

MOTIONS ON NOTICE – FEBRUARY 2019

1)	COUNCILLOR MICHAEL O'BRIEN	Received: 23/09/2017 Replaced: 30/05/2018
<p>That Dublin City Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • notes the ceasefire in 2011 and verified acts of disarmament by ETA • further notes the subsequent announcement by ETA of its formal dissolution as an organisation • deploras the continuing policy of the Spanish state of dispersing Basque separatist prisoners to the farthest extremities of the Spanish state. • notes that this policy results in huge financial and physical hardship on the families of prisoners and contributes annually to road fatalities arising from long distance travel. • supports a programme prisoner relocation to the Basque land and of prisoner release • Furthermore, along with Amnesty International and 50 MEPs, notes with alarm the case of the Altsasu eight young people who following an altercation with two off duty Guardia Civil in a bar in 2016 have been found guilty of 'disobeying authority' charges (under appeal) resulting in severe jail sentences • joins the calls of others internationally for their immediate release and the withdrawal of the charges • Resolves to communicate the terms of this motion to the Spanish Ambassador and the Oireachtas Committee on Foreign Affairs and Trade. 		
2)	COUNCILLOR RAY MCHUGH	Received: 23/09/2017 Replaced 12/10/2018
<p>That this Council seriously reviews the Rural Resettlement Program to address some of the housing needs of people on the city's Housing List by offering to relocate some to rural towns and villages which have been decimated by emigration and thus would have the added benefit for schools, shops and clubs which need an increase in population to survive.</p>		
3)	COUNCILLOR PADDY MCCARTAN	Received: 24/10/2017 Replaced: 13/08/2018
<p>That elected members oppose any expansion to the Poolbeg Incinerator which currently serves 12 local authority areas. There is a proposal to increase capacity by 15 % to 690,000 tonnes and a further suggestion that demand may increase to 850,000 tonnes. This would mean in effect a national Incinerator operating within a stones throw of the proposed new development of 3500 new homes on the former glass bottle site on the Poolbeg Peninsula.</p>		
4)	COUNCILLOR GREG KELLY	Received: 24/10/2017
<p>This council asks that DCC takes the initiative to take Tailors Hall, Black Lane, Christchurch, Dublin 8, under our control and bring it back into full use. This was a major hub for traditional music and oral tradition and was in the past a building used by International renowned musicians like the Black Family and the Fureys.</p>		

5) **COUNCILLOR TINA MACVEIGH**

Received: 03/11/2017

Replaced: 19/09/2018

This Council notes:

- that the chronic and worsening shortage of social and affordable housing and emergency accommodation in Ireland now constitutes a national emergency;
 - that, nationally, almost 10,000 people are living in emergency accommodation and 144,000 applicants are on housing waiting lists, including the RAS and HAP fixed transfer lists;
 - more than 20,000 households are on Dublin City Council Housing list.
 - that tens of thousands of people on low and middle incomes are paying unaffordable rents and are simultaneously locked out of the house purchase market due to the lack of affordable supply;
 - that this council has failed in its duty to directly build public and affordable housing on publicly owned land despite controlling, as of Dec 2017: 216 Ha of zoned residential land with capacity for circa 18000 dwellings;
 - that the delivery of directly provided public and local authority housing in recent years has been negligible with this council only building/acquiring less than 1,000 homes, in the last 3 years including regeneration,
 - that no affordable housing schemes have been rolled out despite repeated commitments by the government to do so;
 - that the central pillar of any government policy must prioritise a decisive shift towards the direct provision of public and affordable housing on public land rather than the current reliance on private sector solutions;
- that, notwithstanding the above, it is incumbent on this council to use all other measures that could help accelerate the rapid delivery of public and affordable homes;
- that the CSO identified 183,312 empty homes in 2016;

and, further notes that:

the government's 'vacant homes strategy' has delivered only 416 homes to local authorities in 2016 & 2017; (particular figures for DCC)

Commends the *Take back the City* group for their role in highlighting the issue of empty buildings in Dublin and pledges to support their actions; condemns the unnecessary violence used in the evictions on 11th September by masked Garda and private security, calls for charges against activists that arose from this eviction to be dropped and furthermore, calls on the government to:

- radically change policy to address the housing and homelessness emergency which will contain as its central pillar the provision of public and affordable housing on publicly owned land; notwithstanding the above, demands in addition:

