



**MINUTES OF THE NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 17 OCTOBER 2022**

- 1 **Minutes of the NCAC Meeting dated 19th September, 2022.**
Order: Agreed.
- 2 **Questions to the Area Managers**
Order: Noted.
- 3 **Le Fanu Road Skate Park presentation**
Order: Presentation deferred to the November meeting
- 4 **Roads & Traffic Matters**
 - a **Minutes of the TAG meeting held on 27th September, 2022.**
Order: Noted.
 - b **Gully report for noting**
Order: Noted.
 - c **Richmond Road**
Order: Noted & agreed.
- 5 **Area Matters**
 - a **Leases & Licences - Proposed grant of a further Licence of the Clontarf Road Car Park, Dublin 3 to Córás Iompair Éireann and Iarnród Éireann**
Order: Agreed. Recommend to City Council
 - b **Disposals - Proposed disposal of a plot of land to the rear of 243 Larkhill Road, Whitehall, Dublin 9.**
Order: Agreed. Recommend to City Council
 - c **Naming & numbering - Proposal for a residential development on the site at Woodbine Road, Raheny, Dublin 5 DCC Planning Ref : 3995/21, GlebeWood Court, Woodbine Road, Raheny, Dublin 5**
Order: Rejected. Members agreed on "New Millwood Court" as per the original proposal.

- d **Naming & numbering - Proposal for a new residential development on a site at Saint Columban's, The Hole in the Wall Road and the R139 Road, Donaghmede, Dublin 13 & No 25 The Hole in the Wall Road, Donaghmede, D 13 Planning Ref: SHD0017/21 Condition 7 & ABP-310944-21 Trinity Grange**
Order: Rejected. As this was the second proposal presented to and rejected by NCAC, in accordance with compliance procedures, the decision falls to the Director of Services Mr. Derek Kelly, who opted for the original proposal of "Griffin Point".
- e **Extinguishments - Proposal to initiate the procedure for the partial extinguishment of the Public Right of Way over a laneway located at 57-59 Celtic Park Avenue, Dublin 9.**
Order: Agreed. Recommend to City Council.
- f **Extinguishments - Proposal to initiate the procedure for the extinguishment of the Public Right of Way over a laneway located at 3 - 69 Annadale Drive, Marino, Dublin 3.**
Order: Agreed. Recommend to City Council.
- g **Update on the Belcamp Dump**
Order: Noted.
- h **Toilets - Clontarf Promenade & Fairview Park**
Order: Noted.
- i **Killester Community Garden**
Order: Noted.
- j **Area Manager's Reports**
Order: Noted.
- k **Housing Supply Report**
Order: Noted.
- l **Sports & Wellbeing Report**
Order: Noted.

6 **Motions**

a **Motion in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon**

That this Area Committee calls upon the council executive to expedite the taking in charge process for Clongriffin and Belmayne areas and to set out a clear timeline for this work.

Reply

Clongriffin:

Gannon Homes applied in January 2022 to Planning and Development, Taking in Charge Section to have Clongriffin Main Street taken in charge. This is an ongoing process between Gannon Homes and the various DCC Service Departments who have snagged the area for any outstanding works which need to be carried out by Gannon Homes to bring Main Street up to a taking in charge standard.

The taking in charge of Clongriffin will be done on a sequential basis, once Main Street has been taken in charge (estimated by the end of 2022) Gannon Homes will then apply for Marrsfield to be taken in charge followed by Bell Tree and Beau Park.

Belmayne:

The North Central Area Office are co-ordinating efforts to regularise the taking in charge of some of the main streets in Belmayne: Belmayne Main Street, Belmayne Avenue, Parkside Boulevard and two sections of Greenway.

Belmayne has had a number of landowners including Shannon Homes, Stanley and Nama. Many of the main roads were left unfinished during the economic crash in 2008 and were never taken in charge. The current main landowner is Cairn Homes who in 2015 bought various portfolios in Belmayne, however, as other landowners are also involved, it makes the situation even more complex.

If financially viable a taking in charge process may be progressed by declaring the roads to be public roads under Section 11 of the Roads Act 1993, which is a reserved function rather than the regular taking in charge process, whereby the Developer applies to the Local Authority, Planning and Development Taking in Charge Section.

In order to establish the financial implications of the proposed declaration, the Area Office has been co-ordinating meetings with the various operational departments impacted by this proposal. Once an estimate for upgrading the roads to an acceptable standard is completed by each operational department the proposal will be brought to the Area Committee for consideration.

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Order: Agreed

b Motion in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon

That this Area Committee recognizes the 60th anniversary of the opening of the Edenmore housing estate and calls upon the area management to work with local groups to celebrate this important milestone.

