

QUESTIONS LODGED PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER NO.16 FOR REPLY AT THE MONTHLY MEETING OF DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, 08th MAY 2017

Q.1 COUNCILLOR RUAIRÍ MCGINLEY

To ask the Chief Executive to set out the level of staff resignations and retirements in 2017 and the number of staff recruited in 2017.

Q.2 COUNCILLOR RAY MCADAM

To ask the Chief Executive to provide (**details supplied**)

Q.3 COUNCILLOR SEAN PAUL MAHON

To ask the Chief Executive the following (**details supplied**)

Q.4 COUNCILLOR RAY MCHUGH

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange (**details supplied**)

Q.5 COUNCILLOR CHRISTY BURKE

To ask the Chief Executive that (**details supplied**)

Q.6 COUNCILLOR CHRISTY BURKE

To ask the Chief Executive when the (**details supplied**)

Q.7 COUNCILLOR CHRISTY BURKE

To ask the Chief Executive if (**details supplied**):

Q.8 COUNCILLOR CHRISTY BURKE

To ask the Chief Executive to outline the plans for (**details supplied**)

Q.9 COUNCILLOR DERMOT LACEY

To ask the Chief Executive to clarify on what date the set of Visitors Discs including Disc number 0259397 was sought by the applicant and issued by Dublin City Council?

Q.10 COUNCILLOR DERMOT LACEY

To ask the Chief Executive why a resident was told in writing by Dublin City Council that there are no Dublin City Council signs indicating three hour parking restrictions located on parking time signs - when clearly there are?

Q.11 COUNCILLOR DERMOT LACEY

To ask the Chief Executive why no parking enforcement measures were taken against a car improperly using a visitors disc on Meades Terrace, Dublin 2 between December 15th 2016 and the end of February 2017 when Dublin City Council officials had been expressly informed of the impropriety and to ask the Chief Executive why a simple phone call (as a phone number or email is a requirement under the bye laws) was not availed of to assess the residential status of the permit holder.

Q.12 COUNCILLOR DERMOT LACEY

To ask the Chief Executive how he can reconcile his reply to Question Number 9 at the April meeting of the City Council with this letter from the Department of Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government and to further request the Chief Executive to have placed on the agenda of the City Council ANY necessary motion to achieve the provision relating to fees as provided for in the second paragraph of the same letter.

Dermot Lacey,
In answer to your query;

The €20 fee does not apply at area and other official meetings. In relation to discussions on planning applications, councillors may oppose, support or reject applications. However, any specific observations/comments made by elected members do not open the planning application decision to legal challenge. The Planning and Development (Amendment) Bill 2016 provides for Regulations to be made to waive or reduce fees required in the making of observations on applications for planning permissions. It provides that elected members may pay a reduced fee or no fee for making such a submission on a planning application. This is in response to the Mahon Tribunal planning recommendation no. 8 which seeks for interventions made by elected members in respect of specific applications to be noted on file.

Q.13 COUNCILLOR RAY MC HUGH

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for extra seating in Willie Pearse Park, Crumlin. Another 2 seats are needed to cater for the many senior citizens that take to walking in the park on a daily basis.

Q.14 COUNCILLOR SEAN PAUL MAHON

To ask the Chief Executive the following **(details supplied)**

Q.15 COUNCILLOR DECLAN FLANAGAN

To ask the Chief Executive **(details supplied)**

Q.16 COUNCILLOR DECLAN FLANAGAN

To ask the Chief Executive **(details supplied)**

Q.17 COUNCILLOR DECLAN FLANAGAN

Can the Chief Executive provide an update on the following: **(details supplied)**

Q.18 COUNCILLOR DECLAN FLANAGAN

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a response to the following:

There is currently at least 39% of the units in Belmayne are in use for social housing. The current proposal will raise this to 46.5%. This is a clear breach of the original planning application for Belmayne (Planning Register Reference Number: 4315/03 as extended under Planning Register Reference Number: 4315/03/x1) made provision for 10% social and 10% affordable housing within the overall Belmayne development.

1. The concentration of social housing in one location instead of pepper spotting it throughout the development is also in contravention of the original planning application.

2. Furthermore, the proposed Ayrfield development contravenes the objective of the LAP to create sustainable, inclusive communities.

3. Lack of Amenities. The lack of amenities in Belmayne is manifest, placing an unacceptable burden on Belmayne residents and is undermining efforts to create a sustainable community. Further residential development, especially social housing, whose tenants are more dependent on local amenities, should not be permitted until the lack of amenities is addressed.

