



**MINUTES OF THE NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING**

**HELD ON MONDAY 18 SEPTEMBER 2023**

- 1 **Minutes of the North Central Area Committee meeting dated 17th July, 2023**  
Order: Agreed.
- 2 **Questions to the Area Managers** **9 - 124**  
Order: Unavailable due to Forsa Industrial Action
- 3 **ENVIRONMENT & TRANSPORTATION MATTERS**
  - a **Minutes of the TAG meeting dated 29th August, 2023**  
Order: Noted.
  - b **Supplementary information note to the TAG minutes**  
Order: Noted.
  - c **Gully report for noting**  
Order: Noted.
- 4 **AREA MATTERS**
  - a **Disposals -proposed disposal of a plot of land to the rear of 57 Shanliss Road, Santry, Dublin 9.**  
Order: Agreed.
  - b **Disposals - Proposed disposal of plots to the front and rear of 47 Marigold Grove, Darndale, Dublin 17**  
Order: Agreed.
  - c **Naming & Numbering - Oscar Traynor Road Development**  
Order: Agreed subject to the report being amended to select the second option "Coyne Woods". Councillors dismissed "Larchwell Park" and opted for "Coyne Woods", as Anne Coyne was the wife of Oscar Traynor, thereby maintaining the link with the area.
  - d **Extinguishments - Proposed extinguishment of the public right of way at Millwood Court, Tonlegee Road, Dublin 5**  
Order: Agreed.
  - e **Report on Castle Court Flooding**

Order: Noted.

f **Parks - Item for discussion - Strategy for dealing with storm damage to trees**

Order: Noted.

g **Area Managers Reports**

Order: Noted.

h **Housing Supply Report**

Order: Noted.

i **Sports & well being report**

Order: Noted.

5 **PLANNING MATTERS**

a **Notification of initiation under S179a Planning and Development Regulations 2023 - Proposed development of Cromcastle Underpass and associated external works situated at Cromcastle Road, Dublin 5**

Order: Noted. Refer to the November City Council.

b **Item for discussion: Proposed Draft Variation No.2 of the Dublin City Development Plan 2022-2028 (DCU Lands).**

Order: Noted. Refer to City Council.

c **Item for discussion: Proposed Draft Variation No. 4 Lands at 80 Philipsburgh Avenue, Dublin 3**

Order: Deferred.

6 **MOTIONS**

a **Motion in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon**

That this North Central area committee calls upon the council to reverse the current policy of not cutting grass verges.

**Reply**

The previous contract for the maintenance of verges outside residential properties ended in 2021. It was decided not to renew this contract as this work was neither quantifiable nor verifiable. Furthermore this work was not considered particularly sustainable to have fully equipped contractor teams attend all locations throughout the city to cut very small areas of grass which are often a short distance from domestic front lawns maintained by the residents. Access to these verges also proved quite problematic due to the levels of parking in certain estates leading to complaints of verges being missed and due to the nature and sheer scale of the work it was simply not possible for the contractor to revisit locations to attend to these missed verges before the next scheduled maintenance visit. It was also evident that many householders had already adopted the verges outside their homes and were maintaining same to a very high standard. Rather it was expected that residents would adopt the small area of grass to the front of their property and maintain same to their preferred standard as is the case in all other Dublin authority areas. It was also expected that residents, residents associations etc. would provide help to older and more vulnerable neighbours that might not be in a

position to take on this work again as is the case in other Dublin authority areas. The experience of the last 2 years has demonstrated that the vast majority of residents have taken on this work and are maintaining these verges to a high standard and neighbours are providing such help and supports in their communities.

To reverse this decision and put these verges out on contract in a manner that would be sustainable, quantifiable and verifiable and would require a mapping exercise the scale of which is just not practical nor feasible. The Parks Service remains amenable to arrange once-off cuts of such verges that have gotten out of control in cases of hardship or illness to facilitate ease of maintenance going forward.

**Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**  
**Tel: 222 6625**  
**Email: [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)**

Order: Agreed.

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

That this North Central Area Committee acknowledges the huge benefit to both dogs and their owners of dog specific parks/areas in our parks that are fenced in, have large dog and small dog areas and where they can run off lead and have water services. However, the North Central Area Committee recognises that not all parks within the Artane/Whitehall Ward (e.g. Ellenfield Park) are suitably large enough to incorporate a designated dog park. Therefore to support the expressed desire for a dog park in the Santry/Whitehall area of the ward, that the North Central Area Office liaise with Fingal Co. Co. with a view to establishing a designated dog park in Santry Demesne, a large expansive park area within the Santry area but just outside the DCC administrative area.

**Reply**

The Parks Service has been in touch with our counterparts with responsibility for Santry Demesne who have advised that Fingal County Council have plans to designate an off leash area in Santry Demesne and will liaise with Parks Users and DCC as part of this process.

**Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**  
**Tel: 222 6625**  
**Email: [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)**

Order: Deferred.

**c Motion in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker**

That this North Central Area Committee agrees that a thorough inspection

of all trees in Grace Park Heights and Meadows be conducted, ahead of the resident's association AGM on the 3<sup>rd</sup> October, with a report issuing from the inspection on condition, health and need for crown lifting, tree removal or any other necessary actions. As the parks staff are I'm sure aware 8 trees came down in these estates in the last storm event – including on top of a resident's car – and the residents are understandably concerned about the safety of the remaining trees.

### **Reply**

The Parks Service share concerns in this regard and have added both estates to the annual independent recorded tree surveys contract.

**Contact:** Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks  
Superintendent  
**Tel:** 222 6625  
**Email:** [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)

Order: Agreed.

#### **d Motion in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker**

That this North Central Area Committee agrees that there should be an agenda item annually in October with an update on progress and status of all agreed discretionary fund commitments to improve delivery and accountability.

### **Reply**

A progress report on each of the items approved for inclusion in the Discretionary Fund will be provided to the October Area Meeting.

**Contact:** Mick Carroll, Local Area Manager Donaghmede/Clontarf  
LEA  
Derek Farrell, Local Area Manager Artane/Whitehall  
LEA  
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[Derek.farrell@dublincity.ie](mailto:Derek.farrell@dublincity.ie)

Order: Agreed.

#### **e Motion in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

That this North Central Area Committee call on the manager to arrange for an update/presentation on Dublin Port Company's Liffey Tolka/Tolka Estuary Greenway project to this Committee.

### **Reply**

Dublin Port Company would be delighted to make a presentation on our Greenway projects, which will have huge benefits for Dublin City. Unfortunately due to annual leave and work commitments we are unable

to make a presentation before Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2023.  
Should you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

**Contact:** Edel Currie, Dublin Port Company  
**Email:** [ecurrie@dublincity.ie](mailto:ecurrie@dublincity.ie)

Order: Agreed.

f **Motion in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney**

That this North Central Area Committee supports the aims of the Dublin City transport safety policy to create a traffic school, that this could be close to the Clontarf old traffic school, this should be modernised to increase understanding of protection of all road users especially children, older persons and persons with disabilities, that a suitable site is found on land owned close to the Clontarf dart station, the all-weather pitches and new active travel route, as there are lands owned by DCC and zoned Z15 that could be provided, it could also be the site of a traffic exam for children similar to that taken in the Netherlands at age 10 to 12 so children can better learn to cycle and walk to school independently before secondary school”

**Reply**

Dublin City Council Environment and Transportation Department, in partnership with the Micro mobility unit and Dublin City Sport & Wellbeing Partnership, is actively engaged in the search for a suitable location to establish a Mobility Educational School. This facility aims to educate children on safe cycling practices within Dublin City. The road safety engineer is currently exploring different sites for suitable locations for the mobility education school within the Dublin City Council area.

The Clontarf area's sports pitch will be added to the list as a possible site for the Mobility Educational School. The Councillor will be updated on securing a suitable location for the Mobility Educational School.

**Contact:** Rossana Camargo, Executive Engineer, Transportation. Road Safety. Policy, Strategy and Innovation Section.  
**Email:** [Rossana.Camargo@dublincity.ie](mailto:Rossana.Camargo@dublincity.ie)

Order: Agreed.

g **Motion in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney**

That this North Central Area Committee supports the designation of the North Bull wall as a bathing area protected by EU bathing water directive,

as it continues to be used as a bathing area by large numbers of sea swimmers, that funding is sourced from capital sports funding, or elsewhere to restore the bathing shelter the steps repaired, the hand rails repaired, or replaced and strong hooks, that showers are provided by the larger mixed bathing shelters (like at the ladies and gents), more than one toilet is provided asap close to the bathing shelters and that the pavements are repaired”

### **Reply**

The current round of Sports Capital Funding has now closed for new applications. As the shelters, steps and handrails are exposed to the tides and storms they are regularly inspected and made secure each year. Arrangements will be made to have hooks replaced at the shelters. The request for an additional shower can be investigated however water pressure may not allow same. Pavements will be inspected and any necessary repairs scheduled as resources allow. Once the tender returns for the modular building tender have been analysed and the framework established the procurement of additional toilets can proceed.

**Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**  
**Tel: 222 6625**  
**Email: [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)**

Order: Agreed.

### **h Motion in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney**

That this North Central Area Committee whilst welcoming the new school zones in the NCA the lack of pencil bollards on these front of school treatments makes them ineffective in preventing driving and parking on pavements around the schools and that this committee requests that pencil bollards are put in place, already these front of school treatments replaced safe routes to school and now it appears even the front of school treatments are reduced in effectiveness.

### **Reply**

The aim of the School Zone programme is to improve safety at the school gate. Pencil bollards are one of the key design features of School Zone treatments and are included in the design, where deemed appropriate. There are a number of School Zones being implemented in the City at the moment and works on these, including pencil bollards where appropriate, will be completed in the coming weeks.

**Contact: Deirdre Kelly, Senior Staff Officer**  
**Email: [Deirdre.kelly@dublincity.ie](mailto:Deirdre.kelly@dublincity.ie)**

Order: Agreed

i **Motion in the name of Councillor Naoise O'Muire**

That this North Central Area Committee requests Parks to plan and prioritise an urgent tree assessment and replacement programme for the Grace Park Heights Estate as trees there are particularly vulnerable to collapse as evidenced in the recent storm.

**Reply**

The Parks Service share concerns in this regard and have added both estates to the annual independent recorded tree surveys contract.

**Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks  
Superintendent  
Tel: 222 6625  
Email: [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)**

Order: Agreed.

j **Motion in the name of Councillor Naoise O'Muire**

That this North Central Area Committee calls on insurers to make good on claims submitted by householders in Castle Court after the recent serious flooding incident on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> August 2023.

**Reply**

For discussion at meeting.

