

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
SOUTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
16th October 2019

Q1 Councillor Criona Ní Dhálaigh

To ask the Director of Services to report on the following: -

(1) Under what remit does Dublin City Council give contracts to the private landscape companies who manage public green spaces in the Dublin 8 area, particularly *(details supplied)*.

(2) Who are they? Presently, these companies are using slash and burn methods, creating "green deserts." Showing no implementation of or regard for Biodiversity, Irelands "All Ireland Pollinator Plan 2015/20" which Dublin City Council have agreed to abide.

Q2 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services that the badly maintained area fronting *(details supplied)* be cleaned up, that the weeds etc. be removed and re-surfacing be included in the coming year's works plan. Residents on this tiny strip, which fronts the small pocket park off Ballyfermot Road, say it's never swept or maintained even though hundreds of pedestrians use this small area on a daily basis walking to school, public transport, shops etc. Can I ask for it to be included in a cleansing schedule?

Q3 Councillor Vincent Jackson

Can the Director of Services please request from *(details supplied)* that the exterior of their property be re-painted. Residents along Landen Road have shown me from their homes the poor state of the exterior walls of the above development, which needs regular maintenance.

Q4 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services to please look into the following *(details supplied1)*. Dublin City Council in the early part of the 2000`S increased the width of the small access road fronting *(details supplied1)*. This was a great success and the residents are able to keep the open green clean and tidy. However, 4 years ago *(details supplied2)* was sold. The new owners have 4 cars and a van and have recently erected an illegal sign on the wall outside their home, telling others they cannot park here, despite the fact they have a very large and vehicle accessible back garden. Can I ask Dublin City Council to remove the illegal sign. If we allow same all will start doing this. The sign was erected only last Saturday.

Q5 Councillor Vincent Jackson

In view of the horrific images of Luas staff tackling a passenger at the Bluebell, Dublin 12 Luas stop, can we inquire from the Luas Operator if this is now the standard practice when tackling possible fare evasion etc.? I am well aware security staff can have a difficult job, however this behaviour is more akin to something from despotic totalitarian regimes.

Q6 Councillor Vincent Jackson

Can the Director of Services please give me an indication of what can be done, if anything, to deter residents from the keeping of equine in the front and rear gardens of their privately owned homes in communities like Ballyfermot / Bluebell etc. I find it hard to understand how we can allow this practice exist. If we are to build sustainable communities, it is essential some ground rules exist to ensure people can live side by side. I regret many of these houses allow the same horses use our Parks / Open spaces in the evenings / weekends.

- Q7** **Councillor Vincent Jackson**
To ask the Director of Services that serious consideration be given to the large family from (*details supplied1*) be given a transfer to the large Dublin City Council bought property at (*details supplied2*). This family tragically lost a son 2 years ago to illness at the age of 12 years and they need a serious break.
- Q8** **Councillor Vincent Jackson**
Can the Director of Services please look into the following housing application (*details supplied*). Can Dublin City Council please indicate they can be considered for a house in Ballyfermot as a matter of urgency. The stress of travelling over to Ballyfermot every day for school is putting this them under terrible stress.
- Q9** **Councillor Vincent Jackson**
Can the Director of Services please ensure that planned re-development of Ballyfermot Civic Centre, as promised last year, commences as a matter of urgency and the possible re-location of services, which has the potential to ensure this fine building continues to be relevant and grow into the future.
- Q10** **Councillor Vincent Jackson**
To ask the Director of Services to request that Dublin City Council, CDET B and Tesco Ballyfermot come up with a cleansing / maintenance plan for the jointly owned car park facing their property. I regret with the bottle bank, clothing bank and fly dumping, the area can sometimes look in a very poor state and doesn't do the area any good.
- Q11** **Councillor Críona Ní Dhálaigh**
To ask the Director of Services why it is taking so long to accommodate (*details supplied*). He is number 1 on the older persons transfer list and has been for some time. He has expressed an interest in suitable voids in Memorial Court (units that are void for some time now) but has still not been reached. He did refuse an offer a few months ago and was also shown a unit but the offer had to be redrawn as there were too many stairs and no lift.
- Q12** **Councillor Críona Ní Dhálaigh**
To ask the Director of Services to list the units at (*details supplied*) and state how long these units have been void? The date keys were handed back, timeframe for reallocation and if they will be turned around via framework or in-house?
- Q13** **Councillor Críona Ní Dhálaigh**
To ask the Director of Services to inspect the walls at (*details supplied*). The dwelling was recently damp proofed but tenant reports that the walls are damp, cold and smelly again.
- Q14** **Councillor Críona Ní Dhálaigh**
To ask the Director of Services if it is possible to put in place a system where everyone who applies for a choice based lettings unit gets a reply stating yes you have been successful or no on this occasion you have not been successful? More and more people are contacting me frustrated that they don't hear back on their application if they are not successful.
- Q15** **Councillor Críona Ní Dhálaigh**
To ask the Director of Services to list the voids for (*details supplied*) and the length of time they have been void.

