

Motions to the Area Managers
Central Area Committee meeting
12th April 2022

Item 1

Motion in the name of Councillor Eimer McCormack

That this Central Area Committee call on Dublin City Council not to dispose of the land on Bannow Road designated for Affordable Housing to TII or any other entity and to commence construction of affordable homes on the site without further delay.

Item 2

Motion in the name of Councillor Declan Meenagh

That this Central Area Committee invite the Dublin Childcare Committee to speak to the Central Area Committee about their work and to update us on the Child Care situation in the Central Area.

Item 3

Motion in the name of Councillor Joe Costello

That this Central Area Committee requests that an architectural and engineering report be carried out to determine whether Marmion Court and Queen Street Flats complex requires regeneration, considering the extensive maintenance issues revealed in the Dublin Inquirer's Freedom of Information application in March 2022.

Item 4

Motion in the name of Councillor Janet Horner

That this Central Area Committee calls on Grangegorman Development Agency to work with DCC and the NCBI to conduct an accessibility audit of the Broadstone plaza

Item 5

Motion in the name of Councillor Janet Horner

That this Central Area Committee request that TII provide updates to Councillors in advance of any anticipated closures of the Port Tunnel

Item 6

Motion in the name of Councillor Nial Ring

That this Central Area Committee facilitate a 15 minute presentation to us by the Healthy Communities Project Coordinator for the North Inner City which will brief the committee members on the work of the project in the area.

Background note:

In 2020 the Dublin City Community Co-operative received funding approval to establish the Healthy Communities Project and in January 2021 the Project Coordinator and three Community Health Workers were employed in the project. The project delivers, inter alia, Healthy Food Made Easy cooking courses, We Can Quit Stop Smoking programmes, Health Literacy awareness and training as well as other health and wellbeing work.

A significant part of the projects work is their Social Prescribing Programme which aims to link people in with activities and services in their community that supports their physical and mental health and wellbeing. As part of the Social Prescribing they continue to establish and build relationships with those who refer individuals into their programme, such as GP's, Primary Care Teams, clinical partners and local organisations.

Item 7

Motion in the names of Councillors Nial Ring, Christy Burke and Cieran Perry

That this Central Area Committee welcomes the announcement of the Government decision to locate a national centre for research and remembrance on site of the former Magdalene Laundry on Sean MacDermott Street, which will honour all those who were resident in mother and baby homes, industrial schools, reformatories, Magdalene laundries and related institutions.

In noting the inclusiveness of the proposed centre, this committee requests that Dublin City Council ensures that, given its ownership of the site, all stakeholders will be involved at all stages of the development through a government led consultative process, which should specifically include those particular cohorts/groups it is proposed to remember, recognise and honour within the centre.

Item 8

Motion in the name of Councillor Nial Ring

That this Central Area Committee agree that any proposed social housing on the Magdelene Laundry Site will consist of senior citizen accommodation as previously agreed and that this accommodation will be primarily offered to senior citizens downsizing from larger accommodation in the area.

Item 9

Motion in the name of Councillor Nial Ring

That this Central Area Committee request the Area Manager to commission a report on the condition of the pitches allocated to Sheriff Youth Club with a view to them being upgraded to the minimum standard necessary to ensure a safe playing surface.

Item 10

Motion in the name of Councillor Cieran Perry

That this Central Area Committee request that the Housing department provides a detailed update on the ongoing delays with the O'Devaney Gardens 56 unit development. While there may be legal issues which cannot be discussed publicly it's important that we have a plan for bringing these houses into use as soon as practically possible. The project has taken almost 4 years already and there doesn't appear to be any sign of

completion of the development in the coming months. It would be acceptable that such an update would be in-camera and confidential.

Item 11

Motion in the name of Councillor Cieran Perry

The current Dublin City Development Plan and the new 2022 -2028 draft very clearly indicate that Dublin City Council don't see Dorset Street as anything more than a thoroughfare from the airport and north city suburbs. No vision has been laid out for the street. The consequences of this has been that over the decades, Dorset Street has evolved from an important community street, a key urban district and centre of employment into a hostile street rife with dereliction, social/security issues and heavy traffic. The Dorset Street Together Plan was developed collaboratively by local businesses and local residents and funded by Dublin City Council. A presentation on the plan by local residents and businesses was given to the Central Area Committee before Christmas and received unanimous support. Since the launch of the plan very little has changed.

This Area Committee calls on Dublin City Council to confirm their vision for Dorset Street and to what extent has the Dorset Street Together Plan been implemented in council policy? What funding allocations have been made? This committee also calls on Dublin City Council to provide a detailed schedule of plans to engage with the Dorset Street communities to improve the street.

Item 12

Motion in the name of Councillor Cieran Perry

That this Central Area Committee request the Area Manager writes to Fingal County Council and ask for an update on whether reopening Dunsink Lane is under consideration or will it remain closed permanently.