

**QUESTIONS LODGED PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER NO.16 FOR REPLY AT THE MONTHLY MEETING OF DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, 7<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2019**

**Q.1 COUNCILLOR GAYE FAGAN**

To ask the Chief Executive are there any road works projects planned for **(details supplied)** and if so what roads will the work be carried out on.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Road Maintenance Services have no planned carriageway works for **(details supplied)**. There will be carriageway resurfacing works going ahead for **(details supplied)**.

**Q.2 COUNCILLOR DERMOT LACEY**

To ask the Chief Executive to outline the criteria for the order of placing of Approved Housing Bodies on the selection lists and to outline the top ten bodies on all such lists.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The original communications protocol was developed by a sub-group of the Dublin Social Housing Taskforce consisting of representatives of the four Dublin Local Authorities, the Irish Council for Social Housing and Approved Housing Bodies(AHBs). The purpose of the Protocol is to provide a transparent, fair and administratively streamlined process through which the four Dublin Local Authorities engage with AHBs. AHBs interested in being placed on panels within the protocol, were asked to make submissions under the following categories with each category being marked out of 100.

1. Management of housing needs
2. Past performance and delivery over the past 5 years
3. Financial capacity, governance and compliance
4. Housing management experience

Each local authority operates and maintains its own separate panels, with the selection of an AHB being made in two areas of delivery only as follows:-

**LA owned Land:**

A Local Authority invites Expressions of Interest from panel AHBs that have expressed an interest in this type of opportunity that also matches the size of development preference. Each EOI opportunity is awarded based on an assessment against criteria defined by the Local Authority in its EOI request

**Developer/AHB led:**

Panel not used. The Local Authority holds an "opportunity register" where the AHB's interest is noted in order of date of support from the Local Authority.

**Part V:**

Part V units are offered to an AHB on a rotational basis should the local authority decide not to take the units into their own stock. A scheme can be exempt from selection by rotation on housing management grounds where an AHB is already active in the vicinity of the proposed site.

**AHB owned land:**

The Panel is not used.

The panels identifying the top ten AHBS for social housing supply on LA owned lands and Part V units is attached.

	Part V – less than 5 units	Part V 5 – 20 units	Part V 21+ units	Construction on LA Lands – less than 5 units	Construction on LA lands – 5- 20 units	Construction on LA lands 21+ units
1	Respond	Cluid	Cluid	Respond	Cluid	Cluid
2	Oaklee	Tuath	Tuath	Oaklee	Tuath	Tuath
3	Fold	Respond	Respond	Focus	Respond	Respond
4	Circle	Oaklee	Oaklee	Circle	Oaklee	Oaklee
5	Co-Operative Housing	Fold	Iveagh Trust	Sophia	Fold	Iveagh Trust
6	Sophia	Focus	Fold	North & East	Focus	Fold
7	North & East	Circle	Focus	Peter McVerry	Circle	Focus
8	Peter McVerry Trust	Co-Operative Housing	Circle	Hail	Co-Operative Housing	Circle
9	Clanmill	Sophia	Co-Operative Housing	Alone	Sophia	Co-operative Housing
10	Hail	North & East	North & East	Novas	North & East	North & East

**Q.3 COUNCILLOR RAY MCHUGH**

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for an inspection of **(details supplied)**. There is a severe dampness problem at this property. The tenant has followed all recommendations of treating this problem, but it continues. This young lady has a young baby in hospital with bronchitis, and a son suffering with asthma. Can we please address this problem urgently? I would appreciate it if we could contact this lady to inform her when we are calling as she spends all her time in the hospital with the baby. She will arrange to be there if contacted by someone.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Dublin City Council has arranged for a damp report to be carried out at the above property by an independent contractor. Once this report has been received, Dublin City Council will carry out its' recommendations.

**Q.4 COUNCILLOR RAY MCHUGH**

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for an inspection of this flat at **(details supplied)** several problems need to be addressed such as electric sockets, dampness and front door.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Following an inspection at **(details supplied)** in mid-December, arrangements are in place to have a new uPVC hall door fitted and to have a ventilation system installed. The electric sockets have been made safe. It is hoped that these works will be completed by end January 2019.

**Q.5 COUNCILLOR RAY MCHUGH**

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for pedestrian lights at all corners of the Junction of **(details supplied)**. There has already been one child knocked down at this junction and it is extremely dangerous for senior citizens attending mass at weekends.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

This request has been added to the existing Traffic Advisory Group agenda for examination and report by the Area Traffic Engineer. The Councillor will be informed of the recommendation in due course.

**Q.6 COUNCILLOR RUAIRI MCGINLEY**

To ask the Chief Executive to set out Dublin City Council Housing Allocations in 2018, from each of housing lists with comparative 2017 numbers.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Dublin City Council's Housing Allocations and Transfers Section will produce the total allocations for 2018 in the next Housing Allocations Quarterly Report, due for release in January 2019. The Housing Allocations Quarterly Report will be circulated to the five Local Area Committees for the Elected Members.

A comparative table illustrating the number of Housing Allocations that occurred in 2017 and 2018 will be included within the report.

**Q.7 COUNCILLOR GREG KELLY**

To ask the Chief Executive to give details of the process for allocating allotments in **(details supplied)**.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

It is intended to invite applications for the allotments on the site **(details supplied)** in early 2019. Priority will be given to people living in the local area. It should be noted that only one application per household will be allowed. The annual fee per allotment will be €120.

**Q.8 COUNCILLOR GREG KELLY**

To ask the Chief Executive to confirm that planters have been ordered for both Bluebell and Drimnagh for next year, as per motion I had passed at the area meeting a few months ago.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The Planters have been ordered for 2019. It is expected that provision of planters for Drimnagh and Bluebell will be included in this order.

**Q.9 COUNCILLOR GREG KELLY**

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a detailed list of what bins will be installed in the Ballyfermot/Drimnagh election ward in 2019, and also when they are planned to be installed.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

There are no current plans to install additional bins specifically in the Ballyfermot / Drimnagh electoral area. It is the policy of Waste Management Services to install bins in locations that are main thoroughfares, arterial routes to the city, neighbourhood shopping locations and at leisure / community facilities or other significant litter generators. These locations are well serviced in the South Central Area generally with more than 300 public litter bins in place in the area.

Waste Management Services are currently developing plans to upgrade the types of bins in place in urban villages throughout the city in 2019 and this will include locations in the South Central Area.

Individual requests for additional bins will be examined in the context of the policy outlined above and any bins damaged or requiring refurbishment will be replaced as required. It is not intended that bins be installed in residential areas.

**Q.10 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN**

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange **(details supplied)** for a full investigation of the water pressure issues. Residents have reported that the pressure is low but not at all times. Weekends seem to be the worst.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

This development comprises of both privately owned and Dublin City Council apartments. Housing Maintenance has received no maintenance requests in relation to low water pressure in any of our units but should one be received, it can be easily rectified as each unit has its' own external stopcock.

**Q.11 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN**

To ask the Chief Executive to provide details of all bookings for the Mansion House for December 2018 and January 2019.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The following are the details of bookings for the use of the Oak Room in the Mansion House in December 2018 and January 2019. This does not include Lord Mayor's receptions or groups hosted by the Lord Mayor in his residence. All Mayoral Receptions are submitted to the Protocol Committee on a monthly basis and are included on its agenda. There may be some bookings added during the month of January.

**December 2018**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Name of Organisation / Group</b>	<b>Event</b>
3.12.2018	Dublin Fire Brigade	Fire Safety Week Art Competition
4.12.2018	Siel Bleu	12 week exercise programme for older persons
4.12.2018	Dublin Learning City	Scholarship Awards
4.12.2018	Smart Dublin	Dinner/Reception for Harvard University & Smart Cities delegation

**Appendix A – January 2019 City Council Meeting**

5.12.2018	DePaul Ireland	Volunteer Recognition Evening
6.12.2018	Dublin City Council	Age Friendly National Programme Managers Meeting
6.12.2018	Irish Jewish Community	Hanukkah Celebration
7.12.2018	Dublin City Council	City Neighbourhood Schools Awards
7.12.2018	Deputy Lord Mayor	Private Function
10.12.2018	Dublin City Interfaith Forum	Launch of 3 year strategy
10.12.2018	The Dympna Meaney Women's Leadership Development Fund	Five year Anniversary and Call for 2019 Bursaries
11.12.2018	Trinity College Dublin	Trinity Access Programme
12.12.2018	Greenhills An Slí Choir	Concert
16.12.2018	Aoibheann's Pink Tie	Christmas visit and reception
17.12.2018	Larkin Unemployed Centre	Award Ceremony
18.12.2018	CDETБ Youthreach	Presentation of Certificates
18.12.2018	Family Resource Centre	Suffragette Night
21.12.2018	The Awakening	Soul Space

