

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
18th July, 2022

Q.1 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons

“To ask the Area Manager to ensure the regular cleaning of Moatview Court and to ensure the drains in each court are unblocked, particularly the two drains at **(details supplied)**”

Reply

Housing Maintenance responded to a call for blocked drains at 68 **(details supplied)**. The Choke Car attended on 16th June last and the blockage was cleared for the tenant.

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

Waste Management Services sweep and clean this area on a regular basis and will continue to monitor this.

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

A DCC Drainage Crew investigated this issue on 13th July 2022. All public sewers were found to be in good working order and any residual drainage issues are private-side. The resident was informed of this at the time.

Contact: Siham Ahmed, Executive Engineer
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Q.2 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones

“To ask the Area Manager what his plans are to introduce age-friendly initiatives in Fairview Park, and if the Council will rehabilitate the raised beds section of the Park which has been neglected for some time now.”

Reply

Fairview Park is well serviced with accessible paths and benches and a new lit esplanade is under construction. There are no specific age-friendly initiatives proposed. The raised beds are rather poor quality and were recently cleaned out and a decision is to be made in the near future as to whether they will be retained and replanted or removed and the area returned to a seating area.

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

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Q.3 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones

“To ask the Area Manager to investigate and clear serious dumping from council land adjacent to the pedestrian laneway connecting Grange Abbey Road and Grange Road Dublin 13.”

Reply

Waste Management Services have cleared the rubbish from this location.

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

The brambles were cut back on this walkway by the Parks Department on 30th June, 2022.

Contact: Joseph O'Reilly, District Parks Officer
Email: joseph.oreilly@dublincity.ie

It is a source of ongoing frustration that this area is a locus for ongoing dumping. The area is regularly cleaned by the Parks Service.

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

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Q.4 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons

“To ask the Area Manager to ensure that all the necessary works that need to be done to the floor of the Darndale FC dressing room are carried out as soon as possible?”

Reply

This work will be carried out as soon as the contractor is available to do it. I will keep pressure on to get it completed as soon as possible.

Contact: Derek Farrell, Local Area Manager for Artane - Whitehall LEA
Phone: 222 8546
Email: derek.farrell@dublincity.ie

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Q.5 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole

“To ask the Area Manager to provide the following information regarding construction work for **(details supplied)**”.

Reply

The regeneration of details above involves the demolition of the two existing housing blocks and the construction of 32 apartments for Older People, a community kitchen and a dining room.

We received Part 8 planning permission from the full City Council and Stage 3 approval to go out to tender for a contractor from the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage in accordance with its 4-stage approval process.

As the project is currently at pre tender stage, a decision is yet to be made on the construction site location. A traffic management plan will be part of the contractor's requirements and we will ensure that all options for traffic management will be considered.

Contact: Alice Simington
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Q.6 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole

“To ask the Area Manager to have rubbish cleared up and the grass cut at **(details supplied)**”

Reply

Waste Management Services will arrange for this street to be cleaned.

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

The matter will be brought to the attention of the contractor however the ongoing serious dumping and fire setting at this location often prevents routine maintenance. The area is regularly cleared of this heavy waste but reoccurrence quickly undoes this work. The area will be inspected again to ascertain if the coordination of the significant resources required to clear dumped materials and fire remnants is required once again to allow the contractor to cut the grass.

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

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Q.7 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole

“To ask the Area Manager to give an update on the redesign and repair work at (details supplied)”

Reply

The playground and the astro pitch on Bunratty Road were cleaned and repairs carried out within the previous two weeks.

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

Temporary works were carried out by the Area Office in March to alleviate some of the Anti-social behaviour at the Plaza area on Bunratty Road. The bushes were cut right back so that gangs could not hide behind them while dealing drugs. We have also liaised with the Gardai on this matter on numerous occasions. The Housing Department are presently preparing a tender to re-develop this plaza and to remove the raised planters altogether.

Contact: Derek Farrell, Local Area Manager for Artane - Whitehall LEA
Phone: 222 8546
Email: derek.farrell@dublincity.ie

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Q.8 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the footpath repair required at **(details supplied)**”.

Reply

Road Maintenance Services previously carried out an inspection at this location and job number 41121686 was raised.

A repair has been scheduled. This will be completed when a works crew is available in the area.

Unfortunately there is a considerable backlog of footpath repairs at present and as such, an estimation of when these repairs can be completed cannot be provided at this time.

Contact: Shane Satell, Senior Executive Engineer, North City.
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Q.9 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole

“To ask the Area Manager to have the growth of nettles removed at **(details supplied)**”

Reply

The area was strimmed on the 7th July.

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Tel: 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

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Q.10 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager in relation to junction and roadway at **(details supplied)** (a) and (b), to advise me of the location of the City Council's SCATS and CCTV which monitor details (a) and (b) are located.”

Reply

The City Council's Intelligent Transportation Systems Section and Traffic Control Centre rely primarily on two systems (CCTV and SCATS) to provide information on traffic volumes and level of congestion on approach to our junctions. Our CCTV systems allow us to visually confirm the level of traffic volume queues that we can detect on our SCATS Adaptive Traffic Management system and provides the operator with some further information as to possible cause and assists in informing potential mitigation measures. In general, our CCTV systems are located at junctions on main arterial routes into the city as well as other locations of significance and very often, due to the height of the camera pole, we are able to utilise our CCTV to monitor one or more junctions which allow us to manually intervene as required with our SCATS system.

Our SCATS Adaptive Traffic Management connects our traffic signal controllers located at each of our SCATS junctions to a regional computer. SCATS relies on information relayed to it via detection loops located at stop lines on approach to junctions and can also provide area wide traffic management and coordination along routes.

For (a) this is SCATS Site 443 and information on traffic volumes on approach to this junction is communicated from on street detection to SCATS which allows the system to choose appropriate plans to respond to the approach with highest traffic demand as well as increasing the overall cycle length of the junction. This junction is visible from CCTV Camera 121 located near the junction of Clontarf Road with Seaview Road. In addition, our CCTV and SCATS junction downstream at Site 73 Clontarf Road @ Malahide Road provides information on volumes leaving the junction and going into town.

For (b) This is SCATS Site 41 and again SCATS detector volumes provides information on levels of congestion. The outbound approach to this junction is visible for 60 - 70 metres before the main junction via Camera 121 located at the Seaview Road junction. This assists with identifying queue length. Clontarf Road @ Vernon Avenue is SCATS Site 506 and again traffic volume and congestion information is available through SCATS on street detection. The inbound approach to this junction is visible up to approximately 40m before the junction stop line from our CCTV Camera 272 located at Clontarf Road at Fortview Avenue (opposite the Circle K garage). Again this assists with identifying inbound queue lengths. Between the junctions of Clontarf Road with Castle Avenue and Vernon Avenue there is no CCTV available.

