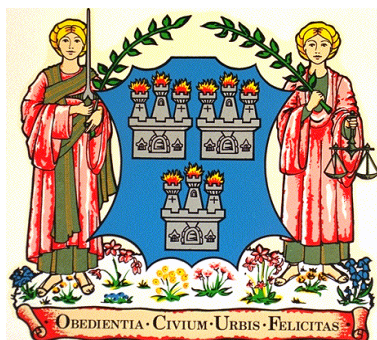


COMHAIRLE CATHRACH BHAILE ÁTHA CLIATH



Miontuairiscí Chruinniú Míósúil a tionóladh ar 7 Nollaig 2015 i Seomra na Comhairle, Halla na Cathrach, Cnoc Chorcaí ag 6.15 i.n.
I Láthair an tArdmheara Críona Ní Dhálaigh sa chathaoir

Comhairleoir:

Chris Andrews
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Kieran Binchy
Paddy Bourke
Tom Brabazon
Christy Burke
Claire Byrne
Cathleen Carney Boud
Brendan Carr
Anthony Connaghan
Patrick Costello
Ciáran Cuffe
Daithí De Róiste
Daithí Doolan
Pat Dunne
Gaye Fagan
Declan Flanagan
Mannix Flynn
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Alison Gilliland
Paul Hand
Seán Haughey
Deirdre Heney
Jane Horgan-Jones
Vincent Jackson
Andrew Keegan
Teresa Keegan
Greg Kelly
Frank Kennedy
Dermot Lacey
John Lyons
Mícheál Mac Donncha
Tina MacVeigh
Ray McAdam
Paul McAuliffe
Paddy McCartan
Ruairí McGinley
Séamas McGrattan

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Ray McHugh
Denise Mitchell
Andrew Montague
Rebecca Moynihan
Emma Murphy
Michael O'Brien
Jim O'Callaghan
Kate O'Connell
Damian O'Farrell
Ciáran O'Moore
Naoise Ó Muirí
Larry O'Toole
Cieran Perry
Noeleen Reilly
Noel Rock
Éilis Ryan
Brid Smith
Paddy Smyth
Sonya Stapleton

Oifigigh

Owen Keegan
Brendan Kenny
Dick Brady
Kathy Quinn

Terence O'Keeffe
Jim Keogan
Vincent Norton
Michael Gallagher

Mary Pyne
Declan Wallace
Carmel Walsh

1. The Lord Mayor opened the meeting by expressing condolences for all the victims of violence across the world particularly in Paris, Syria, Beirut and Baghdad and holding a minute's silence as a mark of respect for the deceased. She informed the Members that she visited the French Embassy on Monday 16th November and signed the Book of Condolence on behalf of the citizens of Dublin and spoke with the French Ambassador to Ireland H.E. Jean-Pierre Thébault and offered her sympathies to him and the people of France.

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The Lord Mayor expressed condolences to the families and friends of the following:

- Betty Belton. Former Lady Mayoress of Dublin (Lord Mayor Patrick Belton 1978-1979) who died on 12th October 2015.
- Anne Upton. Mother of former Deputy Lord Mayor of Dublin Henry Upton who died last Saturday 5th December.

The Lord Mayor expressed her thanks to all the following who contributed to the Lord Mayor's Coach travelling to London to take part in the Lord Mayor's Show on Saturday 14th November:

- Tourism Ireland for the invite to take part in Ireland Week in London and the Lord Mayor's Show
- Protocol Committee of Dublin City Council
- Staff of the City Council in particular the staff of Wastewater Services in Ringsend who look after the Coach all year round with such pride.

The Lord Mayor extended her congratulations to the following:

- Councillor Kate O'Connell on the birth of her third child.
- Ballybough Community, Youth and Fitness Centre on winning the Health and Wellbeing Category in the Chambers Ireland Excellence in Local Government Award 2015.
- Ballyboden St Enda's on their first ever Leinster senior club football title win on 6th December 2015.
- The staff of the International Relations Department on winning The Public Sector Magazine International Business Award for Local Government Promotions Abroad.
- The Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland soccer teams on qualifying for European Championships 2016 to be held in France. This is a historic occasion as it will be the first time both teams from the island of Ireland will be part of a major soccer finals together.

It was agreed to take Councillor D Lacey's motion at this time as it was related to the above. The following motion was moved by Cllr. D Lacey and seconded by the Lord Mayor "This Council wishes to acknowledge the success of the both Football Teams from this Island and wishes them every success in the European Championship in France next summer in light of this unique situation where both teams have achieved this international success and brought happiness to their supporters throughout the whole of Ireland regardless of football affiliation or geography. To mark this very unique sporting occasion, in what has been a period of wonderful sporting achievements for local sport, the Council agrees to host a civic reception for both teams prior to them heading to France next June. In light of the recent tragic events in Paris, we need to show that through sport we can now rise above conflict and unify people." The motion was put and carried.

The Lord Mayor informed Members that she had recently met with members of the City of Compassion network. Dublin City Council is already participating in many initiatives which are compatible with the City of Compassion ethos. Together with the City Council's Social Inclusion Unit, there is agreement in principle to support the initiative to make Dublin a City of Compassion. A report will be prepared and brought to the City Council at a later stage when more definite actions have been identified.

The Lord Mayor announced the official opening of the Mansion House Live Crib would take place on Tuesday, 8th December and will be running through until Christmas Eve. If any Councillor has time to collect for the MHFF please contact the Lord Mayor's Office.

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2. Ceisteanna fé Bhuan Ordú Úimhir 16 -- It was moved by Councillor C Burke and seconded by Councillor D Flanagan "That Dublin City Council approves the Dublin Chief Executive answering the questions lodged". The motion having been put and carried, written answers to the 177 questions lodged for the City Council meeting were issued. The Questions and Answers are set out in **Appendix A** attached.
3. Submitted Letter dated 5th November 2015 from Sligo County Council conveying the terms of a motion from their November 2015 City Council Meeting calling on the Minister for the Environment, Community and Local Government to engage with the Irish League of Credit Unions as they are prepared to invest a significant amount of money in social housing. It was moved by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor V Jackson "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of this letter" The motion was put and carried. It was agreed that the Manager would write to the Minister confirming Dublin City Council's support for Sligo County Council's motion.
4. The minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the City Council held on 2nd November 2015, the Budget Meeting held on 9th November 2015 and Special Meetings held on 11th and 23rd November 2015, having been printed, certified by the Meetings Administrator, circulated to the Members and taken as read, were signed by the Lord Mayor.
5. Submitted Report No 392/2015 of the Head of Finance (*K. Quinn*) – Monthly Local Fund Statement and reports as submitted under the EU/IMF Framework. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor N Reilly "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 392/2015". The motion was put and carried.
6. Submitted Report of the Chief Executive, in compliance with Section 138 of the Local Government Act 2001 informing the Council of works which are about to commence and in compliance with the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, Part 8: Report No. 390/2015: Development at Royal Canal Greenway, Sheriff Street Upper, Dublin 1, to Ashtown, Dublin 15. It was moved by Councillor R McAdam and seconded by Councillor S McGrattan "That Dublin City Council notes Report No 390/2015 and hereby approves the contents therein". The motion was put and carried.
7. Submitted Report of the Chief Executive, in compliance with Section 138 of the Local Government Act 2001 informing the Council of works which are about to commence and in compliance with the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, Part 8: Report No. 393/2015: Development at Cork Street/Ormond Street/Chamber Street, Dublin 8. It was moved by Councillor R Moynihan and seconded by Councillor V Jackson "That Dublin City Council notes Report No 393/2015 and hereby approves the contents therein". The motion was put and carried.
8. Submitted Report of the Chief Executive, in compliance with Section 138 of the Local Government Act 2001 informing the Council of works which are about to commence and in compliance with the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, Part 8: Report No. 397/2015: Development at Springdale Park, between the junctions with Edenmore Park & Edenmore Road & Springdale Road & Glenwood Road, Raheny, Dublin 5. It was moved by Councillor M Mac Donncha and seconded by Councillor T Brabazon "That Dublin City Council notes Report No 397/2015 and hereby approves the contents therein". The motion was put and carried.

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9. The City Council agreed to defer the filling of a vacancy on the Economic Development and Enterprise Strategic Policy Committee following the resignation of Councillor Gary Gannon from that Committee. It was noted that Councillor Tina MacVeigh had resigned from the Economic Development and Enterprise Strategic Policy Committee also and consequently two vacancies remain to be filled.
10. Submitted Report No. 355/2015 of the Chief Executive – Monthly Management Report – 7th December 2015. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor V Jackson “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 355/2015”. The motion was put and carried.
11. Submitted Report No 352/2015 of the Assistant Chief Executive (*J. Keogan*) – Report on Draft Section 48 Development Contribution Scheme 2016 – 2020. An amendment to this motion was proposed by Councillor C Cuffe and seconded by Councillor A Montague “that ancillary uncovered surface car parking and residential ancillary car parking will not be exempted; and that ancillary non-surface, non-residential car parking will be calculated at 100% rather than 50% of the applicable rate of contribution.” The amended motion was defeated.

It was then proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor V Jackson “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 352/2015 and hereby adopts the Section 48 Development Contribution Scheme 2016 – 2020, including amendments as outlined in the report”. The motion was put and carried.

12. Submitted Report No 353/2015 of the Assistant Chief Executives (*B. Kenny and J. Keogan*) – Report on Temple Bar Cultural Trust. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor M Flynn “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 353/2015 and hereby approves the proposals as set out in the report”. The motion was put and carried.
13. Submitted Report No 361/2015 of the Assistant Chief Executive – Report on Draft Dublin City Local Economic and Community Plan 2016 – 2021. It was proposed by Councillor D Doolan and seconded by Councillor V Jackson “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 361/2015 and hereby approves the Dublin City Local Economic and Community Plan 2016 – 2021 as set out in the report”. The motion was put and carried.
14. Submitted Report No 398/2015 of the Assistant Chief Executive (*B. Kenny*) – Review of the Street Performers Bye-Laws 2015. An amendment to this motion was moved by Councillor B Smith and seconded by Councillor A Keegan “that the Amplification section of Report 398/2015 be amended by the removal of Option 1 – a total ban on the use of amplification”. The amended motion was defeated.

It was proposed by Councillor R Moynihan and seconded by Councillor M Flynn “That Dublin City Council approves the initiation of the consultation process in relation to the Draft Bye Laws for Street Performers as outlined in Report No 398/2015”. The motion was put and carried. It was agreed to defer the consultation process for a short period of time to take account of the Christmas holiday period.

15. Submitted Report No 384/2015 of the Chairperson of the Environment Strategic Policy Committee (*Councillor Naoise Ó Muirí*) – Draft Litter Management Plan (2016 – 2018). It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor M Flynn “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 384/2015 and hereby approves the initiation of the consultation process in relation to the Litter Management Plan (2016 – 2018)”. The motion was put and carried. It

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was agreed to defer the public consultation process until after Christmas holiday period.

16. The Lord Mayor vacated the Chair at 8.39pm and Councillor D O'Farrell deputised. The Lord Mayor returned to the Chair at 8.42pm.
17. Submitted Report No 391/2015 of the Assistant Chief Executive (*J. Keogan*) - Draft Phibsborough Local Area Plan 2015 - Resolution of the Elected Members.

A Special Meeting of the City Council held on the 23rd November 2015 to deal with the Draft Phibsborough Local Area Plan 2015 remained inconclusive as the required number of Councillors was not present at the end of the meeting to vote on the adoption of the Phibsborough Local Area Plan 2015. Therefore the conclusion of the process in relation to this draft LAP was adjourned to the next meeting of the City Council, which was the Monthly Meeting on the 7th December 2015.

At this meeting, an amendment to the Draft LAP was put forward by Councillor B Carr and was seconded by Councillor S McGrattan as follows:

"TC5: It is acknowledged that Phibsborough will remain predominantly low-rise in character. Building heights of up to 24m will generally be considered for this site, with commercial building heights of 3 storeys (12m) fronting onto Phibsborough Road with further potential for up to a maximum of 3 setback storeys (24m in total), having regard to architectural expression, location along Phibsborough Road, relationship to adjoining buildings, the public realm and a new civic plaza. Fronting onto the North Circular Road a maximum building height of 3-storeys with a possible 4th storey set back will be considered. In addition proposals to either replace or re-clad the existing unsightly tower (which is circa 28-31m high) will be considered with a maximum of one additional storey of 4m considered either to screen the existing unsightly roof plant and/or to give architectural expression to the roof. Furthermore, that the City Council urge any future developer of the Phibsborough Shopping Centre to consult with the local community and take into consideration any proposals they may have in relation to the broader urban design of the shopping centre site and its impact on the wider public realm in Phibsborough"

This amendment was put to a vote and was carried.

As the adoption of this amendment had the effect of removing any 'material' alteration from the draft LAP, it was then not necessary for it to be put out to public consultation again and the City Council could move to vote on the adoption of the Phibsborough Local Area Plan 2015. It was therefore proposed by Councillor B Carr and seconded by Councillor S McGrattan "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 391/2015 and taking into consideration the agreed amendment, hereby adopts the Phibsborough Local Area Plan 2015". The motion was put to a recorded vote and failed to achieve the majority support of all Councillors. Thirty-two Members were required to vote in favour for the draft LAP to be adopted, therefore the motion to adopt Phibsborough LAP was declared to be defeated.

18. At 9.18pm the Lord Mayor proposed that the meeting be extended by 15 minutes, in order to complete the business on the agenda. The proposal was agreed by Council.

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19. Submitted Report No. 364/2015 of the Executive Manager (*C. Reilly*) - With reference to the disposal of the Fee Simple Interest under the Landlord and Tenant (Ground Rents) (No. 2) Act, 1978 in 23 premises. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor T Keegan "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 364/2015 and assents to the proposal outlined therein" The motion was put and carried.
20. Submitted Report No. 368/2015 of the Executive Manager (*P. Clegg*) – With reference to the proposed grant of a lease of the former Council Rent Office adjacent to No. 14 La Touche Road, Bluebell, Dublin 12. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor T Keegan "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 368/2015 and assents to the proposal outlined therein" The motion was put and carried.
21. Submitted Report No. 369/2015 of the Executive Manager (*P. Clegg*) – With further reference to the proposed grant of lease of Ground Floor Retail Unit and Basement Stores No 4 Capel Street, Dublin 1. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor T Keegan "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 369/2015 and assents to the proposal outlined therein" The motion was put and carried.
22. Submitted Report No. 370/2015 of the Executive Manager (*P. Clegg*) – With further reference to the proposed grant of a lease of part of the Goldenbridge Integrated Services Complex, Inchicore, Dublin 8. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor T Keegan "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 370/2015 and assents to the proposal outlined therein" The motion was put and carried.
23. Submitted Report No. 371/2015 of the Executive Manager (*P. Clegg*) – With further reference to the proposed grant of a Lease and Temporary Convenience Letting in respect of the premises at 2A Wellmount Road, Finglas, Dublin 11. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor T Keegan "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 371/2015 and assents to the proposal outlined therein" The motion was put and carried.
24. Submitted Report No. 372/2015 of the Acting Chief Executive Manager (*P. Clegg*) – With reference to the proposed grant of a 5 year Lease of the Community Unit, at Coultry Neighbourhood Centre, 22 Santry Way, Ballymun, Dublin 9 to Pieta House C.P.S.O.S. Limited. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor T Keegan "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 372/2015 and assents to the proposal outlined therein" The motion was put and carried.
25. Submitted Report No. 373/2015 of the Executive Manager (*P. Clegg*) – With reference to the proposed grant of a further lease of part of the premises at No. 6A Ranelagh, Dublin 6. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor T Keegan "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 373/2015 and assents to the proposal outlined therein" The motion was put and carried.
26. Submitted Report No. 374/2015 of the Executive Manager (*P. Clegg*) – With reference to the proposed disposal of a further licence of Units T08 & S02 of the Markets Area Community Resource Organisation (MACRO) Building, Green Street/North King Street, Dublin 7. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor T Keegan "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of

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Report No 374/2015 and assents to the proposal outlined therein” The motion was put and carried.

27. Submitted Report No. 375/2015 of the Executive Manager (*P. Clegg*) – With reference to the proposed grant of a lease of Unit 2, Sillogue Neighbourhood Centre, Ballymun, Dublin 11. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor T Keegan “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 375/2015 and assents to the proposal outlined therein” The motion was put and carried.
28. Submitted Report No. 376/2015 of the Executive Manager (*P. Clegg*) – With further reference to the Exchange of lands at Finglas and Ballymun with Fingal County Council. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor T Keegan “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 376/2015 and assents to the proposal outlined therein” The motion was put and carried.
29. Submitted Report No. 377/2015 of the Executive Manager (*P. Clegg*) – With reference to the proposed grant of a 4-year Concession to Noshington Park Ltd. to operate a café in Herbert Park, Dublin 4. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor T Keegan “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 377/2015 and assents to the proposal outlined therein” The motion was put and carried.
30. Submitted Report No. 378/2015 of the Executive Manager (*P. Clegg*) – With reference to the proposed granting of a Temporary Convenience Letting Agreement of a site adjacent to 69, Sundrive Road, Dublin 12. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor T Keegan “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 378/2015 and assents to the proposal outlined therein” The motion was put and carried.
31. Submitted Report No. 379/2015 of the Executive Manager (*P. Clegg*) – With reference to the proposed grant of a lease of 78 The Coombe, Off Thomas Street, Dublin 8. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor T Keegan “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 379/2015 and assents to the proposal outlined therein” The motion was put and carried.
32. Submitted Report No. 380/2015 of the Executive Manager (*P. Clegg*) – With reference to the proposed disposal of the Council’s fee simple interest in the property No. 19 Saint Agnes Road, Crumlin, Dublin 12. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor T Keegan “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 380/2015 and assents to the proposal outlined therein” The motion was put and carried.
33. Submitted Report No. 381/2015 of the Assistant Chief Executive (*J. Keogan*) – With reference to proposed disposal of lands at Stockhole/Baskin, Co. Dublin. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor T Keegan “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 381/2015 and assents to the proposal outlined therein” The motion was put and carried.
34. Submitted Report No. 382/2015 of the Executive Manager (*P. Clegg*) – With reference to proposed disposal of land adjoining 35A Oldtown Road, Santry, Dublin 9. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor T Keegan “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 382/2015 and assents to the proposal outlined therein” The motion was put and carried.