**January 2019**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Name of Organisation / Group</b>	<b>Event</b>
5.1.2019	Cllr Claire O'Connor	Private Function
9.1.2019	ARC Cancer Support Centre	Reception for Volunteers
10.1.2019	Joe Hughes	Remembrance Night
14.1.2018	Cllr Greg Kelly	St Patrick's Athletic FC Volunteer Night
16.1.2019	Central Bank of Ireland	Launch of Commemorative Coin
16.1.2019	DublinTown	Networking Meeting
17.1.2019	Cuban Embassy	National Day Reception
23.1.2019	DCC Retired Staff Association	Talk
24.1.2019	Dublin City Council	Retirement Function
28.1.2019	Cllr Dermot Lacey	Meeting
30.1.2019	6 <sup>th</sup> Dublin Scout Group	Reception for Leaders & Parents
31.1.2019	Warwick Business School	Networking Event

**Q.12 COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE**

To ask the Chief Executive to respond to this housing request. **(details supplied)**.  
 This lady, her partner and four children (two boys aged one and three and two girls aged nine and fifteen) live at **(details supplied)** in HAP Accommodation. The landlord has given them notice to vacate the home in January. Her two eldest children are settled in local schools and the three-year-old boy is in a local crèche. This lady's son suffers major allergies and skin problems and her fifteen-year-old step daughter is struggling with mental health issues. There are medical reports to support this. Can this lady and her family be offered alternative accommodation.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The above applicant is on the HAP Transfer list with the following positions;

Area	Bedsizes	Position
Area B	3 Bed	184
Area E	3 Bed	54
Area P	3 Bed	167

Priority Status for Housing applicants may be given in cases of exceptional medical circumstances. This is only if it relates to the applicant's housing conditions and the accommodation is unsuitable by reason of the condition. Applicants must demonstrate the management of the course of the illness will be helped by a change in housing. The criteria for assessing medical priority will include whether the applicant can access kitchen and bathroom facilities in the current accommodation or cases where an individual may not return from hospital until accommodation suitable to their needs is made available. The applicant may submit an application for Medical Priority to the Allocations Section along with supporting medical evidence from a Medical Doctor or Medical Consultant.

The applicant has submitted details of her notice of termination and has been advised that she is eligible for the Homeless HAP payment. This is an enhanced HAP payment which will give extra financial support towards the cost of renting another property.

Dublin City Council are allocating properties based on time on the list and currently there are applicants on the Waiting List of longer standing who have to be considered as suitable vacancies arise. It is not possible to indicate accurately the prospect of an offer for any applicant. The number of vacancies arising will be a determining factor in the length of time applicants could expect to be on the waiting list.

**Q.13 COUNCILLOR PATRICK COSTELLO**

To ask the Chief Executive what are the reasons for the Notice to Quit, of those families who have taken up preventative Homeless HAP.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

When families in the Dublin Region are at risk of homelessness or newly experiencing homelessness they present to the housing section of their local authority. Upon their first presentation families fill out an initial assessment form for placement and support purposes. Families are asked to detail the reason or reasons for their current experience of homelessness and provide details of their accommodation history.

The Dublin Regional Homeless Executive (DRHE) Research Team analyses the initial assessment forms and reviews the primary reasons for homelessness given by

the families at their initial presentation. The most recent analysis provides detailed information on the types of Notice to Termination (NOT) issued

As detailed in Table 1 below, landlords issued 276 families with a NOT from January to June 2018, Based on the detail provided by the families at their initial assessment, 33 families stated they were issued with a NOT because of rent arrears, 25 properties were being taken back by landlords for family use and 87 were to be sold. In 24 cases families had to depart a property for repairs or renovations to take place while eight landlords had gone into receivership.

Eight families were issues with a NOT as the dwelling was no longer suitable to the accommodation needs of the tenant and six families were subject to an illegal eviction. There was no detailed reason provided for the NOT for 114 of these families.

**Table 1: Type of Notice of Termination reported at initial assessment for the families who newly presented to homeless services in the Dublin region from January to June 2018**

Notice of Termination	No. of families
First six months of tenancy	-
Rent arrears	33
Breach of tenant responsibilities/ anti- social behaviour	-
Landlord requires property for own or family use	25
Landlord intends to sell property	87
Landlord intends to renovate	24
Landlord in receivership	8
Unsuitable to accommodation needs of tenant	8
Invalid or illegal NOT	6

**Q.14 COUNCILLOR PATRICK COSTELLO**

To ask the Chief Executive how many people on the HAP transfer list, have been moved from the Homeless HAP list to Local Authority Housing.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

There have been a total of 24 applicants housed from the Homeless HAP Transfer list from January 2018 to September 2018. This figure is also available in the Housing Allocations Quarterly report October 2018.

The total Allocations figures for 2018 will be available at the end of January 2019.

**Q.15 COUNCILLOR TINA MACVEIGH**

To ask the Chief Executive that this Councillor be provided with a copy of all of the submissions received to the Proposed Draft Variation No 6 of the Dublin City Development Plan 2016 - 2022: Marrowbone Lane (including DCC Depot lands), Dublin 8.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A total of 115 submissions were received for the above variation. These are available to view on ShareFile in the City Development Plan Variations folder.

**Q.16 COUNCILLOR NOELEEN REILLY**

To ask the Chief Executive for the position of people on the housing list who have been allocated units in **(details supplied)** as part of the 92 purchased recently.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Dublin City Council purchased accommodation in **(details supplied)** to accommodate 92 households from its housing and transfer waiting lists.

**Accommodation:**

The purchased units comprise of 6 x 1-beds, 33 x 2-beds, 45 x 3-beds and 8 4-beds. Tuath Housing Association will provide property support services to the tenants. Additional supports will be arranged for households moving from homelessness.

**Nominations/Allocations:**

To date, 12 of 92 nominations have been sent to Tuath for interview/induction meeting for the first phase. Broadly, it is proposed to nominate 47 from the housing list and 45 from the transfer list.

Housing List: 47

Band 1 - includes Medical, Welfare, Traveller and Homeless Priority cases – will be allocated 28 units;

Band 2 - includes Overcrowding and Homeless post-2018 – will be allocated 10 units;

Band 3 – includes all other cases – will be allocated 9 units.

Transfer List: 45

Band 1 - includes Medical, Welfare, Traveller, RAS Exit and Homeless HAP Priority cases – will be allocated 26 units;

Band 2 - includes Overcrowding and historical medical/welfare points – will be allocated 10 units;

Band 3 – includes all other cases – will be allocated 7 cases.

**Positions of Nominees:**

At this point in time, only nominations and not formal offers have been made, therefore it is expected that these positions will fluctuate over the coming weeks up to formal offer stage. The positions that an applicant holds on the list at the time of signing may change from their position at nomination/offer as there are changes when applicants update areas of preference (permitted once a year) or their circumstances change e.g. additional children.

Of the positions of each nominee, if any are not position 1 it is because:

1. The cases above them are nominated/under offer elsewhere but have not yet signed;
2. They are RAS Exit cases i.e. they are over holding in a tenancy where a determination order has been served
3. The medical cases ahead of them require specific adaptations that cannot be met in this property;
4. They are in close position but at immediate risk of homelessness;
5. The letting is otherwise provided for in the Adopted Allocations Scheme.

Monthly lettings lists, including the applicant's position on the date of selections, are signed off on by the Allocations Officer and the Director of the Dublin Regional Homeless Executive. They may be made available to Elected Members on request to view (no electronic transmission, copies or photography are permitted per Data Protection rules) in either the area office or Civic Offices.



**Q.17 COUNCILLOR NOELEEN REILLY**

To ask the Chief Executive the number of horses seized and killed in the last 5 years.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Year	Horses Seized	Horses Euthanized
2017	122	113
2016	190	170
2015	145	118
2014	328	300
2013	332	320

**Q.18 COUNCILLOR NOELEEN REILLY**

To ask the Chief Executive to review all the Dublin City Councils property in Cairn Court and identify those that have not been insulated and to give a date when this will be done.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

We will arrange for our Energy Liaison Officer to survey the complex in January 2019 and subject to its suitability, it will be programmed in for insulation works under our Energy Efficiency Fabric Upgrade programme. A date can only be confirmed post completion of a survey and works being programmed in as the programme extends to works currently in progress across all five areas.

**Q.19 COUNCILLOR NOELEEN REILLY**

To ask the Chief Executive the number of dogs seized in the last 5 years, the numbers given to charities and the number killed.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Year	Dogs Seized/Surrendered	Dogs Reclaimed	Dogs Rehomed	Dogs given to Welfare Groups	Dogs Euthanized
2017	510	92	47	355	14
2016	461	89	46	307	17
2015	496	99	38	335	22
2014	649	119	71	364	79
2013	750	188	58	453	121

**Q.20 COUNCILLOR DAÌTHÌ DOOLAN**

To ask the Chief Executive to outline all the cost benefit analyses that have been sent to the Department of Housing since 2014, an update on each analysis and all correspondence with the Department relating to these analysis?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A Cost Benefit Analysis (CBA) is a key economic appraisal technique under the Public Spending Code. CBA is the mandatory appraisal technique for projects costing more than €20m.

