

**DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL**  
**NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE**  
**15<sup>th</sup> October, 2018**

**Q.1 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons**

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**Q.5 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

Can the Manager, in relation to the derelict/vacant site as **per details attached**, which is overgrown with scrub, the entrance to which is being used as a dumping ground and say when he can;-

1. Arrange to have the site and its surrounds cleared of rubbish and the overgrowth cut back/removed until such time as the City Council establishes ownership of the property as has been requested by local residents.
2. Make arrangements, in order to prevent continuing dumping, to have a gate/fence erected at its entrance until such time as ownership is established
3. Explain what enforcement from a (i) vacant sites and/or (ii) derelict sites legislation can be carried out on the owner when his or her identity is established.
4. Explain the difference between
  - (i) the derelict site register and
  - (ii) the vacant site register and what the implications of a property being same are
5. Explain the difference between the derelict site section and the vacant site sections of Dublin City Council, if these two sections are exclusive from each other and if so, why?

**Q.6 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

Can the Manager please refer to trees at location as per details attached and say if he can seriously prune back same as the branches, which are very high and wide, are growing into the front garden of elderly resident's home at **details attached**.

**Q.7 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

Can the Manager please refer to my several previous requests re location **as per details attached**, about which many local residents complain is a traffic/pedestrian hazard due to vehicles parking so close to the corner/bend, and say if he can consider installing/providing some form of road marking or other to dissuade hazardous parking at this location.

**Q.8 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

Can the Manager please refer to the traffic lights at the intersection of Seafield Road and Vernon Avenue which previously had a sensor so that when a car came, the traffic lights would change fairly quickly once a waiting car was detected; last April the Council re-tarmaced the junction and the sensor was not replaced and/or has not worked since, resulting in a much longer waiting for motorists and say if he can arrange to have the sensor arrangement re-introduced at this junction.

**Q.9 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

Can the Manager please refer to location as per **details attached** (which used to be attended to on an annual basis by City Council) and say if he can arrange to have the hedgerow opposite same trimmed back and down together with the pruning of some tall trees at this location.

**Q.10 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

Can the Manager please refer to the huge tree outside dwelling as **per details attached** the roots of which are growing up under the front boundary garden wall of details attached and say;

1. who is responsible for any injury which may be caused to pedestrians if the front wall of **details attached** collapses on top of them as a result of tree roots dislodging same
2. If the tree can be removed and or pavement repaired at this location.

**Q.11 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

Can the Manager please refer to the huge tree outside dwelling as **per details attached** the roots of which are growing up under the front garden of details attached resulting in a large crack in same and say if the tree can be removed wall of **details attached** replaced and pavement repaired?

**Q.12 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

Can the Manager please refer to location as **per details attached** and say;

1. If the portion of the yellow lines on **Details A** can be examined in terms of rescindment of same
2. How residents of **Details B** can be facilitated in the current or a future residential parking scheme
2. If a plan to accommodate parking for residents of **Details B** in the permit parking scheme afforded to other adjacent residents can be considered.

**Q.13 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

Can the Manager refer to the very tall trees on green opposite house as **per details attached** and say if he can arrange to remove or reduce in height, the 4 trees that are very close to **details** as the resident is terrified same will fall onto her house (there are approximately 12 trees in total).

**Q.14 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

Can the Manager please refer to area of footpath as per **details attached** which was dug up 18 months ago, (left unsatisfactorily covered in tarmac) and say when he can have same properly reinstated – the original dig was to repair/search for a leak in a drainage//water pipe.

**Q.15 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole**

To ask the Area Manager to clarify the position on the concerns raised in this letter. **Details attached.**

**Q.16 Question in the name of Councillor Ciaran O'Moore**

Can the road sweeper please clean the footpath and road on All Saints Drive, alongside the park, the pine came down in abundance in the heavy winds and they are extremely slippery.

**Q.17 Question in the name of Councillor Ciaran O'Moore**

At the junction of All Saints Drive and Wades Avenue, Raheny, a manhole cover has sunken and needs to be repaired.

