Question to Chief Executive

South East Area Committee Meeting 12th June 2023

Q.1 <u>Councillor Kevin Donoghue</u>

To ask the Manager for an update in relation to housing at Saint Andrew's Court.

Q.2 <u>Councillor Dermot Lacey</u>

To ask the Manager if he will request the TAG to examine the following suggestions from the Milltown Residents' Association in relation to the Ramleh area:

Driving in & out / speeding: continues to be a concern.

One suggestion is for road markings & stop signs at exit of Ramleh Close & coming onto the junction at No. 13 before one turns left for Ramleh Close. Also at 61 coming up from keyhole. The 30km signs with children playing at eye level would help - this sign at the entrance is high up & goes unnoticed.

Q.3 Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the Manager if he can respond to the report detailed below about an EV (electric vehicle) charging point being located in the middle of a clearway on Chelmsford Road, Ranelagh.

This applies to the other item I mentioned to you last night, the two EV charging points on Chelmsford Road are slap bang in the middle of a clearway. I'm assuming that this is not very clear because I have lost count of the number of electric cars I have seen clamped there in recent times.

Q.4 <u>Councillor Dermot Lacey</u>

To ask the Manager if he will respond to the issues contained in the email submitted below:

On St. John's Road there was footpath and road flooding yesterday after the heavy rain (this was very bad near where recent works were done to the footpath and which remained long after the rains receded). I noticed this along Park Avenue and Strand Road also. I wonder whether this is related to the many works on these roads lately including redoing of footpaths etc. where perhaps building materials are clogging the drains. I would ask that this be looked into.

Q.5 <u>Councillor Kevin Donoghue</u>

To ask the Manager to arrange for the bike bunker on Emor Street to be cleaned.

Q.6 <u>Councillor Kevin Donoghue</u>

To ask the Manager to contact ESB to arrange for painting of ESB poles on Emor

Q.7 <u>Councillor Kevin Donoghue</u>

To ask the Manager if better lighting could be installed in the City Quay area. Residents have reported some break-ins recently and requested this.

Q.8 Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the Manager if he can arrange for this commitment issued last year to be implemented.

"Just following up on benches on Morehampton Road... About a year ago you raised this issue and Council were to raise the height of the benches - I think they accepted they were too low for elderly people. Could you see what the position is and if they still intend to raise the height?"

Q.9 Councillor Dermot Lacey

This committee requests a report from the Manager of when Wellington Road is going to have a proper resurfacing job completed.

Q.10 Councillor Dermot Lacey and Fiona Connelly

To ask the Manager if he will arrange for a response to these issues in relation to Palmerston Park and if he will also arrange a meeting with the Residents' Association to progress matters.

Re Palmerston Park – DCC Works Programme

We trust you are familiar with the Howley Hayes Conservation & Management Plan of 2013 which was prepared for Dublin City Council's Culture, Recreation and Amenity Department and which should be the reference point for all works to this important historic designed landscape by William Sheppard.

We would query whether Lisa Edden Engineer who examined the Pond and Waterfall in 2013 in preparation of the Conservation Management Plan has been contacted?

We would also query whether DCC could apply for Funding from the following and many other sources of grant funding for conservation projects.

- 1. National Parks and Wildlife Service who have been allocated 52.6 M in the Budget 2023.
- 2. Community grants scheme offers 15,000 to 50,000 for essential repairs and small capital works for the refurbishment and conservation of heritage structures.
- 3. Dublin City Council administers Conservation Grant Funding for Historic Structures from 15,000 to 50,000.

We refer to your email points as follows:

<u>Pond</u>



Photograph 2023 of stagnant pond with waterfall not operational



Photograph from the Lawrence Collection showing waterfall in operation.

Please note that the railing installed in the last few years is only the lower level section. The original railing was approximately twice that height as shown in this photograph. There has been a loss of trees since the Lawrence Collection photograph which should be reinstated.

The pond was restored a few years ago. We would query what are the structural issues involved in making it operational again and the estimated costs involved?

Pavilion



Pavilion pointing to brickwork where extension was removed needs attention. Specialist required to blend brick colours to match. Rubbish to be cleaned off roof. Any proposal to install security gates should be done in consultation with Howley Hayes Conservation Architects.

Tea Room Depot Conversion

We would request the estimated budget for these works. We were given to understand that works would commence in August 2023. It is pity the timeframe is now delayed.

