



MINUTES OF THE CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD ON TUESDAY 14 NOVEMBER 2017

- 1 **Minutes of the Central Area Committee meeting held on 10th October, 2017**

ORDER: Agreed. It is noted that Members again expressed their disappointment that their request for a report on the traffic plan for East Wall was not available and that they are unhappy with the replies to Area Committee questions/Motions from the Traffic Section in general.

- 2 **Questions to the Area Manager**

ORDER: Noted.

- 3 **With reference to a presentation on the Draft Dublin City Parks Strategy**

ORDER: Presentation noted. Members asked to be emailed copy of the Parks Strategy Report.

- 4 **With reference to Notification of initiation under Part 8 Planning and Development Regulations 2001 - Proposed public realm improvement works Cathedral St. and Sackville Place, Dublin 1**

ORDER: Report noted.

- 5 **With reference to updates on the following - Public Domain Section, North East Inner City Programme Office, North West and North East Inner City Housing Office, Grangegorman Development, Central Area Age Friendly and Central Area Sports Report.**

ORDER: Reports noted.

- 6 **With reference to Motions to the Area Manager**

The following emergency motion was tabled:

Emergency Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke

That this Committee agrees that buses parked on Cumberland Street should find a safer place to park. The residents are very concerned that the street is too narrow for this parking and it is causing a safety issue for them.

ORDER: Agreed.

Motions

Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke

That this Committee congratulates all involved in the Beacon fire display at Railway Street, Dublin 1 on Friday 13th October.

ORDER: Agreed.

Motion in the name of Councillor Ray McAdam

That the Central Area Committee agrees to initiate whatever steps are necessary to extinguish the public right of way over the laneway which is between 20 and 22 St. James Avenue and which leads onto St Josephs Avenue.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

Motion in the name of Councillor Janice Boylan

That the Central Area Committee calls on the Chief Executive to do all that is necessary with our drainage and sewerage system throughout the northside, to combat the surge of rodents. Especially in light of the amount of tenants reporting sightings in some of our flat complexes. This problem is not only for the HSE to deal with, Dublin City Council need to step up in pest control, especially when we have situations where rodents are coming up sewerage pipes into toilets.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

Motion in the name of Councillor Niall Ring

That the Central Area Committee requests that a Dublin Bike Scheme be immediately located at North Strand Fire Station as this area has ample room for such an installation.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

Motion in the name of Councillor Niall Ring

That this Central Area Committee supports the restoration and development of the Jewish Graveyard on Fairview Strand and further supports the use of the premises attaching thereto as a Heritage Centre to be licenced to an appropriate local Heritage/Historical Group following a consultation process. The Committee also requests that the 2018 budgets include an allocation for the upgrade of the graveyard and the house.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

Motion in the name of Councillors Niall Ring and Ciaran Cuffe

That this Central Area Committee fully supports the building of Gaelscoil Cholaiste Mhuire at Dominick Street and calls on the Minister for Education to confirm that, in recognising and having regard to the inordinate delays to date on this project, the building of the school will now be prioritised and fast tracked by his Department.

ORDER: Agreed. Letter to be sent to the Minister for Education.

Motion in the name of Councillor Niall Ring

That this Central Area Committee fully supports the suggestion of Professor Mary Morgan, the new President of the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland and the first woman to hold that position, that new Children's Hospital should be named after Dr. Kathleen Lynn rather than the name currently being put forward i.e. the Phoenix Children's Hospital, a choice of name that has been widely criticised and derided. This Committee further asks those involved in the decision making process to review their inappropriate and unimaginative decision and seize this once off opportunity to name the hospital after Dr. Kathleen Lynn, a true republican who worked with the poor of the North Inner City, set up food/soup kitchens in Liberty Hall during the 1913 lockout, was Chief Medical Officer for the ICA during the 1916 Rising, and subsequently set up St. Ultan's Children Hospital.

ORDER: Agreed.

Motion in the name of Councillor Gaye Fagan

That this Central Area Committee calls upon the Roads and Traffic Division to include the rest of Church Road and East Road in the 2018 Road Works Programme. Both roads are badly damaged due to construction traffic and increased volume of traffic.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

Motion in the name of Councillor Ciaran Cuffe

This Central Area Committee agrees that in light of the impending opening of the Luas Cross City Scheme and the consequent rise in footfall that will ensue, that a public realm improvement scheme be prepared for the entire length of Parnell Street to include the following:

- Widened footpaths at Conway's Pub, 70 Parnell Street, outside the Ilac car park and other locations
- A pedestrian operated signal across Parnell Street at the junction with Jervis Street
- Provision of a segregated bike lane as vehicles constantly park in and obstruct the existing lanes
- Removal of surplus inappropriate old-fashioned pedestrian barriers at the junction with King's Inn Street
- Removal of plastic tactile paving at King's Inn Street junction and replacement with appropriate materials
- Traffic calming measures at the junction with Ryder's Row
- Pedestrian priority at the Capel Street junction
- Tree planning on the north side of the street between Ryder's Row and King's Inn Street
- **ORDER: Report to Councillor.**

Motion in the name of Councillor Janice Boylan

That this Committee calls on the Manager to find the funding to put spikes on the roofs of St. Michan's to stop the birds from nesting and ruining the new paint job that is currently being done. The residents have taken such pride in the complex and want to keep it looking well. This issue is prevalent across the city and we need to have this implemented or else we are wasting money on paint jobs that will get ruined by birds.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

Councillor Ray McAdam

Chairperson

Tuesday 14 November 2017

Attendance:

Members:

Ray McAdam (Chairperson)
Janice Boylan
Gaye Fagan

Members:

Christy Burke
Gary Gannon

Members:

Ciaran Cuffe
Nial Ring