**Q.18 Question in the name of Councillor Ciaran O'Moore**

The residents of (**details supplied**) are requesting a disabled parking bay is marked out on the path outside the house. A special needs school bus is unable to collect or pick up from this location. The residents are permit holders.

**Q.19 Question in the name of Councillor Ciaran O'Moore**

Can repairs be carried out on the path outside (**details supplied**)? The path is a trip hazard.

**Q.20 Question in the name of Councillor Ciaran O'Moore**

Can the roads in St Anne's Raheny please be listed for "gully cleaning" and a report given on the current schedule?

**Q.21 Question in the name of Councillor Ciaran O'Moore**

Can the Traffic Department please examine the parking issues on (**details supplied**) Residents are unable to leave there driveways at school drop off and collection times.

**Q.22 Question in the name of Councillor Ciaran O'Moore**

Can the paths be repaired at (**details supplied**)?

**Q.23 Question in the name of Councillor Sean Paul Mahon**

Can the astro-pitch at (**details supplied**) be extended to accommodate bigger soccer matches? Can the lighting around this all-weather surface be turned inwards towards the pitch in order to light it up so that a club (**details supplied**) can train there on dark evenings?

**Q.24 Question in the name of Councillor Sean Paul Mahon**

Can a community grant be paid to an environmental/community group (**details supplied**)? Has an application been received from this organisation?

**Q.25 Question in the name of Councillor Sean Paul Mahon**

What planning permissions have been granted in respect of a site at **(details supplied)**? Is a four storey building permitted at this location?

**Q.26 Question in the name of Councillor Sean Paul Mahon**

When will the Traffic Advisory Group make a decision regarding a request for traffic calming measures to be put in place at a location **(details supplied)**? Given that a new nursing home is due to open on the **(details)** road shortly **(details supplied)** can Dublin City Council be proactive as regards traffic difficulties which will arise at this location? Can 2 bus stops located on both sides of the road and the pedestrian operated signals at the entrance to this new nursing home be re-located?

**Q.27 Question in the name of Councillor Sean Paul Mahon**

Can a fruit tree outside **(details supplied)** be removed as part of the multi-annual phased replacement programme agreed with the local residents association?

**Q.28 Question in the name of Councillor Sean Paul Mahon**

How much funding has been provided by Dublin City Council to a service **(details supplied)** in the past 3 years?

**Q.29 Question in the name of Councillor Sean Paul Mahon**

Can a tree at **(details supplied)** be cut back? This matter was the subject of a previous Question from me answered at a meeting of the North Central Area Committee held on March 20th 2017.

**Q.30 Question in the name of Councillor Sean Paul Mahon**

Can a house at **(details supplied)** be insulated as part of the general scheme now underway in this locality?

**Q.31 Question in the name of Councillor Sean Paul Mahon**

What planning permissions have been granted in respect of a site **(details supplied)**? Can a crèche operate at this location?

**Q.32 Question in the name of Councillor Sean Paul Mahon**

Can junk in an attic be removed in a house at **(details supplied)** to allow the householder insulate her house given that this junk was in the attic when she was allocated her house before she moved in to it?

**Q.33 Question in the name of Councillor Edel Moran**

To ask the Area Manager for the schedule of the tree pruning programme for 2018-2019.

**Q.34 Question in the name of Councillor Edel Moran**

To ask the Area Manager to have paint markings for the pedestrian crossing at the junction of Kilbarron Road and Trim Road, Kilmore West, refreshed.

**Q.35 Question in the name of Councillor Edel Moran**

To ask the Area Manager to have the cul-de-sacs in Aulden Grange, Dublin 9, inspected with a view to the installation of traffic "stop" signs on the roads for motorists exiting the cul-de-sacs onto the main road of the estate.

**Q.36 Question in the name of Councillor Edel Moran**

To ask the Area Manager for an update on progress regarding the tree removals/ pruning scheduled outside homes on Bunratty Road facing the civic offices.

**Q.37 Question in the name of Councillor Edel Moran**

To ask the Area Manager for an update on the illegal dumping on the site opposite Moatview, Darndale. Residents in the area say that the large mounds of dumped material which was recently removed by the Council has been replaced within days with similar amounts of deposits and there is also burning of scrap materials happening on this site nightly, picture attached below of a recently dumped bread lorry on the site.

