

**DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL**  
**SOUTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE**  
**15<sup>th</sup> July 2020**

**Q1 Councillor Críona Ní Dhálaigh**

To ask the Director of Services if a ramp and a yellow box can be installed at the entrance of (*details supplied*) and what, if any, traffic calming measures can be introduced here. It's a small Cul de Sac which leads out to an extremely busy main road. Can a 'Cul de Sac' and 'Children at Play' signs be erected at the entrance as well?

**Reply**

(*Details supplied*) does not meet the criteria for either a speed ramp or a yellow box at the entrance of the Close

The criteria used to determine the need for traffic calming measures are specified in a report titled 'Procedures for Implementing Traffic Calming Measures', which was presented to the Traffic & Transportation Strategic Policy Committee, originally in 2006.

The agreed criteria for the installation of speed ramps (vertical deflections) are:

- The road should have a straight run of approximately 200 metres.
- The 85<sup>th</sup> percentile (the speed exceeded by 15% of drivers) should exceed 50 km/hr.
- Traffic volumes should exceed 60 vehicles per hour.
- There should be genuine concerns based on accident statistics or observed road safety patterns **or** a written report from an Inspector of the Garda Traffic Division, Dublin Castle relating to an issue of safety.

The traffic flow exiting (*details supplied*) is not significant as the Close is a Cul-de-Sac, The Close does not meet the minimum criteria of serving 50 housing units for a Yellow Box to be installed. The requirement for a Yellow box is intended to prevent road junctions becoming blocked. These guidelines are in place to avoid a proliferation of yellow boxes within the City.

The Areas Engineer has inspected (*details supplied*) and it has a 30km/h speed zone sign at the entrance of the cul de sac. Incorporated into these new signs there is a "Home Zone" and a "Slow Zone" sign along with the speed limit. This is to warn motorists that it is a residential area and to expect children playing. It is felt that this sign would be sufficient to warn motorists.

There is also a cul de sac sign at the entrance to (*details supplied*). The Area Engineer will ask for this sign to be moved to make it more visible on the road.

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**Q2 Councillor Críona Ní Dhálaigh**

To ask the Director of Services what can done about a rat infestation near (*details supplied*). Residents state that there is a rat infestation near (*details supplied*) and that it is impacting on them. It is right near the canal. Rats are now making their way into people's homes near there.

**Reply**

Rat infestations should be reported to the Pest Control Section of the HSE.

Residents should contact the Environmental Health Officer, HSE, Phone:- 01 449 3255.

Contact: Brian Lyons, Senior Staff Officer, South Central Area  
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**Q3 Councillor Criona Ní Dhálaigh**

For years now there have been issues with drains/overflow/sewerage at (*details supplied*). I have made numerous representations re this matter. The choke cart is a regular visitor but unfortunately, the problem still exists. Could the Director of Services please request a full inspection of the drains/shores here and address the issue once and for all.

**Reply**

This request has been referred to the Engineer Section within Housing Maintenance to have a camera inspection done on the drains of the Dublin City Council Rented Dwelling that has been clarified. Once an inspection has taken place any works deemed necessary will be carried out.

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**Q4 Councillor Darragh Moriarty**

To ask the Director of Services to provide an update on the current state of play of the public realm plan for Dolphins Barn junction/village.

**Reply**

Approval of the Dolphin's Barn Public Realm Improvement Scheme was made under Part 8 in 2018. The project entails extensive public realm works including paving, changes to traffic arrangements, landscaping and the upgrading of lighting and street furniture.

The project area lies along Route 9 Greenhills to City Centre Core Corridor under the National Transport Authority's Busconnects programme. The delivery of the Public Realm Improvement Scheme is therefore very much impacted by Busconnects and there is ongoing engagement with NTA to ensure that the approved design of the public realm improvement scheme and the requirements of Busconnects are compatible. This includes exploring whether all or a substantial part of the public realm scheme can be delivered as part of Busconnects.