Reply

The local area manager would be more than happy to engage with any local group to explore potential projects or initiatives to mark the 60th anniversary of Edenmore housing estate. The area office has already engaged with some local residents to start this conversation.

Contact: Bernie Roe, Local Area Manager for Clontarf – Donaghmede LEA
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Order: Agreed.

c Motion in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon

That this Area Committee recognizes the 50th anniversary of the opening of the Donaghmede estate and calls upon the area management to work with local groups to celebrate this important milestone.

Reply

The area office has been engaging with local resident groups in Donaghmede since early 2021 to ensure the 50th anniversary was acknowledged & celebrated. To this end we funded a number of community led initiatives including the production of a special anniversary booklet compiled by DERA and Dublin City Council also sponsored an anniversary dinner in the Hilton Hotel in November 2021.

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Order: Agreed.

d Motion in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

That this Area Committee agree that over the next 2 years the council should commence the hire of 50 Dublin city Council trade apprentice.

Reply

The City Council will examine the possibility of increasing the number of trade apprentices over the next 2 years.

Contact: Dymphna Farrell, Executive Manager, Human
Resources Department.
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Order: Agreed.

e Motion in the name of Councillor John Lyons

That this Area Committee re-confirms its support for a publicly-owned all-weather football facility for the Artane-Whitehall area, the only area in the North-East of the city without such a facility; re-commits to supporting the local football clubs in the area who provide vital sporting and social outlets on a weekly basis for hundreds of young people in the area; is acutely aware of the organisational strains and financial difficulties the clubs experience as they try to manage Winter training for the young people; and therefore calls on the Director of Services to convene a meeting as

soon as possible with the clubs, public representatives, the local area manager and the City Parks Superintendent to agree a timeframe and plan for securing the funding for such a badly needed facility.

Reply

Parks will attend any meeting organised by the Director of Service.

Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks
Superintendent
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The area office previously organised a meeting with the clubs, the public representatives and Les Moore and Fergus O'Carroll from the Parks Department to discuss the need for an All Weather pitch for the Artane/Whitehall LEA. It was agreed at this meeting that it would be necessary to add this facility to the three year capital budget as a source of funding, along with seeking Sports Capital funding. It was stated at the meeting that the Capital Budget had a number of sports facilities in different areas awaiting funding and that it would more than likely be a number of years before this project could be looked at. However Les stated that if the clubs were aware of any local areas in parks, schools etc. that would be suitable to install some small All Weather surfaces, they should let us know and we would endeavour to make this happen. We received a number of options that we are presently working through and the Parks Department, following up on a request from one of the clubs installed an extra All Weather surface in Dean Swift (Priorswood Park). The area office ensured that the available hours on the two surfaces at Dean Swift were shared between the clubs. St John Vianney, St Columban's & Kilmore FC applied for hours and were facilitated with the hours requested. The area Manager is also still liaising with schools and Organisations in the area that were passed on by clubs.

The Area Office however agree that a larger facility would be beneficial to the area and its clubs, so we undertake to continue liaison with the Parks Department to examine possible locations and their relative feasibility i.e. with regard to Brent Geese, Bat Habitats etc. , possible avenues of funding and a timeline for the development of such a facility. When we have some answers to these questions, we will facilitate a meeting with the clubs and local councillors.

Contact: Derek Farrell, Local Area Manager for Artane -
Whitehall LEA
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Order: Agreed. Seconded by Cllr. Gilliland.

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f Motion in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

That this committee is concerned about the increase in port traffic using the Malahide Road in the North Central Area and about the associated

noise and emissions problems being experienced by local residents, and calls for a review to be undertaken of HGV restrictions implemented under the HGV Traffic Cordon, and of the traffic plan to divert South Bank traffic onto Northside routes. In addition, this Committee requests that the Dublin Port Company and Transport Infrastructure Ireland should be consulted with a view to reducing Port Tunnel closures, and with a view to dealing with the increasing proportion of HGV traffic being excluded from the tunnel, which all results in more Port Tunnel traffic being diverted onto the Malahide Road.

Reply

This matter has been referred to Transport Infrastructure Ireland for observation and response. A full report will issue in at November Area Committee.

Contact: Ciarán McGoldrick, Senior Staff Officer, Environment & Transportation Department
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Order: Agreed.

g Motion in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

That this Area Committee notes that residents of Pinebrook and St. David's, Artane, are extremely happy with the official naming of St. Nicholas' Park, Artane; and noting the fact that these residents previously expressed an interest in having a commemorative plaque placed on the wall of the Oratory - Church of the Resurrection (on the park side) to commemorate the boys who are buried there and who died while incarcerated in the Artane Industrial School (permission has been granted by the owner of the Oratory and an email to such effect has been submitted in writing to the North Central Area Office - (wording of the plaque to be agreed at a later stage)) that this Area Committee agree to their request for a commemorative plaque and forward same to the Commemorative Naming Committee for consideration at its November 2022 meeting.

