QUESTIONS LODGED PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER NO.16 FOR REPLY AT THE MONTHLY MEETING OF DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, 12th JUNE 2017

Q.1 COUNCILLOR DERMOT LACEY

To ask the Chief Executive the number of cars clamped on Thursday 13th April and the number of cars clamped on Friday 14th April and if he believes there is a need to clarify that on days that are Bank Holidays but not Public Holidays that normal parking rules apply.

Q.2 COUNCILLOR RUAIRÍ MC GINLEY

To ask the Chief Executive to mark 14th July of each year as the Children of Europe's Liberty Day in line with proclamation below.

Children's Proclamation - The children of Irelands Liberty Day

In Memory of those children who died in the Famine, Rising, Civil War & Troubles. We want all Countries in the EU to sign and honour Our declaration to never knowingly shoot or bomb children nor to imprison or enslave them or abuse them physically or mentally nor to make them homeless or to starve them.

This includes all children regardless of gender or colour of skin or religion and anyone who dishonours Our declaration by bringing an act of terrorism upon any children this will be seen as the ultimate act of cowardice by enemies foreign and domestic and those who abide by this declaration shall be known as honourable and brave.

From this day 14-7-2016 on shall be known as the children of Europe's Liberty Day. This will give them freedom, liberty, a voice to be heard and time to grow and learn and have fun. Let no act of terrorism be committed against children.

The protection of children in the event of war in Europe. We want a no fire zone for all children. One or two cities in every EU Country is to become that no fire zone where children can live in peace and without risk of being bombed or shot, where food can easily be sourced for them. Where they can have access to Warmth Education and a safe place to sleep. The city should include a shipping port for deliveries of supplies. Trained Councillors ex Ministers and City Managers should run the city and all Leaders like Presidents and Prime Ministers Shall Leave the city because they may be seen as a legitimate targets and this may be the only way to get all countries to adopt this declaration of peace. It will also give all countries one good city to start rebuilding their country again.

The Inhumane slaughter of innocent Children will be over and people shall never have to drag their children hungry and cold across continents. Where possible a Parent or Guardian should have to accompany all children to the Safe Zone so they can look after them.

We the people want all countries on the planet to adopt Our Declaration of peace to protect all children.

Q.3 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE HENEY

To ask the Chief Executive to report and clarify the matter of current Government plans to house persons on the Homeless List with particular reference to houses being purchased by or through Dublin City Council in Clontarf/Drumcondra areas as short term accommodation and say

1. What budget has been approved by Government and how many houses are planned for purchase in 2017 & 2018

2. If this is being done on a city wide basis or if confined to certain suburbs

- 3. If estimates have been made for the number of houses to be purchased by
 - (i) per Dublin City Council area
 - (ii) per suburb

and if any quota per area has been agreed

4. If there is a particular type of house being purchased, size, number of rooms, if previously a B&B, guest house, family home doing occasional B&B, etc

5. If the houses will be owned & managed by DCC, voluntary housing bodies, HSE or other agencies

6. If any arrangements will be put in place for supervision of the tenants including the surrounds/roads around these hoses

7. If approval of these purchases will be sought from each City Council Area Committee

8. If Planning Department is involved in this policy;

9. If planning permission is being sought for change of use for each house.

10. If approval to internal alterations in many of these houses with special features is being administered/policed by Planning Department

11. If statement can be made on the matter

Q.4 COUNCILLOR RAY MC HUGH

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange an inspection of a large tree outside **(details supplied)** residents are complaining it needs to be cut back or removed.

Q.5 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for the steam cleaning of the front wall of Avila Park and for the removal of graffiti at entrance also. The wall and footpath here are filthy with build up from traffic along this stretch of road.

Q.6 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive if all the issues which prevented a Sports Capital Grant being applied for this year in respect of the Rivermount Sports Hall on St. Helena's Road in Finglas have been rectified to enable a complete application to be submitted next year.