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**Q5 Councillor Darragh Moriarty**

To ask the Director of Services about the possible change of use of student accommodation to co-living. This is an issue which had long been raised about the sustainable, long-term viability of such an abundance of student accommodation. With a Dublin City Council spokesperson telling the Dublin Inquirer that Dublin City Council would be 'favourably disposed' to a change of use, are Dublin City Council concerned that more developers will propose student accommodation as a backdoor to co-living? Article here: <https://www.dublininquirer.com/2020/06/24/as-covid-19-travel-restrictions-continue-some-worry-about-a-large-surplus-of-student-accommodation>

### **Reply**

As a consequence of the Covid-19 Pandemic and the introduction of more remote teaching in our third level colleges/universities, it is anticipated that there may be a reduced demand for student accommodation in Dublin in the coming academic year. This temporary decrease in demand may result in vacancy in some student accommodation developments. In anticipation of a decrease in occupancy levels and having regard to the ongoing housing crisis, it is considered appropriate to consider a temporary change of use of this high quality accommodation to co-living, pending the return of the third level colleges/universities to more traditional teaching arrangements and student numbers. As the majority of student accommodation schemes have the advantage of being well located within central locations, close to significant employment locations and public transport systems, they are well located for co-living schemes in principle.

While co-living schemes have characteristics similar to student accommodation, any change of use would require planning permission. Furthermore, the minimum standards for floor areas for co-living are higher; hence, an applicant would have to demonstrate to the Planning Authority that any proposal for a change of use meets the higher standards. This would necessitate either alterations to 'as constructed' floor plans or to reduced occupancy levels below that for permitted student accommodation schemes. This requirement to seek planning permission and to conform to a different set of standards/reduced occupancy for a temporary change of use may discourage proposals from coming forward.

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### **Q6 Councillor Darragh Moriarty**

To ask the Director of Services what Dublin City Council projects (housing, public realm or community development) in Dublin South Central are under review as a consequence of the economic impact of Covid-19.

### **Reply**

#### **Public Realm**

At present none of the public realm projects in SWIC are under review as a result of Covid-19. In many instances, the benefits of these projects would be in line with the sustainable mobility gains now being sought across the city to facilitate social distancing, great pedestrian priority and sustainable transport facilities such as cycleways. Projects are at various stages of development, while two large projects were set to get underway in 2020.

Site works at Bridgefoot Street Park have now recommenced following the site suspension between mid- March and May. The project is set to be completed at the end of the year, with the park is expected to open to the public in spring 2021.

The Francis Street Environmental Improvement Scheme, which was expected to commence in April, is currently awaiting final sign off by the Capital Projects Governance Board, as with all 'ready-to-go' major projects, in line with DEPR advice to temporarily defer 'green lighting' such projects until after the Lockdown.

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In terms of housing construction projects, social distancing and confinement rules had the initial impact of delaying progress during lockdown. All disrupted housing projects are back on site and are operating within the Social Distancing rules and while there are minor delays for planning future projects there is no requirement for reviews of same, at the moment.

Certain Community Development related projects which are normally part funded by DCC have been curtailed as a result of covid. These include cultural, sports and youth related activities which may not now take place (summer projects, group sports activities, etc). These activities are being kept under review pending government announcements on lifting restrictions.

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**Q7 Councillor Darragh Moriarty**

To ask the Director of Services to repair damage done to a 5-aside football pitch in St Michael's Estate located beside the Inchicore Community Sports Centre. There is a large area of the surface ripped up and the concrete is exposed.

**Reply**

This pitch is owned by the City of Dublin Education and Training Board (CDETb). The damage will be reported to the CDETb, who is responsible for its repairs and maintenance, as a matter of urgency.

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**Q8 Councillor Darragh Moriarty**

To ask the Director of Services to provide an update on the ongoing issues regarding the Iveagh Markets site.