**Q.38 Question in the name of Councillor Edel Moran**

To ask the Area Manager is there a maintenance schedule for the upkeep of street/road name signs in the North Central Area? Several have recently been reported as illegible and in need of repair. (Photos attached, totally missing sign is on Beechlawn Avenue)

**Q.39 Question in the name of Councillor Edel Moran**

To ask the Area Manager (details supplied)

**Q.40 Question in the name of Councillor Edel Moran**

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**Q.41 Question in the name of Councillor Edel Moran**

To ask the Area Manager will there be a phone number provided for bonfire wood reports for the pending Halloween season?

**Q.42 Question in the name of Councillor Edel Moran**

To ask the Area Manager will residents and community groups be able to avail of the blue refuse bags and gloves for collection of fallen leaves in their areas?

**Q.43 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell**

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**Q.46 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell**

To ask the Area Manager (**all details supplied**) to organise the following in relation to:

**Q.47 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell**

To ask the Area Manager (**details supplied**) for:

**Q.48 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons**

To ask the Manager to investigate whether the model of road layout and car parking facilities on the Ardlea Road Artane could be implemented in a similar fashion on the Harmonstown Road in the vicinity of the DART station.

**Q.49 Question in the name of Councillor Michael O'Brien**

To ask the Area Manager if Dublin City Council will be in a position to acquire Donaghmede House Community Centre which this councillor is told by TARGET is owned by Fingal County Council despite being located within Dublin City Council area and furthermore Fingal County Council have demonstrated a willingness to pass on to Dublin City Council for no fee.

**Q.50 Question in the name of Councillor Michael O'Brien**

To ask the Area Manager what will the average building cost per unit be for the Ayrfield PPP project?

**Q.51 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons**

To ask for a report on the Gorsefield Court, Dublin 5 with reference to the lack of disability access, the closure of facilities such as the common area, and details on the health, safety & security of the complex.

**Q.52 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell**

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**Q.67 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan-Jones**

To ask the Area Manager the following question:

The double yellow lines on Philipsburgh Avenue were renewed in September and as part of this they have been extended along Turlough Gardens removing 2 parking spaces.

1. Can the Manager advise me on what basis this extension was authorised with the resulting removal of parking spaces?

2. Can the Manager request that the Traffic Advisory Group consider the removal of the extended double yellow parking restrictions and reinstatement of the original parking availability?
3. Can the Manager confirm where the request for these double yellow lines originated and if consultation took place with residents prior to the decision being made?

**Q.68 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan-Jones**

To ask the Area Manager the following question:

Can the Manager arrange for an urgent inspection of the tree outside **(details supplied)**.

This tree was swaying dangerously in the recent storm. A tree a few doors down did fall in the recent storm and only just missed a house. It appears that the roots of these trees are rotten following the dry summer which is making them dangerous in high winds.

**Q.69 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan-Jones**

To ask the Area Manager the following question:

Re: Junction between Fairview and Malahide Road

In light of two recent high profile accidents at this junction over the past number of years, can the Traffic Advisory Group please consider the safety of the junction between Fairview and the Malahide Road as soon as possible, and in particular the dangers posed by vehicles turning right from Fairview/the Clontarf Road up the Malahide Road. In particular, can the Traffic Advisory Group consider the following?

- Whether additional signage can be put in place alerting traffic turning right up the Malahide Road that there is a busy pedestrian crossing as soon as they turn and that children are crossing here.
- Whether the timings of the lights can be adjusted so that a solid red light shows for right turning traffic for longer prior to the green pedestrian light between the median and Marino Mart being given to reduce the chances of conflict between pedestrians and vehicles at this junction.
- Whether any further measures are possible at this location to reduce the risk posed to pedestrians by traffic breaking the red lights and turning here during the green man.

**Q.70 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan-Jones**

To ask the Area Manager the following question:

For an update on question 62 asked in the name of Cllr Gilliland at the July Area Committee meeting – can the Manager advise me of the results of the inspection and when/if any remedial works will be carried out by the contractor.

