

**Q1. Councillor Dermot Lacey**

To ask the manager if she will include the painting of the lamp posts on Sydney Parade Avenue (from railway gate to Stand Road junction) & on Ailesbury Gardens in the works programme. (When they last asked about two years ago money was in short supply but that the situation has changed & the cul-de-sac part of Sydney Parade had their lamp posts painted recently.)

**Q2. Councillor Paddy McCartan**

To ask the manager to deal with the following issues:

Residents have asked for some trees in green areas in Milltown to be pruned by Dublin City Council. The first photo is of the green area beside Ramleh Close. The height of the trees blocks light to the rear of the houses in Ramleh Park. The second photo is of the green area beside Palmerston Grove. They frequently win awards for this area. It would be appreciated if the trees could be pruned. See picture 1 and 2.

**Q3. Councillor Chris Andrews**

Can the manager arrange to have the necessary forms sent to \*details supplied where he can apply for a grant for a downstairs toilet that he needs on health grounds.

**Q4. Councillor Chris Andrews**

Can the manager send out forms to \*details supplied, which cover housing adaptation grant applications as he is looking to make his home more liveable for his partner who is unwell.

**Q5. Councillor Mannix Flynn**

Can the manager issue a full report and updates with regards the Peace Park at Christchurch?

**Q6. Councillor Mannix Flynn**

Can the manager issue a full report of the progress and the delivery of infrastructural projects in the South East Area of the previous Dublin City Council Development Plan? This to include social housing projects, roads, parks, drainage, etc.  
A full appraisal of the entire development to date, as per the development plan 2014-2017.

**Q7. Councillor Mannix Flynn**

Can the manager initiate the procedure for the renaming of the bridge at Charlemont Street (Charlemont Bridge) to Dr. Kathleen Lynn Bridge?

**Q8. Councillor Mannix Flynn**

Can the area manager give an update report on the replacement of street names in the South East area and the cost to date?

**Q9. Councillor Mannix Flynn**

Can the area manager give an update on the proposed new bye-laws that relate to horses and carriages and their use within the city?

**Q10. Councillor Mannix Flynn**

Can the area manager issue a full report with regards to any incidents of drug dealing and any incidents of road accidents involving rickshaws on the streets of Dublin?

Also, what stage are we at in relation to legislation governing the use of rickshaws on our roads?

**Q11. Councillor Mannix Flynn**

Can the manager have a full clean up and fumigation of the Bring Centre at Milltown Road Car Park? This area has become prone to dumping, see enclosed photographs. Also, would there be any possibility that this area would be fenced in, in order to mitigate the noise of the cans and bottles being deposited while we wait for this facility to be relocated to a much more suitable location?

**Q12. Councillor Mannix Flynn**

Can the area manager issue an update on the progress of bye-laws and national legislation relating to 'Chuggers' (street charity collectors)? It is now almost impossible to get down many city streets without being accosted by groups of these individuals in branded high-vis clothing. They literally block your passage and impede your movement by standing in the middle of the pavement jumping up and down and waving their arms. This is a form of anti-social behaviour and borderline aggression in the public domain. Many citizens have to avoid certain streets now in order not to be accosted by these groups and this practice.

**Q13. Councillor Mannix Flynn**

Can the manager ensure that all of the heating apparatus, gas and electric and utilities are all working in the senior citizens complex at Verschoyle Court?

**Q14. Councillor Mannix Flynn**

Can the manager ensure that the broken light at the junction of Mercer Street and York Street beside the York Street apartments is fixed immediately?

**Q15. Councillor Mannix Flynn**

Can the manager ensure that the entire area from Cathedral View including New Street right up to Clanbrassil Street, taking in the Cabbage Patch and Long Lane are given a thorough cleaning, weeding and tree pruning and that this maintenance is kept up on a regular basis?

