

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
12th December, 2022

Q.1 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones

“To ask the Area Manager to restore the speed bumps on Marrisfield Avenue Clongriffin, which were taken out following a recent resurfacing”

Reply

This location has not yet been taken in charge by Dublin City Council.

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

This work was carried out by Gannon Homes. At the last two Clongriffin/Belmayne Community Safety Forums held on 26th September and 21st November it was raised by residents requesting that the speed bumps be reinstalled. Gannon Homes are aware of this request as there was a representative in attendance at the meeting held on 26th September, and I again brought it to their attention following the meeting on 21st November, 2022.

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

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Q.2 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following tree at **(details supplied)** and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply

The tree at this address was inspected earlier this year and was found to be in an acceptable condition with no works required or recommended at this time.

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 Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following regarding a tree at **(details supplied)** and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply

The tree at this address was inspected earlier this year and was found to be in an acceptable condition with no works required or recommended at this time.

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Q.4 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following regarding trees at **(details supplied)** and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply

The tree at this address was inspected earlier this year and was found to be in an acceptable condition with no works required or recommended at this time.

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Q.5 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following regarding a footpath at **(details supplied)** and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply

Road Maintenance Services will complete an inspection of the footpath at **(details supplied)**. If any defects are found, they will be noted and recorded. A repair will then be scheduled for when one of our crews is working in the area.

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

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Q.6 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following regarding at **(details supplied)** and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply

There are a significant number of all-weather pitches, training areas and MUGAs in the north central area both publicly and privately owned operated by a range of differing management structures. To obtain meaningful usage data from each of these would be a considerable undertaking.

All-weather pitches are available for hire at the Clontarf All-Weather facility beside the Clontarf Dart station operated by DCC's sports section. Pitches are also available for private hire at the Astro Park in Coolock.

DCC has also provided a number of community flood lit all-weather facilities of various sizes and designs in the north central area which are managed and operated by community clubs and alliances, including:

- St. Anne's Park, full-sized pitch operated by the Raheny Sports Alliance
- Foxfield Green, full sized pitch operated by Kilbarrack FC
- Donaghmede, full sized pitch, operated by Trinity Donaghmede FC.

There are also a number of smaller flood-lit facilities, including:

- Donaghmede Park
- Belcamp Park
- Stardust Park
- Ellenfield Park

Furthermore there are flood-lit MUGAs available to local clubs for winter training purposes at:

- Darndale, Rockfield, Ellenfield.

It is well understood that such facilities are required for winter weather-independent training during dark evenings. However given that the construction of all-weather pitches requires a significant capital investment, part 8 planning and in most circumstances environmental surveys with regard to protected species such as Brent Geese and bats a number of factors will have to be considered before committing to provide more of these facilities in the North Central Area. The geographical spread must be a factor to ensure equity of access to our citizenry. Currently the location of the existing full-sized facilities appears skewed with all 3 full-sized all-weather facilities located to the east of the Malahide Road. Also as such facilities are only required for the darker months of the year for a few hours in the evening on certain days of the week with Tues-Thurs 7-9pm considered the most desirable slots consideration has to be seriously given to whether a full-sized competition spec all-

weather pitch is the most appropriate or economically advantageous way to meet the local need where smaller local facilities might be a better option.

The local need for such facilities ideally should be fully assessed and the number of youth members, male and female in each local club of each code considered. Whether clubs have access to their own private all-weather facilities must also be a factor when prioritising such a public investment. Many clubs in the NCA do have their own facilities.

The ongoing management of the facility is no small undertaking requiring the identification of suitable community; the utility bills are significant, apportioning and renting of slots to the community fraught with potential conflict and the monies involved substantial. It is currently estimated that in the order €30k must be put aside annually into a sinking fund to ensure the replacement of the carpet at the end of its safe useful life.

The facilities provided by DCC operated a differential charging schedules. Some facilities half a pitch or a whole pitch can be hired by the hour. There are also different rates for peak hours and off-peak hours and there is a reduced rate for 'community' usage the definition of which is kept under constant review with the various management structures.

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Q.7 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following regarding a playground at **(details supplied)** and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply

This park was not identified as an area of deficit in the Parks review of play facilities and is considered to be within the catchment of other local playgrounds as such it would be a very low priority for the provision of a new playground. The priority for the Parks Service remains to bring the existing playgrounds in the area up to standard before the provision of new playgrounds.

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

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Q.8 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following regarding a footpath at **(details supplied)** and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply

Road Maintenance Services will consider this estate **(details supplied)** when planning the footpath works programme 2023 or if additional funding becomes available this year.

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Email: derek.horan@dublincity.ie

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Q.9 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager for an up to date report re: Staffing levels in the NCA office today versus over the past 5 years and ask what plan is in place to address the staff shortage and support the existing staff and their wellbeing and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply

The Chief Executive will be reporting to all Elected Members on staffing in the Areas over the next two weeks. His report will deal with recruitment.

Contact: Derek Kelly, Director of Services
Tel: 222 5112
Email: derek.kelly@dublincity.ie

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Q.10 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to advise whether there are plans to improve the appearance and layout of the roundabouts at **(details supplied)** and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply

Road Maintenance Services currently have no plans in place to improve the appearance or change the layouts of the roundabouts at the locations listed **(details supplied)**.

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

Traffic TAG currently have no plans to improve appearance and layout of roundabouts at locations listed.

Contact: Bernard Lester, A/ Senior Engineer, Transportation.
Tel: 222 5871.
Email: bernard.lester@dublincity.ie

The application of an anti-skid surface is under consideration on the north (Grattan Lodge) exit arm of the Donghamede/Hole in the Wall roundabout and the works are expected to be undertaken in Q1 2023.

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

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Q.11 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following regarding housing/shrubbery at **(details supplied)** and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply

- A) The shrubbery is cleared every couple of months and the area is power washed as required.

- B) The empty units have been refurbished and are under offer through the Choice Based Letting Scheme. The burnt out bins have been removed and will be replaced when the units are occupied.