**Reply**

Dublin City Council engaged with Mr Martin Keane over the last number of years and had agreed to allow him to develop plans to sufficient detail to submit a planning application for properties including the Iveagh Market. Mr. Keane was also to satisfy the Council that he had access to sufficient funds to deliver the project. As there had been little progress on either matter, the Council informed him on 20<sup>th</sup> December 2019 that it was desisting from further engagement with him and would take the necessary steps to repossess the Iveagh Markets.

Mr. Keane subsequently lodged a planning application on the 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2019 which was later deemed invalid by the Planning Department. Mr. Keane, through his solicitor, has served notice on the Council that he has been granted leave for a Judicial Review of the decision by Dublin City Council to invalidate his planning application. The matter is currently being dealt with by the council's Law Department.

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**Q9**     **Councillor Vincent Jackson**

To ask the Director of Services to please look at the cleansing arrangements in the vicinity of Tim Youngs Pub & Molloy's Liquor Store at Grange Cross, Ballyfermot. Could Dublin City Council please give some guidance of the storage of waste in this private lane? Some businesses here keep the area spotless, however some leave euro-bins filled with rubbish for days on end with the gates open. Is there any chance of an additional big belly bin along here?

**Reply**

Waste Management Services have the above mentioned shopping area on a daily cleaning schedule. The Covid pandemic has impacted on our ability to maintain all our cleaning schedules. However, since the easing of government Covid restrictions, we are continuing to work towards the resumption of full service delivery. This will lead to the return of a more regular cleaning schedule for this shopping area. We are satisfied that there is an adequate number of bins at this location. We will keep the request for an additional big belly bin at this location under review.

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**Q10**     **Councillor Vincent Jackson**

To ask the Director of Services to look at the problem of weeds growing through every other kerb and footpath in the Drimnagh Area. Some are reported to be 4ft in height and, with the recent bad weather, rubbish is catching in them. I understand we are not spraying, however we need to do something. In relation to the public lamp standards, who is responsible for painting of same and is there any budget to put a few flower planters in the Drimnagh Area. The area feels the poor relation in the South Central Area.

**Reply**

Public Lighting Services maintain the public lighting columns and poles that are owned by DCC. Public lighting is also installed on ESB Network poles, and while Public Lighting Services maintain the lights on these poles, the maintenance of ESB poles is a matter for ESB Networks.

If the councillor can provide specific locations of columns that require painting, we will examine those columns, and if painting is required and the columns are suitable, they will be added to the painting programme, subject to available finances.

*Contact: Karen Leeson, Executive Engineer, Public Lighting & Electrical Services Division.*

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The tender competition for the appointment of a contractor to remove weeds from the road network is in progress. Tenderers were invited to submit proposals to remove/treat weeds, including innovative proposals that they may have. The Tender assessment process is nearly complete and it is expected that this contract will be awarded in the next three weeks.

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Three three-tiered Planters were placed in Drimnagh in June. One at Errigal Road and Two at the Bank of Ireland near Balfe Rd Junction on Drimnagh Road. Consideration could be given to the provision of additional three tiered planters in Drimnagh for 2021 pending available funding; however many of the roads are not suited to large installations. The Drimnagh area might be better suited to smaller planters and we could certainly look at facilitating this.

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**Q11 Councillor Vincent Jackson**

To ask the Director of Services to request that full service is resumed in Ballyfermot Public Library as a matter of urgency. I was disappointed to find, of the 6 libraries re-opened last week at full services, none were located in the South Central Area of the City.

**Reply**

Under our phased reopening of library services, Ballyfermot library will reopen with a browse & borrow service on 20<sup>th</sup> July.

**Browse & Borrow Branches**

Browse & Borrow branches operate from 10am to 4pm Monday to Saturday, for users to browse and borrow books, CDs and DVDs.

Visitors can book an Internet PC (for a reduced period of 30 minutes), use the WiFi, and collect printing from the Surfbox printers.

There will be no seating for reading or studying, and users are encouraged to keep their visit as short as possible, and to use the self-service kiosks and the newly updated self-service library app.