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35. Submitted Report No. 385/2015 of the Executive Manager (*P. Clegg*) – With reference to the proposed exchange of land with ESB at 12 Valeview Gardens/21 Valeview Drive, Finglas, Dublin 12. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor T Keegan “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 385/2015 and assents to the proposal outlined therein” The motion was put and carried.
36. Submitted Report No. 386/2015 of the Executive Manager (*P. Clegg*) – With reference to the proposed disposal of a plot of land to the front to No 55 Church Street, Dublin 7. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor T Keegan “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 386/2015 and assents to the proposal outlined therein” The motion was put and carried.
37. Submitted Report No. 387/2015 of the Executive Manager (*P. Clegg*) – With reference to the proposed disposal of a plot of land to the rear of 90 Dunsink Avenue, Finglas, Dublin 11. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor T Keegan “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 387/2015 and assents to the proposal outlined therein” The motion was put and carried.
38. Submitted Report No. 388/2015 of the Assistant Chief Executive (*J. Keogan*) – With further reference to the proposed grant of a sublease of the 2nd Floor of the Ormond Building, Ormond Quay, Dublin 8. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor T Keegan “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 388/2015 and assents to the proposal outlined therein” The motion was put and carried.
39. Submitted Report No. 389/2015 of the Assistant Chief Executive (*J. Keogan*) – With reference to proposed grant of lease of lands at Meakstown, Co. Dublin. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor T Keegan “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 389/2015 and assents to the proposal outlined therein” The motion was put and carried.
40. Submitted Report No. 358/2015 of the Chairperson of the Arts, Culture, Recreation and Community Strategic Policy Committee (*Councillor Rebecca Moynihan*) – Breviate of meeting held on 9th November 2015. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor T Keegan “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 358/2015”. The motion was put and carried.
41. Submitted Report No. 359/2015 of the Chairperson of the Transportation Strategic Policy Committee (*Councillor Ciarán Cuffe*) – Breviate of meeting held on 11th November 2015. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor T Keegan “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 359/2015”. The motion was put and carried.
42. Submitted Report No. 362/2015 of the Chairperson of the Environment Strategic Policy Committee (*Councillor Naoise Ó Muirí*) – Breviate of meeting held on 23rd September 2015. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor T Keegan “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 362/2015”. The motion was put and carried.

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43. Submitted Report No. 363/2015 of the Chairperson of the Environment Strategic Policy Committee (*Councillor Naoise Ó Muirí*) – Breviate of meeting held on 14th October 2015. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor T Keegan “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 363/2015”. The motion was put and carried.
44. Submitted Report No. 383/2015 of the Chairperson of the Environment Strategic Policy Committee (*Councillor Naoise Ó Muirí*) – Breviate of meeting held on 25th November 2015. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor T Keegan “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 383/2015”. The motion was put and carried.
45. Submitted Report No. 367/2015 of the Chairperson of the Finance Strategic Policy Committee (*Councillor Ruairí McGinley*) – Breviate of meeting held on 19th November 2015. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor T Keegan “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 367/2015”. The motion was put and carried.
46. Submitted Report No. 394/2015 of the Chairperson of the Planning and International Relations Strategic Policy Committee (*Councillor Andrew Montague*) – Breviate of meeting held on 3rd November 2015. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor T Keegan “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 394/2015”. The motion was put and carried.
47. Submitted Report No. 365/2015 of the North West Area Committee – Breviate for the month of November 2015 – *Councillor Áine Clancy, Chairperson*. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor T Keegan “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 365/2015”. The motion was put and carried.
48. Submitted Report No. 366/2015 of the North Central Area Committee – Breviate for the month of November 2015 – *Councillor Ciarán O’Moore, Chairperson*. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor T Keegan “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 366/2015”. The motion was put and carried.
49. Submitted Report No. 395/2015 of the Central Area Committee – Breviate for the month of November 2015 – *Councillor Nial Ring, Chairperson*. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor T Keegan “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 395/2015”. The motion was put and carried.
50. Submitted Report No. 396/2015 of the South Central Area Committee – Breviate for the month of November 2015 – *Councillor Ray McHugh, Chairperson*. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor T Keegan “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 396/2015”. The motion was put and carried.
51. Submitted Report No. 356/2015 of the South East Area Committee – Breviate for the month of November 2015 – *Councillor Paddy McCartan, Chairperson*. It was proposed by Councillor R McGinley and seconded by Councillor T Keegan “That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 356/2015”. The motion was put and carried.

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52. Submitted Report No. 357/2015 of the Protocol Committee (*Councillor Dermot Lacey, Chairperson*) – Breviate of meeting held on 29th October 2015. It was proposed by Councillor L O'Toole and seconded by Councillor N Reilly "That Dublin City Council approves Report No 357/2015". Councillor R McGinley requested clarification with regard Item 3 on the breviate. It was agreed to refer this item back to the Protocol Committee for clarification. The motion was then put and carried.
53. Submitted Report No.351/2015 of the Dublin City Joint Policing Committee (*Councillor Daithí De Róiste, Chairperson*) – Breviate of meeting held on 29th September 2015. It was proposed by Councillor L O'Toole and seconded by Councillor D Doolan "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 351/2015". The motion was put and carried.

The meeting concluded at 9.40pm in accordance with Standing Orders and all items remaining on the Agenda were deferred to the next meeting of the City Council to be held on the 11th January 2016.

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LORD MAYOR

MEETINGS ADMINISTRATOR

APPENDIX A: MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON 7th DECEMBER 2015

QUESTIONS LODGED PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER NO.16 FOR REPLY AT THE MONTHLY MEETING OF DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, 7th DECEMBER 2015

Q.1 COUNCILLOR CHRISTY BURKE

To ask the Chief Executive given the leading role women had in the Rising of 1916 at City Hall that a Roll of Honour be placed in the Chamber at City Hall, Dublin 2.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The role of women in 1916 will be a special feature at Richmond Barracks. Dublin City Council will also publish a book, 77 Women. Women will also feature in lectures arranged to mark the 1916 Rising.

Q.2 COUNCILLOR DECLAN FLANAGAN

To ask the Chief Executive to respond to the following **(Details Supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.3 COUNCILLOR DECLAN FLANAGAN

To ask the Chief Executive to respond to the following **(Details Supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.4 COUNCILLOR DECLAN FLANAGAN

To ask the Chief Executive to respond to the following **(Details Supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.5 COUNCILLOR RAY MCADAM

To ask the Chief Executive to clarify whether a public right of way exists over the laneway at the rear of **(Details Supplied)**?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.6 COUNCILLOR RAY MCADAM

To ask the Chief Executive to request the Roads Maintenance Division to undertake re-surfacing works along **(Details Supplied)** in 2016?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

This request will be added for consideration in the 2016 Works Programme.

Q.7 AN tARDMHÉARA CRIONA NÍ DHÁLAIGH

To ask the Chief Executive please report on the following **(Details Supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.8 AN tARDMHÉARA CRIONA NÍ DHÁLAIGH

To ask the Chief Executive to immediately investigate the possibility of installing a set of pedestrian traffic lights at **(Details Supplied)**. Anyone crossing here has to navigate a tricky intersection. There is traffic coming literally from all directions. On many occasions I've seen and helped a local blind man trying to cross at this

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intersection and it's not easy as a seeing person to find a clear time to cross! During school term is another

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Environment and Transportation Department is awaiting an overarching Ecological Impact Assessment and Biodiversity Impact Assessment of the entire Grand Canal Corridor. These reports require input from other local authorities where the Grand Canal traverses their area. It is anticipated that the reports will be completed in December 2015. Notwithstanding the above, the section in Dublin City Council's area, between Portobello and Blackhorse, is currently being finalised for a Part 8 notice, subject to Waterways Ireland and National Transport Authority approval.

The provisions of pedestrian crossings are to be considered as part of the Grand Canal Cycle and Pedestrian Route.

Q.9 COUNCILLOR RUAIRÍ MCGINLEY

To ask the Chief Executive to set out the frequency of parking control operator visits to suburban streets, most especially streets with residential disc parking.

The Chief Executive should set out in reply the resources that are applied and how priority is assigned to various streets across the city and suburbs. The process of responding to reports from local residents and response should also be dealt with.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Council's parking enforcement contractor, Dublin Street Parking Services (DSPS), commence patrols at 7am. An average of 5 vans and 1 removals truck (total 12 on-street operatives) starting at this time. Each van is allocated a beat and the truck is instructed to focus on the bus lanes and clearways. Further resources are deployed later in the day so during peak times approx. 10 DSPS vans and a truck (22 on-street operatives) are allocated and deployed to beats around the city, with another removals truck on standby. In addition Control room staff and call centre staff and management would also be on duty. In total 73 staff are directly employed by DSPS in servicing the Council's parking enforcement requirements.

Crews are instructed to patrol their beats focusing on the following in order of priority - Bus Lanes, Clearways, DYL lines, SYL's, Loading bays, taxi ranks, footpaths and Pay and Display bays. Suburban streets in the outer Suburbs (Raheny, Chapelizod etc.) with residential parking would be visited once or twice a week.

Streets with residential disc parking closer to the city centre would be visited once or twice a day depending how busy the street is.

An average of 200 vehicles per day are enforced with return visits required to declamp these vehicles.

In addition to completing their beats crews respond to an average of 280 individual requests per week from the Gardaí, the Parking Enforcement Section and members of the public. Priority is assigned in that order with 100% of Garda requests being actioned, an average of 94% of Parking Enforcement Section requests being actioned and an average of 92% of all requests from members of the public being actioned. Approximately 40% of all requests are from members of the public The Council is satisfied, given the available resources, that this level of response is acceptable.

DSPS operates rosters and shifts across a series of beats that have been developed over the last 11 years in conjunction with the Council. These beats have

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been setup to optimise the coverage of the service. Performance levels across the beats are regularly monitored and modified as necessary. There are 13 individual beats covering all areas within Dublin City Council's administrative area.

Q.10 COUNCILLOR MARY FREEHILL

To ask the Chief Executive over the past 10 years through Planning & Development SPC we have requested every Minister for Justice to introduce legislation regarding offending neighbour's trees that cause damage to their neighbour's property. Would the Chief Executive please state latest progress on this request?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

At the City Council meeting of 6th July 2009 the following motion was adopted:
"The height of trees and hedges can seriously impact on the level of light of neighbouring gardens and houses. This Council therefore resolves that a high hedge bye-law relating to the control of height of evergreen and semi-evergreen trees and hedges be prepared and that the drafts be presented to the Economic Development, Planning & International Affairs Strategic Policy Committee."

A Special Meeting of the City Council on 20th July 2009 agreed that this motion be referred to the Culture Recreation and Amenity Department and to the Planning and Economic Development Department to draft up Bye Laws and report back to City Council.

On 22nd February 2010 the City Council Law Agent advised that the City Council had no powers to draft bye-laws in relation to this issue:

'since bye-laws can only be made in respect of property which is in control of DCC and private lands are not under its control.'

This matter then became an item on the agenda of subsequent SPC meetings and after a period of communication between the SPC and the Department of Justice & Equality discussing the merits of appropriate legislation the Dept. confirmed its intention to publish a Mediation Bill.

On 14th February 2014 the Minister of Justice & Equality wrote to the SPC stating that he expected that the Mediation Bill would be published by the end of 2014.

"The Bill, which does not deal directly with the issue of high trees or hedges, is designed to encourage and facilitate the use of mediation to resolve commercial, civil (including disputes between neighbours) and family disputes in order to speed up resolution of such disputes, reduce legal costs and ameliorate the stress of contested court proceedings."

This office contacted the Department on November 10th 2015 and was informed that the Mediation Bill is still awaiting publication.

Q.11 COUNCILLOR NOELEEN REILLY

To ask the Chief Executive (**Details Supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.12 COUNCILLOR NOELEEN REILLY

To ask the Chief Executive (**Details Supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

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Q.13 **COUNCILLOR NOELEEN REILLY**

To ask the Chief Executive (**Details Supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.14 **COUNCILLOR DERMOT LACEY**

To ask the Chief Executive if he could supply me with the cost of producing the full metal (protruding letters) road signs and the comparable cost with the cheaper flat lettering signs.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

There are two main types of street nameplates utilised:

Type 1 Street Nameplate

Type 1 is made of a cast iron and has raised borders and raised lettering. Type 1 is made in a foundry.

Type 2 Street Nameplate

Type 2 has no raised lettering or borders and is on typically aluminium/metal backing. Type 2 generally is typically has a road sign finish and is produced using a printing process.

Costs of Supplying Street Nameplates

Overall Length of Nameplate not greater than:- (mm)	TYPE 1	TYPE 2
	Price per Nameplate (Excluding VAT) - Supply & Delivery	Price per Nameplate (Excluding VAT) - Supply & Delivery
800	€106	€11
1000	€111	€14
1200	€128	€17
1500	€165	€21

The above table shows the difference in prices between Type 1 and Type 2 nameplates.

Q.15 **COUNCILLOR NOELEEN REILLY**

To ask the Chief Executive (**Details Supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.16 **COUNCILLOR CHRISTY BURKE**

To ask the Chief Executive that a large portrait of former Lord Mayor of Dublin Kathleen Clarke be placed in the Council Chamber at City Hall, Dublin 2.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council does not own a formal portrait of Lord Mayor Kathleen Clarke. We do have a good-quality portrait photo of her as Lord Mayor but arrangements have already been made to place this in the Mansion House for 2016.

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Q.17 COUNCILLOR CHRISTY BURKE

To ask the Chief Executive if Dublin City Council would provide flag poles and the national flag to all Dublin Fire Brigade stations?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin Fire Brigade will examine the possibility of providing 2 flag poles at each of its Fire Stations, whereby a Fire Station flag and perhaps a commemorative flag can be flown.

There are strict protocols governing the flying of the National Flag and these protocols need to be adhered to at all times.

Q.18 COUNCILLOR CHRISTY BURKE

To ask the Chief Executive that Dublin City Council provide daily lectures in City Hall from January 2016 to outline the important and leading role that women had in 1916 at City Hall, G.P.O., Boland's Mills and Mount Street and other command posts during 1916.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Council's programme for the 2016 Commemorations includes a programme of lectures and exhibitions which will run in various venues, including City Hall. The role of women in 1916 will be among the themes explored.

Q.19 COUNCILLOR REBECCA MOYNIHAN

To ask the Chief Executive (**Details Supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.20 COUNCILLOR REBECCA MOYNIHAN

To ask the Chief Executive for (**Details Supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.21 COUNCILLOR REBECCA MOYNIHAN

To ask the Chief Executive (**Details Supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.22 COUNCILLOR REBECCA MOYNIHAN

To ask the Chief Executive to make a statement on (**Details Supplied**)

What efforts have been made to contact the owners and if the house could be secured as it is being used by someone accessing the upstairs broken window.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The dwelling in question had not been brought to the attention of the Derelict Sites Section previously. However, in view of the Councillors representations in the matter an inspection was arranged.

The Derelict Sites Section will seek details of ownership of same from our Law Department following which contact will be made with the owner to carry out necessary remedial works required as evidenced from the recent inspection.

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Q.23 COUNCILLOR SEÁN HAUGHEY

To ask the Chief Executive the following (**Details Supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.24 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive what measures are in place to ensure that (**Details Supplied**).

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.25 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for (**Details Supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.26 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for (**Details Supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.27 COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE

To ask the Chief Executive to have the necessary repairs carried out to the kitchen ceiling at this premises. (**Details Supplied**).

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.28 COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE

To ask the Chief Executive to have the front door at this premises replaced. (**Details Supplied**).

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.29 COUNCILLOR RUAIRÍ MCGINLEY

To ask the Chief Executive to indicate the total number of Dublin City Council social housing units at the end of each of the years 2010-2014 and the number at end October 2015

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Please see figures indicated on chart below:

Dec 2010	27147
Dec 2011	26749
Dec 2012	26451
Dec 2013	25996
Dec 2014	25646
Oct 2015	25340

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Q.30 COUNCILLOR FRANK KENNEDY

To ask the Chief Executive

- a) What is the rationale for not demarcated individual parking spaces in parking bays which run for stretches that allow many cars to park? Frequently one sees parking bays which could accommodate three cars but where only two will fit because of the manner in which those two cars have parked; and
- b) To provide a list of those parking bays in the Dublin City Council area where a minimum of two cars would fit and where individual parking spaces are demarcated within the parking bays.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

- a) Dublin City Council does not delineate individual parking bays on-street for residential parking schemes. By their very nature residential parking areas are usually occupied 24 hours a day. As a result it would be virtually impossible to arrange to have a whole street cleared of parking in order to delineate individual bays. The Council does not have the resources or indeed spare parking capacity to arrange for this at a time which suits the line marking contractors. The current practice of a continuous line delineating the parking areas has been found to be the most efficient way of marking these areas as same can be carried out with vehicles in situ and avoids the need for multiple repeat visits by the contractors to complete the road markings. Furthermore delineating individual bays with buffer zones would actually reduce the number of parking spaces available.
- b) There are no individual bays where two average sized vehicles would fit.

Q.31 COUNCILLOR FRANK KENNEDY

To ask the Chief Executive to repair the entirety of the footpath on Ailesbury Park, Dublin 4. This entire stretch of footpath is badly damaged in many parts.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Road Maintenance inspected the footpaths at Ailesbury Park and has added them to our footpath works programme for 2016. These works will be carried out by a contractor following tender and appointment.

