

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
17th January 2022

Q.1 Question in the name of Lord Mayor Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to arrange a sweeping of the cycle lane along Griffith Avenue, particularly the stretch between St. Mobhi Road and the Malahide Road - there is quite a lot of residue leaf debris remaining on the cycle lane especially as it meets the footpath.”

Reply

Waste Management Services had this cycle lane swept on the 5th January 2022.

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services
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Q.2 Question in the name of Lord Mayor Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to inspect the tarmac refilling of the dip in the road (previous utility repair) beside the pedestrian traffic lights at **(details supplied)**. It would appear quite uneven and hazardous to cyclists.”

Reply

Please be advised that Road Maintenance Services has been in communication with Irish Water on January 7th, 2002 with regard to work carried out by Irish Water at address specified. Road Maintenance Services has notified Irish Water to ensure works are carried out to address the issue.

Contact: Finan Dooley, Executive Engineer, Infrastructure Management Unit.
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Q.3 Question in the name of Lord Mayor Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to i) arrange for a deep clean on both sides of **(details supplied)** to remove the build-up of rubbish and waste materials over spilling onto the road and ii) to arrange a slow road sweep of the road.”

Reply

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned locations cleaned as requested on the 5th January 2022.

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services
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Q.4 Question in the name of Lord Mayor Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to indicate the frequency/schedule of road sweeping along (details supplied).”

Reply

Waste Management Services have the above mentioned locations on a weekly cleaning schedule.

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services
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Q.5 Question in the name of Lord Mayor Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager for an update on **(details supplied)**.”

Reply

A linear footpath along **(details)** Avenue was constructed at the end of December 2021. This is in addition to the 955m of footpath that was constructed earlier in 2021 at the northern end of the park. The addition of these footpaths has now completed a perimeter path to the park. A scoping exercise was carried out locally in 2019 and this was the main priority for the community. A further request was to improve the security of the entrances into the park and restrict scrambler bikes, this has been achieved over the course of the last year.

Additional improvements have been carried out in the park over the course of 2021 include adult exercise equipment, extensive bulb planting, both along the **(details)** Avenue boundary and within the park which will be in bloom in the Spring of 2022, this is in addition to bulb planting carried out in 2019. Wildflower planting was introduced in 2020 and 2021.

A trial bench has been installed and further benches will be installed pending its success. Tree planting took place along the **(details)** Avenue boundary and at the **(details)** Road boundary in early 2020. A further consignment of trees are due to be delivered in the coming weeks and it is hoped to liaise with the Donahies School for planting.

There are no current plans to install a playground at this location as the priority for the short to medium term remains to bring existing playgrounds up to standard and to address areas of recognised deficit.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.6 Question in the name of Lord Mayor Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to provide an update on the planned public realm enhancement works planned for **(details supplied)**.”

Reply

In early 2020, the Area Office and the Local Councillors walked the Swords Road from the Santry Community Resource Centre to Shanrath Road to examine the need for public realm works. Covid then arrived and slowed down a lot of works that could have been carried out. Waiting for timelines for the civil works to be carried out on Bus-connects has also delayed works.

There was a lot of landscaping carried out with wildflower planted at the corner of Swords Road and Coolock Lane (Santry Resource Centre), Santry Villas, Magenta Crescent and high beds at the front of the old sack factory and the long embankment on front of Magenta Hall. There were other landscaping works carried out in these areas also such as planting of climbers at the resource centre corner, a new pedestrian path through the corner green area at Magenta Crescent and the trimming of and removal of certain trees. There was a replacement tree planted on the median opposite the resource centre on Swords Road and the median was fully power washed, weeded and the planters were refreshed. This work is required to be carried out again. There was a ‘Welcome to Santry’ sign placed on front of the wildflower at the resource centre. There were carriageway works carried out in certain areas along the Swords Road including the junction at Shanowen Road which had been seen to have subsided during the walk.

There are a lot of works still to be considered in this project. Once we confirm the timeline for civil works for Bus connects we may be able to remove a lot of unnecessary street furniture and poles. We may be able to consider the pedestrian crossing at the Comet shops. There will be repair works carried out on certain footpaths especially at pedestrian lights where there is a need for tactile paving. There is a lot of work to be carried out on the utility boxes along the road and planters and hanging baskets are being considered to match up with baskets that Fingal have installed. We have also ordered three big belly bins for the strip. We also need to liaise with TII in order to seek a signal controlled roundabout at Oscar Traynor as the children and adults cross over the junction at present with no pedestrian lights.

We hope to carry out these and possibly other works in the coming months as hopefully things come back to some sort of normality.

Contact: Derek Farrell, Acting Local Area Manager, Artane/Whitehall LEA
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Q.7 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

“To ask the Area Manager to provide a breakdown of the housing projections for 2022 for the North Central Area only.”

Reply

Below table setting out Housing projections for the North Central Area;

Project	Provider	Approx. number of Units	Status	Projections for 2022
Bunratty Road, Coolock, Dublin 17	DCC Rapid Build	78	Onsite	Due for substantial completion with handovers beginning by end of Q1 2022. Homes will be allocated throughout Q2 & Q3 2022
Belcamp B, Dublin 17	DCC Rapid Build	12	Tender process underway to award contract for build	To commence on site Q3 2022, subject to DHLGH approval
Cromcastle & Woodville, Dublin 5	DCC Rapid Build	146	Preparing documentation to lodge Part 8 Planning application	Lodge Part 8 Planning application by mid-2022, subject to DHLGH approval and achieve planning grant Q4 2022
Glin Court, Dublin 17	DCC	32	Preparing to submit Stage 3 application to DHLGH by end of January 2022.	Subject to DHLGH approvals & tender process, will be preparing to go onsite end of Q4 2022
St Anne's Court, Raheny, Dublin 5	DCC	102	Tender process underway to procure and appoint a design team.	Appointment of design team to prepare and finalise a design for Part 8 planning for older person scheme
Darndale Spine, Dublin 17	DCC Rapid Build	70	Preparing documentation to submit Stage 1 application for initial project approval & funding to DHLGH Q1 2022.	Upon receipt of DHLGH approval, commence procurement and appointment of design team
Sladmore, Ayrfield, Dublin 13	N/A	0	This project is no longer feasible due to the change in the zoning of the	N/A

			development site	
Gorsefield Court, Dublin 5	DCC	44	Feasibility study is being finalised	Housing Management to review and discuss feasibility study to determine redevelopment options and agree on an outcome
Mount Dillon Court, Dublin 5	DCC	45	Feasibility study is being finalised	Housing Management to review and discuss feasibility study options to determine redevelopment options and agree on an outcome
Oscar Traynor Road	Housing Land Initiative	171	Selection & appointment of Design Team	Prepare a Planning Application for lodgement
Cromcastle Underpass	Land Development Agency	100	Feasibility study is underway	Appointment of a design team to prepare for planning lodgement

AHB Delivery

Newtown Cottages, Malahide Road	AHB (Clanmil)	3	On site – Turnkey	Completion of scheme Q2 2022
Walker Grove, Clongriffin, D13	AHB Tuath	32	On site construction almost complete	Completion of scheme Q1 2022
Grace Park Gardens, D9	AHB (DePaul)	4	Acquisition complete Refurbishment to commence	Completion of Scheme Q 3 2022
Tonlegee Road	AHB (Clanmil)	12	Section 183 approved. Funding approved Closing of acquisitions underway	Completion of Scheme Q1 2022
Millwood Court, D.5	AHB (FOLD)	52	Part 8 Lodged Dec 2021,	Council to vote on Part 8 at April meeting
Chanel Manor, Coolock D.5	AHB (Respond)	78	On site construction under way	Due for delivery Q1 2023
Richmond Avenue, Fairview, D3	AHB (Focus)	35	Funding application submitted to DHLGH	Funding approval expected Q2 2022
High Park, Gracepark Rd,	AHB (Respond)	101	To advertise Tender January 2022,	Expected on site Summer 2022
Thatch Road, D.9 Swords Road	AHB (Cluid)	91 Approx	Design team appointed. Community Consultation ongoing	Part 8 to be lodged Q 3 2022

Richmond Avenue, D 3	AHB	75 Approx	Feasibility study under way	EOI to be circulated to AHB's Q 2 2022
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Oscar Traynor Road	DCC/AHB	341	40% of development on site for social housing. Balance for affordable purchase and cost rental.	SAR required for Department of Housing
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The following units are due in under Part V in 2022:

Address	No. of Units	Quarter Due
High Garden, Two Three North, Parkside, Dublin 13	28	2
Jameson Court, The Glen, Raheny, Dublin 5	1	1
Griffith Wood, Griffith Avenue, Dublin 9	35	2
Brookwood Court, Killester, Dublin 5	7	3
Verville Court, Clontarf, Dublin 3	5	2
Total	76	

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Q.8 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

“To ask the Area Manager for end of 2020 housing list break down along with End of 2021 for the North Central Area only.”