Since 29<sup>th</sup> June Cabra, Coolock, Raheny, Pearse Street, Pembroke and Rathmines have been operating as Browse & Borrow libraries.

On 20<sup>th</sup> July a further 3 branches, Ballyfermot, Ballymun, and Walkinstown, will reopen as Browse & Borrow branches.

**Call and Collect Branches**

All branches that are not offering Browse & Borrow (with two exceptions\*) are operating a 'Call and Collect' service.

Borrowers may request items from their local library via an online form, email, or telephone, and library staff arrange a date and time for the borrower to come to their local library to pick up their books.

Borrowers are encouraged to search the online library catalogue to identify to see if the books they want are on shelf. If the particular book is not available, borrowers can ask staff to select books or other authors in the same genre.

**\*Central Library and Inchicore to remain closed**

The Central Library and Inchicore both remain closed for refurbishment.

A temporary library will operate in Richmond Barracks, from 10<sup>th</sup> August, while Inchicore is closed.

### **Online Reservations and national delivery service**

The Online Reservations system was switched off when the libraries closed and the nationwide delivery service was suspended. The delivery service was restarted on 6<sup>th</sup> July. Allowing time for the backlog to be cleared, online reservations will be resumed on 19<sup>th</sup> July, at which point borrowers will be able to make requests online from their library account and in the library app.

### **Home Delivery Service**

A home delivery service for cocooners is being operated with volunteers from the Dublin City Volunteer Centre. Eligible borrowers can contact a dedicated team in Cabra who will select and arrange delivery of the books.

### **Digital Services**

Our eResources including ebooks, audio books, music and magazines are all still available. Borrowers may access the many eResources with an email address, a Dublin City library barcode, and a PIN.

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### **Q12 Councillor Vincent Jackson**

To ask the Director of Services to please look again at the huge volumes of through traffic in Chapelizod Village, which have dramatically got worse in the past few weeks, with the OPW closing all the access roads to the Phoenix Park. I would ask that additional signage 30KM speed limit and the possibility of a contra flow be considered to deter through traffic in this beautiful village. I often see cars ignore traffic lights in the village when people are trying to cross. Ongoing problems at the junction with the Mullingar House are thorny issues which is going on for years without any satisfactory resolution.

### **Reply**

This request (Enquiry Ref No. 7015868) will be referred to the Area Engineer for assessment and report to the Transport Advisory Group for their consideration.

The Councillor will then be informed of the final recommendations of the Transport Advisory Group.

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### **Q13 Councillor Vincent Jackson**

Can I ask the Director of Services once again to look at how we can improve the experience for shoppers and commercial property owners at Claddagh Green, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10. The area is poorly maintained and commercial ratepayers are understandably annoyed only limited action is taken to improve the physical area. There is some simple low cost gains available:- regular cleansing, additional bins, flowers in the flower tubs and repairs / re-surfacing on the road way. Car parking is an ongoing issue and pay parking with 30 free minutes would aid the situation in this area.

### **Reply**

Road Maintenance visited this location this year and carried out repairs to the carriageway. The footpath is in a reasonable condition.

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Waste Management Services have the above mentioned shopping area on a daily cleaning schedule. The Covid pandemic has impacted on our ability to maintain all our cleaning schedules. However since the easing of government Covid restrictions, we are continuing to work towards the resumption of full service delivery. This will lead to the return of a more regular cleaning schedule for this shopping area. We are satisfied that the two litter bins at this location adequately cater for the litter needs there.

*Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services*  
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Currently there is no evidence of illegal parking in this area, however, The Parking Enforcement Inspector will assess the area and report back on his findings. Short duration Pay & Display can prove to be difficult to enforce especially in residential areas, and has little effect in changing parking behaviours.

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**Q14 Councillor Vincent Jackson**

To ask the Director of Services to request that the broken bollard at the closed off junction of Blackditch Road, Ballyfermot, and Clifden Road be replaced as a matter of urgency before people start using the area as a rat run.