Contact: Liam O'Brien, Senior Executive ITS Officer, Environment and
Transportation Department.
Tel: 222 3836.
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Q.11 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager to refer to my question 98 at the June 2022 Area Committee meeting and say why the cycleway/pedestrian walkway at **(details supplied)** cannot be the same as that which is on the Coast Rd from its junction with Causeway Rd/St Anne’s to Howth Rd, where there is a white line dividing the cycleway from the pedestrian walk way; some of my constituents who cycle are experiencing negative reactions from pedestrians who feel that cyclists should not be sharing their space at details attached and can the manager make a statement on the matter.”

Reply

Dublin City Council’s Active Travel Programme Office (AcTPrO) concurs with the views outlined by the Parks & Landscape Services Division in last month’s council question on this matter, as the provision of a dividing white line between the pedestrian and cyclist areas tends to increase cyclist speeds.

AcTPrO is working on the delivery of approximately 210 kilometres of a state-of-the-art core cycle network over the next five years. This is being funded by the National Transport Authority (NTA) under their Active Travel Programme. The proposed core network includes the Dollymount to Kilbarrack project, which is proposed to encompass Causeway Road and the promenade adjacent to James Larkin Road and Howth Road, linking Dollymount Strand to the city boundary. This project is expected to contemplate the provision of vertical segregation between the existing cycling and walking facilities on these roads.

Contact: Pdraig O'Brien, A/Senior Executive Engineer, AcTPrO
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Shared paths such as the ‘Share with Care’ initiative introduced into a number of parks recent years are considered to be safer for all users within recreational settings. In certain parks where divided paths were converted to ‘Share with Care’ routes incidents of conflict between pedestrians and cyclists have fallen dramatically. The previous arrangement whereby a painted line separated cyclists and pedestrians on the same path seemed to provide licence to certain cyclists to cycle at speeds wholly inappropriate for the location which inevitable led to complaints of conflict, near misses and verbal abuse. The notion that park or beach visitors with bags, buggies, children and dogs will contain themselves entirely to one side of a painted line in such a recreational setting where there is the rightful expectation of safety while centimetres away cyclists can cycle at speed has proven to be unrealistic. It is considered to be much safer to share such paths where cyclists have to modify their speeds and take full cognisance of other users. The option remains for more active cyclists to use the public road.

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Email: parks@dublincity.ie

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Q.12 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager to refer to my question 99 at the June 2022 Area Committee meeting and say if he can arrange a roads maintenance officer to simply pour tar (if only as a temporary measure) to fill in and make safe these dangerous potholes/deep indents please.”

Reply

Road Maintenance Services has resurfacing works planned at the junction of Beaumont Road and Collins Avenue as part of our major works program. As part of these works, joint sealing will be completed at the road joints between (**details supplied**). These works are programmed for completion within the coming 6-8 weeks.

Contact: Shane Satell, Senior Executive Engineer, North City.
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Email: shane.satell@dublincity.ie

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Q.13 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager to refer to reply to my City Council question 112 of 7th March and say if the WC installed by the City Council off the kitchen of **(details supplied)** meets with health and safety standards, and if not, and in the circumstances, can the manager please reconsider my request to have a disabled person’s extension sanctioned for this dwelling as the tenant is finding it extremely difficult to cope living in the house without the proper facilities. The tenant who requires the extension has undergone brain surgery for epilepsy, following which he had to have a brain tumour removed, resulting in him experiencing problems with balance (causing falls in the shower) and chronic pain. He has also had five blood clots in his leg and undergoing ongoing medical treatment for same; this man and his wife are under severe strain and need help.

Reply

Housing Maintenance will send a surveyor out to this address and they will be able to address any health and safety concerns. The application for an extension at the address provided and based on the medical information supplied, this application was not approved. However, if the tenant(s) wish to submit further or updated medical information to support their case, we would be happy to review again. The surveyor may be able to suggest other alternatives to this address which could benefit the tenant(s) in lieu of the extension.

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

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Q.14 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager to please give me an update on grass cutting/weeding in general in the Clontarf Ward and specifically comment on my requests to give attention to locations at **(details supplied)** and can the manager also explain why the City Council management is asking for residential dwellers to adopt public property, and stopped cutting grass verges with the expectations that people will cut it themselves; and also say what monies are being saved/expected to be saved by not paying the contractor to mow verges and where this money is being /planned to be spent”

Reply

The decision was taken as the contract to cut verges was neither quantifiable nor verifiable and was not in keeping with how such areas are maintained in any other Dublin Authority area. This work was already carried out by many residents, residents associations, tidy towns etc. who also further enhanced these spaces with planting around trees, name stones and signage within their estates. As the new landscape maintenance contract is significantly more expensive than all the previous contracts combined it is not possible to quantify if any savings in real terms have been realised.

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Q.15 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager to give a report on the reintroduction of the Financial Contribution scheme for home owners wishing to down size and say if **(details supplied)** can be included on the Financial Contribution Scheme list of persons wishing to avail of the scheme and can the manager make a detailed statement on the matter. Also their application form for the disabled persons grant scheme was submitted recently please say at what stage the application is at in the process and when it is likely a grant will be sanctioned as this couple are in urgent need of same due to health/mobility issues”

Reply

Regarding the disabled persons grant we have not received an application form recently for the address. I contacted the above mentioned and he is still in the process of preparing the application. I gave advice on how to progress same and I asked him to contact me when he is sending in the application.

Contact: Deirdre Cahill, Senior Staff Officer
Tel: 222 2640
Email: deirdre.cahill@dublincity.ie

The applicants may be eligible for the Financial Contribution Scheme, they would be required to complete the application form and submit it with the requested documentation.

The Financial Contribution Scheme is a scheme available to applicants aged 60 years and older who own their own property within the Dublin City Council administrative area, wherein Dublin City Council will purchase their property at a percentage of the market value and in turn offer the applicant a tenancy in a Dublin City Council Older Person's accommodation. It should be noted that there are waiting lists in this regard and Dublin City Council allocate properties based on time on the list. 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 be advised to contact Housing Allocations where they can be given advice regarding the Financial Contribution Scheme. Attempts were made to make contact on the above number to offer advice, however it was to no avail.

Contact: Sandra Barry, Allocations Officer, Housing Allocations & Transfers
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Email: sandra.barry@dublincity.ie

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Q.16 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager to please refer to **(details supplied)** and be of assistance with improving the condition of the lane.”

Reply

Waste Management Services will arrange to have this lane cleaned in conjunction with the Area Office and the Parks Department. Work is expected to commence weekend 16/17 July 2022.

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

The Environmental Liaison Officer met the Housing Maintenance Crew in the laneway on Monday 11th July and we carried out an inspection. A clean-up of the laneway has been scheduled for weekend of 15th July. The team will trim back all of the weeds and will remove as much of the dumping as they can. There are overgrown trees encroaching into the laneway down the end near houses 148 & 150 but these trees are in the back gardens of houses. I will ask for these properties to be issued with a notice to cut back the trees. Once it is cleaned maybe residents could consider enhancing the laneway in some way and making it into an amenity area with some seating and planting etc. where local residents can relax and children can play safely. Residents should reach out to their local resident association in Celtic & Collins Parks Residents Association for assistance and ideas.