Reply

Assuming that the proposal is for a Dublin City Council Commemorative Plaque, the motion, if approved, should be referred to the Arts & Culture SPC. The SPC may then forward it to the Commemorations & Naming Committee for consideration.

Contact: Brendan Teeling
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Order: Agreed. Seconded by Cllr. O'Muirí. Cllr. O'Farrell requested that the "Brothers" from the industrial school be recognised on a separate plaque beside there. The Serbian Orthodox church should also be notified as a courtesy.

h **Motion in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

That this Area Committee agrees to support the plans, (the finalisation of which are to be agreed with the Parks Department and the City Council's Heritage Officer) for the Killester Community Garden, to commemorate Irish WWI ex-servicemen, and that a report be presented on the matter.

Reply

The Commemorations & Naming Committee has expressed support for the proposal in principle and is happy for the details of the new design to be agreed with Parks.

However, the wording of any plaque or display board erected as part of the garden should be referred to the Commemorations & Naming Committee for approval.

Contact: **Brendan Teeling**
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The Parks Service and the Heritage Office are more than enthusiastic about this project and are working with this group on the plans for a community garden to present the history of the site. There are 2 strands to this project; the physical community garden on the open space and the research to gather together historic documents, photos, and family and local memories to tell the unique and interesting story of the area, the housing and community. In many ways the layout of the garden is the easier task as finding the best fit on the open space for seating, floral displays etc. on the open space is relatively straightforward. It does seem from the most cursory research that there is a wealth of information on the area and residents available and that a level of dedicated research that not only could provide excellent interpretative signage for the garden but it is possible that the project could lead on to a publication or indeed a local exhibition.

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

The Area office were contacted by the local group leading out this initiative back in June. At a site meeting facilitated at this time we agreed to both support and sponsor the project once the design was approved by the Parks Department. This remains our position and we are happy to collaborate on this project with our colleagues from Parks and the Heritage Office.

Contact: **Bernie Roe,**
North Central Area Manager (Clontarf and Donaghmede LEA)
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Order: Agreed.

i **Motion in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney**

That this Area Committee agrees that as some Bull Island bathing shelter all year sea swimmers have requested, the possibility of providing a sauna on Bull Island even as a pilot for four months, that this be explored this winter season on existing hard surfacing as many other popular bathing areas including in south Dublin, Wicklow and Galway have saunas and they are increasingly popular “

Reply

Such services are provided by private companies on a commercial basis. There has been some interest from some suppliers in providing this service on The Bull Wall in the vicinity of the bathing shelters. However unlike other swimming sites listed Bull Island is a Statutory Nature Reserve. The unique challenges of this site such as limited access and parking and the proposal essentially introducing a fire source into a sand dune habitat vulnerable to fire and covered by statutory designations and protections and the required ecological assessments seemed to prove too difficult to overcome at the time.

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Order: Motion rejected.

j **Motion in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney**

That this Area Committee expresses concern about the issues with mouldy tasting and mouldy odour and sometimes discoloured tap water throughout Clontarf, Killester, Marino and surrounding areas that have been reported by the public and the councillor to Irish water and that DCC lab take samples to investigate and report findings and write to Irish water to resolve this issue.

Reply

All issues relating to potable water should in the first instance be referred to Irish Water.

Irish Water have dedicated contact details for Local Representatives:
Phone: 1890 178 178
Email: localrepsupport@water.ie

I’d encourage the Councillor to contact Irish Water directly.

Contact: Colm Fitzpatrick, Executive Manager (Engineering)
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Order: Agreed.

k **Motion in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

That this Area Committee recognises the serious traffic congestion on the Oscar Traynor Rd/Coolock Lane and its ongoing impact on traffic flow as well as its contribution to serious concerns regarding the development of the Oscar Traynor lands. That we agree to organise a mini traffic and roads engineering summit to discuss current traffic congestion and plan for enhanced traffic flow including exploring alternative entrances and egresses to the Clonshaugh Business and technology Park , traffic light sequencing and filter light use, additional bus routes. That the DCC Head of Traffic and senior traffic engineers and traffic planners be invited to this summit along with senior representatives from the NTA, TII, IDA/Clonshaugh Business and technology Park as well as local residents association representatives.

Reply

The Local Area Office would be happy to facilitate a meeting with all stakeholders on the condition that the expertise from the Head of Traffic and senior traffic engineers and traffic planners can bring their expertise to the table along with senior representatives from the NTA, TII, IDA/Clonshaugh Business and technology Park and local residents association representatives however seeing as there are numerous planning & pre-planning applications live at present, it would not be possible for the planners to become involved at this time. This office will liaise with line departments to work out a time that this meeting could be held. The Transportation Planning Division can provide any necessary support in terms of documents and / or advice on this matter.