Railing to Pond Perimeter

Please see Fig 12 Lawrence Collection image of original railings as above on page 2. We would request drawings of those proposed in due course.

Laurel Waste



Damage to base of existing tree on the South side of the Park recently incurred when removing cut Laurel hedging with grab truck.

While the staff did not find the bicycle it was there as shown in the photograph in the letter of 15th April 2023.

Greening

It would be very regrettable if this were not done now.



Photograph 2013 of maintained grass



Photograph **2023** of current condition of grass as we approach summer.



Loss of Kerbing between planted bed and footpath.

The planted beds should be at a higher level than the footpaths but re-tarmacking has raised the level of the footpaths and loss of earth in the beds has lowered them. This loses definition leading to pedestrians not respecting the beds.

See also FIG 65 Howley Hayes Conservation Management Plan re tarmac level.

Replanting

As previously requested what research has been carried out regarding historically appropriate species? We look forward to further information.

Bark Mulch

It is regrettable that the bark mulch was not located in a less trafficked area and not near the playground.



Fig.24 View of the planting beds to the west side lawn.

Howley Hayes Conservation Architects photograph from 2013

There were 7 planted flower beds and now only 1 remains. This constant attrition of the historic features of the Park is lamentable.



Howley Hayes Conservation Architects photograph from 2013



Sign referring to CCTV pole at North entrance. The pole appears to have been removed. Perhaps Sign could also be removed.



One of the perimeter granite Bollards from the South East side of the Park, an original feature knocked out of position and removed to Herbert Park for safe keeping is still to be reinstated. We have made numerous requests over the last few years to have this done.

Q.11 Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the Manager if the fencing at the rear of Beech Hill Villas at Beech Hill Avenue could be repaired and if the dense shrubbery and high trees (causing problems for the residents of the Villas and adjoining residents from anti-social behaviour facilitated by this) could be seriously pruned back.

Q.12 <u>Councillor Tara Deacy</u>

Residents living close to the laneways around Villiers Road and Upper Rathmines and Villiers Road / Neville Road have raised concerns about the increasing litter issues and the number of fires that have been set in recent weeks. They regularly clean up the litter but asked if DCC could pay it some attention and perhaps look at Putting solar / sensor lighting as a deterrent. The anti-social issues are worrying residents and the amount of fires being lit are dangerous. Could we look at this as a solution?

Q.13 <u>Councillor Tara Deacy</u>

Could we please erect some signage at the Neagh Road playground, the one opposite Mount Tallant boxing club to deter people from bringing their dogs into the

playground? A number of respondents have brought this to my attention, and it causes discomfort for both the children playing and their parents. Dogs should not be allowed to roam around freely in playgrounds with children present. The dogs in some cases are fouling the space and children are then stepping on it touching it etc. A simple sign might assist in this case.

Q.14 <u>Councillor Tara Deacy</u>

Can double yellow lines at the junction of Aideen avenue and Derravaragh road <u>https://goo.gl/maps/q1FquYBVk2J2KVXz5</u> be put in place due to parked cars on the corner and in the junction opposite Aideen Avenue, it's a blind corner and residents have been involved in several near misses.

Ideally there would be buildouts to reduce the very wide junction mouth (25m) and reduce speeds, but residents are happy for parking restriction via double yellow lines to increase visibility for the moment.

Q.15 <u>Councillor Tara Deacy</u>

A signalised pedestrian crossing on Terenure Road West near the junction of Hazelbrook Road - this is a very high-speed heavy trafficking road and the main route for people coming from Terenure A electoral district to Terenure and the local schools (Presentation, St. Joseph's, Terenure Rugby club and Terenure College). There is only one pedestrian crossing on the road which is 1km in length. Most people walking from Hazelbrook and Larkfield areas use that junction and there is nowhere to cross. Again residents have witnessed several near misses as children run across the road to get to the wider footpath on the northern side. https://goo.gl/maps/KFXEUK4azNS9CHpi7

Q.16 Councillor Tara Deacy

Can we get an update in terms of the Bike Bunker schemes in the Southeast area in terms of their progression?

Q.17 <u>Councillor Dermot Lacey</u>

To ask the Traffic Advisory Group if they consider measures, including those supplied with this question, to improve traffic flow in the vicinity of Church Avenue and Londonbridge Road.