4. Residential Densities and Land Use within the Development

- Q.19 COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE**
To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)
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- Q.22 COUNCILLOR CRÍONA NI DHÁLAIGH**
To ask the Chief Executive (detail supplied)
- Q.23 COUNCILLOR CHRIS ANDREWS**
To ask the Chief Executive if the old decommissioned and derelict phone box's across Dublin and in particular in areas like Donnybrook and Nassau Street that have advertising on them have permission to have this advertisement and who receives the income from these telephone advertising boxes?
- Q.24 COUNCILLOR CHRIS ANDREWS**
To ask the Chief Executive who is responsible for the management of Heskin Court estate maintenance - Is it DCC and if not who is responsible?
- Q.25 COUNCILLOR CHRIS ANDREWS**
To ask the Chief Executive, bearing in mind that being a pedestrian in Grand Canal Square in the Docklands is very dangerous as a result of the lack of regulation for cyclists, can the Chief Executive state what is being done to make it safer for pedestrians and when will this process be complete?
- Q.26 COUNCILLOR CHRIS ANDREWS**
To ask the Chief Executive whether Councillors will decide if cyclists will have to dismount when crossing the pedestrianised College Green Plaza when it is complete and if not who makes this decision?
- Q.27 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN**
To ask the Chief Executive to have a full independent examination of all data relating to footfall emanating from Dublin City Council traffic cameras and other such DCC cameras independently verified. There is grave concern within certain business quarters that data derived from DCC traffic camera and pedestrian camera systems is being used inappropriately to bolster up footfall numbers within the City Council commercial and business district. DCC have an obligation and a care of duty to verify this information that is being brought into the public domain by a private company. Further, can the Chief Executive include in the report all arrangements that DCC has with the Dublin BID with regards sharing this camera data? What contracts are in place, protocols and arrangements? Also was this ever put out to public procurement etc?
- Q.28 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN**
To ask the Chief Executive can he issue a full report with regards the Dublin City Council initiative Culture Connects, including all expenditure to date. To include all personnel involved, all community groups engaged and grants allocated, all criteria regarding selection process, all contracts regarding PR, all temporary/new staff taken on board in relation to this initiative, all pay and salary grades and fees paid to date.

Q.29 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN

To ask the Chief Executive to ascertain from their executive officers who is member of the board of the BID/Dublintown Company whether consent was sought by the board of BID for the issuing of threatening legal letters which were sent out to individuals in the past two weeks in relation to submissions regarding the renewal of the BID scheme? It would appear that these legal letters have an implication for Dublin City Council and its staff member on the board of the BID and fly in the face of the democratic process of being able to make such submissions in the public. There would also appear to be a conflict of interest here with regards Dublin City Councils position regarding oversight and administration of the BID plebiscite and renewal scheme and its election process. Can the Chief Executive issue legal clarification with regards to this matter?

As a public representative and former member of the BID board, I made a detailed submission and as a result received threatening legal letters from the BID Company with regards the content of my submission. It is my belief, that this has implication for Dublin City Council and its staff member who is appointed by the Chief Executive of Dublin City Council to the board of the BID Company.

Q.30 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN

To ask the Chief Executive to issue a full report detailing the amount of legal fees Dublin City Council has spent over the last 2 years on cases taken by Dublin City Council. This report to include - how many cases are before the courts at present? The length that these cases have been before the courts? The amount of adjournments in all legal cases? The breakdown of all legal fees in relation to adjournments in these cases. Also, a full report on how DCC acquires its legal services and defes in cases before the courts. What procurement processes? What value for money processes and a detailed analysis of the outcomes of such cases. i.e. those in favour of DCC and those where we failed. Also who has oversight of all legal actions involving Dublin City Council that are before the courts? Where does the legal department of DCC or the law agent report these matters and how often?

Q.31 COUNCILLOR NOELEEN REILLY

To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)

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Q.35 COUNCILLOR CRIONA NI DHALAIGH

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Q.36 COUNCILLOR CRIONA NI DHALAIGH

To ask the Chief Executive why there is such a delay in addressing the following issue (details supplied)

Q.37 COUNCILLOR CRIONA NI DHALAIGH

To ask the Chief Executive to consider locating a tourist/heritage office in the Liberties area. This area has one of the biggest tourist attractions in the country with 1.6m visitors to the Store House last year. The area is rich in history not just in

distillery but much more and the locating of a tourist office here would greatly increase footfall in the area not just to the Store House.