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

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Q.12 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following regarding Swimming at **(details supplied)** and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply

A range of vacancies across Sports & Recreations are due to be advertised in early 2023.

A programme of essential repair and upgrade works will begin in early 2023 in Coolock Swimming Pool including, retiling, redecoration and plant upgrades. DCC have been reviewing sports and recreation services in the area generally and will submit a detailed report in relation to future proposals to the Area Committee in January 2023.

Contact: Donncha Ó Dúlaing
Tel: 222 3877
Email: donncha.odulaing@dublincity.ie

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Q.13 Question in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney

“To ask the Area Manager that NCAC put in an application for heritage grant funding to restore the circular bandstand shaped and large clam shaped shelters on the Clontarf promenade using the report from the commissioned conservation architect, after my motion was passed and these structures were added to the list of protected structures, the band stand has been closed to the public since 2019”

Reply

There is unfortunately a limit or cap on the number of such heritage grant funding applications that can be made each year. DCC already has a comprehensive multi-annual programme of such heritage application works on the historic graveyards in the area. The matter will be discussed internally to ascertain if there is capacity to make such an application and administer same for the shelters in 2023.

The bandstand is private property, part of the landholding of Clontarf Baths.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll
Tel: 222 6625
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

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Q.14 Question in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney

“To ask the Area Manager can the drains be cleared on the Clontarf promenade”

Reply

The matter will be investigated and any necessary works programmed as soon as resources allow.

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

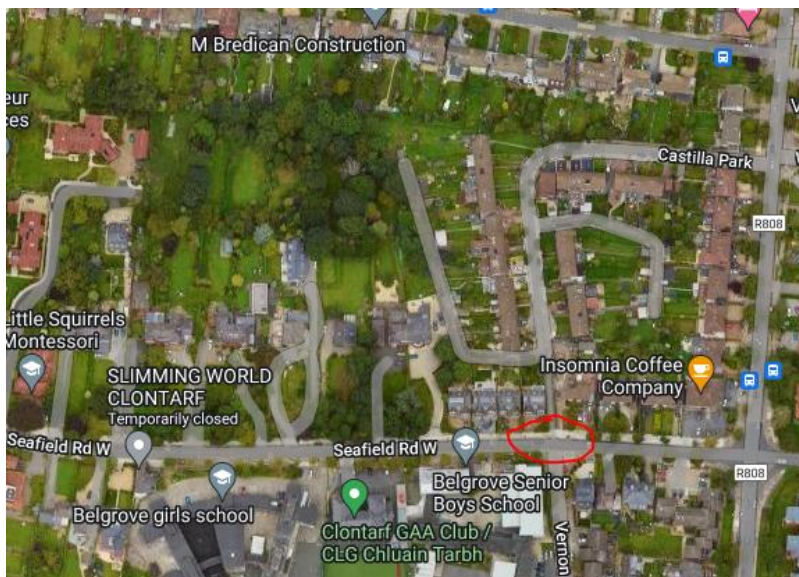
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Q.15 Question in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney

“To ask the Area Manager could pencil bollards or other measures to prevent cars parking in the yellow box at the lane between Castilla and Seafield road be installed as this is where the school traffic warden has the main crossing point and it’s difficult and then if there are evening activities at the school or GAA club it’s dangerous at this area”

Reply

None of the schools on Seafield Road West are School Zone applicants. Pencil Bollards are currently part of the School Zone design. Due to staffing resources we are not able to progress the installation of School Zones other than those on the current lists. Belgrove Junior withdrew their School Zone application in 2020. The Principal of Belgrove Girls School had a conversation with School Mobility Officer on 23 11 22 looking for advice on School Zones. He is to convene a meeting with School Mobility Officer and other School Principals on Seafield Road in early January 2023 to discuss all School Zone related requests to date.



Contact: Niamh Ni Cholmain, School Mobility Officer.
Tel: 087 0577970 / 2223471.
Email: niamh.nicholmain@dublincity.ie

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Q.16 Question in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney

“To ask the Area Manager could the crossing be completed over Castle Avenue just before the Howth road, I’ve been highlighting this issue for years with traffic engineers that you only have lights half way and they are stuck on a traffic island with no pedestrian lights to safety crossover”

Reply

The Active Travel Programme Office (AcTPrO) was established in February 2022 in order to deliver a transformative 210km network of active travel infrastructure in Dublin City over the next eight to ten years. This programme includes the Baldoyle to Fairview Cycling & Walking Scheme, which incorporates Howth Road and its junction with Castle Avenue.

It is expected that this junction will be redesigned in order to provide improved crossing facilities for pedestrians and cyclists as part of the permanent scheme works. However, at AcTPrO’s current resourcing level, it is anticipated that these works will not be completed before the end of 2027.

However, we will refer this query to the Traffic Department who manage the traffic light operation throughout the City, for them to explore if any interventions can be made separately.

Contact: Pdraig O'Brien, A/Senior Executive Engineer, Active Travel Programme Office.

Email: padraig.obrien@dublincity.ie

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Q.17 Question in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney

“To ask the Area Manager could we have an update on hiring of the parks wardens for Bull Island and could we have a meeting of the Bull Island oversight forum”

Reply

During 2022, two Parks Officers that were tasked with managing the North Central Parks District operations and the North Bull Island Nature Reserve moved to other local authorities. It is expected that we will have replacements in place in Q1 2023 at which time we will arrange the next meeting of the North Bull Island Oversight Forum and the setting up of a Park Ranger Service.

Contact: Leslie Moore
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Email: leslie.moore@dublincity.ie

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Q.18 Question in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney

“To ask the Area Manager could the working group on the Clontarf flood defences meet urgently as it has been well over a year since a meeting took place”

Reply

A meeting of the Clontarf Promenade and Flood Alleviation Scheme joint working group will be organised in January to discuss progress on the project.

Contact: Gerard O’Connell, Senior Engineer, Flood Projects and Water Framework Division.

