



**MINUTES OF THE NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING**

**HELD ON MONDAY 18 JANUARY 2021**

1 **Minutes of North Central Area Committee meeting held on 14th December, 2020**

Order: Agreed.

2 **Questions to the Area Manager**

Order: Noted. Cllr Horgan-Jones queried why Cycle Pathways was not on the agenda Cllr Cooney confirmed it is listed for a future meeting.

3 **Area Matters**

a **Sports and Wellbeing Partnership Report**

Order: Noted. Councillors have acknowledged the ongoing good work Sports and Wellbeing Partnership are doing.

b **Park Management Plan - St. Anne's Park**

Order: Noted. Councillors requested hardcopy of 2006 Park Management Plan Manager to follow up regarding same. Fergus O'Carroll to organise Green Flag Plan.

Cllr O'Toole requires action on the ongoing issues of dumping at the North Western Area of Darndale park (perpetrators need to be tackled) The Manager to organise special briefing of Darndale Park with people from waste management/housing.

c **Malahide Road - Issues with Surface**

Order: Report noted.

d **Grant towards the running cost of private swimming pool for the year 2020 (Trinity Sports and Leisure Club)**

Order: Agreed. Proposed by Cllr O'Muíri, seconded by Cllr. Barron. Refer to City Council.

e **Proposed disposal of a plot to the front of No. 10 Island View, Donaghmede, Dublin 13**

Order: Agreed. Proposed by Cllr Batten, seconded by Cllr MacDonncha. Refer to City Council.

f **Disposals at New Priory**

Order: Agreed. Proposed by Cllr Barron, seconded by Cllr O'Muíri. Refer

to City Council.

- g **With further reference to the proposed disposal of a site at Belmayne, Dublin 13, to the Minister of Education and Skills**  
Order: Agreed. Proposed by Cllr Mac Donncha, seconded by Cllr Roe.  
Refer to City Council.
- h **Proposal to initiate the procedure for the Taking in Charge of 1 - 7 Parkview, Kincora Court, Clontarf, Dublin 3.**  
Order: Agreed. Proposed by Cllr Heney, seconded by Cllr O'Farrell.  
Refer to City Council.
- i **Naming and numbering Proposal for a new residential development on a site known as Windermere, Hole in the Wall Road, Clongriffin, Dublin 13.**  
Order: Rejected. Proposed by Cllr Mac Donncha to go back to developers. Guidelines for Naming and Numbering procedure to be circulated to NCAC.
- j **Housing Supply Report**  
Order: Noted.  
Derek Farrell - updated re Millwood Court anticipated that this will be listed on February Agenda.  
Frank Darcy - update report to be emailed to the Councillors regarding Cllr Heney's question on voids and how they are funded

#### 4 **Roads and Streets Matters**

- a **Minutes of TAG Meeting**  
Order: The Manager to contact Eoin Corrigan and request him to review the TAG Report level 5 in the context of seeing if some of these outstanding tasks could be completed under COVID Mobility.

#### 5 **Items for following meeting**

Discretionary Fund Report – Cllr Heney's enquiry regarding split of same and how it is divided among the 5 Administrative Area's  
Invite to Raheny Shamrock Athletics re proposals  
Ray Yeates – Grants to enhances Art facilities in NCA (April)  
Comprehensive Report requested on Traffic Management studies carried out regarding flow of traffic Fairview/Ballybough.  
Racheal Batten – Report on how many developments, Planners have approved outside the Development Plan for NCA  
Declan Flanagan – NCA Climate Plan Report  
Stardust Memorial Greenway and Trail to Edenmore – Progress Report

#### 6 **Motions**

- a **Motion in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney**  
"That the issue of water logged grass and impassable pavement with large long lasting deep puddles and very water logged grassed areas on Clontarf promenade are addressed using green infrastructure, this is particularly difficult for wheelchair users, those with mobility issues and parents with push chairs and young children"

**Reply:**

In relation to the section of Clontarf Promenade between the junction of Alfie Byrne Road and the car park, it is proposed to upgrade this section as part of the Clontarf to City Centre Project. This segregation of the cycle path from the pedestrian walkway will improve drainage of the area.

**Contact:** Fiona Craven, Senior Executive Engineer,  
Sustainable & Mobility Projects.

**Tel:** 222 7962.

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The area by its very nature is low-lying, prone to flooding and regular inundation by high tides during storm conditions. Opportunities to drain this area are very limited as there is no fall on the land and nowhere to drain the water to. Sumps or soakaways are unlikely to be effective due to the high water table. Similarly, planted areas which can be effective in paved areas would be much less so here for the same reasons. The area will be examined over the winter months to ascertain if there are any localised solutions to the worst affected areas. De-compaction of poorly drained grassed areas during the summer months can help with infiltration of waterlogging after heavy rains. However, it is likely that the area to the seaward side of the proposed flood defences will remain somewhat wetter than other open spaces in the area.

**Contact:** Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks  
Superintendent  
**Email:** [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)

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Director of Services  
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Order: Not agreed. Since written reply this has been identified as a drain failure and it has been referred to Water Drainage. The Manager to follow up.

b **Motion in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney**

"That the issue of illegal car parking on the pavements on Mount Prospect Avenue opposite St Annes GAA training/changing is addressed as over Christmas there was a wheelchair user who was obstructed from using the pavement by a car parked there, could bollards or other pavement protections, signage or other solutions to address this as it's an ongoing concern at this location"

**Reply:**

Additional signage or bollards are not provided on footpaths as a measure to prevent parking as it is illegal to park on a footpath and the installation of additional infrastructure is not sustainable. This is an enforcement issue and the matter will be referred to the Parking Policy and Enforcement team.

**Contact:** Catalina Rosca, Area Traffic Engineer, Environment &  
Transportation Dept.

**Email:** [catalina.rosca@dublincity.ie](mailto:catalina.rosca@dublincity.ie)

Parking Policy and Enforcement will ask the Dublin Street Parking Services to enforce against illegal parking on footpaths on Mount Prospect Avenue opposite St Anne's GAA grounds.

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**Director of Services**  
**North City**

Order: Manager advised Cllr Cooney to contact Enforcement who can review a specific area over a period of time.

**c Motion in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney**

“That North Central Area committee organise a meeting with all Bull Island stakeholders/ reps on safe access to Bull Island soon to discuss possible solutions as there are still ongoing safety issues at the wooden bridge entrance over Christmas and New year on the causeway, whilst thanking parks for measures taken before Christmas including pavement protection, marked parking and bicycle parking”

**Reply:**

The wooden bridge is the property of Dublin Port Company and they manage the traffic lights on the bridge. They have been requested to liaise with the Environment and Traffic Department of DCC who manage the traffic lights on the Clontarf road to see if there are ways in which the traffic movement can be better controlled. The Area Committee will be informed of any proposed changes that come from that consultation.