Q.7 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for an inspection of (details supplied)

Q.8 COUNCILLOR RAY MC HUGH

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for an urgent inspection of the 2 Manholes at (details supplied)

Q.9 COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE

To ask the Chief Executive to respond to this housing query (details supplied)

Q.10 COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE

To ask the Chief Executive to make provision for (details supplied)

Q.11 COUNCILLOR CHRISTY BURKE

To ask the Chief Executive what progress to date by DCC is being made to erect the Statue of late Luke Kelly

Q.12 COUNCILLOR CHRISTY BURKE

To ask the Chief Executive if the DCC parks department would address the over growth of bushes and trees at (details supplied)

Q.13 COUNCILLOR CHRISTY BURKE

To ask the Chief Executive if DCC senior management would increase funding to Brother Kevin Crowley's centre, Bow Street Dublin 7, as it costs up to €4,000,000 (four million) to run per year.

Q.14 COUNCILLOR CHRISTY BURKE

To ask the Chief Executive for an update on how many voids there are in DCC stock in Dublin City.

Q.15 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN

To ask the Chief Executive to issue a full report with regards the letters that were sent by BID/Dublintown to Dublin City Council regarding allegations of defamation that were allegedly contained in public submissions that was submitted by myself relating to reasons why the BID scheme should not be renewed. Further, that the City Manager releases these letters in their entirety to me or that I be allowed view these letters in their entirety at the law agent's office. Also, that any future correspondence of this nature relating to any incident that involves a Councillor be immediately brought to the attention of the Councillor by DCC management. I only learned of this correspondence recently by accident and I find it a breach of care of duty by DCC not to inform me that they were in receipt of such correspondence.

Q.16 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN

To ask the Chief Executive to issue a full report with regards any meetings that have been held by the Dublin Business Alliance Group or any other business group with regards the traffic arrangements within the city centre area, particularly the north side of the city. This report to include, all minutes, a list of those who attended and the topics discussed, and the outcomes.

Q.17 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN

To ask the Chief Executive to issue a public notice informing the public of the legal situation regarding cycle-rickshaws. DCC have a care of duty to all citizens with regards to their safety. Many members of the public are greatly alarmed at the many incidences that are happening on our streets and on our roads since rickshaws were introduced. While national legislation is lacking in this area DCC must inform the public of the risk that they present to themselves by getting into or using these unregulated modes of transport. Serious incidences have taken place on board these rickshaws such as over-turning, individuals falling out onto the roadway, passengers breaking their limbs etc. There is also the issue of unlawful parking on very dangerous stretches of roadway (Georges St, Temple Bar, Grafton Street etc) also they are constantly cycling on pedestrian areas, footpaths etc. and are generally a major nuisance to all. These vehicles are mainly used at night-time and en mass at the weekends. They are making roadways, pathways and walkways unsafe and congested. The least DCC can do is warn the public with regards their safety and their health. Also, the Council were to place "No Cycling" signs on all footpaths in the city centre can the Chief Executive give an update on that.

Q.18 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN

To ask the Chief Executive to issue a report with regards to the protocols and codes of conduct for all members of the Joint Policing committees and subcommittees. Recently it was brought to my attention by members of the business community that a prominent member of the city wide Joint Policing Committee was under live investigation by An Garda Siochana in relation to a criminal assault. This has created concern among many who feel that it undermines the authority and integrity of Joint Policing committees whose role it is to discuss and make recommendations about all aspects of crime within the city area including issues of anti-social behaviour and assaults on the person. Many of these reports issued by An Garda Siochana to Joint Policing committees involve complaints of assault recorded. So it would be in keeping with best practice that if any member of the committee was under any live Garda investigation that was initiated by way of complaint that that person should exclude him/herself from Joint Policing committee meetings and subcommittee meetings until such investigations were complete in order to uphold the integrity of the JCP's and their role in the city.

Q.19 COUNCILLOR JANE HORGAN JONES

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

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Q.22 COUNCILLOR JANE HORGAN JONES

To ask the Chief Executive to advise on the following issues in the Malahide Road/Donnycarney Road area (details supplied)

Q.23 COUNCILLOR MARY FREEHILL

To ask the Chief Executive to please state the current status of the use of DCC lands an area comprising approximately 48sq.m. (8m x 6m) at North House Dartry Dublin 6 by a private Montessori School for a play area. Can the manager state that the Montessori school have no occupational rights or rights of way to this land and that it can be taken back by DCC at any time"

Q.24 COUNCILLOR RAY MC HUGH

To ask the Chief Executive to supply this councillor with the following information if possible. How many families from the Crumlin/Kimmage area are presently on the homeless list and are placed in hotels.