Q.32 COUNCILLOR FRANK KENNEDY

To ask the Chief Executive to paint the street lamps on Merlyn Road and Merlyn Drive, Dublin 4. These are very nice old street lamps but they are badly in need of painting.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The public lighting standards here have been added to a list for inclusion in a future painting programme, subject to finances available.

Q.33 COUNCILLOR FRANK KENNEDY

To ask the Chief Executive to implement proper and effective measures to deal with the severe problem of (a) broken glass, (b) dog dirt and (c) litter on the footpaths on the area to the rear of the Bord Gais Energy Theatre to include Hanover Street East, Erne Street and one side of Cardiff Lane/Macken Street. Some of these footpaths at times resemble an obstacle course. Grand Canal Square and the streets off it are kept very clean by Dublin City Council but the area to the rear of the Theatre is left in very poor condition.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Waste Management Services will ensure that the area to the rear of Bord Gais Energy Theatre is cleaned and monitored on a regular basis.

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Q.34 COUNCILLOR CHRIS ANDREWS

To ask the Chief Executive to place Dog fouling signs on Bath Avenue and Londonbridge Road and along the river walk way from Ringsend Bridge up to Newbridge Ave.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Arrangements have been made to have anti-dog fouling signs erected at the above mentioned locations.

Q.35 COUNCILLOR CHRIS ANDREWS

To ask the Chief Executive to remove or cut back the trees outside **(Details Supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Tree works were undertaken in this area, this year including the removal of a large tree (*Platanus sps.*). The remaining trees on the road are young Rowan trees (*Sorbus sps.*) and do not require pruning.

Q.36 COUNCILLOR CHRIS ANDREWS

To ask the Chief Executive can the trees be cut back on west side of City Quay in the same way they were cut back on the East side as they had a few braces cut by they couldn't be cut back properly because the cars prevented the machines getting in close enough to do the job.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The trees (London Planes, *Platanus sps.*) at this location have been pruned regularly over the years and were pruned again this year. An Inventory of Trees in Dublin City undertaken by University College Dublin found that there was a lack of trees in the city centre and of those trees present the London Plane tree was considered to be the most beneficial in improving air quality by absorbing pollutants.

The trees at this location are considered to be highly beneficial to the area and additional pruning will only reduce their positive impact.

A small cherry tree (*Prunus sps.*) was removed from this location at the request of residents during the current year.

Q.37 COUNCILLOR CHRIS ANDREWS

To ask the Chief Executive to ensure that a no parking sign and some form of physical barrier is erected around the Green area close to the junction of Bayview and Bath Street in Irishtown in order to stop cars and mini buses parking on this area on match days in the Aviva as the green area that is being used is being destroyed.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Environment and Transportation Department does not provide 'No parking' signs on open green areas as it is illegal, under the Road Traffic Regulations, for a vehicle to park on a grass verge / green area. Instances of illegal parking can be reported directly to Dublin Street Parking Services on 602 2500, or to the local Garda Station.

It is understood that existing no parking signs on green areas at this location have been provided by the Parks Department.

The erection of a barrier as suggested to enclose the area will have to allow for grass cutting and general maintenance which will invariably also allow for access by vehicles to park on the grass.

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Q.38 COUNCILLOR DERMOT LACEY

To ask the Chief Executive if he will supply this Councillor with copies of any licences, approvals or indeed any other document listing the obligations or requirements of Dublin City Council in relation to the Metropolis Festival held at the RDS on 8th November 2015

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Metropolis Festival was an indoor Arts/Music Festival in the RDS and therefore did not require an event licence or any other permits from Dublin City Council.

Q.39 COUNCILLOR CIARAN O'MOORE

To ask the Chief Executive (**Details Supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.40 COUNCILLOR CIARAN O'MOORE

To ask the Chief Executive (**Details Supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.41 COUNCILLOR CIARÁN O'MOORE

To ask the Chief Executive can traffic management please explore the option of placing a pedestrian crossing be placed between St Gabriel's Church and the local shops. A lot of the residents from the nearby elderly complex have requested this.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Traffic Advisory Group, at its meeting of 17th December, 2013, reported that due to the nature of the road space and adjoining properties on Saint Gabriel's Road, geometrically it would be very difficult to construct a pedestrian crossing in a safe location in the area requested.

An assessment was carried out on 19th July, 2013 at 9.30 a.m. adjacent to St. Gabriel's Church. Although the pedestrian count was 75, including a considerable number of elderly and mobility impaired, it was still relatively easy to cross the road due to low traffic volume.

In view of the above, the Traffic Advisory Group did not recommend a pedestrian crossing on Saint Gabriel's Road.

The Area Traffic Engineer has confirmed that the above recommendation remains unchanged (as at November, 2015).

Q.42 COUNCILLOR RAY MCADAM

To ask the Chief Executive to indicate the amount of money spent by the Dublin Region Homeless Executive on homeless services for each year since 2010; to provide the number of rough sleepers that were officially recorded for each year since 2010; to provide the numbers of homeless families that have been housed in emergency accommodation, i.e. hotels for each year since 2010; to provide the total number of persons that have been assisted by the Dublin Region Homeless Executive for each year since 2010?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The following table outlines the overall local authority expenditure on homeless services (including emergency accommodation) in the Dublin Region ie on behalf of 4 Local Authorities over the past 5 years.

2010 €43,960,708

2011 €44,248,785

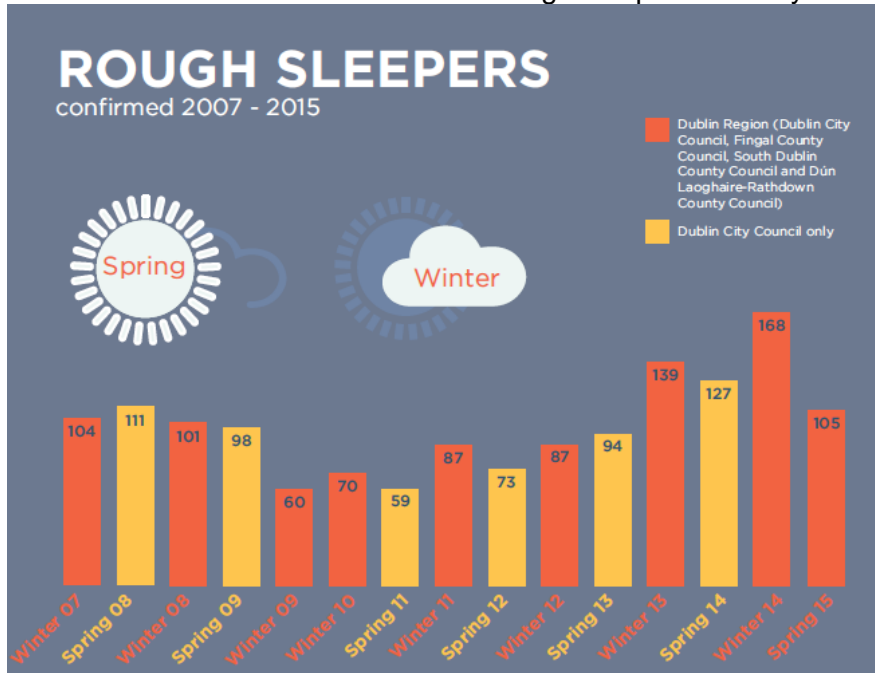
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2012 €47,066,816

2013 €47,273,016

2014 €56,110,101

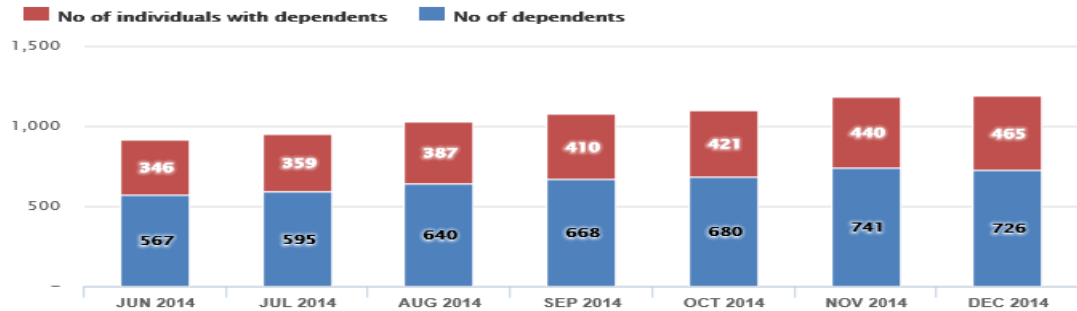
The table below shows the number of rough sleepers officially recorded since 2007.



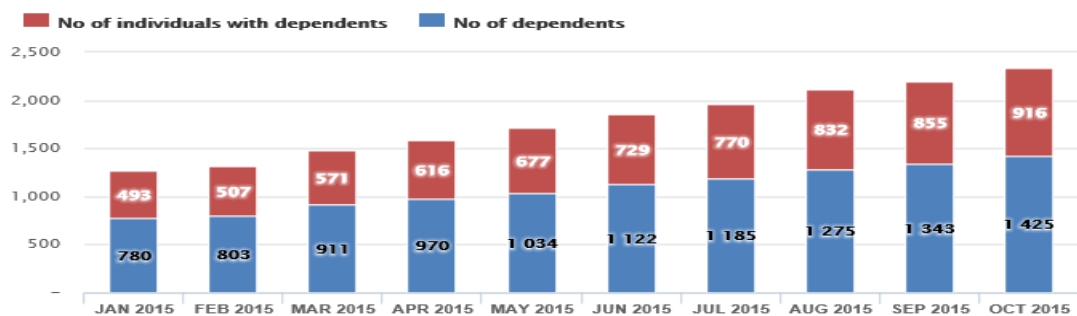
Before 2014, emergency accommodation for families would normally have been provided through statutory or state-funded homeless services, but an unprecedented demand for accommodation for families has resulted in the need to use hotels to provide an emergency response.

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Number of adults with dependent children who are homeless in Dublin June 2014 - December 2014



Number of adults with dependent children who are homeless in Dublin January 2015 - August 2015



Figures for unique individuals using homeless emergency accommodation services in the Dublin Region in 2011 -2014. The PASS system has no records prior to 2011.

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015 Q1 – Q3
Total number of individuals using services	N/A	4,556	4,837	4,613	4,976	3,328

Q.43 **COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE**

To ask the Chief Executive to respond to this request **(Details Supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.44 **COUNCILLOR CIARAN O'MOORE**

To ask the chief Executive to request the repair of the path were tree roots have lifted and broken the path on both sides of the road **(Details Supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Road Maintenance Services are currently completing a series of localised footpath repairs on **(Details Supplied)** as part of our capital works programme. This location will be completed as part of these works.

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Q.45 COUNCILLOR DECLAN FLANAGAN

To ask the Chief Executive to respond to the following **(Details Supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.46 COUNCILLOR RAY MCHUGH

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for children at play signs on **(Details Supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The request for children crossing signs has been referred to the Traffic Advisory Group for examination and report. The Councillor will be informed of the recommendation in due course.

Q.47 COUNCILLOR RAY MCHUGH

To ask the Chief Executive to look again and providing More Bollards at **(Details Supplied)** I was informed that 4 bollards would be place at this location and only 2 were installed.

This is a very dangerous location and I do feel even if the 4 bollards were installed as promised it would not solve the problem and stop cars/trucks parking on the pathway blocking the view of motorists exiting from **(Details Supplied)** I would request that a survey is carried out at various times of the day to observe the problem,

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

This matter requires investigation and recommendation by an engineer. The Environment and Transportation Department is currently awaiting the filling of a number of vacancies due to the high turnover of engineering staff. Job offers have been made to successful candidates and we are awaiting their acceptance and appointment.

Unfortunately it is not possible to divert resources from other areas without creating severe problems elsewhere. The matter has been recorded as a service request and will be dealt with as soon as possible.

Q.48 COUNCILLOR PAUL MCAULIFFE

To ask the Chief Executive for a response to the following query **(Details Supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.49 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON

To ask the Chief Executive In relation to the proposed modular housing in the 5 districts as identified by Dublin City Council Housing Dept`s & the perception is only working class areas where again chosen, can the Chief Executive identify a couple of areas in Dublin i.e. the more affluent areas where additional units could be located & ensure we break down social barriers in our City when it comes to social housing.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Housing Department has examined over 45 sites in its ownership in all areas of the city. The five sites chosen are all in the ownership of the City Council with clean title and services adjacent to the site.

The Minister's announcement of 21st October stated that sites should be selected on the basis of access to community infrastructure and services. Many of the families

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currently in emergency accommodation are already linked into services and schools in the areas chosen.

An evaluation of suitable sites for the provision of modular housing is ongoing in all of Dublin City Council's administrative area.

Q.50 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON

To ask The Chief Executive to ask Irish Rail to develop some of its land adjoining the Park-West/Cherry Orchard Train Station into a proper functioning car park. The opportunity to utilise the station is seriously compromised due to no parking at this location, however there is no shortage of land & this would also tidy up a very large unkempt area.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

This is not a matter of administration of the City Council for which the Dublin City Chief Executive is responsible, however this office will write to Irish Rail requesting that information on their plans for this site to be sent to the Councillor.

Q.51 COUNCILLOR RUAIRÍ MCGINLEY

To ask the Chief Executive to provide me with a copy of the most recent Flood Risk map by street for the Rathgar / Rathmines electoral area.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Attached are relevant flood maps for the Dodder river and pluvial maps for the South City. Maps for the Poddle have been made available for viewing the Civic Offices Atrium and on the OPW web-site http://maps.opw.ie/flood_draftmap_consult/ or by phoning 046 9426468 for any queries.

Q.52 COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE

To ask the Chief Executive to respond to. **(Details Supplied).**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.53 COUNCILLOR GREG KELLY

To ask the Chief Executive if **(Details Supplied).**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.54 COUNCILLOR GREG KELLY

To ask the chief Executive if he can confirm **(Details Supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.55 COUNCILLOR GREG KELLY

To ask the Chief Executive can confirm **(Details Supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.56 COUNCILLOR SEÁN HAUGHEY

To ask the Chief Executive the following **(Details Supplied)**

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.57 COUNCILLOR GREG KELLY

To ask the Chief Executive if he can arrange for **(Details Supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.58 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive if Dublin City Council has made any attempts, however minor, **(Details Supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.59 COUNCILLOR RAY MCHUGH

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for an update inspection of **(Details Supplied)**
I visited this house and the front door is in a bad need of replacing, this lady tells me she has been informed that it will be 2 years before it can be replaced.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Area Maintenance Foreman inspected this door end November 2015. It is deemed in need of replacement and categorised as Category A as follows:

Category	Description	Estimated Timeframe
A	Windows are extensively rotten. Urgent replacement required.	0 to 3 months (approximately, depending on demand)

It should be noted that there is a high demand in the 'Category A' list as a result of a backlog due to the change over in categorisation which will require the '0-3 months approximately depending on demand' to be extended for a period until the backlog is cleared.

Q.60 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON

To ask the Chief Executive to please look into the following issue **(Details Supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.61 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON

To ask the Chief Executive to investigate the following **(Details Supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.62 COUNCILLOR RUAIRÍ MCGINLEY

To ask the Chief Executive to document the number of instances of serious flooding in the city over the course of the months of October and November 2015.

The Chief Executive in his response should map out these instances and comment on the severity of the most serious instances in terms of number of properties affected both commercial and residential.

The Chief Executive should also comment on how he believes 'flood resilience' works are standing up to challenges of 2015 weather events to date.

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Regional Projects & Flood Advisory Office have reported no record of any building flooding in October or November 2015 from river or coastal sources and as such the defences are deemed to be working very well to date this year.

Q.63 COUNCILLOR PADDY SMYTH

Can the Planning Department clarify if we can grant planning permission contingent on certain (non building) specification/stipulations, e.g. planning permission could be granted contingent on the building never being used to sell carbonated drinks with sugar content above a certain percentage?

Is this possible under the current planning laws? If not, which bye laws would have to be changed to make this possible?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The sale of carbonated drinks takes place in a wide range of commercial and non-commercial premises including shops, café/restaurants/bars, offices, hospitals and other institutional buildings. In granting permission for a building, many conditions will be included to ensure that the building is developed in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area and to support objectives of the Dublin City Development Plan. However, such conditions should only be used for relevant/genuine planning purposes and should not be used for any extraneous purpose. It is also essential that conditions are drafted that they are effective and enforceable. In this instance, it is not considered appropriate to include a condition controlling the sale of a particular product as it is not relevant for planning purposes nor is it enforceable under planning legislation.

Q.64 COUNCILLOR NIAL RING

To ask the Chief Executive to confirm the cost of upgrading/replacing the 726 pay & display machines (out of the total of 1,076) and to indicate the timescale for the works involved and to ask the Chief Executive if there is any financial risk/implication in the continued use of technically obsolete machines.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The cost of replacing all 726 pay and display machines would be in the region of €5,000,000 were the Council to purchase the machines. With an annual capital allowance of €300,000 it would take approximately 17 years to replace these machines through purchase. The Council commenced a competitive dialogue procurement process in March 2014 for a single party framework agreement (covering all four Dublin local authorities) for the procurement (rental and/or purchase) of pay and display machines. After a thorough assessment process the contract was awarded in June 2015. The Council has commenced the process of machine rental and the first batch of 100 machines has been installed over October/November 2015. It is expected that the balance of the machines will be installed over 2016. While the cost of renting the machines is commercially sensitive the rental of over 700 machines will through reduced operational costs and increased revenue generate estimated savings of €600,000 in the first full year of operation. The new machines are the most technically advanced with the latest technology such as live transaction reporting which will allow for the development of a smart phone parking-guidance app and assist in enforcement activities. All costs such as maintenance, spare parts, ticket supply and installation and full vandalism warranties are included in the rental contract. In addition the machines will be replaced every five years (at no extra cost) with the newest technologically advanced machines thereby eliminating depreciation costs. .