Order: Agreed.

k **Motion in the name of Councillor Naoise O'Muire**

That this North Central Area Committee calls on Government to urgently develop a financial support scheme for uninsured householders who suffer serious flooding incidents.

**Reply**

For discussion at meeting.

Order: Agreed.

**Councillor Daryl Barron  
Chairperson  
Monday 18 September 2023**

**Attendance:**

**Members:**

Daryl Barron (Chairperson)  
Dearbháil Butler  
Catherine Stocker  
Tom Brabazon  
Micheál MacDonncha  
Larry O'Toole

**Members:**

Patricia Roe  
Terence Flanagan  
Deirdre Heney  
Naoise Ó Muirí  
Declan Flanagan

**Members:**

Donna Cooney  
Racheal Batten  
John Lyons  
Damian O'Farrell  
Alison Gilliland

**Absent:**

Jane Horgan Jones

**Officers**

Bruce Philips, Mick Kelly, Derek Farrell, Fiona Moore, Catherine Cahill, Fergus O'Carroll, Jeremiah Moore, Will Mangan, Catalin Rosca, Patrick Smith, Gillian Corcoran, Bláthnaid Conlon, Maggie O'Donnell, Niamh Reilly, Lynda Drysdale, Deirdre Murphy, Aideen O'Connor, Rossana Camargo, Deirdre Kelly, Deirdre Scully, Laura O'Gorman, James Nolan, Colm Fitzpatrick.

**Guests:**

Shauna Callaghan – LDA  
Robert Farrell – LDA  
Paul Kennedy - LDA  
Jim Gallagher – ALTU Architects



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**Q.1 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons**

“To ask the Manager if **(details supplied)** recently granted the Medical Grounds Priority, was successful in their application for a one bed apartment in the new Bunratty Road development.”

**Reply**

This above mentioned applicant has been nominated and housed by Tuath Housing in Broomhill, Dublin 9 on 30/8/23.

**Contact:** Liz Fitzsimons, Staff Officer  
**Tel:** 222 6935  
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**Q.2 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Manager to arrange for the inspection of the footpaths in **(details supplied)** with a view to logging the repair/replacement of broken/tree tripped footpaths.”

**Reply**

DCC Road Maintenance Services will conduct an inspection of this location and if any defects are present it will be scheduled to be repaired once a works crew is available. At present there is a large backlog of repairs outstanding which we are working through.

**Contact: Aaron Bellew Executive Engineer**  
**North Central Area Road Maintenance Services**  
**Email: [aaron.bellew@dublincity.ie](mailto:aaron.bellew@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.3 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons**

“To ask the Manager for an update on the proposal for a new premises at the Glin Centre for the Priorswood & District Men's Shed.”

**Reply**

The Area Manager will link in with the Councillor to discuss same.

**Contact:** Derek Farrell, Local Area Manager Artane/Whitehall LEA  
**Tel:** 222 8546  
**Email:** [derek.farrell@dublincity.ie](mailto:derek.farrell@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.4 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole**

“To ask the Manager to respond to this housing request at (**Details supplied**).”

**Reply**

The above applicant is on the Housing List with an application date of 6/10/2015, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

<b>Area</b>	<b>Bedsize</b>	<b>Position</b>
Area B	2	66
Area D	2	23

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The applicants should check 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 should contact a Housing Advisor to have their income assessed. They may be eligible for the Housing Assistance Payment Scheme.

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

**Tel: 2222226**

**Email: [sandra.barry@dublincity.ie](mailto:sandra.barry@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.5 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole**

“To ask the Manager to make provision for this footpath resurfacing request”.  
(Details supplied).”

**Reply**

The Area Inspector will inspect this location and if any defects are present they will be repaired by a DCC Road Maintenance Works crew when available. At present there is a large backlog of repairs outstanding which are being worked through.

**Contact:** Aaron Bellew, Executive Engineer, North Central Area Engineer  
**Email:** [Aaron.bellew@dublincity.ie](mailto:Aaron.bellew@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.6 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole**

“To ask the Manager for a copy of the rental agreement for (**Details supplied**)?”

**Reply**

This is not a Dublin City Council tenancy. They should request a copy of the tenancy agreement from Co-operative Housing.

**Contact: Sandra Barry, A/Allocations Officer, Housing Allocations & Transfers**  
**Tel: 2222201**  
**Email: [sandra.barry@dublincity.ie](mailto:sandra.barry@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.7 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole**

“To ask the Manager to respond to the following housing query at (**Details supplied**)?”

**Reply**

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 check 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 should contact a Housing Advisor to have their income assessed. They may be eligible for the Housing Assistance Payment Scheme.

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

**Tel: 2222226**

**Email: [sandra.barry@dublincity.ie](mailto:sandra.barry@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.8 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons**

“To ask the Manager for a comprehensive report on the history of the application for an extension to **(details supplied)** who have a young child with multiple medical needs: when was the application submitted, what has been done to date, reasons for the delays, the nature of communication between the council and the tenant and when will the extension finally be built?”

**Reply**

Allocations Section are actively looking for a suitable temporary letting for this family so that the extension works can begin. Once a property has been identified and the family move in, the building contractor will be on site to commence construction.

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



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**Q.9 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons**

“To ask the Manager for a report on the number and nature of anti-social incidents in Fairview Park over the last five months and what actions have been taken to ensure such incidents do not reoccur. The report should include information on the destruction of the playing pitches by individuals illegally driving scrambler bikes in the park”.

**Reply**

The incursion of scrambler motorbikes into parks, open spaces and even the prom, the causeway and beach at Dollymount is an ongoing issue in the area. This illegal and inconsiderate behaviour also poses a considerable risk to park users and parks staff. This criminal anti-social behaviour is primarily a matter for the Gardaí. Parks staff cannot approach these individuals and are under instruction when such behaviour is observed to withdraw to a safe location and call the Gardaí. Local Parks Management liaise with local Gardaí on this matter on an ongoing basis.

There have been a number of such incidents reported in Fairview Park in recent months only some of which have resulted in minor damage to playing pitches. It is not accurate to assert that pitches have been destroyed as Parks Staff have been able to repair any damage quickly and pitches did not have to be taken out of use.

Fairview Park as a permeable urban park with dedicated cycling infrastructure including a ‘Share with Care’ route across the middle of the park and a new Greenway being developed along the Tolka remains quite vulnerable to scrambler motorbikes. It is anticipated that the proposed legislative changes to regulate such motorbikes will act to improve the situation.

**Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**  
**Tel: 222 6625**  
**Email: [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.10 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole**

“To ask the Manager to respond to the following flooding query at **(Details supplied)?**”

**Reply**

Drainage Services checked and found no issues with the surface water pipe at the location detailed above.

The gullies on the **(details supplied)** are cleaned under the scheduled maintenance programme for high speed urban dual carriageway roads as they require the attendance on site of a specialist Traffic Management Company. There are 10 such road locations located within the functional area of Dublin City Council. Gully cleaning at these 10 road locations will be undertaken early on Sunday mornings during the months of Oct – December inclusive. We will examine if the gullies on the **(details supplied)** can be prioritised as part of this scheduled programme.

**Contact: Kevin Vallely, Senior Executive Engineer, Surface Water & Flood Incident Management Division**

**Tel: 222 7504**

**Email: [kevin.vallely@dublincity.ie](mailto:kevin.vallely@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.11 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole**

“To ask the Manager to respond to the following traffic query at **(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

Following on from previous site visits by the area engineer, no visibility issues regarding traffic lights/pedestrian crossings were observed by vehicles exiting **(details)** Drive onto **(details)** Road. The traffic signals are visible exiting from the residential estate. A STOP Sign is provided on **(details)** Drive at the junction with **(details)** Road that imposes a requirement on all approaching traffic to come to a complete FULL STOP drivers may only continue if it is safe to do so after the vehicle has come to a FULL STOP.

Issues relating to vehicles failing to stop at the STOP sign should be referred to the Gardaí as they occur as a matter for enforcement.

**Contact: Gerry McEntagart – North City Executive Engineer**

**Email: [gerald.mcentagart@dublincity.ie](mailto:gerald.mcentagart@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.12 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole**

“To ask the Manager to respond to the following signage query at (**Details supplied**)?”

**Reply**

The public domain team will have signage in relation to general illegal dumping placed at this location as soon as resources allow.

**Contact:** Richard Cleary, Public Domain Officer  
**Tel:** 222 8866  
**Email:** [Richard.cleary@dublincity.ie](mailto:Richard.cleary@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.13 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole**

“To ask the Manager to have this housing applicant’s points reviewed (**details supplied**)?”

**Reply**

The above applicant is on the Housing List with an application date of 23/2/2022, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

<b>Area</b>	<b>Bedsize</b>	<b>Position</b>
Area B	2	530
Area D	2	287

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 check 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 should contact a Housing Advisor to have their income assessed. They may be eligible for the Housing Assistance Payment Scheme.

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

**Tel: 222 2226**

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**Q.14 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole**

“To ask the Manager to refer to this window replacement query (**Details supplied**)?”

**Reply**

Housing Maintenance will examine the matter and revert back with a detailed reply.

**Contact:** Clive Ahern, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance  
**Tel:** 222 3517  
**Email:** [clive.ahern@dublincity.ie](mailto:clive.ahern@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.15 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons**

“To ask the Manager for an update on the new Bunratty Road development, the condition of the buildings, information on the remedial works completed and an update the allocation of the units please”.

**Reply**

The Bunratty Road development is now on the Building Control Register and has been certified as Substantially Complete. All units have been handed over to DCC, allocations are in progress and a number of units are already occupied.

All remedial works have been completed and inspected by the contractor’s personnel, the contractor’s design team, DCC’s technical advisory team and Assigned Certifier, Architects and Building Inspectors from City Architects as well as inspections from the Building Control Authority.

All elements of the works, including the remedial works have been carried out to a high standard and to the satisfaction of the BCA, the Assigned Certifier and the DCC team.

The buildings are in excellent condition at time of handover. As with all new developments, there will be a number of snags to be addressed that will come to light as the buildings are occupied. These will be addressed by the contractor as necessary.

**Contact: Alice Simington, Senior Executive Officer**  
**Tel: 222 3695**  
**Email: [alice.simington@dublincity.ie](mailto:alice.simington@dublincity.ie)**

Allocation of Bunratty Road: Twelve of the fourteen houses have been allocated and the new tenants are in the process of moving in. One of the four blocks of apartments was handed over on 2<sup>nd</sup> August. Twelve of these sixteen apartments have been allocated and tenants are in the process of moving in. The remaining three blocks were handed over on the 1<sup>st</sup> September and the Area Office are working on allocating these units and the Section 15 Garda Requests.