Contact: Joanne O’Sullivan, Staff Officer (Act. Environmental Liaison Officer)
Phone: 222 8843
Email: joanne.osullivan@dublincity.ie

DCC Drainage will arrange a survey of this laneway to establish its drainage arrangements. Where in-charge drainage assets are found, i.e. gullies and manholes, these will be scheduled for cleaning/jetting. DCC Drainage will liaise/coordinate with Road Maintenance on these works.

Contact: Dominic Molony, Executive Engineer
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Q.17 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to this maintenance issue at **(details supplied)**”

Reply

The tenant(s) **(details supplied)** were asked to make contact with Housing Maintenance with an agreement from the rents section to pay down any rent arrears. On receipt of this documentation and up to date medical information the application can be assessed as soon as possible.

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

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Q.18 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to arrange for the following road marking to be remarked at **(details supplied)**”

Reply

The Area Traffic Engineer has reported that the junction of this Road (near No. 14) main road was previously examined and the road markings were found in good condition.

The STOP road marking is supplemented by a “RUS 027” STOP Sign and a STOP line at the above junction that imposes a requirement on all approaching traffic to stop and may only continue if it is safe to do.

No other engineering measures are recommended at this time.

Contact: Gerry McEntagart – North City Executive Engineer
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Q.19 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to arrange for the following tree works at **(details supplied)**”

Reply

The trees will be inspected in the coming weeks and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area. Dead trees would be removed as a matter of priority.

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

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Q.20 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to arrange for the following tree works at **(details supplied)**”

Reply

Crown lifting work on these trees was started a few weeks ago but unfortunately had to be postponed due to Covid. The work will recommence as soon as local resources allow.

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

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Q.21 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to arrange for the manual removal of weeds between the walls and the footpath at **(details supplied)**, between the road and the footpath and around the bases of trees and a general sweeping and removal of debris”

Reply

The Environmental Liaison Officer has spoken to the Inspector in Waste Management and he has added this area to his list for weeding and will give it consideration. They are under pressure at the moment and resources are limited. A sweep your street request for this area has also been logged on CRM.

Contact: Joanne O’Sullivan, Staff Officer Act. Environmental Liaison Officer
Phone: 222 8843
Email: joanne.osullivan@dublincity.ie

Waste Management Services will arrange to carry out sweeping and removal of debris at this location.

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

Chemical spraying of tree pits was historically carried out by Roads Maintenance, but this practice has been discontinued.
Parks Service does not have the resources to take on the manual removal of weeds.

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

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Q.22 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to a) indicate the mowing rota of the green area at **(details supplied)** and to arrange for the strimming of the growth around the trees, the bollards, the barrier and bus stop along with the removal of the weeds and moss along the wall along the footpath” - see photos

Reply

The environmental Liaison officer will inspect the weeds growing along the wall at this location and will add this area to the Contractor Greentown Environmental weed strimming request list for the North Central Area. The new Foamstream weed treatment has not been as effective as glyphosates in killing weeds and unfortunately we are not permitted to use them anymore as per Council policy. Glyphosates pose significant health issues and are harmful to the environment, so we are somewhat limited as to what we can do.

Contact: Joanne O’Sullivan, Staff Officer Act. Environmental Liaison Officer
Phone: 222 8843
Email: joanne.osullivan@dublincity.ie

A recent inspection revealed the area had been cut. The areas around the bollards will be brought to the attention of the contractors.

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

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Q.23 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager acknowledging the much needed footpath works at **(details supplied)**, to include the cul de sac at the end of this road as an indication has been given to local residents that this is not the case.”

Reply

Road Maintenance Services has completed a repair at this location, week ending Friday 8th July.

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

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Q.24 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to provide an update on the river restoration work to provide enhanced biodiversity, water quality and flood alleviation along the Santry River route.”

Reply

The Santry greenway will be delivered as part of the Santry River Restoration and Greenway Project. The tender process to appoint a multidisciplinary design team for this project has been completed and contract documents have been signed. The Consultants Nicholas O’Dwyer are presently in the information gathering stage and preparing a detailed programme based on this.

The design team is tasked with developing a design proposal, from route selection to statutory planning approval of the scheme. The objectives of the project are to:

- Improve Water Quality/Ecology;
- Protect and restore Habitats and Biodiversity;
- Develop a recreational Greenway (walking and cycling)
- Reduce Flood Risk through the use of nature-based solutions
- Improve local community access and increase the amenity value of the Santry River;

A Press Release is being drafted along with a letter informing the Local Representatives of the project. It is anticipated that the letters will be issued in the coming weeks followed by the Press Release.

The Santry River Restoration and Greenway Project is intended to provide approximately 6.4km of high quality pedestrian and cycle facilities from North Bull Island Special Area of Conservation to Santry, through Raheny and Coolock. The scheme will be developed with Fingal County Council to provide an onward connection to Santry Demesne.

The greenway will be delivered in parallel with the river restoration work to provide enhanced biodiversity, water quality and flood alleviation benefits along the Santry River.

The route option selection and design work is expected to be completed within 24 months of the design team’s appointment. During this period there will be public consultations with the local communities and elected representatives.

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Q.25 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to arrange for the cutting of the grass verges along **(details supplied)** as there are no houses in front of this road to take responsibility for cutting it under the new approach to grass cutting.” – See Map

Reply

These verges will be cut as soon as local schedules allow.

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

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Q.26 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager if the grass verges on **(details attached)** could be cut. Photo attached

Reply

These verges will be cut as soon as local schedules allow.

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

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Q.27 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager if trees on **(details supplied)** could be pruned as they are causing a hazard to pedestrians.”

Reply

Crown lifting work on these trees was started a few weeks ago but unfortunately had to be postponed due to Covid. The work will recommence as soon as local resources allow.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
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Q.28 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager if a general clean up could be carried out at **(details supplied)**”

Reply

The Parks Service was not advised in advance that the residents proposed to undertake this work of pruning amenity trees during bird nesting season. Arrangements were put in place to remove the waste generated by this unauthorised work dumped on the open space and 4 trailer loads were removed last week..

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Q.29 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager what is the annual budget for maintenance / management of the public realm in the Artane - Whitehall area and how is it allocated?”

Reply

The public realm budget for the North Central Area is hard to quantify. There is funding used from all different departments such as parks, roads and waste management. While the Public Domain team have a budget of circa 160k to provide planters, remove graffiti, provide signs, support community clean-ups etc, they also have use of staff from waste management to remove illegal dumping and bags filled during community clean ups. While the public open spaces are in the public realm, they are maintained by the Parks Department and not the Public Domain Officer. These works such as tree pruning and grass cutting are carried out by contract to the Parks Department.

Contact: Derek Farrell, Local Area Manager for Artane - Whitehall LEA
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Q.30 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager what Quality Control systems are in place within DCC to ensure that the administrative side of the Council is held to account? Is there a management team in place who assess the efficacy of works/projects carried out with respect to outsourced contracts, like grass cutting and general litter collection? The rate my street section in the CE’s monthly report does not fulfil this need.”