The requirement to prepare a CBA has been a relatively recent development for the Regeneration Section of the Housing and Community Services Department (DCC), which progressed Cost Benefit Analyses for 15 projects in 2018. This included projects that had stage 1 approval prior to 2018 but required CBAs as part of the approval process. For example, CBAs were submitted for O'Devaney Gardens Phase 1, St Theresa's Gardens (Phase 1), and Dominick Street in 2018. These are now all on-site.

In considering a CBA, the decision makers in the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government (DHPLG) need to be assured that all alternatives are considered and that the State gets the best possible value for money. They carry out a robust appraisal of the submitted CBA which generally results in a set of queries and a request for a revised CBA to be completed by DCC. The Regeneration Section of the Housing and Community Services Department (DCC) recalibrates and resubmits a revised CBA when requested. Following further review by DHPLG and confirmation that the CBA meets its criteria, it is forwarded by DHPLG in accordance with the Public Spending Code to the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform for their further appraisal and approval purposes.

DOHPLG Circular 2/2018 New Timelines for the Preparation and Assessment of Local Authority Social Housing Capital Projects (the 4 stage approval process), introduced a 59-week approval programme. Due to the requirement of a CBA on these projects listed below it is not practically possible to meet the 59-week timeframe.

The Regeneration Section undertakes the following actions when applying for Stage 1 approval:

Arranges for in-house feasibility study by city architects on the various redevelopment options

Organises an in-house multi-disciplinary workshop with internal stakeholders drawn from across the organisation for example engineering, roads, parks, area staff, architects and planning

Gets redevelopment options costed by internal quantity surveying section

Requests informal exploratory meeting with DHPLG to explain the rationale behind DCC's redevelopment options

Develops CBA

Collates feasibility study, costings and CBA and submits a Stage 1 Application to DHPLG

Upon receipt of DHPLG queries, addresses same and resubmits revised CBA

Once the DHPLG is satisfied with the CBA it refers it onto DPER for appraisal and approval.

Please see attached table containing a schedule detailed key correspondence and timeframes on existing projects.

**Q.21 COUNCILLOR DAÌTHÌ DOOLAN**

To ask the Chief Executive to give a breakdown of the cost of construction per unit for apartments in O'Devaney Gardens, Oscar Traynor Road and St. Michael sites?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The O'Devaney Gardens and Oscar Traynor Road projects are presently the subject of a formal Public Procurement procedure in accordance with Irish and EU Procurement Law. The rules of such a procedure stipulate that strict confidentiality must be maintained at all times between the tendering candidates and the Contracting Authority ( DCC in this instance ) – accordingly, all information with regard to tenders / apartment costs / units costs is regarded as commercially sensitive at the stage in the process and releasing such information at this juncture would undermine the integrity / confidentiality of the procurement and possibly lead to a legal challenge and / or the collapse of the Procurement process.

St Michaels is at an earlier stage in the procedure and the project hasn't yet reached the stage where definitive costings have been established.

As a result, it is not possible to provide the breakdown required with regard to Question 21.

**Q.22 COUNCILLOR DAÌTHÌ DOOLAN**

To ask the Chief Executive when will work on site preparation for affordable housing commence in Cherry Orchard?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Funding approval under the "Service Sites Fund – Calls for Proposals" was received from the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government on 12th December 2018, to provide enabling infrastructure to facilitate the delivery of affordable homes on City Council's lands at Cherry Orchard.

The City Council is currently preparing a schedule of works and timeframe for delivery of the required infrastructure and affordable housing.

**Q.23 COUNCILLOR CHRIS ANDREWS**

To ask the Chief Executive why are tenants who have engaged in criminal behaviour and often terrorise the community allowed stay in flats despite being in prison while homeless families and individuals are made stay longer in homeless accommodation. How many flats are in Dublin City Council's Local Authority area are being "kept" for prisoners return. Can I get a breakdown for the South East area and the other Area Committees. Do the prisoners continue to pay rent while they are in prison?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Dublin City Council are not always made aware of tenants who are incarcerated therefore it is impossible to know at any given time how many are in prison.

Each case will be looked at on its own merit, for example, the duration of the sentence, a week, a month, a year and so on. Dublin City Council have in the past sought warrants for eviction for sole tenants who have received lengthy sentences, also tenants have surrendered their properties upon incarceration.

If there are any individual cases to be reviewed, please forward the relevant information to the City Councils Estate Management Section.

**Q.24 COUNCILLOR CHRIS ANDREWS**

To ask the Chief Executive can he say how many pram sheds are unused in Vincent Street and how and when will the vacant ones be reallocated?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

There are currently no plans to reallocate any of the vacant pram sheds. Housing Maintenance engineers have surveyed this location and are considering using this space to install new water tanks and water pump to service the complex.

**Q.25 COUNCILLOR CHRIS ANDREWS**

To ask the Chief Executive can he treat Cuffe Street and Digges Street for rat infestation and address the fact that the bins are mostly open and not in a clear segregated area, they appear to be nesting in the old bin shoot areas.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Housing Maintenance Mobile Crew have treated the common areas in Cuffe Street and Digges Street flat complexes with rat bait for the past few months. The process for dealing with rats is to lay bait boxes in shores, and in bin chutes and safe areas where there is no access by children. These areas are checked approximately 2 weeks later to determine if the bait has been taken which indicates a presence of vermin. In such cases further bait is laid, rechecked and re-laid until such time as the issue is resolved. Bait has again been laid this week. Monitoring of the common areas in these flat complexes will continue and any necessary actions taken to deal with the presence of rats if identified. The old bin chute areas and the current bin location area will be inspected in the new year.

**Q.26 COUNCILLOR CHRIS ANDREWS**

To ask the Chief Executive bearing in mind that Cuffe Street and a Digges Street flats face onto the increasingly busy Aungier Street and the very busy junction with Camden Street and Kevin Street/Cuffe Street. Can the Chief Executive have the height of the railings around the flat complex increased to the same height as the Mercer House boundary fence as access is extremely easy for party goers and people engaging in anti-social behaviour and makes it very unsafe for young children playing in the forecourt.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The area housing manager will engage a contractor to survey and quote for the necessary works to be done. When this quote has been received then it will be assessed for suitability and value for money. If this quote is found acceptable and the works are agreed, then funding will then be sourced to carry them out.

**Q.27 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN**

To ask the Chief Executive to initiate a full evaluation and audit of child safety procedures and governance of all scouting organisations that Dublin City Council is involved with by way of financial support and leases and licenses on buildings. Given the most recent controversy regarding the abuse of children within Scouting Ireland and the alleged cover up and the grave public concern regarding this betrayal it is of absolute importance in maintaining the public confidence that the local authority, Dublin City Council, conduct their own audits and checks on these organisations. Child safety cannot be underestimated here. Crimes of this nature cannot be construed or promoted as something that is historical or in the past. They are simply crimes that have been covered up.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Dublin City council places the highest priority on safety and is committed to taking all reasonably practicable steps to ensure the health and safety of both employees and of people who are not in our employment such as members of the public, including children.

Safe practice is essential in all our work and Dublin City Council has put in place guidelines to strengthen the arrangements for the welfare of children in all interactions with this organisation and to provide specific safeguards and support for our employees who are working directly with children. These guidelines apply to all employees including temporary and contract who are engaged in activities on behalf of Dublin City Council. Particular emphasis is placed on our various premises used for community and recreational purposes throughout the city.

The Children First Act 2015 was a key Programme for Government commitment and forms a suite of child protection legislation including a requirement on organisations providing services to children to keep children safe from harm and to produce a Child Safeguarding Statement. This very important element of the legislation commenced in December 2017 and It requires relevant organisations to keep children safe from harm while availing of their service, to undertake a risk assessment to identify the potential for harm to a child who is availing of their service, and to prepare a child safeguarding statement which sets out the policies and procedures which are in place to mitigate the risks identified.

A list of relevant service providers is set out in Schedule 1 of the Act. The legislation makes provision for a Register of Non-Compliance which is managed by TUSLA who have established a dedicated Safeguarding Statement Compliance Unit to monitor this requirement. From this year onwards we will seek evidence of Safeguarding Statement Compliance from all relevant organisations that receive funds/grants/contributions from Dublin City Council.

**Q.28 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN**

To ask the Chief Executive to conduct a full assessment and examination of all the statistics that are being supplied by the charities that are dealing with homeless individuals and families. Many of the annual reports of these organisations are stating that from 10,000 - 13,000 individuals are using their services annually. These organisation include Focus Ireland, Simon Community, McVerry Trust, DePaul etc. It is important that these numbers are not duplicates and that each organisation is counting these service users collectively and in cooperation with each other. Dublin City Council and its Homeless Executive needs to conduct a full audit of these numbers and get clarification on the overall number that are using these services multiple times. If one was to take these statistics on their own it would come across as if there are multiples of thousands of individuals using this system. We need clarity on these number and Dublin City Council as the statutory agency with statutory authority needs to get this record straight.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Each individual accessing Homeless Services or Emergency Accommodation in the Dublin Region has a unique identifier on the Pathway Accommodation & Support System (PASS). NGOs and Charity Organisations are funded on the basis of the specific services they provide to the individuals i.e. accommodation, food services, support services etc.

