



**MINUTES OF THE SOUTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 21ST APRIL 2021 (ONLINE ZOOM MEETING)**

- 1. Presentation by the Dynamic Drimnagh Steering Committee.**
Presentation given by Liam Fitzgerald and Lorraine Mitchell, Dynamic Drimnagh
Order: Presentation noted.
- 2. Minutes of Meeting held on 10th March 2021.**
Order: Agreed.
- 3. Questions to the Director of Services South City.**
Order: Replies to Questions and the Director of Services report circulated.
- 4. Environment and Transportation Matters**
 1. Minutes of the Traffic Advisory Group held on the 23/02/21 in relation to Traffic Matters in the South Central Area.
 2. Traffic Service Requests Status Reports at 15/03/21 and 30/03/21.
Order: 1. Report noted.
2. Report noted.
- 5. South Central Area Matters**
 1. Presentation on Camac Flood Alleviation Scheme.
 2. Update report on the project at Liffey Vale.
 3. Report on Sculpture Dublin.
 4. Nomination of 1 Councillor to Board of F2 Social Enterprises.
 5. Naming proposal for a new development at 75-78 Cork Street, Dublin 8.
 6. Parks Works Programme for 2021.
 7. Director of Services Report.
Order:
1. Presentation on Camac Floor Alleviation Scheme given by Mary Liz Walshe. Presentation noted.
2. Report noted.
3. Report noted.
4. Cllr Darragh Moriarty was nominated to Board of F2 Social Enterprises.
5. Report noted.
6. Report noted.
7. Report noted.
- 6. Community, Culture, Economic and Emergency Services**
 1. Sports and Recreation report for April 2021 – South Central Area

Order: 1. Report noted.

7. Planning & Property Development Matters

1. Proposed disposal of fee simple interest at 340 Ballyfermot Road, Dublin 10 to HAIL Housing Association.
2. Proposed disposal of fee simple interest at 14A to E Walkinstown Green, Dublin 12 to HAIL Housing Association.
3. Proposed grant of a lease of a site at 51A Old Kilmainham, Dublin 8.

**Order: 1. Agreed. Recommend to Council.
2. Agreed. Recommend to Council.
3. Agreed. Recommend to Council.**

8. Emergency Motions

9. April 2021 Motions

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
SOUTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
21st April 2021

M97 Councillor Michael Pidgeon

To ask the Director of Services to see that Dublin City Council will devise a traffic calming plan for Islandbridge. The area is seeing huge footfall due to the nearby parks, and the new residential build has made it more into a village in its own right. The stretch of road is treated as an arterial route, with limited opportunities to cross the road. Greater provision for pedestrians and cyclists is needed.

Order: Agreed

M98 Councillor Hazel de Nortúin

Following on from the report: Rapid Assessment and Community Response to suicide and suspected suicide in Dublin South - commissioned after the rise in suicides in the Ballyfermot area, one of the further research pieces was around the connection between suicide in young women and domestic violence. Since then we've entered into a pandemic and we've seen a clear increase in domestic violence as one of the underlying conditions of the restriction of movement. Ballyfermot/Cherry Orchard doesn't have its own dedicated Domestic Violence worker and relies on the services in other areas. I'm asking that Dublin City Council, with support of the members, write to the Tusla DSGBV and support the call for a Domestic Violence Worker dedicated to the Dublin 10 area - for reasons outlined. Also that Dublin City Council provides a space within their properties in Ballyfermot and Cherry Orchard to ensure ease of access to this much needed service.

Order: Deferred to May meeting.

M99 Councillor Vincent Jackson

That all the Councillors for the South Central Area are asking that the Parks Dept. look at Grattan Crescent Park, Inchicore as a matter of urgency to look at addressing the following issues, following on from a petition signed by 230 local people. The Park has seen a major increase of anti-social behaviour with syringes being found, rough sleeping in the park, ongoing alcohol consumption. The park needs serious attention and it needs to be cleaned on a regular basis, signs need replacing where necessary, play equipment needs to be checked regularly to ensure it is safe, a bin is needed in the actual playground area to deter littering, out of control cow parsley weeds and buddleia next to the River Camac is out of control and needs to be cut back. Residents are looking for an online community

consultation process to be done as a way of influencing future upgrades in the park and ensure sustainability.

Order: Report to Councillors

M100 Councillor Tina MacVeigh

This Area Committee agrees to name the community garden in the newly developed public park at Bridgefoot Street 'The Richie Taplin Community Garden'.

Order: Report to Councillors

M101 Councillor Máire Devine

That this Area Committee seek to ensure meaningful consultation with residents when requesting a residential parking scheme vis a vis the layout marking plans. That these plans be mutually agreed upon and tweaked when necessary. This is an essential stage of public consultation yet for areas like Clarence Mangan Road this has been repeatedly denied for several months. Courteous engagement with knowledgeable residents is an essential prerequisite to plans for their area.

