it would be based on a cost recovery model for expenditure incurred by the City Council and a firm commitment from Shelbourne Football Club that Tolka Park can be re-developed in a reasonable period and that adequate finance is in place.

Dublin City Council issued a letter to Shelbourne FC 8th July 2022 as part of the ongoing discussions about Tolka Park and are still awaiting a detailed response from the Shelbourne FC Board and their proposed next steps with regard to their intention to purchase the ground.

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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
16th January 2023

Q.55 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager to refer to previous requests from tenant at **(details supplied)** and say if he will now agree to provide

- (a) New back door and or
- (b) Double lock of back door

All other dwellings in the block (build in 1976) have double locks and this is the only dwelling without one”

Reply

Housing Maintenance has not received any requests from the tenant in relation to issues with the back door and the double lock. We have logged this now for the tenant for inspection and repair.

Contact: Clive Ahern, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance.
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Email: clive.ahern@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
16th January 2023

Q.56 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager In relation to the Griffith Avenue cycleway, can the manager please,

- a. give an update on expenditure to date on the project,
- b. advise on how many, if any, accidents have occurred since the new layout/installation of the cycle lanes
- c. say when the grass verges will be reinstated as promised
- d. say when the trees removed will be replaced

and if a statement can be made on the matter”

Reply

d. The Parks Service will be carrying out tree planting along Griffith Avenue at suitable locations identified in a recent survey in the coming weeks.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

The costs up to November 2022 (excluding VAT) are outlined below, any further costs will follow in due course. These works are fully funded by the NTA under the Glasnevin to Clontarf Cycle Route.

Year	Location/Works	Expenditure
2020	Griffith Avenue (GA) Ext. - Northside Extruded Kerb	125,000
	GA - St Mobhi Road to Walnut Rise - Bollard Protected Cycle Lanes	77,000
2021	GA- Walnut Rise to Charlemont- Bollard Protected Cycle Lanes	190,000
	St Mobhi Road/Ballymun Road Junction Works	341,317
2022	St Mobhi Road/Ballymun Road Junction Works	567,075
	GA Ext Southside	148,250
	Swords Road Junction	673,538
	Permanent Arrangement	140,458
	Total	€2,262,638

The Traffic Department are not aware of any accidents as a result of the Griffith Avenue scheme.

Tree & grass verge removal are not part of the works associated with implementation of the Griffith Avenue Cycleway.

There are a number of substantial works still to be complete including:

- The installation of an extruded kerb along the Southern side of Griffith Avenue between the Malahide Road junction and Charlemont.
- The installation of parking protected cycle lanes on the northern side of Griffith Avenue - section 5.
- Implementation of greening options Q1/Q2 2023.
- Stage 3 Road Safety Audit to be complete on the entirety of the scheme.

The Environment & Transportation Department are currently in discussions with the Parks Department regarding possible greening options along the route.

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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
16th January 2023

Q.57 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager in relation to reply received to my question at the December Area Committee meeting, in relation to (**details supplied**), can the manager please say if, in relation to tree preservation orders;”

Reply

The making of a Tree Preservation Order (TPO) is a function of the Planning Authority, however in the event of initiating the TPO process or preparing a TPO, it would seek input from the Parks and Landscape Division. In any event, it is an executive function to decide whether or not it is expedient to initiate the TPO process on private land or on land which is the subject of a current planning application. In determining whether or not to initiate the process, the Planning Authority will also take into consideration the value of the planning application process to secure the satisfactory protection of trees during and post construction.

Contact: Mary Conway, Deputy Dublin City Planning Officer
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Tree Preservation Order (TPO) are a function of the planning department.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
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Q.58 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager to please refer to email at (**details supplied**) regarding vehicular access and respond”

Reply

The decision to restrict vehicular access to the beach was taken almost a decade ago in 2014 due to public safety concerns raised by and strong advices from the Gardaí following an incident where a visitor to the beach was injured and the difficulty experienced by the emergency services attending same due to the haphazard nature of parking on the beach at the time. There also was a marked increase in anti-social activity caused by cars driving on the beach in the months leading up to the decision. A widely reported statement from the Parks Service at the time synopsising the rationale for the decision advised: *‘it is considered that keeping the beach free of motor vehicles is in accordance with best practice and is beneficial in the long term for public safety, for improving maintenance, for the enjoyment of beach-goers and for achieving the nature conservation objectives which define the island as a unique and special place in the city.’*

While the decision was generally very well received certain concerns were raised regarding older and disabled visitors which is why a parking area was made available on the beach at the end of the Bull Wall to allow such visitors visual access to the sea and beach. This area remains available to all who wish to park and watch the waves and ships go by.

It is not considered that the decision to restrict vehicular access to the beach from the Causeway Road equates to the extinguishment of a right of way as non-vehicular public access remains.