**Q.71 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan-Jones**

To ask the Area Manager the following question:

Can the Area Manager advise me exactly what the plans are in relation to the old bowls area in Rockfield Park?

I believe that the current plan of DCC for this area is to just lawn over it- but it is the perfect location for a children's playground. This area is a high population area with many young families recently moving into the area as well as grandparents who are the primary carers for



the grandchildren during the day. This playground would be a wonderful amenity for the area and would be most appreciated by residents in the Elm Mount/ Whitethorn/ Thorndale and Collins Park area amongst others. It would provide a much needed play area for the children of the area and maximise the potential of this beautiful park.

I acknowledge that there is a playground in Maypark Donnycarney but given that it is at the other side of the dangerous crossing of Malahide Road (an extremely fast road where I have observed motorists breaking the pedestrian lights on multiple occasions) it would not be practical or safe to expect residents to use this.

**Q.72 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan-Jones**

To ask the Area Manager the following question [details supplied]

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**Q.76 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan-Jones**

To ask the Area Manager the following question regarding ongoing traffic issues in the Collins Avenue and Celtic Park Road area:

Can the Manager address the concerns of residents on Collins Avenue West regarding the increased use of Collins Avenue by heavy vehicle trucks?

Can the Manager address the concerns of residents of Collins Park, Dublin 9 regarding the increased use of their avenue as a rat-run owing to the 'no-left hand turn' sign at the junction of Collins Park and Celtic Park Road not being observed.

Can the Manager address the concerns of residents of Collins Park and Celtic Park Avenue, Dublin 9 regarding speeding on both roads and to investigate the installation of traffic calming measures.

**Q.77 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O'Muirí**

Can the Manager please initiate the relevant procedures for the installation of the following on Fairview Terrace?

1. Speed ramps for traffic calming
2. Permit/pay-and-display parking

**Q.78 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O'Muirí**

In relation to pay-and-display/permit parking in the Philipsburgh Avenue area and environs (Melrose, Waverly, Lomond, Annadale and Turlough Gardens) can the Manager:

1. Detail the overall strategy/plan for provision of local parking in this area as the treatment is inconsistent across the various streets and causes displacement difficulties.
2. Describe the rationale for the addition of extra double-yellow lines recently on one side of the entrance to Turlough Gardens as this has greatly inconvenienced some local residents.

**Q.79 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O'Muirí**

Can the Manager please organise for the tree outside (**details supplied**) to be removed on health & safety grounds – a tree a number of houses up came down in the recent storm causing residential damage and the occupants are very concerned about the risks associated with this particular tree.

**Q.80 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O'Muirí**

Can the Manager please organise for the footpath trips outside (**details supplied**) to be repaired as a matter of urgency – a local resident tripped here recently resulting in a grazed face and broken glasses.

**Q.81 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O'Muirí**

I have been contacted by representatives of (**details supplied**) and the following issues need to be resolved in the immediate environs of the school to make it a safer environment for children at school opening and closing times:

1. Footpath repairs are required both sides of Seafield Road from the entrance to Clontarf GAA to the junction with Vernon Avenue Junction
2. Water pooling that occurs at the junction of Seafield Road and the laneway running down on the eastern side of the school needs to be addressed by providing a route for the water to drain and
3. The crash barrier at the exit of laneway running down from Castilla Park needs to be moved back from the main road towards the laneway.

I feel it would be worthwhile scheduling an onsite meeting between school reps and DCC Traffic Engineers to get these issues assessed and actioned.

**Q.82 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O'Muirí**

Can the Manager please comment on the laneway between (**details supplied**) as follows?

1. Is this laneway in charge? If not, when was the right-of way extinguished
2. Who is therefore responsible for the trees within the laneway

**Q.83 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O'Muirí**

Can the Manager please organise for the briars and shrubbery on the inside right of the entrance to St Brigid's Estate (as you face in) to be removed?

**Q.84 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O'Muirí**

In relation to the single white line that runs in the middle of Castle Avenue from (**Details Supplied**) and then around the corner: