

**DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL**  
**SOUTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE**  
**18<sup>th</sup> July 2018**

- Q 1** **Councillor Ray McHugh**  
To ask the Area Manager to arrange for the cleaning of the drain pipes and the moss from the porch of (*details supplied*).
- Q 2** **Councillor Ray McHugh**  
To ask the Area Manager to supply this Councillor with any relevant information on (*details supplied*) if any new planning applications or any new developments are in the pipeline.
- Q3** **Councillor Ray McHugh**  
To ask the Area Manager to arrange for repair to the footpath at (*details supplied*). This foot path is in a dangerous state and needs urgent repair.
- Q4** **Councillor Ray McHugh**  
To ask the Area Manager to arrange for repair to the footpath at (*details supplied*).
- Q5** **Councillor Ray McHugh**  
To request that when there is further allocation of Smart bins that Crumlin Pearse Park / Stannaway / Brickfield and Eamonn Ceannt Park be considered. Or that cast iron bins be placed in these parks.
- Q6** **Councillor Críona Ní Dhálaigh**  
To ask the Area Manager why it is taking so long to ascertain who is responsible for this surface. Residents and reps have been sent from pillar to post on this with both Dublin City Council and South Dublin County Council stating it is not their responsibility. I would appreciate it if someone could please take charge of this. FOOTPATH ENQUIRY [11059838](https://www.dublincity.ie/11059838).
- Q7** **Councillor Críona Ní Dhálaigh**  
To ask the Area Manager if consideration could be given to surveying Chamber Street re pay and display parking and to consider some traffic calming measures for the street also. Some residents have suggested making it a cul-de-sac (at the top end at the park), or parking on one side only.
- Q8** **Councillor Ray McHugh**  
To ask the Area Manager to arrange for a clean up of (details supplied) to include the cul-de-sac.
- Q9** **Councillor Ray McHugh**  
To ask the Area Manager to arrange an inspection of (*details supplied*). The shower in this house is not heating the water and this lady has to go to her sons house to take a shower.
- Q10** **Councillor Críona Ní Dhálaigh**  
To ask the Area Manager what plans are there for the old community Centre at Oliver Bond House flats? There is a high demand for such a facility in the complex and it's unacceptable to see it sit there empty. Residents have also stated that the building is infested with rats which have caused problems for some of the blocks.

- Q11 Councillor Criona Ní Dhálaigh**  
To ask the Area Manager what streets in Rialto were surveyed for Pay and Display? What the results were?
- Q12 Councillor Criona Ní Dhálaigh**  
To ask the Area Manager what progress has been made on my request to have an environmental/community impact study done on the large volume of student accommodation being built in the Liberties and surrounding area.
- Q13 Councillor Criona Ní Dhálaigh**  
To ask the Area Manager to give details on the following: The tenant of (*details supplied*) has been trying for some time now to get double glazing windows put in but DCC are refusing. There are quite a few tenants who have installed double glazing themselves and any refurbished unit automatically gets them installed. Could the Area Manager please let me know how many of our units in this complex do not have double glazed windows?
- Q14 Councillor Criona Ní Dhálaigh**  
To ask the Area Manager if DCC could consider inspecting all the boilers in Oliver Bond complex with a view to installing new more efficient ones.
- Q15 Councillor Ray McHugh**  
To ask the Area Manager, to arrange for a cleanup of the Laneway at The Star Bingo into Pearse Park. I am informed it was cleared on the 15th of June, I passed through it yesterday and it needs urgent clearing.
- Q16 Councillor Ray McHugh**  
To ask the Area Manager to arrange for the painting of the wall at (*details supplied*). The club informed me they have not got the finances to paint this and the last time it was painted was by DCC. Would it be possible to arrange Beta Project or DCC to look at having this wall painted. This I believe would help improve the area for the community.
- Q17 Councillor Tina MavVeigh**  
To ask the Area Manager to provide this councillor with a full list of all Council owned properties (other than Housing) in the Dublin South Central area, both used and unused.
- Q18 Councillor Tina MavVeigh**  
To ask the Area Manager whether the Council owns the site of the Ardee House on the corner of Ardee Street and Chamber Street, Dublin 8?
- Q19 Councillor Vincent Jackson**  
To ask the Area Manager if he could please arrange to have the overgrown footpath beside the Chapelizod by-pass next to Californian Hills Park on the Kylemore Road, Ballyfermot cut. The bushes, brambles and trees are overgrown out onto the road resulting in people having to walk on the Kylemore Road to avoid same. I recently saw a lady in a wheelchair with a career trying to negotiate a way down.
- Q20 Councillor Vincent Jackson**  
To ask the Area Manager if he could look at the possibility of buying the De La Salle School Complex on the Ballyfermot Road before the School closes finally next year after over 60 years of educational service to generations of Children from Ballyfermot and surrounding areas. The site which is extensive in size offers DCC the potential of mixed use, housing and urban regeneration in Ballyfermot. DCC should look at the

possibility of retaining one wing of the school for the development of education through the medium of the Irish Language.