Email: gerry.oconnell@dublincity.ie

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Q.19 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Area Manager if he can provide details of potential upgrades to roads and paths in the Donaghmede LEA for 2023? Can you also confirm future plan role out and plan for locality with these upgrades and what locations will be prioritised”

Reply

Road Maintenance Services are currently planning and working on the 2023 works programme for both carriageways and footpaths. Once finalised this will be distributed to all the local Councillors.

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

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Q.20 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 needs to be trimmed”

Reply

The tree was recently examined and was not considered to be dangerous and a light pruning was recommended which has been listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area with a low priority.

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 Daryl Barron

“To ask the Area Manager can the footpath at **(details supplied)** be cleaned fully?
Can this query be referred to the road maintenance as the footpath has a couple parts of path have become dangerous - Image can be provided”

Reply

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned location cleaned as requested on the 1st December 2022.

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

Road Maintenance Services will consider this location **(details supplied)** when planning the footpath works programme 2023.

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

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Q.22 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 fix and examine many paths outside the whole road and can this be priorities in 2023 road budget”

Reply

Road Maintenance Services will consider this estate **(details supplied)** when planning the footpath works programme 2023 or if additional funding becomes available this year.

Contact: Derek Horan, Executive Engineer.

Tel: 222 3898.

Email: derek.horan@dublincity.ie

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Q.23 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Area Manager to inspect the below junction location to install Traffic calming measures and Slow down signs and add a pedestrian walkway at **(details supplied)** as local residents are afraid of speeding vehicles, please refer to the Transport Advisory Group (TAG).” More information can be provided with image”

Reply

This request (Enquiry Ref 7030621) will be referred to the Area Engineer for assessment and report to the Transport Advisory Group for their consideration. The Councillor will be informed of the final recommendations of the Transport Advisory Group.

**Contact: Mary Boyle, A/Senior Staff Officer, TAG Administration,
Environment and Transportation Department.**
Email: mary.boyle@dublincity.ie

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Q.24 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Area Manager to request (**details supplied**) to be Cleaned with a road sweeper in these locations”

Reply

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned locations cleaned with a road sweeper on the 29th November 2022.

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

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Q.25 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Area Manager to put rodent poisons down at **(details supplied)** as report sightings of rodents in area”

Reply

Dublin City Council Drainage Division will carry out detailed investigation of combined sewer in the area of **(details supplied)**.

Drainage Division will follow up directly with the Councillor as the investigation progresses

Contact: Siham Ahmed, Executive Engineer, Drainage Division.
Email: siham.ahmed@dublincity.ie

The Local Area Office has reported this issue to Irish Water and they have raised the appropriate investigation for this matter. They advised that an update will be sent directly to Councillor, Ref 57127.

- DCC Tenants should report issue of rats in their house/gardens to DCC Housing Maintenance (E: maintenance@dublincity.ie T: 01 222 2191 / 01 222 2222) who will then liaise with the HSE on this issue.
- As with all city residents, DCC Tenants should report issue of rats on public roads to DCC Main Drainage (T: 01 222 2406 / 01 222 2155) who will then liaise with Irish Water on this issue.
- Private residents should report issue of rats in their dwellings/gardens to the HSE directly on pestcontrol.north@hse.ie or ring 449 3255.
- Private residents should report issue of rats on the public roads to Irish Water directly on customerservice@water.ie.
- Irish Water have a direct email for all local representatives to contact them directly on E: localrepsupport@water.ie

Contact: Patrick Smith, Area Housing Manager
Phone: 222 8852
Email: Patrickp.smith@dublincity.ie

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Q.26 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Area Manager to seek to inspect the below junction location to install Double yellow lines at bottom of kerb (**details supplied**) as local residents are unable to Leave or access their homes because of parking at the location due to the train station, please refer to the Transport Advisory Group (TAG). More information can be provided with image”

Reply

It should be noted that on street parking can have a passive traffic calming effect on the area (in accordance with the Design Manual for Urban Roads and Streets) and the removal of large sections of on street parking can in fact exacerbate issues of speeding and can serve to move the issue further into residential areas.

However, under The Road Traffic (Traffic & Parking) Regulations, Section 36 paragraph (2); a vehicle shall not be parked:

- (c) Within 5 metres of a road junction;
- (g) In any place, position or manner that will result in the vehicle obstructing an entrance or an exit for vehicles to or from a premises, save with the consent of the occupier of such premises;
- (i) On a footway, a grass margin or a median strip;
- (k) In a manner in which it will interfere with the normal flow of traffic or which obstructs or endangers other traffic:

Any instances of illegal parking should be reported to the Gardai or Dublin Street Parking Services (tel no. 01 602-2500), for enforcement under the Regulations.

With respect to all day commuter parking in this area, Dublin City Council cannot differentiate between residents and commuters and provided all vehicles drive safely and park legally there is very little Dublin City Council can carry out.

Residents should apply for Pay and Display parking to alleviate the above parking issues and formalise the current parking arrangements. Details are available on the DCC website

Contact: Gerry McEntagart – North City Executive Engineer.
Tel: 087 2615965.
Email: gerald.mcentagart@dublincity.ie

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Q.27 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Area Manager if he will be providing additional bins in the following locations of **(details supplied)** as these areas have seen increase in rubbish”

Reply

Waste Management Services will monitor litter levels at the above mentioned locations over the coming weeks to determine whether there is a requirement for additional litter bins at suitable locations in these areas.

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

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Q.28 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Area Manager if he will be provide an up to date list of housing waiting list for Area B on Dublin City Council”

Reply

Please see attached quarterly report that was issued to all elected members in October.

Contact: Sandra Barry, Allocations Officer, Housing Allocations & Transfers
Tel: 222 2201
Email: sandra.barry@dublincity.ie

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Q.29 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager if **(details supplied)** could be provided with a regular leaf sweep during autumn months not just when I or someone else makes a request for same. The gullies on the road, which is prone to flooding, are overhung by large trees in the park all along its northern side, hence the need for regular sweeping rather than sporadic gully cleaning as they very quickly get clogged even after sweeping taking place”

Reply

Waste Management Services will ensure the above mentioned location is included as often as possible during our leaves removal programme over the autumn and winter months.