Service users can and do use a multiplicity of services and service providers,

All service providers that received funding must sign a Service Level Agreement (SLA) with the Dublin Region Homeless Executive (DRHE). The DRHE as part of the funding review and SLA discussions will propose that we develop a system for the future that ensures each NGO and Charity Organisation is accurately reflecting their outcomes and types of service they provide, whilst crediting the supports received by the DRHE and Local Authorities.

**Q.29 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN**

To ask the Chief Executive to issue a full report detailing the amount of service users that have been refused entry by the various approved housing bodies and charitable organisations that provide emergency accommodation for rough sleepers, homeless individuals and families. This report to also include how many people have been evicted? How many of the organisations involved use this practice? And what power does Dublin City Council have and the Homeless Executive have to stop this practice?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The Dublin Region Homeless Executive (DRHE) has robust reporting procedures in place for Section 10 funded homeless service providers. Homeless service providers are required to submit quarterly Key Performance Indicator (KPI) returns to the DRHE. These returns are monitored by the DRHE and any anomalies are followed up with Homeless service providers with a view to improving service user outcomes.

One of the KPIs looks at the number of exclusions that have occurred across the suite of homeless services i.e. Supported Temporary Accommodation, One Night Only services and Temporary Accommodation providers. Given the nature of homeless services operating in congregated settings there is an expected level of exclusions due to behaviour management and the need to maintain safe services for all service users. Where service providers are reporting unacceptable levels of exclusions there is engagement from the DRHE and appropriate supports and responses are put in place.

Below are the level of exclusions for Q1, Q2 and Q3 2018. It is evident from the data below that there continues to be a decline in the number of exclusions on a sectoral basis and this is mainly due to the engagement of the DRHE with service providers.

**Q.30 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN**

To ask the Chief Executive to issue a full report detailing all reports of intimidation that was experienced by Dublin City Council's staff in the administration of their duties within our housing estates and our traveller halting sites. This report to take into

	<b>Total Capacity</b>	<b>No. of Exclusions</b>	<b>Exclusions as % of Capacity</b>
<b>Quarter 1</b>	1318	179	<b>14%</b>
<b>Quarter 2</b>	1495	223	<b>15%</b>
<b>Quarter 3</b>	1612	173	<b>11%</b>

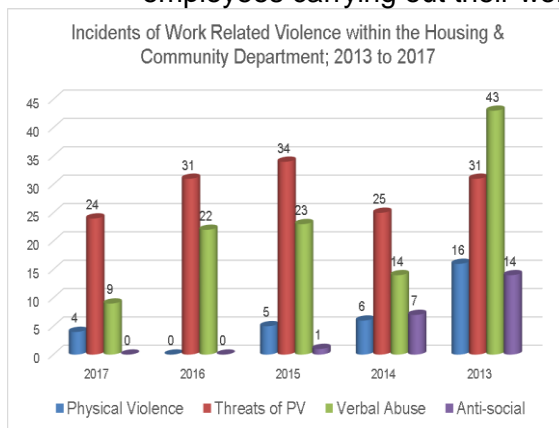
consideration a period of the past five years. Further, what measures are being taken to protect and support Dublin City Council's staff in the administration of their duties particularly around serious issues of anti-social behaviour and criminality? Also, what are the mechanisms whereby staff can report issues of intimidation? Do Dublin City Council's administration report this intimidation to An Garda Síochána?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE’S REPLY:**

**Details of the incidents of Work Related Violence in the Housing & Community Department from 2013 to 2017:**

The following table is drawn from the corporate accident statistics for the years 2013 to 2017. Statistics for 2018 will not be available until February 2019. The table illustrates the number of Work Related Violence (WRV) incidents reported in the Housing and Community Department for that period. The incidents are broken down into the following categories:

- **Physical Violence:** Physical contact has taken place with an employee or a missile has been directed at an employee or a Dublin City Council vehicle.
- **Threat of Physical Violence:** A person has issued a threat to kill, injure or harm a Dublin City Council employee or has insinuated such a threat.
- **Verbal Abuse:** A person has been verbally abusive to a Dublin City Council employee but has not threatened that employee.
- **Anti-social Behaviour:** This includes a wide variety of behaviour such as public drinking, drug taking, etc. which interferes with Dublin City Council employees carrying out their work activities.



**Measures taken by DCC Housing & Community Department to protect and support their employees:**

These measures can be broadly divided into two strategies, proactive which occur before any incident and are intended to help prevent or mitigate incidents and reactive which happen after an incident and are intended to support the employee and prevent re-occurrence of the incident. As part of our proactive approach to the safety of our staff, all activities within the

Housing and Community Department are risk assessed. These risk assessments will identify the risk of “Violence and Aggression” where it is reasonably foreseeable that such a risk exists and detail the controls necessary to minimise the risk to our staff “as far as is reasonably practicable”. These risk assessments and controls are designed and agreed in consultation with the front-line staff in the relevant areas. It is an instruction in all risk assessments that all staff report incidents of WRV to their direct supervisor.

When an incident occurs (reactive), staff must report it to their direct supervisor and complete a Work Related Violence form which is sent to the relevant Executive Health and Safety Officer (EHSO). The EHSO will send the form onto the Corporate Health and Safety Office. The EHSO will contact the supervisor to determine the seriousness of the incident and ensure the employee has been offered the services of the Staff Support Unit. The EHSO may contact the employee directly and ensure they are receiving any support they need. If the Work Related Violence is sufficiently serious a further investigation will be undertaken to review the controls in the relevant risk assessment and update them if required. All serious incidents and accidents are discussed with Senior Management in the Housing and Community Department.

**Dublin City Council’s relationship with An Garda Síochána:**

If a Dublin City Council employee feels that they have been subjected to a Work Related Violence that amounts to a criminal offence, then they must report this to An Garda Síochána personally. An Garda Síochána will not accept a “second hand”

report from Dublin City Council of an alleged criminal offence. However, Dublin City Council will inform An Garda Síochána that they have received such a report from the employee and liaise with them where required.

In a very small but extremely important cohort of Work Related Violence incidents, where An Garda Síochána assess that there is a credible threat to the safety of an employee, then Dublin City Council will work with An Garda Síochána and the employee to provide the additional safety and security measures necessary to minimise the risk to that employee, as far as is reasonably practicable. This is a rare occurrence but where it happens the Housing and Community Department recognise that it can seriously impact the wellbeing of an employee and we treat such an event with the seriousness it deserves.

**Q.31 COUNCILLOR CIARÁN CUFFE**

To ask the Chief Executive to outline what impacts Brexit may have on the City Council and to outline his preparations for same.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Detailed consideration has not been given by the City Council to the likely impacts of Brexit on its operations partly because it is not considered that the impacts will be especially significant and partly because of the uncertainty regarding the basis on which the UK will leave the EU.

In light of the recent publication by the Government of its contingency action plan 'Preparing for the withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the European Union on 29 March 2019' and the imminent vote in the UK House of Commons on the withdrawal agreement, further consideration will be given to the matter over the coming weeks.

**Q.32 COUNCILLOR CIARÁN CUFFE**

To ask the Chief Executive to give a breakdown of our current housing stock by number of bedrooms and occupancy (in terms of number of residents) in tabular format.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Please see attached for details requested.

**One Bedroom Tenancies**

No. of Occupants	No. of Tenancies
1	5226
2	533
3	77
4	25
5	7
6	1
7	1

**Two Bedroom Tenancies**

No. of Occupants	No. of Tenancies
1	1966
2	2950
3	2057



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4	1031
5	419
6	174
7	45
8	16
9	5
10	2
11	1

**Three Bedroom Tenancies**

No. of Occupants	No. of Tenancies
1	823
2	1613
3	2017
4	1809
5	1135
6	635
7	208
8	92
9	23
10	13
11	7
12	3

**Four Bedroom Tenancies**

No. of Occupants	No. of Tenancies
1	113
2	232
3	222
4	189
5	176
6	129
7	91
8	48
9	24
10	14
11	6
12	2
14	1
16	1

**Five Bedroom Tenancies**

No. of Occupants	No. of Tenancies
3	3
4	5
5	4
6	2
7	1
8	1
9	2

**Six Bedroom Tenancies**

No. of Occupants	No. of Tenancies
6	1
7	1

**Q.33 COUNCILLOR CIARÁN CUFFE**

To ask the Chief Executive to state what is the final destination of waste placed in big belly bins and other on-street bins and what percentage is recycled, landfilled, incinerated and exported.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

All waste collected through street cleaning and the provision and servicing of public litter bins is sent for processing at Thorntons Recycling Killeen Rd facility. The average rate of recovery is approximately 85% – 90% this includes a combination of approximately 40% of material used to produce SRF – Solid Recovered Fuel for use in Cement Kiln facilities.