The continued use of the 726 technically obsolete meters would have left the Council exposed to continuing losses through robberies, expensive security and repair costs, reputational damage with machines out of order on a regular basis with

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consequential income loss and would also not permit the Council to develop an enhanced service for the public.

Q.65 COUNCILLOR NIAL RING

To ask the Chief Executive to detail the cost of waste collection per flat in city council flat complexes. My understanding is that the cost of collection of domestic refuse from flat complexes is in the order of €2.8m. What does this figure amount to per flat per annum and per week?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The weekly cost per dwelling for the contracted cost of waste collection is €4.50. Tenants currently are charged €2 per week.

Q.66 COUNCILLOR NIAL RING

To ask the Chief Executive if there are any plans for the restoration of the frescoes depicting scenes from the history of the city which decorate the dome in City Hall and if an estimate for such work is available. Given that it is one hundred years (approx.) since these frescoes were completed by James Ward of the Metropolitan School of Art (between 1914 and 1919), does the Chief Executive agree that it would be an appropriate time to restore the frescoes to their former magnificent glory?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The mural paintings in the dome of Dublin's City Hall were last cleaned in 1966. In recent years, tests on portions of some of these paintings indicate that they would benefit from being cleaned by a professional conservator, subject to available funding. The costs associated with these works will be investigated and if deemed to be reasonable the works will be completed.

Q.67 COUNCILLOR NIAL RING

To ask the Chief Executive for the following information in relation to number 41 Parnell Square (rear known as 10 Granby Place)

A. To detail the current works being carried out to the rear of 41 Parnell Square on foot of a Dangerous Buildings Notice.

B. To confirm that the works are on foot of an order issued on 22/01/2015 and are not illegal works.

C. To confirm that the contractor has been made aware of the protected structure status and the historical significance of the property and that any work will not infringe on the structure of the building or the remains of the hall at the back.

D. To confirm that the Conservation officer and city architect are involved at all times in supervising and overseeing the works.

E. To confirm the completion date for the works.

F. To confirm the current ownership of the building.

G. To confirm how much DCC has expended on protecting this building to date and under the current works.

H. To confirm that DCC have access to the building and to explain the rationale and legal status of this access.

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I. To confirm whether DCC would be in favour of ownership of this building being vested in the authority with a view to its protection and ultimate renovation and use as a civic space.

J. To ask the Chief Executive if it would be possible to commence dialogue with interested parties with a view to restoring and using this building as part of the Parnell Square Cultural Quarter.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A. We can confirm that the current works to the rear of 41 Parnell Square, also known as 10 Granby Place, include making safe existing remaining structure to the rear, removal of asbestos material and securing the site. Any further works required on foot of recent site investigations are being assessed & costed at the present time.

B. We can confirm that the current works to the rear of 41 Parnell Square, also known as 10 Granby Place, are being carried out on foot of a Dangerous Buildings Notice issued by this section on 22/01/2015 and are not illegal works.

C. The contractor has been made aware of the protected structure status and the historical significance of the property. Present activity on site is confined to making safe works and removal of any danger in accordance with the Dangerous Buildings remit and statutory duties under the Sanitary Services Act 1964.

D. Works are overseen by DCC City Architects Dangerous Building Section in consultation with the Conservation Officer.

E. Not known at present – awaiting Engineers report & proposals for works to the remaining structure.

F. Title to this building is currently registered to Dublin City Council. By way of a Court Order the title was to be transferred back to Mr Lynskey and Mr Bermingham on completion of certain works to make the building safe. These works were carried out however Mr Lynskey and Mr Bermingham have refused to engage in accepting transfer of title into their names.

G. Circa €88,000.00 has been expended on DB works to remove the danger arising from rising from the deterioration of the subject building in recent years. Further works required on foot of recent site investigations and associated costs are being assessed at the present time, and are not yet available.

H. DCC Dangerous Buildings Section obtain access to this site in accordance with Sanitary Services Act 1964 - works required to stabilise the structure - for the removal of any danger and making safe.

I. Ownership of this building is due to be transferred to Mr Lynskey and Mr Bermingham by Order of the High Court in 2008 on completion of an agreed schedule of works and on the placement of €75,000 on joint deposit. Whilst these conditions were met at the time, the City Council have been frustrated in attempts to conclude the transaction as a result of Mr Lynskey and Mr Bermingham failing to engage. Counsel Advice is now being sought by the Law Department as to the best way to conclude this transaction.

J. On receipt of Counsel's opinion the City Council will be in a better position to consider options for any future use of this property. It should be noted however

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that any project to restore the main building and reconstruct the Hall would be expected to cost in excess of €3-€4M.

Q.68 COUNCILLOR PADDY SMYTH

Can the Chief Executive outline under what arrangement the park in Darthmouth Sq, Ranelagh came back under the charge of Dublin City Council from its previous owner?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dartmouth Square was acquired by the City Council at an Allsop Space Auction on the 4th December 2012 from the Marble and Granite Tiles Ltd (in liquidation).

The Park is now registered to the City Council on Folio DN19971F.

Q.69 COUNCILLOR RAY MCADAM

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a comprehensive report into the actions taken to date by Dublin City Council to address the serious build-up of rubbish and other materials at **(Details Supplied)**; in responding can the CE clarify:

- whether the Council resident at **(Details Supplied)** is in rent arrears?
- whether internal maintenance works have been undertaken and what is the nature of the required internal works?
- what legislation deals with the resolution of this situation and is guiding the Council in its response to the matter?
- what assistance has the local Housing Inspector received from the Housing Department, Waste Management and the Law Agent in his efforts to deal with the situation and help tackle the problem?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The tenants account is not in arrears

The house has been inspected for maintenance works but due to its present condition, these will not be undertaken until the property has been significantly cleared. The tenant has been made aware of this.

The Area Maintenance Officer is working closely with the Area Housing Manager to monitor and resolve the tenants living conditions. Neither Waste Management nor the Law Dept has been involved in this matter up to date.

Area based housing personnel have interviewed the tenant concerned and visited the address in question on numerous occasions. The tenant has been made aware of his responsibilities under the terms of his Tenancy Agreement and of the possible consequences should those responsibilities be ignored. At this point it is considered that progress can best be made through further discussion and agreement however formal action will be considered should such action be deemed necessary. Housing personnel, with the co-operation of the tenant, have removed debris and rubbish from the gardens and also arranged for the removal of a significant amount of material which the tenant himself had cleared from the interior of the house.

Q.70 COUNCILLOR TOM BRABAZON

Is the Chief Executive aware of **(Details Supplied)** and will he please provide a report on same?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The street tree in question is a mature Carpinus betulus 'Hornbeam' and is in a satisfactory condition providing an important amenity to the area. A site inspection concluded that there is no evidence that root activity associated with tree is causing

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damage to either private or public property. Accordingly, Parks Services are not in favour of removing this tree.

Q.71 COUNCILLOR PAUL HAND

To ask the Chief Executive if a report on the amount of social houses per postcode in the Dublin City Council area can be issued to me firstly in terms of the numbers per postcode and secondly as an overall percentage of housing in those areas.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Housing and Transfer Section, of the City Council, does not divide or subdivide the management area(s) under the control of Housing and Residential Services of Dublin City Council into the operational areas of An Post. The Dublin South Central Area consists of the Housing Management area of Area J, Area K and Area L.

Q.72 COUNCILLOR PAUL HAND

To ask the Chief Executive (**Details Supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.73 COUNCILLOR PAUL HAND

To ask the Chief Executive (**Details Supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.74 COUNCILLOR PAUL HAND

To ask the Chief Executive if a report can be issued to this Councillor on the amount of revenue generated from commercial rates for each post code in the Dublin City Council administrative area.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

I am unable to provide the information by post code but have set it out by electoral area and Area Committee.

Rates Charge 2015	Local Electoral Area	Area Committee	Area Committee Total
€94,246,146.08	NORTH INNER CITY Total	Central	€94,246,146.08
€10,358,161.92	BEAUMONT-DONAGHMEDE Total	North Central	
€5,254,302.72	CLONTARF Total	North Central	€15,612,464.64
€9,366,729.47	BALLYMUN Total	North West	
€8,695,971.84	CABRA-FINGLAS Total	North West	€18,062,701.31
€14,878,195.07	BALLYFERMOT-DRIMNAGH Total	South Central	
€17,530,266.12	CRUMLIN-KIMMAGE Total	South Central	€32,408,461.19
€164,382,991.25	PEMBROKE-SOUTH DOCK Total	South East	
€9,161,527.04	RATHGAR-RATHMINES Total	South East	€173,544,518.29
€333,874,291.51	Grand Total		€333,874,291.51

Q.75 COUNCILLOR DAITHÍ DOOLAN

To ask the Chief Executive (**Details Supplied**)

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.76 COUNCILLOR DAITHÍ DOOLAN

To ask the Chief Executive (**Details Supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.77 COUNCILLOR DAITHÍ DOOLAN

To ask the Chief Executive (**Details Supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.78 COUNCILLOR DAITHÍ DOOLAN

To ask the Chief Executive for a full report, (**Details Supplied**).

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.79 COUNCILLOR CATHLEEN CARNEY BOUD

To ask the Chief Executive (**Details Supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.80 COUNCILLOR CATHLEEN CARNEY BOUD

To ask the Chief Executive (**Details Supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.81 COUNCILLOR CATHLEEN CARNEY BOUD

To ask the Chief Executive (**Details Supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.82 COUNCILLOR CATHLEEN CARNEY BOUD

To ask the Chief Executive (**Details Supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.83 AN tARDMHÉARA CRÍONA NÍ DHÁLAIGH

To ask the Chief Executive to consider the request by the LGTB community to support the provision of a LGTB museum in the City.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The LGTB archive is held by the National Library of Ireland and is very extensive. It may be more appropriate for LGTB community to approach NLI regarding this matter.

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Q.84 COUNCILLOR CATHERINE ARDAGH

To ask the Chief Executive to provide pedestrian crossings at the junction of Ravensdale Park and Kimmage Road Lower and also at the KCR, to facilitate the safety of pedestrians, particularly children travelling to and from school.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The request for pedestrian crossings at the above locations has been referred to the Traffic Advisory Group for examination and report. The Councillor will be informed of the recommendations in due course.

Q.85 COUNCILLOR CATHERINE ARDAGH

To ask the Chief Executive to carry out an inspection of the resurfacing works of the road carried out at Glenmalure Park, Rialto, which residents feel, was sub-standard, and to carry out repairs to the footpath, which was damaged during the road resurfacing works.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Road Maintenance services carried out localised carriageway repairs on a section of Glenmalure Park in Rialto. The carriageway repairs were carried out to eliminate a significant depression that constituted a serious tripping hazard. It is clear from our inspection that there has been a dramatic improvement in the condition of the carriageway. The depression and the associated tripping hazards that were present have been eliminated. There were several waterworks openings located on the footpaths within Glenmalure Park; it was decided to reinstate these openings and defective sections of footpaths while the crew were there. All footpath repairs were completed.

Q.86 COUNCILLOR CATHERINE ARDAGH

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a pedestrian crossing between Hueston Station and the Heuston Luas Bridge over the Liffey – very busy crossing.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

This request is listed for examination and report by the Traffic Advisory Group. The Councillor will be informed of the recommendation in due course.

Q.87 COUNCILLOR CATHERINE ARDAGH

To ask the Chief Executive to provide more public toilets in the City, as many shops and business do not have public facilities, which can pose problems particularly for the elderly and parents with young children?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The City Council's current strategy includes the following short and long term measures to address the issue of public toilet infrastructure.

1. Proceed with Tender for the provision of aesthetic portable/temporary public conveniences to cater for major events and late night requirements in City Centre. (Short Term)
2. In conjunction with the Business Community, develop a Partnership Scheme similar to schemes in operation in other countries such as the United Kingdom to extend access to facilities currently provided by public offices, transport operators, department stores, hotels, pubs, coffee shops etc. (Short Term)
3. Develop permanent public toilet facilities in the City Centre. This is subject to available finance and could be advanced through public or private enterprise. (Long Term)

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Current Position

1. The City Council has made provision in the 2016 Budget to continue the operation of the 2 Automated Public Conveniences in Sandymount and Clontarf and the temporary public conveniences to cater for major events and late night requirements in the City Centre. A new tender competition to provide these facilities is currently being planned.
2. The City Council initially contacted a number of Organisations in the City, of the type mentioned at 2 above, to seek their views on possible involvement in a Partnership Scheme to extend access to their facilities. There was a limited response and it is planned to reopen further contacts to explore potential scope for a revised scheme.
3. There is no provision in the 2016 budget to develop permanent facilities in the City and no specific private enterprise has emerged.

Q.88 COUNCILLOR DAVID COSTELLO

To ask the Chief Executive; **(Details Supplied)** has requested the road sweeper down into Ashington Mews and there is an issue with leaves here. She has said that it has gone everywhere else but not at their location of the estate.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Waste Management Services had the leaves removed from Ashington Mews on the 25th November 2015.

Q.89 COUNCILLOR DAVID COSTELLO

To ask the Chief Executive; **(Details supplied)** stated that it is the only section of Kinvara without ramps and are the Council going to consider this with the volume of traffic and young children?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A request for traffic calming measures on Kinvara Drive was received in August 2015 and is listed on the Traffic Advisory Group agenda for examination and report. The Councillor will be informed of the recommendation in due course.

Q.90 COUNCILLOR DAVID COSTELLO

To ask the Chief Executive to examine the potential of a Local Area Plan for the Jamestown Rd and McKee Ave sites in Finglas. There is a potential benefit to the entire community if the developments of a number of vacant sites are planned holistically.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The preparation of Local Area Plans is onerous in the use of resources. The draft development plan prioritises the preparation of LAPs for Ballymun, Cherry Orchard and Park West, Moore Street and Stoneybatter. The draft development plan also sets out a number of Strategic Development and Regeneration Areas (SDRAs) where there is the potential to deliver significant housing numbers and employment space. A set of guiding principles including maps showing broad layout proposals, linkages etc are set out for each SDRA. The potential for Jamestown Road and McKee Avenue to be considered as SDRAs will be examined.

Q.91 COUNCILLOR SEÁN HAUGHEY

To ask the Chief Executive the following **(Details Supplied)**

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.92 COUNCILLOR SEÁN HAUGHEY

To ask the Chief Executive the following (**Details Supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.93 COUNCILLOR CIARÁN CUFFE

To ask the Chief Executive the amount of BIDS levies charged and the amounts received in the last year for which figures are available?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

YEAR	ARREARS @ 1/1	CHARGE	WRITE OFF	TOTAL FOR COLLECTION	COLLECTED	ARREARS @ 31/12	% COLLECTED
2014	€1,290,893.14	€3,171,806.76	€344,463.96	€4,118,235.94	€2,700,464.22	€1,417,771.72	65.57%

Q.94 COUNCILLOR CIARÁN CUFFE

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a breakdown of the motor car travel allowances claimed by City Council employees in the last year for which figures are available, broken down by Department, monies claimed and engine sizes.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Expenditure on car allowances (some of which is claimed as mileage) is set out below, categorised in accordance with Budget categories.

Department	Car Allowances Jan to Oct 2015	Mileage Jan to Oct 2015
Housing & Building	€184,457	€251,962
Road Transport & Safety	€147,989	€142,627
Water Services	€128,321	€154,508
Development Management	€80,021	€70,544
Environmental Services	€136,002	€54,989
Culture, Recreation & Amenity	€56,786	€71,454
Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	€408	
Miscellaneous Services	€58,397	€34,955
Central Management Charges	€164,264	€60,224
Total	€956,647	€839,262

Amounts are claimed in accordance with the mileage rates, based on three categories of engine sizes as follows:

Engine Capacity Up to 1,200cc	Engine Capacity 1,201cc to 1,500cc	Engine Capacity 1,501cc and over
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Q.95 COUNCILLOR CIARÁN CUFFE

To ask the Chief Executive to state how many applications have been received for the the 'Living City Scheme' of financial incentives since the scheme's inception, and how many Letters of Certification have been issued. In his reply can he list the numbers by postal district, and can he make a statement on the matter?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A total of 11 valid applications have been made to date under the Living City Initiative. These are broken down in relation to the City's postcodes as follows:

- Dublin 1 x 3 no. applications
- Dublin 2 x 3 no. applications
- Dublin 7 x 5 no. applications

One letter of certification has been issued – in Dublin 7.

The Planning & Property Development Department are preparing a half-day workshop on the Living City Initiative to be arranged for early in the New Year, as requested by the Planning and International Relations SPC

Q.96 COUNCILLOR CIARÁN CUFFE

To ask the Chief Executive to provide me with a copy of the "Report to Dublin Region Homeless Executive on difficulties accessing Central Placement Service" received by the Dublin Region Homeless Executive from Crosscare.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The document referred to is an internal and unpublished Crosscare document. The DRHE is not responsible for the production, its content or its dissemination.

It is important to note that in August 2015, the unpublished document as referred to was given to the Irish Times and reported upon. DRHE confirmed its position that the report was considered unreliable and that no further comment would be given. The office of the CEO of Crosscare confirmed to DRHE that regrettably this action was undertaken without sanction.

It is worth noting that DRHE continues to develop policy and practice relating to this area, i.e. migration and homelessness. In October DRHE published a research briefing on migration and homelessness which can be downloaded via the following link:

file:///C:/Users/50447/Downloads/Migrantsandhomelessnessdublin_October%202015.pdf

Also in October 2015, DRHE hosted the inaugural meeting of a newly established international working group on migrants experiencing homelessness in the EU.