Reply

Please see below Housing List figures for year-end 2020. The statistics have not been finalised for 2021 as of yet. They will be circulated in the usual manner when they are finalised.

BAND 1 HOUSING	Area B
Traveller Priority	49
Housing Medical Priority	51
Housing Medical Priority older person	8
Welfare Priority	12
Welfare Priority older person	2
Homeless Priority	253
Homeless Priority older person	15
Band 1 Grand Total	390
BAND 2 HOUSING	Area B
Band 2 Housing List	1720
Band 2 Housing List older person	56
Band 2 Grand Total	1776
BAND 3 HOUSING	Area B
Band 3 Housing List	1728
Band 3 Housing List older person	218
Band 3 Grand Total	1946
Housing List Total	4112

Contact: Cathal Daly, Allocations Officer, Housing Allocations & Transfers
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Q.9 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

“To ask the Area Manager to provide a breakdown as to the funds allocated to Parks in the North Central along with the other areas as in the city as there would seem to be areas getting higher portion of funding.”

Reply

North Central Parks receive the same funding as the parks in other areas in the city. Operational budget lines such as Parks Improvements (Capital and Revenue), Playground Improvements, Pitch Improvements and Tree Maintenance are allocated on an area basis with each area in the city receiving the same apportionment. Decisions as to how these budgets are spent within each area are made annually by local management and are generally presented to the area committees as a Parks Works Programme for the year.

If there are specific parks with the North Central Area it is felt require specific improvements, requests can be forwarded for consideration for inclusion in the parks improvements programme for 2022.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.10 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

“To ask the Area Manager to provide the list of road and path repairs in the Artane/Whitehall area.”

Reply

The following road and footpath locations within the Artane/Whitehall area are currently under consideration for inclusion in the 2022 works program.

Roads:

Shantalla Road
Kilmore Road
Swords Road (Old)
Beech Park Court
Beaumont Road

Footpaths:

Shanowen Road/Avenue
Coolrua Drive/Shantalla Road/Shanglass Road

Please also note that Lorcan Estate and The Rise/Hampstead footpath works is currently ongoing from the 2021 works program.

In addition various localised road and footpath repairs are also completed by our Direct Labour crews

Contact: Derek Horan, Executive Engineer.
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Q.11 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

“To ask the Area Manager to provide more bins in Ellenfield Park.”

Reply

It is intended to install 1 or 2 large capacity bins within the park depending on resources as part of the Parks Works Programme for 2022.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.12 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole

“To ask the Area Manager to clarify the situation at **(details supplied)** as the resident applied for and received verification of a grant for house adaptation. Apparently there is now some hold up with the finances for this work.”

Reply

The final inspection of the completed works will be carried out in the coming week. A RECI certificated is required to be supplied by the applicant **(details supplied)**. On completion of the inspection and receipt of the RECI Certificate, payment will be issued.

Contact: Deirdre Cahill
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Q.13 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole

“To ask the Area Manager can an indication be given as to when an offer of permanent suitable accommodation for **(details supplied)** will be made?”

Reply

The above applicant is on the Transfer List with an application date of 08/05/2009, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

Area	Bedsize	Position
Area B	2	296

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 applicants should keep checking the Dublin City Council website for any Choice Based Lettings that may become available in their area of choice.

A Housing Advisor from the RAS section will make contact with the applicant to discuss the issues above.

Contact: Mary Hayes, Director, DRHE
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Q.14 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager in relation to ongoing complaints from constituents, address city bound traffic at **(details supplied)**.”

Reply

At the junction of Clontarf Road/ **(details)** Avenue, there is no road space to add a filter traffic lane for traffic turning to **(details)** Avenue from Clontarf Road. Similarly there is no road space to add a roundabout at this location. The road width is limited by the adjacent protected cycle lane and the sea wall.

No public transport services run inbound along the Clontarf Road approaching this junction, however a bus service does travel outbound and turn left at this junction and the same route travels inbound via **(details)** Avenue approach. Any amendments to traffic signalling would cause delays to this bus service.

Therefore no amendments are currently under consideration.

**Contact: Seán Fallon, Assistant ITS Officer, Environment and
Transportation Department.**

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Q.15 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager in relation to ongoing complaints from constituents, address the problem along the Bull Wall entrance/exit which was exacerbated over the Christmas holiday period and say if a one way system can be put in place as set out in **(details attached)**.”

Reply

This and other complaints received related to difficulties exiting the bull wall over the wooden bridge over the Christmas period at sunset when all of the visitors to the island attempted to leave at the same time. The wooden bridge is narrow and only allows traffic one way at a time limiting the number of cars that can leave the island during each light change. It is not clear how a one way system would have any effect on access or egress to the island as the bridge and traffic lights are the main limiting factor here. As this complainant has advised if the visitors had obeyed the signage the situation would have been a lot less fractious and traffic would have flowed more freely. A traffic engineering consultant was engaged late last year to consult with residents, sea-scouts and golf course and to look at parking at the den and golf course and emergency access whose report is due back in the coming weeks.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
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Email: parcs@dublincity.ie

Q.16 Question in the name of Lord Mayor Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to arrange for the investigation of the potential danger posed by trees in a private garden at **(details supplied)** overhanging the public footpath.”

Reply

The management of trees growing on private property is exclusively a matter for the property owner. The Parks Service cannot take on the responsibility and indeed ongoing liability to inspect privately owned trees and declare them to be safe or otherwise. The Roads Act 1993 requires owners or occupiers of land to take all reasonable steps to ensure that trees or other vegetation on their land are not a hazard to persons using a public road.

The Dept. of Agriculture and the Tree Council published ‘A Guide for Landowners to Managing Roadside Trees’ in October of last year which aims to inform and offer guidance to landowners on how to best manage the roadside trees on their property.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Road Maintenance Services will inspect this location and issue the property owners with an advice notice requesting that they cut back the overgrowth to the site boundary line if the trees are found to interfere or obstruct the safe use of the public footpath or road.

Contact: Derek Horan, Executive Engineer.
Tel: 222 3898.
Email: derek.horan@dublincity.ie

Q.17 Question in the name of Lord Mayor Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to arrange for the remarking of the double yellow lines on both sides of the corner beside at **(details supplied)**.”

Reply

The location has been inspected and the DYL's are in a satisfactory condition.

Contact: Damien Cooney, Traffic Officer
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Email: damien.cooney@dublincity.ie

Q.18 Question in the name of Lord Mayor Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to arrange for a night time inspection of the street lights on both **(details supplied)** to ensure all street lights are in full working order.”

Reply

The lights on at this location were last checked by our night scouts on 8th December 2021 and no lights were recorded as out.

There have been no reports received of any lights out on either of these roads since then, and all lights are currently operational.

The lights on both roads are due to be checked again by our night scouts within the next two weeks (i.e. by 21st January 2021). Any lights that are recorded as out on the night check will be attended to.

Contact: Karen Leeson, Executive Engineer, Public Lighting Services
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Q.19 Question in the name of Lord Mayor Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to provide an update on the CPO of **(details supplied)**.”

Reply

A Notice of Intention to acquire this derelict site compulsorily, pursuant to the Derelict Sites Act 1990, was made on 15/4/21. An objection to the acquisition was received and in such circumstances the Council requires the consent of An Bord Pleanála to proceed with the acquisition. An application for consent was duly lodged with the Bord in June and their decision is due before 28/01/2022.

Contact: Nial Dully, Administrative Officer
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Q.20 Question in the name of Lord Mayor Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to indicate the number of vacant housing units in the North Central Area that reported to DCC and provide details on any actions taken to bring these units into productive housing use.”

Reply

The following is a summary and breakdown of the vacant properties (64 units) currently in the North Central Area.

Property	No. Beds	No. Units	Total Units
Apartments	1	3	12
	2	6	
	3	3	
Houses	1	1	25
	2	3	
	3	17	
	4	4	
Senior Citizens'	0	18	27
	1	8	
	2	1	

The properties above are currently being refurbished through the Framework or by Direct Labour and are at various stages of completion. It is anticipated that the properties will be returned to productive use in two to fourteen weeks' time. In 2021, 148 properties were refurbished in the North Central Area. These were made up of 21 apartments, 61 houses and 66 Senior Citizens Units.

Contact: Clive Ahern, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance
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Q.21 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Area Manager to replace the bin at the jetty/slip in Clontarf which is rusting and in very poor condition.”