The remaining 45% - 50% made up of Organic fines and Food Waste (15%), Trommel Fines (20%). Metals (5%), Wood and Construction and Demolition Materials (10%).

Organic material is processed for composting. Metals (Aluminium and Steel), Wood and Construction and Demolition Materials are recycled. The remaining recovered material is destined for incineration.

The remaining 10%- 15% of the waste disposed of has a final destination at landfill.

**Q.34 COUNCILLOR CIARÁN CUFFE**

To ask the Chief Executive to update me on what progress has been made in the last six months to bring about the refurbishment and regeneration of the Iveagh Market, Francis Street; 1 and 3 John Dillon Street; and the Mother Redcap Market, Back Lane Dublin 8. In his reply can the Chief Executive provide me with any correspondence exchanged between the Local Authority and those who may claim occupancy or entitlements to these lands and to state whether or not the Chief Executive intends to use his powers under the Planning Acts, Urban Regeneration and Housing Act 2015, Compulsory Purchase Powers or other mechanisms to ensure the reuse of these lands.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The properties at 1 and 3 John Dillon Street and Mother Redcap's Market on Back Lane are not in Dublin City Council's ownership. The property known as Mother Redcap's was placed on the Vacant Sites Register on 17<sup>th</sup> May 2018. The Iveagh Markets buildings have not been placed on the VSR due to legal issues affecting the property. The council has however commissioned a dilapidation survey of the Iveagh Market buildings and when the report is completed will engage with Mr. Keane, who alleges a legal interest in these properties, to agree what works may be undertaken to stabilise the buildings in the short term. Discussions continue with Mr. Keane in an attempt to reach agreement on the future redevelopment of these buildings without having to resort to the courts.

**Q.35 COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE**

To ask the Chief Executive to respond to this housing query, **(details supplied)** on Dublin City Councils Housing list since 2009, **(details supplied)**. Due to the current rent crisis in Dublin this lady was forced to move to Co Meath where she has no family, friends or support. Her son who is three has an official diagnosis of Autism Spectrum Disorder, Sensory Processing Disorder, ADHD and speech and language delay. She applied for a transfer under medical grounds to Band 1, but this has been refused.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The above applicant is on the Housing List Band 3 with the following positions;

Area	Bedsizes	Position
Area B	3 Bed	139
Area E	3 Bed	150

Priority Status for Housing applicants may be given in cases of exceptional medical circumstances. This is only if it relates to the applicant's housing conditions and the accommodation is unsuitable by reason of the condition. Applicants must demonstrate the management of the course of the illness, will be helped by a change in housing. The criteria for assessing medical priority will include whether the applicant can access kitchen and bathroom facilities in the current accommodation or cases where an individual may not return from hospital until accommodation suitable to their needs is made available. If unsuccessful, an appeal may be made on the submission of new medical evidence but if refused further applications will not be considered, unless there is a significant change in circumstances or condition. Appeals may be submitted in writing to the Allocations Section.

Dublin City Council are allocating properties based on time on the list and currently there are applicants on the Waiting List of longer standing who have to be considered as suitable vacancies arise. It is not possible to indicate accurately the prospect of an offer for any applicant. The number of vacancies arising will be a determining factor in the length of time applicants could expect to be on the waiting list.

**Q.36 COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE**

To ask the Chief Executive to have a traffic study carried out at **(details supplied 1)**. This is a very busy junction and especially perilous for pedestrians crossing over and also accessing the **(details supplied 2)**.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The locations in question will be investigated by a Traffic Engineer and the Councillor will be advised of any recommendation in due course.

**Q.37 COUNCILLOR RAY MCHUGH**

To ask the Chief Executive why **(details supplied)** was not made an offer or had a valuer sent to his house? Why no one from Dublin City Council contacted the gentleman after he approached Dublin City Council online.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The City Council carried out an inspection of the property at **(details supplied)** on the 30th November 2018, following which a decision was made not to progress the acquisition of this property. A letter advising the applicant of this decision was sent on the 4th December, 2018, from the Housing Acquisition's team.

**Q.38 COUNCILLOR SEAN PAUL MAHON**

To ask the Chief Executive if he can have the footpath outside **(details supplied)** reinstated.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A contract for the reinstatement of 467 reinstatements will commence in early January 2019. This footpath reinstatement is part of this contract. This contract will take 18 weeks to complete.

**Q.39 COUNCILLOR MICHAEL O'BRIEN**

To ask the Chief Executive has the tendering process for the contract for collecting refuse from Dublin City Council flat complexes currently held by Greyhound been delayed and if so why and when will the process be concluded?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The PQQ, Pre-Qualification Questionnaire of the tender process for the collection of refuse from Dublin City Flat Complexes was completed in 2018. The tender procedure is ongoing. The preparation of the Invitation to Tender is now nearing completion and it is expected this will be issued within the next 6-8 weeks.

**Q.40 COUNCILLOR MICHAEL O'BRIEN**

To ask the Chief Executive regarding my question number 58 to the November 2018 meeting has Tristan Capital Partners or Twinlite responded to Dublin City Council's enquiries about the Part V obligation on that site.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The Housing Department have carried out a review on all Planning Permissions and related files regarding Part V compliance at Blocks 31, 32,33 Marrsfield Avenue, Dublin 13. Part V was agreed with the City Council in 2008. 91 apartments (at a negotiated rate of 18%) were provided in Blocks 34,35 and 36 in respect of the 508 units permitted in Blocks 31,32,33,34,35,36. 179 apartments were constructed in Blocks 34,35 and 36 including the Part V apartments. Blocks 31,32 and 33 did not commence at that stage.

Pierce Homes, who had acquired the sites from Gannon Homes, went into receivership and the sites were sold. Hollybrook New Homes/Twinlite acquired the sites for Blocks 31,32 and 33 and sought new planning permission. The cumulative total of dwellings in Blocks 31,32 and 33 as amended is now 374, which is an increase of 45 units over the original permitted total of 329. Therefore, the developer is required to comply with Part V in respect of the uplift of 45 units, which is 4 units (10%). The 4 units due in Blocks 31.32 and 33 will be offset against 84 units in Block 2, Clongriffin, Dublin 13 which has been acquired by the Iveagh Trust.

The Housing Department are now satisfied that any Part V requirements in relation to these blocks has been complied with.

**Q.41 COUNCILLOR MICHAEL O'BRIEN**

To ask the Chief Executive if Dublin City Council might acquire **(details supplied)** under the Derelict Sites Act. It has been abandoned by its former owner who now lives in Canada and is progressively getting into a dilapidated condition and is currently being squatted in by a housing applicant.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A report on the matter will issue directly to the Councillor following an inspection of the property.

**Q.42 COUNCILLOR MICHAEL O'BRIEN**

To ask the Chief Executive if Dublin City Council accepts that homeless man (**details supplied**), has relinquished his interest in that tenancy and therefore is eligible for HAP approval and/or being socially housed.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The applicant's (**details supplied**) Housing application is currently suspended on the Housing List as he is a joint owner of a property. The suspension will be removed upon receipt of the required legal documentation setting out that the applicant no longer holds a financial interest in a property

They can submit new documentation to homelesslist@dublincity.ie or present to Central Placement Services in Parkgate Hall, 6/9 Conyngham Road, Dublin 8. When we have received confirmation that the interest has been relinquished his application can be reassessed.

There is provision under the social housing regulations to offer limited social housing support through HAP until the legal issues can be resolved or where a homeowner cannot reside in the family home for reasons of separation or other. Accordingly, the applicant was approved for HAP only on 21st November 2018.

The 'Household Assistance Payment' (HAP) scheme will greatly assist him in accessing the private rental market. As he is homeless, he is eligible to be considered for one month's advance deposit and one month rent in advance with differential rent payable to Dublin City Council.

Access to/further information on HAP is available from the HAP unit on homelessshap@dublincity.ie or 222 6955.

**Q.43 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE HENEY**

To ask the Chief Executive to refer to road (**details attached 1**) and say when same will be properly reinstated, as was promised last year. Please provide details of when overdue works will be carried out, as the condition of same is very poor. Last year Dublin City Council said there was €100,000 to spend upgrading roads but all that was done was the installation of a ramp/plateau outside (**details attached 2**).

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Road Maintenance Services has included this location for localised carriageway repairs as part of the 2019 Major Works Programme.

The ramp at (**details attached 2**). was resurfaced in 2018 as its condition had deteriorated significantly.

**Q.44 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE HENEY**

To ask the Chief Executive to refer to road (**details attached**) say when same will be properly reinstated/repared. Please comment on the very poor condition in which the road was left following a very shoddy attempt to fill areas where large pot-holes existed with blobs of tar thrown down all over the road, leaving a dreadful job behind. Please say if you can arrange to have the tar that was flung out onto the road (not filling pot-holes) cleaned up/removed.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Road Maintenance Services has made a provision of €70,000 for localised carriageway repairs at (**details attached**). As part of these works, temporary pothole repairs will be permanently reconstructed.