**Reply**

Road maintenance inspected this location and note that there is a masonry type of bollard missing at this location. This number of bollards has been there for some time and are not within our current specification so we have no replacements in stock. We do have cast iron bollards but these will look completely out of place against the existing masonry ones. I note at present that no cars can pass through this gap.

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**Q15 Councillor Vincent Jackson**

To ask the Director of Services to request the Traffic Department to take a look at the slip road towards the West County Hotel / Glenaulin area of Chapelizod, Dublin 20. It is becoming very hazardous as there is no clear markings to differentiate between walkers and cyclists.

**Reply**

The slip road and footpath from the Chaplizod bypass up to the start of the bus lane outside the West County Hotel / Glenaulin is in charge of South Dublin County Council.

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**Q16 Councillor Vincent Jackson**

Can the Director of Services please indicate what plans are there for the old filter beds at the Grand Canal Park West, Ballyfermot, and if these can be used for Kayaking by a local Youth Service during the winter months.

**Reply**

The old filter beds form part of the Gallanstown Waterworks, a disused water reservoir on the northern bank of the Grand Canal. Under the Park West – Cherry Orchard Local Area Plan 2019, this facility is identified as a key amenity area with specific objectives to explore the tourism and recreational amenity of the waterworks, and to connect this facility to the Canal's Greenway, see Objectives ED08 CS4 and M06 of the LAP, (pages 23, 40, 47, 48, 57, 75).

To commence this process the City Council submitted an application for funding under the URDF 2020 call to carry out a structural feasibility study of the brick arched water reservoir next to the filter beds, and to engage consultants to work with stakeholders to develop a brief for the waterworks facility, and subsequently to prepare design drawings for planning.

A number of issues would need to be addressed before accessing the waterbody for kayaking, including access to the facility, change of use, conservation and a biodiversity study of the flora and fauna at this site. It is anticipated that these issues will be addressed as part of the feasibility study for which funding is sought.

The City Council is aware of, and works closely with the nearby Ballyfermot Youth Service who operate a water sports element from an industrial unit within the Park West Industrial Estate, and indeed this group is specifically identified both within the LAP and the URDF application, as potential future users of this key amenity site. The URDF application, includes the following statement:

*"The development of the Gallanstown Waterworks site will have far reaching benefits along the length of the Canal's Greenway. It is proposed to develop the "concept and vision" for this site in collaboration with Irish Waterways, Fáilte Ireland and South Dublin County Council whom have all supplied letters in support of this project. Consultation with local land owners and local groups who currently use the Canal, in particular the Ballyfermot Youth Service who operate out of an industrial unit along the Canal, will also be provided for, exploring opportunities for local groups to use new facilities put in place. Funding is specifically sought to carry out a study with significant consultation input from the various stakeholders to ensure the creation of an agreed vision and design for this facility."*

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**Q17 Councillor Vincent Jackson**

Can the Director of Services request the removal of the badly damaged cross structure from the small grassed area at the Junction of Blackditch Road / Clifden Road, facing the lawns park and grass the area over.

**Reply**

The cross referred to above is a memorial to those who have died from the area. While the monument could do with some attention like repointing, agreement from residents to its removal would be recommended first.

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**Q18 Councillor Daithí Doolan**

To ask The Director of Services to agree a programme to remove weeds in the Drimnagh area, weeds are out of control and need urgent attention.

**Reply**

The Weed eradication Programme is funded by The Roads Department and overseen locally by Public Domain Officers. This is likely to begin across the City from Mid-July. The Public Domain Officer has inspected the South Central Area including Drimnagh and will facilitate as many of the worst affected areas as possible,

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A tender competition for the appointment of a contractor to remove weeds from the road network is in progress. Tenderers were invited to submit proposals to remove/treat weeds, including innovative proposals that they may have. The Tender assessment process is nearly complete and it is expected that this contract will be awarded in the next two weeks.

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**Q19 Councillor Daithí Doolan**

To ask the Director of Services to outline the process for removing domestic bins, owned by private companies, that are abandoned in fields, parks and roads?