Reply

We are awaiting a delivery of a new stock of litter bins by the middle of this month. This bin is on the list to be replaced as soon as the bins are in stock.

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services
Tel: 222 4240
Email: mick.boyle@dublincity.ie

Q.22 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Area Manager to install signage at the dunes on Bull Island requesting that people do not leave plastic bags with dog poo piled together at various locations. Where one is left people follow suit and leave others.”

Reply

Signage is regularly installed here but has been repeatedly vandalised. It is understood that some of this dumping this is a form of protest by certain dog owners who want additional bins installed and are not prepared to carry their pets waste to the existing bins. Bin enclosures that will contain a number of bins for segregating waste are currently under construction and will be installed in the coming months at a number of key locations.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.23 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Area Manager to reinstate the double yellow lines on Fairview Terrace which were removed during construction of the new housing development at this location -if people park along both sides of this road it obstructs everyone’s ability to enter/exit the road.”

Reply

Please be advised that Road Maintenance Services will notify Irish Water to replace the double yellow lines at the address specified.

Contact: Finan Dooley, Executive Engineer
Tel: 222 6727
Email: finan.dooley@dublincity.ie

Q.24 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Area Manager to make efforts to address a situation at the corner of Seapark Road and Seafield Road which is a leaf collection point and unfortunately has become a dumping ground for other items. There are plastic bags being left and, most recently, a large amount of wooden garden fencing (photo attached) Residents want to support the leaf collection but are troubled by this development. Can the manager have signage about illegal dumping and cameras installed to prevent this issue and arrange for visits and inspections by the litter warden.”

Reply

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned location cleaned up on the 5th January 2022. Arrangements have been made to have illegal dumping signage installed here and for a litter warden to include this location as part of his regular patrol. CCTV surveillance is not currently permitted at this public location due to GDPR reasons but this will be reviewed as soon as legislative provision is made.

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services
Tel 2224240
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Q.25 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Area Manager to take measures to restore the appearance of the plaza facing the civic offices at Bunnratty Road (photos attached). Can the manager advise on measures that can be taken (including engagement with the Gardaí) to prevent a reoccurrence of same once it is cleaned up.”

Reply

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned location cleaned on the 6th January 2022.

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services
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The Darndale Housing Office have been liaising with the Gardaí on this issue for a number of months now. Prior to Christmas the area office sought prices to remove the vegetation from the planters on this plaza due to continued anti-social behaviour and drug dealing that has been reported to the office. The area office will also be meeting with Housing architects next week to discuss the re-design of this plaza to counter the aforementioned anti-social behaviour etc. The Gardaí are in agreement with this measure and we will continue to liaise with them in order to solve this ongoing problem.

Contact: Derek Farrell, Acting Local Area Manager Artane/Whitehall LEA
Tel: 2228546
Email: derek.farrell@dublincity.ie

Q.26 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons

“To ask the Area Manager following contact from residents in the Brookwood Avenue area regarding a white spirit-type of smell arising from the Naniken River which they mistook for gas, can the manager provide a report on the matter.”

Reply

Following reports of malodours in the open channel of the River Naniken in Saint Anne’s Park, an investigation was opened by the Water Pollution Control Section on 02/01/22.

In parallel, the section received a separate complaint of *fuel like* odours in Beaumont, Dublin 5. Upon investigation of the public storm water network in the vicinity of the complaint, evidence of an oil leak was found. The network at this location conveys storm water runoff downstream for approximately 3km before entering the open channel of the River Naniken in Saint Anne’s Park.

The source of the leak was found to be from a defective private home heating tank. It is suspected to be the source of the odours reported in the River Naniken. The resident who permitted the site visit and investigation, was informed of the findings and the impact of such on downstream receptors. The resident is cooperating fully and seeks to resolve the matter as soon as possible. The resident will require the expertise of various stakeholders to remediate the leak. The Section is satisfied with the response to date, where the repair/replacement of the tank is imminent. The Water Pollution Control Section installed absorbent booms in the open channel of the River as a precautionary measure. While no impacts other than olfactory have been observed in the river, the boom will remain in place until further notice.

An acknowledgement of the incident and a brief update was provided to the public via Dublin City Council’s Twitter account on 07/01/22. Furthermore, notification was made available as a news item on DCC’s website. Water Pollution Control will continue to monitor the location until the incident is fully resolved.

Contact: Emma Finlay, Acting Senior Executive Engineer, Water Pollution Control, Protection of Water Bodies Office.

Roy O’Connor, Senior Engineer, Protection of Water Bodies Office

Q.27 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager in relation to ongoing anxiety about the speed of traffic on St. Brigid's Road and dangerous parking of footpaths, (see attached photos) please say if he can again examine the situation as per **(details supplied)** and say what measures can be put in places to actively discourage speeding and dangerous vehicular parking on this stretch as local residents believe it is an accident waiting to happen.”

Reply

The Parking Policy and Enforcement section will instruct DSPS to patrol the area and enforce any illegal parking observed.

Contact: Dermot Stevenson, Parking Enforcement Officer.
Tel: 222 2017.
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This request (Enquiry Ref: 7019390) will be referred to the Area Engineer for assessment and report to the Transport Advisory Group for their consideration. The assessment will take place within the next few weeks however if changes are recommended on St. Brigid's Road, this must go through the TAG process which will take a minimum of eight weeks.

The Councillor will then be informed of the final recommendations of the Transport Advisory Group.

Contact: Catalin Rosca, Area Traffic Engineer,
Environment & Transportation Dept.
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Q.28 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager to refer to the footpaths at location as per **(details supplied)** and outline what measures can be put in place to deal with the issue of;

- (a) Hazardous parking on these footpaths.
- (b) Elimination of on street parking adjacent to these footpaths and

if he will make a detailed explanatory statement on the matter as local persons are concerned that vulnerable pedestrians including disabled persons, are being put in danger by hazardous parking and that local persons who once parked on street, now have nowhere to park due to the ongoing major main drainage and private construction works at this location.”

Reply

The Parking Policy and Enforcement Section will ensure that Dublin Street Parking Service patrols the area and any illegal parking will be enforced.

Contact: Dermot Stevenson, Parking Enforcement Officer.
Tel: 222 2017
Email: dermot.stevenson@dublincity.ie

Double Yellow Lines are provided on the north side of details supplied, and on the south side parking restrictions are in place (Clearway 0700-10.00, Mon-Sat) to increase the traffic flow during the rush hour.

However, the Traffic Advisory Group do not recommend the permanent removal of on-street parking at this location as this serves to narrow the road width and therefore functions as a traffic calming tool, in accordance with DMURS guidelines. Removal of parking at this location would also impact residents and local businesses.

Contact: Catalin Rosca, Area Traffic Engineer
Environment and Transportation Department.
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Q.29 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager in relation to work carried out by/for Irish Water/Cairn Homes Development on Griffith Ave/Malahide Rd please say

- a) if roads are still in charge of Irish Water or if returned to Dublin City Council
- b) if drainage work is completed
- c) if both roads are to be resurfaced and by whom
- d) if he can confirm all work was provided for in the contract
- e) when roadside verges will be re-established & seeded as promised and confirm that financial provision for same is provided
- f) if a detailed statement can be made on the matter as my constituents are distressed about the condition of (a) the road surface (b) the obliteration of the cycleway and (c) the litter etc. on Griffith Avenue, from Malahide Road up as far as the Cairn Homes development.
- g) what the situation is in relation to the road surface which has been put in place over the main drain works; if this is a temporary surface and if so, is he satisfied that it is a safe acceptable temporary (or other) road surfacing;
- h) in relation to the cycleway that is now unusable say how cyclists are to cycle safely on this stretch of Griffith Avenue?
- i) if he can arrange to have the developers clear away the litter, including masks and general litter that is accumulating on the Avenue, in that space from Malahide Road up to the Cairn Homes site

Reply

Please be advised that Road Maintenance Services has been in communication with Irish Water on December 23rd, 2021 with regard to work carried out by/for Irish Water/Cairn Homes Development on Griffith Ave/Malahide Rd.

- a) The works are still in charge of Irish Water.
- b) The works are continuing and are not complete.
- c) Irish Water will carry out the permanent reinstatement of the roads involved.
- d) All permanent reinstatement is to be carried out in accordance with the “Guideline for Managing Openings in Public Roads” published by the Department of Transport.
- e) Following meeting with Irish Water on 10/01/2022 they advised they will check all roadside verges along route of works being carried out when all work is complete & any verges needing to be reseeded will be done in April.
- f) Road maintenance Services has notified Irish Water to ensure the condition of the temporary surface is safe for all users.
- g) This a temporary surface that will be permanently reinstated with standards and specifications in accordance with the “Guideline for Managing Openings in Public Roads” published by the Department of Transport.
- h) Following meeting with Irish Water on 10/01/2022 they have agreed to check all temporary re-instatement works and any defects will be rectified.
- i) Following meeting with Irish Water on 10/01/2022 they have agreed that this area will be checked this week & all litter will be removed.