Order: Report to Councillors

M102 Councillors Daithi Doolan and Máire Devine

This Area Committee welcomes the announcement by Minister for Tourism of the establishment of a €17m fund to assist local authorities with developing post Covid outdoor activities and outdoor dining schemes. We ask the Director of Services that this committee along with the support of Dublin City Council, make an application to the fund, with the view to supporting the Emmet Road regeneration, in particular Inchicore village, and the Cherry Orchard LAP.

Order: Report to Councillors

M103 Councillor Vincent Jackson

We are all very well aware of the recent substantial planning application for the Davitt Road of Drimnagh, Dublin 12. However, this and many other recent planning applications shows the need for a proper master plan for the Drimnagh area to ensure that needs come before profit as all too often development comes into an area without any due consideration of the community infrastructure. Drimnagh Residents Association are anxious that such a masterplan inform all future land uses and ensures proper integrated sustainability. Looking at the area, they are trying to ensure that Davitt Road does not become a long narrow lifeless area. Hence it needs proper public lighting, cycle lanes and the general area needs a traffic management plan looking at one way systems all to offer this well-established community an opportunity to grow and prosper.

Order: Report to Councillors

M104 Councillor Tina MacVeigh

Given the recent allocation of funds with the specific purpose of transforming outdoor spaces within our cities and towns as welcoming, vibrant places; also given the positive impact this will have on local economy; also given that the recent URDF strategy document has advocated for these facilities as part of the regeneration of the area this Area Committee agrees to:

- Trial the extension of the Inchicore Road Contra Flow Cycle Path from the junction of Inchicore Road and Memorial Road to the junction of Tyrconnell and Davitt Road.

- To temporarily (May through September) close the left turning lane from Grattan Crescent onto Emmet Road

- To provide planters that will segregate an outdoor seating area outside the Black Lion pub.

Order: Report to Councillors

M105 Councillor Vincent Jackson

That Dublin City Council become a vocal advocate for proper sustainable transportation for the outer suburbs of Dublin such as Ballyfermot, Inchicore, Walkinstown, Chapelizod and ensure that, where possible, future Luas lines come towards the West of the City, that Kylemore Road has a proper Dart Type Train Station when electrification of the line comes from Heuston to Hazelhatch. I regret that transportation policy seems to be informed at political level as opposed to community need. Hence if your area doesn't have senior politicians at Government level your area is forgotten about. I would ask that cycling infrastructure such as Dublin Bikes, which I have sought for many years are brought to the City County boundaries as a matter of urgency. Walkinstown, Drimnagh, Ballyfermot, Chapelizod and Cherry Orchard are the forgotten cousins in relation to this infrastructure.

Order: Write to NTA and Irish Rail on the matter.

M106 Councillor Daithí Doolan

This Area Committee congratulates all those involved in the Drimnagh Task Force and for the publication and launch of the report. It clearly focuses on the work that needs to be done to engage with our young people and to protect them from anti-social behaviour and drug related crime

This committee furthermore commits itself to working with youth services and agencies to ensure we have a coordinated response to tackling underage anti-social behaviour in Drimnagh and surrounding areas.

Order: Write to the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth and Minister of State for Public Health, Well Being and National Drugs Strategy

M107 Councillor Daithí Doolan

This Area Committee calls on Irish Rail to review their expansion plans with the view to including a DART station for the Ballyfermot area. This would be essential to the provision of an upgraded public transport service for the whole community.

Order: Write to NTA and Irish Rail on the matter.

Councillor Vincent Jackson

Chairperson

21st April 2021

Attendance

Members:

Vincent Jackson, (Chairperson)
Tina MacVeigh
Darragh Moriarty

Members:

Michael Pidgeon, (Vice Chair)
Michael Watters
Sophie Nicoullaud

Members:

Maire Devine
Daithí Doolan
Daithí DeRóiste

Apologies

Cllr. Hazel de Nortúin

Cllr Pat Dunne and Cllr Deirdre Conroy also attended.

Officers

Mary Taylor, Director of Services South City;

Bruce Phillips, Local Area Manager, South West Inner City;

David O Donovan, A/Local Area Manager, Ballyfermot / Drimnagh;

Miriam Flynn, Community & Social Development Officer, Ballyfermot Area Office

Cora Roche, A/Senior Staff Officer, South Central Area;

David Quearney, Acting Staff Officer, South Central Area;

Niall O'Neill, Area Engineer, Roads & Traffic;

Neil O'Donoghue, Executive ITS Officer, Environment & Transportation;

Mary Liz Walshe, A/Senior Executive Engineer, Acting Senior Executive Engineer

Donncha O Dulaing, Senior Executive Officer, Culture, Recreation & Economic Services Dept

Brid Brosnan, Executive Parks Superintendent, Parks Department