Q.25 COUNCILLOR CRIONA NI DHALAIGH

To ask the Chief Executive to add the following streets to the road maintenance budget for 2018 (details supplied)

Q.26 <u>COUNCILLOR REBECCA MOYNIHAN</u> To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)

Q.27 <u>COUNCILLOR CHRIS ANDREWS</u> To ask the Chief Executive to have the drainage and plumbing at (details supplied) as the toilet is regularly backing up and flooding onto the floor?

Q.28 COUNCILLOR NOELEEN REILLY

To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)

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- Q.31 <u>COUNCILLOR NOELEEN REILLY</u> To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)
- **Q.32** <u>COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE</u> To ask the Chief Executive to respond to this housing request (details supplied)

Q.33 COUNCILLOR CIARAN O'MOORE

To ask the Chief Executive if Dublin City Council is refurbishing the Bram Stoker Hotel in Clontarf, for a family hub. If this is the case why were the DCC councillors in the area not informed or consulted?

Q.34 COUNCILLOR CIARAN O'MOORE

To ask the Chief Executive what is the total cost to service all gas boilers in DCC properties per year?

Q.35 COUNCILLOR CHRIS ANDREWS

To ask the Chief Executive to have the huge tree outside (details supplied) replaced with a smaller tree as a matter of urgency and the pavement repaired as an older resident had a fall over the roots which have badly cracked the footpath and it is also blocking street lighting and light form individuals house?

Q.36 <u>COUNCILLOR DECLAN FLANAGAN</u> To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)

- Q.37 <u>COUNCILLOR DECLAN FLANAGAN</u> To ask the Chief Executive can the council help with (details supplied)
- Q.38 <u>COUNCILLOR DECLAN FLANAGAN</u> To ask the Chief Executive to reply on the (detail supplied)
- Q.39 <u>COUNCILLOR DECLAN FLANAGAN</u> To ask the Chief Executive to deal with the (details supplied)
- Q.40 <u>COUNCILLOR CHRIS ANDREWS</u> To ask the Chief Executive to address the issues in contained below on behalf of residents in Glovers Court? (details supplied).
- Q.41 <u>COUNCILLOR SEAN PAUL MAHON</u> To ask the Chief Executive the following (details supplied)
- Q.42 <u>COUNCILLOR CRIONA NI DHALAIGH</u> To ask the Chief Executive if consideration could be given to naming the (details supplied)
- Q.43 <u>COUNCILLOR CATHLEEN CARNEY BOUD</u> To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)
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- Q.47 <u>COUNCILLOR SEAMAS MC GRATTAN</u> To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)
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Q.51 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON

To ask Chief Executive to please indicate possible sites within Dublin City Council administrative area sites where there is the possibility of developing a fishing lake project similar to the facility operated by South Dublin Co Council in Corkagh Park. I recently had a young gentleman in a constituency clinic looking at the possibility of developing such a facility, perhaps I could arrange he meet with staff.

Q.52 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON

To ask the Chief Executive can I have a rational of why 3 bedroom houses are often allocated to a family of 3 when families with 7 & 8 are left for years awaiting a transfer to a larger house it doesn't seem to make sense to me or anyone awaiting a move to a larger house. The fact is if I were awaiting accommodation a 2 bedroom house would be a far better option than sleeping on my parent's sitting room sofa etc.

Q.53 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON

To ask the Chief Executive can he outline the re-cycling options for bulky packaging, green waste, plastics etc in the Ballyfermot, Chapelizod & Cherry Orchard areas? For such a large area it is often forgotten about when it comes to provision of such facilities.

Q.54 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON

To ask the Chief Executive can the Manager please outline a timeframe for the replacement of the CCTV camera recently destroyed in Cherry orchard, costs involved & what measures are we going to introduce to ensure there is no repetition of this serious incidence.

Q.55 COUNCILLOR CRIONA NI DHALAIGH

To ask the Chief Executive to consider the following traffic improvement measures (details supplied)

Q.56 COUNCILLOR KIERAN BINCHY

To ask the Chief Executive to address the issues raised by the coach operators of Ireland in **(details supplied)** as a matter of urgency, and to provide adequate coach parking, as we enter tourist high season.