Contact: Finan Dooley, Executive Engineer, Infrastructure Management Unit.

Tel: 222 6727.

Email: finan.dooley@dublincity.ie

Waste Management Services will ensure that the above mentioned stretch of Griffith Avenue is kept as clean as possible by our staff and by road sweeping machines hired by the developers working there.

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services.

Tel: 222 4240.

Email: mick.boyle@dublincity.ie

Q.30 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager in relation to green space at location as per **(details supplied)**, say if he can

- a) Ensure that this green is included on the grass cutting schedule on a fortnightly/monthly basis and ensure its maintenance on an ongoing basis as it is currently attracting dumping of green waste and other materials
- b) Suggest measures that can be taken to eliminate dumping of green waste on the space
- c) Outline the purpose of the leaf cage projects and its ongoing maintenance, if any
- d) If there a possibility that residents could be provided with spring bulbs and/or other planting materials etc., to assist in making the space more attractive
- e) Arrange to remove materials, including blue bags, currently placed on this green space”

Reply

- a) The ground is currently too soft for maintenance but the area will receive a regular cut under the terms of the maintenance contract.
- b) Signage might help.
- c) The purpose of such leaf cages are to divert leaves from the landfill bound waste stream and to produce good quality top soil/compost for resident led planting initiatives. The cages require little in the way of maintenance.
- d) It is too late at this stage to plant spring flowering bulbs to flower in 2022. If residents make contact with parks prior to the autumn consideration can be given to providing some bulbs later this year that will flower next year.
- e) Blue bags are a matter for the section issuing same to residents groups.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Contact No: 01 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

b) Arrangements have been made to have illegal dumping signage installed here and for a litter warden to include this location as part of his regular patrol. CCTV surveillance is not currently permitted at this public location due to GDPR reasons but this will be reviewed as soon as legislative provision is made.

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services
Tel 2224240
Email: mick.boyle@dublincity.ie

- c) The leaf cages where installed by CRA (Clontarf Residents association) all leaf cages are maintained by the residents themselves.
- e) Any clean-ups relating to blue bags or leaf bio bags that are placed at a designated location or kerb edge, can be reported to our main office were a member of staff will log this information on our CRM system to have them collected at soon as is possible.

The location corner of **(details supplied)**, Clontarf is not a designated collection point for green waste or other materials.

Contact: Robert Ingram, Environmental Liaison Officer
Phone: 222 8843
Email: rob.ingram@dublincity.ie

Q.31 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager to **please please please** refer to my question raised at the Sept 2020 Area Committee and numerous previous requests to provide a replacement nameplate at **(details supplied)** as the street name on this place is incorrectly spelled.”

Reply

A new nameplate has been ordered for this location. The typical lead times to receive new nameplates was approximately 12 weeks, however due to a change in the nameplate manufacture this now appears to be taking longer. Once received a job will be scheduled for installation.

Contact: Derek Horan, Executive Engineer.
Tel: 222 3898.
Email: derek.horan@dublincity.ie

Q.32 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager in relation to **(details supplied)** please, say when my constituent can be accommodated with a much needed housing transfer having been on the transfer list for 5 years.”

Reply

The above applicant is on the Transfer List with an application date of 30/05/2018, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

Area	Bedsize	Position
Area B	3	333
Area E	3	406
Area H	3	201

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 should continue to make contact with Co-Operative Housing in relation to any maintenance issues in the tenancy.

The applicants should keep checking the Dublin City Council website for any Choice Based Lettings that may become available in their area of choice. They should also register on Homeswapper.ie as they may be able to do a Mutual Exchange of tenancies with another Local Authority tenant.

If the applicant feels they are in an exceptional social circumstances they should contact the Social Work Section and make an Application on the Exceptional Social Grounds Scheme.

Contact: Cathal Daly, Allocations Officer, Housing Allocations & Transfers
Tel: 222 2639
Email: cathal.daly@dublincity.ie

Q.33 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager to please refer to housing application for **(Details supplied)**, who has 3 children living in an unsatisfactory housing situation, has been issued with a 180 day notice to quit and say if he can have one of his officials contact her directly and give advice on what measures can be taken to ensure she is being given every consideration for housing and that the full circumstances of her situation are known to Dublin City Council as my constituent is distressed about her current housing situation.”

Reply

The above applicant is on the Transfer List with an application date of 23/09/2014, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

Area	Bedsize	Position
Area B	3	238
Area E	3	295
Area H	3	153

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 should contact HAP with her Termination Notice and will be given a new HAP pack so she can find alternative private rented accommodation with the assistance of HAP.

The applicants should keep checking the Dublin City Council website for any Choice Based Lettings that may become available in their area of choice.

A Housing Advisor has made contact with the applicant and provided advice in relation to her current circumstances.

Contact: Cathal Daly, Allocations Officer, Housing Allocations & Transfers
Tel: 222 2639
Email: cathal.daly@dublincity.ie

Q.34 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O Farrell

“To ask the Area Manager to report on the following please; the operation of pedestrian signals at traffic light junctions. Do the pedestrian crossing lights (green man) only work after being engaged by a pedestrian or do they automatically come on during each traffic light sequence? It has been reported to me that pedestrian lights are operating automatically (without pedestrian engagement) as part of a sequence at some junctions and is this the case please. Also if this is the case how many pedestrian signals operate this way in the city?”

Reply

The majority of pedestrian crossing in the Dublin City Council operate on a demand basis, this means they only run when requested by a member of the public. In key city centre areas of high footfall such as College Green pedestrian crossing operate each cycle throughout the day due to the high number of pedestrians.

Sometimes the pedestrian button can be jammed or fault which will result in the pedestrian running more frequently than required. If there is an issue with a specific location can you please provide details of the location and we can arrange for a technician to visit site to ensure the pedestrian crossings are operating correctly.

Contact: Karen Hosie, Senior Executive ITS Officer, Transportation.

Tel: 222 5488.

Email: karen.hosie@dublincity.ie

Q.35 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O Farrell

“To ask the Area Manager to report on the construction and environmental management plan at the Cairn Homes Griffith Wood Development please. Local residents and local shop owners continue to experience severe and intolerable parking / traffic difficulties during the construction of this development as construction traffic and vehicles used by tradesmen are parking all day on ALL the local roads. Are there parking and traffic conditions attached to the granting of this planning permission and if so what steps are DCC taking to make the developer planning compliant please?”

Reply

The Planning Enforcement Section will carry out an investigation to ensure that any conditions relating to parking and traffic management that were granted as part of the approved permission for this development are being complied with.

Should there be any breach of the approved conditions detected appropriate enforcement action will be taken pursuant to the relevant provisions contained in the Planning and Development Act 2000.

Contact: John Downey, A/Planning Enforcement Manager
Tel: 222 3465
Email: john.downey@dublincity.ie

The parking policy and enforcement section are aware of the parking issues in this area. Dublin Street Parking Services have attended the location on 63 occasions since 1/09/2021. There have been 30 clamps and 7 fixed penalty notices issued. Dublin Street Parking Services will continue to patrol the area and enforce any illegal parking.

Contact: Dermot Stevenson, Parking Enforcement Officer
Tel: 222 2017
Email: dermot.stevenson@dublincity.ie

There are two projects which have taken place at this location, the construction of Griffith Wood Development and the trunk mains work for Irish Water. There is a construction traffic management plan for the building of the apartments and there should not be all day parking by construction workers and Parking Enforcement and Roadworks control will monitor the situation and take action as required.

Contact: Bernard Lester, Senior Executive Manager
Tel: 222 5871
Email: bernard.lester@dublincity.ie

Q.36 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O Farrell

“To ask the Area Manager to report on the cleanliness and condition of the laneway at the rear of the business premises at the south west of Vernon Ave. The entrance to the laneway is on Church Gate Ave, Clontarf (off Vernon Ave) and runs parallel to Vernon Ave. The laneway has for some years been kept in a shocking condition with bins often open and rubbish thrown about, basically an invitation to rodents. As a public representative I’m aware this issue has been ongoing for many years and attempts have been made by DCC staff to regulate the bins in this laneway which I believe is in private ownership. I’d appreciate up to date information please including whether or not any litter fines / warning notices etc. have been issued by DCC.”