"There are several, connected micro components to the problem but the primary reason for the chronic afternoon and evening traffic jams on Londonbridge Road is because the traffic light sequence at the Strand Road / Sean Moore Road junction affords approximately forty seconds of a green light to the much less-busy, one-way Pembroke Street / Bayview route, from The Irishtown House public house; whereas the dozens of vehicles trapped on the two-way, very busy Londonbridge Road and, ultimately, Church Avenue, only get ten seconds of a green light at the Strand Road / Sean Moore Road junction.

Please request that the Traffic Control Unit reverse this traffic light sequencing i.e. to instead give forty seconds of green light time to those vehicles on Church Avenue wishing to access Sean Moore Road or Strand Road and thereafter lessening the amount of green light time to the less-busy Pembroke Street / Bayview traffic to approximately ten seconds.

Q.18 <u>Councillor Dermot Lacey</u>

To ask the Manager if there is any update on this question and response from February 2023.

Q.4 <u>Councillor Dermot Lacey</u>

To ask the Manager if he can respond positively to the requests previously submitted for improvements to road signage at the following locations

- 1. Street sign for Mornington Road at entry from Ashfield -No sign at all at the moment.
- 2. Street sign for Mornington at the upper end-junction. Current sign unreadable as lettering removed.
- 3. Street sign for Chelmsford Lane at junction with Sallymount Avenue, current sign unreadable as above.
- 4. Two street signs on Triangle (over Quillsenens estate agent).
- 5. Saying Cullenswood Road -the official name for that short section and ii) Saying Charleston Road with arrow as Charleston Road starts after Luas bridge.
- 6. There are no signs on Edenvale and Mountain View Rd at the junctions with Albany RD. This means that if on Albany Rd, there is no indication of what roads are being entered.
- 7. There is no sign on Albany Rd for it when entering from Edenvale or Mountainview.
- 8. Replace disintegrated sign for Winton Rd at junction with Appian Way.
- 9. Ranelagh Rd goes from the Luas Bridge to Charlemont Bridge. There is no sign for it at either end.

Reply:

The current Road Maintenance South City Nameplate Contract is substantially complete. A new contract will need to be arranged and the initial phase will involve an audit of our Asset Management Database to compile a list of missing signs and signs in need of refurbishment in the South Central and South East Areas. The above requests will be included in this list. At the moment we are prioritising completion of the 2023 Annual Works Programmes for Roads Resurfacing and Footpaths Reconstruction to be followed by preparation of tender documents. Thereafter, similar work can proceed for nameplates, subject to availability of resources.

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Q.19 Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the Manager if, in relation to Ranelagh Gardens Park he will respond to the following issues:

- Planting at entrance to Ranelagh Park at Chelmsford Av entrance This is massively overgrown at present and is a shame given the significant improvement beside it that is looked after by residents.
- 2) Drainage clearance at entrance gate to be done regularly the shores at the entrance are presently chock full of muck/debris.
- 3) Flooding relief at Richard Crosbie statue-occurs after even a shower of rain this could be dealt with via one additional shore and a short pipe to lake.
- 4) Status /condition of narrow road from Ranelagh Park to Supervalu can this be cleaned it is presently strewn with litter and debris
- 5) More regular cutting of Park grass.

Q.20 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the Manager to respond to the following email from a constituent.

He writes:

I am writing to you in relation to residents' parking in Leahy's Terrace, Sandymount and what appears to be a change of policy by DSPS with regards to residents parking in front of Star of the Sea Church.

Attached is a letter to the Independent Appeals Officer for DSPS which outlines;

- Issuing of Fixed Charge Offence to (two) residents of Leahy's Terrace who were parked in front of Star of the Sea church. Both cars were displaying residents' parking permits for Leahy's Terrace.
- Residents of Leahy's Terrace have always parked at the end of Leahy's Terrace in front of Star of the Sea Church and have never been issued with parking fines and the current situation appears to represent a change of enforcement policy by DSPS and coincides with the arrival of a new DSPS staff member covering this area.
- The necessity to use the Star of the Sea spaces arises from
 - The high usage of the Leahy's Terrace spaces by attendees at mass, funerals and events in Star of the Sea Church.
 - The high usage of Leahys Terrace space by parents dropping off and collecting at Star of the Sea school.
 - The practice by DSPS of depositing cars on Leahy's Terrace which have been clamped elsewhere (see photo).
 - The reduction of parking spaces following the introduction of a safe crossing area in front of 3 Leahy's Terrace.

I would ask that this matter be raised in the appropriate forum.

"I have lived in Leahy's Terrace for over 20 years and the residents co-exist in a neighbourly way with the church, school and Aviva Stadium patrons despite the significant inconvenience that this can cause from time to time.