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

The above locations had 16 of 16 Gullies cleaned and inspected on 11/10/2022.
11 of 11 Gullies cleaned and inspected on 05/12/2022, by Gully Cleaning Crew.

This road is on our PL List and is cleaned every 4-6 weeks.

Contact: Richard Sheehy, Senior Executive Engineer, Surface Water and Flood Incident Management.
Tel: 222 3774.
Email: richard.sheehy@dublincity.ie

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Q.30 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager if a deep clean could be carried out in 1(**details supplied**) which is a litter blackspot and to consider how this issue could be addressed. Also to have gullies on adjoining 2 (**details supplied**) cleaned”

Reply

The above laneway was inspected on Monday 12th December by the Act. Environmental Liaison Officer who found this area to be clean on inspection. This area which seems to be part of the student accommodation called (**details supplied**) Court is a gated coded access walkway and should have a management company who should be requested to clean this area when it is littered. See photos attached.

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

The gullies will be cleaned on Monday 12th December, weather permitting.

Contact: Roy O’Donnell, Inspector, Surface Water & Flood Management.
Tel: 222 2452.
Email: roy.odonnell@dublincity.ie

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Q.31 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager if gullies on **(details supplied 1)** could be inspected by Drainage Department and a report supplied. Following rainfall, water collects outside **(details supplied 2)**. It would seem the nearest gully is outside **(details supplied 3)** but water does not flow down to this gully even though resident keeps gutter at **(details supplied 4)** clear of leaves etc.”

Reply

The above 1 of 1 gully was cleaned and inspected by the Gully Cleaning Crew on 02/12/2022. The Monthly Report on Gully cleaning was sent to Fiona Moore on 29/11/2022 for North Central Area for circulation on the NCAC agenda.

Contact: Roy O'Donnell
Tel: 222 2452
Email: roy.odonnell@dublincity.ie

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Q.32 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager to address the issue of indiscriminate double parking on the footpath outside **(details supplied)** which is causing pedestrians to walk out on the road at this busy junction”

Reply

Dublin Street Parking Services will be asked to focus patrols at this location and enforce any vehicle observed illegally parked.

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

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Q.33 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager to list the locations of all housing units (**details supplied**) delivered under the long-term social housing leasing scheme in the North Central area since 2018”

Reply

The table below has been updated to reflect a clerical error in the information provided for year 2021 in the previous response.

Administrative Area	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
North Central	2	13	34	85	156

Location	
Beaumont, Dublin 9.	13
Whitehall, Dublin 9.	3
Collins Ave, Dublin 9	16
Ayrfield, Dublin 13.	12
Fairview, Dublin 3.	6
Clontarf, Dublin 3.	4
Artane, Dublin 5.	5
Clongriffin, Dublin 13.	20
Parkside, Dublin 13.	46
Donaghmede, Dublin 13	12
Clarehall / Clare Village D13 / D17	8
Ard na Greine, Dublin 13	2
Darndale, Dublin 17.	5
Coolock, Dublin 17.	18
Clonshaugh, Dublin 17.	6
Larch Hill, Dublin 17.	19
Priorswood, Dublin 17.	8
Northern Cross, Dublin 17	10
Swords Road, Santry, Dublin 9	50
Kilmore, Dublin 5	12
Kilbarrack, Dublin 5	6
Edenmore, Dublin 5	4
Raheny, Dublin 5.	1
Killester, Dublin 5.	3
Drumcondra, Dublin 3	1

Contact: Kayanne O'Mahony, Acting Senior Executive Officer
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Email: kayann.omhany@dublincity.ie

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Q.34 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager if footpath outside (**details supplied**) is to be included in footpath repairs currently underway on this road? The householder has fallen previously at this location”

Reply

Road Maintenance Services can confirm that localised repairs are taking place at this location (**details supplied**) to remove defects found during inspection.

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

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Q.35 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following regarding Tree Pruning & footpath repair at **(details supplied)** and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply

- a) The tree was recently examined and a light pruning was recommended which has been listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area 2023 with a low priority.

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

- b) Road Maintenance Services will complete an inspection of the footpath at **(details supplied)**. If any defects are found, they will be noted and recorded. A repair will then be scheduled for when one of our crews is working in the area.

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

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Q.36 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following regarding footpath repairs at **(details supplied)** and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply

Road Maintenance Services will complete an inspection of the footpath at **(details supplied)**. If any defects are found, they will be noted and recorded. A repair will then be scheduled for when one of our crews is working in the area.

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

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Q.37 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following regarding weeding in green at **(details supplied)** and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply

These open space areas are maintained by contract which includes weed management. The areas will be examined in the coming weeks and any necessary improvements covered by the maintenance contract will be brought to the attention of the contractor otherwise works will be programmed as schedules and resources allow.

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

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Q.38 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following regarding Toll at **(details supplied)** and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply

The tolls on the Tom Clarke Bridge are set as per the Bye Laws passed by the elected members of Dublin City Council, as the making of toll bye laws is a reserved function.

The works on the Clontarf to City Centre bus and cycle route are disruptive it is unlikely that the removal of tolls on the East Link would have any impact on the current traffic issues as a result of the works.

Contact: Brendan O'Brien, Head of Technical Services (Traffic).
Tel: 222 5373
Email: brendan.obrien@dublincity.ie

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Q.39 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following regarding Green areas at **(details supplied)** and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply

The Acting Environmental Liaison Officer will link in with above mentioned to establish what equipment & tools the residents are looking for and she will also link the residents with the relevant personnel in the Parks Department who will need to be contacted in relation to authorising any enhancement works that residents wish to undertake at this location

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

These open space areas are maintained by contract which includes weed management and cutting back overgrowth from path edges. The areas will be examined in the coming weeks and any necessary improvements covered by the maintenance contract will be brought to the attention of the contractor otherwise works will be programmed as schedules and resources allow. The Parks Service does not provide tools to residents.