**Q21 Councillor Vincent Jackson**

Can the Area Manager please give me a report on the rights of tenants in relation to the following: - from time to time I have complaints from residents in relation to parking in front of their property by neighbours. This can result in the Gardai being called and people falling out. Can I be given a determination on the rights of both in this instance, the legality of signs "no parking here" when the tenant doesn't even have a car. I can understand if I have a drive in to my home I do not want people parking in front on my home but the footpath facing my home is public hence should all not be able to park here?

**Q22 Councillor Vincent Jackson**

To ask the Area Manager that the barriers outside Mary Queen of Angels School, Gurteen Road, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10, which was hit by a car / truck in the past few months be repaired / replaced before the new School year commenced at the end of August 2018.

**Q23 Councillor Vincent Jackson**

To ask the Area Manager to please have a look at the following: - (*Details supplied 1*) was recently onto me in relation to ongoing problems she is having with a neighbour who bought an adjoining house last year. The neighbour is storing waste in the rear garden collected from DCC properties etc. in large skips, cleaning container vehicles in the front of the property on (*details supplied 2*) at the slip way all resulting in the reduction in her quality of life. (*details supplied 1*) has lived here for over 60 years. Her late husband was born here almost 100 years ago. Her only son who lives with her, has terminal cancer needing rest, which is now next to impossible with the noise and and flies from the skips, machinery etc. Has this resident a commercial licence to operate a business at this location? (*Details supplied 1*) is a beautiful woman who doesn't want any trouble. She just wants to get on with life. She regularly gets Thorntons to sweep the area clean but with trucks etc parking there it can be impossible to get theses trucks in to sweep. I think double yellow lines outside the houses here would help the situation in the longer term.

**Q24 Councillor Vincent Jackson**

To ask the Area Manager to request the Parks Dept to please have all the weeds and vegetation cut back / thinned out in the large raised area of the tri-angle on Drumfinn Ave., Ballyfermot, Dublin 10. I recently organised a clean-up on the Road and will have another before the end of July this support would be very welcome.

**Q25 Councillor Vincent Jackson**

To ask the Area Manager for an update on the housing situation of (*details supplied*) who are living in the Maldron Hotel, Newlands Cross, for the past 18 months. The couple have told me it is becoming impossible to live here much longer, the stress of living in a confined location is destroying his relationship with both his partner and children. I am well aware there is a housing crisis, however, there are many houses in the Ballyfermot area under construction / repair. Can this family be considered for one of these units?

**Q26 Councillor Vincent Jackson**

To ask the Area Manager to please give me information on the following: - from time to time people contact me in relation to very large trees planted in adjoining gardens many years ago. However, with the passage of time these trees are now very large

and are shadowing adjoining houses with growth, leaves etc. Who is responsible for their maintenance / removal and have neighbours any rights in these situations?

**Q27 Councillor Vincent Jackson**

To ask the Area Manager to please look at the direct employment of a Litter Warden / Traffic Warden for the Ballyfermot, Chapelizod / Inchicore Area. These three areas suffer extensively with traffic parking violations, littering etc. The deployment of staff to help address such issues would be self financing. I regret to say no one puts money into traffic parking meters when there is no enforcement by the authorities. The revenue fall in parking charges in Ballyfermot is an indication of what happens when there is no sanction from the authorities.

**Q28 Councillor Vincent Jackson**

To ask the Area Manager please look into the current state of the footpath access from the Liffey Gales footpath along the River Liffey towards the War Memorial Gardens at Islandbridge, This area is beautiful but the sinister actions of a few with anti-social behaviour, drinking, burning bins etc is seriously reducing the amenity quality for everyone from time to time cars are also burned here can we include funding to repair the footpaths, place some public lighting and try and position some CCTV here.

**Q29 Councillor Críona Ní Dhálaigh**

To ask the Area Manager how much undeveloped council owned land is in the Dublin South Central area and of this what percentage has been included on the new vacant sites register. How much will this cost the council in fines?

**Q30 Councillor Críona Ní Dhálaigh**

To ask the Area Manager why the Council cannot come up with a better way of addressing the utility meters at this complex (*details supplied*). One of our residents nearly had her supply turned off as she could not give an accurate reading and only had estimates. Residents cannot gain access to the meters. I have raised this on numerous occasions but it has not been resolved.

**Q31 Councillor Críona Ní Dhálaigh**

To ask the Area Manager to report on (*details supplied*), his adaptation application on medical grounds. He is finding it extremely difficult to cope and has poor quality of life.

**Q32 Councillor Daithí Doolan**

To ask the Area Manager to remove the tree at (*details supplied*).