Perhaps this could be addressed by one of the following

- Changing the residents' parking permits to include Sandymount Road.
- Returning to the previous approach to enforcement in respect of residents with parking permits
- Increasing the number of protected spaces on Leahy's Terrace."

Q.21 <u>Councillor Paddy McCartan</u>

To ask the manager to deal with the following issue from a constituent.

He writes:

"I previously made an inquiry about a dangerous junction for pedestrians at Elgin road Ballsbridge and the R118 beside the main entrance to the American embassy.

I am a secondary school teacher and was escorting my class across this junction with a pedestrian green man and 3 of my students were almost hit by someone taking an illegal left turn. After this I investigated this junction and its traffic sequencing. The turn has a static no left turn sign by the traffic light which is an arrow green only for straight traffic light. I stayed observing this junction for 20 minutes and observed a number of cars taking this illegal left turn, much more than would be expected if we are taking into account the percentage of people that would break a clear red light. The response was "the junction has been checked and there are two no left turn signal signals, there is also a straight ahead arrow signal to make it clear that you can only go straight ahead at this junction. If cars are breaking the law and taking the left turn, it is an enforcement issue."

The issue here is that clearly the two left turn signals are an ineffective measure to prevent drivers from turning left into pedestrians. This is evident by the frequency with which cars break these rules. When observing this junction it is clear to me when cars are driving quickly they just see the green light and go left.

Now I recently have again had another incident where students in my class that I am supervising have almost been hit by a driver going at a high rate of speed taking this left hand turn. This driver then shouted at my students for being on the road. When informed they said that they "had not seen the no left turn sign". This is a recurring issue that is not going away. I pass this location every day and I see the same issue of drivers taking this left hand turn when the pedestrians have a green man. With the greatest of respect stating that it is an "enforcement issue" that is clearly passing the buck from the faulty traffic design. In reality there has been and will be no enforcement.

You must take as feedback the behaviour of drivers around your design. If they are consistently breaking the rules to a greater extent than would be expected from the small percentage that would break traffic lights anyway, then it is the design that is at fault. I am certain if you did a monitoring of this you would find this to be the case.

I am a concerned member of the public with responsibility for children that has twice now had near misses at this junction with children under my care. Please can you actually address this and not essentially ignore this issue again?"

Q.22 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the Manager to clarify how many apartments are unoccupied in details supplied?

In March 2018 there was a report on renewal and redevelopment proposals for Dublin City Council's apartment complexes; currently there are 49 apartments in details supplied; how many of these remain unoccupied as of March 2023?

Q.23 Councillor Deirdre Conroy

To ask the local Area Manager and Roads Department, for appropriate double yellow lines at the junction of Aideen Avenue and Derravaragh Road due to parked cars on the corner and in the junction opposite Aideen Avenue.

I am notified it is a "blind corner" and the enquirer notifies that neighbours have been involved in several near misses.

The enquirer states that "Ideally there would be buildouts to reduce the very wide junction mouth (25m) and reduce speeds, but would settle for parking restriction via double yellow lines to increase visibility."



Q.24 Councillor Deirdre Conroy

To ask the local Area Manager and Roads Department, for a signalised pedestrian crossing on Terenure Road West near the junction of Hazelbrook Road.

Enquirer notifies that this is a very high speed heavy trafficking road and the main route for people coming from Terenure A electoral district to Terenure and the local schools (Presentation, St. Joseph's, Terenure Rugby club and Terenure College). There is only one pedestrian crossing on the road which is 1km in length. Most people walking from Hazelbrook and Larkfield areas use that junction and there is nowhere to cross.

The enquirer notifies that she has witnessed several near misses as children run across the road to get to the wider footpath on the northern side.

As a councillor, I have made this request several times in the last two years, and brought it to NTA as well due to NTA BusConnects system. NTA has said that Dublin City Council can take it on for actual pedestrian crossing. It is notified that the traffic lights at the junction are for pedestrians, but it is required nearer the schools.



Q.25 Councillor Deirdre Conroy

To ask the Local Area Manager and Roads Department in regard to John Fagan's business for parking on Cambridge Road. As a mechanic in the area for over 50 years, the local neighbours have forwarded several enquiries about the new residential parking spaces outside the mechanic business, for restoring people's cars.