Reply

Prior to Christmas the Litter Warden and the Litter Enforcement Officer met with the complainant to discuss the ongoing issue regarding this private lane way. While there it was noted that some bins were not in use and needed to be removed.

The Litter Enforcement Officer and the Environmental Liaison Officer are due to meet with the owner of the lane on Thursday 13th January to discuss issues raised and all abandoned bins will be marked to have removed by our Waste Management services.

Following this meeting an update will be issued directly to Councillor by the Environmental Liaison Officer. The Litter warden have been requested to regularly attend this area to check the condition of the laneway.

Contact: Robert Ingram, Environmental Liaison Officer
Tel: 222 8843
Email: robert.ingram@dublincity.ie

According to records held in the Litter Management Office, no fines/notices were issued in relation to laneway at Church Gate Avenue, Clontarf.

Contact: Bernie Lillis, Litter Prevention Officer.
Tel: 222 4243.
Email: bernie.lillis@dublincity.ie

Q.37 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole

“To ask the Area Manager to have a major clean-up of the road into **(details supplied)** Verge cutting, litter removal etc. Also liaise with local residents and Nabco regarding ongoing community involvement in the maintenance of same.

Reply

DCC conducted a clean-up of Belcamp Lane in November 2021 which included litter picking and cutting of grass verges.

The road leading from Belcamp Lane to details supplied estate only had litter picking done as the verges are part of the boundary of the illegal travellers halting site.

Contact: Connell MC Glynn, Area Housing Manager
Tel: 222 6942
Email: connell.mcglynn@dublincity.ie

Waste Management Services had a clean-up carried out at the above mentioned location on the 5th January 2022. We will certainly assist any residents group there with any community clean-ups arranged through the Area Office. WMS will liaise with the Area office to work with the local residents to ensure the area is kept clean.

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services,
Tel: 222 4240
Email: mick.boyle@dublincity.ie

The area office will arrange for the Community team to liaise with a contact person for this area if the Councillor can forward on a name.

Contact: Derek Farrell, Acting Local Area Manager Artane/Whitehall LEA
Tel: 222 8546
Email: derek.farrell@dublincity.ie

Q.38 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager if he will outline the sports projects in the North central Area, for which the Council have sought sports capital grants in 2021, and the projects under consideration for 2022, and if sports facilities on the Northern Fringe are recognised as a particular area of deficit.”

Reply

There were five Sports Capital applications submitted during 2020/21 relevant to Dublin’s Northside, details below as at 12th January 2022.

Project Title	Nature Of Project	Project Status
Finglas Leisure Centre	Improvement Works	Awaiting Approval
Ballybough Community Centre	Improvement Works	Awaiting Approval
Ballymun Leisure Centre	Improvement works	Awaiting Approval
Cabra Parkside	Gym Equipment	Provisionally Approved - will be progressed during 2022
Glin Road Community Centre	Equipment	Approved - will be progressed during 2022

It is anticipated that Clontarf All Weather pitch will be resurfaced during 2022, approval was granted prior to the 2020/21 applications.

With regard to sports facilities generally, the Culture, Recreation and Economic Services Department, propose to undertake a review of all sports facilities under its control during 2022 and a full report will issue to the elected members later in 2022.

Contact: Donncha Ó Dúlaing, Senior Executive Officer
Tel: 087 600 1820
Email: donncha.odulaing@dublincity.ie2

The Parks Service applied for funding for a small local skate park for Darndale Park but this application appears to have been unsuccessful.

A Sports Capital Grant Scheme has yet not been announced for 2022. Once the terms of a scheme for 2022 are available consideration will then be given by the Parks Service to appropriate applications in north central parks.

With Fr. Collins Park, Donaghmede Park, Darndale Park and Belcamp Park all located on the Northern Fringe and offering a range of sports facilities to the public from pitch and putt, tennis, coarse-fishing to all-weather pitches the Parks Service does not consider this to be an area of deficit.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.39 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to outline the plans for the development of waste infrastructure in the North Central area, so that progress can be made in recovering more materials for reuse, minimising volumes of contaminated mixing of waste, and promoting innovation in recovery and reuse.”

Reply

Oscar Traynor Road bring centre is the most used of our bring centres with a monthly average of 110 tonnes of materials retrieved there in 2021. Waste Management Services would be happy to develop additional recycling centres in the area should suitable locations and finance be made available to us.

We have introduced additional services such as small WEEE recycling and inkjet recycling to the majority of bring centres across the city in the past year. Additionally, polystyrene recycling technology was trialled at Ringsend Civic Amenity site in 2021. The trial was unsuccessful due to the emission of fumes that were a potential hazard to the health and safety of staff and patrons, and to the local environment. We are keen to continue trialling new recycling services at our facilities to augment the services currently available to patrons, subject of course to feasibility and available space.

There are currently 25 bring bank facilities in the North Central Area, the highest volume of such facilities per area. Waste Management Services are keen to augment our bring bank services across the city should suitable locations be identified.

Dublin City Council launched phase 2 of Circle city in November 2021, bringing recycling on the go bins in the city centre to 60 units. Analysis of performance over the coming months may give us a business case to explore further expansion into suburban areas.

Contact: Sid Daly. Public Domain Officer, Waste Management Services.
Tel: 222 4306
Email: sid.daly@dublincity.ie

Q.40 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager if he will outline his plans in the North Central Area for rolling out public EV charging infrastructure, and supporting multiple dwelling units to offer such facilities to their residents.”

Reply

Dublin City Council is aware of the transition to electric vehicles as set out in the Climate Action Plan as we prepare to respond to the needs of the citizens of the City by providing a sustainable urban mobility strategy. The Council is also aware that technology is changing rapidly and that a range of different solutions will be required to successfully address current and future mobility demand, not only in the City, but also across the wider Dublin Metropolitan Area.

This requires careful consideration and planning to ensure that the Council can play their part to facilitate the provision of a comprehensive, reliable and interoperable electric vehicle-charging infrastructure. This is so that members of the public and business community can be confident in making decisions to purchase electric vehicles and to use electric vehicles for personal, leisure and business use, for use on both short and long journeys.

In order to inform the four local authorities of the type and number of chargers required, the four Dublin Local Authorities, together with SMART Dublin and CARO, have commissioned a strategic study. This will allow us examine how the four Councils can best facilitate the provision of electric vehicle-charging infrastructure across the Dublin region and the scale of investment required.

The study sets out modelled EV uptake and consequent grid capacity requirements (ESBN are looking to pilot a number of new technical innovations). It also details numbers and recommended types of chargers required together with suitable business models, capital costs (including anticipated leveraged private sector capital), and areas more suited to Charge Points.

The Dublin Local Authority Electric Vehicle Charging Strategy is now practically complete and the working group are now moving forward with the next steps of the project, which will include a procurement plan required for the roll out of the strategy in balance with the Council's wider sustainable mobility policies. However this will be subject to resources & availability of funding from the Department of Transport.

In addition, variations to the City Development Plan 2016-2022 introduced new objectives such that all new parking for new (or extensions to) housing, apartments and places of employment that provide car parking shall be electric charge enabled.

Dublin City Council shall work closely with the ESB and other stakeholders to increase the number of EV charge points across the city. All new (or upgraded) commercially operated car parking developments shall be required to provide a minimum of 50% of spaces with EV charging facilities.

Dublin City Council has also been in close dialogue with the Department and the SEAI regarding a proposed new scheme of grant aid for Multiple Dwelling Units designed to facilitate EV charging infrastructure.

The preparation of the new City Development Plan 2022-2028 will provide an opportunity to review the implementation of the revised objectives from the previous plan and also incorporate the relevant outcomes of the above mentioned study.

This is a pressing matter for us in the Council and indeed with our colleagues in the Dublin Metropolitan area that we may enable and facilitate the transition to more sustainable mobility.

Contact: Cormac Healy, Energy Management Lead.
Tel: 222 5456
Email: cormac.healy@dublincity.ie

Q.41 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager if he will outline the work of the Childcare Committee in identifying gaps in service and developing new services, and if he considers it possible to conduct an assessment of needs for childcare and early childhood facilities as part of the revision of the Development Plan process.”

Reply

Dublin City Childcare Committee CLG (DCCC) provided the following response:

“Dublin City Childcare Committee is an independent Company Limited by Guarantee who are funded by the DCEDIY (Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth) as a local agent to fulfil the following role;

- **Act as the local agent** of the Department in the co-ordination and delivery of the national ECCE programmes and the implementation of Government policy at local level
- Facilitate and support the **development of quality, accessible ELC and SAC services** for the overall benefit of children and parents.
- Provide support and guidance for ELC and SAC services and parents in relation to the **national childcare programmes**, and support the delivery of quality ELC in accordance with national frameworks and policy objectives.
- Facilitate the development of ELC and SAC in a strategic and coordinated manner.
- Provide information and support to **parents in relation to the provision of ELC and SAC services** within their CCC area. (specific reference to quality provision).