**Q33 Councillor Daithí Doolan**

To ask the Area Manager to have the illegal dumping at (*details supplied*) removed.

**Q34 Councillor Daithí Doolan**

To ask the Area Manager will Dublin City Council introduce a programme of graffiti removal in Walkinstown area?

**Q35 Councillor Daithí Doolan**

To ask the Area Manager to contact Eir requesting that they clear up their site in Somerville Road, Walkinstown as it is causing serious inconvenience to local residents?

- Q36 Councillor Daithí Doolan**  
To ask the Area Manager to request that the Parks Department outline their strategy to maintain the hedging around Bunting Park?
- Q37 Councillor Daithí Doolan**  
To ask the Area Manager to have street cleaning carried out at (*details supplied*).
- Q38 Councillor Daithí Doolan**  
To ask the Area Manager to make a submission to WiFi4EU, which would allow the council to pilot a free WiFi hotspot initiative in Ballyfermot?
- Q39 Councillor Daithí Doolan**  
Can the Area Manager clarify what plans Dublin City Council have for the site, (*details supplied*)?
- Q40 Councillor Daithí Doolan**  
To ask the Area Manager to request that Dublin City Council actively pursue acquiring sites along Davitt Road with the view to building Council & affordable homes on the land.
- Q41 Councillor Ray McHugh**  
To ask the Area Manager to arrange for Double Yellow lines at (*details supplied*). Motorists exiting the Cul De Sac cannot see oncoming traffic because of Vans /Cars parking.
- Q42 Councillor Críona Ní Dhálaigh**  
To ask the Area Manager why it is taking so long to address the maintenance issues at (*details supplied*). They have not been able to even use their cooker because of the danger from the ceiling above.
- Q43 Councillor Greg Kelly**  
To ask the Area Manager to have the laneway at (*details supplied*) cleaned and the mini skip dumped there to be removed.
- Q44 Councillor Greg Kelly**  
To ask the Area Manager to have Double Yellow lines (*details supplied*). Staff from Crumlin Hospital are parking there, and an Ambulance had difficulty getting to a patient. Also Bin Trucks cannot get through.
- Q45 Councillor Tina MavVeigh**  
To ask the City Biodiversity Manager to comment on the removal of the hedgerow at Bunting Park in Walkinstown, whether he is aware of this and what steps he will take to ensure preservation of the remaining hedgerow in the interest of the wildlife that nests in hedgerow and not in trees which have replaced the hedgerow that was removed.
- Q46 Councillor Tina MavVeigh**  
To ask our planners to provide this Councillor with a report and map outlining plans for the installation of Dublin Bikes in Dublin 8 and 12 for the next two years.
- Q47 Councillor Pat Dunne**  
Can the Area Manager ask our Traffic Lights Section to investigate as to why the beeping signal (for persons with sight deficiency) is very loud? Residents living in close proximity to these pedestrian lights complain that the sound signal disturbs

their sleep. Can the signal sound be toned down in a way that will continue to assist persons with sight difficulties but be less a nuisance to residents? (*details supplied*)

**Q48 Councillor Pat Dunne**

Can the Area Manager ask our Road Maintenance Section why the speed ramp on Toungefield Road, Dublin 12, has not be reinstated with tarmac. All other old redbrick speed ramps in the surrounding area have been tarmacked. Why was this one left undone and when can it be done?

**Q49 Councillor Pat Dunne**

To ask the Area Manager can our Housing Maintenance Section arrange to have the broken gas boiler in our tenants house replaced (*details supplied*). Our tenant has had a litany of maintenance issues in this house since moving in. Most of the issues related to a badly built extension and lots of problems that followed from that. In the interest of good tenant relationship, I would ask that the boiler replacement request be positively responded to.

**Q50 Councillor Pat Dunne**

Can the Area Manager ask our Housing Maintenance Section to arrange for an investigating engineer to inspect our tenant's home (*details supplied*), with a view to relocating the downstairs bathroom. The bathroom is effectively in the corner of the kitchen area. The bathroom and toilet door opens directly into the kitchen. In addition to privacy issues this is totally unhygienic.

**Q51 Councillor Pat Dunne**

Can the Area Manager provide a list of current voids, with bedroom sizes, including acquisitions in Area K, showing if they are with the depot or contractors and the expected date for them to be completed and available for allocation. Please ensure that this is a detailed list showing each property and not just a summary.

**Q52 Councillor Pat Dunne**

Can the Area Manager ask our Sewage Drainage Section to investigate the cause of recurring blockages in the manhole of (*details supplied*)? Can the main drains be examined to see if they are contributing to this problem? The house holders who are elderly have paid private drain companies on a number of occasions but cannot afford to do so again. The householder reports that nappies, wipes and condoms have been found in the manhole. Can we assist these residents in dealing with this problem?