Q.38 COUNCILLOR RAY MC ADAM

To ask the Chief Executive to undertake the necessary steps to begin the process of adding **(details supplied)**

Q.39 COUNCILLOR RAY MC ADAM

To ask the Chief Executive to review the proposed parking scheme for **(details supplied)**

Q.40 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive if it is possible to **(details supplied)**

Q.41 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive to provide **(details supplied)**

Q.42 COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE

To ask the Chief Executive to respond to **(details supplied)**

Q.43 COUNCILLOR DAVID COSTELLO

To ask the Chief Executive in light of the imminent opening of the LUAS Line in Cabra can the CE respond to the following concerns of local residents:

a. The Residents have requested tree planting on the lower Cabra Road and we want inclusion here for 2018, considering that 2017 budget has been allocated already. We are one of the main arterial roads into town and excluded yet again and overlooked by our representatives.

b. The Residents have applied for Pay and display due to commuters parking on the Lower Cabra Road and the difficulty already for residents to park. With the LUAS starting this December we expect this problem to increase further and we want this application speeded up. We see that there is only one other application in the area for meters, that is on Shandon Crescent. Our reference with the advisory group is Ref: 308 34794.

c. The Residents are looking for bollards at the junction of Dowth Avenue/Cabra Road and a yellow box at Charleville/Cabra Road. A similar question from Councillor David Costello (question 63) was put to the manager on Tuesday 19 April. They have major illegal parking issue in this area (as highlighted on the minutes) where cars are parked on the footpath and we want this addressed by our representatives. They are engaging with Kevin Meade but we feel his response is unsatisfactory and it needs a better response/action. They are looking for bollards and tactile paving in this area.

d. The Residents have also emailed Councillors to ask that for our support in getting the CE to approve proper paving at the Phibsborough LUAS stop on the Cabra Road bridge. Can the CE approve proper paving at the future Phibsborough Stop on the Cabra Road. There will be no cost incurred here by DCC as its covered by Tii/NTA on this project.

Q.44 COUNCILLOR SEAN PAUL MAHON

To ask the Chief Executive the following **(details supplied)**

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To ask the Chief Executive the following **(details supplied)**

Q.46 COUNCILLOR NIAL RING

To ask the Chief Executive referring to the reply received to my Question No 58 in April 2017 in light of the fact that the answer revealed that more than 1 in 5 (22% - 5,159 of the 23,446 applicants) of those on the Housing List in 2016 have now been removed due to "No Reply to 2016 Assessment" can the Chief Executive confirm whether, or not, DCC has in place a robust appeals procedure available to those removed from the list whereby they can outline the reason they were unable to reply and, if applicable, may be reinstated onto the list?

If such an appeals mechanism is not in place, can the Chief Executive agree that the feasibility/possibility of introducing an appeals procedure will be examined and reported back to the Housing SPC? Finally, and in particular, can the Chief executive outline what procedure is currently in place to ensure contact is made with housing applicants who have literacy difficulties?

Q.47 COUNCILLOR NIAL RING

To ask the Chief Executive to indicate the timescale as to when a formal lease will be executed between Dublin City Council and the North Wall Community Training Centre Ltd. As the Chief Executive is aware the Board of the North Wall Community Training Centre Ltd is a City of Dublin Education Training Board funded organisation providing training opportunities to early school leavers. The centre operates (since 1999) from a premises on St. Laurence Place East, off Seville Place, Dublin 1, for which the legal ownership transferred from the Dublin Docklands Development Authority to Dublin City Council . As the Chief Executive is further aware, the North Wall Community Training Centre Ltd must, as part of the ongoing reporting/funding requirements, provide its funders with confirmation that it has a valid lease on the premises from which it operates. Alternatively, written confirmation from Dublin City Council that such a lease is forthcoming would suffice the funder. As mentioned above, can the Chief Executive indicate when the lease will be executed or can he confirm that an appropriate letter of comfort (indicating same) can be provided to the North Wall Training Centre Limited.

Q.48 COUNCILLOR NIAL RING

To ask the Chief Executive, having regard to the Motion passed at the Monthly Meeting held on 6th March 2017, to detail what steps have been taken to reintroduce the free bulk waste collection and to indicate when this service will be resumed. Also, to ask the Chief Executive for a progress report on the City Council's efforts to be reimbursed by the NTA for the loss of income resulting from the permanent loss of c.440 parking bays in the City, the ring fencing of this reimbursement amount having been agreed as the funding source for the reintroduction of the bulk waster collection service.

Q.49 COUNCILLOR NIAL RING

To ask the Chief Executive referring to my Question 113 from the March City Council Meeting and the answer thereto (reproduced below).The answers to the various parts of the question have, due to some aspects of the question being ignored/overlooked, resulted in my having to ask a series of supplementary questions to, hopefully, get the full answer/information requested. To facilitate the process, I have inserted the supplementary questions (plus comments/observations) below each original answer.

Q.113 COUNCILLOR NIAL RING MARCH

To ask the Chief Executive to explain reasoning behind the decision to have a "non-statutory" consultation under Section 37 of the Roads Traffic Act 1994 in relation to the proposed Traffic Management changes for the North and South Quays and to

detail what influences, if any, can the public, city councillors and other stakeholders have on this proposal. Also, to ask the Chief Executive specifically:

QUESTION PART A.

