

**Motions with Replies**  
**Central Area Committee Meeting**  
**9<sup>th</sup> May, 2017**

**Motion in the name of Councillor Gaye Fagan**

That this Committee agree that a Traffic Management Plan is required for East Wall and that the plan should be in place as soon as possible.

**Report**

A report on Traffic management Issues in the East Wall Area was carried out and presented to the committee in September 2016. The following recommendations in the report have been implemented:

1. Double yellow lines on all corners of the St Mary's Road North / Church Road (west and east) junctions.
2. Double yellow lines on all corners of the junctions of East Road/Caledon Road.
3. A Bus Cage on East Road approaching East Wall Road at the Dublin Bus Stop adjacent to GK Hire.
4. Double Yellow Lines on both sides of Shelmalier Road. Excluding entrances.
5. Double yellow lines on all corners of the junction of East Road/Ravensdale Road.

The following work is included on the 2017 Works Program, subject to available resources and funding:

1. Entry treatment in the form of reducing the radii at the junction of Ravensdale Road and Shelmalier Road.

The following work has been added to the Future Works Program, subject to available funding and resources:

1. Roundabout at West Road / Ossory Road junction to be repaired.
2. Roundabout at West Road / St. Mary's Road North junction to be resurfaced.
3. Damaged footpath on Hawthorn Street to be resurfaced.

The planners have informed me that the East Wall Area is not currently designated as a Strategic Development Zone (SDZ). Therefore, there are no immediate plans to change the traffic management arrangements for the area. However, any specific issues in relation to roads and traffic will be dealt with accordingly as they arise.

**Motion in the name of Councillor Ciaran Cuffe**

That this Committee agrees that in the event of noisy road works taking place at night in residential areas that at least 24 hours notice or preferably 7 days notice be given by way of a flyer circulated to the affected residents with a mobile contact number for the person in charge of works.

**Report**

Roadworks in Dublin City are carried out in accordance with the *Directions for the Control & Management of Roadworks in Dublin City*. Each road/street has been graded according to its importance as a strategic traffic route by assigning it a Traffic Impact Number as outlined below:

**Times during which Roadworks may be carried out:**

<b>Traffic Impact Number</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Times</b>
1	Mon – Fri	08.00 – 23.00 hrs
2	Mon – Fri	08.00 – 23.00 hrs
3	Mon – Wed Thursdays Fridays Sat & Sun Public Holiday	10.00 – 16.00 hrs & 19.30 – 23.00 hrs 10.00 – 16.00 hrs, & 21.00 – 23.00 hrs 10.00 – 15.00 hrs, & 21.00 – 23.00 hrs 09.00 – 23.00 hrs 09.00 – 23.00 hrs
4	Mon – Wed Thurs & Fri Sat & Sun Public Holiday	19.30 – 23.00 hrs 21.00 – 23.00 hrs 09.00 – 23.00 hrs 09.00 – 23.00 hrs
5	Mon – Wed Thurs & Fri Saturday Sunday Public Holiday	19.30 – 23.00 hrs 21.00 – 23.00 hrs 09.00 – 12.00 hrs & 18.30 – 23.00 hrs 09.00 – 23.00 hrs 09.00 – 23.00 hrs

Under the Directions document utility companies/contractors are required to notify all affected residents and businesses of planned works by letter drop no later than two days before works commence. This letter contains the name of the organisation for whom the works are being done, a brief description of the works and a contact number.

These Directions were last revised in June 2010 and were presented to the Transportation SPC for consideration before taking affect.

**Motion in the name of Councillor Ciaran Cuffe**

That this Committee requests that the Area Manager convene an extraordinary meeting of the Central Area Committee to discuss outstanding Traffic Advisory Group issues. Such a meeting would take place with all relevant Traffic and Engineering staff present and would make good use of overhead projection of Google Streetview so that outstanding requests could be quickly prioritised and resolved.

**Report**

As of 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2017, there are 268 outstanding service requests in the Central Area. This compares with 246 for NCA, 499 for NWA , 210 for SCA and 472 for SEA.

Service requests typically include pedestrian crossings, stop signs, children crossing signs, ramps, disabled parking bays, pay and display parking and parking prohibitions. Requests are generally assessed in chronological order. However, if a site visit is required, other traffic issues in the vicinity may also be assessed. If a health and safety issue is brought to the engineer's attention, then that issue is given a higher priority.

The Traffic Department is very aware of the need to improve on more efficiently responding to TAG requests and to this end since May 2017 I have assigned Andrew Geoghegan, Graduate Engineer fulltime to the Central Area. Ger Corrigan, Graduate Engineer is assigned fulltime to the south side of the city to assist the Area Engineers.

I expect the positive impact of this change in staff levels will be evident in the coming months and will revert to you in September with an update.

**Motion in the name of Councillor Dermot Lacey**

That this Committee requests the Manager to have the cycle lanes on North Circular Road, Portland Row and Seville Place examined for safety and maintenance requirements and that appropriate remedial action be taken and that the Gardaí be requested to enforce existing parking restrictions on these cycle lanes.

**Report**

Advisory on-road cycle lanes are in place on both Seville Place and North Circular Road (from Dorset St. inbound) where operational hours are 7am to 7pm. Parking is permitted (where appropriate) in these areas outside operational hours.

Dublin City Council's parking enforcement contractor, Dublin Street Parking Services, have been instructed to monitor the locations and will take enforcement action where necessary. The issue of illegal parking will also be brought to the attention of An Garda Síochána at the next meeting of the Traffic Advisory Group

The condition of existing cycle lanes on North Circular Road in the vicinity of Portland Row and Seville Place will be reviewed by the Area Traffic Engineer in relation to segregation.

The junction of Seville Place/North Circular Road, (5 Lamps Junction) is part of the Clontarf to City Centre Cycle Route and includes improvements to the junction for cyclists on Amiens Street / North Strand Road. The request for dedicated traffic signals for cyclists for Portland Row / Seville Place will be reviewed at this junction. A preliminary report will be prepared for the councillor within a three month timeframe on the above two items.

**Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke**

That this Committee receives an update report on the following motion passed in my name at the June 2016 meeting of the Central Area Committee.

“That this Committee agrees to propose the name change of King Street, Dublin 7 to a more suitable name given the fact that a plaque was erected last month to commemorate the 16 local people who were killed there in 1916.”

**Report**

Councillor Burke has liaised with the Area Office and details of the procedures involved in renaming a street have been forwarded to him.

**Motion in the name of Councillor Eilis Ryan**

That the Central Area Committee fully endorses all recommendations of the Citizens' Assembly, including:

Its recommendation that terminations should be allowed without restriction up to the 12<sup>th</sup> week of pregnancy

Its recommendation that terminations should be allowed due to “socio-economic reasons” up to the 22<sup>nd</sup> week of pregnancy

Its recommendation that in cases of fatal foetal abnormality abortion be permitted during any period of the pregnancy and agrees to write to the Minister for Justice

requesting that a date be announced for a referendum to facilitate the passage of legislation on the matter.

**Report**

Motion fell.

**Motion in the name of Councillor Eilis Ryan**

This Committee calls on Dublin City Council to initiate proceedings to acquire by Compulsory Order lands at St. Vincent's Hospital, in order to facilitate the establishment of a fully independent, secular National Maternity Hospital on that site.

**Report**

Motion fell.