This area has suffered from appalling neglect which has led to dilapidation of many of the public walkways, streets and amenities within the area. Trees are overgrown pavements are cracked and there is a general sense of abandonment which urgently needs to be addressed. Also, can the manager organise a site area visit of the entire estate in collaboration with local groups, Dublin City Council staff including parks, and those who are engaged in local development such as the Maldron Hotel in Kevin Street and Kevin Street residents?

**Q16. Councillor Chris Andrews**

Can the manager give a detailed report on the status of the plans to redevelop Woodstock Court and allay residents' fears that any disruption on them will be minimal?

**Q17. Councillor Chris Andrews**

Can the manager have two car parking spaces in the car park at the rear of Mulberry Land converted in to bike stands? This is to facilitate businesses along the front row of shops on Donnybrook Road who are using bikes to get into work with no spaces to secure bikes. They are using lamp poles which are not ideal, nor safe towards pedestrians. There are over 50 people working in Mola Architects and practically no bicycle parking spaces on that (East) side of the road. All the bike spaces are on the west side of Donnybrook Road. The car park is underutilised during the day"

**Q18. Councillor Claire O'Connor**

Could the manager arrange for the street lighting on Annesley Park to be improved in circumstances where there are safety issues that go with dimly lit streets?

**Q19. Councillor Claire O'Connor**

Could the manager arrange for the planting on Dunville Avenue opposite Mortons to be improved?

**Q20. Councillor Claire O'Connor**

Could the manager arrange for the street lighting on Lavarna Grove to be improved in circumstances where there were a number of burglaries recently and residents were unable to see their CCTV?

**Q21. Councillor Claire O'Connor**

Can an amenity space for a playground be considered on the green space at Whitton Road and Terenure Road North?

**Q22. Councillor Claire O'Connor**

Can the manager provide an update on the possibility of providing benches in Rathmines Avenue flats?

**Q23. Councillor Claire O'Connor**

Can the manager provide an update on the meeting with the law agent which was the subject matter of debate at the South East Area Committee meeting in December re double yellow lines on St. Enda's Road?

**Q24. Councillor Claire O'Connor**

Can the Manager confirm if a traffic camera has been installed as per my motion below from a few months ago?

**Motion from Councillor Claire O'Connor**

Can the manager put CCTV cameras on the main junction in Rathgar Village, between Orwell Road / Rathgar Road and R114, in circumstances where residents have expressed grave concerns regarding their safety being compromised by drivers who are effectively evading the existence of a red traffic light notwithstanding that pedestrians have the benefit of a 'green man'?

Rathgar is an area in which there are a large number of young children; there are four crèches and a number of schools within a short distance of the junction in issue. There is also a large elderly local population.

**Reply from South East Area Manager**

I can confirm that a traffic camera is to be installed at junction Orwell Road / Rathgar Road within the next 2 - 3 months. This camera is a traffic camera that will be used, by Dublin City Council's Traffic Control Centre to manage traffic movements in the area (e.g. facilitating the changing of traffic signaling to ease traffic congestion). Traffic cameras are not used to enforce road traffic legislation.

**Q25. Councillor Frank Kennedy**

The drains at St. Alban's Park, Dublin 4, have for many years posed a serious risk of flooding of houses. In November 2017 residents reported that, on heavy rainfall, water levels began to build up in the drains faster than they could empty and sewage was being forced back through the drains into the front and back gardens of a

number of houses in St. Alban's Park. There were several inches of sewage in the gardens of several houses before this fault was rectified when, it appears, the pumps in Ailesbury Gardens came on. This should not have happened, as the pumps in Ailesbury Gardens should have kicked in to clear the overflow. The residents have been told there was a fault in the pumping station and this is why they did not kick in. Residents had previously been told that the flooding problem that occurred in 2011 had been solved by bigger pipes and more pumps. However, yet again their houses are in danger of flooding by a fault in the pumping station. To ask the manager (a) for a report on what precisely the fault was, and (b) to ensure that the position is rectified as a matter of urgency so that this cannot happen again.