More specifically and in relation to DCCC’s role in planning and the revision of the Development Plan process, CCC’s are named in the National Planning guidelines and the Local Development Plan for Local Authorities as a consultative source under 285(5) a of the Planning & Development Strategic Housing Regulations for Local Authorities and An Bord Pleanála. Housing developers, as a requirement of the planning process are informed that their ‘statutory referral requirements’ are to consult with the local CCC.

In keeping with this planning guideline, the Local Authority, Dublin City Council, refers developers to Dublin City Childcare Committee to consult on the planning application as it relates to Early Years provision. On foot of this contact, the DCCC process includes a review of the number of services within the locale as presented on Pobal maps. DCCC then contacts the local services to ascertain type of provision, current capacity, vacancies and waiting lists. The survey results are collated and supplied to the developer, for assessment by the planning department of the Local Authority.

With regard to new services, DCCC extends its supporting role with a start-up resource which informs services of the regulatory (fit for purpose inspection with Tusla) and the funding-based criteria and procedures in setting up a new service. The Development Officer team provide step by step guidance and on-going support in setting up and running an Early Years, School Age service.

A city-wide assessment of need and provision is not currently available however the annual Pobal sector profile does provide key data on the level of provision, number of children etc. The Manager of Dublin City Childcare Committee would be available to meet and discuss the issues that Councillor Flanagan has identified.”

The Draft Dublin City Development Plan 2022-2028 is currently on public display and the provision of good quality and fit-for-purpose neighbourhood-based and local childcare services are identified as central to providing for sustainable communities. The government’s Childcare Facilities: Guidelines for Planning Authorities (2001) and Circular on Childcare Facilities (2016) provide a policy framework to guide local authorities on the provision of childcare facilities in suitable locations including residential areas, employment nodes, large educational establishments, district and neighbourhood centres and in locations convenient to public transport networks. This guidance also recommends the provision of one childcare facility per 75 no. residential units with a pro-rata increase for residential developments in excess of this size threshold.

Section 5.5.8 of the Draft Development Plan states that the Council will continue to work with the Dublin City Childcare Committee and the newly established childcare planning function within the Department of Children and Youth Affairs through the forward planning and development management processes in order to support the government’s objective to provide for sufficient high quality and affordable childcare services.

Policy QHSN53 of the Draft Development Plan states that it is the policy of the City Council “To facilitate the provision of appropriately designed and sized fit-for-purpose affordable childcare facilities as an integral part of proposals for new residential and mixed-use developments, subject to an analysis of demographic and geographic need undertaken by the applicant in consultation with the Dublin City Council Childcare Committee, in order to ensure that their provision and location is in keeping with areas of population and employment growth.”

Contact: Erika Casey, Senior Planner
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Q.42 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager for an update re: roll out of touchless pedestrian traffic lights to the north central area.”

Reply

DCC have installed 1,200 Touchless Push Button Units (PBUs) so far, approximately half of which have been on the north side of the city.

We currently install touchless PBUs at all new site installations or at major site upgrades and as funding becomes available we will continue to replace all remaining buttons.

Contact: Seán Fallon, Assistant ITS Officer, ITS, Transportation
Email: sean.fallon@dublincity.ie

Q.43 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the traffic issues at **(details supplied)**.”

Reply

The traffic signals on **(Details)** Road and Drumnigh Road are on Dublin City Councils (DCCs) Sydney Coordinated Adaptive Traffic System (SCATS) which is a transportation system used to manage the timing of signal phases at traffic signals. The new junctions at **(Details)** Road are being actively managed by DCC's 24 hour Traffic Control Room and any necessary changes being made.

The traffic signals which were recently switched on at this location are being monitored and changes made based on demand. Please note some minor delays may occur with the installation of pedestrian traffic signals. The pedestrian signals will operate on demand only. As with all new road or junction layouts, there will be a bedding in period and we greatly appreciate your constituent's patience while the timing of signal phases is tweaked to provide optimal traffic flow in all directions. The signals and layout were designed to allow for public transport and active travel priority.

Prior to the Christmas break, changes were made to traffic signal timings by the ITS section (DCC). Following implementation of these changes, observation of the junction indicated that traffic wait times were very much reduced and traffic movement through the junction was much improved on all approaches. The junction will continue to be monitored as normal traffic volumes return post holidays and further amendments made as required where there is scope to do so.

**Contact: Seán Fallon, Assistant ITS Officer, Environment and
Transportation Department.**

Email: sean.fallon@dublincity.ie

Q.44 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager as to what input the NCA office has had in relation to the draft transport strategy for the GDA and to advise what the council’s priorities are.”

Reply

Dublin City Council is currently finalising a submission to the NTA on the GDA Transport Strategy to 2042. Once that submission has been made, it may be available for circulation. The Council’s priorities are walking, cycling and public transport, including the rail projects.

Contact: Christopher K. Manzira, Senior Transportation Officer
Tel: 222 2500
Email: smp@dublincity.ie

Q.45 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the **(details supplied)** re planning notice”

Reply

The Part 8 Planning application for **(Details)** Court Older Person Housing Development was lodged on the 3rd of December, newspaper notices and site notices went on display from this date. The plans and reports were uploaded to Citizens Space and the City Council Planning web page, this includes the Demolition Plan (the removal of hazardous materials), the Landscaping Plan and the Arboriculture Reports, and Wildlife Surveys.

An in person community meeting was held on the 5th of October with local residents and Councillors, details of the Development were presented at the meeting. Hard copies of the relevant reports were available on the night. Copies of the reports have also been made available on the Fold website, Staff from Fold Housing Development team have been in regular phone contact with residents who reside close to the **(Details)** Court development. During the demolition phase of the development it has been proposed that an exit route from the site will be opened up onto Tonlegee Road to allow heavy vehicles leave the area in a timely manner.

All Area Councillors were advised in advance of the date that the Planning Application was lodged. The period for the public to make submissions and observations is six weeks and ends on the 28th of January. Following this a report on the Planning Application will be prepared by the Planning Department which will take into consideration all submissions and observations made.

Contact: Michelle Robinson, Senior Executive Officer
Tel: 222 3517
Email: michelle.robinson@dublincity.ie

Q.46 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following issues in relation to planning permission granted to **(details supplied)** under the Strategic Housing Development.”

Reply

There is no agreement with the Parks Service that the established open space at Ashcroft can be used for staff parking or a site compound during construction. A commitment has been given to the residents association any such agreement would be predicated on their involvement and agreement and the protection of existing trees.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Planning permission was granted for a Strategic Housing Development proposal to construct 105 no. apartments at 52, 54, 56, and 58, Station Road, Raheny, Dublin 5 under DCC ref. SHD0024/20 and ABP ref.308552-20. The final grant date for this development was the 24th February 2021.

In general, there is no provision for third party involvement in the agreement of compliance conditions. Any compliance details submitted will be assessed in the context of the permitted development, relevant conditions and the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Notwithstanding the above, a Construction and Demolition Traffic Management Plan was submitted in relation to condition 8(b) and 9(a) under compliance ref’s. SHD0024/20Sub03 and SHD0024/20Sub04 respectively. Condition 9(a) requires agreement in relation to arrangements for routes for construction traffic, parking during the construction and demolition phase, the location of the compound for storage of plant and machinery and the location for storage of deliveries to the site. There has been no response to date as the compliance details are currently under consideration by the Transport Planning Division.

Furthermore, it is noted that there is no agreement with the Parks Service that the established open space at Ashcroft can be used for staff parking or a site compound during construction.

Contact: Bryan Ward
Email: bryan.ward@dublincity.ie

Q.47 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to put a plan of action in place to deal with the vacant commercial units at Clongriffin and Belmayne.”

Reply

The North Central Area office continues to liaise with Developers regarding vacant commercial units at Clongriffin/Belmayne.

Gannon Homes are actively seeking/negotiating with prospective tenants for vacant units.

Contact: Deirdre Murphy, administrative Officer
Tel: 222 8845
Email: deirdre_a.murphy@dublincity.ie

Q.48 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí

“To ask the Area Manager to please organise for full clean-up and repair of the Plaza across from Northside Civic Centre (see attached photos).”

Reply

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned location cleaned on the 6th January 2022.