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

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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 footpath at **(details supplied)** and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply

Road Maintenance Services will consider this estate **(details supplied)** when planning the footpath works programme 2023.

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

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Q.41 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following at **(details supplied)** regarding Tree/Shores and make a statement on the matter”

Reply

- a) The tree will be examined in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area 2023.

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

- a) 38 of the 38 Gullies were cleaned and inspected by our Gully Cleaning Crew on 02/12/2022.

Contact: Roy O’Donnell
Tel: 0863851603
Email: roy.odonnell@dublincity.ie

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Q.42 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager for an update from senior management with co-ordinated response to illegal dumping in the NCA and particularly Darndale and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply

The litter wardens are in the NCA each day removing bags of waste for investigation. A lot of the illegal dumping happening in that area is green waste. They have also been in Darndale for the last months calling at households requesting proof of participation in a waste collection service as per section 2.1 of the Bye-Laws for the Storage, Segregation and Presentation of Household and Commercial Waste 2018. We have just completed surveying Snowdrop, Buttercup, Marigold, Primrose, Tulip, Belcamp and Moatview. The households that we didn't get an answer at, will be written to and asked to provide proof of a waste collection.

Contact: Stephen Kavanagh, Litter Enforcement Manager,
Tel: 222 4286.
Email: Stephen.kavanagh@dublincity.ie

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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 need for Astro turf **(details supplied)** and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply

The four clubs that have been met to date are Kilmore FC, St John Vianney, St Columbans & Darndale FC. It was envisioned that in the long term there would be a full size all-weather pitch provided in the Artane Whitehall LEA. In the shorter term the clubs were asked to come back to the Area Manager with some schools/hard standing areas that the parks department could inspect for smaller surfaces for training children. All clubs agreed that it was primarily facilities to train young children that was the priority.

The area Manager has liaised with secondary and national schools, all-weather facilities etc. following calls from some of the clubs with ideas. We developed an all-weather pitch on unused tennis courts in Priorswood Park to go along with the other all-weather pitch that was in situ. Three of the clubs shared the slots on both of these pitches. Discussions are ongoing on some of these and we would hope to meet all clubs again in the New Year. With regard to buying slots, it would not be DCC policy to do this however at this stage all astro facilities are usually booked out and besides we are half way through the training season so clubs are organised for this year.

Contact: Derek Farrell, Local Area Manager, Artane/Whitehall LEA
Tel: 086 8150764
Email: derek.farrell@dublincity.ie

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Q.44 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following regarding sweeping at **(details supplied)** and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply

The public domain officer has confirmed that the bags & weeds were removed and this area was cleaned on Wednesday 30th November 2022. Public Domain have been advised by Waste management that there is no weekly sweep schedule for **(details supplied)** as all roads in housing areas are on a 12 week sweep.

Contact: Richard Cleary, Public Domain Enforcement Officer
Phone: 222 8866
Email: richard.cleary@dublincity.ie

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Q.45 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following at **(details supplied)** regarding works programme and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply

For Road Maintenance the 2022 North Central Area carriageway resurfacing works are now substantially complete. The following carriageway works are likely to run into 2023

- Cill Eanna – localised concrete repairs and joint sealing, part of works programme 2022 (Works estimate - €37,434)
- Calderwood Road/Griffith Walk – localised concrete repairs and joint sealing, part of works programme 2022 (Works estimate - €43,500)

The following footpath locations works are likely to run into 2023:

- Shanowen Avenue (Works estimate - €38,800)
- Malahide Road/Blunden Drive (Works estimate - €76,570)
- Roseglen Avenue (Works estimate - €8,995)

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

There is no remaining Budget available for the North Central Area for 2022. The 2023 Budget for the North Central Area for Minor Works is approx. €200,000. Currently the Area Engineer is finalising the list of Minor Works for 2023. This list will be presented to the North Central Councillors in early 2023.

Contact: Will Mangan, Acting Senior Executive Engineer,
Tel: 222 5030.
Email: will.mangan@dublincity.ie

The revenue component of apportioned Community Parks Improvements budget will be spent by year end. The portion the capital component of the budget relating to the Pitch Improvement Programme and the Playground Upgrade Programme which remains unspent due to delays with getting quotations in this challenging post pandemic landscape and inclement weather will be carried over and works completed as soon as conditional allow.

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

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Q.46 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell

“To ask the Area Manager to organise the repair / reinstatement of the public litter bin adjacent to **(details supplied)**”

Reply

Waste Management Services will reinstate the litter bin at the above mentioned location when the new stock of bins are delivered early in the New Year.

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

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Q.47 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell

“To ask the Area Manager to organise the following please. The residents of Charlemont Estate are appreciative of the recent road sweep and would like to bring DCC’s attention to the kerbside between the entrance to 1 (**details supplied**) and the area opposite 2 (**details supplied**). I would appreciate if these areas could be attended to please”

Reply

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned locations in Charlemont Estate cleaned on the 1st December 2022.

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

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Q.48 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell

“To ask the Area Manager to organise an extensive pruning back of the trees along Hollybrook Road please. The trees have encroached on private dwellings and are blocking the light (street lights) in the evening time. The road is very dark and passive surveillance is being impacted”

Reply

The trees will be examined in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area 2023.

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 Damian O'Farrell

“To ask the Area Manager to repair the small wall / pillar of the smaller green in Griffith Court, this is at the entrance to the roadway leading to Fairview Community Unit and Gheel”

Reply

This wall was repaired on the 5th of December.

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

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Q.50 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell

“To ask the Area Manager for a report on the implementation of school zones / safe routes to school in respect of Ardscoil Ris, Scoil Mhuire, St Vincent De Paul Girls School and St Vincent De Paul Infant Schools at Griffith Ave please. The report to include whether or not the schools in question have applied for a ‘school zone’ and if yes when is the implementation due to take place and if not, the details of who and where they should apply please”

Reply

Ardscoil Ris, Scoil Mhuire, St Vincent De Paul Girls School and St Vincent De Paul Infant Schools at Griffith Ave. None of these Schools applied for either a School Zone or A Safe Routes to School (**SRTS**). All applications for these programmes are now closed. Due to staffing issues School Mobility are not in a position to address these issues outside of the current list for School Zones and SRTS. There are currently 52 awaiting schools for School Zones. There are 27 Schools awaiting Safe Routes to School treatment in the first round and 23 in the second round of works to be done. Any requests for intervention would have to go through TAG. They could also be addressed through behavioural interventions for drivers around school times being more mindful and respectful of the need to give vulnerable users space. This would need to be done by the Gardai.