Is the Public Consultation just a PR exercise or will any observation/suggestion/idea of a member of the public be in any way evaluated or taken into account?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY.

The scheme is out to public consultation to obtain as wide a range of views as possible and a report on the consultation and any changes proposed will be presented to next Transportation SPC meeting.

ADDITIONAL/SUPPLEMENTARY/CLARIFICATION QUESTION:

Who decides what changes will be considered? It's non-statutory so I would submit that where comments/suggestions/ideas which don't fit the DCC agenda they will simply be ignored. Is this the case?

QUESTION PART B.

Has any thought at all been given to how private motor vehicles will be impacted under this proposal?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY

Under this proposal a comprehensive signage and car park access routing will be developed.

ADDITIONAL/SUPPLEMENTARY/CLARIFICATION QUESTION:

Only car parking is addressed in this answer. No comment/answer on the overall impact – environment, increased driving time, effect on motorist mood/mental health. Are there any proposals to deal with the foregoing?

QUESTION PART C.

Has the economic impact of the proposal been looked at and if not, can the Chief Executive now, even at this late stage, commit to an Economic Impact study being commissioned and its recommendations taken into account?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY

An economic impact assessment was conducted on the impacts of the proposals within the city centre study.

ADDITIONAL/SUPPLEMENTARY/CLARIFICATION QUESTION:

As the terms of reference did not include economic effect on DCC rates base or regard to modal change, does the Chief Executive agree that the Economic Impact study was not only selective, but fundamentally flawed as it does not address some of the most important economic impacts of the proposals?

QUESTION PART D.

What is the Chief Executive's reasoning behind using the RTA to exclude City Councillors from the decision making process and again, even at this late stage, can the Chief Executive commit to recognising local democracy by amending the proposal to a Part 8 process?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY

As set out in the report to the SPC, we are precluded from using the part 8 process for this scheme.

ADDITIONAL/SUPPLEMENTARY/CLARIFICATION QUESTION:

Has legal opinion been sought or are we 100% legally sure that, in the words of the CE, "the Part 8 process does not apply and can no longer be sought". I believe that DCC should seek a legal opinion on this to alleviate the concerns of the public and councillors alike and publish same. In any event, I would welcome a legal challenge to this use of the Planning Acts and the Transportation Acts as described. Can the Chief Executive agree to undertake/obtain a definitive legal opinion on this matter? Furthermore, is the Chief Executive aware that other parties who have made submissions have indicated that legal opinion obtained indicates that the traffic changes must have the approval of councillors before they could be introduced?

In case I get a straightforward answer of "No". I can state the opinion/position of Dublin Town/BIDS as City Council appointed Director and therefore in a position to be aware of the views of the membership. Essentially, the legal advice that Dublin Town/BIDS received stated that the use of S.38 is a reserved function and therefore, Councillors should be involved where it is proposed to use it. Secondly, the legal opinion is that it is unsafe for the Council not to treat the current proposals with the other proposed traffic changes that are clearly integral to it and which are going to An Bord Pleanála. If the Bord make changes to the plans that they are considering, there will be impacts for the plans being considered by way of a separate process. The foregoing forms part of the submission of Dublin Town/BIDS and I would ask the Chief Executive address this in particular, given the status of Dublin Town/BIDS vis a vis Dublin City Council.

QUESTION PART E.

Is the Chief executive aware of the misgivings of many City Councillors about the proposed imposition of this non-democratic process and the disquiet amongst the public which has also arisen?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY

The period of public consultation is to allow for the views of the public and their representatives to be heard and taken into account.

ADDITIONAL/SUPPLEMENTARY/CLARIFICATION QUESTION:

How can the views of the public and their representatives be "taken into account" when it is clear that there is no intention to allow councillors to decide on this issue? Can the Chief Executive again commit to a legal review with instructions to the lawyers that the possibility of the process being subject to a Part 8 process be fully investigated?

QUESTION PART F.

Finally, in light of the many decisions unilaterally taken by City management at the exclusion of elected public representatives can the Chief Executive commit to involving City Councillors in this particular proposal by allowing this proposal to be processed under Part 8?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY

As already stated above in the report to the SPC it sets out the reasons why we cannot use the part 8 procedure for this scheme, for clarity the relevant section of the report is set out below.

Dublin City Council has, in the past, sought Part 8 approval for the construction of schemes, using Section 179 of the Planning and Development Act of 2000.

However the Public Transport Regulations Act 2009 amends this section, meaning that where works to enhance public bus services or improve facilities for cyclists, then the Part 8 process does not apply and can no longer be sought.