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**Director of Services**  
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**Contact:** Les Moore, City Parks Superintendant  
**Phone:** 222 5049  
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Order: The Manager to follow up with Les Moore on this matter.

**d Motion in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“That an update be presented on the parking and other matters affecting residents and traffic movement on Richmond Road and a detailed statement be made of proposals to be progressed by City Council”

**Reply:**

The traffic issues at Richmond Rd. are very complex and well documented at this stage. As we have discussed previously Richmond Rd. was never designed to have the current levels of traffic and local car ownership.

The North Central Area Office have modelled several solutions,

undertaken a house to house survey and several site visits. Unfortunately, all the solutions modelled only created additional problems elsewhere or exacerbated existing problems. The house to house survey demonstrated that there is excessive unregulated parking in the area.

As with many complex problems the solution to this issue is not simple or cheap. The proposed overall solution will be the introduction of a residential parking scheme and possible realignment of the road.

The residential parking scheme requires the completion of a plebiscite and the use of 2 pieces of land with title issues. The issues with one of these pieces of land has been sorted and the issues with the other remain to be solved.

Conversations with regard to the realignment of the road have begun and will be actively pursued by the North Central Area Office. This is very complex involving several Dublin City Council Departments and will take a significant amount of time and money to resolve, if possible.

We will keep the Area Committee updated on both the Residential Parking Scheme and the realignment of the Road.

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**Director of Services**  
**North City**

Order: Agreed. Refer to Councillor.

**Clr Donna Cooney**  
**Chairperson**  
**18<sup>th</sup> January, 2021**

**Attendance:**

**Members:**

Dearbháil Butler  
Donna Cooney  
Tom Brabazon  
John Lyons  
Damian O'Farrell

**Members:**

Daryl Barron  
Terence Flanagan  
Deirdre Heney  
Micheál MacDonncha  
Larry O'Toole

**Members:**

Patricia Roe  
Racheal Batten  
Jane Horgan-Jones  
Naoise Ó Muirí  
Declan Flanagan

**Officers**

Owen Keegan  
Sarah Brady  
Deirdre Murphy  
Connell McGlynn

Aileen Doyle  
Coilin O'Reilly  
Elaine Mulvenny  
Aideen O'Connor

Fergus O'Carroll  
Dara McLoughlin  
Derek Farrell  
Pat O'Halloran  
Brendan Doggett  
Catherine Cahill  
Brian Kavanagh

**Apologies:**

Les Moore

**Non-Members:**

**DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL**  
**NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE**  
**18<sup>th</sup> January 2021**

**Q.1 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O Toole**

“To ask the Manager to have regular road sweeping and general cleansing carried out at Macroom Road, Dublin 17 ”

**Reply:**

Waste Management Services had Macroom Road cleaned on the 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021. We will monitor litter levels there and arrange extra cleaning when necessary.

**Coilin O'Reilly**  
**Director of Services**  
**North City**

**Contact:** Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services.  
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**Q.2 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O Toole**

“To ask the Manager to have the front garden renovated and the all-weather front door replaced at **(details supplied).**”

**Reply:**

Housing Maintenance Joinery Workshop only fabricate and install wooden doors which the tenant has refused to have installed. If the tenant wishes to have a wooden door installed Housing Maintenance will arrange for an inspection to be carried out once the restrictions have been lifted. Maintaining of the front and back gardens are tenants responsibility as stated in the tenants handbook.

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**Contact: Frank d'Arcy, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance**  
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**Tel: 222-3517**

**Q.3 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O Toole**

“To ask the Manager to have the footpath at the pedestrian entrance to Primary Care Centre on Cromcastle Road dishd out.” **PHOTO ATTACHED.**

**Reply:**

Road Maintenance Services will examine this location with a view to assessing it’s suitability for the installation of a pedestrian crossing.

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**Contact: Shane Satell, Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services.**  
**Tel: 222 2297.**  
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**Q.4 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O Toole**

“To ask the Manager to have the landscape reinstated at this section of Clare Hall Avenue (on the right-hand side approaching archway entrance to Clare Hall estate). It was left in this very bad state after works were carried out.” **PHOTO ATTACHED.**

**Reply:**

It is intended that this area will be reinstated and seeded in early Spring when weather conditions allow.

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**Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**  
**Email: [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)**

**Q.5 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

“To ask the Manager to indicate how many new housing projects are taking place currently in the North Central area and if he can issue a report on same please”

**Reply:**

Under Part V of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) the following units have commenced on site and will be delivered in the coming months in the North Central area:

<b>Address 1</b>	<b>Address 2</b>	<b>No. of Units</b>	<b>Expected Completion Date</b>
Strand View	Howth Road, Dublin 5	6	Q1 2021
Verville Retreat, Vernon Ave	Clontarf, Dublin 3	6	Q1 2021
Brookwood Court	Killester, Dublin 5	7	Q4 2021
Swiss Cottages	Santry, Dublin 9	11	Q1 2021
Grace Park Road, St. Joseph's School for the Blind	Drumcondra, Dublin 9	14	Q1 2021
Black Banks Garden Centre	Howth Road, Raheny, Dublin 5	4	Q1 2021
Chanel Manor (apartments)	Coolock Village, Dublin 5	9	Q2 2022
Jameson Court, The Glen	Watermill Road, Dublin 5	1	Q1 2021
Hampton (former carmelite convent)	Grace Park Road, Griffith Avenue, Dublin 9	8	Q1 2023
Parkside Phase 5a	Parkside, Dublin 13	2	Q1 2021
Griffith Wood	Griffith Avenue, Marino, Dublin 13	38	Q1 2021
Two Three North	Parkside (Phase 4), Dublin 13	28	Q4 2021
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**Currently under construction in North Central Area**

<b>Provider</b>	<b>Schemes</b>	<b>Funding Stream</b>	<b>Unit No and Type</b>	<b>Finish Date</b>
DCC	Ayrfield Churchwell Gardens	<b>Housing PPP</b>	<b>150</b>	Q2 2021
AHB (Respond)	Chanel Manor, Coolock D.5	CALF	<b>78</b>	Q2 2022
DCC (Rapid build)	Bunratty Road D.17	LA Housing	<b>78</b>	Q2 2021

Provider	Schemes	Funding Stream	Unit No and Type	Finish Date
AHB (Clanmil)	Newtown Cottages, Malahide Road	CALF	3	Q3 2021

### **Projects currently at tender stage**

Provider	Schemes	Funding Stream	Units	Finish Date
AHB (Respond)	Highpark, Gracepark Rd,	CALF	101	TBC

### **Projects currently at an advanced stage of Planning or Design**

Provider	Schemes	Funding Stream	Units	Finish Date
DCC In House (Rapid)	Belcamp B, D.17	LA Housing	12	TBC
DCC (Rapid build)	Woodville, D.5	LA Housing	36	TBC
DCC (Rapid build)	Cromcastle Court, D.10	LA Housing	120	TBC
DCC (Rapid build)	Slademoire, Ayrfield, D.13	LA Housing	42	TBC
DCC	Glin Court, D.17	LA Housing	36	TBC
Provider	Schemes	Funding Stream	Units	Finish Date
AHB (FOLD)	Millwood Court, D.5	CALF	60	TBC
AHB (Cluid)	Thatch Road, D.9 Swords Road	LA Housing	100	2021

**Contact:** Dymphna Farrell, SEO, Housing Development  
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The DCC Q3 Housing Taskforce Returns 2020 provides the following information for the North Central Area regarding the Tier 1 sites which include extant permissions only.