Reply

The landscape maintenance contract includes performance standards and penalty clauses when the requirements of the contract are not met which are currently managed locally by Parks Management.

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

Waste Management Service outsource the collection of textiles and the collection of glass via contracted service providers. These contracts are managed and monitored by WMS senior management. All other aspects of on street waste management, e.g. street cleaning, illegal dumping etc. are carried out by DCC Cleansing staff and managed on an Area basis by local management teams who report directly to the WMS senior management team.

Reply: Sid Daly. Public Domain Officer, Waste Management Services.
Contact: sid.daly@dublincity.ie

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Q.31 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager what systems are in place to enable residents to rate their levels of satisfaction with DCC?”

Reply

Dublin City Council is committed to delivering quality customer services to its citizens, businesses and visitors.

The City Council’s Customer Charter outlines the quality of service, which customers can expect, and the City Council’s Customer Service Action Plan outlines specific actions to support service delivery.

Customer feedback is a recognised essential component of our objective to improve our customer experience and ultimately the delivery of our services.

As part of our new Citizen Hub, the council’s new citizen engagement platform, a complaints/compliments facility has been included. This feedback will guide and inform our decision making and influence innovations and changes to our service delivery.

It’s also essential that we measure customer satisfaction across our services. Accordingly, a rate the service is being developed as an integral component of the new Citizen Hub.

We are also currently experimenting with a rate the service machines in our leisure centres. Subject to a review, these machines may have a wider deployment.

Contact: Darach O’Connor, Executive Manager,
Corporate Services & Transformation Department
Email: darach.oconnor@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.32 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager if the **(details supplied)** section of footpath will be repaired - as per reply to my question No 77 September 2021. It was omitted when other sections of footpath in this this area were recently repaired.”

Reply

Road Maintenance Services previously carried out an inspection at this location and job number 41136242 was raised.

A repair has been scheduled. This will be completed when a works crew is available in the area.

Unfortunately there is a considerable backlog of footpath repairs at present and as such, an estimation of when these repairs can be completed cannot be provided at this time.

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

Email: shane.satell@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.33 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager to advise what steps are being taken to encourage people to use the new cycle lane on Griffith Ave and to desist from cycling on the footpath? It has been a persistent problem and will only increase again in September when schools return.”

Reply

Dublin City Councils schools mobility officer has engaged with the Educate Together School to set up a Park and Stride along Griffith Avenue Extension to encourage more parents to walk/cycle with their children along the protected cycle lanes provided. Dublin City Council would intend on engaging with the other schools along Griffith Avenue to encourage the use of the protected cycle lanes once the scheme has been extended to these locations.

The Griffith Avenue protected cycle lanes scheme is not yet complete and it is envisaged that more cyclists will make use of the cycle lanes as it is extended along the avenue and the cycle lanes have more continuity. Works are currently underway to complete the second major junction along the route at Griffith Avenue/Swords Road.

As more permanent protection is installed along Griffith Avenue it is expected that more cyclists will use the facility instead of the footpath. An anticipated timeline for the remainder of the works has recently been published on the Dublin City Council Consultation Hub - <https://consultation.dublincity.ie/traffic-and-transport/griffith-avenue-protected-cycle-track/>

Contact: Chris Adamson, Executive Engineer.
Tel: 222 3970.
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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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18th July, 2022

Q.34 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager when the damaged road surface at **(details supplied)** will be repaired as these works were previously agreed?”

Reply

Road Maintenance Services has raised a job to repair these potholes (job number 41143617). These works have been scheduled for completion in the coming 4-6 weeks.

Contact: Shane Satell, Senior Executive Engineer, North City.
Tel: 222 2297.
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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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18th July, 2022

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

“To ask the Area Manager to confirm that the location of the Sculpture Dublin land art proposed for St Anne’s park and the images that were put on public display in the Red Stables in April are those that were approved by the selection panel and/or to detail any changes to the approved proposal and the reasons for those changes please?”

Reply

Certain minor modifications of the design were required to ensure accessibility, health and safety with regard slopes and to ensure that the project could actually be constructed on the ground. Such modifications are not atypical for projects of this nature and discussions included the artist and are felt to be in keeping with the artistic vision of the piece.

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

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

“To ask the Area Manager when a decision on an application for a Tree Preservation Order for **(details supplied)** can be expected please?”

Reply

While the making of such orders is a matter for the Planning Department it is unclear how such an order could be made at this time while there is a live planning application on the site and given the recognised weaknesses in the legislation in this regard that would not be subject to an immediate legal challenge.

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

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Q.37 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell

“To ask the Area Manager to report on the series of summer concerts in our public parks at Anne’s Park and Fairview Park please. The report to include the total payment to DCC for the concerts and how / where is this money allocated?”

Reply

A review meeting is to be held with the promotor later this week regarding all aspects and a full report can be brought to the next area committee.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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18th July, 2022

Q.38 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager to arrange for a section of footpath at **(details supplied)** to be assessed, as a temporary surface was applied several years ago but is now worn and unsightly?”

Reply

Road Maintenance Services has raised a job to repair these potholes (job number 41143617). These works have been scheduled for completion in the coming 4-6 weeks.

Road Maintenance Services will consider this location for resurfacing works in future annual works programs. Projects are selected based on the condition of the carriageways in relation to others in the North Central Area and funding availability.

Contact: Shane Satell, Senior Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance
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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.39 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following issue relating to overgrown public trees **(details supplied)**”

Reply

The trees will be inspected in the coming weeks and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area. Dead trees would be removed as a matter of priority.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.40 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following regarding issues at a senior citizen accommodation **(details supplied)**”

Reply

Dublin City Council has made contact with FOLD Housing directly regarding this tenants query and they have advised the following, Wellview Court Older Persons Housing Complex on the Tonlegee Road has a communal outdoor garden which is landscaped and is utilised by a tenants, some of whom are involved in planting and Fold have provided funds for this..

The corridors in the development are extra wide and contain bays which are equipped with sofas and books and are large enough to hold chair exercise groups and casual space for residents to congregate – residents have held parties themselves at Christmas and New Year's Eve here and chair yoga and other activities have also taken place in these shared spaces. .

The church hall next door to the complex is available for community get togethers any time it is required. As recently as last Tuesday 21st June a summer get together was held for all residents in here. Wellview has a dedicated Housing Officer and tenant engagement officer who visit the scheme a minimum of weekly to check on tenant's welfare. Fold's housing officer has been holding one to one clinics on site for any tenant who needs assistance or advice and all tenants have direct access to their housing officer via mobile phone.

There is also a residents association which meets regularly and every resident is encouraged to become involved. Fold maintenance and development staff are also on site on a regular basis. The residents association can bring suggestions forward around a general large/bulky waste disposal initiative should the residents require this periodically or indeed a resident can always speak directly to their Housing Officer about this.

There is a large communal bin store with recycling bins – green and brown – available for tenants and all tenants are encouraged to recycle and every assistance is given for this, bins are collected weekly.

Contact: Michelle Robinson, Senior Executive Officer
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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.41 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following cleansing issue (**details supplied**)”

Reply

Clongriffin has not been taken in charge by Dublin City Council it is still in private Ownership, therefore it is the responsibility of the Developer Gannon Homes to carry out street cleaning, litter removal and rubbish collection.

At the May Clongriffin/Belmayne Community Forum the issue of the bins was raised and I brought this to Gannon Homes attention. I have also sought a meeting with them to discuss the above complaints.

Contact: Deirdre Murphy, Administrative Officer
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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.42 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following overgrown shrubbery issue (details supplied)”

Reply

The Local Area Office had this area cleared & all shrubbery was cleared week of 6th June 2022. The area was revisited on Wednesday 13th July and looked clear. If Councillor would like to advise on exact location in question I will ensure this area is inspected.

Contact: Bernie Roe, Local Area Manager for Clontarf – Donaghmede LEA
Phone: 222 8846
Email: bernie.roe@dublincity.ie

The locus of this complaint is unclear as no location where half the cycleway has disappeared could be located. If further detail can be forwarded the matter can be pursued.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.43 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following regarding provision of a suitable replacement for a community amenity **(details supplied)**”

Reply

A city-wide high level desk top review of open spaces, green and backland areas that have the potential to be developed as community gardens, allotments or other biodiversity initiatives is currently being finalised by the Parks Service. To develop an area identified in this report into an allotment scheme will require a more detailed investigation as to the feasibility around parking, security, water source etc. and most likely would be subject to planning and appropriate consultations locally. The development of such allotments schemes will require a significant capital investment.

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

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Q.44 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager has there been any concrete proposal which has emerged from the Consultant’s assessment of **(details supplied)**, in particular in relation to the Grattan Lodge exit?”

Reply

The Road Safety Audit Stage 4 report for the Hole in the Wall Roundabout made a number of recommendations which have already been implemented. The report recommends the addition of spiral road markings on the roundabout and the application of antiskid surface to parts of it. A consultant has been appointed to undertake the design of these two items. This design may involve changes to markings/antiskid surface at the Grattan Lodge exit. The works are expected to be undertaken in Q3 2022.

**Contact: Conor Lynch, Senior Executive Engineer, Active Travel
Programme Office.**
Tel: 222 4566.
Email: conor.lynch@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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18th July, 2022

Q.45 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following regarding road maintenance issues at **(details supplied)**”

Reply

Road Maintenance Services has raised a job to repair these potholes (job number 41146027). These works have been scheduled for completion in the coming 2-4 weeks.

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

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18th July, 2022

Q.46 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following issue regarding antisocial behaviour by council tenants at **(details supplied)**”

Reply

The Area Housing Manager has made contact with the compliant and this matter is currently being investigated, in accordance with their tenancy agreement, and good estate management.

Contact: Patrick Smith, Area Housing Manager
Tel: 087 2185149
Email: Patrickp.smith@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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18th July, 2022

Q.47 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following housing transfer request for (details supplied)”

Reply

The above applicant is on the Housing Transfer List, with an application date of 29/04/2022, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

Area	Bedsize	Position
Area B	2	1466

Based on the applicant’s current position for her area of choice, it may be some time before the applicant is reached for an offer of housing. It may benefit the applicant to increase her areas of choice as it may increase her chance of being housed in a shorter timeframe.

It is noted on the applicant’s file that she has recently been in contact with the Allocations team and an application form for an Inter Transfer has been posted to her. The applicant should also ensure to be observant for any Choice Based Lettings advertised that may be suitable to her needs.

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.

Contact: Sandra Barry, Allocations Officer, Housing Allocations & Transfers

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Email: sandra.barry@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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18th July, 2022

Q.48 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following issues caused by a tree at
(details supplied)”

Reply

The locus was inspected and the tree was found to be in an acceptable condition and while damage to the footpath was observed it was not immediately apparent that this related to the tree. No damage was observed to the private garden wall.

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

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Q.49 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following Parks issue (**details supplied**)”

Reply

As the new landscape maintenance contract is significantly more expensive than all the previous contracts combined it is not possible to quantify if any savings in real terms have been realised.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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18th July, 2022

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

“To ask the Area Manager can the Council undertake a review of the continuing problem of rat-running along Brookwood Grove and Brookwood Crescent, where there are no calming measures but growing numbers of young children; specifically would the Council consider entry treatment to alert drivers, or ramps on shorter runs of road than normally considered at this location.”

Reply

This request (Enquiry Ref: 7027801) will be referred to the Area Engineer for assessment and report to the Transport Advisory Group for their consideration. The Councillor will then be informed of the final recommendations of the Transport Advisory Group.

Contact: **Martina Halpin, Senior Staff Officer, TAG Administration,
Environment and Transportation Department.**

Tel: **222 2528**

Email: **martina.halpin@dublincity.ie**

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Q.51 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O'Muirí

“To ask the Area Manager to outline the measures that have been taken over recent years to tackle the neglect and dereliction of a property at **(details supplied)** which is causing great stress for neighbours, and whether the powers under Derelict Sites Act Compulsory Purchase Orders have been considered and how the Council might resolve the issue.”

Reply

The Derelict Sites Unit has an active file on this site. It was first inspected in January, 2022 and was not considered derelict at that time and is scheduled for an updated inspection to see if action is now warranted under the Derelict Sites Act 1990. A full report on the findings of the inspection will issue to the Councillor.

The Derelict Sites Unit has implemented an ongoing acquisition strategy since 2017 so if this site ends up being entered on the Derelict Sites Register it can be considered for possible acquisition.

Contact: Nial Dully, Administrative Officer, Derelict Sites.
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Email: nial.dully@dublincity.ie

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Q.52 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O'Muirí

“To ask the Area Manager to organise for an assessment to be carried out of the drainage network serving the Brookwood/Rosemount catchment where persistent blockages arise and where there is a belief that some of the problems that arise in the catchment go beyond the individual connections.

Reply

DCC Drainage (on behalf of Irish Water) is currently investigating the installation of a number of catch-pit manholes in the Brookwood/Rosemount area. The purpose of these manholes is to intercept and remove inappropriate solids/material (e.g. wet-wipes, nappies, etc) disposed of to the public sewer in order to reduce the likelihood of blockages on the public sewer network. In tandem with this work CCTV surveys and other investigations will be carried out to determine if further works need to be carried out to maximise the performance and efficiency of the system in this area.

Contact: Colm Fitzpatrick, Senior Engineer, Drainage Services
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18th July, 2022

Q.53 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí

“To ask the Area Manager to undertake a review of the continuing problem of rat-running along Rosemount Avenue with a view to recommending traffic calming measures for installation at this location.”

Reply

This request (Enquiry Ref: 7027802) will be referred to the Area Engineer for assessment and report to the Transport Advisory Group for their consideration. The Councillor will then be informed of the final recommendations of the Transport Advisory Group.

