To the Chairperson and Members of the Central Area Committee

Cabra Glasnevin Area Report December 2019

Cabra Parking Meeting

Following on from the meeting between councillors and local Area management in the Cabra Area Office dated 05/11/19, the Traffic Engineers wish to give the following update. This report has been circulated to councillors:

Cycle stands on Dowth Avenue

Following further investigation we have modified the design to include several bollards and three Sheffield bike stands. A sketch is attached for noting. Assuming there are no comments it is anticipated that these works will be installed before Christmas (actual installation date will be at the discretion of the contractor).

Shorten hours outside shops at Cabra Office.

This has been sent to the Parking Enforcement team who will investigate and reply back directly to the Councillors.

Extension of centre white line at entrance to Claremont Estate.

The white lines on Claremont Estate has been recommended for extension of 10m by the Area Engineer. It is anticipated that this will be approved at the 26/11/19 TAG meeting and will then be approved by Members at the December Area Committee meeting. Assuming this is approved by Councillors at this time, you will receive an official reply and the works will be scheduled for installation. The actual installation is at the discretion of the Traffic Officer and I have no control over how he programmes his works. The traffic officer has informed me that It should ordinarily be installed within 30 working days, dependent on weather conditions but may take slightly longer over the Christmas / operation free flow period.

Potential to remove roundabouts on Skreen Road.

Further investigation has indicated that Road Maintenance intend resurfacing part of this road in 2020. We will complete a design which will be submitted for a Road safety audit. The aim of the design will be to enhance traffic calming on the street. It is anticipated that feedback will be available to the councillors in Q1 2020 and any modifications will be made prior to Road Maintenance resurfacing works.

Taxi Rank

This has been sent to the relevant team who will investigate and reply back directly to the Councillors.

Angled parking at Faussagh Avenue at shops x 2 Locations

We will complete a design which will improve parking. The design will be submitted for a Road safety audit. Following this, the design will be issued to the councillors for noting as there may be a change in the capacity of parking spaces due to the change of design. It is

anticipated that a design will be available to the councillors in Q1 2020 with a view to installation in Q2 of 2020.

I trust that this information is satisfactory, if you have any other requests you are welcome to submit them to https://www.dublincity.ie/traffic-service-request-councillor

Dalymount Project

A meeting of the steering group on 26th November was told that a decision on the application for funding from the Large Scale Sports Infrastructure Fund (LSSIF)is expected soon. A preferred design team has been identified after a detailed selection process but cannot be appointed until funding is approved. The overall project cost is estimated at €35m which includes inflation and VAT

A tender is being prepared for the demolition of the existing stands but requires the approval of the new design team before it can be issued.

Glasnevin & Drumcondra Forum

There was a very large turnout at this meeting chaired by Cllr Neasa Hourigan. Attendance was largely driven by concern over the purchase of 86-88 Botanic Rd by Dublin Simon and it's proposed use as a rehabilitation facility. However, following consultation with DCC Planning department, Simon have stated that they will not use the premises as a temporary location for their existing Residential Recovery Service on Usher's Island.

The property at Botanic Road will now revert to its initial usage intention as residential long-term housing for people who are currently experiencing homelessness.

Community Development Report.

The lighting of the Drumcondra Christmas Tree was performed by Dermot Bannon, Architect and attend by the Home Farm Choir and supported by the Drumcondra Business Association.

Drumcondra Mensshed.

A number of meetings have been held in the Rosmini G.A.A. Clubhouse.

Rosmini G.A.A. have agreed to the use of their Clubhouse by the Mensshed.



Phibsborough Tidy Towns Group

A successful fundraising quiz was held recently and they are continuing with their great work.

Drumcondra History Walk.

120 people attended this very enjoyable event, promoted in partnership with local community groups.



Dorset Street Volunteers Night.



A Volunteers Celebration evening was held in the St. Francis Xavier Community Centre, following on from the recent festival.

Upcoming Events.

Lighting of Christmas Trees.

Faussagh Avenue, Drumcondra and Blessington Basin.

The Cabra Christmas Tree Lighting is a major occasion followed on by a community celebration in St. Finbarr's Hall.

Works have started at the De Courcey Square Garden at the Finglas Road and Mannix Hill Wild Flower Garden.

Phibsborough Tidy Towns Carol Singing.

Wednesday 11th December 7,30p.m. in the Library Garden.



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