



Dublin City Council
Comhairle Cathrach Bhaile Átha Cliath

**Minutes of Cycling and Walking Committee meeting held on 27th May, 2015,
Members Room, City Hall, Dublin 2, at 2.30 p.m.**

Members: Cllr. C. Cuffe, Chairperson;
Mr C. Ryder, Dublin Cycling Campaign
Mr G. Higgins, RPA
Mr C. K. Manzira, Senior Executive Engineer, Roads and Traffic
Planning
Mr A. Walsh, Senior Engineer, Traffic Management and Control
Mr N. Gormley, Senior Executive Engineer, Traffic Management and
Control
Mr B. White, Senior Executive Officer

Cllr. C. O'Moore, Transportation SPC
Cllr T. Keegan, Transportation SPC
Cllr P. Smyth, Transportation SPC

Apologies: Cllr P. Hand, Transportation SPC
Cllr R. McAdam, Transportation SPC
Ms F. Kelty, NCBI, Transportation SPC
Mr J. Leahy, Transportation SPC
Ms A. Rivero, Dublin Cycling Campaign
Garda A. Costello

Non-Members: Mr Peter Leonard, Executive Landscape Architect, Culture,
Recreation, Amenity and Community Department
Ms A. Phelan, Ms D. Smith, Phizzfest

Administration: Mr S. Hickey

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1. Minutes of Cycle Forum meeting held on 4th March, 2015 (**copy attached**)

Minutes agreed.

2. A case for the retrofitting of pedestrian and cycling infrastructure and road safety measures in Phibsborough (**presentation by Ms Dorothy Smith and Ms Anne Phelan, residents**)

Ms Dorothy Smith and Ms Anne Phelan, Phizzfest, outlined the problems for residents, pedestrians and cyclists in the Phibsborough area due to the current traffic situation, road layout and pedestrian facilities, which gives priority to cars. The issues need to be addressed by improved design as set out in the Design Manual. The current situation is affecting businesses and social life. There is no civic space, no landscaping and noise and air pollution is an issue. Reduced road widths and the use of the tow paths and laneways could improve facilities for pedestrians and cyclists. There is no dublinbikes station and inadequate cycle parking. They called for an audit of underutilised spaces in the Phibsborough area. It is important that visible changes are made soon to improve the situation. Mr A. Walsh said that the situation will change with the proposed QBC. The City Council will stay in contact with the group and examine what can be done in the short term. The Chairperson thanked Ms Smith and Ms Phelan for their presentation.

Noted. The Chairperson asked for a progress report on the issues to a future meeting of the Sub-Committee. It was agreed also to write to the Garda Superintendent to support the inclusion of Phibsborough for the installation of red light traffic enforcement cameras.

3. Motion in the name of Councillor Ciarán Cuffe referred from the Transportation Strategic Policy Committee meeting of 22nd October, 2014:

“That Dublin City Council prepare a pedestrian strategy for the City for Dublin that will encourage more people to walk more within the city.”

The Chairperson said that the City Council needs a pedestrian strategy. He requested a report to the Sub-Committee on how to progress this issue.

Motion Agreed.

4. Implementation of the commitments set out in the Development Plan and how initiatives are being progressed in relation to walking – **presentation by Mr Peter Leonard, Culture, Recreation, Amenity and Community Department.**

Mr Peter Leonard, Executive Landscape Architect, gave a detailed presentation on the analysis carried out to date for the Public Realm Masterplan on pedestrian/street use in the core of the city. He said the data collected would allow a list of projects to be rolled out when the bigger transport infrastructural works have been completed in the city. A copy of Mr Leonard’s presentation to be circulated to the Members. The Chairperson thanked Mr Leonard for his presentation.

Noted

5. Liffey Cycle Route **(verbal update)**

Mr C. K. Manzira said that the public consultation has been carried out and a report will be submitted to the Transportation Strategic Policy Committee on 10th June, 2015.

Noted.

6. Cycle Parking Strategy **(verbal update)**

Mr C. K. Manzira said that the draft strategy report is being reviewed by the NTA. The report will be submitted to the Transportation SPC in September. The Chairperson said that the SPC should be involved in the strategic discussion and have an input before decisions are made.

Noted.

7. Publicising of Section 38 notices - **presentation by Mr C. K. Manzira**

Mr C. K. Manzira gave details of the legal requirement and what it is proposed to do. Mr C. Ryder said that Section 38 notices should be notified to the Sub-Committee.

Noted

8. Stages involved in developing a project - **presentation by Mr C. K. Manzira**

Mr C. K. Manzira outlined the detailed process of the stages involved in developing a project in compliance with the NTA and Department of Finance requirements, City Council procurement process, relevant design standards and guidelines and Health and Safety requirements.

The Chairperson requested the possible use of a sign “Cyclists Respect Pedestrians” at the Samuel Beckett Bridge where pedestrians and cyclists share a space.

Noted.

9. Cycle Projects – stages report and map - **presentation by Mr C. K. Manzira**

Mr C. K. Manzira gave a verbal report on the cycle project stages. Mr C. Ryder requested that the stages report be circulated before meetings.

Noted

10. Vehicles parking in the cycle lane, past the wooden bridge, heading towards Sutton **(this item was raised under A.O.B. by Cllr Ciarán O'Moore at the Transportation Strategic Policy Committee meeting of 15th April, 2015, and was referred to the Cycling and Walking Sub-Committee)**

Mr C. K. Manzira said that this location is now a construction site. Following completion of the works, there will be a two way cycle track, from the wooden bridge to the causeway road. When the work is completed, there will be no parking on the road.

Noted

11. 30 km/h (H3 Cycle Action Plan) **(verbal report)**

The new guidelines on the setting and managing of speed limits are being reviewed by the City Council. A review of the Speed Limit Bye-Laws will be carried out after this process is completed.

12. A.O.B.