The group is comprised of leading policy decision makers, service providers, experts and academics from five cities namely Gijon (Spain) London (England) Utrecht (The Netherlands) Vienna (Austria) and Dublin. This working group is grant funded from the Open Society Foundation and is supported by the Centre for Migration, Policy and Society at the University of Oxford (England).

The group visited the Crosscare Migrant Information and Advice Service and consulted with service providers who made a submission to inform the proceedings of the group's Dublin meeting. Other service providers consulted by the group included the Mercy Law Centre and the Depaul Migrant Homeless Action Team.

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The working group is developing actions for city-wide initiatives among its participants and will bring forward proposals for policy and practice in 2016.

Q.97 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE HENEY

To ask the Chief Executive to refer further to my November Council meeting number 62 and to point (f) of the reply and in relation to the sale of this land in 1950 and say what the defined purpose of this land sale was and what the full terms and conditions of the sale were and if copies of the report regarding the disposal at the time as presented to City Council meeting can now be provided together with a statement on the matter.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Copies of the reports in relation to the disposal of the land are currently being sourced by the City Archivist and will be forwarded directly to the Councillor when received by this office.

Q.98 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE HENEY

To ask the Chief Executive to refer to location as per **(Details Supplied)** and say if he can arrange to plant trees and provide flower boxes at **(Details Supplied)** as requested by this very committed community group

The Artane / Harmonstown Community Group are really trying to improve the appearance of their area -

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Public Domain Team have already provided some **(Details Supplied)** to this group, the group can make direct contact with Catherine Brophy ELO with a view to increasing the number of boxes for the spring.

Parks and Landscape Services propose to carry out tree planting on the public open space at this road during which will be carried out before the end of March 2016. Parks and Landscape Services have no plans at present to supply the plant containers requested.

Q.99 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE HENEY

To ask the Chief Executive to refer to location as per **(Details Supplied)** and say if he can arrange to replace public litter bins at **(Details Supplied)** as requested by this very committed community group

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Waste Management Services would be very reluctant to provide more litter bins in this area due to the history of litter bins there being abused on a daily basis by being filled with domestic waste. There are several bins in the vicinity of the railway station which cater for the litter in this area. It should also be noted that we assist community groups in carrying out community clean ups by providing them with bags and tools and removing the collected rubbish for them.

Q.100 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE HENEY

To ask the Chief Executive to clarify and give details of the conditions/criteria as agreed with contractors who cut grass verges etc, if copy can be supplied or clarification given on;

1. Standard of cutting
2. If litter, bags etc are supposed to be picked up first
3. If cutting on wet/ damp days is allowed
4. If footpaths are supposed to be cleaned afterwards as often place is left in a terrible mess

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5. Frequency/height of grass after cut etc
6. How contract is supervised, by DCC inspection or contractor's inspection?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

There are a number of areas throughout the city where contractors carry out grass cutting on behalf of Dublin City Council. The grass is required to be maintained at a certain height and litter picking and weed control are carried out as and when required. The operations are managed by the Area staff. A copy of the General Instructions to the contractors will be forwarded to the Councillor.

However, if the Councillor is aware of problems in relation to certain areas, please advise the below named, of details of same.

Q.101 COUNCILLOR CLAIRE BYRNE

To ask the Chief Executive if he can confirm whether planning application DSDZ3632/15 is in contravention or compliance of the SDZ building heights standards.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Planning application DSDZ3632/15 relates to a 17 storey commercial development, with a gross floor area 19000m² approx., located within the designated North Lotts and Grand Canal Dock Strategic Development Zone.

This is a live planning application which has yet to be determined by the Planning Authority under Section 34 of the Planning Acts (as amended). As such it is inappropriate to comment on particular aspects of a planning application, which has yet to be decided, in this case following receipt of Additional Information in respect of the following matters:-

1. Potential for extension of Luas line
2. Quality of public space
3. Microclimatic and overshadowing studies

Upon receipt of the Additional Information the planning application will be assessed in the round as to whether or not it is consistent with the SDZ Planning Scheme in accordance with S169-170 of the Planning Acts (as amended).

Q.102 COUNCILLOR CLAIRE BYRNE

To ask the Chief Executive if he can provide a list of locations where dogs must be kept on a leash at all times and to provided details of the relevant bye laws that govern this.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The only location in the Dublin City Council administrative area where dogs must be kept on a leash at all times is the North Bull Island. This is in accordance with the Dublin City Council Control of Dogs Byelaws 1998 made under the Local Government Act 1994.

Q.103 COUNCILLOR CLAIRE BYRNE

To ask the Chief Executive to clarify whether parking fees apply to electric vehicles parked at electric vehicle charging points and if so whether he would consider introducing a waiver of parking fees with a sufficient time limit to allow electric vehicles park and charge alongside charging points.

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The normal pay and display rules apply to electric vehicles parked at electric vehicle charging points. Motorists must pay for parking and there is a maximum stay of three hours. This is required to ensure there is a regular turnover of parking spaces in general but more specifically at electric charging points as otherwise an electric vehicle could park in the same spot all day every day for free.

ESB Ecars are proposing to start charging at fast charge points from April 2016 at a rate of 30c per minute or €18 per hour. It remains unclear as to whether they will introduce fees for charging at other charge points. It may be possible at some stage to come to some arrangement with ESB ECars to amalgamate the parking fee with the charging fee and the Council will discuss this with ESB Ecars.

Q.104 COUNCILLOR CLAIRE BYRNE

To ask the Chief Executive what action can be taken to address the on-going issue of illegal parking on Bedford Row / Aston Quay Dublin and if he can provide details of the number of parking enforcements issued on this road over the last 12 months.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Illegal parking at these locations is monitored on an ongoing daily basis. There have been sixteen vehicles clamped on Bedford Row in the last year and forty seven further individual requests for enforcement in the same period. A total of four hundred and eighteen vehicles were clamped on Aston Quay in the last year. There is no parking at anytime on Bedford Row apart from a loading bay which operates from 0700-1900H Monday to Saturday – outside these hours it is permissible for any vehicle to park here. Aston Quay has a number of different parking restrictions, however it should be noted that it is permissible to park on double yellow lines for up to thirty minutes while actively loading or unloading.

Q.105 AN tARDMHÉARA CRÍONA NÍ DHÁLAIGH

As costs emerging for installation of modular housing is alarming at €191,000 per unit (about the same as a brick-built house), can the Chief Executive confirm if there was a cost-benefit analysis done for these units against traditional, brick-built social housing units?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The first 22 modular housing units that will be provided are 3 bedroom timber framed houses. The ground floor will be faced in brick and the first floor will have a timber clad finish. The houses will be built to the highest standards and have an A energy rating.

The order for the houses was placed on the 20th of November 2015 and the houses are to be completed and ready for families to move into before Christmas 2015. It is not possible to have 22 traditional brick built houses constructed in this short time frame.

There is no requirement for a cost benefit analysis for a government contract valued below €20m.

Q.106 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN

To ask the Chief Executive to issue a full report and breakdown of the overtime spend for 2015. This report to include what departments and what programs and initiative received overtime payments. Also can we have a breakdown of staff who received overtime payments?

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The total expenditure on overtime from January to October 2015 is €12,300,123. It is analysed in the following tables as follows;

Table 1 – Analysis of Overtime

Payroll Category	€
Wages	9,684,090
Salaries	2,616,034
Total	12,300,123

Table 2 – Analysis of Overtime by Staff Category

Staff Category	€
General Operative	5,067,407
Craft	1,323,736
Firefighter	3,292,947
Salary	2,616,034
Total	12,300,123

Table 3 – Analysis of Overtime by Division

Division	Division Description	€
A	Housing & Building	2,151,401
B	Road Transport & Safety	1,441,561
C	Water Services - Non SLA	57,621
C	Water Services - SLA	1,855,909
D	Development Management	109,860
E	Environmental Services - Fire Service & Civil Defence	3,704,777
E	Environmental Services - Other	1,426,110
F	Culture, Recreation & Amenity	886,841
G	Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	1,803
H	Miscellaneous Services	361,982
J	Central Management Department	302,257
		12,300,123

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Table 4 – Analysis of Overtime by Division and Category

Division	Division Description	Staff Category	€
A		CRAFT - OVERTIME	595,595
		GO - OVERTIME	785,460
		SALARY - OVERTIME	770,347
A Total	Housing & Building Total		2,151,401
B		CRAFT - OVERTIME	322,157
		GO - OVERTIME	811,021
		SALARY - OVERTIME	308,384
B Total	Road Transport & Safety Total		1,441,561
C		CRAFT - OVERTIME	6,822
		GO - OVERTIME	44,342
		SALARY - OVERTIME	6,457
	Water Services - Non SLA		57,621
		CRAFT - OVERTIME	120,591
		GO - OVERTIME	1,018,977
		SALARY - OVERTIME	716,341
	Water Services - SLA		1,855,909
C Total	Water Services Total		1,913,530
D	Development Management	CRAFT - OVERTIME	3,024
		GO - OVERTIME	11,174
		SALARY - OVERTIME	95,662
D Total	Development Management Total		109,860
E		CRAFT - OVERTIME	72,095
		FIREFIGHTERS - OVERTIME	3,292,947
		GO - OVERTIME	129,496
		SALARY - OVERTIME	210,239
	Environmental Services - Fire Service & Civil Defence		3,704,777
		CRAFT - OVERTIME	26,390
		GO - OVERTIME	1,256,443
		SALARY - OVERTIME	143,277
	Environmental Services - Other		1,426,110
E Total	Environmental Services Total		5,130,888
F		CRAFT - OVERTIME	97,640
		GO - OVERTIME	695,464
		SALARY - OVERTIME	93,737
F Total	Culture, Recreation & Amenity Total		886,841
G		SALARY - OVERTIME	1,803
G Total	Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare Total		1,803

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Table 4 – Analysis of Overtime by Service and Category (continued)

Division	Division Description	Staff Category	€
H		CRAFT - OVERTIME	33,426
		GO - OVERTIME	207,935
		SALARY - OVERTIME	120,621
H Total	Miscellaneous Services Total		361,982
J		CRAFT - OVERTIME	45,996
		GO - OVERTIME	107,094
		SALARY - OVERTIME	149,167
J Total	Central Management Charges Total		302,257
Grand Total			12,300,123

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Table 5 – Analysis of Overtime by Division and Service

Division	Service Name	€
A		
	A01 MAINT/IMPROVE OF LA HOUSING UNITS	1,279,156
	A03 HOUSING RENT & TENANT PURCHASE ADMIN	129,563
	A04 HOUSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT	136,820
	A05 ADMIN OF HOMELESS SERVICES	476,632
	A06 SUPPORT TO HSG CAPITAL & AFFORDABLE PROG	60,619
	A07 RAS PROGRAMME	46,917
	A08 HOUSING LOANS	9,989
	A12 HAP PROGRAMME	571
	A20 ALLOCATIONS - HOUSING	11,133
A Total	Housing & Building Total	2,151,401
B		
	B01 NP - MAINT & IMPROVEMENT	3,304
	B03 REG ROAD - MAINT & IMPROVEMENT	159,996
	B04 LOCAL RD - MAINT & IMPROVEMENT	512,848
	B05 PUBLIC LIGHTING	191,280
	B06 TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT IMPROVEMENT	186,495
	B08 ROAD SAFETY PROMOTION/IMPROVEMENT	15,109
	B09 MAINT & MANAGE CAR PARKING	22,246
	B10 SUPPORT TO ROADS CAPITAL PROG	41,790
	B11 AGENCY AND RECOUPABLE SERVICES B	308,491
B Total	Road Transport & Safety Total	1,441,561
C		
	C01 OPER AND MAIN OF WATER SUPPLY (SLA)	1,305,632
	C02 OPER & MAINT OF WASTE WATER TREATMENT(SLA)	503,053
	C03 COLLECTION OF WATER & WASTE WATER CHARGES(SLA)	476
	C07 AGENCY AND RECOUPABLE SERVICES (SLA & Non-SLA)	46,748
	C08 LOCAL AUTHORITY WATER AND SANITARY SERVICES(Non-SLA)	57,621
C Total	Water Services	1,913,530
D		
	D01 FORWARD PLANNING	555
	D02 DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT	9,145
	D03 ENFORCEMENT	49,609
	D04 OP & MAINT OF IND & COMMERCIAL FACILITIES	47,964
	D06 COMMUNITY & ENTERPRISE FUNCTION	1,398
	D09 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PROMOTION	1,188
D Total	Development Management Total	109,860
E		
	E02 OPER & MAINT OF RECOVERY & RECYCLING FAC	38,741
	E05 LITTER MANAGEMENT	36,894
	E06 STREET CLEANING	1,345,400
	E10 SAFETY OF STRUCTURES AND PLACES	23,386
	E11 OPERATION OF FIRE SERVICE	3,685,923
	E12 FIRE PREVENTION	544
E Total	Environmental Services Total	5,130,888

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Table 5 – Analysis of Overtime by Division and Service (continued)

Division	Service Name	€
F		
	F01 OPER & MAINT OF LEISURE FACILITIES	2,853
	F02 OPER OF LIBRARY & ARCHIVE SERVICE	113,515
	F03 OP, MAINT & IMP OF OUTDOOR LEISURE AREAS	699,320
	F04 COMM, SPORT & RECREATIONAL DEV	30,082
	F05 OPERATION OF ARTS PROGRAMME	41,071
F Total	Culture, Recreation & Amenity Total	886,841
G		
	G04 VETERINARY SERVICE	1,803
G Total	Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare Total	1,803
H		
	H01 PROFIT LOSS MACHINERY ACCOUNT	122,624
	H03 ADMINISTRATION OF RATES	30,706
	H04 FRANCHISE COSTS	21,523
	H05 OPERATION OF MORGUE & CORONERS EXPENSES	5,522
	H07 OPER OF MARKETS & CASUAL TRADING	73,106
	H09 LOCAL REPRESENTATION/CIVIC LEADERSHIP	65,935
	H10 MOTOR TAXATION	35,197
	H11 AGENCY AND RECOUPABLE SERVICES	7,369
H Total	Miscellaneous Services Total	361,982
J		
	J01 CORPORATE BUILDING COSTS	91,402
	J02 GENERAL CORPORATE SERVICES	24,831
	J03 INFO & COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY	13,845
	J04 PRINT / POST ROOM SERVICES	55,802
	J05 HUMAN RESOURCES FUNCTION	23,581
	J06 FINANCE FUNCTION	9,188
	J08 AREA OFFICES	81,441
	J09 LAW DEPARTMENT	2,168
J Total	Central Management Charges Total	302,257
Grand Total		12,300,123

Q.107 **COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN**

Can the Chief Executive issue a report with regards to the amount of street nameplates that are to be replaced or that have been replaced throughout Dublin City administrative area. With the emphasis now being place on attracting tourists to the city and with the 2016 centenary year around the corner we should be making every effort to replenish the street name plates. For instance, Dame Street opposite City Hall has completely faded, along with Parliament Street and many other key city centre streets are without clear street signage. We need to return to the original steel press plates that can last and give character to our streets as all the facon signage has simply eroded.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

In the past 30 months 182 nameplates were erected in Dublin City Council Administrative Area. 136 of these nameplates were replacing existing nameplates. Road Maintenance Services has received 75 queries in relation to street nameplates alone in the past 5 months.

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There is no budget in place for the widespread replacement of nameplates so they tend to be replaced as the need arises. The sites mentioned will be examined for replacement.

Q.108 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN

Can the Chief Executive issue a full report as to what financial contribution Dublin City Council has made to the New Years Eve festival event at the Three Arena?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The New Year's Festival is a 3-day citywide festival celebration of some of the best of contemporary Irish talent in Arts, Music, Culture and Live Entertainment. The initiative is a partnership between Fáilte Ireland and Dublin City Council. Following a procurement process in 2014 Leisure Project Management Ltd. T/A Holohan Leisure were engaged by Fáilte Irl. to programme and produce the New Year's Festival in accordance with the terms of a legally binding Concession Agreement. Under the terms of the Agreement, which provides for the financial contributions of the funding partners, the Contractor bears all the risks and responsibility for the provision of the services and is also entitled to retain any profit arising in the course of provision of the services.

Due to the impact of the Luas Cross City Construction works the site at College Green that has been used for the Countdown Concert in recent years is not available this year with the result that the official Countdown Concert will take place in the 3Arena. The Countdown Concert is a commercial venture, therefore, in accordance the terms of the Concession Agreement no financial contribution will be made by Dublin City Council to that event.

At the request of Fáilte Ireland and Dublin City Council, plans are underway to programme an additional element to the Festival which will see an outdoor "NYF Street Fest" taking place in St. Stephen's Green South on New Year's Eve. This event will comprise a variety of musical artists with a 3D projection spectacular at midnight. The event will be recorded and televised by RTÉ. In the interests of public safety this will be a ticketed event. Tickets will be at an affordable price and proceeds will be donated to the NCBI as nominated by Ardmhéara Bhaile Átha Cliath Críona Ní Dhálaigh.

The annual cash contribution committed by Dublin City Council is €100,000 which is transferred directly to Failte Irl. to fund the Festival in accordance with the terms of a Memorandum of Understanding between Fáilte Irl. and Dublin City Council. This includes a stipulation that Dublin City Council's funding is to be directed towards the elements of the Festival programme that are either free to the public, e.g. Procession of Light, Luminosity, Resolution Day or in the case of entry fee charging cultural attractions, result in no additional charge to the public over and above normal entry fees.

Full information on the New Year's Festival is available on www.nyfdublin.com

Q.109 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN

To ask the Chief Executive to initiate the placing of the proclamation in the Rotunda of the City Hall prior to the first of January 2016 and initiate the removal of the Anne Madden Triptych.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

There is currently a copy of the proclamation in the Members Room of City Hall. An original proclamation is also being placed in the Story of the Capital exhibition for 2016. City Hall management are currently investigating the costs associated with the

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removal of the Anne Madden Triptych, its storage and the display of a reproduction of the proclamation. When the costs are fully identified a report will be brought to the Arts, Culture, Recreation and Community SPC for discussion.