**Contact: Gillian Corcoran, Acting/Housing Manager**  
**Tel: 222 6942**  
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**Q.16 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons**

“To ask the Manager for a detailed update on the proposed new community centre for the Kilbarrack area please”.

**Reply**

The North Central area office met and initiated negotiations with Northside Partnership with a view to them becoming a potential anchor tenant. Following on from this meeting Northside Partnership submitted details and a description of their requirements and the facilities they currently have in Kish House.

This information was sent to DCC Architect’s Department and we are currently waiting to see if these requirements could be incorporated into the initial design/plans for the Community Centre which were drawn up in 2018, taking into account that the childcare facility space would no longer be needed.

**Contact:** Deirdre Murphy, Administrative Officer  
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**Q.17 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon**

“To ask the Manager to arrange the following at **(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

The Public Domain Enforcement Officer has raised the issue with waste management and **(details supplied)** are now on the list to be weeded and cleaned. Waste management will address the issue when staff resources allow.

**Contact:** Tommy Collins, Public Domain Enforcement Officer  
**Tel:** 222 8870  
**Email:** [tommy.collins@dublincity.ie](mailto:tommy.collins@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.18 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon**

“To ask the Manager to arrange the following at **(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

The Parks Service does consider that this open space could accommodate such a scheme and is happy to work with the community office in this regard.

**Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**  
**Tel: 222 6625**  
**Email: [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.19 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon**

“To ask the Manager to arrange for bollards to be removed and replaced as per (details supplied)”

**Reply**

Arrangements will be made to have these bollards removed in the coming weeks.

**Contact: Mick Carroll, Local Area Manager Donaghmede/Clontarf LEA**  
**Tel: 222 8870**  
**Email: [mick.carroll@dublincity.ie](mailto:mick.carroll@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.20 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon**

“To ask the Manager to arrange for grass growth to be strimmed at **(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

The landscape maintenance contract provides for 2 such strimmings a year. This request has been brought to the attention of the contractor who will arrange same as schedules allow.

**Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**  
**Tel: 222 6625**  
**Email: [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.21 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon**

“To ask the Manager to arrange for the bin to be reinstalled at **(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned bin replaced at the end of August 2023. Litter levels at this location will be monitored to determine if there is a requirement for a new bin on the opposite side of the road.

**Contact:** Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services,  
**Tel** 222 4240  
**Email:** [mick.boyle@dublincityt.ie](mailto:mick.boyle@dublincityt.ie)

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**Q.22 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon**

“To ask the Manager to arrange for road surfacing repairs at **(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

The Area Inspector will inspect this location and if any defects are present they will be repaired by a DCC Road Maintenance Works crew when available. At present there is a large backlog of repairs outstanding which are being working through.

**Contact: Aaron Bellew, Executive Engineer, North Central Area Engineer**  
**Email: [Aaron.bellew@dublincity.ie](mailto:Aaron.bellew@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.23 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon**

“To ask the Manager to arrange for pothole repairs at **(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

The Area Inspector will inspect this location and if any defects are present they will be repaired by a DCC Road Maintenance Works crew when available. At present there is a large backlog of repairs outstanding which are being working through.

**Contact: Aaron Bellew, Executive Engineer, North Central Area Engineer**  
**Email: [Aaron.bellew@dublincity.ie](mailto:Aaron.bellew@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.24 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole**

“To ask the Manager to contact the relevant company regarding the location of this power cabinet on the public footpath outside”

**Reply**

The Public Domain Enforcement Officer has sent an email to ESB networks requesting they examine this area and report back to Councillor.

**Contact:** Richard Cleary, Public Domain Enforcement Officer  
**Tel:** 222 8866  
**Email:** [Richard.cleary@dublincity.ie](mailto:Richard.cleary@dublincity.ie)

The location of the cabinet is on a portion of the footway that is private property and not in charge to Dublin City Council. Road Maintenance Services will contact the ESB and developer to highlight the risks to vulnerable footway users and request consideration for the cabinet to be relocated in a safer location.

**Contact:** Finán Dooley, Executive Engineer  
**Tel:** 222 6727  
**Email:** [finan.dooley@dublincity.ie](mailto:finan.dooley@dublincity.ie)



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**Q.25 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Manager for an update on the planned playgrounds for McAuley Park and Kilmore West?”

**Reply**

The tender submissions have been received this week by Parks and will be assessed according to the award criteria after which a preferred contractor will be appointed after the requisite standstill period.

**Contact:** Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent  
**Tel:** 222 6625  
**Email:** [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.26 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Manager to arrange for DYL’s to be installed as per **(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

This work has now been completed.

**Contact:** Anthony Dalton, Assistant Traffic Officer.  
**Email:** [anthony.dalton@dublincity.ie](mailto:anthony.dalton@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.27 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Manager to arrange for the cutting back of the low eye level trees along (details supplied)”

**Reply**

An 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 2023/34. It should be noted however that the recent storm event has precipitated a considerable volume of requests from understandably concerned residents to inspect and assess publicly owned trees. If the precise locations of the low trees that are considered to be causing an obstruction or indeed considered hazardous could be forwarded to [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie) a safety inspection will be expedited.

**Contact:** Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent  
**Tel:** 222 6625  
**Email:** [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.28 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Manager to arrange for the removal of fallen branches, some fallen pre-Storm Betty from **(details supplied)** and to detail the works that seem to have stalled and are now surrounded by red barriers on this stretch of green.”

**Reply**

In the immediate aftermath of the recent storm event the priority was to make locations safe and to remove hazards. The following clean-up where such branches are removed from site is ongoing and will continue for another number of weeks before all such areas have been addressed.

**Contact:** Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent  
**Tel:** 222 6625  
**Email:** [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.29 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Manager to liaise with DCC Road Maintenance and the ESB to have (details supplied) moved”

**Reply**

The Public Domain Enforcement Officer has sent an email to ESB networks requesting they examine this area and report back to Councillor.

**Contact:** Richard Cleary, Public Domain Enforcement Officer  
**Tel:** 222 8866  
**Email:** [Richard.cleary@dublincity.ie](mailto:Richard.cleary@dublincity.ie)

The location of the cabinet is on a portion of the footway that is private property and not in charge to Dublin City Council. Road Maintenance Services will contact the ESB and developer to highlight the risks to vulnerable footway users and request consideration for the cabinet to be relocated in a safer location.

**Contact:** Finán Dooley  
**Tel:** 01 222 6727  
**Email:** [finan.dooley@dublincity.ie](mailto:finan.dooley@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.30 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Manager to detail the difference/rationale in use between a pedestrian light that remains on green for the pedestrian crossing/red for the vehicle driver for 7 seconds and then flashes amber for both and a pedestrian light that remains on green for the pedestrian crossing for 15 seconds while the vehicle light remains on red? ie why is one type used at one crossing and the other type at another crossing”

**Reply**

The two types of crossing mentioned in your question relate to a pedestrian crossing and a pelican crossing the difference between the two is detailed below. The majority of controlled crossing in the DCC areas operate as pedestrian crossing as they are more suitable for areas with busy pedestrian movement, as they reduce the conflict between vulnerable road users and vehicles.

**Pedestrian Crossings**

Pedestrians press the button to register a demand for the crossing, the vehicle signal will change from amber to red and then the green man will illuminate indicating that the pedestrian can cross the road. After a fixed period the green man will switch to the amber man. The length of the amber man is based on the road width with 1 second given for every 1 metre of roadway. The vehicle signal will remain red until the amber man has changed to the red man. Motorist can only proceed on the green signal.

**Pelican Crossings**

Pedestrians press the button to register a demand for the crossing, the vehicle signal will change from amber to red and then the green man will illuminate indicating that the pedestrian can cross the road. After a fixed period the green man will change from a steady state to a flashing green man, at the same time the vehicles traffic signal will change to flashing amber. When motorist see the flashing amber they can proceed with caution but they must yield to pedestrians already crossing the road.

**Contact:** Karen Hosie, Senior Transportation Officer  
**Tel:** 222 5488  
**Email:** [Karen.hosie@dublincity.ie](mailto:Karen.hosie@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.31 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Manager for an update on progress realising the following motion as passed by the North Central Area Committee at its March meeting, i.e. Motion 1 in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

The North Central Area Committee recognises the ongoing need to enhance traffic flow along the Oscar Traynor Rd and insists that i) a traffic monitor be set up at the entrance to the Clonshaugh Industrial Estate to establish the volume, type and direction of traffic into and out of the estate and ii) investigate the viability of joining up the road system within the Clonshaugh Industrial Estate so as to allow for an exit/entrance onto the roundabout at the top of the R139.”

**Reply**

I will arrange for a traffic survey to be carried out as soon as resources allow

- i) to establish the volume, type and direction of traffic into and out of the estate and
- ii) to investigate the viability of joining up the road system within the Clonshaugh Industrial Estate so as to allow for an exit/entrance onto the roundabout at the top of the R139. ( from visual inspections of the congestion at this location at peak hours it may not be an option)

**Contact: Joseph Kelly, Senior Engineer**  
**Email: [joseph.kelly@dublincity.ie](mailto:joseph.kelly@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.32 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Manager for an update on progress realising the following motion as passed by the North Central Area Committee at its May meeting.

Motion 1 in the name of Cllr. Alison Gilliland

That this North Central Area Committee recognises the need for local physical indoor spaces to allow for community groups to meet and for recreational/educational activities to be facilitated. Such groups and local activities very much promote social engagement and contribute to mental and physical well-being. It is also recognised that such groups lack the financial capacity to rent spaces on commercial terms and need to be supported by the provision of community spaces as successfully demonstrated by The Junction and The Community Hub in Clongriffin. Therefore, given the commitment under the North Central Discretionary Fund to undertake an audit of community needs in the Kilmore area, the North Central Area Committee agrees that the planned residential developments at Cromcastle Court (DCC) and at the Cromcastle Underpass (LDA) should include dedicated community spaces that will be made available to local groups for local community activities and local needs.”

**Reply**

**Cromcastle Court:**

The regeneration of Cromcastle Court will be completed over three phases. Phase 1 is for the redevelopment of the southern end of the site facing onto Kilbarron Road and the adjacent Old Coal Yard site

On the 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023, Dublin City Council received Stage 2 approval from the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage for the redevelopment of Phase 1 Cromcastle Court. This allows us to move forward with our project plans and gives us consent to commence the planning approval process.

Presently, our integrated design team are continuing to work on design development and they have been instructed to complete a community infrastructure audit as part of their design development. The completed audit will be available to our elected representatives and members of the public as part of the planning pack.

As our plans progress, further consultation will be arranged with the residents of Cromcastle Court and local elected members.