Q.57 COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE

To ask the Chief Executive to give clarification on this matter (details supplied)

Q.58 COUNCILLOR PAT DUNNE

To ask the Chief Executive to ask our Maintenance Section to arrange to have the following issues addressed in our tenants home (details supplied)

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Q.61 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive if it is possible for senior citizens to be considered for some of the 1 and 2 bed units in the proposed PPP development at Scribblestown, Finglas, D11.

Q.62 COUNCILLOR CIARAN O'MOORE

To ask the Chief Executive can a parking bay be allocated for a "GO Car" at Maypark, Malahide Rd, Donnycarney Dublin 5. If not at Maypark, can one be allocated outside the Church in Donnycarney.

- Q.63 <u>COUNCILLOR EDEL MORAN</u> To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)
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Q.67 COUNCILLOR DAVID COSTELLO

To ask the Chief Executive can he outline the criteria to be used to determine the cost effectiveness of the PPP housing projects in Dublin and in doing so indicate how councillors will play a role in that process?

Q.68 COUNCILLOR DAVID COSTELLO

To ask the Chief Executive while awaiting public consultation around the site in Finglas known as the "Kildonan Lands" proceeds to value the commercial land to the north of the site (which has been identified by Brady Shipman) with a view to disposing of it for commercial use. The disposal money could be used to carry out enabling works on the site for example.

Q.69 COUNCILLOR DAVID COSTELLO

To ask the Chief Executive to provide details on the revenue raised by clamping cars in the city, giving a break down by area, offence etc for the last 5 years.

Q.70 COUNCILLOR DAITHI DOOLAN

To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)

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- Q.73 <u>COUNCILLOR DAITHI DOOLAN</u> To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)

Q.74 COUNCILLOR RUAIRI MC GINLEY To ask the Chief Executive to indicate how many employees will reach normal retirement date in calendar year 2018.

Q.75 COUNCILLOR ALISON GILLILAND

To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on progressing parts d) and e) of the vacant housing motion passed at April's Housing SPC (See below)

Motion in the name of CIIr Alison Gilliland (from March 2017 DCC meeting to April Housing SPC)

That Dublin City Council members acknowledge the key role DCC as a local authority needs to play in increasing housing supply so as to significantly reduce social housing waiting lists in our jurisdiction, to allow those in emergency homeless accommodation transition into housing and to facilitate the provision of units for private rental and purchase needs. Dublin City Council members also acknowledge the current capital funding and human resource/personnel constrains under which this local authority is operating. Notwithstanding and recognising DCC led housing projects and initiatives currently in train, Dublin City Council members insist that this local authority pursue a proactive and impatient programme of:

- a) repair and lease of currently vacant and derelict private residential units including those of smaller size than the current definition of 'vacant'
- b) bringing DCC owned vacant and derelict sites into productive residential within a target timeline of 3 years
- c) increase by at least 150% the average number of monthly compulsory purchase orders being issued and produce a bimonthly report on same
- d) devise planning and architectural prototypes for the conversion of vacant space over shops into residential living units, establish a DCC one-stop-shop support facility for shop owners to undertake such conversions and call on government to make available a conversion grant for shop owners so as to support the halving of the no of vacant units over shops by half over the next 3 years
- e) introduce an incremental DCC vacant residential property rate for all residential units vacant for more than 12 months
- f) demand a comprehensive capital funding package from the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government along with funding for the recruitment of additional expert personnel to our planning and housing departments to facilitate the delivery of the above projects in a timely manner and should such funding not be forthcoming that Dublin City Council members be fully informed.

Q.76 COUNCILLOR ALISON GILLILAND

To ask the Chief Executive to (details supplied)

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To ask the Chief Executive to provide a full report (details supplied)

Q.78 COUNCILLOR ALISON GILLILAND

To ask the Chief Executive to provide (details supplied)

Q.79 COUNCILLOR CIARAN O'MOORE

To ask the Chief Executive about the pluvial flooding on the Clontarf Road on Saturday, May 27th that resulted in parts of the road being temporarily closed. Residents and Clontarf ward Councillors were assured that extra drainage was in place to prevent this. Can the Chief Executive please explain why this happened, what plans are in place to prevent this and with all the time and money that has been poured in to preventing this flood, who is accountable?