Contact: Niamh Ni Cholmain School Mobility Officer
Tel: 087 0577970
Email: niamh.nicholmain@dublincity.ie

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Q.51 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell

“To ask the Area Manager for a report on the implementation of school zones / safe routes to school in respect of St Joseph’s Primary School and Grace Park Educate Together National School at Grace Park Road. The report to include whether or not the schools in question have applied for a ‘school zone’ and if yes when is the implementation due to take place and if not, the details of who and where they should apply please”

Reply

Grace Park Educate Together National School at Grace Park Road is one of the 52 awaiting School Zone. St Joseph’s School Grace Park Road is not a School Zone or SRTS applicant but I spoke to the Principal about their issues in 2021. I have done site visits and interviewed Parents and the cycle bus and Principal in 2021. Due to staffing issues we are not in a capacity to address these awaiting School Zones. We are currently working on 10 Safe Route to School Locations. There is no other way to have applied to SRTS or SZ other than the application process in 2020- 2021. These programmes are now closed.

Contact **Niamh Ni Cholmain School Mobility Officer**
Tel: **087 0577970**
Email: **niamh.nicholmain@dublincity.ie**

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Q.52 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell

“To ask the Area Manager to organise the implementation of a right turn filter light at the junction of Mt Prospect Ave and Clontarf Road. The lights at that junction have a longer green light to facilitate the right turn but there is nothing to signal to a driver that the oncoming traffic has been stopped. A filter light will not change the sequencing or duration of the signals it will simply indicate to drivers making the right hand turn that they now have right of way and it is safe for them to proceed”

Reply

Installation of a right turn filter traffic phase at this location would necessitate reducing the green time available to the other traffic phases.

ITS Bus Priority deem that this process could add delays to both out bound and inbound bus services operating via this junction.

As Dublin City Council policy prioritises sustainable transportation modes, installation of such a right turn filter cannot be considered at this time.

Contact: **Seán Fallon, Executive ITS Officer, Environment and
Transportation Department.**
Tel: **222 6198.**
Email: **sean.fallon@dublincity.ie**

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Q.53 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell

“To ask the Area Manager to report on the following please. Vernon Avenue and Sybil Hill Road are identified in DCC's Active Travel programme as a 2025-2027 scheme. The “interim” Active Travel programme also includes Artane Roundabout/Brookwood as far as Howth Road/Sybil Hill Road junction. Can this interim scheme be extended to incorporate Sybil Hill Road and Vernon Ave, at least as far as Mt Prospect Ave junction, as these are no houses fronting onto that section of road and it would directly serve numerous schools, sports clubs and St Anne's Park that would all benefit from the early implementation of this relatively straight forward project”

Reply

Sybil Hill Road and Vernon Avenue are now included in the Interim Walking & Cycling Scheme which goes along Brookwood Avenue & Gracefield Road. The Design of this scheme is currently being developed and is expected to go to Public Consultation in Feb 2023.

Contact: Gráinne O'Brien, Senior Engineer, Active Travel Programme Office.

Email: activetraveloffice@dublincity.ie

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Q.54 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell

“To ask the Area Manager to confirm whether there is any design or other work ongoing in relation to future planning applications or other works proposed for St Anne’s Park, and provide documentation on same”

Reply

The design work for the proposed toilet blocks including changing places, overflow carpark and land art has been completed and the formal part 8 process will be initiated in the coming weeks. Details of the proposals will be forwarded to the committee.

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

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Q.55 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to arrange a date early in the New Year to resume meeting between **(details supplied)**”

Reply

The Local Area Manager currently chairs the Donaghmede Forum of which this organisation is & its chairperson are active participants. This engagement works really well and at these forum sessions any issues of concern arising from this group are addressed and actioned.

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

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Q.56 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to arrange to get the trip hazard fixed on the pavement outside **(details supplied)**”

Reply

Road Maintenance Services will complete an inspection of the footpath at **(details supplied)**. If any defects are found, they will be noted and recorded. A repair will then be scheduled for when one of our crews is working in the area.

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

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Q.57 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to arrange for road markings at **(details supplied)**”

Reply

The locations will be inspected in the coming days. Any requirement for re-painting will be carried out within 40 working days of the NCAC meeting of the 12th of December 2022.

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

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Q.58 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

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

Reply

This tree appears in good condition with little damage to the pavement and with no evidence of disease, decay or defects that would warrant its removal. A detailed tree inspection will be arranged in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area 2023.

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

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Q.59 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to arrange to get a night check on public lighting on **(details supplied)** to see if all street lights are fully working”

Reply

A night check was carried out on the lights on at above location. Only one light (P8) on above Crescent was detected out of order and this light will be repaired in the coming days (by the end of the week - 9th Dec). All the lights on above Road were operating normally.

Contact: Seamus MacSweeney, Senior Executive Engineer,
Public Lighting Services,
Tel: 086 8343154.
Email: seamus.macsweeney@dublincity.ie

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Q.60 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to arrange for the tree outside **(details supplied)** to be removed”

Reply

This tree appears in good condition with no evidence of disease, decay or defects that would warrant its removal. A detailed tree inspection will be arranged in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area 2023.

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

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Q.61 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to **replace the bulb of the light on (details supplied)**”

Reply

The faulty light on the above location at the junction of **(details supplied)** is scheduled to be repaired in the coming days (by the end of the week - 9th Dec).