**Contact:** Alice Simington, SEO Housing Regeneration  
**Tel:** 222 3695  
**Email:** [alice.simington@dublincity.ie](mailto:alice.simington@dublincity.ie)

**Cromcastle Underpass**

The Cromcastle Underpass development will be completed in one phase of construction. Following feedback from the initial public consultation event, the scheme went under a process of redesign. On the 26<sup>th</sup> May, there was a public consultation



event held with Local Councillors to present the revised scheme. On the 2<sup>nd</sup> September a public information morning took place in the Kilmore Recreation Centre. Representatives were present from DCC Housing Department, Local Area office and the LDA who were available to answer queries in relation to the proposed development. The event was attended by the local residents and the wider community.

The scheme proposes 479.3 sqm dedicated cultural/community use space at ground floor level in compliance with the requirement for the provision of 5% dedicated community, arts and cultural space use under CUO22 of the Dublin City Development Plan. In addition to this, there will be 441 sqm of external public plaza and 706 sqm of green space provided for local community use.

On the 28<sup>th</sup> August, Stage 1 approval from the approval from the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage was received for the social housing tenure.

At present, DCC, the Land Development Agency and the design team continue to work on preparing the design information required for the planning submission. It is intended that a planning submission will be notified to the full council in November 2023 with a commencement on site by the end of 2024.

**Contact:** Laura O’Gorman, Housing (Cromcastle Underpass)  
**Tel:** 222 3519  
**Email:** [laura.ogorman@dublincity.ie](mailto:laura.ogorman@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.33 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Manager for an update on the CPO of (details supplied)?”

**Reply**

Housing Maintenance will examine the matter and revert back with a detailed reply.

**Contact: Clive Ahern, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance**  
**Tel: 2223517**  
**Email: [clive.ahern@dublincity.ie](mailto:clive.ahern@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.34 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons**

“To ask the Manager for a detailed update on the proposed regeneration of Cromcastle Court flat complex.”

**Reply**

Dublin City Council received Stage 2 approval from the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage for the redevelopment of Phase 1 Cromcastle Court, which also includes the development of the Old Coalyard site on the 31 August 2023.

The current proposals show for 115 homes on the Cromcastle Court site, a mix of one, two and three bedroom homes, while it is planned to provide for 34 older person homes on the Old Coalyard site.

An integrated design team has been working to progress design development of the new scheme. Presently, we are progressing with commencing the planning stage of the project and this project has been identified as being suitable to proceed through the planning process using the S179a planning process.

It is envisaged that further consultation will be arranged through the Local Housing Manager and her office with the residents of Cromcastle Court and local elected members in the coming months.

**Contact:** Alice Simington, SEO Housing Regeneration  
**Tel:** 222 3695  
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**Q.35 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker**

“To ask the Manager, following on from a previous question, if the Council will examine the trees at two locations at **(details supplied)** with the view to pruning back the higher branches as they are blocking the street lights. Residents in both cul de sacs are making a collective effort to have this addressed.”

**Reply**

While a cursory look at images available online suggest that the majority of the lights on these roads are not being obscured an 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 2023/34. It should be noted however that the recent storm event has precipitated a considerable volume of requests from understandably concerned residents to inspect and assess publicly owned trees.

**Contact:** Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent  
**Tel:** 222 6625  
**Email:** [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.36 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker**

“To ask the Manager if any of the below footpath locations at **(details supplied)** have been listed for repair after their inspection?”

**Reply**

Job number 41164170 has been created for the locations detailed on **(details)** Lawn and Job number 41136827 has been created for the locations detailed on **(details)** Park. These jobs will be repaired by a DCC RMS works crew once available. At present there is a large backlog of repairs outstanding which are being worked through.

**Contact: Aaron Bellew North Central Area Engineer**  
**Email: [aaron.bellew@dublincity.ie](mailto:aaron.bellew@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.37 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker**

“To ask the Manager if signs can be put in to deter dumping of food waste and also dog littering on the green space at Lein Park near the junction with Harmonstown Road.”

**Reply**

Arrangements will be made, in conjunction with the North Central Area office, to put in place signage as requested.

**Contact:** Bernie Lillis, Litter Prevention Officer.  
**Tel:** 222 4243  
**Email:** [bernie.lillis@dublincity.ie](mailto:bernie.lillis@dublincity.ie)

The locus will be investigated and appropriate signage erected as schedules allow

**Contact:** Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent  
**Tel:** 222 6625  
**Email:** [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.38 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker**

“To ask the Manager for an update on the role out of school zones and safe routes to school in the Clontarf LEA. The new school zones in Donnycarney and Fairview are welcome. Could you detail the list for the next five and estimated time period for roll out?”

**Reply**

The School Mobility team is currently working through a list of schools identified by the Department of Transport as priority schools for the Safe Routes to School (SRTS) programme. Works on Round 1 schools will take place over the coming months and it is envisaged that works on Round 2 schools will start in 2024. We are unable to progress schools outside of the SRTS priority list at this time. Once the SRTS priority list has been cleared, engagement will recommence with other schools.

#	Round 1 and 2 SRTS Schools	Adjacent School	Community	Area	2023 Status
1	SRTS Round 1 Assumption Junior School		Walkinstown	South Central Area	Completed Q1
2	SRTS Round 1 Assumption Senior Girls' National School		Walkinstown	South Central Area	Completed Q1
3	SRTS Round 1 Our Lady of Consolation	Scoil Chiarain	Collins Ave East	North Central Area	Works in progress
4	SRTS Round 1 St Joseph's Secondary School Fairview		Fairview	North Central Area	Works in progress
5	SRTS Round 1 St. Joseph's CBS		Fairview	North Central Area	Works in progress
6	SRTS Round 1 St Fiachra's Junior National School	St Fiachra's Senior National School	Beaumont	North Central Area	Non-Stat Consultation completed Q2
7	SRTS Round 1 Broombridge Educate Together National School		Boombridge	Central Area	Non-Stat Consultation completed Q2
8	SRTS Round 1 Drumcondra National School		Drumcondra	North Central Area	Non-Stat Consultation completed Q2
9	SRTS Round 1 St. Brigid's Girls' National School	St Marys Secondary School	Glasnevin	Central Area	Preliminary Design in

					Development Q2
10	SRTS Round 1 Stratford College		Rathgar	South East Area	Preliminary Design in Development Q2
11	SRTS Round 1 Stratford National School		Rathgar	South East Area	Preliminary Design in Development Q2
12	SRTS Round 1 Harold's Cross Educate Together Secondary School	St Clare's Primary School	Harold's Cross	South East Area	Preliminary Design in Development Q2
13	SRTS Round 1 Kildare Place School		Rathmines	South East Area	Preliminary Design in Development Q2
14	*SRTS Round 1 Belmayne Educate Together Secondary School *( NOT CURRENTLY IN DCC CHARGE)		Belmayne	North Central Area	Not Yet Commenced
15	SRTS Round 2 St Christopher's Primary School		Haddington Road	South East Area	Preliminary Design in Development Q2
16	SRTS Round 2 St Pauls College Sybill Hill	St Brigid's BNS	Raheny	North Central Area	Not Yet Commenced
17	SRTS Round 2 Gaelscoil Lios na n-Óg		Rathmines	South East Area	Not Yet Commenced
18	SRTS Round 2 Glasnevin National School		Glasnevin	Central Area	Not Yet Commenced
19	SRTS Round 2 St Kevin's Junior National School		Donaghmede	North Central Area	Not Yet Commenced
20	SRTS Round 2 St. Paul's CBS Secondary School New Brunswick St		Smithfield	Central Area	Not Yet Commenced

**Contact:** Deirdre Kelly, Senior Staff Officer  
**Tel:** 222 6273  
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**Q.39 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker**

“To ask the Manager for an update on the installation of wheelchair inclusive swings in the North Central area – specifically Fairview, St Annes Park and Father Collins Park”

**Reply**

Once the procurement of the new playgrounds has been completed the next body of work is to procure these swings. It is intended to provide 2 in the North Central Area at Fr. Collins Park and St. Anne’s Park. Fairview Park was examined and there is not the space either within the playground or in the green areas adjacent to accommodate the significant footprint of these swings.

**Contact:** Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent  
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**Q.40 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker**

“To ask the Manager for a report indicating the outcome of the inspection of the trees on Belton Park Avenue outside **(details supplied)** requested in my questions to the NCAC in September 2022. In light of recent events residents are concerned about the safety of these trees which they believe to be unhealthy/unstable.”

**Reply**

An 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 2023/34. It should be noted however that the recent storm event has precipitated a considerable volume of requests from understandably concerned residents to inspect and assess publicly owned trees.

**Contact:** Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent  
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**Q.41 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker**

“To ask the Manager to look at the cages on the trees around the Donnycarney West area (Belton Park Road/Donnycarney Rd, Oak, Elm, Holly and Hazel Roads) as it looks like a number have outgrown these cages and they are now impeding their growth.”

**Reply**

An 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 2023/34. It should be noted however that the recent storm event has precipitated a considerable volume of requests from understandably concerned residents to inspect and assess publicly owned trees.

**Contact:** Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent  
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**Q.42 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker**

“To ask the Manager to have the public light in the gated laneway at **(details supplied)** removed. I have forwarded previous correspondence on this between myself and the area office staff which says that public lighting will remove this at their cost. I can provide details of the resident to arrange access.”

**Reply**

Arrangements will be made to remove this light from the gated laneway in the next 4 to 6 weeks and the Area Office will provide contact details of the resident to Public Lighting Services so that access can be provided.

**Contact:** Seamus MacSweeney  
**Tel:** 222 4415  
**Email:** [seamus.macsweeney@dublincity.ie](mailto:seamus.macsweeney@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.43 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker**

“To ask the Manager to have the stump (picture attached) on the Malahide Road - which has been there several years, is growing various other plants out of it and is very unsightly – removed. It has been trimmed back recently but needs to be properly removed”

**Reply**

An inspection of the stump at this locus 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 2023/34. It should be noted however that the recent storm event has precipitated a considerable volume of requests from understandably concerned residents to inspect and assess publicly owned trees.

**Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**  
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**Q.44 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole**

“To ask the Manager to respond to housing application of **(details supplied)** and can an indication be given as to when they will be allocated suitable housing?”

**Reply**

The above applicant is on the Transfer List with an application date of 6/2/19, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

<b>Area</b>	<b>Bedsize</b>	<b>Position</b>
Area B	1	440
Area D	1	157
Area E	1	474

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.