Q.110 COUNCILLOR DERMOT LACEY

To ask the Chief Executive if he can clarify the issues raised in the emails submitted with this question (**Details Supplied**) – not on the specific planning case involved but on the more general principles involved.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Five complaints have been received during 2015 in respect of the lands mentioned.

1. Protection of a building to be retained. A site inspection showed that the building was adequately secured and protected.
2. Erection of a hoarding on the public road/footpath. The erection of site hoardings on public roads/footpaths requires a licence under section 254 of the Planning and Development Acts. The issue of such licences is made by the Council's Roads & Traffic Division. The complaint has been referred to that Department to ensure that the developer has complied with the conditions of the licence.
3. Breach of working hours restrictions. The developer has been advised of his obligation to comply fully with this condition. Meanwhile, the site is being monitored. There has been no significant breach noted to date.
4. Noise & vibration levels. Monitoring inspections did not reveal any exceptional noise or vibration levels for an active building site. However, the complaint was referred to the Council's Environmental Health Section for assessment under Environmental Protection legislation
5. Loading/unloading at roadside. Parking a vehicle on a public road does not constitute development within the meaning of section 3 of the Planning and Development Acts (as determined by An Bord Pleanála under section 5 of the Planning and Development Acts 2000-2015). As parking a vehicle on a roadside does not constitute development, it cannot be subject to planning control.

In respect of bringing, using or removing machinery or other structures necessary to carry out development works I confirm that class 16 of schedule 2 – part 1 of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 exempts such activities on the land *or on adjoining lands* from requiring planning permission. The legislation does not distinguish between private lands and public lands.

Planning enforcement measures cannot be used to address issues that are exempt under planning legislation or that arise under other, non-planning, legislation. Parking vehicles on a roadside, (whether or not for loading/unloading goods or machinery) falls to be addressed under Roads and Traffic legislation. The complaint has been referred to the Council's Roads & Traffic Department and the complainant has been informed of the referral.

The Planning Enforcement Section will continue to investigate all complaints of alleged unauthorised development and to take enforcement action where warranted. Non-planning issues will be referred to the appropriate department for attention.

Q.111 COUNCILLOR EMMA MURPHY

To ask the Chief Executive, (**Details Supplied**):

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.112 COUNCILLOR EMMA MURPHY

To ask the Chief Executive, **(Details Supplied):**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.113 COUNCILLOR EMMA MURPHY

To ask the Chief Executive, **(Details Supplied):**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.114 COUNCILLOR EMMA MURPHY

To ask the Chief Executive, **(Details Supplied):**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.115 COUNCILLOR ALISON GILLILAND

To ask the Chief Executive to explain **(Details Supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.116 COUNCILLOR ALISON GILLILAND

To ask the Chief Executive to carry out an impact audit of **(Details Supplied)** and to prepare a plan to remediate any issues found

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Traffic Advisory Group at its meeting of the 28th April, 2015, reported that parking restrictions have been provided where appropriate on the residential roads adjacent to Beaumont Hospital, including the clamping of illegally parked vehicles. Further parking restrictions would interfere with the free residential parking on these roads.

The Traffic Advisory Group, therefore, did not recommend further parking restrictions.

Q.117 COUNCILLOR ALISON GILLILAND

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a response to **(Details Supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.118 COUNCILLOR ALISON GILLILAND

To ask the Chief Executive to detail the number of Part V units due to DCC from the various housing developments currently under construction/recently completed in the North Central area.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

While discussions have taken place with developers, as of yet there are no finalised Part V agreements in respect of future developments in the North Central Area.

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Q.119 COUNCILLOR MICHAEL O'BRIEN

To ask the Chief Executive if park benches can be installed in Rockfield Park, Beaumont?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Parks and Landscape Services is aware of a level antisocial activity which has been present at Rockfield Park for some time and which has impacted consideration of the placement of benches at this park. However as a pilot has been undertaken at a nearby park which has not resulted in damage to the seating installed it is proposed to carry out a similar pilot placement of a single bench at Rockfield Park in spring 2016 which can added to should this bench not be the location of damage or antisocial activity during 2016

Q.120 COUNCILLOR MICHAEL O'BRIEN

To ask the Chief Executive to comment on the representation made below from a Dublin City Council mortgage holder looking to return his property to the council **(Details Supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.121 COUNCILLOR MICHAEL O'BRIEN

To ask the Chief Executive if he can comment on the correspondence below **(Details Supplied)** sent on behalf of residents from Philipsburgh Avenue, Fairview, responding to prior answer provided to me at the November North Central Area Committee when I made representations on their behalf about car parking arrangements in the locality.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The waiting period of 6 months (formerly 12 months until 2013) is policy and is not stated in the Bye-laws. This policy was introduced as it was felt that residents on a road where residential parking has been requested, and this subsequently supported by a majority of those residents in a democratic ballot, should have first preference in obtaining a residents permit for parking on that road. While there is no obligation on the Council to ballot residents on the introduction of a residential parking scheme this practise has been in place for around 30 years. To allow residents on Philipsburgh Avenue (who could potentially outnumber the residents on an adjoining road) have a vote on introducing a residential parking scheme on another road would be undemocratic. In relation to the specific request for zonal parking it is noted that only 4 of the 46 signatories are not Philipsburgh Avenue residents.

The Council is satisfied that demand for parking on Melrose Avenue by residents of Melrose Avenue will be extremely high. Should the residents on Melrose Avenue (approx 140m long) vote in favour of introducing a residential parking scheme then free parking will still be available for residents of Philipsburgh Avenue on Inverness Road (approx 146m), Waverly Avenue (approx 120m), Lomond Avenue (approx 92m), Foyle Road (approx 170m) and on Brian Road where there are approx 35 spaces. In addition residents of nos. 107 to 119 Philipsburgh Avenue may be considered for a residential permit on the existing scheme on Annadale. The Council has not chosen to propose privatisation of parking in the area but is simply responding to a request from residents for the opportunity to ballot on the introduction of a residential, pay & display parking scheme. Should any of the alternative parking streets request residential parking the 6 month waiting period for applying for a permit on Melrose Avenue by non-residents will have well expired.

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In relation to businesses and people working in the area it is Council policy to deter all day commuter parking specifically for these categories.

Q.122 COUNCILLOR MICHAEL O'BRIEN

To ask the Chief Executive if **(Details Supplied 1)** can have her request for a transfer expedited. She lives in close proximity to her ex partner who was found guilty in court of grievously assaulting her and is now at large giving Ms Carroll great cause for fear. Below is the text of a representation from her daughter **(Details Supplied 2)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

In relation to security concerns raised, **(Details Supplied 1)** should contact An Garda Síochána as this is not a Dublin City Council issue.

The applicant **(Details Supplied 1)** is currently placed on Dublin City Council transfer priority list and will be eligible for a transfer should one become available in Area B, **(Details Supplied 1)** is currently placed at number 3 on this list.

The applicant **(Details Supplied 1)** has expressed specifically secure apartment style accommodation, therefore we have recommended her for housing association accommodation in Belmayne or Clongriffin. However these allocations are subject to a nomination and interview process by the relevant Approved Housing Body.

Q.123 COUNCILLOR NAOISE Ó MUIRÍ

To ask the Chief Executive, in relation to the St Pauls Raheny playing pitches lands currently the subject of a planning application, can the Chief Executive please detail:

- a) The specific Development Plan within which they were classified as Z15 for the 1st time, and why
- b) Any changes in zoning classifications that were implemented prior to this date
- c) Any efforts/submissions made in relation to rezoning these lands as shown by Dublin City Council records

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

- a) In the 1999 City Development Plan, the lands in question, in common with most institutional lands in the city, were zoned Z15 for the first time i.e. "to provide for institutional and community uses". Residential uses were "open for consideration" i.e. may be permitted where the Planning Authority is satisfied that the development would be compatible with the overall policies and objectives for the zone, would not have undesirable effect on permitted uses, and would otherwise be consistent with the proper planning and development of the area.

The presumed reason Z15 was introduced was to move residential uses from being "permissible" in previous development plans to "open for consideration" in order to safeguard the environmental amenities associated with such lands.

- b) Development Plans prior to 1999 contained an A3 zoning objective for institutional lands i.e. "to ensure that existing environmental amenities are protected in redevelopment for residential uses". Under this zoning, residential was "permissible" as described above.
- c) There are no records of submissions made in relation to the rezoning of these

Q.124 COUNCILLOR NAOISE Ó MUIRÍ

In relation to the St Pauls Raheny playing pitches lands, currently the subject of a planning application, can the Chief Executive please provide a full report on discussions between the applicant / their representatives and Dublin City Council in relation to a proposed financial contribution in lieu of provision of public open space

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(as required under Z15 zoning); the report should cover:- number of meetings held - DCC departments represented - the exact nature of the size of contribution proposed and discussed/agreed - the proposed use of the contribution in detail.

Can the Chief Executive provide me with a list of previous instances on the Northside where this mechanism was deployed i.e. financial contribution by applicant in lieu of public open space but that contribution to be spent elsewhere by the Local Authority?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

At the planning pre-application consultation meetings, no discussions were held on the exact nature or size of the financial contribution or on the precise use of any forthcoming financial contribution.

However, it was acknowledged at the meetings that section 17.9.1 (B1) of the Dublin City Development Plan allows in some instances for the payment of a financial contribution in lieu of the provision of public open space on site. The Development Plan goes on to state that where it is felt the population would be better served by the upgrading of an existing park, financial contributions may be proposed towards the provision and enhancement of open space and landscape in the locality, as set out in the City Council Parks Programme, in fulfilment of this objective.

Instances on the Northside are as follows:

3019/12 – 27 Greencastle Drive, Coolock, Dublin 5
2825/12 – rear of 77 Dollymount Avenue, Clontarf, Dublin 3
3657/13 – Site at Sion Hill and Carberry Road, Drumcondra, Dublin 9
2293/15 – Bettyglen House, James Larkin Road, Dublin 5
2620/15 – The Brethrens Meeting Room, The Glen, Watermill Road, Raheny, Dublin 5.

Q.125 COUNCILLOR NAOISE Ó MUIRÍ

Can the Chief Executive confirm the last time Dublin City Council considered the matter of delisting properties on St Lawrence's Road from the Record of Protected Structures?

Are there any plans to consider the matter again.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Dublin City Development Plan 2011-2017 identified 9 areas for the proposed designation of Architectural Conservation Areas (ACAs) in combination with the deletion of buildings of lesser importance from the Record of Protected Structures (RPS). St. Lawrence Road is one of the areas designated. The smallest six of these 'deletion' ACAs have been completed, the latest being Belmont and Mount Eden ACA; with an extension to this ACA currently underway.

A draft ACA report and photographic survey was prepared in 2011 for the proposed St. Lawrence Road ACA. Similar draft reports have also been prepared for the proposed Haddon Road/Victoria Road ACA and the Hollybook Road ACA.

The combined delisting process and designation of the ACA takes approximately 9 months, including legal searches for each property prior to notification of the proposed delisting, Area Committee approval, public consultation, evaluation of submissions and formal Council decision in respect of the delisting (removal of structures from the RPS). A parallel process of ACA designation requires a similar notification, consultation, reporting and decision making process.

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At present, the Conservation Section is devoted entirely to existing planning case workloads and matters relating to the draft Development Plan. It is unlikely that these 'delisting' ACAs can be brought forward in the near future (up to March). However, it is hoped that they could be progressed in during the Summer next year.

Q.126 COUNCILLOR NAOISE Ó MUIRÍ

Can the Chief Executive please organise for the tree outside 47 Limewood Avenue to be pruned?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Parks & Landscape Services staff have inspected the roadside tree outside No 47 Limewood Avenue. This tree is considered to be currently in satisfactory condition and it is considered that a limited extent of low branch pruning is required at this time. Arrangements are in place to have this pruning to be carried out before the end of 2015.

Q.127 COUNCILLOR BRÍD SMITH

To ask the Chief Executive to carry out research among senior citizens in Dublin City Council accommodation to establish if there is a desire for Senior Citizens accommodation that would be of a high standard, secure and local to their area. The purpose of such an audit is to establish how many family homes could be made available by accommodating senior citizens in homes specific to their needs and only if they desire to move. There should be no compulsion or pressure whatsoever on the individuals involved in such an audit.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

It was agreed at the recent SPS Stock sub group that consideration be given to such research and we are currently reviewing a methodology to further this work.

Q.128 COUNCILLOR BRÍD SMITH

To ask the Chief Executive to outline the full use of the Gateway Scheme to date in Dublin City Council and plans for its future use. Such an outline should give the numbers engaged under this scheme, in what departments and for how long DCC intend to use this scheme.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Gateway Labour Activation Scheme aims to provide short-term quality work opportunities for the longer term unemployed. Scheme participants are contracted to work 19.5 hours each week for a period of 22 months.

There are 115 people currently engaged by the Council under the Gateway Scheme who are assigned as follows:

- Ballymun Area Office (local projects) – 4
- Corporate Services – 1
- Culture, Recreation, Amenity & Community
 - St. Anne's Park/Bull Island – 23
 - Citywide Parks - 25
 - Sports, Leisure & Recreation Centres – 22
 - Libraries - 7
- Dublin City BID Company – 2
- Environment & Transportation
 - Parking Enforcement – 4
 - Waste Management - 18
- Housing & Residential Services including Housing Association – 7
- North West Area - 2

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Of the 130 who were engaged, 15 people have departed the scheme to date. The target number of participants in DCC is 295 and the Council will continue its efforts to reduce this number.

Dublin City Council holds Group Information Sessions with the Department of Social Protection for eligible scheme participants. At the sessions, the Council interviews potential participants and then arranges for Garda Vetting of those deemed suitable.

The City Council will continue to work to progress the number of placements and review the types of task assigned to support each placement by providing meaningful work experience to bridge the gap between unemployment and re-entering the workforce. Work assigned to Gateway participants must be non-core in nature.

Q.129 COUNCILLOR BRÍD SMITH

To ask the Chief Executive what is the legal requirement of tenants who wish to purchase their Dublin City Council homes in respect of paying their bills to Irish Water and if this legal requirement applies to any other or all other utility bills.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The incremental Tenant Purchase Scheme for existing local authority houses is set out in Part 3 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2014 and will come into effect from 1 January 2016 for existing local authority houses.

The guidance issued by the Department last week states that "the tenant must have paid all outstanding water charges due and owing in respect of water services provided to the house by Irish Water [section 3A of the Water Services Act 2014 (No. 44 of 2014), as inserted by section 48 of the Environment (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2015) (No. 29 of 2015)]. which has not yet been commenced. Housing authorities will be notified when this enactment comes into operation in due course".

The guidance also states that a housing authority shall not sell a house to a tenant where, in the 3 years prior to applying to purchase, he or she or a household members was in arrears of rent, rent contributions, charges, fees or any other monies owed to a housing authority or an approved body for an accumulated period of more than 12 weeks in respect of a dwelling provided as social housing support.

Q.130 COUNCILLOR BRÍD SMITH

To ask the Chief Executive for a review of the Buy Back Scheme as agreed by the SPC in 2005 as this scheme is no longer fit for purpose given the housing crisis. Requirements under this scheme are too rigid e.g. City Council does not purchase adjoining houses, on roads with 40 houses or less no more than 20% will be purchased, etc. The Scheme needs to be reviewed to fit the current situation in respect of our growing demands for social housing and homelessness.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The procedure to have the Acquisitions Scheme (formerly known as the Buy Back Scheme) reviewed is:

The Councillor forwards her proposal to Councillor Daithí Doolan who is the chair of the Housing SPC requesting that her proposal be considered by the Members of the Housing SPC.

Q.131 COUNCILLOR DENISE MITCHELL

To ask the Chief Executive (**Details Supplied**)

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.132 COUNCILLOR DENISE MITCHELL

To ask the Chief Executive (**Details Supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.133 COUNCILLOR DENISE MITCHELL

To ask the Chief Executive (**Details Supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.134 COUNCILLOR DENISE MITCHELL

To ask the Chief Executive (**Details Supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.135 COUNCILLOR GAYE FAGAN

To ask the chief executive (**Details Supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.136 COUNCILLOR GAYE FAGAN

To ask the Chief Executive (**Details Supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.137 COUNCILLOR GAYE FAGAN

To ask the Chief Executive (**Details Supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.138 COUNCILLOR JIM O'CALLAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive whether Stop signs can be placed on the end of the roads (including Emmet Road) which are perpendicular to Mount Drummond Avenue, Dublin 6 as it is quite dangerous for drivers coming out of them on to the Avenue.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The above request for 'stop' signs on Mount Drummond Avenue at the five junctions along the road has been referred to the Traffic Advisory Group for examination and report. The Councillor will be informed of the recommendation in due course.

Q.139 COUNCILLOR JIM O'CALLAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive whether the trees on Carlisle Street, Dublin 8 can be pruned back and the leaves swept away (particularly as branches are being broken by trucks and falling down with great risk to cars parked on the road).

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Waste Management Services operate a Leaves and Fruit Removal Programme during the autumn and winter months. Priority is given to tree-lined streets with heavy pedestrian use and areas particularly prone to flooding. We will ensure that Carlisle Street is included as often as possible during the course of this programme.

Based on a recent inspection the street trees are generally considered to be in reasonable condition. Trees located outside No's 20 & 25 Carlisle Street are leaning and have received some vehicle damage and will be removed subject to local agreement.

Q.140 COUNCILLOR JIM O'CALLAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive whether the traffic calming ramps on Annesley Park Road, Dublin 6 can be resurfaced.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The ramps on Annesley Park have been included in the 2015 ramp resurfacing programme. These resurfacing works should be complete in the next few weeks.