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services,
Tel: 222 4240
Email: mick.boyle@dublincity.ie

Q.49 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí

“To ask the Area Manager to please organise for the rubbish/waste to be removed from the corner of Seafield Road and Seapark Road as highlighted **(details supplied)**. Can the Manager also confirm that this is not a formal designated collection point?”

Reply

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned location cleaned up on the 5th January 2022. Arrangements have been made to have illegal dumping signage installed here and for a litter warden to include this location as part of his regular patrol. The area in question is not a formal collection point.

The location was chosen by Clontarf Residents Association (CRA) as a leaf mulching location. CCTV cannot be introduced due to GDPR issues with privacy in a public setting.

Contact: Robert Ingram
Tel: 222 8843
Email: robert.ingram@dublincity.ie

Q.50 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí

“To ask the Area Manager to organise for the installation of a right-hand-turn filter light for city-bound traffic turning right at the junction of Clontarf Road and Mount Prospect Avenue as set out in **(details supplied)**.”

Reply

At the junction of Clontarf Road/Mount Prospect Avenue, there is no road space to add a filter traffic lane for traffic turning to Mount Prospect Avenue from Clontarf Road. Similarly there is no road space to add a roundabout at this location. The road width is limited by the adjacent protected cycle lane and the sea wall.

No public transport services run inbound along the Clontarf Road approaching this junction, however a bus service does travel outbound and turn left at this junction and the same route travels inbound via Mount Prospect Avenue approach. Any amendments to traffic signalling would cause delays to this bus service.

Therefore no amendments are currently under consideration.

Contact: Seán Fallon, Assistant ITS Officer, Environment and Transportation Department.

Email: sean.fallon@dublincity.ie

Q.51 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

“To ask the Area Manager to cover the man hole on the junction of Collins Avenue/Swords Road.”

Reply

Please be advised that Road Maintenance Services will investigate this query and notify the relevant utility to carry out the necessary repairs to the manhole cover and frame.

Contact: Finan Dooley, Executive Engineer
Tel: 222 6727
Email: finan.dooley@dublincity.ie

Q.52 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to have the 2 trees topped and pruned down the side of the house as a matter of urgency as they are blocking residents light at **(details supplied).**”

Reply

‘Topping’ is not a recommended arboriculture practice and merely results in a rapid flush of weakly attached regrowth which can break off in high winds. **Dublin City Tree Strategy** Objective 3,6,5 - Quality of Work of the adopted tree policy states ‘*Topping is only considered where trees have serious defects that cannot be otherwise addressed and their short term retention is essential or highly desirable*’.

While the adopted policy further states in Objective 3.7.5 - ‘Shading’ that ‘*Tree works will not normally be carried out to address shading of direct sunlight*’ and inspection will be arranged in the coming weeks and any works deemed necessary for sound arboriculture reasons will be listed for consideration in a prioritised tree care programme for the area in 2022.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.53 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager to arrange for a thorough cleansing of area at **(details supplied)** which is unsightly with rubbish and a danger to pedestrian safety due to muck and leaves and which was promised would be cleared last month.”

Reply

Waste Management Services had a thorough cleaning carried out at the above mentioned location on the 6th January 2022.

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services,
Tel: 2224240
Email: mick.boyle@dublincity.ie

Q.54 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager to arrange for litter picking and general maintenance in the area at **(details supplied)** as it is very heavily littered.”

Reply

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned location cleaned as requested on the 7th January 2022.

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services,
Tel: 222 4240
Email: mick.boyle@dublincity.ie

Q.55 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager to if he will provide a date for when a much-needed new kitchen will be installed for a senior citizen at **(details supplied)** in view of the fact that written assurances were provided by Housing Maintenance that the work would be done by last November and a further assurance that it would definitely be done by Christmas, but wasn't, and will he explain why earlier undertakings were not met.”

Reply

Due to the impact of COVID-19 and staff shortages, Dublin City Council has been unable to meet the deadline promised to install a new kitchen at the address provided. The Area Maintenance Officer hopes to install the kitchen by the end of January 2022.

Contact: Clive Ahern, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance.
Tel: 222 3517
Email: clive.ahern@dublincity.ie

Q.56 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager for an update on the new traffic light sequencing at the junction of Griffith Avenue, St Mobhi Road & Ballymun Road. It is understood that works to facilitate the new cycle lanes would cause disruption to traffic but residents report that works appear to be finished and yet long delays are still being encountered.

Reply

As part of the protected cycle lane scheme from Glasnevin to Marino, a contra flow cycle lane is being provided, between junction of Griffith Ave/Ballymun Rd and junction of Griffith Ave / St Mobhi Rd, to enable unbroken cycle access along the one way road way system.

Additionally ‘all Stop’ pedestrian crossings have been provided to ensure all traffic is stopped when pedestrians are crossing to ensure pedestrian safety, especially for schoolchildren.

These facilities have necessitated removal of some vehicle lanes, adding additional pedestrian crossings and amending traffic signalling.

As a result of this focus on active travel, available green time for vehicles at these junctions may, at times, be reduced.

In addition to the above, and in keeping with Dublin City Council’s policy to prioritise sustainable travel, public transport routes approaching eastbound from Griffith Ave and northbound / southbound to/ from St Mobhi Rd receive priority traffic signal timings which can also reduce traffic signal green time available to other approaches.

The ITS section will continue to monitor traffic and pedestrian movements through these junctions and make amendments to traffic signals timings as required where there is scope to do so.

**Contact: Seán Fallon, Assistant ITS Officer, Environment and
Transportation Department.**

Tel: 222 6198.

Email: sean.fallon@dublincity.ie

Q.57 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell

“To ask the Area Manager to report on the following leaf collection point at the junction of Seapark Road and Seafield Road and organise more frequent leaf bag collections to reduce the frequency of dumping as unfortunately this area is now often used to dump household rubbish (including recently several metres of wooden garden fence which were dumped at this location / which I am investigating further).”

Reply

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned location cleaned up on the 5th January 2022. Arrangements have been made to have illegal dumping signage installed here and for a litter warden to include this location as part of his regular patrol.

Contact: Robert Ingram, Environmental Liaison Officer
Tel: 222 8843
Email: robert.ingram@dublincity.ie

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned location cleaned up on the 5th January 2022 and will arrange more frequent leaf bag collections from there. Arrangements have been made to have illegal dumping signage installed here and for a litter warden to include this location as part of his regular patrol. CCTV surveillance is not permitted at this public location due to GDPR reasons.

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services,
Tel: 222 4240,
Email: mick.boyle@dublincity.ie

Q.58 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to have **(details supplied)** swept.”

Reply

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned laneway cleaned on the 7th January 2022.

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services,
Tel: 222 4240
Email: mick.boyle@dublincity.ie

Q.59 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to have the gullies cleaned at the **(details supplied).**”

Reply

Members of the gully cleaning crew in the Surface Water & Flood Incident Management Division cleaned 5 of the 5 gullies at the address above on 07/01/2021. One gully requires further high pressure jetting and this will be done in the coming weeks.

Contact: Richard Sheehy, Senior Executive Engineer, Surface Water & Flood Incident Management Division

Tel: 222 3774

Email: Richard.sheehy@dublincity.ie

Q.60 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to have the following works carries out at **(details supplied)**

- a) gullies cleaned
- b) trees to be pruned especially at pedestrian level as branches are interfering with pedestrians
- c) footpaths on road need to be repaired
- d) new tree planted outside **(details supplied)”**

Reply

- a) The gully at the address above was cleaned by members of the gully cleaning crew in the Surface Water & Flood Incident Management Division on 07/01/2022. No defects were found.

Contact: Richard Sheehy, Senior Executive Engineer, Surface Water & Flood Incident Management Division
Tel: 2223774
Email: richard.sheehy1@dublincity.ie

- c) Road Maintenance Services will inspect the footpath at details supplied. Following this inspection a repair will be scheduled when a works crew is available in the area.

Contact: Shane Satell, Senior Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services.
Email: shane.satell@dublincity.ie

b) The trees along this road will be examined with a view to arranging any necessary crown lifting above the public footpath on safety grounds as soon as local schedules allow.

d) The stump of the previous tree remains in situ at the requested planting location. It will be necessary to inspect the stump to ascertain if the major roots and root plate have degraded sufficiently to allow for its removal and replanting. If the site is not suitable for replanting at this time the Parks Service will continue to monitor the locus and will replant as part of a future street tree planting programme.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.61 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to have public toilets & water filter taps installed in all public parks in the north central area”

Reply

The introduction of public toilets in every park in the area would be hugely expensive and is probably neither practical nor desirable as such toilets can attract significant anti-social behaviour if not located with an appropriate level of supervision and servicing. A number of initiatives have been introduced to increase the level of availability of toilets to the in the area with a toilet in Fairview Park having recently been made available while the coffee cart is in operation at the pavilion.