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<p>5) Contd.</p>	<p>COUNCILLOR TINA MACVEIGH</p> <p>that the Chief Executive commences an urgent survey of property for residential use within Dublin City Council area and immediately engages with the owners of these properties to establish if it will be brought back into use, in the event of delay in the return to use, the CE will commence CPO proceedings (as per motion passed by DCC in November 2014, see below); and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •that, in particular, the Chief Executive immediately commences CPO proceedings to acquire the properties at 33-39 Summerhill Parade and 34 North Frederick St, 41 Belvedere Place and any other similar properties occupied by housing activists. <p>People Before Profit Motion Passed at DCC Meeting November 2014 That this Council open an 'Unused Properties Register'. The owners of private properties that have been unused/empty for a period of more than six months (as per CSO Census 2011 and other official statistics) will be required to register their intention for use with Council. Where these properties remain idle for a period exceeding three months of registration date or where Council is not satisfied with intended use, by the powers granted to it under Section 213 (2) (A) of the Planning and Development Act (2000), this Council will immediately requisition these properties for immediate use as emergency housing, paying no more than a nominal transaction fee to the owner.</p>	<p>Received: 03/11/2017 Replaced: 19/09/2018</p>
<p>6)</p>	<p>COUNCILLOR PAUL MCAULIFFE</p> <p>Motion Calling for the Chief Executive to appoint senior official to attract investment to Ballymun.</p> <p>With the Ballymun LAP concluded and the Shopping centre site due to be cleared, The City Council calls on the Chief Executive of Dublin City Council to appoint a senior council official in the City Valuer's office with special responsibility for attracting investment in Ballymun.</p>	<p>Received: 25/01/2018</p>
<p>7)</p>	<p>COUNCILLOR CIARAN CUFFE</p> <p>That this Council notes the economic, social and environmental impacts of traffic congestion in the city and requests our Environment and Transport Department to work with the National Transport Authority on a feasibility study on the introduction of a 'decongestion' charge for cars crossing the Canal Cordon at peak hour, the proceeds of which would be used to lower bus, tram and rail fares and improve frequency and reliability; expand the Just Eat dublinbikes scheme; maintain and expand pedestrian facilities including zebra crossings; provide Park and Ride facilities; and improve the public realm for young and old in our parks and on our streets and roads.</p>	<p>Received: 19/12/2017</p>

<p>8)</p>	<p align="right">Received: 21/02/2018</p> <p>That this meeting of DCC calls on the Lord Mayor of Dublin to withdraw and desist from being patron of the Artane School of Music/Artane Band.</p> <p>The Patron of the Artane School of Music is Patron of the Artane Band. The level of institutional abuse child rape and torture which took place in Artane Industrial School itself and, in particular, within the Artane Boys Band has been widely documented in State inquiries. Indeed, it was in the former band room that many suffered their trauma.</p> <p>It is not appropriate that the office of the Lord Mayor would be associated with a Band that carries such a legacy with such a history with it. Symbolism is important and this association is one which brings Dublin City Council and the office of Lord Mayor into disrepute. For many who are still alive and their families, the Artane Band in all its manifestations including the Artane School of Music, its symbols and uniform signify terror and trigger deep trauma to this very day.</p> <p>With campaigns such as #metoo now in existence and with attempts being made to heighten awareness of child abuse and child protection, there is no reason why Dublin City Council or the office of the Lord Mayor should give official sanction to what is still deeply hurtful and painful for the many children who suffered sexual, emotional, spiritual and physical abuse at the hands of the Christian Brothers and others in the residential institutions that they managed.</p> <p>We who went through this, have to deal with it on a daily basis. After all the reports and the apologies, it is deeply hurtful for us to see the Artane uniform, the Artane symbols and the Artane Band which is still under the control of the Christian brothers, rolled out on National Media without any regard for our feelings.</p> <p>This is wrong and needs to stop.</p> <p>Dublin city council itself under its former title of Dublin Corporation was complicit and involved in the incarceration of thousands of children in residential institutions such as Artane, Letterfrack, Daingean under the guise of the non attendance of school act. In recent times the Council publicly apologised that in itself was a great step in the process of healing. To stand down the patronage of the Artane School of Music, Artane Band is the only option for Dublin City Council otherwise their apology is simply hollow words.</p> <p>It is time for disassociation with all symbols and manifestations of terror and abuse.</p>
<p>9)</p>	<p align="right">Received: 21/02/2018</p> <p>This Area Committee acknowledges that DCC Departmental work which is the focus of the taking in charge (T.I.C.) process would benefit from the allocation of additional resources, with a very particular focus and purpose to advance the T.I.C of the Belmayne and Clongriffin areas, and requests that these resources be made available.</p> <p>This is required given the enormous scale of both areas and difficulties experienced for residents while the area and building was subject to the effects of the recession and halt on the pace of building work, which consequently affected the completion of building and infrastructure and impacted at another level on developers' readiness to either prepare or make formal application to DCC to have areas taken in Charge.</p> <p>All of the above would be in line with the developers' formal applications to DCC for T.I.C and efforts to bring the process to fruition, readiness to make the initial application and in the current period to continue the initial work towards T.I.C which has begun in sections of both Belmayne and Clongriffin.</p>