There are 34 sites with planning permission for 6458 residential units in the area. Of these 575 are for housing units and 5883 are for apartment units.

Of the 34 sites, 17 are actively under construction.

There are 2013 residential units permitted under these 17 active sites.

Of these 17 active sites, there are 386 units completed to date with a further 1159 units under construction and a remaining 468 residential units to be built out.

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**Q.6 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

“To ask how many new Bins have been installed in the North Central area over the last 12 months please, does the manager recognise that there is a need and demand for more bins. Can a report be issued on same please”

**Reply:**

A report on bin numbers will be provided to the Cllr. Waste Management Services are aware of the need to review the supply of bins within the city. Audits of the supply of bins in areas is underway examining the existing numbers, numbers of replacements required and requests from the public and elected members for the supply of additional bins. These audits are being carried out in the context of ensuring that public litterbins are provided at, or in close proximity to, litter generators such as neighbourhood shopping facilities, leisure and amenity areas and facilities, entrances to parks, main thoroughfares, arterial routes and urban village centres.

The waste management services division has recently completed a public tender for the supply of new bins and contracts have been awarded and orders submitted to allow for the commencement of installation of new bins and replacement bins where bins have been removed due to damage.

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**Q.7 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

“To ask the Manager to indicate how many DCC vehicles are been powered by electricity in the North Central area currently, can I have a breakdown on same please”

**Reply:**

There are 41 electric vehicles in Dublin City Councils' fleet consisting of 3 cars, 34 small vans and 4 light commercial vehicles. It is not possible to state how many are working in a specific area of the Council as these vehicles work across the whole of the City Council.

**Contact: Paul Mc Carthy, Head of Fleet Management Services**  
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The Local Area Office only has two vans assigned to it, which are part of the DCC fleet. These vans are not currently electric however when these vehicles fall due for replacement, it is planned to replace them with an electric vehicle.

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**Director of Services**  
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**Q.8 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

“To ask the Manager to indicate how many areas have CCTV installed in the North Central area please, does the manager agree that there is a need for same and are there any plans to expand the roll out going forward”

**Reply:**

Currently in the Artane/Whitehall LEA the following areas have CCTV installed;

- Albert College Court
- Hampstead Court
- Kilmore Place
- Mount Dillon Court
- Cromcastle Court
- Darndale area
- Glin Court

**Contact:** Connell Mc Glynn, Area Housing Manager  
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The Area Housing manager reports there are two locations that have CCTV installed in the Kilbarrack area. These are St Berach's Place, Stardust Memorial Park and Greendale Court. CCTV is one of the tools that can assist with estate management in DCC complexes provided it complies with the various regulations that are in place such as GDPR.

A legitimate purpose must be identified for a cctv system to be installed such as deterring anti-social behaviour, Health & Safety of staff or the public or littering, amongst other legitimate purposes. There are currently no plans to install new cctv systems in the area however this is continually assessed and further cctv could be installed as the needs arise.

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**Q.9 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

“To ask the Manager to provide a list of DCC disposal sites that are taking old Christmas trees for recycling, also are there any sites that take wooden pallets for disposal”

**Reply:**

Details of Dublin City Council's Christmas Tree disposal programme for 2021 can be viewed online at <https://www.dublincity.ie/residential/environment/waste-and-recycling/christmas-tree-disposal>

Unfortunately, none of our recycling facilities accept pallets at this time. However should a private household wish to dispose of a single pallet, it could be dismantled and disposed of via timber recycling at our Civic Amenity Sites at Shamrock Terrace, North Strand and Pigeon House Road, Ringsend upon payment of the appropriate bulky waste charge.

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**Contact: Sid Daly, Public Domain Enforcement Officer Waste Management Services.**  
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**Q.10 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

“To ask the Manager how many footpath repairs/upgrades have been undertaken over the past 12 months in the North Central area and if contractors have been employed to carry out the works please”

**Reply:**

Our records show that 560 footpath repairs were completed by Road Maintenance Services direct labour resources in 2020 in the North Central Area.

In addition to this, localised footpath repairs were completed by external contractors at the following locations as part of our Major Works Program-

- Gracepark Meadows
- Belton Park Avenue
- Belton Park Gardens
- Haverty Road
- Marino Park Avenue
- Casino Road
- Shelmartin Avenue
- Collins Avenue
- Griffith Park Avenue
- Rathvale Park
- Rathvale Grove
- Rathvale Avenue
- Ayrfield Grove
- Ayrfield Park
- Ayrfield Avenue
- Seafield Road West
- Castilla Park
- Furry Park Road
- Dunluce Road
- Swans Nest Road
- Swans Nest Avenue

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**Contact:** Shane Satell, Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services.  
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**Q.11 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

“To ask the Manager what is the current update on the Oscar Traynor lands and what are the next steps involved”

**Reply:**

This matter is still under active consideration, while discussions are ongoing, no definitive outcomes on the future of this site can currently be reported. Additional clarification will be required prior to the issuing of any further statement, on this matter, to the councillor.

**Coilín O'Reilly**  
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**Q.12 Question in the name of Councillor Mícheál Mac Donncha**

“To ask the Manager if permanent lighting will be installed at the St Berach's/Grange Park entrance to Kilbarrack railway station, given that the temporary lighting installed some months ago is inadequate and subject to frequent malfunction”

**Reply:**

The Council is considering various options to try and come up with a permanent solution to address the repeated vandalism to the street lighting and anti-social behaviour near the ramp. It has to be pointed out that despite numerous repairs to the street lighting near the ramp by the Council the lights are out of order as a result of anti-social behaviour by a minority and not by a lack of action on the part of the Council. The Area office will liaise with the Gardai, Iarnrod Éireann and internally to try and resolve this.

**Coilín O'Reilly**  
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**Contact:** Seamus MacSweeney, Senior Executive Engineer,  
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**Q.13 Question in the name of Councillor Mícheál Mac Donncha**

“To ask the Manager for a clean-up of the green area under the pedestrian bridge beside the St Berach's/Grange Park entrance to Kilbarrack railway station which has been subject to illegal dumping and littering and is in a very unhygienic and unsightly state.”

**Reply:**

Dumping is an recurring problem at this location and the area is regularly cleared as resources allow.