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Q.59 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager to please refer to 2 emails at (**details supplied**) (received following my continued representations on behalf of this tenant who is distraught at the increase in his rent), and respond. Question 39 of October 2022 Area Committee refers”

Reply

The Dublin City Council Rent Scheme states that an income of €500 per week is to be applied to self-employed taxi drivers for the purposes of calculating the rent charge. However, as the tenant submitted a doctor’s letter stating that due to a medical condition he can only work 15 hours per week, his assessable self-employed income was reduced to €96.15pw. This income, along with the state pension of €266.30 was used to assess the rent charge, which is currently €58.41 per week (notified to tenant on 3rd October 2022).

A letter was sent to the tenant advising that if he was no longer self-employed, proof of de-registration with Revenue would be required and also that income and expenditure accounts for 2019-2021 were outstanding. Neither proof of deregistration with Revenue nor income and expenditure accounts were submitted. The tenant should submit the information as requested in order that a further assessment can be carried out.

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Q.60 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager in relation to housing situation as per (**details supplied**), now say what assistance can be provided as my constituent remains very concerned about her son”

Reply

The above applicant is on the Transfer List with an application date of 13/10/2015, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

Area	Bedsize	Position
Area B	1	279

Dublin City Council allocates properties based on time on the list and currently there are applicants of longer standing who have to be considered as suitable vacancies arise. It is not possible to indicate accurately the prospect of an offer for any applicant. The number of vacancies arising will be a determining factor in the length of time applicants could expect to be on the waiting list.

The applicant should contact Tuath Housing in relation to issues with the Heating and issues around other tenants in the area.

The applicants should keep checking the Dublin City Council website for any Choice Based Lettings that may become available in their area of choice. They are advertised every Friday and remain advertised for a period of 3 weeks.

The applicant can register on Homeswapper.ie to arrange a Mutual Transfer.

Contact: Sandra Barry, A/Allocations Officer, Housing Allocations & Transfers

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Q.61 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager in relation to the proposed extinguishment of the public right of way as per **(details supplied a)** can the manager give me an update on same, say if submission from **(details supplied b)** has been considered and if an explanation of extinguishments of public rights of way can be provided and how residents are consulted”

Reply

Extinguishment update -

The extinguishment proposal for the laneway located at **(details supplied)**, was submitted to Dublin City Council in August 2022. The proposer met all the pre-application stages.

This extinguishment closed for observations in mid-December 2022. Dublin City Council are currently in the process of analysing all submissions and compiling a report summarising submissions for the Executive

Extinguishment process –

Section 73 Roads Act 1993 is adhered to when a Local Authority is processing proposals relating to extinguishment to public right of ways.

The majority of proposals for laneway extinguishments are submitted by resident groups or individual residents.

As an extinguishment of a public right of way is a statutory procedure, which must be published, there is a right of objection by local residents and members of the general public, who may not agree with the proposal and these objections must be considered by the City Council even to the extent of hearing the views of both proposers and objectors at an Oral Hearing should the need arise.

The extinguishment of a public right of way is a reserved function of the City Council. Pre-application steps:

1. It is the responsibility of the proposer to supply signatures of support, names & addresses of a majority of adjoining landowners with properties abutting the public right of way who are in support of closure. This process is carried out by the individual / group who is proposing the extinguishment. This documentation is submitted as part of the application.
2. Reason for wanting to extinguish the public right of way must be included in the proposal.
3. Statement as to how the right of way is to be closed must be included i.e. by means of lockable gates, electronic gates, walls, gates with coded padlocks etc.
4. Location Map showing the proposed position for gates must be included.
5. Commitment from residents to undertake the cost of closure which includes the cost of diverting services if they exist in the laneway.
6. An application for extinguishment should be accompanied by a statement as to how the right of way will be maintained in the future by the fee simple owner of the ground and/or the adjoining owners/occupiers and how access will be provided for any private right of way, and to any public services – E.S.B. Gas, Water, Drainage etc. that may exist on or under the right of way (if these services are not diverted at the proposers expense).

If the public right of way is extinguished Dublin City Council will have no further responsibility for maintenance/liability of the right of way and cannot undertake liability for any expenses involved in effecting the physical closure.

Once the above steps have been completed, Dublin City Council will, Submit an EPROW proposal to Area Committee.

Place an advert in a national newspaper advertising the proposed extinguishment.

Place a site notice at the entrances to the public right of way.

Set up a public consultation on the Dublin City Council consultation hub. (4 weeks are allowed to view map and a further 2 weeks for receipt of representation / objections).

All objections and representations are acknowledged and placed on the file.

Service provider checks are sent to all relevant services and all replies are included in the file.

If an oral hearing is requested, this is organised and conducted by Dublin City Council.

At the end of the 6 week time frame the file is analysed by staff and a recommendation is decided on and agreed with the Director of Services.

A report is prepared for the North Central Area Committee with the recommendation.