10)	COUNCILLOR TOM BRABAZON This Council recognises - Dublin Fire Brigade (DFB) has been providing crucial ambulance services to the citizens of the city and north county since 1898; - The Brigade now operates with life-saving equipment and over 800 trained firefighter paramedics work to provide immediate medical assistance to the members of the public in need of treatment 24/7. 365 days a year; - Staff must be lauded for their ability to respond to thousands of emergency calls across the Capital every year, and Accepts that; - The HSE has proposed to remove the delivery of Dublin's Ambulance service from Dublin Fire Brigade and instead merge the service with the National Ambulance Service; - Such a proposal could have a huge negative impact on the delivery of services from the DFB call centre; - Removing any element of DFB's fire based EMS system will have an adverse effect on safeguarding those in our community; and calls for; - Full support for the almost 1,000 personnel employed, to maximise service delivery and provide greater efficiency to protect those in fire stations across Dublin who provide a full-time fire, rescue & ambulance service which serves our whole community; - A direct funding mechanism should be designed to allow DFB to continue to operate all areas of DFB's fire based EMS service; - The full retention of ambulance services provided by Dublin Fire Brigade across Dublin	Received: 13/02/2018
11)	MOTION IN THE NAME OF PROTOCOL COMMITTEE With the increased considerations of the Environment becoming an everyday part of the lifestyle of every citizen of Dublin City, I feel that the City Council should, where possible, lead by example by introducing a policy of the non-use of non-biodegradable items.	Received: 27/03/2018
12)	COUNCILLOR ALISON GILLILAND Dublin City Council recognises the inordinate length of time that single people on our social housing lists wait to be allocated a one bed unit. It also recognises the disproportion waiting times compared to other family sizes, and the lack of any specific plan to strategically increase supply of one bed units. Therefore, this Council seeks that inhibitors to the sustainable planning for one bed units be identified and that a strategic plan be drawn up and published within 6 months to dramatically increase the number of one bed units across all DCC Housing Areas with a view to alleviating the length of time single people have to spend on our one bed housing waiting list.	Received:02/05/2018
13)	COUNCILLOR SEAMAS MCGRATTAN This City Council supports the families campaign to have the bodies of Joseph Brady, Daniel Curley, Michael Fagan, Thomas Caffrey and Timothy Kelly (otherwise known as The Invincibles) removed from Kilmainham Gaol and buried in Glasnevin Cemetery.	Received: 19/06/2018
14)	COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON That Dublin City Council lobby various Government Depts / State Institutions to relocate to Cherry Orchard/Park West when re-developing their existing properties, this would assist the physical regeneration of the area with footfall etc. Cherry Orchard needs to develop its retail / commercial base, it is located on the Kildare Line with its own modern Train Station, it should be an attractive location for business near the M50 etc.	Received: 20/06/2018