Q.26 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Area Manager, if the laneway between Windmill Park and Crumlin Village be cleaned as soon as possible, and if it could it be cleaned more frequently moving forward, could DCC arranged for a public bin to be installed along the footpath in the green area on Windmill Park (i.e. away from being directly outside the houses)?

Q.27 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to respond to the following email from a constituent concerning the state of the playground at Sean Moore Park Dublin 4.

He writes:

"I am writing to you as a concerned citizen and parent residing in Irishtown, expressing my deep disdain and disgust at the current state of the local playground. The appalling conditions and lack of maintenance have reached an alarming level, raising serious concerns for the safety and well-being of our children.

I have observed several issues that demand immediate attention and remedial action. First and foremost, the boundary fence surrounding the playground has sustained severe damage, leaving it in a precarious state. This poses a significant safety risk, as it allows unrestricted access to the playground, potentially endangering the children who use it.

Furthermore, I am deeply troubled by the increasing incidents of antisocial behaviour displayed by some adolescents in the playground. This behaviour not only intimidates and frightens the younger children but also undermines the sense of security and community in our neighbourhood. We urgently need measures in place to address this issue and ensure the playground remains a safe space for all.

The issue of constant littering within the playground is not only unsightly but also poses health hazards to our children. It is disheartening to witness the lack of rubbish bins in the vicinity, which only exacerbates the problem. I kindly request that you address this issue promptly by installing adequate bins to encourage responsible disposal of waste.

Additionally, the pathways within the playground are in a state of disrepair. Although some attempts have been made to repair them with hard-core, it has resulted in loose stones scattered throughout the area, creating a tripping hazard for children at play. This is an accident waiting to happen, and urgent measures must be taken to rectify the situation.

Another distressing aspect is the presence of graffiti and vandalism in the playground. Not only does it deface the property, but it also sends a negative message to the children who utilize the space. I urge you to take decisive action to remove the graffiti promptly and implement appropriate measures to deter further instances of vandalism.

Lastly, I was appalled to discover broken glass scattered around the playground. This is an extremely dangerous situation, as broken glass poses a severe risk of injury to innocent children who come to play. It is imperative that a thorough clean-up is conducted immediately to eliminate this hazardous material from the area.

As a concerned parent, I implore you to prioritize the restoration and maintenance of the Sandymount playground. Our children deserve a safe and inviting space to enjoy their playtime. I kindly request that you undertake a comprehensive assessment of the situation, allocate the necessary resources, and work diligently to address each of the mentioned issues without further delay."

Q.28 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the Manager for an update in relation to the planned tea rooms and public toilets for Bushy Park, Terenure.

Q.29 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the Manager for solar / sensor lights for the laneways adjacent to Neville Road, Villiers Road and Upper Rathmines Road to deter dumping and anti-social behaviour.

Q.30 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the Manager for an update in relation to the removal of waste bins from Terenure and when and where the replacement bins will be installed.

Q.31 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the Manager for a schedule and process for removal of weeds on public streets in the Kimmage Rathmines Local Electoral Area.

Q.32 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the Manager for details on how the Council will assist residents to have graffiti removed from walls facing onto streets.

Q.33 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the Manager for the schedule of street cleaning in the Kimmage Rathmines local electoral area.

Q.34 Councillor Carolyn Moore

To ask the Area Manager if traffic engineers can assess the junction at Aideen Avenue and Derravaragh Road and propose a suitable intervention to discourage or prevent parking on the wide bend at this location. A stop sign and yield markings are in place for exiting Aideen Avenue left onto Derravaragh Road, however the left turn off Derravaragh Road onto Aideen Avenue is extremely wide, making the corner indistinct. This facilitates parking on the bend and vehicles taking the corner at speed. Residents report difficulty and near misses exiting Aideen Avenue due to reduced visibility and an appropriate intervention to slow the traffic and improve visibility is needed.

Q.35 Councillor Carolyn Moore

To ask the Area Manager if a signalised pedestrian crossing can be installed on Terenure Road West at the junction with Hazelbrook Road. This is a fast and busy road and the nearest pedestrian crossing is at the junction of Greenlea Road. This is the main route for several local schools and a second crossing point is needed on this road.

Q.36 Councillor Carolyn Moore

To ask the Area Manager if signage can be installed at Neagh Road playground to indicate that dogs should not be allowed off leash inside the playground. This follows reports of dogs being let into the playground specifically to go to the toilet.