Q.80 COUNCILLOR CRIONA NI DHALAIGH

To ask the Chief Executive to take action on the following planning enforcement matter (details supplied)

Q.81 COUNCILLOR CIARAN CUFFE

To ask the Chief Executive whether any commercial rates were payable for residential premises that were occupied for short-term rental (such as through Airbnb, Booking.com or similar agencies) and whether he and his staff have the resources to cross check-such information from these agencies with addresses in the Dublin City Council area and to make a statement on the matter.

Q.82 COUNCILLOR CIARAN CUFFE

To ask the Chief Executive to state how many horses are seized and how many are put down in the Dublin City Council area each year, and to give a breakdown of the costs incurred in the last year for which figures are available.

Q.83 COUNCILLOR CIARAN CUFFE

To ask the Chief Executive to provide me with a copy of the DBFL Consulting report on traffic issues in the IFSC area.

Q.84 COUNCILLOR CIARAN CUFFE

To ask the Chief Executive to provide me with details of any inspection of Buckingham Village on Buckingham Street Upper, Dublin 1, from a fire safety perspective, and to inspect same if he has not already done so.

- Q.85 <u>COUNCILLOR GREG KELLY</u> To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)
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- Q.88 <u>COUNCILLOR MÍCHEÁL MAC DONNCHA</u> To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)
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Q.90 <u>COUNCILLOR GAYE FAGAN</u> To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)

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To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)

Q.92 COUNCILLOR RAY MC ADAM

To ask the Chief Executive to consider installing speed ramps at the junction of Glasnevin Woods and Ballyboggan Road.

Q.93 COUNCILLOR RAY MC ADAM

To ask the Chief Executive to review the use of LED lighting on St. Jarlath's Road, Cabra, Dublin 7.

Q.94 <u>COUNCILLOR GAYE FAGAN</u> To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)

Q.95 COUNCILLOR RAY MC ADAM

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a comprehensive report into how community funding was allocated, the level of community funding that was available, to whom grants were allocated and that he would list all recipients of the various aspects of the HARP Community Gain programme.

Q.96 COUNCILLOR SEAN PAUL MAHON

To ask the Chief Executive the following (details supplied)

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Q.99 COUNCILLOR PATRICK COSTELLO

To ask the Chief Executive what funds have been applied for by Dublin City Council under central government's Anti-Litter and Anti-Graffiti Awareness Grant Scheme (ALAGS) since 2014, how much was given to the councillor under this scheme and to give details of the projects it has been used for.

Q.100 COUNCILLOR PATRICK COSTELLO

To ask the Chief Executive to give details of the legal instrument that created District Electoral Divisions or Local Electoral Areas, for the purposes of electing members to Dublin City Council, which appear to be identical in extent to the 'wards' that were in use up to the 2001 to elect members to the Corporation of the Borough of Dublin.

Q.101 COUNCILLOR MICHAEL O'BRIEN

To ask the Chief Executive why in a situation where a homeless housing applicant has joint custody of children with a separated partner with the children residing with that partner who is not homeless the applicant may only apply for one bedroom accommodation thus perpetuating their separation from their children? Example (details supplied)

Q.102 COUNCILLOR MICHAEL O'BRIEN

To ask the Chief Executive if he can estimate how much is forgone annually in potential parking fees by the availability of free parking spaces for private coaches in Dublin City centre.

Q.103 COUNCILLOR MICHAEL O'BRIEN

To ask the Chief Executive if the dampness problem experienced by (details **supplied**) which has been the subject of a number of questions I have put to the area manager this year including Q60 of the March North Central meeting and Q55 of the May meeting neither of which have resulted in the problem being remedied be acted on urgently as the residents daughter has recently been hospitalised for a collapsed lung.

Q.104 COUNCILLOR MICHAEL O'BRIEN

To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)

Q.105 COUNCILLOR PATRICK COSTELLO

To ask the Chief Executive the total number of properties waiting for assessment in relation to being included on the record of protected structures, the number of staff available to complete this work and the typical length of time from initial referral to the point where the building is listed.

Q.106 COUNCILLOR PATRICK COSTELLO

To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update in relation to the properties referred during the development process to be assessed for the record of protected structures detailing of the total number referred how many are now listed, how many have been rejected, and how many are still under assessment.