**Reply**

Any littering that is found within parks are removed for disposal to licenced waste facility.

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The Public Domain Officer investigates the complaint in the first instance. The litter warden may be requested to tag the bin to see if an owner comes forward. The bin is in the ownership of the waste collector and usually the company would remove the bin once the status of the account has been checked by the company. In the event the bin has no identifying marks or the company is no longer trading the public domain officer may require the assistance of Waste Management Services or a private contractor to remove. If the bin is deposited in a public park without access to a private contractor assistance may be sought by Parks Dept. to remove it for collection by the company.

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**Q20** **Councillor Daithí Doolan**

To ask the Director of Services to clear out the lane way at the rear of 5 and 6 Oranmore Close?

**Reply**

The lane has been inspected by our Public Domain Officer and deemed to be clear. Waste Management Services have agreed to inspect the lane once a week and clear it as required.

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**Q21** **Councillor Daithí Doolan**

To ask the Director of Services to review the yellow lines at Errigal Road, Drimnagh. It has been reported that the yellow lines over extend and prohibit residents from legitimately parking cars.

**Reply**

This location will be inspected in the coming days to review the report regarding the yellow lines.

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**Q22** **Councillor Daithí Doolan**

To ask The Director of Services to outline the rota for street cleaning in Bluebell?

**Reply**

Waste Management Services have the shopping area in Bluebell on a daily cleaning schedule and the residential area there on a weekly cleaning schedule. The Covid pandemic has impacted on our ability to maintain all our cleaning schedules. However, since the easing of government Covid restrictions, we are continuing to work towards the resumption of full service delivery. This will lead to the return of a more regular cleaning schedule for the Bluebell area.

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**Q23** **Councillor Daithí Doolan**

To ask the Director of Services for an update on when Oaklee Housing development on Cromwellsfort road will be complete and ready for allocation?

**Reply**

The sale of 12 units at Cromwellsfort Court to Oaklee Housing is due to close in July 2020. The nomination process is at an advanced stage and units will be allocated after the closing of the sale.

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**Q24 Councillor Daithí Doolan**

To outline how many burnt out cars were removed and disposed of by Dublin City Council in the South Central Area for the years 2018, 2019 and so far for 2020, at what cost and from what areas?

**Reply**

The statistics regarding burnt out cars removed and disposed of by Dublin City Council are as follows:

2018 – 123

2019 – 98

2020 – 13 – this is for the first quarter only, April– June is not yet available.

The service is cost neutral i.e. the Contractor gets the scrap value of the cars, and there is no cost to Dublin City Council. There is no breakdown of these figures by areas.

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**Q25 Councillor Daithí Doolan**

To ask The Director of Services what action has been taken to prioritise tackling illegal dumping along Tyrconnell Road?

**Reply**

Waste Management Crews operate daily on Tyrconnell Road and illegally dumped material is removed on a daily basis. The Public Domain Officer has arranged for the Litter Warden Service to monitor this location for a number of weeks and to remove specimen bags from the public domain for searching. If any evidence is retrieved from the bags a fixed penalty notice will be issued accordingly. The Public Domain Officer will conduct a waste survey of the households in the area to determine compliance with the Waste Management (Segregation, Storage and Presentation of Household and Commercial Waste) Bye- Laws 2018. Illegal Dumping Reports can be made on the Dublin City Council self-service portal or directly to [southcentralpublicdomain@dublincity.ie](mailto:southcentralpublicdomain@dublincity.ie).

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**Q26 Councillor Daithí Doolan**

To ask The Director of Services how many abandoned bins, owned by private domestic waste collection companies, have been collected and disposed of by Dublin City Council in the South Central Area for 2019 and so far in 2020?

**Reply**

It is not possible to provide figures on the number of private waste collection company bins disposed of by Dublin City Council over any specific time period or in any particular area as such information is not recorded.

Instead, abandoned bins are simply categorised as illegally dumped materials in the same manner as other household materials such as couches or mattresses etc.

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