Contact: **Martina Halpin, Senior Staff Officer, TAG Administration,
Environment and Transportation Department.**
Tel: **222 2528**
Email: **martina.halpin@dublincity.ie**

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Q.54 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí

“To ask the Area Manager to confirm if Dublin City Council is aware of a history of localised flooding at the eastern end of Rosemount Avenue? Have any local measures been considered to address this issue?”

Reply

There was some historic flooding in this area in the past associated with the culverted Naniken River and its crossing of the Dublin to Belfast railway line. Some alleviation measures were put in place and we have no record of recent significant flooding in this area.

Contact: Gerard O’Connell, Project Manager
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18th July, 2022

Q.55 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí

“To ask the Area Manager to organise for the pruning of the trees on Harmonstown Road between Brookwood Avenue and the entrance to the DART station as they are causing difficulties for pedestrians.”

Reply

The trees will be inspected in the coming weeks and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area.

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

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18th July, 2022

Q.56 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O'Muirí

“To ask the Area Manager to organise for some public litter bins to be installed along Brookwood Avenue as there are none there at present.”

Reply

Waste Management Services will install a bin at the corner of Brookwood Meadow which is a thoroughfare to St. Mary's Secondary School.

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

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18th July, 2022

Q.57 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O'Muirí

“To ask the Area Manager to organise for:

1. The trees along Gracefield Avenue to be pruned
2. The remaining grass verges along Gracefield Avenue to be cut.

Reply

The trees will be inspected in the coming weeks and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area.

A review of verges will be carried out later in the summer to ascertain how this change in policy is working.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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18th July, 2022

Q.58 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí

“To ask the Area Manager to organise for DSPS to take action against ongoing illegal parking at the junction of Gracefield Avenue and Harmonstown Road; the resulting poor visibility is making it a dangerous crossing point for children going to school, older people and cyclists.”

Reply

DSPS will monitor the area and enforce any illegal parking

Contact: Dermot Stevenson, Parking Enforcement Officer
Tel: 222 2017
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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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18th July, 2022

Q.59 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O'Muirí

“To ask the Area Manager further to my previous request in relation to (**details supplied**) can the Area Manager please organise for the overgrowth of shrubbery and ivy from the public domain onto this property to be permanently addressed as it has returned and as highlighted before is causing serious difficulty for local residents.”

Reply

The Environmental Liaison Officer has advised that the above address is private and overgrowing onto their neighbour's premises. Unfortunately, this seems to be a civil matter between the residents as we can only intervene when the overgrowth is encroaching on the public footpath or blocking a street sign.

Contact: Joanne O Sullivan, Environmental Liaison Officer
Tel: 222 8541
Email: joanne.osullivan@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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18th July, 2022

Q.60 Question in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney

“To ask the Area Manager could the pavements on Conquer Hill Road from the Coast Road to Brian Boru Road be repaired as they are in a very bad condition and inaccessible for people that use wheelchairs, mobility aids or push chairs?”

Reply

Enquiry 11124543 has been created and an inspection will be carried out in the coming weeks to assess the footpath at this location. Any sections of damaged footpath will be scheduled for repair when a works crew is available in the area.

Contact: Shane Satell, Senior Executive Engineer, North City.
Tel: 222 2297.
Email: shane.satell@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.61 Question in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney

“To ask the Area Manager could the roads and pavements be repaired properly by Irish water around the Clontarf area as soon as possible, the school zone outside Green lanes NS is damaged and the pavements and road on Seafield Avenue, Seafield road, Dollymount road which is particularly difficult for people cycling?”

Reply

In response to this question, an inspection of the area was carried out by a member of the IMU team, who liaised with Irish Water and their contractor. The IMU reports as follows:

- Permanent reinstatement on Seafield Avenue will take place in August 2022
- Footpaths on Seafield Road East are currently being permanently reinstated. Permanent reinstatement of the carriageway will follow the footpath reinstatement
- If Councillor could please clarify exact location of “Dollymount Road” as this Road does not seem to exist on our records.

Contact: Deri Flood, SEE, IMU, RMS
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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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18th July, 2022

Q.62 Question in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney

“To ask the Area Manager when will the long awaited pedestrian crossing on Mount Prospect road Clontarf by Seafield Avenue be put in?”

Reply

The Transport Advisory Group (TAG) have proposed a controlled pedestrian crossing on Mount Prospect Avenue near Seafield Avenue / Seafield Road as part of TAG Package 9 Capital Works.

We are currently in the process of appointing a consultant for a feasibility assessment and design at the above location.

Once the Consultants complete their report, this will be made available to Cllr. and TAG will determine a schedule to carry out these works subject to funding availability.

Contact: Catalin Rosca, Assistant Engineer
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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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18th July, 2022

Q.63 Question in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney

“To ask the Area Manager what is the timeline for the Killester transport neighbour plan? Last updated in February 2022

As outlined at the time, a list of residential areas that may qualify for a Neighbourhood Transport Scheme was being finalised (i.e. **Phase 1**). Following this meeting, an email was also sent (on 17th February 2020) to all Councillors with a request to submit any areas for consideration by the 13th March 2020. Subsequently, the following ten areas proceeded to Phase 2:

- Haverty Road
- Grange Park Avenue
- Millbrook Avenue
- Coolgreena Road
- Mayne River Avenue
- Grace Park Terrace
- Briarsfield Road
- Windsor Avenue
- Riverside Park
- Killester

Please note that the above list also includes the surrounding streets and areas. The focus of Neighbourhood Transport Schemes are on local streets in residential areas which are bounded by the main thoroughfares and arterial roads.

Phase 2 involves assessing and ranking these areas in keeping with the formalised process as agreed at the Nov 2018 SPC. This involves assessing the areas against a number of set criteria (e.g. level of cut-through traffic at peak times) to determine the order of implementation for a Neighbourhood Transport Scheme. The initial forecast period for completion of this phase was Q2 2020 however this was delayed due to Covid 19, and our resources were focused on implementing the Covid Mobility Programme which was developed in response to the pandemic. It is anticipated that we will complete the Phase 2 assessments and be in a position to commence a scheme for the highest ranked area(s) in March/April 2022.

Phase 3 involves working with councillors and various internal and external stakeholders in developing a Neighbourhood Transport Scheme for the top ranked area(s).

Reply

As you may be aware, the Marino Area (includes Haverty Road) has been selected to receive a Neighbourhood Transport Scheme in 2022. Following completion of this scheme, the other areas on the list which includes Killester will be assessed to determine which area will be selected for implementation of a scheme. It is likely that Killester will rank highly on the list and could receive a scheme in 2023.

Contact: Andrew Geoghegan, Neighbourhood Transport Engineer, North City.