ADDITIONAL/SUPPLEMENTARY/CLARIFICATION QUESTION:

The above is stated as fact. However, in view of the issues which have been mentioned in the previous comments etc. again, can the Chief Executive confirm that he will commission an independent legal opinion on the application of the Planning and Development Act of 2000 and/or the Public Transport Regulations Act 2009 in this case? Simply put, can we get a definitive legal opinion as to whether, or not, this can be dealt with as a Part 8 approval process. Alternatively, can the Chief Executive come out from behind the veil of "executive function" and, in a nod towards the democratic process, actually allow councillors to have their say on the issue and be guided by their decision?

Q.50 COUNCILLOR ALISON GILLILAND

To ask the Chief Executive (**details supplied**)

Q.51 COUNCILLOR ALISON GILLILAND

To ask the Chief Executive to indicate the guide ratio used to ascertain the requirement of community space and open green free play space for residential areas e.g. (no of persons: square meters of indoor community space/square meters of open green free play space)

Q.52 COUNCILLOR ALISON GILLILAND

To ask the Chief Executive (**details supplied**)

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Q.54 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive to identify area's in the Dublin Northwest area which may be able to accommodate a purpose built Senior Citizens complex whether public or private land. Can the Chief Executive then call on the Department to provide funding to develop this accommodation?

Q.55 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for a (**details supplied**)

- Q.56 COUNCILLOR GREG KELLY**
To ask the Chief Executive (**Details Supplied**)
- Q.57 COUNCILLOR GREG KELLY**
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- Q.58 COUNCILLOR GREG KELLY**
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- Q.59 COUNCILLOR GREG KELLY**
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- Q.60 COUNCILLOR GAYE FAGAN**
To ask the Chief Executive (**Details supplied**)
- Q.61 COUNCILLOR GAYE FAGAN**
To ask the Chief Executive (**Details supplied**)
- Q.62 COUNCILLOR GAYE FAGAN**
To ask the Chief Executive (**Details supplied**)
- Q.63 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE HENEY**
To ask the Chief Executive to refer to green at location as per (**details supplied**) which was recently used as a “dumping ground” by someone with large amounts of garden waste and say if he can investigate/report on the matter and say if the City Council is aware that the green is being used as a dump and if so, who is responsible for same or if any enforcement action can be taken against the culprits and if he will say if the area can be cleared of dumped green waste material
- Q.64 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE HENEY**
To ask the Chief Executive to refer to very large trees at location as per (**details supplied**) and say if he will arrange to prune/lop same as residents say the trees are blocking sunlight into their homes
- Q.65 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE HENEY**
To ask the Chief Executive to refer to senior citizen dwelling at location as per (**details supplied**) and say if he can arrange to carry out the necessary repairs listed below as soon as possible to give this man back his home as it was prior to the flood overhead
- Q.66 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE HENEY**
To ask the Chief Executive to refer to serious continuous problem with dumping at location as per (**details supplied**) and say what action he can take to stop this problem and carry out enforcement against the culprits and prevent same continuing to occur
- Q.67 COUNCILLOR CIARAN CUFFE**
To ask the Chief Executive whether he could add the following links to the Dublin City Council webpage below:
<http://www.dublincity.ie/main-menu-services-recreation-culture/animal-welfare>
- Dept of Ag - <https://www.agriculture.gov.ie/animalhealthwelfare/>
My Lovely Horse Rescue - <https://www.mylvelyhorserescue.com/pages/report-an-incident>

Donkey Sanctuary - <http://www.thedonkeysanctuary.ie/report-donkey-cruelty>
Hungry Horse Outside - <http://www.hungryhorseoutside.com/contact-us/>
ISPCA - http://www.ispca.ie/if_you_suspect_animal_cruelty/

Q.68 COUNCILLOR CIARAN CUFFE

To ask the Chief Executive whether the Council has provided financial support to businesses in the Temple Bar area for the project Love the Lanes and for infra-structural work, and to make a statement on the matter?

Q.69 COUNCILLOR CIARAN CUFFE

To ask the Chief Executive what legal process has occurred or will be required prior to works being undertaken to reduce the height of the Clontarf sea wall, and could he give the estimated costs of reducing the height, and state whether the proposed works will reduce, increase or have no effect on possible future flooding events in the area.

Q.70 COUNCILLOR CIARAN CUFFE

To ask the Chief Executive whether he can inspect **(details supplied)** which is a two-bedroom flat with a hallway, living-room/kitchenette and one bathroom/toilet from a fire safety perspective as it appears to be overcrowded with perhaps ten persons in occupation.