Contact: Niamh Reilly, Senior Staff Officer, North Central Area.
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Q.62 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager please, in relation to parking of vehicles in Marino, and email at **(details supplied)**, say what action/plans can be put in place to

- (a) Alleviate/make it less difficult for residents to park outside their own homes and
- (b) Give an update on traffic calming management in the entire Marino Estate”

Reply

Part Reply (A)

In relation to residents parking on Brian Road. Many houses have driveways and there are minimal restrictions on the road apart from at junctions.

It is an offence to park opposite a continuous white line, on double yellow lines, on footpaths and to obstruct a driveway. Some properties are located at these junctions and therefore there may be no parking outside these houses.

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

There is currently free parking available for residents on Brian Road, if residents would like to formalise current parking arrangements they can do so by requesting a Pay & Display/Permit Parking Scheme via the DCC website click on link below

<https://www.dublincity.ie/residential/parking-dublin-city-centre/start-parking-scheme>

Contact: Gerry McEntagart – North City Executive Engineer.
Tel: 087 2615965.
Email: gerald.mcentagart@dublincity.ie

Part Reply (B)

The Clontarf to City Centre Scheme with the assistance of our Traffic colleagues is finalising a plan with the intention to install road markings at the entrances to the Marino estate. Proposed markings include 30kph markings on the roadway to increase awareness for motorists entering the estate.

It is intended to meet with the local resident group members in the coming weeks to review the proposal.

Contact: Joe Mernagh, Senior Resident Engineer, Active Travel Programme Office.
Email: joseph.mernagh@dublincity.ie

In relation to the Marino Neighbourhood Transport Scheme, this scheme is aimed at addressing long-standing transport issues on Haverty Road and surrounding roads. The Haverty Road Filtered Permeability Trial was installed on the 28th August 2022 for a 6 month trial period. A before and after evaluation of the trial is currently being

carried out to assess the effectiveness of the trial. The results will indicate if the trial should be made permanent, amended or removed, and if additional traffic calming measures should be considered for implementation on the surrounding roads.

A report summarising the analysis will be compiled and presented to councillors prior to the March 2022 North Central Area Committee meeting. We will seek feedback from councillors on the report and councillors will be given the opportunity to advise whether to implement the trial on a permanent basis.

A permanent scheme would likely involve the installation of permanent infrastructure such as traffic islands, planting and other traffic calming measures as required. We will be in a position to tender for the development of a detailed design in Q1 2023 if there is support from councillors for a permanent scheme.

Notwithstanding this, any specific requests for traffic calming measures at specific locations in the area can be submitted to Dublin City Council Transport Service Request Form (<https://consultation.dublincity.ie/tag/d7652216/consultation/intro/>) where they will be reviewed by the area engineer.

Contact: Andrew Geoghegan, Neighbourhood Transport Engineer, North City.
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Q.63 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager in relation to Road at **(details (a) supplied)** say

- (i) If he can arrange a road name for same and
- (ii) If he can remove/relocate big belly bin (as per photograph attached) to **(details (b) supplied)**”

Reply

a) Road Maintenance Services will investigate this location to determine the correct street name at **(details supplied)**. Once confirmed a new nameplate will then be ordered before being scheduled for installation. This process takes a number of weeks due to long lead times before receiving the new nameplates from our manufacture.

Contact: Derek Horan, Executive Engineer.
Tel: 222 3898.
Email: derek.horan@dublincity.ie

a) This road is not officially named. Residents in St. David’s Estate have previously queried the possibility of the Area Office naming this road but was not progressed at that time. This roadway is beside the recently named park- “St. Nicholas’ Park. We would encourage the resident & Councillor to discuss possible names with local residents and then submit an official request to the North Central Area Office for the road to be named.

The North Central Area Office can then start the naming process which includes sending the proposed names to Charles Duggan for comment and if he is happy that it is locally/historically relevant and recommends it be approved then an Irish translation can be sought and a report brought to the North Central Area Committee for approval.

Once approved the name will be circulated to all relevant departments including the Roads Maintenance division and then a nameplate can be erected. The North Central Area Office are happy to assist and will contact the Councillor directly to progress this naming.

Contact: Niamh Reilly, Senior Staff Officer.
Tel: 222 8841
Email: niamhp.reilly@dublincity.ie

b) Waste Management Services will arrange to have the above mentioned big belly bin relocated as requested.

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

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Q.64 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager in relation to traffic issues at **(details supplied)**, say if he can be of assistance”

Reply

There is circa 49m stacking lane for vehicles turning right at the junction with Drumcondra Road Upper, enough to cater for approximately 10 number cars. The Environment & Transportation Department keep all junctions under review. The issue has been raised with ITS section for review.

Cycling on the footpath is considered to be a substandard design and provides a poor facility for both pedestrians and cyclists. The Griffith Avenue scheme will provide a high quality cycle facility that minimises potential interactions between cyclists and other road users, providing a dedicated space for cyclists.

Contact: Chris Adamson, Executive Engineer.
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