**Q.45 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE HENEY**

To ask the Chief Executive to please examine road (**details attached**) which residents say is being used as a rat-run, resulting in a serious safety hazard for pedestrians, particularly very young and senior citizens. Please say if you can say what measures if any, can be introduced to reduce the attraction to motorists using this road as a rat-run.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Rat running at this location will be examined by a traffic Engineer and the Councillor will be advised of the recommendations in due course.

**Q.46 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE HENEY**

To ask the Chief Executive to refer to laneway at location (**details attached**). Please say if you can arrange to have same cleaned of waste/litter and cleared of weeds.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned laneway cleaned and cleared of leaves on the 2nd January 2019.

**Q.47 COUNCILLOR EDEL MORAN**

To ask the Chief Executive for an update on the scheduled treatment of the dampness problems in the (**details supplied**). Are these works still to continue in the blocks other than Block 8, despite recent developments in the last few months regarding the structural situation.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Structural works pertaining to all stair cores (**details attached**) have been complete since mid-August.

Housing Maintenance Section also engaged a contractor to carry out internal maintenance works to all eight blocks. Works took place over a 13-week period from 30<sup>th</sup> July to 26<sup>th</sup> October 2018.

The works covered material defects in each flat including, where necessary, internal door replacement/repairs, kitchen & bathroom replacement / repairs, upgrading of smoke alarm detectors, plumbing upgrades, leak repairs, electrical repairs, etc. Our contractor made every effort to contact tenants at all 128 flat units over that 13-week period.

Housing Maintenance currently have a contractor carrying out roof refurbishment works. The roofs, including tank house roofs, on all eight blocks will be re-covered. Roof water tanks and access doors will also be replaced, where necessary.

If tenants still have outstanding issues Housing Maintenance will make arrangements to have an inspection carried out.

**Q.48 COUNCILLOR EDEL MORAN**

To ask the Chief Executive for an update on the re-surfacing works on Priorswood Road. Will the street lighting heads that have not yet been replaced by L.E.D. units also be completed with the re-surfacing works?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Road Maintenance Services completed resurfacing works on Priorswood road between Darndale and Glin Road. There are no further resurfacing works planned for this location.

There are 7 lights on Priorswood Road that are outstanding for upgrade to LED. These lights are all located at the chicanes along the road and additional traffic management measures are required to enable our crews to safely work at these locations. The upgrading of these lights is scheduled for 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2019.

**Q.49 COUNCILLOR EDEL MORAN**

To ask the Chief Executive for an update on the ongoing efforts to tackle the large-scale illegal industrial dumping on the **(details supplied)** (recently referred to in NCAC question 5-Oct 2018). This situation has been ongoing for years and despite a recent clean-up by Dublin City Council the activity has increased. Has Dublin City Council been liaising with the Gardai and the EPA on this matter?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Extensive removal of waste was undertaken in the July period of this year. The scale of the removal was enormous and tremendous efforts were made through interdepartmental co-operation to curtail this activity.

These efforts included intensive surveillance by Waste Enforcement and follow up on any illegal matters associated with this dumping by the individual concerned.

The above followed a massive clean-up that involved an 8 day stint of continuous removal / and transport of debris off the offensive site in addition to rendering the site in the cleanest condition possible afterwards.

Excavation style removal was required / undertaken given the embedded mound and type of heavy rubbish in evidence. Special funding had to be sourced at interdepartmental level to meet the cost of engaging a Contractor with the capacity and skills to complete the job.

In the course of same engagement was made to ensure access through the offending site and to request the ceasing of this activity. Efforts were made to block access to stop the activity which led to accumulation of the rubbish. This involved the installation of very large scale cement structures.

The long term curtailment and complete prevention of this activity is extremely challenging further the long term prevention of this activity will required designing out access and changing the structure and shape of the sites involved one of which is occupied.

The Gardai were aware of all efforts carried out in July '18 this year. Garda representatives attended most of the interdepartmental meetings assembled by NCA office. Renewed efforts can be made but the permanent solution will require change to site access and accelerating prospects of developing this existing site for Housing. While contact can be made directly with the Coolock Gardai from NCA directly, we would be guided and support the efforts of other Department's ref contact with EPA, once appropriate, and in context with the information and awareness learned to date in connection with the problem above.

**Q.50 COUNCILLOR EDEL MORAN**

To ask the Chief Executive for an update on the outstanding replacement works to a radiator at **(details supplied)**. The resident **(details supplied)** has been waiting for this work to be completed since October last, Dublin City Council have failed to turn up since then, to do the works despite making arrangements to do so on several occasions over the last two months.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Works here have been completed.

**Q.51 COUNCILLOR SEAN PAUL MAHON**

To ask the Chief Executive if he will arrange for additional drainage works to be carried out on a road (**details supplied**) to prevent ongoing flooding. Recent works carried out at this location have not resolved the problem.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The Drainage Division will investigate the matter and reply directly to the councillor.

**Q.52 COUNCILLOR SEAN PAUL MAHON**

To ask the Chief Executive what action the planning enforcement section intend to take regarding a complaint in relation to the construction of 2 houses in a new estate (**details supplied**). They seem to be too close to an adjacent house outside this estate and therefore have been constructed contrary to the provisions of the Dublin City Development Plan.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

An Investigation by the Planning Enforcement Officer for the area has revealed that the properties concerned are the required distance from the adjacent house concerned. On that basis no further action is being taken in respect of this matter.

**Q.53 COUNCILLOR SEAN PAUL MAHON**

To ask the Chief Executive if Dublin City Council intend to take in charge a new private housing scheme at (**details supplied**). If this is the case, can trees be planted in this small development?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Dublin City Council have not received a request to take this development in charge.

The taking in charge procedure may be instigated in the following ways:

- a) **The developer advises** that a development has been completed and requests that it be taken in charge under Section 180 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 – the Planning Authority to initiate the procedures under Section 11 of the Roads Act 1993.
- b) **The dwelling owners may request** that their development be taken in charge under Section 180, subject to subsection (3), of the Planning and Development Act 2000– the Planning Authority to initiate the procedures under Section 11 of the Roads Act 1993.

**Q.54 COUNCILLOR DAVID COSTELLO**

To ask the Chief Executive to refer to the stretch of roadway (**details attached 1**) all of which needs to be re-instated but its particularly hazardous for cyclists at (**details attached 2**). Can you arrange to have necessary repairs carried out to enable cyclists to travel along this route safely? Currently the route is fraught with hazardous potholes.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Road Maintenance Services will have any potholes repaired along (**details supplied 1**). It is planned to resurface the entire carriageway at (**details supplied 1**) as part of the 2019 Works Programme.

(**Details supplied 2**) carriageway has been resurfaced from the junction of Gardiner Street to O'Connell Street and there are no potholes.



**Q.55 COUNCILLOR DAVID COSTELLO**

To ask the Chief Executive to detail the provisions for childcare on the City Council's housing development sites, currently under development or in planning stages in the city. Will you consider making them available to the not for profit Childcare Sector to encourage affordable childcare in the city.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Dublin City Council complies with the Development Plan regarding requirements for provision of childcare facilities in all of its new housing developments. We are amenable to considering all options regarding the provision of childcare and are in this regard would be open to considering any opportunities that may be available to the "not for profit" sector in the provision of this service.

The provision for childcare on the City Council's housing development sites is guided by the Development Plan indicative standard of one childcare facility per 75 dwellings which can be modified depending on the particular circumstances of each individual housing site. These circumstances include the mix of community to be accommodated in the housing who will require childcare, the existing provision of childcare facilities in the area and the results of a childcare needs analysis which will identify areas already well-served or alternatively, gap areas where there is under provision. Details are set out in Appendix 13 of the City Development Plan Circular PL 3/2016 requests Planning Authorities to expedite planning applications for childcare facilities in order to facilitate their expansion and to exclude matters relating to floor space requirements. These measures are intended to increase availability of childcare.

**Q.56 COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE**

To ask the Chief Executive to give an update on this matter, removal of large illegal industrial waste dump adjacent to **(details supplied)**.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Extensive removal of waste was undertaken in the July period this year. The scale of removal was enormous and tremendous efforts were made through interdepartmental co-operation to curtail the activity.

These efforts included intensive surveillance by Waste Enforcement and follow up on any illegal matters associated with this dumping by individuals concerned. The above followed a massive clean-up that involved an 8 day stint of continuous removal /and transport of debris off the offensive site in addition to rendering the site in cleanest condition possible. Excavation style removal was required undertaken given the embedded mound and type of heavy rubbish in evidence.

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The long term curtailment of this activity is extremely challenging, further the long term prevention of this activity will require designing out access and changing the structure shape of the sites involved one of which is occupied.