Email: andrew.geoghegan@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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18th July, 2022

Q.64 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following transfer application (**details supplied**)”

Reply

The above applicant is on the Housing Transfer List with a Welfare Priority, with an application date of 25/02/2020, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

Area	Bedsize	Position
Area B	2	18
Area E	2	16

The applicant in the first instance should report all incidents of anti-social behaviour to her local Garda station who in turn can liaise with the local Housing office regarding addressing any issues of anti-social behaviour being experienced by the tenant. Please advise the tenant to forward on any supporting documentation in respect of the incidents referred to in the adjoining letter to the local Housing office who will investigate the matter. The applicant can also liaise with her local Project Estate Manager in relation to anti-social behaviour being experienced.

The applicant will be considered for an offer when accommodation to meet her household need becomes available and according to her position on the list.

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.

Contact: Sandra Barry, Allocations Officer, Housing Allocations & Transfers
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Q.65 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following request for services in a public park at **(details supplied)**”

Reply

There is CCTV in the park already however this is not monitored and does not capture images after dark.

There are no proposals to introduce a Park Ranger Service to Fr. Collins Park.

It is unclear what is meant by ‘community alert signage’ in the context of a public park. If detail of what is envisaged can be forwarded the matter could be considered.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
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Q.66 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following request for tree planting at (details supplied)”

Reply

It is understood that this is private property associated with the centre which was sown with wildflowers last year by the developer.

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Email: parks@dublincity.ie

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Q.67 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following request for maintenance of railings at **(details supplied)**”

Reply

Phase 3 of refurbishment of Kilbarrack Fire Station is planned to commence within the next couple of weeks. The painting of the railings to the front of the station will form part of these works.

Contact: Karen Munds, Staff Officer
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Email: dfbfeedback@dublincity.ie

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Q.68 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following issue regarding the lack of public bins at **(details supplied)**”

Reply

Waste Management Services will reinstate the bin at the sheltered bus stop 742, Raheny Road, outside Della Salle School.

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

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Q.69 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager can we get some bins & seats in **(details supplied)**”

Reply

A bench was provided in Streamville Park last year as part on ongoing improvement works. Further seating is proposed later this summer as schedules allow.

The Parks Service does not provide bins in such local parks in residential areas.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
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Q.70 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager can I get an updated report as to the house being compulsory purchase ordered at **(details supplied)**”

Reply

Derelict Sites Unit has an active file on this site and has written to the owner on a number of occasions regarding the condition of the site highlighting their duty to take all reasonable steps to ensure that their land does not become or continue to be a derelict site. All efforts to establish engagement with the owner have been unsuccessful and accordingly the Unit has now initiated formal action under the Derelict Sites Act 1990. A S.8(2) Notice of Intention to enter the site on the Derelict Sites Register was served on the owner on 29th June, 2022 who has one month from that date to make any representations against entry. Sites entered on the Derelict Sites Register are subject to a Derelict Sites Levy of 7% of market value. Outstanding levies also attract interest at the rate of 1.25% per month, outstanding levies including interest automatically become a charge on the land and will remain a charge on the land until all outstanding levies have been paid.

The site is not the subject of compulsory acquisition proceedings. The Derelict Sites Unit has implemented an ongoing acquisition strategy since 2017 so if this site ends up being entered on the Derelict Sites Register it can be considered for possible acquisition.

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Q.71 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager can **(details supplied)** be referred to voluntary housing bodies?”

Reply

The above applicant is on the Housing List, with an application date of 07/06/2022, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

Area	Bedsize	Position
Area B	2	610
Area E	2	700

Based on the applicant's position for each area of choice it may be some time before the applicant is reached for an offer of housing.

It is noted on the applicant's file that he has recently been issued with a HAP pack.

All housing applications are considered for voluntary housing bodies upon vacancies arising and according to the applicant's position on the list.

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.

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Q.72 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager can I get an update re **(details supplied)** in relation to where things are at and timeline for lodging planning application”

Reply

A Planning Application under the new LSRD, Large Scale Residential Development Process will be lodged by the Developer Glenveagh Living Ltd. By the end of 2022.

A decision is expected to be made by mid- 2023. Subject to Planning, construction is anticipated to commence in late 2023.

Contact: Martin Donlon, Development Manager
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Email: martin.donlon@dublincity.ie

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Q.73 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager can I get an update as to when the shrubbery at the entrance to **(details supplied)** will be cut back?”

Reply

Enquiry 11124546 has been created and an inspection will be carried out in the coming weeks to assess the shrubbery at this location.

If this impedes the footpath, the owner will be requested to cut the shrubs back to their boundary.

If a hedge notice has been previously issued, our roads inspector will follow up on this and send an additional request if required.

Contact: Shane Satell, Senior Executive Engineer, North City.
Tel: 222 2297.
Email: shane.satell@dublincity.ie

Such work is carried out in the autumn/winter outside of the bird nesting season. The matter will be investigated and if the area comes under the control of the Parks Service and is not private property associated with the friary arrangements will be made to have the area inspected and if necessary listed for inclusion in the autumn/winter shrubbery maintenance programme.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
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Q.74 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager Is there any update on a new lease and expansion of **(details supplied)** and capital investment in facilities?”

Reply

The lease agreement for **(details supplied)** is being progressed by DCC Law Dept. There are no plans to expand and no capital funds allocated to any work there at present.

Contact: Brendan Teeling, Deputy City Librarian
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Email: brendan.teeling@dublincity.ie

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Q.75 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager in relation to the proposed public art sculpture for St. Anne’s Park, to explain why/when/how the addition of walls along this piece came about as they were not in the original proposal; can the manager also explain the change in location of the art as the piece was originally supposed to be closer to the sea which would have afforded different views.”

Reply

A meeting was held on site with DCC Parks and Arts Office, engineering contractors and the artist to bring the process of realising the artistic vision on the ground. Not typically this often involves modifications to address practical concerns that may not have been immediately apparent when the artistic concept was first mooted such as angle of slopes for maintenance, safety of viewers, universal access etc. The proposed sculpture was repositioned slightly further up the slope within the space to afford a better view of the sea and to Howth Head.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.76 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager to please refer to constant illegal parking on footpaths at location **as per (details supplied)** and take necessary action to discourage same.”

Reply

The Parking Enforcement Officer is aware of issues at this location and has previously instructed a site visit by the parking enforcement inspector.

At a site visit conducted on 25/05/22, several vehicles observed on footpath and Dublin Street Parking Services were requested to issue warnings initially.

The general parking restrictions (road markings) were also logged for reinstatement as they were poor in parts.

Furthermore, on 02/06/22 there were 4 warnings issued. On 23/06/22 there was 1 fixed penalty notice issued and on 05/07/22 there was 3 fixed penalty notices issued. Dublin Street Parking Services will continue to monitor and patrol the area and enforce any illegal parking.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.77 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Area Manager if a tree at **(details supplied)** can be examined given that the householder is of the view that the roots of this tree have damaged his boundary wall and if this problem can be resolved once and for all?”

Reply

This is a relative small tree which will be inspected in the coming weeks and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area. The damage to the wall areas to be emanating from the drainage hole provided to shed water from the roofs of the properties into the recently enlarged tree pit. It has been noted elsewhere in the area that the corrosion of metal pipes installed in these drainage channels has led to similar damages.