**Q26. Councillor Frank Kennedy**

In circumstances where at Fitzwilliam Quay, Ringsend in late November fire trucks had to visit on at least two nights to put out large wheelie bins which had been set on fire to ask the manager (a) to provide a report as to the steps that the council is taking to ensure that this behaviour is eradicated, (b) to remove the melted remains if this has not been done already and (c) to provide the name and contact details of the official that councillors should contact if it is necessary that in the future such remains be removed as a matter of urgency.

**Q27. Councillor Frank Kennedy**

In light of the response provided to Q.42 at the South East Area Committee December 2017, to ask the manager to agree to grant a permit for Marlborough Road to the resident of \*details supplied who, is an impossible position at present given the circumstances in which he tries to access parking, for reasons which have been comprehensively identified to the council.

**Q28. Councillor Frank Kennedy**

With regard to the answer provided to Q.59 of the November 2017 SEAC, to ask the manager when the next nameplate erection contract is scheduled to take place. Please note that the correct details for the resident in question are \*details supplied.

**Q29. Councillor Frank Kennedy**

To ask the manager to provide a response to my email of \*details supplied.

**Q30. Councillor Frank Kennedy**

With regard to the answer provided to Question 66, submitted to the South East Area Committee meeting of 13<sup>th</sup> November, 2017 and the email sent to me under ref. 7000494/SH/CK, to thank the Traffic Department for the positive response and to ask when this disabled parking space will be implemented.

**Q31. Councillor Frank Kennedy**

To ask the manager for an update on the housing list status of \*details supplied i.e. to answer my email to Housing Allocations of 15<sup>th</sup> December 2017 at 10:05.

**Q32. Councillor Frank Kennedy**

To ask the manager for an update on the housing list status of \*details supplied i.e. to answer my email to Housing Allocations of 15<sup>th</sup> December 2017 at 10.08.

**Q33. Councillor Frank Kennedy**

With regard to the answer provided to question 68 of the September 2017 South East Area Committee meeting, to ask the manager when this repair will be effected and to do so as a matter of urgency. It is extremely dangerous. Please see attached very recent photo of the locus. There is (a) broken footpath, and (b) an extremely dangerous lip on the footpath which could result in catastrophic falls.

**Q34. Councillor Frank Kennedy**

Question 56 of the SEAC meeting November 2017 was as follows:

**Q56. Councillor Frank Kennedy**

In light of the wholly unsatisfactory state of traffic arrangements and flow on Belmont Avenue, Dublin 4, as well as the severe risk of injury to pedestrians and cyclists arising from the status quo, to ask the manager to conduct a full survey of this road and to implement a solution as a matter of urgency.

**Reply:**

The area engineer will assess Belmont Avenue on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> of November at school drop off time 8:00am to 9:00 am, and recommendations will be made in order to protect pedestrians and cyclists.

**Contact:**

Rossana Camargo, Area Engineer, Traffic Management Section, tel.: 222 6453, email: rossana.camargo@dublincity.ie

To ask the manager for (a) a report on the assessment which took place on Belmont Avenue on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> of November at school drop off time 8:00am to 9:00 am, and (b) to state what recommendations have been made on foot the inspection in order to protect pedestrians and cyclists.

**Q35. Councillor Frank Kennedy**

With regard to question 62 at the South East Area Committee meeting November 2017, to state (a) whether action has been taken and if not (b) when such action will be taken.

**Q36. Councillor Dermot Lacey**

To ask the manager if she will have road surface repairs carried out as a matter of urgency at this location and to further ask the manager if action can be taken to have the flush rubberized covers as suggested in the email submitted with this question to be installed as a matter of safety.

Last Thursday Dec 14th, on my way home through Donnybrook, I cycled over a manhole cover in the middle of the cycle lane where Mulberry Lane joins Donnybrook Road. It blew both my tyres immediately and almost sent me under a car.