15)	MOTION IN THE NAME OF ENVIRONMENT SPC	Received: 20/06/2018
<p>That in light of the very serious amount of litter and waste that was left along the Grand Canal and other parts of the City during the good weather last weekend, this Environment SPC calls on Dublin City Council to explore ways of improving the litter and waste management systems during the good weather, such as increasing the number of large bins available, and investing in an awareness campaign to encourage personable responsibility so people clean up after themselves, bring their waste home, and leave no trace.</p>		
16)	MOTION IN THE NAME OF HOUSING SPC	Received: 20/06/2018
<p>This Committee calls on the Chief Executive to desist with the proposal to move the Housing Department Caretaker service from a complex based service to a Squad Based system as part of the current restructuring of Caretaker services. We believe this proposal will lead to a lesser service for our tenants.</p>		
17)	COUNCILLOR ÉILIS RYAN	Received: 22/08/2018
<p>Dublin City Council notes with concern the rise in Ireland over the past number of years, of diseases which are preventable through vaccination, including mumps, measles and whooping cough.</p> <p>The City Council further notes the dangerous spread of misinformation overstating and at times inventing risks associated with vaccinations, and associated campaigns encouraging parents not to vaccinate their children. We recognise that achieving 'herd immunity,' in which anybody who can be vaccinated is vaccinated, is essential to stopping the spread of dangerous infectious diseases.</p> <p>As part of Dublin City Council's involvement with the <i>Healthy Cities</i> initiative, the City Council commits to the following actions to combat this trend:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The instigation of a public information campaign, aimed at publicising the HSE's existing policies of encouraging vaccination of children, in DCC workplaces, childcare facilities, community and sports' centres, and through public advertising, billboards and meetings • The establishment of a working group comprising the City of Dublin Youth Services Board, the Dublin City Childcare Committee and Dublin City Council and a representative from the HSE, to agree a joint policy on requiring evidence of vaccination against MMR and Whooping Cough, for children accessing childcare, daycare, sports or recreational activities carried out by those bodies, with medical exceptions only <p>Dublin City Council furthermore calls on the Minister of Health to adopt a similar approach nationwide, in particular requiring that all children accessing shared childcare or education spaces be required to produce a vaccination certificate for MMR and Whooping Cough.</p>		
18)	COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE HENEY	Received: 02/10/2018
<p>That this City Council makes every effort to ensure compliance with legislation for the protection of animals, particularly horses, including carriage horses, in our city.</p>		
19)	COUNCILLOR DAVID COSTELLO	Received: 02/10/2018
<p>That this Council calls on the Chief Executive to appoint an Assistant Chief Executive whose sole remit would be the delivery/ construction of new social and affordable housing.</p>		

20)	COUNCILLOR CHRIS ANDREWS	Received: 23/09/2017
<p>That the Chief Executive carries out a costing for the installation of Fire safety regulation front doors similar to those being installed in newly let flats.</p>		
21)	COUNCILLOR FRANK KENNEDY	Received: 04/12/2018
<p>This City Council approves the recommendations of the Loneliness Taskforce in its Report “A Connected Island: An Ireland free from Loneliness” published on 13 June 2018 (and available at https://lonelinesstaskforce.com/a-connected-island-an-ireland-free-from-loneliness/) and resolves that the Chief Executive shall review the recommendations to identify mechanisms through which Dublin City Council can support the implementation of these recommendations.</p>		
22)	COUNCILLOR NOELEEN REILLY	Received: 09/12/2018
<p>That Dublin City Council calls on the Irish Government to implement a ban on the use of electric shock bark collars, remote control electric collars and other negative reinforcement training equipment. The use of this Equipment is banned in other European countries and is deemed by the vast majority of Vets and Dog Trainers as cruel for enforcing behaviour by pain.</p>		
23)	COUNCILLOR DAITHÍ DOOLAN	Received: 11/01/2019
<p>That Dublin City Council is committed to the remunicipalisation of the domestic waste collection service in the Dublin City Council boundary.</p>		
24)	SOUTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE	Received: 22/01/2019
<p>In light of the possible development of Player Wills that this Area Committee agrees that the addition of Player Wills to the record of protected structures is expedited as a matter of urgency and that this motion is forwarded to the Planning SPC and the full DCC council meeting for agreement.</p>		
25)	COUNCILLOR CLAIRE O’CONNOR	Received: 23/01/2019
<p>That Dublin City Council provide public water fountains within the Dublin Metropolitan Area where people can fill up their reusable water bottles in an attempt to cut down on the dumping of plastic water bottles. At a minimum the presence of these taps would prove as a symbol and reminder of the need to recycle. Water fountains would act as a simple but effective way to encourage Dubliners and visitors to ditch plastic bottles and instead refill reusable ones. The public water fountains would provide a free alternative to drinking high-sugar carbonated drinks, and support measures to cut child obesity. Twenty water fountains were introduced in London in 2018 near busy stations, shopping centres, museums and business districts in circumstances where the average Londoner buys at least three plastic water bottles every week.</p>		