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

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**With reference to the proposed Extinguishment of Public Right of Way  
over a walkway/desire line across a site at Coolock Lane, Dublin 17  
(Site otherwise known as the Oscar Traynor Road Development Site)**

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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**

Due to imminent Housing Development on a site at Coolock Lane, Dublin 17 a request has been submitted to the North Central Area Office by Dublin City Council's Housing Department (with the support of residents) to have the public right of way extinguished over a walkway/desire line from Coolock Lane across to Castletimon Gardens. The repositioning of the right of way (ROW) across a section of the site will be required in order to keep pedestrian traffic away from the construction traffic during the building of the new development. The attached image shows the existing pathway coloured yellow and the proposed temporary pathway coloured red. The temporary right of way will apply for the duration of the build, however a permanent route (which more closely mirrors the existing route) will pertain on completion of the build.

**Statutory Requirement**

By public advertisement on 5<sup>th</sup> February 2021, representations or objections were invited by 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2021. We received 8 objections and only 2 submissions in favour of the proposal. We also received 4 submissions which highlighted the concerns of local people who regularly use the walkway.

**Service Checks**

A service check was carried out and no objections were received from the service providers however, 4 requirements were received which were immediately passed on to DCC's Housing Development Department- (ESB, Gas Networks Ireland, Virgin Media & DCC Public Lighting)

**Recommendation**

Based on the submissions received and the current status of the proposed development on the site DCC Housing Development Department have decided not to progress with an Extinguishment of Public Right of Way over the walkway at this time. I recommend that the Committee approve the **retention** of public right of way over the walkway coloured yellow on the attached drawing **SM-2021-0037**.

**Karl Mitchell**

**Acting Director of Services – Dublin North City**