- Q16 Councillor Criona Ní Dhálaigh**
To ask the Director of Services who owns / is responsible for the footpaths / roads outside the visitor's entrance to (*details supplied*). Who is responsible for the operating of the horse drawn carriages outside (*details supplied*)? There has been an increase in the carriages operating from there with what seems to be no rules or regulations.
- Q17 Councillor Criona Ní Dhálaigh**
To ask the Director of Services what action has been taken regarding the request for a traffic safety audit around the St. Teresa's Gardens building site?
- Q18 Councillor Michael Watters**
To ask the Director of Services if it is possible to repair the footpath outside Parish of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary of Fatima, Rialto, Dublin 8?
- Q19 Councillor Michael Watters**
To ask the Director of Services if it is possible to repair the footpath outside Liberty Court, Clanbrassil Street Lower, Dublin 8.
- Q20 Councillor Michael Watters**
To ask the Director of Services if it is possible to install a yellow traffic box on Old Kilmainham, Dublin 8 at the junction with Brookfield Road.
- Q21 Councillor Michael Watters**
To ask the Director of Services if it is possible to install more public lighting on Connolly Gardens, Inchicore, Dublin 8.
- Q22 Councillor Michael Watters**
To ask the Director of Services if it is possible to repair the road and footpaths on Bulfin Road, Inchicore, Dublin 8.
- Q23 Councillor Michael Watters**
To ask the Director of Services if it is possible to install a right turn filter light on South Circular Road, Inchicore, Dublin 8 at the junction with Bulfin Road, when coming Kilmainham towards the canal.
- Q24 Councillor Michael Watters**
To ask the Director of Services if it is possible to review the junction outside 169 Herberton Road as road changes have made it dangerous for the resident to access her driveway with car.
- Q25 Councillor Michael Watters**
To ask the Director of Services if it is possible to install traffic calming on Greenville Avenue, South Circular Road, Dublin 8.
- Q26 Councillor Michael Watters**
To ask the Director of Services if it is possible to resurface the road on St. Mary's Drive, Walkinstown, Dublin 12.
- Q27 Councillor Michael Watters**
To ask the Director of Services if it is possible to review the junction where O'Donoghue Street meets Ring Street, Inchicore, Dublin 8.

- Q28** **Councillor Michael Watters**
To ask the Director of Services if it is possible to introduce recycling facilities, including glass recycling, to all public housing complexes in the South Central area.
- Q29** **Councillor Críona Ní Dhálaigh**
To ask the Director of Services what laws are in place to regulate horse carriages now that the Dublin Carriage Act is gone?
- Q30** **Councillor Críona Ní Dhálaigh**
To ask the Director of Services how many fines have been issued re road traffic violations by horse carriage drivers in the past 5 years and is it illegal to ride a horse through the city without a nappy sac and if so have any fines been issued re this?
- Q31** **Councillor Críona Ní Dhálaigh**
To ask the Director of Services what is the timeframe for allocating (*details supplied*) and how many units will be available.
- Q32** **Councillor Tina MacVeigh**
To ask the Director of Services to consider whether the trees on Donore Road, Dublin 8 are suitable for this road as residents have expressed concern that they may be blocking street lighting and / or interfering with overhead wires, and to consider either cutting them back or replacing them.
- Q33** **Councillor Tina MacVeigh**
To ask the Director of Services for an update on the status of (*details supplied*), who is on our housing list.
- Q34** **Councillor Tina MacVeigh**
To ask the Director of Services whether (*details supplied*) is the property of the Local Authority and if not, could it be put on our derelict sites list and could action be taken to address its dereliction.
- Q35** **Councillor Tina MacVeigh**
To ask the Director of Services for an update on the development of the park at Bridgefoot Street.
- Q36** **Councillor Tina MacVeigh**
To ask the Director of Services for an update on the discussions between our Development Department and Martin Keane as to the development of the Iveagh Markets.