

To the Chairperson and members of the
South East Area Committee

**Report on provision of a container cafe and public toilets, Sean Moore Park,
Dublin 4**

As part of its programme for the development of tearooms/cafes and public toilets in parks where there is sufficient footfall, Parks, Biodiversity and Landscape Services commissioned a design for the careful placement of a container café, provision of an outdoor seating terrace and publicly accessible toilets in Sean Moore Park, which is one of Dublin City Council's local neighbourhood parks in the south east of the city.

The location of the proposed container cafe is directly east of the playground, near the entrance/exit onto the coastal path from Beach Road and will provide much needed refreshments and toilets for users of the park, playground and the coastal walk.

The proposal has been developed with careful consideration for its placement in Sean Moore Park, scale, materials and relationship with the coastal path and linked strategic pedestrian and cycle paths. The container cafe project includes a new container café including small indoor seating area, servery, window/hatch, outdoor terraces, kitchen/store, staff facilities and adjacent plant/storage area; outdoor terrace seating with a lower and upper terrace; public accessible toilets including baby changing facilities.

The proposal is permissible development under the Dublin City Council Development Plan 2016-2022 where the site is zoned Z9 with the objective: *To preserve, provide and improve recreational amenity and open space and green networks*. A number of uses are open to consideration in public parks including recreational buildings, kiosks or tearooms. The Planning Department is being consulted with regard to the appropriate route for delivery of this project which in effect are temporary structures.

In keeping with other tearooms in parks, it is intended that the operation of the café/toilets would be let by way of tender to a local artisan enterprise.

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