# Motions with Replies Central Area Committee Meeting 12<sup>th</sup> September, 2017

#### Item 1

## Motion in the name of Councillors Nial Ring and Gaye Fagan

That this Committee requests Dublin City Council to put in place clear, unambiguous and explicit guidelines in place in relation to removal/protection of trees, with particular emphasis on having policies and procedures in place to speedily assess requests for tree removal from outside homes where roots are causing structural damage to the property, the emphasis of the assessment/recommendation being the retention of trees through root cutback or some other suitable solution.

## Report

Dublin City Council's policy on tree protection, removal, management etc. is already in place as per the Dublin City Council Tree Strategy 2016 – 2020 and is available to view on the Council's website.

http://www.dublincity.ie/sites/default/files/content/RecreationandCulture/DublinCityParks/Documents/Dublin%20City%20Tree%20Strategy%202016-2020.pdf

Requests for the removal of street trees are considered on a case by case basis with an emphasis on retention whenever possible.

#### Item 2

# Motion in the name of Councillor Nial Ring

That this Committee requests the Chief Executive to arrange a visit for the Central Area Councillors to the new Central Bank Headquarters on the North Wall Quay.

## Report

The Area Office will arrange if the matter is agreed by members.

#### Item 3

## Motion in the name of Councillor Nial Ring

That this Committee requests the Chief Executive to arrange a visit to the Jewish Cemetery on Fairview Strand for Central and North Central Councillors given that the leasehold interests in the cemetery and House and 65 and 67 Fairview Strand have recently been transferred from the Jewish Board of Guardians to Dublin City Council. Also, to request the Chief Executive to arrange that the visit would also include a brief talk on the history of the cemetery and an outline of the future plans for the graveyard and gate lodge.

## Report

A visit will be arranged for Councillors of the North Central Area Committee and the Central Area Committee to the cemetery if members agree the terms of the motion.

#### Item 4

# Motion in the name of Councillor Nial Ring

That this Committee agrees that an introduction/presentation ceremony should be arranged by the Chief Executive to acknowledge/recognise the recipients of grants under our discretionary Education Fund.

## Report

The Education Fund under the Discretionary Budget has a closing date of 15<sup>th</sup> September 2017. Thereafter the Central Area Committee will consider all applications. Any presentation ceremony agreed by the Central Area Committee can be arranged by the Central Area Office.

#### Item 5

# Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke

That this Committee addresses residents concerns regarding the rickshaws being stored in the quiet area of Richmond Cottages. There are a number of rickshaws being stored here and the drivers of them are creating noise in the early hours of the morning when collecting and returning the vehicles.

## Report

The matter will be referred to Noise Control and the Gardaí for follow up.