Q.37 <u>Councillor Carolyn Moore</u>

To ask the Area Manager if low level solar / sensor lighting could be installed in the laneway off and behind Villiers Road to act as a deterrent against littering, dumping and anti-social behaviour, including the deliberate starting of fires.

Could the laneway be assessed for appropriate interventions, including lighting, and the fencing off of a small area of wasteland at the rear of (details supplied), which would have the support of residents and community Gardaí?

Q.38 Councillor Carolyn Moore

To ask the Area Manager if the fallen bollard on the pavement at the green on Cashel Avenue can please be repaired or replaced?

Q.39 Councillor Carolyn Moore

To ask the Area Manager if the footpath outside (details supplied) can be dished to allow wheelchair access. This is a council property which has been significantly modified with ramps for wheelchair access, however the temporary modification to the footpath outside the house has never been revisited. The resident requires dished access and a wheelchair space outside the house.

Q.40 Councillor Carolyn Moore

To ask the Area Manager if traffic engineers can assess and alter the signal timing at the signalised pedestrian crossing on Terenure Road West and the junction of Greenlea Road. This is a fast, busy road and drivers are frequently speeding up on amber and / or breaking the red light, endangering pedestrians - particularly children - who start to cross when they get the green man. As there is no enforcement of this bad driver behaviour, pedestrians require a delay between the red light and the green man to ensure all vehicles have passed through the crossing by the time the green man displays.

Q.41 <u>Councillor Carolyn Moore</u>

To ask the Area Manager if Traffic Engineers can assess the four way intersection at the centre of Cashel Avenue and propose an appropriate intervention to prevent speeding. This is a four arm junction with wide bends and residents report drivers speeding through and around the junction with huge risk to children playing.

Q.42 Councillor Carolyn Moore

To ask the Manager to review the trees in Brookfield Estate with a view to trimming them, if appropriate, after the nesting season.

Q.43 Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the Manager if this issue outlined in the email could be examined and addressed:

To make you aware the little walkway between Holyrood Park and Oakland's Park is being used by cyclists when there is no room and a barrier at the latter address needs to be replicated on the DART side.

Q.44 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager have the triptych that is on the wall of the rotunda of the City Hall removed to a much more appropriate location This work was never suitable for this particular location it is the only such work in the rotunda there is simply no rationale for this particular artwork to remain at this location as it has permanently for the last number of years.

Q.45 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the Manager issue a full report regarding how Dublin City Council waste management intend to manage the canal ways and the seafront and other such sensitive locations, where there are large crowds of drinkers et cetera? The canal at Charlemont Street was left an absolute disgrace recently with rubbish and waste thrown all over the streets, the canal bank and into the water. Most of this rubbish was beer cans and alcohol associated from takeaways and other side premises. This rubbish was left there overnight and was not cleared until the following day. Apparently there are only 10 staff members on duty to clean the whole of the city. Perhaps you could clarify this also, and what rosters are being rolled out to deal with summer in the city and waste management, particularly bearing in mind the emphasis on outdoor drinking et cetera.

Q.46 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the Manager issue a full report regarding the reopening of vacant housing units in Glovers Court? The residents at Glovers Court were promised rejuvenation, told by Dublin City Council that there'd be no allocations of these dilapidated units, and that a process of de-tenanting was underway. However, recently work has begun on these units with the intention of reoccupation - all this would appear to be happening without a proper consultation with the residents groups in these flats, who are constantly inundated with major trouble. In terms of the infrastructure and the dilapidation and horrendous conditions of living for children and adults in these two blocks, can the Manager issue a full comprehensive plan, as to the future of Glovers Court regarding its rejuvenation, retrofitting and ongoing repair?

Q.47 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the Manager have Planning Enforcement Section and the Noise Pollution Unit of Dublin City Council enforce the planning conditions regarding noise emanating from the Russell Court Hotel that is laid down in the planning consent for this hotel? Residents in this area are constantly bombarded with outrageous noise levels from the music emanating from this hotel; also can the Manager ensure that Dublin City Council Planning Department and Noise Monitoring Unit engage with each other on such complaints. And also whether this premises is actually operating as a hotel.

Q.48 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the Manager issue a full report regarding the recent development and plans for the Cabbage Patch? This report also to include documentation and information regarding the surveys on the burial ground and the reasons not to use these particular grounds in the refurbishment and regeneration of this amenity? Also a full breakdown of course and of the amount of truckloads of soil et cetera that would be used in the first stage of the rejuvenation of this public park. This report also to include how the City Council intends to address the issues of gross anti-social and criminal behaviour in the neighbourhood that in and around the Cabbage Patch Park.