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**Contact:** Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent  
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**Q.14 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O Toole**

“To ask the Manager to have the blocked shore in the front garden of **(details supplied)** unblocked.”

**Reply:**

The Chocecar have arranged to attend to this property by the end of this week.

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Director of Services  
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**Contact:** Frank d'Arcy, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance  
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**Tel:** 222-3517

**Q.15 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O Toole**

“To ask the Manager to respond to this housing request of **(details supplied)** and advise if it would be possible to consider their return to DCC accommodation that would be more suitable for them both”

**Reply:**

The applicant was housed at the above address on 17/09/2015.

Should the applicant wish to transfer to more suitable accommodation, she should be advised to submit a transfer application. Taking into consideration the additional needs of the applicant’s son, she should also be advised to complete a medical priority application and submit it with her transfer application.

The applicant may wish to register her interest in Homeswapper.ie and create an account with a view to liaising with other applicants seeking transfers. Should the applicant be successful in finding a match, and all the criteria is satisfied, it may decrease their waiting time.

**Coilin O’Reilly**  
**Director of Services**  
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**Q.16 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O Toole**

“To ask the Manager to respond to this housing request of **(details supplied)** and say when will Mark be considered for older person’s accommodation”

**Details:** Mark Fleming, 74 Ardbeg Park, Artane, Dublin 5. Mr. Fleming lives at above address sharing with three other adults, his father aged ninety one, his sister, her husband and their two children aged fifteen and sixteen. It is not a particularly suitable arrangement for either him or the rest of the family.

**Reply:**

The above applicant is on the Older Persons Housing List with an application date of 25/10/2017, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

<b>Area</b>	<b>Bedsize</b>	<b>Position</b>
Area B	1	51

The applicant will be considered for offer when accommodation to meet his household need becomes available and according to his position on the list. The applicants file has been updated to reflect that he is currently residing in overcrowded conditions.

The applicant may wish to increase his areas of choice, it would be advised to the applicant, that by increasing his areas of choice, it may increase his chance of being housed in a shorter timeframe. Housing Advisors are available (Monday to Friday via phone 2pm – 5pm) to discuss options with the applicant should he wish to amend his application to include additional areas of choice.

Dublin City Council allocates properties based on time on the list and currently there are applicants 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.

The applicant may be eligible for HAP which will provide her with financial assistance towards the cost of renting another property. Should the applicant wish to apply for the HAP scheme, she should make contact with the Allocations Section with current income details where a Housing Advisor can provide information and advice on the scheme.

**Coilín O’Reilly**  
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**Q.17 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager to refer to laneway as per details attached and say if he can

- (1) arrange to have same resurfaced
- (2) have a safety hand rail or some other similar safety measure put in place

as the laneway surface is currently in a dangerous condition, particularly for vulnerable pedestrians as well as our elders and can he also say if he can ensure that this laneway is gritted during these freezing temperatures as the steep incline on this laneway surface is treacherous during freezing weather and poses a hazard for vulnerable pedestrians and our elders”

**Reply:**

- (1) Road Maintenance Services will schedule localised repairs when a works crew is available at this location. Full resurfacing will be considered as part of our annual works program.
- (2) Due to the width of the laneway and the private walls on each side, a hand rail is not feasible at this location.
- (3) In the event of freezing temperatures, forecasted ice or snow, approximately 300km of the road network in the City Council’s administrative area will be treated with gritting salt. It is not possible to grit the entire city network and so the designated 300km of roads to be treated have been chosen on a basis of road priority, National, Regional, Bus Routes.

**Coilín O’Reilly**  
**Director of Services**  
**North City**

**Contact: Shane Satell, Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services.**  
**Tel: 222 2297.**  
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**Q.18 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager in relation to public lighting if he will take the necessary action to repair the lights on the promenade from the shelter opposite the Court off Clontarf Road to the Baths as they are all out of order; a lot of public use it at night including some who walk on their own”

**Reply:**

A number of attempts were made to repairs these lights before Christmas but because of the soft ground the truck mounted hoist couldn't be parked up on the grass. Another attempt to repair the lights will be made week commencing 11<sup>th</sup> January 2021

**Coilín O'Reilly**  
**Director of Services**  
**North City**

**Contact:**       **Seamus MacSweeney, Senior Executive Engineer,**  
                          **Public Lighting Services,**  
**Tel:**               **086 8343154.**  
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**Q.19 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager to outline in detail the parking arrangements to be installed at Dollymount Strand (**details supplied**) so as to enable a fair access to all who wish to access same and if he will make a statement on the matter”

**Reply:**

The parking of cars on the beach ceased in 2016 at the request of the gardai because emergency vehicles were not able to access an accident with a car on the beach. A beach is not a car park and the consistency of the sand varies with the weather conditions and tide such that there had been frequent incidents of cars getting stuck and emergency vehicles being called.

There would be no means of collecting a ‘fee’ for vehicle access to the beach and parking meters obviously cannot be installed.

Since the beach has been closed to cars the feedback from the public on reflection has been very positive both from the improvement of the beach as an amenity and the protection of the nature reserve. It is not therefore proposed to reverse this situation.

It is intended to increase and improve the disabled car parking spaces on the Causeway closest to the beach and disabled car parking spaces were also constructed at the point nearest the beach on the North Bull Wall before Christmas 2020.

We are conscious however that the elderly should have good access to the Nature Reserve and the beach and we are working with the Dublin City Age Friendly team to see how improvements can be planned and implemented as part of our current works programme.

**Coilin O’Reilly**  
**Director of Services**  
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**Contact:** Les Moore, City Parks Superintendent  
**Phone:** 222 5049  
**Email:** [leslie.moore@dublincity.ie](mailto:leslie.moore@dublincity.ie)

**Q.20 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager to arrange for the cleaning of vegetation and debris along the Seafront pedestrian walkway from Howth Rd./James Larkin Road, Kilbarrack Rd. junction to Watermill Rd. junction.

This walkway is adjacent to the cycle path and the section in question is between the Kilbarrack Road and Watermill Rd. junctions. At the moment vegetation is growing along the path, inside the path edging in most places for about 50cm and in some places it extends up to a metre. This has the effect of narrowing the walkway (which is about 250cm wide) and makes the already difficult task of social distancing in the current pandemic even more arduous”

**Reply:**

The natural vegetation at this location is regularly maintained to ensure it does not interfere with the footpath. The locus will be examined and arrangements made to have any overgrowth at the footpath cut back before the bird nesting season.

**Contact:** Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent  
**Email:** [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)

A contractor has been secured to carry out work at this location week commencing 18<sup>th</sup> January 2021 to ensure footpath is visible.

**Contact:** Dympna McCann  
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**Q.21 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager if he has any plans to install safety measures or speed monitoring measures on the Seafront Cyclepath to enable safe crossing for pedestrians and if he will make a statement on the matter to allay the fears of my constituent who states that the use of this cycle path by individuals and groups of cyclists who treat the area as their’s should be monitored”

**Reply:**

Rubble strips were installed at bus stops and shared areas. Speed checks were carried out and our observation was that there was a change in the behaviour of cyclists as a result.