Following on from the success of the 2 water bottle filling stations in St. Anne's park the Parks Service is committed to continuing the roll-out of such facilities across the area at appropriate locations where a potable metered water supply is readily available. Such a station will be installed at the pavilion in Fairview Park in the coming weeks. Consideration is being given to installation of such stations in Ellenfield and Belcamp as part of the Parks Works Programme for 2022.

Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.62 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager if there are any plans to repaint the faded social distancing markings in public parks so as to remind the general public.”

Reply

As it seems that the major restrictions and lockdowns which led to a significant increase in park visitors have ended it was envisaged that such visual reminders would no longer be required. However the situation will be kept under review and as the weather improves depending on government health advices it may be expedient to do so again.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.63 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to list the capital programme works which are a priority in the north central area for 2022”

Reply

Area Management are currently finalising priority projects within the area and are awaiting works programmes from the Roads Department and Parks Department to inform that process.

On receipt of these we will hold a meeting with the members to discuss both the works programme and the 2022 discretionary budget.

Contact: Bernie Roe Local Area Manager Clontarf – Donaghmede LEA
Tel: 222 8846
Email: Bernie.roe@dublincity.ie

Q.64 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to advise what are the discretionary spend options for the north central area for 2022?”

Reply

The Discretionary Budget North Central Area for 2022 is €810,000.

The North Central Area office will be asking all Cllrs to make submissions for the Discretionary Budget 2022 in the coming weeks, after we finalise 2021 Discretionary Budget.

Contact: Edel Joyce, Staff Officer
Tel: 222 8844
Email: edel.joyce@dublincity.ie

Q.65 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to have the shores raised on the road at **(detail supplied)** which are sinking and causing damage to people’s cars?”

Reply

Dublin City Council Drainage will examine the manholes and gullies in charge to DCC Drainage and Irish Water and will carry out any remedial work required.

Contact: Colm Fitzpatrick, Senior Engineer, Drainage Services.
Tel: 222 2702.
Email: colm.fitzpatrick@dublincity.ie

Q.66 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to for an update and timeframe re: capital works planned to improve Northside Swimming Pool?”

Reply

DCC are in the process of appointing a design team to bring forward to tender proposals for the capital works including the much needed upgrade of changing facilities and the repair of the roof structure to the pool at Northside Shopping Centre. Funding of €845,000 has been allocated in the Sports Capital Programme for 2022 to allow these works to be undertaken. They are likely to begin in Q3 2022 and will take c. 6 months to complete.

Contact: Donncha Ó Dúlaing, Senior Executive Officer, Sports
Tel: 222 3877
Email: donncha.odulaing@dublincity.ie

Q.67 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to have the roads tarmacked at (**details supplied**) to the requisite standard?”

Reply

Please be advised that Road Maintenance Services has been in communication with EU Networks to carry out the permanent reinstatement at first location as per **Details supplied**.

Road Maintenance Services has notified Irish Water to ensure the permanent reinstatement is carried out on second locations as per details supplied when the works are complete.

Contact: Finan Dooley, Executive Engineer, Infrastructure Management Unit.

Tel: 222 6727.

Email: finan.dooley@dublincity.ie

Q.68 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell

“To ask the Area Manager to provide details of the plans to use **(details supplied)**. “

Reply

This location has recently been let to a member of staff on a caretaker arrangement.

Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.69 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell

“To ask the Area Manager if the draft CDP maps annotating the proposed changes can be made available publicly.”

Reply

Annotated maps were provided to the elected members to facilitate their deliberations, prior to the draft zoning maps going on statutory public display for December '21 – February '22. During those deliberations numerous amendments to the draft zoning maps were made.

It is long established practice both by Dublin City and all other local authorities to publish the draft zoning maps for public consultation without annotation as to do so would cause confusion. The draft zoning maps are for consultation as a whole and must be considered in the context of the draft plan in its entirety including the detailed written statement, appendices and accompanying environmental assessments. Submissions on the draft plan including any of the zonings shown on the draft maps may be made up to 4.30pm on 14th February 2022.

Contact: Erika Casey, Senior Planner
Tel: 087 9804070
Email: erika.casey@dublincity.ie

Q.70 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell

“To ask the Area Manager to explain the new arrangements in **(details supplied)** and the rationale behind the change? Further, to consult with local councillors in relation to any such proposed changes in the future.”

Reply

A demountable bollard was erected at the access to the slipway to prevent inappropriate parking here which was preventing the safe use of the slipway. Also a number of campervans had begun to park here for extended periods. There have been no changes to the Car Park on the promenade itself other than to remove the overhead barrier to allow those with sea kayaks etc. on roof racks to use the car park to access the slipway.

Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.71 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell

“To ask the Area Manager for details of the Covid 19 grant spent by DCC on **(details supplied).**”

Reply

Road Maintenance Services carried out carriageway resurfacing on **details supplied** in 2020.

Contact: Shane Satell, Senior Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services.

Email: shane.satell@dublincity.ie

Q.72 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell

“To ask the Area Manager to supply a copy of the Management plan for **(details supplied)** referred to in response to Q20 to the December Area Meeting? And further, to explain why a previous question in relation to a management plan **(details supplied)** did not reference this current report but instead resulted in a 2006 report from Murray & Associates being provided to Cllrs?”

Reply

A copy of this plan can be emailed to the members of the committee.

When the matter was previously discussed at this committee both the Management Plan required by the Green Flag Awards and the 2006 Murray and Associates management plan were discussed. Further references were made to a Sustainability Plan which is nearing completion and will be brought to the committee once finalised. The committee decided that copies of the 2006 plan should be circulated to all members.

Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.73 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Area Manager if he will arrange for a tree at (**details supplied**) to be examine if need to be remove?”

Reply

The tree will be examined in the coming weeks and any works deemed necessary will be listed for consideration as part of a prioritised tree care programme for the area.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.74 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Area Manager to inspect and get a clean-up crew into **(details supplied)** as very bad littering issue in complex.”

Reply

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned location cleaned on the 7th January 2022.

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services,
Tel: 222 4240
Email: mick.boyle@dublincity.ie

Q.75 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Area Manager to repair and replace the tarmac fully caused by burst pipe on **(details supplied)** and repair path to original.”

Reply

Please be advised that Road Maintenance Services has been in communication with Irish Water on January 7th, 2002 to carry out the permanent reinstatement at **details supplied**.

Irish Water has instructed their contractor GMC to carry out remedial repairs and prioritise the permanent reinstatement.

Contact: Finan Dooley, Executive Engineer
Tel: 222 6727
Email: finan.dooley@dublincity.ie

Q.76 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Area Manager to request cleaning of **(details supplied)** as roads sweeper needed along road.”

Reply

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned roads cleaned by the road sweeping machine on the 7th January 2022.

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services,
Tel: 222 4240
Email: mick.boyle@dublincity.ie

Q.77 Question in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney

“To ask the Area Manager why the bin at the entrance has to the Rose Garden in St Anne’s has been removed and if it is intended to replace it?”

Reply

The locus has been inspected and the bins at each of the 5 entrances remain in situ.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.78 Question in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney

“To ask the Area Manager for an update on the proposed sculpture for St Anne’s Park?”

Reply

Staff from parks and the Arts Office and experienced engineering contractor met with the artist on site some weeks before Christmas and discussed opportunities and limitations of the site. The artist has returned to Italy and is working on revisions to the proposals in light of these discussions which are to be forwarded to DCC when completed.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.79 Question in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney

“To ask the Area Manager to provide background to the litter issues which arose on Bull Island over the Christmas period and what measures can be put in place over bank holiday weekends or other holiday periods to ensure that there is no recurrence?”

Reply

Having checked with local staff it is felt that the litter over the Christmas period was not considered to be more than would be expected at this time of year. An issue of bin servicing as a result of a staff member coming down with Covid was resolved within a day.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.80 Question in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney

“To ask the Area Manager could the ongoing issue to illegal parking on pavements in the Clontarf area blocking pedestrians and causing wheelchair users to go out onto the road be addressed urgently, there are particular roads Castle Avenue by the Rugby club, Mount prospect Avenue and Drive and Roads around Dollymount and St Gabriel’s.”

Reply

The Parking Policy and Enforcement Section will instruct Dublin Street Parking Services to patrol the area and enforce any illegal parking.

Contact: Dermot Stevenson, Parking Enforcement Officer.
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Email: dermot.stevenson@dublincity.ie