**Contact:** Sandra Barry, Acting Allocations Officer  
**Tel:** 222 2201  
**Email:** [Sandra.barry@dublincity.ie](mailto:Sandra.barry@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.45 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager in relation to location as per **(details supplied)** where local residents are experiencing constant difficulties with parking their car and say,

1. If he can say what examination was made to have the bus stop relocated in response to previous question from me on this matter
2. If he can examine the possibility of relocating the bus stop away from **(details supplied)** who, because of preservation order, is unable to install a driveway
3. If he can carry out an upgrade/repair works to area of footpath at **(details supplied)** (where two tyres can be accommodated) because presently it is totally inaccessible to pedestrians or wheelchair users and is an eyesore, unsightly and is a danger to anyone using it.

**Reply**

The location of a bus stop is part of the licence arrangement for a scheduled service which is issued by the NTA. DCC can inspect the area and determine if there is an alternative but this would then need to be discussed and agreed with the NTA before any changes could be made.

**Contact: Adam Kelly, Bus and Coach Section**  
**Email: [adam.kelly@dublincity.ie](mailto:adam.kelly@dublincity.ie)**

The Area Inspector will inspect this location and if any defects are present they will be repaired by a DCC Road Maintenance Works crew when available. At present there is a large backlog of repairs outstanding which are being worked through.

**Contact: Aaron Bellew, Executive Engineer, North Central Area Engineer**  
**Tel: 222 4259**  
**Email: [Aaron.bellew@dublincity.ie](mailto:Aaron.bellew@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.46 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager in relation to **(details supplied)**, say if he can advise me of details of what the air pollution reading was measured by the Google/Dublin City Council collaboration of measurements of pollution on Dublin streets.”

**Reply**

The street by street map of Air Quality (NO<sub>2</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> levels) in Dublin City associated with the Google Air View project can be viewed [here](#)

Right click and select open hyperlink. Select Dublin City and scroll to Upper Drumcondra Road.

Levels of PM 2.5 range between 4-8 µg/m<sup>3</sup> (micrograms per meter cubed) and levels of NO<sub>2</sub> range between 20 -45 µg/m<sup>3</sup> on Upper Drumcondra Road.

**Contact:** Paul Rutherford, Acting Principal Environmental Health Officer,  
Air Quality Monitoring and Noise Control Unit  
**Tel:** 2223747  
**Email:** [paul.rutherford@dublincity.ie](mailto:paul.rutherford@dublincity.ie)



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**Q.47 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager, in relation to **(details supplied)** and to my previous questions on same, say when he can arrange to repair footpaths as they are in a very poor state of repair and my constituent damaged the newly replaced tyre of his vehicle as he pulled up outside his home which cost him €200 to replace and if he can make a comment on the matter”

**Reply**

Job number 41176542 has been created and issued to a DCC Road Maintenance Works crew for repair. Please note there is a large backlog of outstanding issues and this location will be attended to when a crew is available.

**Contact:** Aaron Bellew, Executive Engineer North Central Area  
**Tel:** 222 4259  
**Email:** [Aaron.bellew@dublincity.ie](mailto:Aaron.bellew@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.48 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager in relation to **(details supplied)**, have these trees cut back/lopped as they are growing out over the footpaths and causing an obstruction to pedestrians/park users, particularly vulnerable park users”

**Reply**

An 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 2023/34. It should be noted however that the recent storm event has precipitated a considerable volume of requests from understandably concerned residents to inspect and assess publicly owned trees.

**Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**  
**Tel: 222 6625**  
**Email: [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.49 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager in relation to laneway at **(details supplied)**, please arrange to clear same of overgrowth weeds etc”

**Reply**

The Public Domain officer has liaised with Waste Management who have agreed to address the issue in this laneway at **(details supplied)** as soon as resources allow.

**Contact:** Tommy Collins, Public Domain Officer  
**Email:** [tommy.collins@dublincity.ie](mailto:tommy.collins@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.50 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager in relation to green space at **(details supplied)**, say

- a) Who the owner of the property is
- b) Confirm that the City Council maintains the space,
- c) Say if the Council ever maintains similar such spaces that are not in the ownership/charge of the City Council
- d) Say what plans the Council has to restore the trees recently destroyed

**Reply**

- a) The land concerned is privately owned and not in the ownership or in charge of Dublin City Council.
- b) DCC Parks have confirmed that “Park Services maintain the grass areas at Castle Court. It seems that the issue regarding the trees lies with the land owners involved”.
- c) This is a matter for Parks to respond to.
- d) At this point in time investigations are being carried out by the Planning Enforcement Section to ascertain whether any enforceable breach of existing planning permissions has occurred as a result of the removal of the trees concerned. The main complainant in this case as well as local Councillors who have expressed an interest in this matter have been written to in this regard on the 5<sup>th</sup> of September 2023.

**Contact:** John Downey, Acting Planning Enforcement Manager  
**Tel:** 222 3465  
**Email:** [john.downey@dublincity.ie](mailto:john.downey@dublincity.ie)

- a) The land concerned is privately owned and not in the ownership or in charge of Dublin City Council. DCC Parks have confirmed that “Park Services maintain the grass areas at Castle Court. It seems that the issue regarding the trees lies with the land owners involved”.
- b) The taking in charge from the developer and the legal transfer of title of lands are separate processes and which can lead to the Council maintaining such areas for some time before title is transferred to the Council.
- c) At this point in time investigations are being carried out by the Planning Enforcement Section to ascertain whether any enforceable breach of existing planning permissions has occurred as a result of the removal of the trees concerned. The main complainant in this case as well as local Councillors who have expressed an interest in this matter have been written to in this regard on the 5<sup>th</sup> of September 2023.
- d) The locus will be examined and assessed for suitability for inclusion in the winter tree planting programme.

**Contact:** Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent  
**Tel:** 222 6625  
**Email:** [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.51 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager in relation to **(details supplied)**, please say if he can install a pedestrian crossing to accommodate pedestrians, particularly vulnerable pedestrians and parents walking with young children to school”

**Reply**

The Area Engineer does not have the budget to carry out any junction improvements that will facilitate new pedestrian crossings at the aforementioned location.

The request for upgrades to the existing junction to include new pedestrian crossings will be added to the existing list of new pedestrian crossings in Dublin North Central.

Any new pedestrian crossings will only be reassessed for possible completion if additional funding is secured.

**Contact: Gerry McEntagart - North City Executive Engineer**  
**Email: [gerald.mcentagart@dublincity.ie](mailto:gerald.mcentagart@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.52 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager in relation to request for action to prevent cars parking as outlined in **(details supplied)**, please say if he can be of assistance”

**Reply**

This request (Enquiry Ref: 7034916) will be referred to the Area Engineer for assessment and report to the Transport Advisory Group for their consideration. The Councillor will then be informed of the final recommendations of the Transport Advisory Group.

**Contact:** Catalin Rosca  
**Tel:** 222 6145  
**Email:** [Catalin.rosca@dublincity.ie](mailto:Catalin.rosca@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.53 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager in relation to **(details supplied)**, say if he can assist locals who are experiencing serious difficulties as a result of wildlife being fed by nearby residents”

**Reply**

Dublin City Council has no role in the control of birds it is a matter for the Department of Agriculture.

**Contact:** Niamh Sloyan, Staff Officer  
**Email:** [Niamh.sloyan@dublincity.ie](mailto:Niamh.sloyan@dublincity.ie)

The Environmental Health section in Dublin City Council has no statutory powers in relation to vermin control. If the feeding of pigeons is resulting in a rodent issue then the provisions of the Rats and Mice (Destruction) Act 1919 may apply. This is enforced by the Health Service Executive, Environmental Health, Pest Control Section, Unit 13F, Blanchardstown Corporate Park, Blanchardstown, Dublin 15. Tel: 01 809 8300.

**Contact:** Michelle McNally, A/Principal Environmental Health Officer  
**Tel:** 222 3753  
**Email:** [michelle.mcnally@dublincity.ie](mailto:michelle.mcnally@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.54 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager in relation to **(details supplied)**, say whether same is under the charge of /ownership of Dublin City Council and if not, clarify who the owner of same is”

**Reply**

The roadway leading from **(details supplied)** is not in charge of Road Maintenance Services.

The Property Registration Authority of Ireland (PRAI) states that the roadway leading from **(details supplied)** is owned by Dublin City Council.

**Contact: Geoffrey Burns, Chief Technician**  
**Tel: 222 2180**  
**Email: [geoff.burns@dublincity.ie](mailto:geoff.burns@dublincity.ie)**

Housing Maintenance will examine the matter and revert back with a detailed reply.

**Contact: Clive Ahern, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance**  
**Tel: 2223517**  
**Email: [clive.ahern@dublincity.ie](mailto:clive.ahern@dublincity.ie)**



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**Q.55 Question in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney**

“To ask the Manager if Dublin City Council can urgently restore the funding to provide Cycle Right training to schools in Dublin City Council area that has just been removed as the schools reopen (due as far as I’m aware due to public procurement issues), that a solution is found to restore this hugely important service immediately, even if a longer term process is also required”

**Reply**

The Road Safety Section is currently working on resolving the procurement challenges associated with the Cycle Right program. Once addressed appropriately it is hoped that this service will resume.

**Contact: Rossana Camargo, Executive Engineer, Transportation Road Safety and Micromobility Policy and Strategy Section.**  
**Email: [Rossana.Camargo@dublincity.ie](mailto:Rossana.Camargo@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.56 Question in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney**

“To ask the Manager could the issue of parking by non-residents in St. Joseph’s square Clontarf be looked at again, as people are parking here to go to local restaurants etc. and it’s causing an issue for residents, could the possibility of resident’s only parking permits be looked at again”

**Reply**

The residential permit parking and pay and display parking schemes are governed by the Dublin City Council Parking Control Bye Laws 2020. All schemes make provision for pay and display and residential parking. There is no function in the bye laws for any area to be deemed for the sole use of either residents or business users of a particular location. Any scheme in operation has been voted in favor by the residents and on the understanding that both residential permit parking and pay and display parking schemes will be operated.

**Contact: Linda McDonald, Acting Parking Enforcement Officer**  
**Tel: 222 2238**  
**Email: [linda.mcdonald@dublincity.ie](mailto:linda.mcdonald@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.57 Question in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney**

“To ask the Manager to provide an update on the investigation into the flash flooding in Clontarf and what mitigation can be put in place to limit the risk of this occurring again”

**Reply**

Dublin City Council's Drainage division has completed a number of surveys within the area and confirmed that there are currently no blockages or damages within the network and the network is capable of operating at its installed capacity. The Drainage Department has also undertaken temporary works at a premises on the Howth Road to ensure that the maximum flow capacity is available in the network downstream from Castle Court.

The flood defence projects office has collated all the available telemetry and photographic data from the event of the 05<sup>th</sup> of August and in consultation with our design team are in the process of completing a review of the catchment and network operation on the 05<sup>th</sup> of August. This report will be issued to the Local Residents and Elected Members once it is available.