**Contact: Seamus MacSweeney, Senior Executive Engineer,
Public Lighting Services,**
Tel: 086 8343154.
Email: seamus.macsweeney@dublincity.ie

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Q.62 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to provide an update on considerations for a traffic light upgrade to accommodate the exit from **(details supplied)**”

Reply

Dublin City Council policy remains unchanged regards not permitting the use of pedestrian signals to control traffic movements as these type of signals are exclusively to ensure that pedestrians may cross roadways safely. Therefore, the only solution to signalised control of traffic movements at this junctions lies in the installation of a fully signalised junction. This is the responsibility of the Area Engineer who will consider requests subject to available funding. I have passed your query onto the relevant Area Engineer for assessment.

Contact: **Seán Fallon, Executive ITS Officer, Environment and Transportation Department.**
Tel: **222 6198.**
Email: **sean.fallon@dublincity.ie**

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.63 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager please in relation to the leaves around **(details supplied)**, say if he can arrange for same to be cleared”

Reply

Waste Management Services will ensure the above mentioned location is included as often as possible during our leaves removal programme over the autumn and winter months.

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

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Q.64 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager In relation to refurbishment works recently carried out at **(details supplied) (A)** which residents say falls far short of the comprehensive works that were carried out at **(details supplied) (B)**, can the manager advise

- (i) If these refurbishment works at details (A) will be carried out/completed to in a professional manner soon
- (ii) How and when the grass verges at details (A) which have been neglected over many years, will be properly reinstated, (recently laid with top soil)
- (iii) What exactly the overall intention is in relation to details (A)”

Reply

- A. Road Maintenance Services can confirm that the works on **(details supplied)** footpaths are substantially complete subject to final inspection and sign off by Road Maintenance, if any issue arise; the contractor will be directed to resolve.
- B. Road Maintenance have completed localised repairs at this location to make the public footpath safer, targeting the high risk defects as best possible given the very limited budget available for distribution within all of the North Central Area.

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

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Q.65 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager in relation to **(details supplied)**, say if consideration can/is being given to installing interim cycle lane infrastructure at **(details supplied)**, as requested by local cyclists, young and old, who frequently experience near misses from motorists along this route.

And in the meantime, if he could contact An Garda Síochána with a view to carrying out increased traffic enforcement in the area until a temporary solution is found/implemented”

Reply

The Active Travel Programme Office (AcTPrO) was established in February 2022 in order to deliver a transformative 210km network of active travel infrastructure in Dublin City over the next eight to ten years.

The above locations are not part of the Active Travel Network and therefore are not on the current programme of permanent or interim walking and cycling projects. However it is noted that **(details supplied)** Road is indicated as a secondary route in the GDA Cycle Network Plan, so it could be considered for inclusion in the review of the network which is expected to be undertaken in two to three years.

Contact: Gráinne O’Brien, Senior Engineer
Tel: 222 8607
Email: Activetraveloffice@dublincity.ie

Dublin Street Parking Services regularly patrol the areas listed above and take enforcement action where necessary.

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

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Q.66 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager in relation to the request for a Tree Preservation Order on the Holm Oaks (**details supplied**) please say,

1. If Tree Preservation Orders fall under Parks Dept. or Planning Dept.
2. If a live planning application is a valid reason for Dublin City Council not considering the preparation of a tree preservation order?
3. If she can, at this stage, make a decision on this application for a Tree Preservation Order from Clontarf Residents Association as a matter of urgency? (A previous application for a tree preservation order Mt Prospect Ave residents - was also not decided)
4. If the developer on the site can be compelled to protect the trees so they are not damaged during the ongoing construction works, pending the City Council’s consideration of the application for a tree preservation order”

Reply

Section 205 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) sets out relevant provisions for the making of a Tree Preservation Order (TPO). The site at above location is currently subject to a planning application under plan ref. 4375/22 for alterations to residential development previously approved under Reg. Ref. 3740/20 (An Bord Pleanála Ref. No. 309448-21).

This application is subject to a request for further information which *inter alia* related to: the importance of the existing trees (in particular the Holm Oak woodland); an Arboricultural Constraints Plan that conserves the tree canopies and root zones and maintains the integrity of the woodland by providing a suitable setback; the retention of boundary trees; and the management of the woodland with regards to a tree risk assessment and proposed public access/safety to a maturing woodland. A decision on the planning application under plan ref. 4375/22 is due on the 19th December 2022.

The submitted information including a tree survey plan, tree works plan, tree protection plan and an arboricultural report and any subsequent report from the Parks Department will be considered as part of the assessment of this planning application.

The Planning Authority can require the protection of trees on the foot of a grant of planning permission by the use of appropriate conditions. Taking the above into account, it is not considered necessary, in the interests of amenity or the environment, to make provision for the preservation of any tree, trees, group of trees or woodland on this site by means of a TPO.

Contact: Bryan Ward, Senior Planner
Tel: 222 6169
Email: bryan.ward@dublincity.ie

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Q.67 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager in relation to bollards erected at location as per **(details supplied)**, explain the reasoning behind erection of same and say if consideration can be given, (as suggested by my constituent in details supplied) to installing an additional bollard to prevent unlawful parking”

Reply

Installation of permanent bollards at above location was completed at the end of November. The bollards replaced the wooden knee rails that were on the avenue previously. The bollards aim to protect the grass verges from damage, the gap on the footpath is to give access for grass cutting. North Central Area Office will continue to monitor the area going forward and will look into the feasibility of placing additional bollards if the parking issues persist at this location.

Contact: Niamh Reilly, Senior Staff Officer
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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
12th December, 2022

Q.68 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager in relation to the Bull Island Oversight Committee and **(details supplied)** please say

- (a) When the next meeting of the committee will take place
- (b) Why meetings of the committee ceased
- (c) What progress has been made in relation the recruitment of the (four) park rangers that were agreed for the Island
- (d) If it can be arranged to erect signs informing the public of the law in relation to control of dogs, and specifically restricted breeds at
 - (i) Causeway Road
 - (ii) Wooden Bridge and
 - (iii) St. Anne’s Park”

Reply

During 2022, two Parks Officers that were tasked with managing the North Central Parks District operations and the North Bull Island Nature Reserve moved to other local authorities. It is expected that we will have replacements in place in Q1 2023 at which time we will arrange the next meeting of the North Bull Island Oversight Forum and the setting up of a Park Ranger Service.