**Contact: Perry Chitombo, Senior Executive Engineer.**

**Email: [perry.chitombo@dublincity.ie](mailto:perry.chitombo@dublincity.ie)**

It appears that there are appropriate warning signs, ground markings and sightlines at all locations where pedestrians may cross the cycle lanes. If a particular junction is off concern it should be referred to the traffic section for investigation.

**Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**

**Email: [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)**

**Coilín O’Reilly**

**Director of Services**

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**Q.22 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Manager to address the following localised flooding issues at **(details supplied)**”

**Reply:**

- a) Road Maintenance Services visited the laneway between 38-40 of above location however as there was a locked steel gate, no inspection was completed. Road Maintenance Services are currently investigating if this laneway is private.
- b) Road Maintenance Services will assess possible solutions to remove the localised flooding at above location.

**Contact: Shane Satell, Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services.**  
**Tel: 222 2297.**  
**Email: [shane.satell@dublincity.ie](mailto:shane.satell@dublincity.ie)**

Maryfield Crescent has been added to our Rotational List, which means from now on the gullies here will be cleaned 3 times a year.

**Contact: Roy O'Donnell, Inspector, Surface Water & Flood Management.**  
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**Coilín O'Reilly**  
**Director of Services**  
**North City**

**Q.23 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Manager to arrange for the back lane at **(details supplied)** to be put on a regular litter and cleaning rota”

**Reply:**

Waste Management Service will monitor litter levels on the above mentioned back lane and ensure that it is cleaned on a more regular basis.

**Coilín O'Reilly**  
**Director of Services**  
**North City**

**Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services.**  
**Tel: 222 4240.**  
**Email: [mick.boyle@dublincity.ie](mailto:mick.boyle@dublincity.ie)**

**Q.24 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Manager to arrange for the removal of the pay phone at **(details supplied)**”

**Reply:**

Eir have scheduled to replace this payphone with a digital unit in February 2021. This work may be delayed with the current Covid-19 restrictions.

**Coilín O'Reilly**  
**Director of Services**  
**North City**

**Contact:** Deri Flood, Senior Executive Engineer, Infrastructure Management Unit.  
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**Email:** [deri.flood@dublincity.ie](mailto:deri.flood@dublincity.ie)

**Q.25 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Manager to outline the rationale for the removal of the litter bins and to arrange for their replacement at **(details supplied)**“

**Reply:**

Waste Management Service will arrange the replacement of the litter bins at the above mentioned locations. Both these bins were removed as they were damaged beyond repair

**Coilín O'Reilly**  
**Director of Services**  
**North City**

**Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services.**  
**Tel: 222 4240.**  
**Email: [mick.boyle@dublincity.ie](mailto:mick.boyle@dublincity.ie)**

**Q.26 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Manager to outline DCC policy with regard to the provision of public DCC litter bins at bus stops”

**Reply:**

Dublin City Council Waste Management Services policy in relation to the supply of litter bins is to provide an adequate number of litter bins in appropriate areas that are at, or are in close proximity to litter generators. This includes at locations such as neighbourhood shopping areas, urban village centres, amenity and leisure areas and facilities, entrances to parks, main thoroughfares and arterial routes. Also included within this is at major bus stops where there is a likelihood of litter being created due to the significant usage of the stop in question.

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**Contact: Simon Brock, Administrative Officer, Waste Management Services.**  
**Phone: 2224237.**  
**Email: [simon.brock@dublincity.ie](mailto:simon.brock@dublincity.ie)**

**Q.27 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Manager to arrange for an investigation of a possible rat infestation at a derelict house at (details supplied)

**Reply:**

*The Environmental Health section in Dublin City Council has no statutory powers in relation to pest control and do not investigate complaints in relation to rats. The investigation of complains and subsequent enforcement action and the provision of advice in relation to rats is a matter for the Health Service Executive.*

The Rats and Mice (Destruction) Act 1919 is enforced by the Health Service Executive, Environmental Health, Pest Control Section, Unit 13F, Blanchardstown Corporate Park, Blanchardstown, Dublin 15. Tel: 01 809 8300.

Advice is provided on the HSE web site at [http://www.hse.ie/eng/services/Publications/Environmentalhealth/Rodent\\_Control\\_for\\_Householders.pdf](http://www.hse.ie/eng/services/Publications/Environmentalhealth/Rodent_Control_for_Householders.pdf) and at [http://www.hse.ie/eng/services/Publications/Environmentalhealth/Rodent\\_Control\\_for\\_the\\_Construction\\_Industry.pdf](http://www.hse.ie/eng/services/Publications/Environmentalhealth/Rodent_Control_for_the_Construction_Industry.pdf)

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**Contact:** Colm Smyth, Principal Environmental Health Officer  
**Phone:** 222 3738  
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**Q.28 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Manager to arrange for double yellow lines to be installed opposite **(details supplied)** and to be remarked on both sides of the road at the entrance to Carndonagh Park”

**Reply:**

1. An initial desktop survey has indicated that it would be possible to install additional double yellow lines to increase visibility and improve safety at the school warden crossing location.

The request (Enquiry Ref: 7018571) 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.

2. The request for remarking of the existing double yellow lines at the location referenced will be referred to the Traffic Officer’s team for inclusion on their Works List.

**Coilín O’Reilly**  
**Director of Services**  
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**Contact:** Catalina Rosca, Area Traffic Engineer, Environment & Transportation Dept.  
**Tel:** 222 6145.  
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**Q.29 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Manager to arrange accommodation to be made for the pathway and green grass strip along Brookwood Avenue along where it meets the traffic lights at the junction of Howth Road and Sybil Hill Road (more or less outside the Rosevale Court) to allow for pedestrians and cyclists to use this section of the pathway comfortably.

At present the grass strip is being used by the cyclists mostly so as to avoid local pedestrians. A significant number of the cyclists are young people cycling down to St. Pauls school on Sybill Hill Rd and therefore volumes are quite high at certain times of the day.

Might it be possible to remove part of the grass strip only at this section to allow for more space for both?”

**Reply:**

The Sustainable Mobility Projects will assess the requirement and will submit a Report to the NCAC in time for the next Area meeting.

**Contact: Perry Chitombo, Senior Executive Engineer.**

**Email: [perry.chitombo@dublincity.ie](mailto:perry.chitombo@dublincity.ie)**

Widening of footpaths or reduction of verges is a matter for roads however there are significant mature trees in these verges the roots of which would limit the potential to achieve same.

**Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**

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**Q.30 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Manager to arrange for a sign indicating 'No dumping foodstuffs or waste on the green' to be strategically placed on the green at St. Brendan's Park to prevent households putting food stuffs on the green that is attracting large packs of seagulls and potentially attracting vermin”.