Q.49 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the Manager give a full and comprehensive report as to how Dublin City Council Traffic Department intends to deal with the issues in and around Bath Avenue? Also can Dublin City Council set up a comprehensive meeting with the local residents so they can explain exactly the concerns and offer solutions to this problem?

Q.50 <u>Councillor Mannix Flynn</u>

Can the Manager initiate the process for an area improvement plan or a precinct improvement scheme for the entire Sir John Rogerson's Quay, with particular reference to the Benson Street area where the streetscape is simply deplorable and bland, with very little greenery and no place to sit in a simply awash with pavement slabs that many places are cracked and broken. It is not a very welcoming area in terms of its landscape, the chocolate park is still a wasteland and needs to be completed urgently. Many of the businesses in this particular area would make a financial contribution towards the works that will improve this location; perhaps we could initiate the process, not only Barrow Street which was recently approved for improvement works.

Q.51 <u>Councillor Pat Dunne</u>

Can the Area Manager ask our Road Maintenance section to inspect the footpath around the tree pit adjacent to (details supplied)? The resident reports that the kerb is loose and dangerous and could present a trip hazard.

Q.52 Councillor Pat Dunne

Can the Area Manager ask our Housing Maintenance Section to insulate the extension to the rear of (details supplied)? The house is on the schedule for retrofitting, but she may be waiting a long time. In the meantime, she reports that the extension is cold and damp. Can the extension be insulated while she is awaiting for the main retrofit?

Q.53 Councillor Pat Dunne

Can the Area Manager ask our Housing Maintenance Section to give priority to this tenant (details supplied) with a walk-in shower? Our Tenant has had falls and her OT recommended the walk-in shower. When can this work be done?

Q.54 Councillor Pat Dunne

Can the Area Manager ask our Housing Maintenance Section to finish the repairs to the exterior of the roof eaves by painting or rendering? Can the guttering of these roof eaves also be repaired (details supplied)?

Q.55 Councillor Pat Dunne

Can the Area Manager ask our Traffic Advisory Group to survey the traffic coming out onto Dolphin Road from both sides of the park? This is quite often traffic coming down

Mourne Road and Galtymore Road. Residents in this area report that since the installation of the new traffic lights at Herberton / Dolphin Canal Bridge that it's now very difficult to cross out onto the east bound lane. Can yellow boxes be put in at these sections to allow vehicles to enter out onto this lane?

Q.56 Councillor Pat Dunne

Crumlin Village was designated an Architectural Conservation area in 2014. It seems that some of the features of note (such as the Shamrock motif lampposts, village pump etc.) in the report are being removed over time and not replaced. Could the Conservation or Planning Section do an audit of the village compared with the document produced in 2014 to see what steps can be taken to address this? Could the village pump be reinstated (functioning or not). It had been taken away for maintenance in the last 10 years and not replaced. Finola Wathchorns' "Crumlin and the way it was" illustrates the historical significance of the village pump.

Q.57 Councillor Pat Dunne

A no-left turn sign from Stannaway Road to Ferns Road (and vice versa) was added last year but it is not enforced and the problem of rat-running traffic still exists and in fact has got worse. Could the DCC Traffic Department do an audit of this issue and either look for it to be enforced or another solution to be implemented?

Q.58 Councillor Pat Dunne

With the path resurfacing on Lismore Road due to take place in the year, could we work with residents to look for opportunities to introduce tree pits? There is only 1 tree on the whole length of path currently on the road.

Q.59 <u>Councillor Pat Dunne</u>

Could the council support the initiatives of the Crumlin & Walkinstown History Group? The group has recently published a large report with recommendation for projects and are eager to hold exhibitions, events and talks later in the year.

Q.60 Councillor Pat Dunne

Can the traffic light sequencing at the Sundrive Road, Crumlin Road junction be readjusted to allow sufficient time for pedestrians crossing to and from Loretto Schools? The sequence here gives preference to motorists and consequently makes it dangerous for pedestrians.

Q.61 Councillor Pat Dunne

There have been some accidents with children crossing the Crumlin Road when using the pedestrian traffic lights crossing to and from Loretto School. Teachers and parents are concerned for the safety of the children and are asking for a School Traffic Warden to be placed on duty here at school starting and finishing times.

Q.62 Councillor Hazel Chu

To ask the Manager the number of street bins removed in the last year broken down by local electoral area (LEA), the number of new street bins added in the last year broken down by LEA.