Q.107 COUNCILLOR RAY MC ADAM

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a report into (details supplied)

Q.108 COUNCILLOR ANDREW KEEGAN

To ask the Chief Executive could management provide me with details of the Sunnybank Hub in Glasnevin, details of:

- 1. How many families and the number of children.
- 2. Who is responsible for management?
- 3. What measures have be taken in relation to fire safety
- 4. Has the allocations been decided prior to opening
- 5. What is the reference number of the planning application?

And if it is possible, any other relevant information, that would prove useful for the councillors in the area.

Q.109 COUNCILLOR ANDREW KEEGAN

To ask the Chief Executive about the planning decision to locate a Lidl shopping centre on the Drumcondra Road having gone to appeal, could the manager explain the logic of agreeing to this decision. What exactly informed the decision of planning to agree to this on a road that is blighted with congestion and was there any consideration of the fact is an ongoing traffic measure on Walsh Rd. which has at least another 6 to 8 months to run. Both issues above, Planning and Pleanala were made aware off, could you explain what were the considerations to let this development to go ahead.

Q.110 COUNCILLOR ANDREW KEEGAN

To ask the Chief Executive could he tell me how a development in Swords, Ref 2713/17, could even be considered at a density of 72 units per Ha on the Swords Road when the much larger site of 17 Ha on the Oscar Traynor Road has a density of 37 units per Ha. It would seem to be too large for the site and the area.

Q.111 COUNCILLOR NORMA SAMMON

To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)

Q.112 COUNCILLOR NORMA SAMMON

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Q.113 <u>COUNCILLOR NORMA SAMMON</u> To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)

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Q.115 COUNCILLOR PAUL HAND

To ask the Chief Executive how many housing units has DCC purchased or acquired over the past 5 years and if this could be broken down in the following categories.

- 1. Housing unit type (for example 1 bed apartment, 2 bed house. Inclusive of all unit types)
- 2. A breakdown by DCC housing area of where these units have been acquired (e.g. Area K, inclusive of all housing areas)
- 3. Purpose for purchase (e.g. De-tenanting housing schemes for regeneration, adding to our housing stock, buy backs, older persons, inclusive of all reasons for purchasing new housing stock)
- 4. Method of purchase (e.g. Direct grants, HFA loans, inclusive of all purchasing methods)
- 5. How they were purchased (e.g. On the open market, offered by NAMA, inclusive of all methods of purchase)

Q.116 COUNCILLOR PAUL HAND

To ask the Chief Executive does Dublin City Council have a policy for dealing with queries by members of Seanad Eireann and does this policy place Senators on a level equal or above Dublin City Councillors? In my view Councillors and TD's are elected to geographic constituencies roughly on a par with area committee structures and should be dealt with accordingly. Indeed Councillors and TD's sit on Area based JPC's in recognition of this fact. However Senators are elected to National Panels and have no geographic constituencies. It is an abuse of their mandate to hassle DCC staff and abuse their National Office to use it for issues not relating to National Legislation. It is also a waste of time and resources on DCC staff and budgets. Therefore I would request that the Chief Executive answer this question and perhaps consider forwarding this to the protocol committee for guidelines to be introduced on this matter.

Q.117 COUNCILLOR PAUL HAND

To ask the Chief Executive in light of the amendment proposed by the Independent Group of Councillors regarding the Poolbeg West SDZ, to potentially purchase an additional 100 units at a market rate, can the Chief Executive's department and the Planning and Development section recognise this fact and lobby the relevant minister, whoever they are at the time when these housing units are coming on stream.

Q.118 COUNCILLOR PAUL HAND

To ask the Chief Executive to provide this Councillor with a breakdown of the budget for all area offices in the DCC administrative area for the past 5 years, including this year to date and to break this down by amount allocated and amount spent. This is important for oversight purposes and to see if there are any funds available to improve the Crumlin Area Office, as it is likely they have not spent monies when it was closed for an extended period. This money should be ring fenced for Crumlin and used to upgrade and improve the public service provided from that office.

Q.119 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE HENEY

To ask the Chief Executive to refer to location as per **(details supplied)** and say if he can provide public lighting as residents are concerned for their safety during dark evenings.