Q.71 COUNCILLOR GAYE FAGAN

To ask the Chief Executive **(details supplied)**

Q.72 COUNCILLOR PAUL HAND

To ask the Chief Executive of Dublin City Council **(details supplied)**

Q.73 COUNCILLOR CIERAN PERRY

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a report on the 'Name & Shame' use of publicly displayed photos of illegal dumpers in the Central Area and any communication with the Data Commissioner? A similar campaign has begun in Ballymun.

Q.74 COUNCILLOR CIERAN PERRY

To ask the Chief Executive to provide statistics on the various income rates among council tenants, including those dependent on social welfare?

Q.75 COUNCILLOR CIERAN PERRY

To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the anti-social behaviour case taken by South Dublin County Council under the new legislation.

Q.76 COUNCILLOR CIERAN PERRY

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a report on the uptake of the new Repair & Lease scheme.

Q.77 COUNCILLOR EDEL MORAN

To ask the Chief Executive **(details supplied)**

Q.78 COUNCILLOR EDEL MORAN

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Q.79 COUNCILLOR EDEL MORAN

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Q.80 COUNCILLOR EDEL MORAN

To ask the Chief Executive **(details supplied)**

Q.81 COUNCILLOR GARY GANNON

To ask the Chief Executive the plans to reinstate the balustrade of Tolka Bridge in view of its poor condition and its prominent position

Q.82 COUNCILLOR GARY GANNON

To ask the Chief Executive if the loss of monies previously expected from the An Bord Pleanála condition 15 for application number 3638 of 12 will be compensated for by Dublin City Council or the Department in view of the fact that this figure of approximately €250,000 had been earmarked for the redevelopment of facilities in Ellenfield Park and will he make a statement on the matter.

Q.83 COUNCILLOR ANDREW KEEGAN

To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update and a recent report on the Metro Hotel Ballymun mast installations. Also can he provide deadlines or a report for compliance of planning so we can ascertain fully what is in fact going to happen and to what timeline.

Q.84 COUNCILLOR ANDREW KEEGAN

To ask the Chief Executive to please review our latest study on Student accommodation and considering the DCC management statement (which I welcome) can management comment on what is their near future strategy in the control and management of this type of accommodation. We have an enforcement deficit in this area and the area of single use homes being used as bespoke hostels (file included for your perusal)

Q.85 COUNCILLOR ANDREW KEEGAN

To ask the Chief Executive to inform me of what plans they have to improve their enforcement of single dwelling property's that are not turned into MDP without planning. There is a trend of the purchase of commercial and large domestic dwellings being purchased for the sole purpose, in contravention of planning law, as multiple dwelling accommodation. It would seem planning is ill equipped to ensure planning is complied with on this matter. It would seem according to recent media articles that DCC has to come up to speed with these shysters rather than these speculators complying with planning.

The old Santry Post Office premises is now a multiple dwelling, as it resides in Fingal I haven't a clue whether it is legal or not. And I would say this is typical across the county.

Q.86 COUNCILLOR ANDREW KEEGAN

To ask the Chief Executive to inform me of the state of play in the planning process relating to the Lidl Shop project in Drumcondra.

Q.87 COUNCILLOR DAITHÍ DOOLAN

To ask the Chief Executive **(details supplied)**

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Q.89 COUNCILLOR DAITHÍ DOOLAN

To ask the Chief Executive **(details supplied)**

- Q.90 COUNCILLOR SÉAMAS MC GRATTAN**
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To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)
- Q.98 COUNCILLOR TERESA KEEGAN**
To ask the Chief Executive the proposed timescale for the consultation, design, tendering, planning and construction of the proposed major housing development at the Lawrence Lands / Oscar Traynor Road Site.
- Q.99 COUNCILLOR TERESA KEEGAN**
To ask the Chief Executive if he will make contact with Irish Rail to ensure they address ongoing residents concerns regarding severe noise disturbance arising from new platform fencing at Drumcondra Station.
- Q.100 COUNCILLOR TERESA KEEGAN**
To ask the Chief Executive at what stage is the planning application at the Rotunda Hospital for the new building for the proposed new Neo Natal Unit. HIQA has stated that this building is essential for the future health and safety of the Neo Natal Unit and Emergency Surgery.
- Q.101 COUNCILLOR TERESA KEEGAN**
To ask the Chief Executive what conditions are set out by Dublin City Council on the Ambassador Cinema regarding their right to serve food and drink to the public regarding the advertising of events been staged at the venue is there any restrictions and in the type of material which can be displayed to the public. Presently there is public concern regarding the advertising material showing dead human bodies on display to young children and adults alike. Is there any regulation as in the case of posters.
- Q.102 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON**
To ask the Chief Executive to please give me a full report on the reason / rational for not sweeping the Residential side of Ballyfermot Main Street facing the shopping district from the Church of the Assumption to Ballyfermot Civic Centre. Residents on the housing facing the Roundabout on both sides of Kylemore Road / Ballyfermot Road at the Church of the Assumption have told me they clean this area all the time

as it never done by DCC. Can I ask that the area be regularly maintained. One resident **(details supplied)** is at the end of trying to keep the area clean without proper support.