Dublin City Council is examining both interim and permanent measures, which can be implemented to mitigate against such a storm event causing flooding in the future. The City Council has already engaged with Clontarf Golf Club with a view to retaining addition storm waters within the golf course and eliminating flows via the culvert under the railway or onto the railway line. Survey work is currently being carried out to ensure that these measures provide additional capacity and do not result in any unintended consequence. The survey work is due to be completed early next week and the design proposal will then be expedited and implemented as quickly as possible.

The works, which will increase the carrying capacity of the Wad river culvert under the Howth Road and at Clontarf Promenade are being fast tracked and the team are progressing the relevant design and contractor packages with a programmed completion date of September 2024. The OPW has confirmed their support for these extra flood alleviation measures.

**Contact:** James Nolan, Executive Engineer  
**Tel:** 222 4858  
**Email:** [james.nolan@dublincity.ie](mailto:james.nolan@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.58 Question in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney**

“To ask the Manager to report on what roads speeds limits are likely to be reduced in the North central area due to the new road speeds limits legislation”

**Reply**

The Road Safety Section is currently awaiting guidance from the Department of Transport regarding the implementation of new speed limit regulations. Once these guidelines become available and have been thoroughly reviewed, any necessary changes to road speed limits in the City will be implemented in accordance with the recommendations.

**Contact: Rossana Camargo, Executive Engineer, Transportation. Road Safety. Policy, Strategy and Innovation Section.**  
**Email: [Rossana.Camargo@dublincity.ie](mailto:Rossana.Camargo@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.59 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler**

“To ask the Manager to add a bin at the bus stop on Barry’s Court Road which is prone to litter on the ground”

<https://goo.gl/maps/KzhELMWVQ9eHbuDGA>

**Reply**

Waste Management Services will monitor litter levels at the above mentioned location to see if there is a requirement for a litter bin there.

**Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services**  
**Tel 222 4240**  
**Email: [mick.boyle@dublincity.ie](mailto:mick.boyle@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.60 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler**

“To ask the Manager for an update on McAuley park playground, when is work expected to start”

**Reply**

The tender submissions have been received this week by Parks and will be assessed according to the award criteria after which a preferred contractor will be appointed after the requisite standstill period. The start date will not become apparent until tenders have been assessed and the lead-in times, mobilisation etc. are considered

**Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**  
**Tel: 222 6625**  
**Email: [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.61 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler**

“To ask the Manager to review the position of the bin in Edenmore Park beside the playground. When the bin is full, particularly with dog waste, the smell can be quite powerful for those using the playground. Can you review and consider moving the bin to a more suitable location within the park, so that dog walkers can still dispose of the dog waste responsibly”

**Reply**

Rather than relocating this bin it is proposed to install additional bins in the park to serve the dog walking community. The matter has also been raised with local staff to ensure better servicing of this bin to ensure this situation does not arise again in the future.

**Contact:** Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent  
**Tel:** 222 6625  
**Email:** [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.62 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

“To ask the Manager if the Council will cut back the hedge on Grange Road which blocks the sightlines for cars exiting Grange Abbey Grove.”

**Reply**

An inspection will be arranged in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the autumn/winter hedge and shrubbery maintenance programme 2023/34.

**Contact:** Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent  
**Tel:** 222 6625  
**Email:** [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)



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**Q.63 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

“To ask the Manager if the Council will litter pick the areas behind the bushes on Grange Road, as small railings allow litter to build up there”

**Reply**

The Public Domain officer has arranged for these bushes to be cut back, railings painted and area cleaned in the coming weeks.

**Contact:** Tommy Collins, Public Domain Officer  
**Email:** [tommy.collins@dublincity.ie](mailto:tommy.collins@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.64 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

“To ask the Manager if the trees at three locations (**details supplied**) can be pruned”

**Reply**

An 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 2023/34. It should be noted however that the recent storm event has precipitated a considerable volume of requests from understandably concerned residents to inspect and assess publicly owned trees.

**Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**  
**Tel: 222 6625**  
**Email: [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.65 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

“To ask the Manager if the Council will prune the low hanging branches at **(details supplied)** which are too low - forcing pedestrians out onto the road.

**Reply**

An 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 2023/34. It should be noted however that the recent storm event has precipitated a considerable volume of requests from understandably concerned residents to inspect and assess publicly owned trees.

**Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**  
**Tel: 222 6625**  
**Email: [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.66 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

“To ask the Manager if more bins can be provided in the Donahies Field, specifically on the Foxhill side”

**Reply**

The Parks Service does not install bins within such local parks and open spaces where resources are not in place to service same.

**Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**  
**Tel: 222 6625**  
**Email: [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.67 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

“To ask the Manager if ‘Children at Play’ and ‘No Dumping’ signs could be erected at various locations in **(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

Cromcastle Avenue – There are 30 km/h residential SLOW ZONE sign (that incorporate children at play signs) on Dundaniel Road near junction with Oscar Traynor Road. There is another 30 km/h SLOW ZONE sign on Cromcastle Road junction with Kilmore Road. A third 30km/h SLOW ZONE is located on Kilbarron Road junction with Kilmore Road.

The aforementioned roads boarder Cromcastle Ave. These SLOW ZONE road traffic signs alert drivers they are entering a 30km/h and to drive at the posted 30km/h speed limit and be aware children may be playing.

These 30 km/h residential SLOW ZONES signs are used to reduce the proliferation of further road traffic signs in residential areas. Therefore the Area Engineer does not recommend additional road traffic signage.

**Contact:** Gerry McEntagart – North City Executive Engineer  
**Email:** [gerald.mcentagart@dublincity.ie](mailto:gerald.mcentagart@dublincity.ie)

There is currently a no dumping sign in place at this location however the public domain team will install another one or possibly two as requested.

**Contact:** Richard Cleary, Public Domain Enforcement Officer  
**Tel:** 222 8866  
**Email:** [richard.cleary@dublincity.ie](mailto:richard.cleary@dublincity.ie)

Arrangements will be made to install ‘No Dumping’ signs at the large green and the Underpass area.

**Contact:** Bernie Lillis, Litter Prevention Officer, Tel 2224243,  
**Email** [bernie.lillis@dublincity.ie](mailto:bernie.lillis@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.68 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

“To ask the Manager if the following upgrades/clean-ups could be carried out in Belcamp Park:

- Entrance to Main Areas cleaned up
- Paint and Clean-up of Pavilion and Office of Dean Swift Building
- Flower bed inside main gate to be planted
- More age friendly Benches throughout the Park
- Astro Pitches closed off when not in use as some dog lovers like to use this as a toilet for their dogs
- Belcamp Park has no signage on the entrance gate, the park has been called Clonsaugh Park & Priorswood Park. It would be really great to have a big sign letting people know the name of the park, also signs directing people to the Pitch and Putt and Children's playground at the back”

**Reply**

- All areas of the park are regularly cleaned by staff based in the park. The areas mentioned will be inspected and appropriate actions scheduled.
- This is a matter for Dean Swift management.
- This bed was managed by Dean Swift in the past. The area will be cleared out and planted appropriately.
- A number of such benches were installed in recent years. Additional benches can be considered as part of future parks improvement programmes.
- While it is disappointing to hear that certain park users would abuse a facility in such a manner the all-weather facilities are considered to be available for local and community use during the day and for summer camps etc.
- Signage is in place at the main entrance at Clonsaugh Park. Consideration will be given to providing additional signage as part of the improvement programme for 2024.

**Contact:** Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent  
**Tel:** 222 6625  
**Email:** [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.69 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

“To ask the Manager to conduct a traffic survey at **(details attached)**”

**Reply**

This request has been referred to the Area Engineer for assessment and report to the Transport Advisory Group for their consideration.

The Councillor will be informed of the final recommendations of the Transport Advisory Group in due course.

**Contact:       Catalin Rosca, North Central Area Engineer, Transport Advisory Group.**

**Email:           [Catalin.Rosca@dublincity.ie](mailto:Catalin.Rosca@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.70 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

“To ask the Manager why the two flower stands on the Swords Road opposite Iveragh Road have been neglected again this year; how it came about that they weren't planted; if he agrees that it is completely unacceptable that they should be left in this condition (see photo) where they are essentially displays of weeds, especially as this is a main thoroughfare; if he will arrange for immediate planting of appropriate plants, and will he make a statement on the matter”

**Reply**

The planters in question on the Swords Road Whitehall were planted up with winter bedding in late 2022 by the North Central Area Office. The Environmental Liaison Officer contacted some local groups and spoke to the businesses on the opposite side of the road to see if they would agree to maintain them. Unfortunately we were unsuccessful in getting anyone to take them on so it has been arranged for them to be moved and relocated this September.

**Contact:** Joanne O'Sullivan - Environmental Liaison Officer  
**Tel:** 2228541  
**Email:** [joanne.osullivan@dublincity.ie](mailto:joanne.osullivan@dublincity.ie)



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**Q.71 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

“To ask the Manager to arrange for the resurfacing of this carriageway at **(details supplied)** as it is in very poor condition, is unsightly and poses a trip hazard and will he provide a timescale for these works”

**Reply**

Defect number 31076702 has been created. A DCC Road Maintenance Crew will carry out repair works when available. Please note we are currently experience a large backlog of repairs which we are working through.

**Contact:** Aaron Bellew, Executive Engineer, North Central Area Engineer  
**Tel:** 222 4259  
**Email:** [Aaron.bellew@dublincity.ie](mailto:Aaron.bellew@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.72 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

“To ask the Manager in relation to the pedestrian Crossing at the M1 Santry/Coolock Lane Interchange, the current position in this regard and is it still the case that works will commence next month, as previously agreed”

**Reply**

The civil works are planned to proceed at the end of September 2023. Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII) are managing the civil works and engagement of contractor with DCC undertaking the electrical works.

**Contact: Gerry McEntagart – North City Executive Engineer**

**Email: [gerald.mcentagart@dublincity.ie](mailto:gerald.mcentagart@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.73 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron**

“To ask the Manager if the tree at **(details supplied)** will be examined and removed by the new contractor assigned to remove other tree in estate”

**Reply**

An 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 2023/34. It should be noted however that the recent storm event has precipitated a considerable volume of requests from understandably concerned residents to inspect and assess publicly owned trees.

**Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**  
**Tel: 222 6625**  
**Email: [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.74 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron**

“To ask the Manager if the tree stump at **(details supplied)** will be examined and removed by the new contractor”

**Reply**

An 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 2023/34. It should be noted however that the recent storm event has precipitated a considerable volume of requests from understandably concerned residents to inspect and assess publicly owned trees.