**Q.57 COUNCILLOR JANE HORGAN-JONES**

To ask the Chief Executive for an update in relation to the proposal for a Tree Preservation Order over the trees situated at the back of **(details supplied)**.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

In order for a local authority to carry out a Tree Preservation Order, the trees in question would need to be of significant amenity or ecological value to the area. Any trees subject to a preservation order would also require to be in good condition. The land upon which the trees are located is zoned Z1 in the City Development Plan for residential purposes.

The future of these trees will be considered in the context of any plans which are submitted through the planning process and any associated report by an arboriculturist would have due regard to the species, condition and ecological value of the trees in question.

**Q.58 COUNCILLOR JANE HORGAN-JONES**

To ask the Chief Executive regarding the **(details supplied)** what traffic arrangements/plan have been put in place for the concert. What arrangements/plan there will be for litter removal after the concert. What public order operations will be in place in coordination with An Garda Siochana? Can the Chief Executive also say if it is possible to attach a "community contribution" as part of the conditions of license for the concert?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

An Outdoor Event Licence application must be lodged with Dublin City Council by the Promoter a minimum of 13 weeks prior to the first proposed concert. As part of this application a draft event management plan must be submitted which outlines in detail matters such as waste/litter management, security/stewarding, traffic management and all other logistical arrangements associated with the proposed concerts. This information is considered by the Outdoor Event Licencing Officer for the City Council and conditions can be added to any grant of licence (if that is the decision made on the application) relating to all the above issues. It should be noted that there is no scope under the relevant Planning Legislation for a condition relating to a "community contribution".

**Q.59 COUNCILLOR JANE HORGAN-JONES**

To ask the Chief Executive if he is aware of the position in relation to **(details supplied)**. Residents report that this property was previously used for psychiatric patients of St. Vincent's Hospital but is now vacant. Does the City Council have any involvement in this property, as many local residents are keen to see it used again to house people in need.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply will issue to the Councillor within 2 weeks.

**Q.60 COUNCILLOR JANE HORGAN-JONES**

To ask the Chief Executive how residents can arrange for street cleanings under the previous procedure used on **(details supplied 1)**. Residents moved their cars off the street for one morning on the basis, that morning would be the day Dublin City Council cleaned it. Residents on **(details supplied 2)** would like to arrange this again. Catherine Brophy Walsh used to be their contact to do this but they do not know who to contact now and would like to make a similar arrangement again.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The residents should contact Dymrna Mc Cann in relation to this.

**Q.61 COUNCILLOR DAÌTHÌ DOOLAN**

To ask the Chief Executive to confirm that they will actively pursue the purchase of the **(details supplied)** should the opportunity arise, with the view to developing it for housing & recreational facilities.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Contact has been made with the purchaser and a meeting will be held in the coming weeks to discuss the new owner's vision for the site.

Dublin City Council is not expecting any opportunity to arise to purchase the site.

**Q.62 COUNCILLOR TINA MACVEIGH**

To ask the Chief Executive to provide me with a full report to include timelines for the expansion of the Dublin Bike Scheme throughout the Dublin 8 area, showing existing stations and stations planned for the next 6, 12, and 18 months.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A mini expansion of the scheme to service Grangegorman Campus and environs was substantially completed in 2018. Finalisation of the Phase 3 expansion programme will be undertaken in first quarter 2019 with possible further 1-2 station expansion later in the year to alleviate any capacity constraints identified in critical areas of the network. It is anticipated that any of the necessary capital works would be supported through sustainable grant funding from the NTA.

Any further growth of the Just Eat dublinbikes scheme beyond this capacity expansion will likely be dependent on the identification of additional sustainable funding for capital and operational costs and pending a strategic review of the impact of stationless bike hire (Beeperbike) on the Just Eat dublinbikes business and operational model. There is therefore no definite timeline in place for the delivery of further station extension in the Dublin 8 area.

**Q.63 COUNCILLOR SEAMUS MCGRATTAN**

To ask the Chief Executive if **(details supplied)** can stay on in employment in the cleansing services for one more year even though he turns 66 in January 2019, he is anxious to stay in work.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The mandatory retirement age for employees is subject to their existing terms and conditions of employment, and varies depending on when they commenced service with Dublin City Council. He should contact the Superannuation Section, Human Resources Department to confirm the date from which he must retire

**Q.64 COUNCILLOR SEAMUS MCGRATTAN**

To ask the Chief Executive what is the current allocation of salaries to Area Managers in Dublin City Council and how does this compare with 2013.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

In 2013 there were four Executive Managers assigned to Area Management duties as follows:

- One covering Central and North West Committee Areas
- One covering the North Central Committee Area

- One covering the South Central Committee Area (Acting)
- One covering the South East Committee Area.

With the retirement of Charlie Lowe Executive Manager and following the Local Elections of 2014 the following arrangement was put in place:

- One covering the North West and North Central Committee Areas.
- One covering the Central and South East Committee Area
- One covering the South Central Committee Area

This arrangement has persisted during the course of the five-year term of the current Council.

In light of the upcoming new local elections and the increase in the number of Local Electoral Areas (LEA's) we believe it is timely to review Area Management structures and arrangements and where relevant to enhance these structures with a particular alignment to the boundaries of the new Local Electoral Areas.

In the first instance it is important that Elected Members would agree a revised configuration of the new Area Committees which will apply following the upcoming elections. We will then quickly bring a comprehensive report to elected members which will set out proposals for enhanced Area Management structures and resourcing that can be implemented well in advance of the elections.

**Q.65 COUNCILLOR SEAMUS MCGRATTAN**

To ask the Chief Executive what position is **(details supplied)** on the housing list and if the Chief Executive could provide a timeline to when she will be housed.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The above applicant is on the Housing List Band 3 with the following positions;

Area	Bedsize	Position
Area E	2 bed	21
Area E	3 Bed	8

Dublin City Council are allocating properties based on time on the list and currently there are applicants on the waiting list of longer standing who have to be considered as suitable vacancies arise. It is not possible to indicate accurately the prospect of an offer for any applicant. The number of vacancies arising will be a determining factor in the length of time applicants could expect to be on the waiting list.

**Q.66 COUNCILLOR SEAMUS MCGRATTAN**

To ask the Chief Executive if Dublin City Council are currently looking at sites in **(details supplied)** which could be acquired for social housing.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Dublin City Council are open at all times to acquiring any sites throughout the city that are suitable and appropriate for housing development and which we are in a position to acquire. Due to commercial sensitivities we are not in a position to divulge details of sites that we are currently considering for purchase.

**Q.67 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON**

To ask the Chief Executive to look at having a dishing in the footpath carried out at or next to the bus stop at Clifden Road, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10, facing Oranmore Road. It's for people who I know are wheelchair bound. One lady recently told me she cannot go anywhere on her own as she cannot cross this busy road due to the height of the footpath.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The Area Engineer has recommended the installation of a dished kerb at Clifden Road, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10

**Q.68 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON**

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for the trees along Le Fanu Road, Ballyfermot, next to the Lawns Park, be pruned back. A number of people have mentioned their vans etc were damaged with off-shoots etc growing from the trees. If Le Fanu Road were a bus route this would be done regularly can I ask it be looked into.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The trees along Le Fanu Road will be pruned before the end of the month.

**Q.69 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON**

To ask the Chief Executive why we don't plant a few conifers in areas we regularly plant Christmas trees. It seems a big waste to use large trees for just a one-off. Growing tree's at suitable locations would save a few thousand euro's. How much did we spend on Christmas trees at the various public locations this past Christmas.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The majority of locations where Christmas trees are installed are located on hard surfaces that tend to contain a lot of underground utility services and as such are not suitable for planting.

There are locations on green spaces which could accommodate planting but this presents a difficulty in sourcing suitable trees of the required size (9to10M), and currently we are unaware of nurseries specialising in the production of such trees.

Parks Service could plant a much smaller tree and given favourable conditions over time the tree could mature to the required height / spread, however the difficulty then would be in trying to maintain the tree at this height / spread. Unfortunately, this type of conifer does not take to regular pruning as it leads to branch die-back and consequently over a short period of years the desired height /shape of the tree would be lost, necessitating replacement.

The Christmas Tree Programme starts in early November with installation and ends in mid- January with removal, as such the programme is still ongoing. When the Christmas 2018 programme is complete the expenditure figure will be forwarded t directly to the Councillor.

**Q.70 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON**

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for the large uneven sections of footpaths from the 79 Inn Ballyfermot Road next to the GALA up to Clifden Road, Ballyfermot be replaced/repared. I cannot understand how many insurance actions are not in against Dublin City Council with the state of the footpaths here.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Road Maintenance has surveyed this stretch of footpath between the GALA Hall and Clifden Road and note the condition to be poor. Road Maintenance will schedule repairs to the footpath for 2019.

**Q.71 COUNCILLOR ALISON GILLILAND**

To ask the Chief Executive to carry out a full maintenance audit of **(details supplied)**. The tenant in this unit has had continuous difficulties since she occupied it, post its turning around for occupation.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Prior to the current tenancy, this house was fully refurbished in 2017. However, we will make arrangements to have to have the house inspected in the next 5/7 working days and address any concerns raised.