When I had calmed down, (for I spent several minutes shouting expletives!) I walked back and took the following photo which clearly shows how badly placed and dangerous this trap door is.

[Inline image 1]

With all the tarmac worn away from one side, the leading edge and the 5 "teeth" protrude 2 inches out of the street.

This is a deadly accident waiting to happen.

While reporting the manhole on the DCC website this evening, I used Google Streetview to pinpoint the location.

I noticed that the picture dating from April 2017 shows the manhole in the same state of dis-repair since at least that time.

<https://scanmail.trustwave.com/?c=6600&d=qvW42tFSeICcEIZ46SALHkqQ26YOF7-n9WUe0mszCw&s=342&u=https%3a%2f%2fgoo%2egl%2fmaps%2fXEoCA2HPLbz>

The only difference between Google's picture and mine, is that in mine the white lines of the cycle lane have been renewed.

This means that someone from the council repainted the white lines, which the shoddy placement of this monster had partly obliterated but did not bother to repair what is a gross hazard to life and limb.

This is in the middle of the cycle lane. With buses and cars along side and in darkness, a cyclist has no way of avoiding it. Someone could be killed but only the lines are repaired!

Sadly this is no isolated case. This is typical of the attention and service given to cycling in this country.

Whoever placed this manhole should be fined. Why is it not mandatory to have flush, rubberized manhole covers as are used on the continent? (These would benefit cars as much as cyclists but as cycle lanes are where manholes are placed, we tend to have to contend with more than our fair share.)

**Q37. Councillor Claire Byrne**

To ask the area manager if she could please request the Planning Enforcement Section to investigate the following planning issue details supplied.

The developer built two-storey extension higher than allowed in his planning permission. It was reported by residents at the time and it was stopped. He then applied for retention permission and was refused. He then took it to Bord Pleanála but his appeal was rejected. However, the developer has done nothing since to reduce the height and Dublin City Council's Planning Enforcement Section do not seem to be pursuing it. Can the Area Manager please follow up on this?

**Q38. Councillor Claire Byrne**

To ask the area manager if she could please provide a full list of works carried out on Glovers Court since 2014, and to provide a list of the planned / outstanding works and when it is anticipated that these will be completed and if funding has been secured for these works.

**Q39. Councillor Claire Byrne**

To ask the area manager can she please provide an update on the redevelopment of the pram sheds in Vincent Street South apartments and the provision of secure bin cages for the residents.

**Q40. Councillor Claire Byrne**

To ask the area manager for an update on the redevelopment of Longfields Hotel and when can expect this facility to be operational.

**Q41. Councillor Paddy McCartan**

To ask the manager to respond to the issue of gates at Ropewalk Place to Ringsend Park. Over the past few weeks the gates have frequently been unlocked at night, resulting in anti-social behaviour and recently a window to an apartment just opposite the gates was broken. The issue has been reported a number of times via the Dublin City Council Self Service Portal but the issue continues to arise. This has not been a problem in the past - it has developed only over the past couple of months or so.

**Q42. Councillor Paddy McCartan**

To ask the manager to deal with the concerns of residents as outlined in the following email. The apartments are located at the Pump House London Bridge Road.

These apartments are 9 years old and every year in winter we suffer the consequences of a serious lack of insulation and enormous heating costs making life very uncomfortable and also very expensive. We have also asked on several occasions for a BER rating for the apartments but have been informed by Dublin City Council that as the planning permission was granted before 2007 they do not have to provide one, yet it would seem the law does not support this argument. It is now beyond a joke that in this day and age in a relatively new development that we should have to keep the heating on nearly 24/7 and still have to wear housecoats and blankets and pay a hefty price for the privilege.

There are 6 apartments which have this problem as they are located in the old building which was redeveloped, it's now quite clear that some shortcuts were made when it came to the insulation as it is the same problem every winter.