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**Q.75 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron**

“To ask the Manager if the tree at **(details supplied)** will be examined and removed by the new contractor”

**Reply**

An 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 2023/34. It should be noted however that the recent storm event has precipitated a considerable volume of requests from understandably concerned residents to inspect and assess publicly owned trees.

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**Q.76 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron**

“To ask the Manager if the tree at **(details supplied)** will be examined and removed by the new contractor assigned to remove other tree in estate”

**Reply**

An 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 2023/34. It should be noted however that the recent storm event has precipitated a considerable volume of requests from understandably concerned residents to inspect and assess publicly owned trees.

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**Q.77 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron**

“To ask the Manager to carry out an inspection of illegal /Dangerous parking on **(details supplied)** as they are parking on and around the Roundabout. Additional info and photos available”

**Reply**

The area that is referenced is not in charge of Dublin City Council and therefore Dublin Street Parking Services have no authority to carry out enforcement action here.

**Contact: Linda McDonald, Acting Parking Enforcement Officer**  
**Tel: 222 2238**  
**Email: [linda.mcdonald@dublincity.ie](mailto:linda.mcdonald@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.78 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron**

“To ask the Manager to examine when path/Road (**details supplied**) will be improved? Paths/Road requires improvement to deem them safe. Further information and photos available”

**Reply**

The Area Inspector will inspect this location and if any defects are present they will be repaired by a DCC Road Maintenance Works crew when available. At present there is a large backlog of repairs outstanding which are being working through.

**Contact:** Aaron Bellew, Executive Engineer, North Central Area Engineer  
**Email:** [Aaron.bellew@dublincity.ie](mailto:Aaron.bellew@dublincity.ie)



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**Q.79 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron**

“To ask the Manager if the Public Domain Team will finish the weeding of roads/paths in **(details supplied)** as it wasn’t finished in the second half of the Avenue toward the Cul De Sac”

**Reply**

The Public Domain Officer will ensure **(details supplied)** will be included in the ongoing works at this location.

**Contact:** Tommy Collins, Public Domain Officer  
**Email:** [tommy.collins@dublincity.ie](mailto:tommy.collins@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.80 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron**

“To ask the Manager if there is an update on taking in charge of the playground in Belmayne and when we hope to have this process completed”

**Reply**

The playground at this location has been removed by the management company. Discussions have commenced with regard to the transfer of title of the square to the Council however as this is a legal process it is not easy to predict when the transfer might be completed.

**Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**  
**Tel: 222 6625**  
**Email: [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.81 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron**

“To ask the Manager for the Public Domain Team to remove the weed/bushes on the path at **(details supplied)** beside the bus stop”

**Reply**

The Public Domain office has been in contact with Waste Management in relation to **(details supplied)** who have advised that they will address this issue when resources allow.

**Contact: Tommy Collins, Public Domain Office**  
**Email: [tommy.collins@dublincity.ie](mailto:tommy.collins@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.82 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron**

“To ask the Manager if Maintenance Team provide an update at **(details supplied)** as DCC Tenant requires new windows and Installation. I requested this last year”

**Reply**

Housing Maintenance will examine the matter and revert back with a detailed reply.

**Contact: Clive Ahern, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance**  
**Tel: 2223517**  
**Email: [clive.ahern@dublincity.ie](mailto:clive.ahern@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.83 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron**

“To ask the Manager to arrange for the Public Domain Team to clean up the Path /Road at **(details supplied)** as bush/tree begin to overhang on path. Photos and further information available”

**Reply**

The Public Domain team have arranged to have this area cleaned up in the coming weeks.

**Contact:** Tommy Collins, Public Domain Officer  
**E-Mail:** [Tommy.collins@dublincity.ie](mailto:Tommy.collins@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.84 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

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

**Reply**

The public domain team have requested that the weeds be removed as soon as resources become available.

**Contact:** Richard Cleary, Public Domain Enforcement Officer  
**Tel:** 222 8866  
**Email:** [Richard.cleary@dublincity.ie](mailto:Richard.cleary@dublincity.ie)

Waste Management Services will have the above mentioned footpath swept by the middle of September 2023.

**Contact:** Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services  
**Tel:** 2224240  
**Email:** [mick.boyle@dublincity.ie](mailto:mick.boyle@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.85 Question in the name of Councillor Declan 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 practice of painting kerbside infrastructure has been phased out over the years with the introduction and installation of electrical illuminated bollards and the option of erecting high resolution traffic chevrons where appropriate.

*(The impact of the adherence to Health & Safety associated with construction regulations, when working near or on carriageways, deems it necessary to implement essential and comprehensive traffic management. This includes the submission of traffic management plans and method statements - as a condition - to qualify for the appropriate T2 license to carry out this type of maintenance. In addition - it is expensive)*

The painting of kerbside infrastructure will be brought to the attention of the traffic area engineers and traffic officers at a scheduled meeting in the coming weeks.

**Contact:** Damien Cooney, Traffic Officer  
**Email:** [damien.cooney@dublincity.ie](mailto:damien.cooney@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.86 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

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

**Reply**

Housing Maintenance will examine the matter and revert back with a detailed reply.

**Contact:** Clive Ahern, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance  
**Tel:** 2223517  
**Email:** [clive.ahern@dublincity.ie](mailto:clive.ahern@dublincity.ie)



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**Q.87 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

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

**Reply**

Housing Maintenance will arrange to have the gutters issue resolved for this tenant within the next two weeks and sooner, if possible.

**Contact: Clive Ahern, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance**  
**Tel: 2223517**  
**Email: [clive.ahern@dublincity.ie](mailto:clive.ahern@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.88 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

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

**Reply**

The local area offices deal with requests to close laneways. They will first check whether the laneway in question is a public right of way in charge of Dublin City Council.

If the laneway is not in charge the applicant will be advised that DCC only deal with laneways in charge and they should seek legal advice.

If the laneway is in charge, the public right of way needs to be extinguished under section 73 of the Roads Act 1993.

The extinguishment of a public right of way is a reserved function of the elected members of the City Council. The local area office manage the application and statutory consultation process.

An application for the Extinguishment of a Public Right of Way (EPROW) is made in writing to the local area office and must include:

- The reason for the requested closure
- A statement as to how the laneway will be closed
- A statement confirming that the proposers are aware that following the closure they take responsibility for the future maintenance and upkeep of the laneway
- A statement confirming that residents agree to undertake the costs of closure of the laneway, including the cost of installing a gate and diverting services, if necessary
- A petition signed by the majority or residents/owners of houses abutting the laneway, which should contain a statement on each page illustrating that signatories are aware of the above

On receipt of the above, the Area Office will prepare a report for the next Area Committee meeting requesting that procedures be initiated under Section 73 of the Roads Act 1993 to extinguish the public right of way over the laneway in question.

If agreed the Area office will begin the consultation process:

- A notice will be published in one or more national newspapers circulating in the area indicating where the public right of way proposed to be extinguished is located. This notice must also indicate where the map showing this public right of way may be inspected. A minimum period of one month must be allowed for inspection of the proposal with a further two weeks allowed for the making of objections or representations. The notice shall also state that persons making such objections or representations may make a request in writing to state their case at an oral hearing.
  - An online consultation will be set up on DCC’s consultation hub so that members of the public can view the map and information associated with the EPROW, and can submit objections/representations on the proposal

- A sign will be placed at each end of the public right of way to be extinguished for a period of at least 14 days, with the drawing illustrating the closure and details of the consultation process
- A service check will be carried out, notifying service providers of the proposed EPROW and requesting any objections or requirements
- If an oral hearing is requested in writing, the Local Area office will schedule and conduct same

On conclusion of the consultation process the Local Area Office will prepare a second Area Committee report for councillors, with a recommendation to extinguish / retain the right of way. This decision is a reserved function of the elected councillors.

If the decision is to retain the laneway, the area office will write to the proposer, the residents, service providers and those who made objections/submissions to notify them of the decision.

If the decision of the Area Committee meeting is to approve the proposed EPROW, a report will be issued to the next city council meeting for approval. If the decision of the City Council is to retain the laneway, the area office will write to the proposer, the residents, service providers and those who made objections/submissions to notify them of the decision.

If the decision of the City Council is to approve the proposed EPROW, a manager's order will be prepared by the Executive Manager to note the extinguishment. The area office will publish notice of the EPROW in the same newspaper that the proposal to extinguish the right of way was published and shall also notify in writing any person who made written objections or representations to it in relation to the extinguishment. The proposer and residents will be notified of the decision and informed of any requirements from service providers.

**Contact:** Lynda Drysdale  
**Tel:** 222 8870  
**Email:** [lynda.drysdale@dublincity.ie](mailto:lynda.drysdale@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.89 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

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

**Reply**

This tree was inspected late last year and was found to be in an acceptable condition with no works required or recommended at that time.

**Contact:** Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent  
**Tel:** 222 6625  
**Email:** [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.90 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

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

**Reply**

This request (Enquiry Ref: 7034997) has been referred to the Area Engineer for assessment and report to the Transport Advisory Group for their consideration. The Councillor will be informed of the final recommendations of the Transport Advisory Group in due course.

**Contact: Catalin Rosca, North Central Area Engineer, Transport Advisory Group.**

**Email: [Catalin.Rosca@dublincity.ie](mailto:Catalin.Rosca@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.91 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

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

**Reply**

This request (Enquiry Ref: 7034997) will be referred to the Area Engineer for assessment and report to the Transport Advisory Group for their consideration. The Councillor will be informed of the final recommendations of the Transport Advisory Group in due course.

**Contact:       Catalin Rosca – North Central Area Engineer, Transport Advisory Group**  
**Email:           Catalin.Rosca@dublincity.ie**

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**Q.92 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

“To ask the Manager to respond to the following re; downstairs bathroom (**details supplied**) and if he will make a statement on the matter.

**Reply**

Housing Maintenance Adaptations Section received an application for an extension at this property, however, it was not approved on medical grounds. The tenant was then offered works in lieu of an extension which were ramped access, level access shower and a stair lift. We are awaiting receipt of an Occupational Therapy report in order to install the stair lift.

**Contact: Clive Ahern, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance**  
**Tel: 2223517**  
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**Q.93 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

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

**Reply**

Housing Maintenance will examine the matter and revert back with a detailed reply.

**Contact: Clive Ahern, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance**  
**Tel: 2223517**  
**Email: [clive.ahern@dublincity.ie](mailto:clive.ahern@dublincity.ie)**

The Public Domain team organised this estate including laneways to be cleaned and de-weeded however this particular laneway was not completed due to it being gated.