**Q.72 COUNCILLOR PATRICK COSTELLO**

To ask the Chief Executive to state how many premises such as **(details supplied)** have been removed from the Rateable Valuation List due to being 'incapable of beneficial occupation' in the last five years and to make a statement on the matter.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The premises at **(details supplied)** was not listed on the valuation list following the revaluation of Dublin city in 2014. It was considered to be incapable of beneficial occupation. A recent inspection had confirmed there is no change to this condition.

Premises that are considered incapable of beneficial occupation are not valued by the Valuation Office and there is no record of them on the valuation list.

The Rates Office have forwarded a number of revisions in respect of premises that are considered incapable of occupation (forty-four) to the Valuation Office since 2014 and these have been removed from the valuation list.

These relate to ratings that are in a bad state of repair and many that are pending demolition to make way for new developments in the city

**Q.73 COUNCILLOR CLAIRE BYRNE**

To ask the Chief Executive to consider a systemic improvement in the quality of the footpaths and crossing points between Lansdowne Road DART Station and the junction of Lansdowne Road and Northumberland Road, as this route is used by persons with visual impairments. In particular, could improvements in the footpath surface be considered in the vicinity of the many trees on the route such as using 'Flexipave' or other materials, and could the broken footpath surface be attended to.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

These footpaths and crossing points will be examined and repairs scheduled where required.

**Q.74 COUNCILLOR CLAIRE BYRNE**

To ask the Chief Executive to examine **(details supplied)** as both properties appear to be vacant, to give details of their ownership (if available), and to consider taking action to ensure their re-use for housing.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

This question has now been withdrawn by Cllr Claire Byrne.

**Q.75 COUNCILLOR CLAIRE BYRNE**

To ask the Chief Executive to examine **(details supplied)**. Please give details of their ownership (if available), as both properties appear to be vacant and to consider taking action to ensure their re-use for housing.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

**(Details supplied 1)** is a Dublin City Council property and is currently being refurbished. Works are expected to be completed and the unit made available for letting in mid to late January 2019. **(Details supplied 2)** is privately owned.

**Q.76 COUNCILLOR ALISON GILLILAND**

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for the cleaning of the footpath, to include the debris & the weeds along the wall grove, from the Centra Shop on the Oscar Traynor Rd on both sides down to Northside Shopping Centre.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned footpath cleaned on the 2nd January 2019.

**Q.77 COUNCILLOR CIARAN O'MOORE**

To ask the Chief Executive can the road outside number 10 to 14 inclusive in Cill-Eanna, Raheny, Dublin 5 be repaired. The road is in extremely poor condition.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Road Maintenance Services will carry out an inspection and carry out a localised repair where required.

**Q.78 COUNCILLOR CIARÁN O'MOORE**

To ask the Chief Executive can the footpath from James Larkin Rd to Mount Prospect Ave alongside the causeway wall be cleaned. The volume of leaves is a trip hazard.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned footpath cleaned on the 2nd January 2019.

**Q.79 COUNCILLOR CIARÁN O'MOORE**

To ask the Chief Executive can a drain gully system be put in place across the entrance and exit of the car park in Our Lady Mother of Divine Grace Church, Raheny. The car park is a concrete surface on a slope and in heavy rain fall a stream of water runs down the slope into Raheny Village and contributes to flood water. This surface water at the exit/entrance also is a slip hazard in freezing temperatures.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The Drainage Division will investigate the matter and reply directly to the Councillor.

**Q.80 COUNCILLOR CIARÁN O'MOORE**

To ask the Chief Executive if the footpath alongside Rectory Park, Howth Road toward Raheny village can be cleaned of the leaves and debris.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned footpath cleaned on the 2nd January 2019.

**Q.81 COUNCILLOR PATRICK COSTELLO**

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a table of all the planning applications for short term rental properties since 2016, broken down by planning reference number, location, the City Council local area it is under, and the decision made.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Three application have been received since 2016 for short term rental properties.

The details are listed below.

Application Number	Address	Status	Area
3645/16	32, Clarendon Street, Dublin 2	Granted	South East Area
2722/17	32, Clarendon Street, Dublin 2	Granted	South East Area
3970/18	43 & 44, Clarendon Street, Dublin 2	Refused	South East Area

**Q.82 COUNCILLOR CIERAN PERRY**

To ask the Chief Executive to provide any documentation, including notes or aide-memoire, which resulted from the working group established by the HSE in 2016 to discuss the Supervised Injection Centre as DCC was represented on the group.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Dublin City Council was represented (Brendan Kenny) on a works groups established by the HSE in 2016 on the issue.

The work of the group was concentrated on what type of facilities that would be required for such a centre.

This group did not deal with the possible locations of the centre.

The provision of a Supervised Injection centre is a matter of the HSE and it would have copies of minutes and any documentation related to the issue.

**Q.83 COUNCILLOR CIERAN PERRY**

To ask the Chief Executive in relation to discarded syringe needles in public areas can the Chief Executive provide answers to the following questions. Can you confirm the number of facilities providing needle exchange services and their location? Can you confirm if the individual service providers take responsibility for the collection of syringe needles discarded by their clients? Can you confirm the number of Dublin City Councils employees injured by syringe needles in the past 2 years and the amount of compensation paid to staff, broken down by year and area?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

As Health & Safety specifically only deal with staff incidents they can only account for the needle collection for incident associated with staff incident or those collected by staff as part of their role. Dublin City Council have private firm who do this service for Dublin City Council Departments. The disposal is by collection by a company appointed for that purpose. Stericycle (SRCL – [www.srcl.ie](http://www.srcl.ie) ) are a specialist waste disposal and collection service including medical and harmful waste. They are the company generally used by Dublin City Council for needle collection from standard proprietary storage boxes at appropriate Dublin City Council location (of which there are many).

Needle stick incidents for staff in 2017 and 2018.



Staff Needle Stick Incidents reported in 2017

Dept.	Number
Waste Management Services	2
Total	2

Staff Needle Stick Incidents reported in 2018

Dept.	Number
Housing	3
Waste Management Services	2
Parks	1
Total	6

Irish Public Bodies Insurance Company has confirmed that for the period 1/2/2017 to 7/1/2109 they have received 5 claims in relation to Dublin City Council employees re needle stick injuries. Three of the incidents relate to the Dublin 2 area, one to Dublin 10 and one to the South East Area. A total amount of €26,657.91 has been paid to date by IPB.

**Q.84 COUNCILLOR CIERAN PERRY**

To ask the Chief Executive in relation to the passport for Leisure Scheme:

- What changes have been made to the current scheme
- Who made the decision to change the scheme
- What consultation took place and
- Have staff and customers been informed of the changes.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The changes are outlined in the attached document. These changes have been subject to ongoing discussions at the Arts, Culture and Recreation SPC since 2016. The changes are being introduced following a review of the scheme and discussions at the SPC. The changes were agreed in January 2017 subject to a one-year delay and to further discussion at the SPC. These discussions took place throughout 2017 and 2018 and the attached document sets out the final changes agreed. Staff have been informed of the changes and customers are being advised at the various centres.

**OVER 60'S DISCOUNT SCHEME**

1. From **1<sup>st</sup> January 2019** a new scheme will replace the Passport for Leisure scheme. This new scheme will introduce **a new membership for over 60's** that will be directly managed by Dublin City Council.
2. **Annual Membership:** This new membership will be available at a 50% discount to the normal annual membership fee. Classes in the Sport and Fitness Centres are not included in the scheme.
3. **Monthly Membership:** This new membership will be available at a 50% discount to the normal monthly membership fee. Classes in the Sport and Fitness Centres are not included in the scheme.

4. **Pay as You Go:** The over **60's** pay as you go fee will be €3.00. Classes in the Sport and Fitness Centres are not included in the scheme.
5. **The age requirement** for availing of the new scheme will be raised to 60 years of age from **1<sup>st</sup> January 2019** for all **NEW** applicants. These new applicants will be applying to Dublin City Council not to Passport for Leisure. However, **ALL EXISTING** Passport for Leisure members of the facilities will continue to be eligible to avail of the terms of the new scheme regardless of age or address.
6. The new over 60's scheme will only be available to new applicants who can provide proof of address of **living or working in the Dublin City Council administrative area.**

#### **OVER 65'S DISCOUNT SCHEME**

1. From the **1<sup>st</sup> of January 2019** it is proposed to introduce a membership joining fee of €20 per year for over 65's. This will entitle over 65's to use the Gym and/or the Swimming pool in the Sport and Fitness centres.
2. As part of the management of this scheme from January 2019 it is proposed to introduce a membership card which will be issued to each applicant which will ensure that their attendance is recorded and is managed in accordance with the provisions of the scheme. I.D. and proof of age will be requested prior to issuing a membership card.
3. **ALL** existing over 65's members will have their membership renewed upon payment of the annual fee of €20 regardless of address.
4. The over 65's scheme will only be available to new applicants who can provide proof of address of **living or working in the Dublin City Council administrative area.**