**Reply:**

The site will be examined and appropriate signage erected as soon as local schedules allow.

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**North City**

**Contact:** Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent  
**Email:** [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)

**Q.31 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler**

“To ask the Manager for an update on the New Rockfield Tennis Club Pavilion. Is there sufficient funding to start in 2021 and if so, which quarter is it expected to start? If DCC are not in a position to move forward with the project due to funding, can you advise the best way to proceed in getting funding i.e. Sports Capital Grant  
The current building is not fit for purpose and has health & safety concerns”.

**Reply:**

The tennis pavilion is included in the draft 3 year capital programme, it was intended to be brought to detailed design stage in 2020 and construction in 2021 however this has been somewhat delayed by the CoViD pandemic.

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**Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**  
**Email: [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)**

**Q.32 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler**

“To ask the Manager to review the dog waste bin situation around Donaghmede Park as there is currently only one for a park with 5 entrances. It is requested that more dog waste bins are added or if this is not possible can DCC provide an alternative solution. Picture attached to show the situation residents are presented with”.

**Reply:**

Waste Management Services will review the provision of public litter bins surrounding Donaghmede Park. It should be noted that in the case that where litter bins are provided and become the focus of illegal dumping of household waste they may be removed.

**Coilín O'Reilly**  
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**Contact: Simon Brock, Administrative Officer, Waste Management Services.**  
**Tel: 2224237.**  
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**Q.33 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler**

“To ask the Manager to review the pedestrian walkway alongside Howth Road/James Larkin Road from Kilbarrack Road junction to Watermill Road junction.

The request is to clean the area of vegetation and debris. The overgrowth is reducing the space for pedestrians, which is difficult with social distancing. Also, the cycle lane beside the pedestrian walk adds extra restrictions as the bikes go by at some speed”.

**Reply:**

The natural vegetation at this location is regularly maintained to ensure it does not interfere with the footpath. The locus will be examined and arrangements made to have any overgrowth at the footpath cut back before the bird nesting season.

**Contact:** Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent  
**Email:** [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)

A contractor has been secured to carry out work at this location week commencing 18<sup>th</sup> January 2021 to ensure footpath is visible.

**Contact:** Dympna McCann  
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**Coilín O’Reilly**  
**Director of Services**  
**North City**

**Q.34 Question in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney**

“To ask the Manager that whilst protecting the habitat and biodiversity could the overgrowth obstructing the pavement at the seafront adjacent to the cycle path at the section between the Kilbarrack Road and Watermill Rd. junctions be cleared carefully; At the moment vegetation is growing along the path, inside the path edging and making it narrower and more difficult to physically distance”.

**Reply:**

A contractor has been secured to carry out work at this location week commencing 18<sup>th</sup> January 2021 to ensure footpath is visible.

**Contact:** Dympna McCann  
**Phone:** 2228868  
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The natural vegetation at this location is regularly maintained to ensure it does not interfere with the footpath. The locus will be examined and arrangements made to have any overgrowth at the footpath cut back before the bird nesting season.

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**Q.35 Question in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney**

“To ask the Manager if the Greening our lanes projects in the Clontarf LEA could be progressed this year in time for spring as the Councillor was offered three pilot lanes to work on biodiversity corridors and these three lanes have now been selected as suitable in consultation with community volunteers”

**Reply:**

The Parks Service is not aware of a ‘Greening Our Lanes’ initiative in the Clontarf area. As the majority of lanes in the LEA are not in charge there would not be a role for the parks, landscape and biodiversity service however if the community volunteers make contact with parks it may be the case that certain supports such as seed and bulbs can be offered.

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**Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**  
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**Q.36 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O Muiri**

“To ask the Manager to please follow up on the cleaning & removal of vegetation and debris request in relation to the pedestrian walkway at the seafront. This walkway is adjacent to the cycle path and the section in question is between the Kilbarrack Road and Watermill Rd. junctions **(details supplied)** as recently submitted to DCC Customer Services

**Reply:**

A contractor has been secured to carry out work at this location week commencing 18<sup>th</sup> January 2021 to ensure footpath is visible.

**Contact:** Dympna McCann  
**Phone:** 2228868  
**Email:** [dympna.mccann@dublincity](mailto:dympna.mccann@dublincity)

The natural vegetation at this location is regularly maintained to ensure it does not interfere with the footpath. The locus will be examined and arrangements made to have any overgrowth at the footpath cut back before the bird nesting season.

**Contact:** Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent  
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**Coilín O’Reilly**  
**Director of Services**  
**North City**

**Q.37 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O Muiri**

“To ask the Manager to please organise for the necessary improvements to be carried out on the laneway between Collins Park and Elm Mount Avenue to address the issues as set out in the correspondence below (details supplied)”

- Get the lane repaved to avoid future accidents.
- Place a handrail on the lane as it is steep and a rail could help the residents up the lane.
- Keep the lane ice free through salt and sand.

**Reply:**

- (1) Road Maintenance Services will schedule localised repairs when a works crew is available at this location. Full resurfacing will be considered as part of our annual works program.
- (2) Due to the width of the laneway and the private walls on each side, a hand rail is not feasible at this location.
- (3) In the event of freezing temperatures, forecasted ice or snow, approximately 300km of the road network in the City Council’s administrative area will be treated with gritting salt. It is not possible to grit the entire city network and so the designated 300km of roads to be treated have been chosen on a basis of road priority, National, Regional, Bus Routes.

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**Contact: Shane Satell, Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services.**  
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**Q.38 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

“To ask the Manager will the Council create a segregated cycleway on Vernon Avenue and Sybill Hill, Clontarf through the reallocation of road space under Section 38 of the Road Traffic Act?”

**Reply:**

The suitability of installing protected cycle lanes on Vernon Avenue and Sybill Hill will be assessed and a report prepared for a future area meeting.

**Coilín O'Reilly**  
**Director of Services**  
**North City**

**Contact: Alec Dundon, A/Senior Executive Engineer.**  
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**Q.39 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

“To ask the Manager when a new street name sign (**details supplied**) will be repositioned, as agreed in September 2020”

**Reply:**

Road Maintenance Services inspected this location. As per the attached request, the nameplate will be relocated to the opposite side of the road to improve visibility for motorists. Works will be completed when a crew is available in the area.

**Coilín O'Reilly**  
**Director of Services**  
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**Contact: Shane Satell, Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services.**  
**Tel: 222 2297.**  
**Email: [shane.satell@dublincity.ie](mailto:shane.satell@dublincity.ie)**

**Q.40 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

“To ask the Manager if steps can be taken to address the ongoing issue with water run-off from the aquifer at Upper Drumcondra Road, see photos attached, near the bus stop; there are 12 discharge points through the wall over a distance of 80 metres, with the path being wet even on dry days which is a dangerous hazard when it is icy and when there are leaves on the path; there is no proper channel to catch the water when it flows out through the holes so perhaps a channel can be provided here to collect the water?”

