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**The Chairman and Members of
North Central Area Committee.**

**With reference to the proposed Extinguishment of Public Right of Way
over the laneway at 17-32 Castilla Park, Clontarf, Dublin 3**

The legal procedure to extinguish the public right of way at the above location was initiated under Section 73 of the Roads Act 1993.

Proposal

A request to have the public right of way extinguished over the laneway located at 17-32 Castilla Park, Clontarf, Dublin 3 was submitted to Dublin City Council's North Central Area Office by a majority of residents whose properties abut the laneway. The reason for requesting the closure is to prevent the ongoing issue of anti-social behaviour in the laneway and to improve the safety and security of their homes. The proposed method of closure is by means of a lockable gate. The extent of the proposed extinguishment is shown on Drawing No RM 36357A (copy attached).

Statutory Requirement

By public advertisement on 31st March 2021, representations or objections were invited by 20th May 2021. We received 4 submissions in support of the closure and 1 objection from a member of the public on the south side of the city. One submission received had a number of queries which have been addressed and this person is happy for the extinguishment to proceed.

Service Checks

A service check was carried out and no objections were received from the service providers however Virgin Media have an underground route and a cabinet located at the entrance to the laneway which they will require ongoing access to for maintenance purposes. They have specified that if the gate requires free-standing gate posts with foundations they will need to be there on the day of installation to oversee the work. This has been conveyed to the proposer and contact details for the Virgin Media Crew will be passed on so that they can liaise. The proposer is also happy to provide ongoing access to Virgin Media and will supply contact details for the key holders or will provide them with a key whichever is the preferred option.

Recommendation

Based on the information above and the fact that the closure of this laneway will not reduce permeability in the area and is supported by the Clontarf Residents Association I recommend that the Committee approve the extinguishment of public right of way over the area shown on the attached drawing **RM 36357A** for consideration later by the City Council

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