



Proposed Naming of the Cabra Road Bridge

The Commemorative Naming Committee received an application from the Cabra Road Residents Association (CRRA) in November 2017 to name the Cabra Road bridge 'The Harry Clarke Bridge'. Following written permission from relatives of Harry Clarke and permission from TII (owners of the bridge) this application was approved by the Commemorative Naming Committee in June 2018.

A report was presented to the North West Area Committee (NWAC) meeting dated 17th July 2018 seeking their consideration to agree this proposal. In relation to public comment we proposed that the North West Area notify community representatives, Residents Associations and Councillors of this proposal. Details of the proposal were also published on Dublin City Council's website, in the Northside People West dated 18th July and North West Area "Out and About" newsletter. All feedback received to date has been in support of the proposal.

A further report was presented to the North West Area Committee meeting on 18th September 2018. The NWAC approved the proposal. At its meeting dated 26th September 2018 the Commemorative Naming Committee recommended that this proposal go to the full City Council for final approval in accordance with our Policy for the Naming of Infrastructure and the Provision of Monuments, Memorials and Plaques (Revised March 2017).

Therefore, I recommend that the bridge locally known as the Cabra Road Bridge be named 'The Harry Clarke Bridge' and approved by this City Council.

Harry Clarke Synopsis

Harry Clarke was one of Ireland's greatest stained glass artists. His name is synonymous with quality craftsmanship and imaginative genius in stained glass work. During his short life, he created over 160 stained glass windows for religious and commercial commissions throughout Ireland and England, and as far afield as the USA and Australia. He also illustrated books for Harrap and Co. in London.

The CRRA have stated that although Harry Clarke has no direct connection to the Cabra Road itself, they are proud that St. Peter's Church nearby has examples of his work and is in clear view of the bridge.

Richard Shakespeare
Assistant Chief Executive
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