Contact: Derek Farrell, Local Area Manager Artane/Whitehall
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Order: Agreed. Seconded by Cllr. Lyons.

l **Motion in the name of Councillor Micheál MacDonncha**

That this Area Committee mandates the Area Manager to liaise with all stakeholders to address the inconvenience and general disruption being caused to residents of Belmayne by current construction works. We need to ensure that all relevant conditions are being adhered to and that, if necessary, additional measures are undertaken to minimise inconvenience and disruption to residents.

Reply

There are currently 3 projects under construction in Belmayne, 2 of these are private developments and the third is the upgrade to Belmayne Main Street which is being carried out by the Coffey Group on behalf of Dublin City Council. This project is due for completion by the end of 2022 and will connect Priory Hall, Hole in the Wall Road with the Malahide Road, also included in these works are the installation of two sets of pedestrian traffic lights 1) located on Belmayne Avenue in front of St. Francis of Assisi School and the 2) on Parkside Boulevard. There is currently quite a lot of

activity on this site with a large volume of construction traffic.

An incident was reported to DCC last week of a truck parked in front of the school in the morning when children were accessing the school and it was unsafe for them to do so. The Area Office brought this to the attention of DCC Project Engineer who in turn contacted the Foreman from Coffey's who sincerely apologised and forwarded the following reply:

"It was a Roadstone truck that had come to the wrong site and had pulled up in an inappropriate place. Coffey personnel then moved him to an appropriate place until the issue was resolved. Coffey's will endeavour to continue to manage deliveries while impacting on the general public as little as possible. Coffey's have managed to do this so far at the School Junction. This case was an exception and a genuine mistake on behalf of the supplier, and Coffey's managed this difficult situation as best as possible. Coffey's will continue to manage this area in particular with the safety of the pedestrians at the forefront of our concerns"

The Area Office also received, followed up and responded to a number of complaints with regard to the enabling works the Coffey Group are carrying out on behalf of Belmayne Developments Ltd. to Site P4 (O'Neill Court) located on the corner of Churchwell Road and Churchwell Crescent of construction staff parking cars and work vehicles in private on street designated parking spots and residents finding safe access/egress to their homes quite difficult. When contacted the Foreman of Coffey's 'came back with the following reply:

"This was a particular issue it seems when we were mobilizing in a new area of the site. In order to do this safely especially considering we have a large interface with school children (pedestrians), Coffey's may have impacted some of the residents. However, now that the site is mobilized and we have set up our TM, etc. the impact should be little to none. Coffey's will continue to endeavour to cause minimal impact to the parking spaces of the residents while providing safe access/egress to their homes"

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The Belmayne Main Street and Belmayne Avenue Scheme has been under construction for the last year by Dublin City Council's contractor, Coffey Construction Ltd. The creation of dust and noise may have been contributed to by other developments in the area which includes Cairn Homes Parkside 5b Development, Educate Together Secondary School and Kajima Ireland (Sisk) site.

Coffey Construction have a dust and noise monitor located in the central median opposite the Cluid Housing office on Belmayne Main Street, a vibration monitor is located within the Cluid Housing Office. Coffey's have carried out regular dust suppression during dry weather periods, there is also a road sweeper carrying out regular cleaning of Belmayne Avenue on a daily basis.

The carriageway area opposite the apartments on Belmayne Main Street

will be brought to sub base level by 21/10/22 and it is envisaged that the base course will be completed on this section by mid-November. This will significantly reduce the inconvenience that has been caused to residents in the area.

There have been a number of complaints received by businesses and residents in the area with regards to noise, dust and loss of business in the area. These complaints have been addressed by both the contractor and Dublin City Council.

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Order: Agreed.

7 **REMINDER - Submissions for following meetings to be sent to fiona.moore@dublincity.ie by Friday 21st October, 2022.**

Councillor Alison Gilliland
Chairperson
Monday 17 October 2022

Attendance:

Members:

Alison Gilliland (Chairperson)
Daryl Barron
Catherine Stocker
Tom Brabazon
John Lyons
Damian O'Farrell

Members:

Patricia Roe
Terence Flanagan
Deirdre Heney
Micheál MacDonncha
Larry O'Toole

Members:

Donna Cooney
Racheal Batten
Jane Horgan-Jones
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Gerry McEntagart
Catalin Rosca
Connell McGlynn

Maggie O'Donnell
Karen Kennedy
Eric Lavelle
Dymphna Farrell
Pat Smith
Dermot Stevenson

Apologies:

Dearbháil Butler