Q.141 COUNCILLOR JIM O'CALLAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive whether consideration can be given to having CCTV cameras put in at Castlewood Terrace, Dublin 6 (as it leads into Gulistan Cottages) which is being used as an illegal dumping site with an abandoned armchair there at present and bins and rubbish being left there constantly - (area at the end where a parking metre stands) and whether greater enforcement by the Waste Management can be carried out.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

At present CCTV cameras are installed at Bring Centres where vehicles are used in the commission of an offence. The registration details are then used to identify the owner of the vehicle in order to issue litter fines. A Litter Warden will be detailed to inspect the site and report back as to whether pedestrians or vehicles are involved in the illegal dumping and a decision will then be made as to whether the site warrants the installation of a CCTV camera.

Q.142 COUNCILLOR PAT DUNNE

To ask the Chief Executive when will work commence on the installation of a children's playground in Willie Pearse Park and what is the expected date of its completion and opening for the public.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Work commenced on site at Willie Pearse Park playground on 25th November. The work period will be 4-5 weeks, but this schedule is entirely dependent on dry weather conditions. The general opening of the facility is also weather dependent, but should be available to the public early in the New Year.

Q.143 COUNCILLOR PAT DUNNE

To ask the Chief Executive to request that our Road Maintenance provide a list of planned footpath replacements in the Dublin 12 area between now and the end of the year?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Road Maintenance services has no planned footpath works in the Dublin 12 area before the end of 2015.

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Q.144 COUNCILLOR PAT DUNNE

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a full costing of the modular homes planned for phase 1 (150)?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A contractor was recently appointed to construct 22 Rapid Delivery Housing Units on a site at Balbutcher Lane. The contract was awarded to Western Building Systems at a cost of €4.3m. .

Further procurement processes are pending for the delivery of 131 similar type housing using an accelerated restricted procurement process. The value of the contract will be determined when the tendering process is completed.

Q.145 COUNCILLOR ANDREW MONTAGUE

To ask the Chief Executive (**Details Supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.146 COUNCILLOR ANDREW MONTAGUE

To ask the Chief Executive will the council fix the button at the pedestrian crossing on the island on the Swords Road at the entrance to Whitehall Church? For pedestrians heading to the church, the button doesn't work (I got this report about two weeks ago, so if it's already been fixed, that's great.)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

It was reported on the 09/11/2015 that the push button unit was not operating correctly for pedestrians on the centre island crossing for inbound traffic near Whitehall Church.

This was attended and fixed by Dublin City Council's Maintenance team on the 09/11/2015.

Q.147 COUNCILLOR SÉAMAS MCGRATTAN

To ask the Chief Executive (**Details Supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.148 COUNCILLOR SÉAMAS MCGRATTAN

To ask the Chief Executive (**Details Supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.149 COUNCILLOR SÉAMAS MCGRATTAN

To ask the Chief Executive (**Details Supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.150 COUNCILLOR SÉAMAS MCGRATTAN

To ask the Chief Executive (**Details Supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

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Q.151 COUNCILLOR TERESA KEEGAN

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange a full clean up of Hardwick Lane (off Dorset Street) as a matter of urgency.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Waste Management Services had a full clean up carried out on Hardwick Lane on the 26th November 2015.

Q.152 COUNCILLOR TERESA KEEGAN

To ask the Chief Executive why refuse waste and blacks were not collected on the morning of the All Ireland football (20th September last) on Dorset Street. Refuse bags were still on the footpath at 4.30pm on the afternoon of one of the most important sporting days in our nation's capital city. Taking into account that Dorset Street is one of the main routes to the Croke Park Stadium it was not a proper sight for visitors and residents alike to see the presence of same on the footpaths outside licensed premises and food outlets.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council have a long standing arrangement in place with the management of Croke Park to provide additional cleanup services for big match days or special events in the stadium. All surrounding streets within the stadium area which includes Dorset Street are cleaned before and after any major events take place.

It is not possible to state exactly why refuse bags were not collected on 20/09/2015 without additional information i.e. the locations of these bags, if they were dumped bags or pre paid refuse bags from private contractors, were they intact or torn open etc. Sunday is a scheduled collection day on Dorset Street and it may well be that traders presented bags too early and before the permitted start time of 7.00pm. In any event it would not be normal practice to remove refuse bags presented for collection except in circumstances where such bags were torn open and causing a mess that had to be cleaned up. Dublin City Council does not remove refuse sacks from private waste contractors except in very exceptional circumstances. Normal practice would be for a litter warden to identify the owners of these bags where possible and instruct them to take them back in off the street as it is the owners or presenters of the refuse who bear this responsibility.

Q.153 COUNCILLOR TERESA KEEGAN

To ask the Chief Executive would it be possible to provide flower planting boxes outside of licensed premises and food outlets along Dorset Street and adjoining streets. A sizeable number of the owners of said premises have told me that if the Council were willing to provide such boxes that they would provide the maintenance and upkeep of same.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The provision of flower planting boxes have not been provided for in the current budgets for the Central Area however if the local businesses wish to proceed with the provision of baskets as a group or individually this office will advise on where they can be sourced and the most suitable planting to utilise etc.

Q.154 COUNCILLOR TINA MAC VEIGH

To ask the Chief Executive to ask our Rates Valuations Office to provide me with a list of all the businesses registered to operate in Dublin City, who are currently exempt from paying rates.

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Schedule 4 of the Valuation Act 2001 (as amended by the Valuation (Amendment) Act 2015) sets out details of relevant property not rateable. The schedule includes land used for agriculture, horticulture, forestry and sport. Also, buildings used exclusively for public religious worship, caring for sick persons, educational institutions, any art gallery, museum, library, park or national monument which is open to the public and not maintained for the purpose of making a private profit, community halls and buildings used for charitable purposes by a charitable organisation (see sec. 16). Buildings occupied by members of either house of the Oireachtas or a member of the European Parliament exclusively as his/her constituency office.

Section 15 of the Valuation Act provides that where "a building or part of a building, land or a waterway or a harbour directly occupied by the State (including any land or building occupied by any Department or office of the state, the defence Forces or the Garda Síochána or used as a prison or place of detention), shall not be rateable".

Section 12 of the Water Services Act 2014 provides that public water services property is not rateable and amended Schedule 4 of the Valuation Act 2001. Circular L3 15 dated 22nd April 2015 noted that the enactment of the above section would have a negative financial effect on Local Authority budgets and therefore informed Local Authorities that compensation funding would be provided through the Local Government Fund in 2015 and 2016.

The Valuation Office assess each property and use in order to establish if it is list rateable or exempt in accordance with Schedule 4 and Section 15.

Properties which are exempt from rates are not entered on the Valuation List.

Q.155 COUNCILLOR TINA MAC VEIGH

To ask the Chief Executive to ask our Homeless Services to consider **(Details Supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.156 COUNCILLOR TINA MAC VEIGH

To ask the Chief Executive to ask our Housing Allocations Department to provide this Councillor with a full report on the transfer for medical priority status **(Details Supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The applicant **(Details Supplied)** has applied previously for medical priority and was refused after an independent review was carried out by the Chief Medical Officer. Should the applicant wish to appeal this decision, an appeal letter with any new medical evidence should be submitted to Housing Allocations for review.

Q.157 COUNCILLOR TINA MAC VEIGH

To ask our Housing Department to provide this councillor with a copy of all correspondence to **(Details Supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.158 COUNCILLOR DAMIAN O'FARRELL

To ask the Chief Executive **(Details Supplied)**

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.159 COUNCILLOR DAMIAN O'FARRELL

To ask the Chief Executive (**Details Supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.160 COUNCILLOR DAMIAN O'FARRELL

To ask the Chief Executive to issue a full report on the proposed setting up of an environmental and monitoring liaison group for the duration of the construction period (S2S Wooden Bridge to Causeway Road) includes terms of reference, etc. and also proposals regarding appointing an independent chairperson, etc. Also can you confirm whether or not the OPW have any role to play in the project as it's my understanding that they are not providing any funding for the project, etc.?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council has committed to implementing the motion passed by Dublin City Council on 11th November 2015, as well as the commitments in the meeting of 5th November 2015 attended by representatives from the North Central Area.

An update on how Dublin City Council is progressing in implementing these commitments has been circulated to all elected representatives on 1st December 2015, copy of which is attached.

The OPW has indicated that they are not in a position to sit on the Liaison Committee. They are not funding this particular scheme but they are however, the competent flood defences authority for the Republic of Ireland.

Re: S2S Cycleway & Footway Interim Works – Bull Wall to Causeway Road – Update for Elected Members

Dear Councillors,

Further to the Motion passed at the Special City Council meeting on 11th November I set out here under the actions that have been put in place in the interim to address the requirements of the motion.

Environmental Liaison and Monitoring Committee

I have formally written to Birdwatch Ireland, NPWS, and the OPW inviting them to join the Environmental Monitoring and Liaison Committee for the S2S Cycleway & Footway Interim Works (Bull Wall to Causeway Road). In addition, it was agreed at the November North Central Area Committee meeting that representation on the committee for the local community would be increased to three nominees. Formal letters of invitation have been issued by Dave Dinnigan, Area Manager to Clontarf Residents Association, Clontarf Business Association and Raheny Residents Association. Councillor Ciaran O'Moore has been nominated by the North Central Area Committee to represent Dublin City Council. An independent Chairperson is being appointed and it is hoped that the first meeting will be held in December 2015.

Finished Surface of the Sea Defence Wall

It is our intention to seek the views of the local Community on the final surface finish for the carriageway side of the wall. In order to progress this matter we intend to put in place a number of sample panels of possible wall finishes (just south of the highest

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section of wall) in December 2015 to allow members of the local community to view them and come up with a preferred option . It is also hoped to have part of the footpath at this location completed to its finished level so that the real height of the wall vis-à-vis the footpath and carriageway can be appreciated.

Planning Condition regarding working times.

The timing of construction works is covered under Condition 10 of the current planning permission which states that “As proposed the construction period for works to the Lagoon shall be restricted to between March and September each year. Any exceptions sought shall be agreed in advance with the National Parks & Wildlife Service. The timing of all other works outside the lagoon shall be agreed with the National Parks and Wildlife Service.” This condition has been complied with and the limited works carried out in October were agreed with the Project Ecologist and NPWS and an agreed screen was erected to hide the works from the returning wintering birds.

The previous An Bord Pleanála Condition 4 (b) for the Dollymount Promenade and Flood Protection Project (2011) was on the basis of works encroaching approximately 7 metres into the lagoon to build a new structure over approximately 1.7km of the 1.9 km long scheme, with no carriageway works being done other than tie-in works to the structure. This is no longer the case on the interim scheme where the majority of the works are being carried out on the existing road, with only limited access to the lagoon for the construction of three sections of new flood defence wall.

The use of Glass Panels

The estimated cost of supply and installation of glass panels would be €3k-€5k per linear metre including VAT. A new support beam would be required at an estimate of €2k per linear metre giving a total of around €2.5m for the 400m in question. Having talked to consultants who work in this area there is no known estimate of breaking waves forces and thus any new product like this would be a relatively untried prototype which may or may not work. The proposed panels would also require vertical metal supports at 1.2m centres which with various supports would significantly reduce any viewing through them. Angular viewing would also be significantly restricted (due to the thickness of the glass) and cleaning would be required on a very regular basis. Vandalism is a major issue for glass panels elsewhere in the city with typical replacement time of 6-8 weeks. Notwithstanding the above and in deference to the wishes of some Councillors, I have included in the brief for the independent expert that the feasibility of a glass wall be considered.

Independent expert to assess the proposed height of the wall

In trying to source an independent expert to assess the appropriateness of the design height of the wall we are somewhat constrained in that a large number of independent experts have already been involved in this project and studies relating to it. Therefore a short list of five remaining candidates on the Island of Ireland who have knowledge in this area has been assembled. We are approaching the academic candidates to see their availability for what will require a significant amount of their time to re-evaluate all of the existing documentation and studies associated with the nine years to date of this project and carry out any further evaluations required. The Environment SPC has noted the contents and extent of the brief being given to this independent expert.

The Contractor continues to work on site dealing with the water main installation and other ancillary works not related to the flood defence wall. To date the Council is incurring some additional costs relating to changes to work schedules. In the coming weeks it will be crucial that a situation is reached where the contractor is allowed to recommence work, subject to the findings of the independent expert, on the lower elements of the wall, to avoid exposing the Council to substantial contractual claims.

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I will provide a further update before the end of December 2015.

Q.161 COUNCILLOR DAMIAN O'FARRELL
To ask the Chief Executive (**Details Supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.162 COUNCILLOR PATRICK COSTELLO

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a table of all vacant property owned by Dublin City Council, indicating location, size, if buildings on the site are listed on the Record of Protected Structures.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A list of vacant Dublin City Council owned property indicating location, size and whether or not the properties are listed on the Record of Protected Structures is currently being prepared. A report will issue directly to the Councillor as soon as this is available.

There are 350 vacant housing units at present as indicated in the chart below

	Central	NCA	NW	SCA	SE
	80	48	67	93	62
Zero	19	18	18	6	14
1 bed	31	6	19	26	25
2 bed	25	7	19	53	19
3 bed	5	14	8	8	4
4 bed		2	3		
5 bed		1			

A report will issue directly to the Councillor regarding the protected structures within two weeks.

Q.163 COUNCILLOR PATRICK COSTELLO

To ask the Chief Executive what services are provided by the council in terms of art, culture and recreation aimed specifically at young people aged 12 - 17 and to detail which of these services are open in the evenings and which are open at weekends.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

All Dublin City Libraries branches are open from Monday to Saturday.
www.dublincitypubliclibraries.ie

Eight Libraries are open until 8pm on four evenings per week, while a further eleven are open two evening per week.

All contain collections specifically aimed at young people in this age group.

Membership is free and internet access is available with parental permission for young people 12 to 17 years old.

All libraries have WiFi Broadband and Internet enabled PCs. Photocopying and printing are available in all libraries with ten libraries offering colour printing, remote printing and scanning.

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Collections include book materials, graphic novels, music CDs and film and TV series on DVD.

There are also collections of **study materials and aids** for Junior and Leaving Cert students available in all libraries, including information on local history of the area around the library.

Many Libraries have **Conversation Exchange Groups** where young people can practice their language skills.

Spaces are available for study and leisure reading.

Schools

Libraries work with local secondary schools to promote the library as a resource for research and study.

Schools are invited to visit their local library as groups and library staff are available to visit schools and talk to staff and students.

Bookclubs meet in and are supported by libraries. Many are open to older teenagers and some are specifically younger people.

Dublin and Irish Local Studies Collection

The Reading Room at Dublin City Libraries and Archive in Pearse Street accepts school visits from Post Junior Cert students. The students are introduced to the sources available there – notably the primary sources (historic maps and newspapers, for instance) that may be of use to them in work for their history projects for the Leaving Cert.

A **1916 Resource Pack** - with information from these sources- is being compiled and will be available in each library in the new year, aimed at schools and students.

Some 250 students have visited the Dublin and Irish Local Studies Collection with their school this year to date.

In response to demand the Reading Room has set aside some space for use as a **general study space** – a quiet space for local young people to work and study.

Central Library

The **Central Library** offers access to some special resources of interest to young people.

The Central Library includes the Music Library and the Business Information Centre.

There is access to special collections such as the World Health Organisation Collection, World Literature Collection, Art Reference Book Collection, and to many online databases,

Several Libraries have **cinema clubs** or show screenings of classic films.

Three libraries have **Youth Zones** – areas of the library designed to appeal to young people. They include relaxed furnishings, internet access – as well as study and leisure resources. Two Youth Zones have video gaming facilities with a Play Station 3 and large screen.

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Coolock Library has hosted competitions using this equipment with prizes provided by GameStop hotly fought for on screen and watched by fellow young people.

Library Programmed Events

Libraries Development Section programmes a wide range of events throughout the year, many of which are either specifically aimed at young people 12 to 17 years or include them in their target audience.

Local Libraries also programme such events often in association with local groups.

Below is a list of events that are aimed at Young People in this age group, or include them in their target audience, for the year 2015 to date.