Q.103 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON

To ask the Chief Executive that the perimeter of the Old OLV Youth Centre, Sarsfield Road, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10 which is due to close shortly be maintained while a decision on the future of the building is made, adjoining residents are very concerned that the lane-way etc will be used for anti-social behaviour, can I have an assurance on the following possible future uses, maintenance of the exterior of the building, securing of the physical structure.

Q.104 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON

To ask the Chief Executive that DCC come up with some plans to help traders / shoppers in the Claddagh Green Area of Ballyfermot with some additional car-parking, flower planters, waste bins etc. Claddagh Green traders feel they are forgotten about when it comes to area improvements. Doing nothing is not unacceptable to traders who pay substantial rates etc.

Q.105 COUNCILLOR VINT JACKSON

To ask the Chief Executive can I be given a full report on **(details supplied)**

Q.106 COUNCILLOR ANDREW MONTAGUE

To ask the Chief Executive can the council provide a schematic map of the underfloor heating system for the Family Resource Centre, in Shangan Green, Ballymun? They need this map in order to carry out repair and maintenance.

Q.107 COUNCILLOR ANDREW MONTAGUE

To ask the Chief Executive will the council investigate the recurring problems with the blocked sewer outside the city council tenant's house **(details supplied)**. The council have cleared it a number of times recently, but it keeps blocking up every few days.

Q.108 COUNCILLOR ANDREW MONTAGUE

To ask the Chief Executive can the Council prune the trees on Lorcan Road? Some residents would like the biggest trees replaced by smaller trees, but there would need to be consultation on the street, if this was to be considered.

Q.109 COUNCILLOR ANDREW MONTAGUE

To ask the Chief Executive will the council **(details supplied)**

Q.110 COUNCILLOR PAUL HAND

To ask the Chief Executive of Dublin City Council **(details supplied)**

Q.111 COUNCILLOR PAUL HAND

To ask the Chief Executive **(details supplied)**

Q.112 COUNCILLOR PAUL HAND

To ask the Chief Executive **(details supplied)**

Q.113 COUNCILLOR FRANK KENNEDY

To ask the Chief Executive:

(a) To rectify the extremely poor state of the cycle lanes on North Circular Road, Portland Row and Seville Place, and in particular, to segregate drivers and cyclists as far as possible on these lanes; and

(b) To reconfigure the junctions along Seville Place/North Circular Road to provide dedicated traffic lights for cyclists and green filter lights for motorists which prohibit turning other than when such dedicated lights are illuminated.

On 12 April last at 4.30pm a cyclist was involved in a collision with a van on the corner of North Circular Road and Glengarriff Parade. A van driver turned left onto the cycle lane without noticing the cyclist, and the front wheel followed by the remainder of the bike were dragged under the van. The cyclist was able to jump off his bicycle just in time, and, but for this good fortune would have been seriously or perhaps fatally injured. This incident follows the tragedy in September 2016 when a cyclist was killed after being hit by a vehicle at the junction of Sherriff Street and Seville Place. The cycle lanes on North Circular Road, Portland Row and Seville Place are in an extremely poor state and give little to no protection to cyclists who must share road space with vehicular traffic. The problem is compounded by vehicles turning at junctions where there is no feeder light and where motorists break red lights in order to make the turn.

Q.114 COUNCILLOR FRANK KENNEDY

To ask the Chief Executive to rectify the grossly misleading signage outside Beshoff Bros on Mespil Road, Dublin 4 by making the “No Parking” position abundantly clear. At present motorists are frequently clamped and there is a real concern that the position as it stands constitutes entrapment. On Good Friday a motorist was clamped at this location having parked on what all motorists present at that time agreed did not appear to be a freeway. As the attached photographs show, the freeway start sign is side on and so it is not visible when approaching, which is in contrast to the freeway end sign, which is face on. The effect of this is that motorists will only see the pay and display signage which gives the impression that one can park unmetered after 4pm. (Photos attached)

Q.115 COUNCILLOR FRANK KENNEDY

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a breakdown of payments from the Dublin City Council Community Grants Scheme for the South East Area by whichever is the more convenient of (a) town/village (i.e. Sandymount, Ringsend, Ranelagh etc.) or (b) Local Electoral Area (e.g. Pembroke East A etc.). This is not a request for a list of the individual grants made but rather seeks a specific breakdown of the number of grants made and the total sums granted by geographic area.