**Reply:**

DCC drainage have reviewed the existing drainage infrastructure. Some repairs are required. Repairs will be actioned as soon as possible. DCC drainage will monitor situation after repairs are completed and re-access their adequacy.

**Contact:** Cathal Kenny, A/Senior Executive Engineer, Drainage Division.  
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Waste Management Service cleared the leaves from the above mentioned location on the 5<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

**Contact:** Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services.  
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**Coilin O'Reilly**  
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**Q.41 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

“To ask the Manager if DCC has plans to upgrade sea swimming facilities on the Northside (**details supplied**) in view of the upsurge in usage and the opportunity to make this a new vibrant part of community life and if he will make a statement on the matter”

**Reply:**

All three bathing shelters on the Bull Wall were recently upgraded and certain repairs are now required to the steps which will be affected as soon as local schedules allow. There are no proposals to introduce changing facilities at the jetty.

**Coilín O'Reilly**  
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**North City**

**Contact:** Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent  
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**Q.42 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

“To ask the Manager to outline what changes have been experienced during Covid in Household Waste collection and in litter sweeping and litter bin use during Covid and if new strategies are now needed to promote better segregation both in the household collection and in the litter receptacles and if he will make a statement on the matter”

**Reply:**

There have been no changes to household waste collection throughout the period of Covid 19. All domestic bin collection services have remained in operation and the three bin system – organic, recycling and residual remains in place and fully operational. The Eastern Midland Regional Waste Management Planning Office based in Dublin City Council have in conjunction with the two other regional waste authorities run advertising awareness campaigns promoting correct disposal of different types of waste in recent months. Additionally each of the authorised waste collectors provides information to customers on what material can be placed in each bin.

Dublin City Council launched segregated recycling litterbins in the city centre through the Circle City initiative in October 2020. This project is ongoing and its successful implementation is being measured through analysis of the material disposed of within the bins through monthly audits carried out by the project partners. This project has been accompanied by social media and on street advertising raising awareness of the correct materials for disposal in the bins provided. This is also clearly identified on the bins.

There are currently 25 bins provided in phase 1 of the project. Upon confirmation of successful implementation phase 2 of the project will see the expansion within the city centre of the number of bins available.

The future of the initiative will be examined following confirmation that the current project has been successful and is sustainable within the city centre. Following this consideration will be given to how the initiative can be expanded further, and based on the experience and results of the city centre project, in which locations successful implementation can be achieved.

**Coilín O'Reilly**  
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**Contact:** Simon Brock, Administrative Officer, Waste Management Services.  
**Tel:** 222 4237  
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**Q.43 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

“To ask the Manager as to what are the elements of the 2013 Dublin Cycling Strategy which will now be brought forward for the North Central Area committee for protected cycle routes and for recreational Greenways so that the promised extra funding for cycle investment can be fully utilised and if he will make a statement on the matter.”

**Reply:**

It is the intention of the Sustainable Mobility and Projects Division in the Environment & Transportation Department at the March 2021 to make a presentation to the North Central Area Committee in line with the request from Councillor Jane Horgan Jones.

**Coilin O'Reilly**  
Director of Services  
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**Q.44 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

“To ask the Manager if he will outline the present Council lands devoted to allotments and if he would consider developing an allotment strategy for the North Central Area, so that this activity could get clear recognition as part of good planning of our area.”

**Reply:**

The Area Office developed and currently manage the 112 Belmayne Allotments on Council owned lands in the North Fringe Area.

The project is in existence over 7 years and is a very successful initiative. The Area Office are currently preparing for a new letting period from February 2021 to January 2022. These lands have been included in the Belmayne - Belcamp masterplan. Dublin City Parks Department have agreed to undertake a study of available pieces of land suitable for the development of Allotments.

**Contact: Vanessa Carey, Administrative Officer, North Central Area Office**

**Phone: 222 8852**

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There is one permanent allotment scheme in the North Central Area located in St. Anne's Park of approximately 100 allotments. Arising from the proposed relocation of the Belmayne temporary allotment scheme the Parks Service committed to carrying out a review of available lands that might be suitable for allotments, community gardens or other greening initiatives. As is no doubt appreciated allotment schemes require a sizable area to ensure their viability, with good access, water etc. and would be subject to part 8 planning approval. The majority of existing parks and open spaces are not suitable for such development. It is envisaged that the review will be completed in the coming months.

**Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**

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**Coilín O'Reilly**

**Director of Services**

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**Q.45 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

“To ask the Manager If he will outline the proposals which the Council intends to bring forward in the next three years in order to advance the ambitions of the recent report commissioned on the Darndale/ Belcamp/ Moatview area.”

**Reply:**

The City Council currently has a number of projects on the Housing Programme for these areas. The projects are at various stages in the process as follows:

<b>Scheme</b>	<b>No of Units</b>	<b>Current Status</b>
Bunratty Road (Rapid Build)	78	On-site
Belcamp B, Dublin 17	12	Part 8 Lodged November 2020
Woodville, Dublin 5	36	Lodge Part 8 Q1 2021
Cromcastle Court, Dublin	120	Lodge Part 8 Q1 2021
Spine Site, Darndale	70	Stage 1 application being prepared to include CEA
Glin Court, Dublin 5	36	Lodge Part 8 Q1 2021
St. Anne's Court, Dublin 5	102	Feasibility Study completed. Stage 1 application being prepared to include CEA

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The proposals the City Council will be bringing forward are as outlined in the actions section of the Darndale Social-economic Plan. It should be noted that there are elements of the Plan that also have a 3-5 year timeframe.

**Coilin O'Reilly**

**Director of Services**

**North City**

**Q.46 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

“To ask the Manager for an update with timelines re: completion of flood relief works & new wall along the Clontarf promenade and if he will make a statement on the matter.”

**Reply:**

Currently Dublin City Council is procuring consultants and contractors to carry out ecological, topographic and other surveys of the promenade to develop possible flood alleviation, cycleway, water main and parks scenarios towards a preferred solution. These are programmed to take place over the next six to nine months.

Alongside this process, a public engagement/public consultation strategy will be developed so when a preferred option is identified we will be ready to engage with citizens immediately.

An exercise to identify additional funding options will also be undertaken.

Any subsequent proposal will require a Part 10 planning permission, which also includes additional public consultation.

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**Q.47 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

“To ask the Manager to ensure the cleaning & removal of vegetation and debris request in relation to the pedestrian walkway at the seafront. This walkway is adjacent to the cycle path and the section in question is between the Kilbarrack Road and Watermill Rd. junctions **(details supplied)**”

**Reply:**

The natural vegetation at this location is regularly maintained to ensure it does not interfere with the footpath. The locus will be examined and arrangements made to have any overgrowth at the footpath cut back before the bird nesting season.