Teen Events January 2015 to current date 2nd December 2015 – In Branch and Programme order

Branch	Event	Speaker	Date and Weekday	Programme	No of Events	Attendance
Ballyfermot Library	Dublin Book Fest: Brian Gallagher - Historical fiction writing workshop "Friend or Foe"	Brian Gallagher	Thurs 12th 10.30am	Dublin Book Festival	1	26
	Man Up exhibition and talk. By Deirdre Lawlor, Dublin 12 Domestic Violence Service		Monday 9th March at 11am	International Women's Day	1	130
	Craft workshop for BCFE Students - Partnership event with BCFE and Ballyfermot Library	Mairead Quinn	9th Oct		1	32
	"Is Féidir Linn" - Partnership event with BCFE (Social Care Dept) and Ballyfermot Library		21/10/2015 10.00AM – 1.00PM		1	184
	BCFE student craft demonstration - Partnership event with BCFE and Ballyfermot Library		Thursday 8th October		1	35
	Storytelling Workshop - Partnership event with BCFE and Ballyfermot Library		Wednesday 30th September		1	34
	Talk by Tomi Reichental survivor of the Holocaust	Ballyfermot Youth Reach	Tuesday 26th 10.00am		1	135
	Ballyfermot YouthReach- Talk by Tomi Reichental re "Holocaust"		26th May 10.00am – 12.00pm		1	135
Ballymun Library	Matt Griffin illustrator	Matt Griffin	Thursday 15th October at 12pm	CHILDREN'S BOOK FEST	1	33
	Digiwise; social media apps in a safe way	Dean McDonnell	Saturdays 11th and 25th April from 10.30 – 12.30	DIGITAL LITERACY PROGRAMME	2	18

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Cabra Library	Digiwise; social media apps in a safe way	Dean McDonnell	Saturdays 11th and 25th April from 2.30 – 4.30	DIGITAL LITERACY PROGRAMME	2	21
	"Water Safety Event" to mark Water Safety Day		25th June at 3.30am		1	4
	Preparing Your CAO Application	Orla Hicks	Wednesday 14th of January at 6:30pm		1	7
Central Library	How well do you know Russia Quiz		Thursday 19th February	Festival of Russian Culture	1	5
Central Library - Business	Creativity in Fashion and Design:	Colin Atkinson for Grafton Academy	Wednesday, 17th June, 2015 1.30pm-2.30pm	CAREER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME	1	34
	Illustration or Picture Book Creation - Career Development Programme or hobby	Fintan Taite	Wednesday, 24th June, 2015 1.30pm-2.30pm	CAREER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME	1	34
	How to find and get the job you want- job search and interview techniques'	The Communications Clinic	Monday 18th May	CAREER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME	1	45
	Information and Advice Stand - Get Ireland Online Week 2015 Ballsbridge College of Further Education March 23rd – 29th Ballsbridge College of Further Education/CDET B Information and Advice Stand		Tuesday 24th March	CAREER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME	1	28
Central Library - Music	Songwriting Workshop for Young Adults for ages 12+	Shelley Bukspan	Wednesday 28th October at 2pm	Not part of a programme	1	13
Coolock Library	Conor Kostick	Conor Kostick	Wednesday 21st October at 10am	CHILDREN'S BOOK FEST	1	30
	Digiwise; social media apps in a safe way	Tony Riley	Saturdays 11th and 25th April from 10.30 – 12.30	DIGITAL LITERACY PROGRAMME	2	8
	Engineering A day in the life	Alan Winter	Wednesday 11th February	Engineers Week	1	27
	Key frame Animation Seminar 2		26th , 27th , 28th January		3	260
	Sphere 17 Art Exhibition launch		31st March at 11am		1	20

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Donaghmede Library	Conor Kostick	Conor Kostick	Wednesday 21st October at 12pm	CHILDREN'S BOOK FEST	1	30
	"Water Safety Event" to mark Water Safety Day		26th May at 11am (BOOKED)		1	90
Pearse Street Library	Dublin Book Festival - Dave Lordan will read his poem Because I'm Human, which is used as an anti-bullying resource by schools and youth groups. Telling the story of its origins and how poetry helped him overcome traumatic childhood bullying.		Friday, 13th November at 11am	Dublin Book Festival	1	22
	Telling an historical story through poetry. Join performance poet Stephen James Smith for a poetry workshop and create your own poem based in an historical period.		Friday, 9th October/10am	Fest of History	1	28
	Talk – for College Awareness Week (23rd – 29th November),		Monday 23rd November 6.30pm	College Awareness Week	1	44
	Cosplay basics FabLabs workshop - how to make armour An introduction on how to make cool and realistic cosplay armour from EVA foam and basic tools. Emailed 17/5 and 2/6	Tara Whelan FabLabs	Wednesday 22nd July at 2pm	Summer Programme	1	8
Rathmines Library	Digiwise; social media apps in a safe way	Ann O Mahony	Saturday 16 May and 23 May from 10.30 – 12.30	DIGITAL LITERACY PROGRAMME	2	10
	Hoodwinked - documentary screening. Three consecutive days		Tuesday 10th March, Wednesday 11th March and Thursday 12th March at 12.30pm	International Women's Day	3	95
	Talk – for College Awareness Week (23rd – 29th November),		Monday 23rd November 6.30pm	College Awareness Week	1	28

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Walkinstown Library	Digiwise; social media apps in a safe way	Tony Riley	Saturdays 11th and 25th April from 2.30 – 4.30	DIGITAL LITERACY PROGRAMME	2	2
	Professor Colm Mulcahy give a talk to Transition year students	Prof Colm Mulcahy	16 th October at 11am	Maths Week	1	32

The Dublin City Council Sport and Recreation Section offers a number of programmes and services to young people aged 12 to 17 years across the city.

This includes access to the below facilities that provide a wide variety of activities such as swimming, water sports, teen gym, sport camps, specific sport and physical activity programmes. While opening times may vary slightly the majority of these facilities are open at evenings and weekends. They also offer reduced rates to young people under the age of 18 years.

Sport Centres and Swimming Pools

- [Ballybough Community Youth and Sports Centre](#)
- [Ballyfermot Sports and Fitness Centre](#)
- [Ballymun Sports and Fitness Centre](#)
- [Cabra Parkside, Community Sports Centre](#)
- Coolock Swimming Pool
- Crumlin Swimming Pool
- [Donore Avenue Youth and Community Centre](#)
- [Dublin Municipal Rowing Centre](#)
- [East Wall Water Sports Centre](#)
- [Finglas Sports and Fitness Centre](#)
- [Inchicore Community Sports Centre](#)
- [Sports & Fitness Irishtown](#)
- [Poppintree Community Sports Centre](#)
- Sean Mc Dermott Street Swimming Pool
- [Sports and Fitness Markievicz](#)
- [St Catherine's Community Sports Centre](#)

Other

There are a number of other facilities and amenities available to young people across the city including:

- 43 All Weather Pitches
- 224 Grass Pitches
- 95 Tennis Courts
- 15 Basketball Courts
- 7 Golf/Pitch n Put Courses
- 1 Velodrome
- 4 Skateparks.

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In addition the Sport and Recreation Section has a dedicated team of 17 Sport Officers and 19 Co-funded Officers across Boxing, Cricket, Rugby and Soccer working in the city.

All 36 Officers engage with young people aged 12 to 17 years using sport as a tool to improve their quality of life. The aim is to provide as many opportunities as possible for them to keep fit and physically active leading to fitter, healthier and happier young people and communities.

If you require any additional information please contact Shauna Mc Intyre, Dublin City Sport and Wellbeing Partnership Manager.

Dance Ireland revenue grant= part funds dance programme with young people (weekends)

Dublin Youth Dance Company - once off youth dance initiative in Ballymun - weekends

Swan Youth Service - poetry music film project (evenings)

Helium - Temple street hospital project with young people

NAYD - youth theatre training programme (evenings and weekends)

Dublin Youth Theatre - weekends

Complex youth theatre - weekends

Big Smoke Writing Factors - once off LGBT programme for young people - evenings

East Wall youth - evenings

Canal Communities regional youth service - evenings

Reel youth - evenings and wks

LIFT - week-long programme in Easter mid-term

Lingo Festival (specific youth 16 - 21) spoken workshop programme

Arts Office partnership with CDYSB 2014/5

Drama and film local evening workshop programme across the city's youth services followed by centralised Film making project in The LAB (evenings and weekends) for 16+ age group, culminating in the Short film *Messers*, screened in the IFI

Arts Office commemoration programme for young people

The following projects were selected based on the quality of the artistic vision, young people's ownership within the process, and overall feasibility of the proposal.

All projects operate outside of school hours (weekends and evenings)

St Andrews Resource Centre – “Talk About Youth Project” - Pearse Street - will devise 'Letters in Motion' a youth led street arts performance using visual arts, dance, drama exploring local history and eyewitness accounts of the 1916 rebellion in the Pearse Street area.

D.I.T. Ballymun Music Programme will support young musicians and a professional composer to create 'A Tri-Coloured Ribbon' a 10 minute musical score and film using songs from the 1916 era as a stimulus for an original composition and performance.

Brú Youth Service - Crumlin will develop a youth led digital media and photography project 'Rising Reflections' involving 20 young people documenting their reflections of 1916 and its impact on their lives today.

Dublin Youth Theatre, Dublin 1 will invite its young members to undertake a three day intensive workshop with Dr Helena Enright, of the University of Bath exploring the role of young people in the 1916 Rising using verbatim theatre and theatre of testimony.

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Coisceim Broadreach, Dublin 1 will choreograph a collaborative dance/film project 'Where are we now?' in Dublin's north inner city for a group of up to 30 young people. Showcasing and discussion of work in progress will take place at LIFT Youth Arts Festival, Ballymun, in March 2016.

Q.164 COUNCILLOR PAUL MCAULIFFE

Can the Chief Executive assist me with **(Details Supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.165 COUNCILLOR CIERAN PERRY

Can the Chief Executive estimate the revenue lost to Dublin City Council due to the decision of the Minister of the Environment to decrease development levies?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

There will be no loss to Dublin City Council.

The Development Contribution Rebate Scheme which is currently being finalised by the Department of Environment, Community & Local Government will involve the developer being reimbursed contributions paid for eligible units. The Department will refund Dublin City Council those development contributions which the council will recoup to relevant developers.

Q.166 COUNCILLOR CIERAN PERRY

Can the Chief Executive confirm whether Dublin City Council have been informed that the Employment Control Framework no longer applies? During the application of the ECF did DCC have to have all new appointments approved by the Department of Finance or was there some local discretion?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

With regard to the sanctioning of local authority employment levels, the Department of Environment, Community and Local Government (DECLG) has delegated authority from the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform (DPER). This means that where a local authority identifies a critical post that it cannot fill by way of internal re-organisation or re-assignment it may revert to the DECLG seeking sanction to fill the post.

The 2009 Government moratorium was lifted in Budget 2015, and the DECLG has informed the Council that they are reviewing the Employment Control Framework (ECF) model with a view to moving to a broader model linking budgetary affordability to workforce planning i.e. that the sanctioning of staff will be dependent on the local authority's ability to afford it as well as being in the context of a multi-annual workforce plan.

Since 2008, and the context of financial constraints, the Council has only filled critical vacancies. Significant reorganisation and restructuring has taken place to ensure that services have been maintained.

Where vacancies were approved for filling by the Chief Executive, sanction was then sought from the DECLG and on receipt of sanction, positions have been filled following the necessary competitive process

Q.167 COUNCILLOR CIERAN PERRY

Can the Chief Executive confirm the number of NAMA housing units, by type, per year acquired by Dublin City Council over the last 5 years? Can he also confirm the

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number of properties refused by DCC and the reasons why? Can he also confirm the number of properties currently under discussion with NAMA?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City council has acquired 7 properties from NAMA in one block on the South Circular Road. Dublin City Council confirmed demand for 370 other properties which were subsequently purchased or leased by various Approved Housing Bodies. 238 were deemed not suitable by Dublin City Council for the following reasons;

- Extent of remediation required
- Legal, title and management company
- Cost of acquisitions or leasing not offering value for money
- Properties already had existing tenants

There are a further 14 units are still available for potential delivery. The units were delivered between 2012 and 2015 as follows;

Development	Area	Delivery	Delivered By	No Units
Royal Canal Court	Rathbourne, Pelletstown	2012-Q3	Circle Voluntary Housing Association	7
Royal Canal Park	Ashtown	2012-Q4	Túath Housing	20
Propsect Hill	Finglas, Dublin 11	2013-Q2	Clúid Housing Association	28
Clare Village	Malahide Road	2014-Q3	Túath Housing (NARPS)	48
Rathbourne Phase 1	Pelletstown	2014-Q4	Circle Voluntary Housing Association (NARPS)	24
Barley Store, Baker's Yard, Portland Street North	Dublin 1	2014-Q4	Focus Ireland (NARPS)	12
Belmayne - Group 1	Northern Fringe	2014-Q4	Clúid Housing Association (NARPS)	49
642 South Circular Road	Dublin	2014-Q4	Dublin City Council	8
Rathbourne Phase 2	Pelletstown	2015-Q1	Circle Voluntary Housing Association (NARPS)	36
Moss Hall	Dublin 1	2015-Q1	Dublin Simon Community	12
Belmayne - Group 2	Northern Fringe	2015-Q1	Clúid Housing Association (NARPS)	25
45-47 James Street - Group 2	Dublin 8	2015-Q1	Dublin Simon Community	8
Belmayne - Group 3	Northern Fringe	2015-Q2	Clúid Housing Association (NARPS)	25
Calderwood Road	Drumcondra	2015-Q3	NABCO (NARPS)	13
Belmayne - Group 4	Northern Fringe	2015-Q3	Clúid Housing Association (NARPS)	26
Elm Park	Merrion Road	2015-Q4	Clanmil Ireland (NARPS)	8
65/66A Clanbrassil Street	Dublin 8	2015-Q4	HAIL Housing Association	6
48-50 James Street - Group 1	Dublin 8	2015-Q4	Clúid Housing Association	15
49 Upper Rathmines Road	Dublin 6	2015-Q4	HAIL Housing Association	7

Q.168 COUNCILLOR JOHN LYONS

To ask the Chief Executive to provide this councillor with a comprehensive report of the case of **(Details Supplied)** (28 years old), currently living in temporary emergency accommodation in the Travelodge Hotel Ballymun with her four year old daughter. The report to include details of the council's engagement with her, the

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services and supports offered to her and all information relayed to her regarding her housing need and the likelihood of the council meeting it.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The applicant referred to was awarded Homeless Priority on the 16th September 2015. Owing to the quantum of households currently on the housing waiting list (including households with homeless priority) and the availability of housing stock, the waiting time for consideration regarding the allocation of council dwellings is substantial. The above service user was assessed on the 14th September 2015 and asked to produce a number of documents to support her case. To date these documents have not been received. Notwithstanding this, we are endeavouring to ensure that other tenancy options are pursued via schemes such as the Housing Assistance Payment and that the support of the Children and Families Homeless Action team are expedited for all families in emergency accommodation to examine all available housing options, including the above household.

Q.169 COUNCILLOR JOHN LYONS

To ask the Chief Executive to provide this councillor with a comprehensive report of the case of **(Details Supplied 1)**, currently living with her two children (ages 5 and 12) in the overcrowded family home of her parents, who reside at **(Details Supplied 2)**. The report to include details of the council's engagement with **(Details Supplied 1)**, the services and supports offered to her and all information relayed to her regarding her housing need and the likelihood of the council meeting it.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The applicant is currently on band two of the housing list for three bed accommodation with the following position:

17th for Area B (Artane/Beaumont/Coolock) for three bed accommodation

25th for Area E (Finglas/Cabra) for three bed accommodation

19th for Area H (Ballybough/Phibsboro) for three bed accommodation

The applicant has made contact with Dublin City Council on 28/07/2015 and 12/01/2015 and they were informed of their position on the waiting list.

The applicant also made contact with Kilbarrack Area Office on 22/10/2014 and were informed of their position and also advised to contact Dublin City Council's Welfare Section regards any ongoing welfare issues.

Unfortunately, based on this position, it may be some time before an offer of accommodation materialises.

Q.170 COUNCILLOR JOHN LYONS

To ask the Chief Executive to provide this councillor with a guideline of the necessary steps that **(Details Supplied)** will need to take in order to purchase their council home. They have been council tenants for twenty years and are keen to purchase their home.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The incremental tenant purchase scheme for existing local authority houses is set out in Part 3 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2014 and will commence on January 1st 2016. Local authority tenants will be given the opportunity to purchase their houses on a discounted basis subject to certain criteria.

All tenants eligible to purchase their houses will be notified in the coming weeks and will be provided with an information leaflet setting out the eligibility criteria. This is at present being prepared by the Housing Agency.

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Q.171 COUNCILLOR JOHN LYONS

To ask the Chief Executive to provide this councillor with a comprehensive report of the case of **(Details Supplied 1)**, currently living with their six children (ages 19, 13, 8, 7, 4 and 2) in the overcrowded family home at **(Details Supplied 2)**. The report to include details of the council's engagement with **(Details Supplied 1)**, the services and supports offered to them and all information relayed to them regarding their need of larger, more suitable accommodation and the likelihood of the council providing it.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The applicant is currently on Band 2 of the housing list for three bed and four bed accommodation with the following positions:

	Area B (Artane/Beaumont/Coolock)
1-bed	246
4-bed	68

Medical information was submitted on the 22-10-2013 and also on the 12-01-2015 but a medical priority was not recommended. The applicants were notified by post of both decisions on the 04-12-2013 & 04-03-2015 respectively.

Unfortunately, due to the volume of applicants with similar housing needs and with longer waiting times than, it will still be some time before an offer of accommodation can be made in this case. Dublin City Council offer a welfare service to its tenants and potential tenants and the applicants would be aware of this service should they wish to avail of it.

Q.172 COUNCILLOR GARY GANNON

Can the Chief Executive **(Details Supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.173 COUNCILLOR GARY GANNON

To ask the Chief Executive to **(Details Supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.174 COUNCILLOR GARY GANNON

To ask the Chief Executive how many **(Details Supplied)**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A reply has been issued to the Councillor.

Q.175 COUNCILLOR GARY GANNON

To ask the Chief Executive if Dublin City Council has engaged with any party apart from Shelbourne FC with respect to securing the Tolka Park lease.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The main lease for Tolka Park is held by Lyttleton Ltd. with the sub-lease held by Shelbourne FC. Dublin City Council has also had discussions with Lyttleton Ltd. and its representatives with regard to Tolka Park.

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Q.176 COUNCILLOR PAUL MCAULIFFE

To ask the Chief Executive to provide me with the total cost of the modular housing project in Ballymun, including purchase, installation, site works etc.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A contractor was recently appointed to construct 22 Rapid Delivery Housing Units on a site at Balbutcher Lane. The contract was awarded using emergency planning and procurement measures. Details of the contract are commercially sensitive. Further procurement processes are pending for the delivery of 478 similar type housing across the four Dublin Local Authorities and therefore no further information will be made available at this time.

Q.177 COUNCILLOR PAUL MCAULIFFE

To ask the Chief Executive to provide me with a list of all homes purchased by the city council in 2015?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

From 1st January 2015 to date 125 properties have been purchased in Dublin City as follows:

Area	No. of properties
Central	20
North Central	35
North West	22
South Central	47
South East	1

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