Q.116 COUNCILLOR FRANK KENNEDY

To ask the Chief Executive:

- (a) to liaise with appropriate community and residents groups living west of Ringsend Bridge up to and including Pearse Street (i.e. residents of Ringsend Road, South Lotts Road, Macken Street etc.) as to what signage or area name(s) and the locations for same would be appropriate for signage in this area and
- (b) to erect such signage.

Attractive village signs have recently been installed in, for example, Sandymount, Donnybrook and Ranelagh. As yet no signs have been installed for the South Docks /Pearse Street area.

Q.117 COUNCILLOR DAMIAN O’FARRELL

To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)

Q.118 COUNCILLOR DAMIAN O’FARRELL

To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)

Q.119 COUNCILLOR DAMIAN O'FARRELL

To ask the Chief Executive (**details supplied**)

Q.120 COUNCILLOR JOHN LYONS

To ask the Chief Executive with regard to the Land Initiative Projects, to provide an evaluation of the value for money expected to be achieved through procurement of these projects by means of the Public-Private Partnership model and to outline how the city council will ensure transparency around the contracts and governance oversight of these Land Initiative Projects.

Q.121 COUNCILLOR JOHN LYONS

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a value for money analysis of the rapid build programme to date, namely the 22 units located in Ballymun.

Q.122 COUNCILLOR JOHN LYONS

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a report on the monies paid to the Lord Mayor, Deputy Lord Mayor and the Chairs of the SPCs.

Q.123 COUNCILLOR JOHN LYONS

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a report on commercial rates, the number of businesses paying them, the annual amounts projected and actually collected over the past six years and the number and nature of businesses currently exempt from paying commercial rates in the city and the reasons for the exemptions and the projected lost income.

Q.124 COUNCILLOR PAT DUNNE

To ask the Chief Executive to ask our maintenance section to bring our tenants (**details supplied**) house up to proper standards in terms of insulation and heating. Our tenant reports that she has no central heating, the windows and doors are over 20 years old and are draughty and the house is damp throughout and in need of insulation. She has ENT medical problems and a letter from her GP stating that her problems are made worse by exposure to the damp environment.

Q.125 COUNCILLOR PAT DUNNE

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a report on future recruitment policy for staff vacancies within DCC. Can the report detail the type of vacancies likely to occur and provide details as to how interested persons can be kept updated regarding their interest in applying?

Q.126 COUNCILLOR PAT DUNNE

To ask the Chief Executive to report on the progress to date since the adaptation of Motion No 1 at this February's council meeting. The motion called upon Dublin City Council to enter into discussions for the removal or relocation of the railings at the College Green bank so as to enhance the public plaza. Additionally has full consideration of the possible hazards that partly sighted persons may have in sharing the plaza with cyclists been taken into account by the design team.

Q.127 COUNCILLOR PAT DUNNE

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a list of current voids including acquisitions in Area K showing if they are with the depot or contactors and the expected date for them becoming available for allocation.

Q.128 COUNCILLOR EMMA MURPHY

To ask the Chief Executive (**details supplied**)

Q.129 COUNCILLOR EMMA MURPHY

To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)

Q.130 COUNCILLOR EMMA MURPHY

To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)

Q.131 COUNCILLOR EMMA MURPHY

To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)

Q.132 COUNCILLOR MICHAEL MULLOOLY

To ask the Chief Executive in a reply to Question 80 to the April Meeting it was accepted that 25 vehicles were removed from the street where a clamp had been illegally removed on a previous occasion. The charges levied in respect of these vehicles varied. Can I have a breakdown of each charge and an explanation why the charges are different in respect of some vehicles.

Q.133 COUNCILLOR MICHAEL MULLOOLY

To ask the Chief Executive to set out the legal basis (which was requested in question 80 in the April meeting) for the practice of removing vehicles from the street and imposing additional charges which are different from the way other vehicles parked illegally are treated. Can the legal basis for this practice be set out in detail.

Q.134 COUNCILLOR NORMA SAMMON

To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)

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Q.137 COUNCILLOR NORMA SAMMON

To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)

Q.138 COUNCILLOR DAMIAN O'FARRELL

To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)

Q.139 COUNCILLOR TINA MAC VEIGH

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a report on the introduction of the boiler fee charged to our tenants to include: date implemented, rate of calculation, date of council meeting at which it was voted and copy of management report that was voted on.

Q.140 COUNCILLOR TINA MAC VEIGH

To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)

Q.141 COUNCILLOR DAITHÍ DOOLAN

To ask the Chief Executive how much did it cost to originally install and operate the CCTV camera that was recently vandalised in Cherry Orchard and how much, approximately, will it cost to fully repair?