Q.120 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE HENEY

To ask the Chief Executive to refer to location as per (details supplied) and say if he can arrange to have same cleared of waste etc as it is causing great stress to local residents and say if he can arrange to initiate the process of the extinguishment or the public right of way over same as requested by local resident

Q.121 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE HENEY

To ask the Chief Executive to refer to location as per (**details attached**) and say if he can carry out enforcement on the owner of the property to

- (a) have the area secured/blocked off so as to try to eliminate fly-tipping etc
- (b) have the owner clear up dumped materials from the site and
- (c) eliminate the continuing danger/hazard of dumped materials being set alight

Q.122 COUNCILLOR DAMIAN O'FARRELL

To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)

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To ask the Chief Executive to report and answer questions as regards the flooding and subsequent road closure of the James Larkin Road on Saturday 27th May. As part of the Sutton to Sandycove Cycleway & Footway Interim Work Project / Bull Road to Causeway Road (Part VIII) extensive drainage and flood prevention work was to be completed in this area. There was a Public Engagement Forum (PEF) set up in respect of this project and at the very first meeting (16th December) it was reiterated by local community groups and public representatives that the only flooding problems experienced in this area where fluvial, caused by the Naniken River and heavy rainfall. DCC officials assured the PEF that the proposed project would address this flooding issue.

The project design proposed to reinstate all surface water outfalls located along the proposed flood defence scheme, the surface water outfalls which facilitate sewer discharges were to be upgraded by the provision place additional overflow manholes and/or other appropriate measures. There were also drainage services associated with the lowering underground of the pumping station with effected existing gullies being relocated. Where build outs were proposed double gullies with separate connections would be constructed. As regards the Naniken River culvert, headwalls will be repaired, a valve flap provided as well as an extension of the Naniken stream culvert. Is DCC satisfied with the drainage design provided by consultant engineers Roughan & O'Donovan? If DCC is not satisfied what remedies are provided for in the contract?

Is DCC satisfied with the drainage construction work carried out by the contractor KN Group? If DCC is not satisfied what remedies are provided for in the contract?

If DCC is satisfied with both the design and construction of the drainage element of the aforementioned Part VIII and was made aware of all the local fluvial issues what is the problem with the newly constructed drainage solution and also what is the solution? What confidence can the public and elected reps have with forthcoming Part VIII projects being presented by DCC for approval?

Lastly, extensive ponding of water was identified in front of houses alongside Clontarf Road. This ponding was below the level of newly installed drains which were made the drains ineffectual. Can this matter be rectified as a matter of urgency please?

Q.124 COUNCILLOR DAMIAN O'FARRELL

To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)

Q.125 COUNCILLOR DAMIAN O'FARRELL

To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)

Q.126 COUNCILLOR TINA MAC VEIGH

To ask our the Chief Executive for a breakdown of all emergency homeless accommodation used by DCC by type, to include hotels, hostels, B and Bs, and any other 'supported' accommodation including family hubs, and to include the number of families/individuals housed under each accommodation type, and also to include those planned to come into service in the next 12 months.

Q.127 COUNCILLOR TINA MAC VEIGH

To ask the Chief Executive whether the open public grounds/spaces at Harcourt Lodge, Southern Cross Avenue, Inchicore, Dublin 8, fall under the responsibility of the local authority for upkeep/maintenance.

Q.128 COUNCILLOR TINA MAC VEIGH

To ask the Chief Executive whether number (details supplied) have right of way allowing them to access the rear of their property via the laneway that runs off the SCR into the rear of the property and if not, what is the procedure that will enable this access.

Q.129 COUNCILLOR TINA MAC VEIGH

To ask the Chief Executive whether the wasteland adjacent to Hannover Lane Dublin 8 is owned by the local authority.

Q.130 COUNCILLOR TOM BRABAZON

To ask the Chief Executive to please confirm the following (detail supplied)

Q.131 COUNCILLOR TOM BRABAZON

To ask the Chief Executive is he aware that (details supplied)

Q.132 COUNCILLOR TOM BRABAZON

To ask the Chief Executive to confirm the following (details supplied)

- Q.133 <u>COUNCILLOR EMMA MURPHY</u> To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)
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Q.136 COUNCILLOR NIAL RING

To ask the Chief Executive to confirm whether, or not, Dublin City Council has budgets in place for the following services currently being provided by Dublin Town. Christmas lights in 30 city centre streets

- a) Graffiti removal from private properties
- b) Cleaning/powerwashing services for city centre businesses
- c) Running of ambassador and tourist information services.
- d) Promotional events for city centre businesses such as Dine in Dublin, Dublin Fashion Festival etc.