With regard to restricted breed signage the Parks Service is currently liaising with the dog warden service regarding the design of new signage reflecting the most up to date legislation. Once designed it is intended to install same at the dog park in St Anne’s and at the Interpretive Centre on Bull Island. While this instance is no doubt regrettable and frightening for those involved thankfully such occurrences are exceedingly rare and few if any of such complaints are received. Such behaviour by owners of these restricted breeds is not only irresponsible but is also illegal and should be reported to the Gardaí or the Dog Warden Service as soon as is practicable.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
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The Dog Warden was present in St Anne’s this week to enforce dog owners to keep their dogs on a leash and will be continuing to do so. The two roads included in this question have been patrolled by our warden and I will ask him to include these two roads on an increased basis when possible.

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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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12th December, 2022

Q.69 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager in relation to bins at **(details supplied)**, say if he can

- (a) Say why bin at (i) was removed and replace same
- (b) Replace bin at (ii) with a regular litter bin”

Reply

Waste Management Services will replace the damaged litter bin which was removed from the above mentioned location when the new stock of bins are delivered early in the New Year.

We will ensure that the dog foul bin in above location is emptied regularly and see whether a standard litter bin is required at this location as well.

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services
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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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12th December, 2022

Q.70 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager please refer to my several questions re water flowing from green at (**details supplied**) say what she can do at this stage to rectify the matter”

Reply

The locus was inspected recently and no such flow was observed and as the footpaths were already wet it was not possible to discern whether there was a component coming through the wall. It is considered that this may be some form of natural seepage from saturated soils through the retaining wall rather than from a damaged drain or water pipe. The locus will be monitored over the winter months as schedules allow but it does seem that fairly particular conditions with a dry footpath and saturated soils will be required to observe this phenomenon and ascertain if there is a practical solution.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
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12th December, 2022

Q.71 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area to please agree to install DYs at location as per **(details supplied)** as requested by local residents”

Reply

An initial desktop survey has indicated that the Double Yellow Lines are provided at Celtic Park Ave and Celtic Park Rd junction.

Any necessary roadmaking reinstatement/repainting at the location referenced will be referred to the Traffic Officer’s team for inclusion on their Works List.

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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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12th December, 2022

Q.72 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager to please refer to request for footpath repairs at **(details supplied)** and arrange for same to be carried out”

Reply

Road Maintenance Services will complete an inspection of the footpath at various locations **(details supplied)**. If any defects are found, they will be noted and recorded. A repair will then be scheduled for when one of our crews is working in the area.

Contact: **Derek Horan, Executive Engineer.**
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12th December, 2022

Q.73 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager to please agree to arrange a road sweeper to clean roads at **(details supplied)** in agreement with residents”

Reply

Waste Management Services will have a road sweeper cleaning the above mentioned roads during week 26th to 30th December 2022.

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services
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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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12th December, 2022

Q.74 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí

“To ask the Area Manager to organise for a new QR Code to be put on the public litter bin on the northern side of Griffith Avenue situated between the Glandore Rd junction and the entrance to the Charlemont Estate as existing marked Code is obscured/damaged”

Reply

Arrangements have been made to have a new QR code put on the litter bin at the above mentioned location.

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services
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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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12th December, 2022

Q.75 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí

“To ask the Area Manager to confirm the up-to-date status of the DCC piece of land between The Casino in Marino and Casino Park/Cherrymount? There were discussions previously with the OPW in relation to this site but I don’t believe a transfer ever happened. Can the Manager confirm the nature of what was proposed with the OPW and what DCC was receiving in return”

Reply

Dublin City Council has been in discussions with the OPW with regard to a plot of land adjacent to the Casino estate at Marino, Dublin 3; the Council is to dispose of the plot for use by the OPW in connection with a proposed visitor centre for the Casino at Marino.

Negotiations were delayed when during an investigation of title of the site it was confirmed that a portion of the plot was unregistered. This portion was the subject of a proposed exchange of land with the Irish Christian Brothers in 1987 and while the legal exchange of title did not take place, actual possession was exchanged. The legal procedure for the exchange of lands was progressed and it completed in July 2022 and the exchange has been lodged in the PRA.

Subsequently, the City Valuer’s Section was instructed to recommence negotiations with the OPW. At this time, City Valuer’s Section has not yet reached any agreement and terms are still being considered prior to issuing to the OPW.

Any proposed terms for this disposal will be brought to the North Central Area Committee for agreement in the first instance.

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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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12th December, 2022

Q.76 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O'Muirí

“To ask the Area Manager to please organise for an urgent repair of the footpath outside **(details supplied)** as damage caused by tree roots are causing a serious trip hazard there”

Reply

Road Maintenance Services will complete an inspection of the footpath at **(details supplied)**. If any defects are found, they will be noted and recorded. A repair will then be scheduled for when one of our crews is working in the area.

Contact: Derek Horan, Executive Engineer.
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Q.77 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí

“To ask the Area Manager to please organise for a full assessment of the trees on Hollybrook Road with a particular focus on the eastern side; they are now growing very close to the residential properties, rendering the public lighting ineffective and need to be pruned back (see 2 x photos attached)”

Reply

The trees will be inspected in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area 2023.

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 Naoise O’Muirí

“To ask the Area Manager to organise for the stretch of Dunluce Road, Killester between the Furry Park Road roundabout and the Dunluce Road roundabout to be assessed for traffic calming measures i.e. speed ramps to calm traffic in a manner consistent with roads nearby”

Reply

This request (Enquiry Ref No 7020108) will be referred to the Area Engineer for assessment and report to the Transport Advisory Group for their consideration. The Councillor will be informed of the final recommendations of the Transport Advisory Group.

**Contact: Mary Boyle, A/Senior Staff Officer, TAG Administration,
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