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

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Q.78 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Area Manager if a tree stump at **(details supplied)** can be removed.”

Reply

It can take a number of seasons before stumps and major roots have degraded sufficiently to allow for their safe removal without damaging infrastructure particularly underground services. The stump will be inspected in the coming weeks as schedules allow and if suitable for removal it will be included in the next tranche of such removals in the area.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent

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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.79 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Area Manager if he can provide details of Tree planting in the Donaghmede LEA since 2019? Replacement tree locally since 2019 requested by myself have not been replanted.

Reply

Twenty eight number street and parkland trees were planted by depot staff covering the Donaghmede LEA during the tree planting season 2021-22. If details of the requested tree planting are forwarded to the Parks Service details can be provided as to why they have not been carried out as yet. There may be practical considerations such as tree roots, public lighting, over-head services or may have been unfortunately overlooked due to the extreme works pressures experienced due to the pandemic since 2019.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.80 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Area Manager if he will attend to a tree at (**details supplied**) which is in a dangerous condition and prune tree considerably?”

Reply

The tree will be inspected in the coming weeks and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area.

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

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Q.81 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Area Manager can the footpath at **(details supplied)** be fixed and repaired fully. Can this query be referred to the Roads Department to fully fix both sides of the footpath between the two properties? Image can be provided.

Reply

An enquiry has been created and an inspection will be carried out in the coming weeks to assess the footpath at this location. Any sections of damaged footpath will be scheduled for repair when a works crew is available in the area.

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

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Q.82 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Area Manager can the footpath at **(details supplied)** be fixed and repaired fully. Can this query be referred to the Roads Department to fully fix outside on the footpath outside the property? Image can be provided.”

Reply

Road Maintenance Services previously carried out an inspection at this location and job number 41151750 was raised.

A repair has been scheduled. This will be completed when a works crew is available in the area.

Unfortunately there is a considerable backlog of footpath repairs at present and as such, an estimation of when these repairs can be completed cannot be provided at this time.

Contact: Shane Satell, Senior Executive Engineer, North City.
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Q.83 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Area Manager to request at **(Details Supplied)** to be cleaned up and cut back at greenspace and along the wall as grass and weeds overgrowing and has been left idle by DCC. More information and images can be provided.

Reply

An inspection will be arranged as local schedules allow and any outstanding works brought to the attention of the landscape maintenance contractor.

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

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Q.84 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Area Manager to seek to inspect the below junction location to install a yellow box at **(Details Supplied)** as local residents can't get out onto the main road and very difficult during peak time, please refer to the Transport Advisory Group (TAG). More information can be provided with image.

Reply

This request (Enquiry Ref: 7027803) will be referred to the Area Engineer for assessment and report to the Transport Advisory Group for their consideration. The Councillor will then be informed of the final recommendations of the Transport Advisory Group.

Contact: **Martina Halpin, Senior Staff Officer, TAG Administration,
Environment and Transportation Department.**
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Q.85 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Area Manager to request at **(Details Supplied)** to be power-hosed as cobble-stone is quite dirty and difficult to local residents to clean. More information and images can be provided.”

Reply

The Environmental Liaison Officer has engaged PMac to carry out a special clean of this area. PMac specialise in cleaning heritage sites such as this. The work will start soon.

Contact: Joanne O’Sullivan, Staff Officer Act. Environmental Liaison Officer
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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.86 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Area Manager to repair and replace the Gutters and fixtures as Gutters extremely loose at **(Details Supplied)** and needs to be fixed quickly.”

Reply

Housing Maintenance have assigned this to our contractor to carried out repairs, these works will be completed within the next 3 / 4 weeks

Contact: Clive Ahern, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance.
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Q.87 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Area Manager to request at **(Details Supplied)** to be cleaned up and cut back at greenspace and along the wall as grass and weeds overgrowing and has been left idle by DCC. More information and images can be provided.

Reply

This green area will be brought to the attention of the contractor.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.88 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Area Manager to investigate possibilities for reducing or eliminating rat running on St Aidan’s Park Road, Marino, D3.”

Reply

As you may be aware, a filtered permeability trial is being proposed on the western end of Haverty Road, at the junction of Haverty Road / Marino Park Avenue, to prevent motorised cut-through traffic while allowing cyclists and pedestrians to proceed through the junction. The impact of this measure will be that some motor vehicle journeys will be required to take a more circuitous route which would likely discourage non-local cut-through traffic from travelling through the Marino Estate. A consultation letter has been sent to local residents and stakeholders, advising of the proposals and asking for feedback. If the result is positive and a majority are in favour then it is anticipated that the proposed scheme can be implemented in the coming weeks, subject to further safety assessments and the development of a detailed design.

Traffic count and speed surveys will be carried out on Haverty Road and adjacent streets including St Aidan’s Park Road to assess the effectiveness of the trial to reduce traffic volumes in the area. The results will indicate if additional traffic calming measures should be considered for implementation.

Contact: Andrew Geoghegan Neighbourhood Transport Engineer (North City)

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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.89 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Area Manager to repair the footpath at **(details supplied)**. The footpath around the tree roots was previously repaired but the job done has left a significant piece of footpath jutting out from the rest and is resulting in falls and tyre damage.”

Reply

An enquiry has been created and an inspection will be carried out in the coming weeks to assess the footpath at this location. Any sections of damaged footpath will be scheduled for repair when a works crew is available in the area.

Contact: Shane Satell, Senior Executive Engineer, North City.
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Q.90 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Area Manager to outline the status of the plans for replacement of the fruit trees in Marino – which roads have been completed and what the schedule and timeframe is for the remaining roads?”

Reply

Fourteen number smaller canopy street trees were planted during the last tree planting season 2022-23. The replacement programme has not kept up with the prioritised plan agreed with the residents as the stumps, root plates and major roots of the previous occupants of the planting pits have not degraded as quickly as anticipated preventing timely replacements. The Parks Service is continuing to monitor the situation and will plant as many planting pits as are suitable each year. The programme agreed with the residents did not envisage completing the replacement of the problematic trees on a street by street basis. Rather the plan was devised whereby the most problematic trees adjacent to most vulnerable residents were frontloaded in the programme. It was also a priority of the plan that not too many trees would be removed from any one street at any one time as this was seen as a priority to the residents association. The planned removal of these trees continues until 2029-30 with fewer and fewer trees being replaced each year.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.91 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Area Manager to prioritise the replacement of the crab apple tree at **(details supplied)** which is very large for the location and is causing damage to the wall of the adjacent house and producing an enormous amount of fruit – creating slippery and dangerous conditions. In addition to ask the manager for pruning of this tree until such time as it can be replaced.”

Reply

This tree is listed for the next tranches of removals in winter 22-23.

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

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Q.92 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Area Manager to add the footpaths on **(details supplied)** to the programme of works as they are in need of significant repair.”

Reply

The footpaths between 124 and 186 **(details supplied)** have been included in the Road Maintenance Services Major Works Program. Works are scheduled in 2022.

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

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