Q.137 COUNCILLOR NIAL RING

To ask the Chief Executive in view of the fact that it covers the highest amount of city council owned properties, can he confirm that the Portland Row depot will not be included in any rationalisation plans for the north city depot network unless it is being considered as the consolidated depot.

Q.138 COUNCILLOR NIAL RING

To ask the Chief Executive to advise if it is proposed to change the name of East Link Limited to Tom Clarke Bridge Limited.

Q.139 COUNCILLOR NIAL RING

To ask the Chief Executive has he confirmed that a Framework is being organised to clear the backlog of requests for replacement windows. Can the Chief Executive confirm the following in respect of the decision:

a. How many request for replacement windows are on the system?

b. What is the estimated cost of replacing a window frame?

c. When will the Framework commence?

d. How long is it estimated will it take to clear the backlog?

e. Will the Framework also include a survey/check of all windows, not just those reported as needing replacement?

f. Has a cost benefit analysis been completed to include savings associated with replaced windows against the cost of replacement?

Q.140 COUNCILLOR EILIS RYAN

To ask the Chief Executive to carry out the following works on McKee Road and provide a timeframe for when the works will be completed

- To clear dumping and waste on the green

- To fix the pothole outside 47 McKee road

- To repair uneven footpaths on McKee Road

Q.141 COUNCILLOR EILIS RYAN

To ask the Chief Executive can he (details supplied)

Q.142 COUNCILLOR EILIS RYAN

To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)

Q.143 COUNCILLOR EILIS RYAN

To ask the Chief Executive for a report on (details supplied)

Q.144 COUNCILLOR FRANK KENNEDY

To ask the Chief Executive to contact An Garda Siochana to request that they enforce the existing parking restrictions on the cycle lanes on North Circular Road, Seville Place, and, especially, Portland Row. These cycle lanes are completely ignored by motorists when parking vehicles and the consequences for cyclists are exceptionally dangerous.

Q.145 COUNCILLOR FRANK KENNEDY

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for the cleaning of the Ringsend Road on a more frequent basis than at present in circumstances where residents report that the dirt on the road is unbelievable, and, in particular, high volumes of dust are a constant presence given the works taking place at Boland's Mills. The significant number of residential units being used for Airbnb rental has also resulted in increased instances of littering.

Q.146 COUNCILLOR FRANK KENNEDY

To ask the Chief Executive with regard to the Waste to Energy facility at Poolbeg:

(a) To explain what role the Council plays in monitoring and enforcing compliance with the emissions standards;

(b) To clarify whether the Council can of its own motion raise with the Environmental Protection Agency any breaches in the emissions standards;

(c) To state who prepares the data as to whether emissions standards are being complied with; and

(d) To take urgent remedial action in the event of any violation of the emissions standards

Q.147 COUNCILLOR FRANK KENNEDY

To ask the Chief Executive:

- (a) to confiscate bicycles which are illegally parked against railings and posts on Kevin Street and Wexford Street where those bicycles cause an obstruction. These are extremely narrow footpaths and bicycles frequently create unlawful obstructions for elderly pedestrians and those with limited or impaired mobility; and
- (b) to the extent that such remedial steps do not fall within the remit or power of Dublin City Council, to contact An Garda Siochana to request that they take the necessary action to enforce the law.

Q.148 COUNCILLOR GREG KELLY

To ask the Chief Executive (details supplied)

Q.149 COUNCILLOR MARY FREEHILL

To ask the Chief Executive to state why no action has been taken to recruit Executive Traffic Engineers to replace three who left last January and also address the fact that services in the Traffic Dept are way behind. Also would the manager please state, has the Manager responsible signed off on the request to commence recruitment, if not why? If order has been signed what stage is the recruitment process at right now?

Q.150 COUNCILLOR DERMOT LACEY

To ask the Chief Executive if he could tell me how many social housing build schemes have been undertaken by Dublin City Council under the 'one stage approval process' for schemes under €2m or 15 units, as laid out in the circular from the Department of Housing in late 2015 early 2016.