**Contact: Tommy Collins, Public Domain Enforcement Officer**  
**Tel: 222 8870**  
**Email: [tommy.collins@dublincity.ie](mailto:tommy.collins@dublincity.ie)**



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**Q.94 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

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

**Reply**

The Area Inspector will inspect this location and if any defects are present they will be repaired by a DCC Road Maintenance Works crew when available. At present there is a large backlog of repairs outstanding which are being working through.

**Contact:** Aaron Bellew, Executive Engineer, North Central Area Engineer  
**Email:** [Aaron.bellew@dublincity.ie](mailto:Aaron.bellew@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.95 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

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

**Reply**

An inspection of the locus will be arranged in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the autumn/winter shrubbery maintenance programme for the area 2023/34.

**Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**  
**Tel: 222 6625**  
**Email: [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.96 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

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

**Reply**

The Grove has a straight length of 75m approx. (From the Village to junction of the Grove + The Ct) This does not meet the criteria for provision of speed ramps.

Dublin City Council will only consider a residential road for new speed ramps if the road in question is a straight run of 200m+.

If vehicles are observed by residents speeding this should be referred to the local Gardai as a matter for enforcement.

**Contact: Gerry McEntagart – North City Executive Engineer**

**Email: [gerald.mcentagart@dublincity.ie](mailto:gerald.mcentagart@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.97 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

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

**Reply**

An 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 2023/34. It should be noted however that the recent storm event has precipitated a considerable volume of requests from understandably concerned residents to inspect and assess publicly owned trees.

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**Email: [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.98 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

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

**Reply**

An 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 2023/34. It should be noted however that the recent storm event has precipitated a considerable volume of requests from understandably concerned residents to inspect and assess publicly owned trees

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**Q.99 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

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

**Reply**

The Area Inspector will inspect this location and if any defects are present they will be repaired by a DCC Road Maintenance Works crew when available. At present there is a large backlog of repairs outstanding which are being working through.

**Contact:** Aaron Bellew, Executive Engineer, North Central Area Engineer  
**Email:** [Aaron.bellew@dublincity.ie](mailto:Aaron.bellew@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.100 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

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

**Reply**

a) An 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 2023/34. It should be noted however that the recent storm event has precipitated a considerable volume of requests from understandably concerned residents to inspect and assess publicly owned trees.

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**Tel:** 222 6625  
**Email:** [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)

b) Enquiry No. 11143621 has been created and the Area Inspector will inspect this location and if any defects are present they will be repaired by a DCC Road Maintenance Works crew when available. At present there is a large backlog of repairs outstanding which are being working through.

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**Email:** [Aaron.bellew@dublincity.ie](mailto:Aaron.bellew@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.101 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

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

**Reply**

Enquiry Number 1107553 has been created and the Area Inspector will inspect this location and if any defects are present they will be repaired by a DCC Road Maintenance Works crew when available. At present there is a large backlog of repairs outstanding which are being working through.

**Contact: Aaron Bellew, Executive Engineer, North Central Area**  
**Email: [Aaron.bellew@dublincity.ie](mailto:Aaron.bellew@dublincity.ie)**

(b) The next tranche of the tree replacement programme in this estate will commence in the coming months once a contractor can be procured.

**Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**  
**Tel: 222 6625**  
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**Q.102 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

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

**Reply**

Dublin City Council (DCC) proposes three new LAPs to be prepared during the lifetime of the Dublin City Development Plan 2022 – 2028 (the Development Plan):

- Naas Road lands (City Edge).
- Dublin Industrial Estate, Glasnevin.
- North East Inner City (NEIC).

In addition to the above priority list of LAPs, it is proposed to prepare several other LAPs and/or Village Improvement Plans (VIPs) subject to resources (see Table 2-14 Schedule of Other LAPs/VIPs of the Development Plan). The preparation of these plans will be based on a prioritised selection procedure to be agreed upon during the implementation phase of the Development Plan. Such 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.

Santry/Whitehall (including Omni KUV) is included in Table 2-14 Schedule of Other LAPs/VIPs of the Development Plan. The future planning of the Shanowen lands will be considered in the context of the Santry/Whitehall (including Omni KUV) LAP/VIP. The prioritised selection procedure has not commenced. In the interim, irrespective of whether an area benefits from a LAP/VIP or not the Development Plan contains a robust policy position to manage the development of public and private land.

**Contact:** Brian Keaney, Senior Planner  
**Tel:** 222 7933  
**Email:** [brian.keaney@dublincity.ie](mailto:brian.keaney@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.103 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

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

**Reply**

A lighting assessment will be carried out at the above location to assess whether additional or improved lighting is required at this location. It is noted that there is a tree at the end of the Cul de Sac that may be blocking the light and Parks division will be asked to attend to that.

**Contact:** Seamus MacSweeney, Senior Executive Engineer  
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**Email:** [seamus.macsweeney@dublincity.ie](mailto:seamus.macsweeney@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.104 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

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

**Reply**

This issue is currently subject to an ongoing Estate Management enquiry.

**Contact:** David Windrim, Project Estate Officer  
**Tel:** 222 6876  
**Email:** [david.windrim@dublincity.ie](mailto:david.windrim@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.105 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

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

**Reply**

This gentleman is currently on a joint application with his partner. He did inform housing allocations that he has separated and he was informed that we require written confirmation that he wishes to split their application and to submit proof of address, proof of income and photographic ID.

**Contact:** Sandra Barry, Acting Allocations Officer  
**Tel:** 222 2226  
**Email:** [Sandra.barry@dublincity.ie](mailto:Sandra.barry@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.106 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí**

“To ask the Manager for Parks to confirm that leaf cages for depositing leaves will continue to be provided in Rockfield Park this autumn and emptied as required”

**Reply**

Rockfield Wellness & residents from areas surrounding Rockfield Park took part in the 2022 leaf mould composting programme. They plan to combine the 2022 baskets now to free up some baskets to fill with leaves this autumn. This project is managed by community volunteers. Their first batch of mulch should be ready soon and full compost in about 6 months’ time. When ready they plan to use it locally. If more baskets are needed they can contact the Environmental Liaison Officer in the Area Office who will try to facilitate this.

**Contact:** Joanne O’Sullivan, Environmental Liaison Officer  
**Phone:** 222 8843  
**Email:** [joanne.osullivan@dublincity.ie](mailto:joanne.osullivan@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.107 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí**

“To ask the Manager to please provide an update on:

- Opening the toilets at the tennis courts on St Annes Park for public use
- Providing additional public toilet facilities within St Annes Park

**Reply**

- These toilets at the tennis club are made available to users of the all-weather facilities through the local sports club.
- Once the recently received submissions for the modular building tender have been assessed and a framework established this will allow appropriate budgetary provision to be made within the 3 yr. capital programme for toilets including changing places facilities at various locations in the park as previously discussed.

**Contact:** Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent  
**Tel:** 222 6625  
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**Q.108 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí**

“To ask the Manager to organise for the installation of double-yellow lines at the entrance to Dollymount Park/Dollymount Rise?”

**Reply**

The ongoing issue with vehicles parking on bends at junctions throughout Dublin North Central is a matter for the local Gardaí to enforce as under the Road Traffic Regulations. Or Dublin City Council’s parking enforcement contractor, Dublin Street Parking Services (DSPS) ([info@dps.ie](mailto:info@dps.ie) or Tel.01-602-2500).

The Area Engineer is not in a position to continually provide double yellow lines where drivers continually break the law by parking pavements/bends. Dublin City Council does not provide parking restrictions where restrictions are already covered under the law.

*Under S.I. No. 182/1997 - Road Traffic (Traffic and Parking) Regulations, 1997, section 36 Prohibitions on Parking (2) a vehicle shall not be parked –*  
*(c ) within 5 metres of a road junction;*  
*(k ) in a manner in which it will interfere with the normal flow of traffic or which obstructs or endangers other traffic;*

**Contact: Gerry McEntagart – North City Executive Engineer**

**Email: [gerald.mcentagart@dublincity.ie](mailto:gerald.mcentagart@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.109 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí**

“To ask the Manager to confirm if Kincora Grove is on the 2023 works programme for footpath repair? If not can he organise for to be included for assessment for 2024.”

**Reply**

The Area Inspector will inspect this location and if any defects are present it may be considered in any future footpath works programme. At present there is a large backlog of repairs outstanding which are being working through.

**Contact:** Aaron Bellew, Executive Engineer, North Central Area  
**Email:** [Aaron.bellew@dublincity.ie](mailto:Aaron.bellew@dublincity.ie)



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**Q.110 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O'Muirí**

“To ask the Manager In relation to the pedestrian laneway connecting Stiles Rd to the Howth Rd at **(details supplied)**

1. Organise for laneway lighting to be improved
2. Organise for any graffiti to be removed
3. Ensure it is put on a regular cleansing schedule

**Reply**

- 1 The lighting in this laneway was changed to LED in 2018 and is considered satisfactory. There are no plans for further improvements here.

**Contact:** Karen Leeson, Executive Engineer, Public Lighting Services.  
**Email:** [karen.leeson@dublincity.ie](mailto:karen.leeson@dublincity.ie)

- 2 The Public Domain Officer has arranged for this graffiti to be removed.

**Contact:** Tommy Collins, Public Domain Enforcement Officer  
**Email:** [tommy.collins@dublincity.ie](mailto:tommy.collins@dublincity.ie)

- 3 Waste Management Services will inspect the lane and arrange the necessary cleaning

**Contact:** Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services,  
**Tel:** 2224240  
**Email:** [mick.boyle@dublincity.ie](mailto:mick.boyle@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.111 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí**

“To ask the Manager for Parks to please organise for the tree canopies on Kincora Drive to be pruned/lifted”

**Reply**

An 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 2023/34. It should be noted however that the recent storm event has precipitated a considerable volume of requests from understandably concerned residents to inspect and assess publicly owned trees.

**Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**  
**Tel: 222 6625**  
**Email: [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.112 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí**

“To ask the Manager to please organise for the damaged kerb outside (**details supplied**) to be repaired”

**Reply**

Enquiry No. 11075179 has been created and the Area Inspector will inspect this location and if any defects are present they will be repaired by a DCC Road Maintenance Works crew when available. At present there is a large backlog of repairs outstanding which are being working through.

**Contact:** Aaron Bellew, Executive Engineer, North Central Area  
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**Q.113 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O'Muirí**

“To ask the Manager to confirm if the laneway from Stiles Court to Clontarf Rugby Club is in DCC’s charge?”

**Reply**

The laneway from Stiles Court to Castle Avenue is in-charge of Roads Maintenance Services.

**Contact: Geoffrey Burns, Chief Technician**  
**Tel: 222 2180**  
**Email: [geoff.burns@dublincity.ie](mailto:geoff.burns@dublincity.ie)**