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A contractor has been secured to carry out work at this location week commencing 18<sup>th</sup> January 2021 to ensure footpath is visible.

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**Coilín O’Reilly**  
**Director of Services**  
**North City**

**Q.48 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

“To ask the Manager to respond to the litter situations as per **(details supplied)**”

**Reply:**

Waste Management Services will review the provision of public litter bins surrounding Donaghmede Park. It should be noted that in the case that where litter bins are provided and become the focus of illegal dumping of household waste they may be removed.

**Coilín O'Reilly**  
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**Q.49 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

“To ask the Manager to respond to the attached correspondence (**details supplied**) regarding poor lightening & litter”

**Reply:**

The Council is considering various options to try and come up with a permanent solution to address the repeated vandalism to the street lighting and anti-social behaviour near the ramp. It has to be pointed out that despite numerous repairs to the street lighting near the ramp by the Council the lights are out of order as a result of anti-social behaviour by a minority and not by a lack of action on the part of the Council. The Area office will liaise with the Gardaí, Iarnród Éireann and internally to try and resolve this.

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Waste Management Services check outside Kilbarrack Dart station on a daily basis and have any litter removed from there when necessary. We will ensure that the site behind the railings there is tidied up.

**Contact:** Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services.  
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There has been frequent episodes of anti-social behaviour at this location over the past eight months whereby gangs of youths have gathered in a specific area causing damage to public lights and littering the area on an ongoing basis.

Remedial works have been put in place in an attempt to prevent both ongoing loitering and littering. Dublin City Council Waste Management section has carried out numerous clean-ups in the area. It was the policy that bins were removed as the episodes of *fly-tipping* increased exponentially when the bins were in place in that the bins were used by residents for their domestic refuge.

The lights have been repaired and in some cases protective cages put around them to try and prevent future damage. DCC is considering various options to try and come up with a permanent solution to address the repeated vandalism to the street lighting.

This area will continue to be monitored on an ongoing basis by our Estate Management team and the ongoing issues will be addressed in conjunction with the various stakeholders both external and internal.

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**Q.50 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

“To ask the Manager for an update re: DCC’s plan to reduce the speed limit on some roads in the north central area and if he will make a statement on the matter”

**Reply:**

Currently, the installation of the new speed limit signage has been resumed in phases for all remaining areas and is expected to be fully in place by mid-2021. Therefore, DCC is planning to complete all signage installation in the north central area within that timeframe.

**Coilín O’Reilly**  
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**Q.51 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

“To ask the Manager for an update re; plans to upgrade playgrounds in the NCA and if he will make a statement on the matter”

**Reply:**

The priority for the available playground upgrade budgets is to bring existing playgrounds in the area up to standard in the first instance.

The upgrade of Fairview Park Playground will commence as soon as the current CoViD restrictions allow.

For 2021 Darndale Playground will be prioritised and if budgets allow certain improvements will be carried out in Belcamp Parks Playground.

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**Q.52 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager **to** please refer to my question 124 of June 2020 City Council to the CE and say what action can be taken to address this problem which still exists for my constituent as per **(details supplied)** and can the Manager please arrange for his official to contact my constituent directly and resolve this matter once and for all.

**Reply:**

The Area Engineer has reinvestigated the location and proposed to partially remove a short section of the DYL’s at the above location. This measure will be implemented subject to the completion of the necessary statutory process with the Gardaí. It is anticipated that this work will be carried out late in Q2 of 2021. (Enquiry Ref: 7015149).

**Coilín O’Reilly**  
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**Q.53 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager to refer to my constituent as per **(details supplied)** who is majorly out of pocket as a result of works she paid for to be carried out to property as per details attached as result of flood damage and say what efforts he can agree to make to compensate her and if he will agree to have an official contact my constituent directly”

**Reply:**

The only record Housing Maintenance have of a flood in the garden of this property was in 2014. However, there are no requests for works to be carried out within the property as a result of this. We have arranged for a claims form to be sent to the tenant, which will need more details and proof of the works carried out by the tenant.

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**Q.54 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager to refer to my constituent as per **(details supplied)** whose application for HAP has been refused but who would be in a position to be housed adequately if same was approved and if he can be of assistance in this case and outline how the application for HAP can be resolved.

**Reply:**

This applicants housing application is currently deferred awaiting further documentation which has been requested from the applicant. As soon as this information has been received this deferral will be lifted and the applicant will be eligible to apply for HAP. The applicant has also been linked with a Housing Support Officer who has offered advice with, regards to Housing Options and the HAP scheme.

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**Q.55 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager to refer to request from my constituents to introduce a traffic calming scheme or traffic calming measures at location as per **(details supplied)** as speeding is a serious problem.

**Reply:**

A speed survey will be carried out on Clontarf Park in the coming weeks to assess the level of excessive vehicular speeds on this road. This will help inform the requirement for a traffic calming scheme in the area. Enquiry Ref 7018477.

**Coilín O'Reilly**  
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**Q.56 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager to please refer to the dumped materials that have been deposited in laneway as per **(details supplied)** and say if he can arrange to have same removed.

**Reply:**

The above mentioned laneway is not in charge and does not come under our cleaning remit.

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**Q.57 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon**

“To ask the Manager to have look at the lower half of Clarehall Avenue in particular it is a litter magnet and is generally neglected and in need of regular cleaning by way of litter pick. A Litter Bin was removed from the Bus Stop at the Elmfield Lawn End and side of the Avenue, which is not helping the situation. A permanent fix needs to be made to the issue which I have raised many times by way of representations and area questions “

**Reply:**

Waste Management Service will monitor litter levels on Clarehall Avenue, particularly the lower half and ensure that everything is done to keep it as clean as possible.

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**Q.58 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon**

“To ask the Manager to advise if he can arrange to resolve the footpath on Grange Road opposite the junction of Newbrook Road on the Grangemore side beside the open ground in front of Holy Trinity Church is constantly pooling water and makes it difficult for pedestrians to traverse this section of footpath “

**Reply:**

Road Maintenance Services will inspect this location during wet weather and will assess what works are required to rectify this issue.

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**Q.59 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon**

“Can the Manager arrange for the installation of Traffic Lights at the junction of Hole in the Wall Road and Grattan Lodge Estate or introduce some measures to relieve the problems.

The volume of traffic at this junction has increased rapidly with the occupation of the new estates in the area making it difficult to exit the estate. In addition there is a constant issue with those indicating left as they travel from the Donaghmede Roundabout towards Fr Collins Park as if to turn into Grattan Lodge estate but proceeding by and turning into New Priory estate thus making the exit highly dangerous.”

**Reply:**

A request for traffic lights at the junction of Grattan Lodge estate and The Hole in the Wall Road (Enquiry Ref: 7008390) is listed for examination and report by the Transport Advisory Group. The Councillor will be informed of the recommendation prior to the February Area Committee meeting.

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