Q.63 Councillor Hazel Chu

To ask the Manager what plans have been made to support streets adjacent to bus connects corridors in the South East Area to prevent "rat running".

Q.64 Councillor Hazel Chu

To ask the Manager for an update on the arch at Ranelagh Road and Price's Place.

Q.65 Councillor Hazel Chu

To ask the Area Manager how many bike bunkers have been installed in the South East Area in 2021, 2022 and 2023 to date.

Q.66 Councillor Hazel Chu

To ask the Manager to audit the broken footpaths on Ranelagh Road and Mountpleasant Square Park and Chelmsford Road especially between number 1 and 2.

Q.67 Councillor Claire Byrne

That this area committee calls on the Area Manager to actively progress the Local Environmental Improvement Plan for the Camden St/Wexford St/Redmond's Hill / Aungier Street and George's Street area.

Q.68 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the Area Manager can he please engage with the residents of (details supplied) about a possible greening strategy for their street.

Q.69 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the Area Manager can he please work with the Ringsend and Irishtown Tidy Towns Committee to find a suitable location in the area for their composting project? One suggested location could be the Ringsend Park cleansing yard on Cambridge Road.

Q.70 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the Area Manager can he please resurface Shelbourne Road from Ballsbridge to Avoca as this surface is very uneven, narrow and dangerous for cyclists.

Q.71 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the Area Manager can he please fix the following on Lennox Terrace?

- Drainage issues previously requested back in 2021.
- Public lighting.

Q.72 <u>Councillor Daniel Ceitinn</u>

To ask the Area Manager if public bins could be reinstated in Old County Glen, as some people are leaving rubbish on the ground instead of taking waste home or placing in a public bin. Furthermore, the grass on the small green opposite 83 / 84 Old County Glen (& next door to 12 Old County Glen) is regularly cut, but the grass / weeds along the side of the green at the back wall is allowed to grow to a big height and looks out of place with the rest of the grass cutting in the estate. Could DCC ensure the weeding is done here while they are cutting the rest of the grass?

Q.73 Councillor Daniel Ceitinn

To ask the Area Manager if a review of traffic measures could be put in place for Old County Road, as the road and footpath particularly around the shops (approx. 120 - 140 Old County Road) can be quite congested and also dangerous for people crossing the road at rush hour. Could this review include the possibility of installing a zebra crossing, maintaining existing and / or adding additional speed bumps, and installing planters at certain areas of the footpath?

Q.74 Councillor Daniel Ceitinn

To ask the Area Manager if extra wood-chips could be laid down on the ground at the Neagh Road Park playground, as the vast majority of it is now exposed concrete and parents have reported children picking up cuts and bruises. There were also

previously signs reminding people to pick up dog poo at the entrance to the playground that seem to have faded / broken - could these be reinstalled? Could a review of the number of gaps in the iron railings around the park are there, with a view of placing replacement iron bars in any gaps? And finally, if the grass in the park could be cut as soon as possible?

Q.75 Councillor Daniel Ceitinn

To ask the Manager can he arrange for the overgrown grass and bushes to be cut, in the communal areas of Bishop Street Flats, Dublin 8, as the overgrown bushes are being used to hide drugs.

Q.76 Councillor Daniel Ceitinn

To ask the Manager can be arrange to have the ground floor and communal gardens at O'Carroll Villas, Cuffe Street, Dublin 2 be cut back and put on a regular cutting schedule, as they are currently overgrown and attracting rats.

Q.77 Councillor Daniel Ceitinn

To ask the Manager can he arrange for the bollards that were removed from the car park at the rear of O'Carroll Villas, Cuffe Street, Dublin 2 to be reinstated?

Q.78 Councillor Daniel Ceitinn

To ask the Manager to outline plans for electric vehicle charging points in the areas covered by the Pembroke East A and Pembroke West A electoral divisions.

Q.79 Councillor Danny Byrne

To ask the Manager If details supplied can be deep cleaned. Furthermore if the refuse collections companies could be written to ask them to take more care in collections as residents report debris left behind after collections.

Q.80 Councillor Danny Byrne

To ask the Manager for a list of properties compulsory acquired under the Derelict sites act since 2019.

Q.81 Councillor Danny Byrne

To ask the Manager if the clothing banks by the Aviva Stadium could be looked out, in terms of relocating them if necessary or putting cameras to stop dumping at them.

Q.82 Councillor Danny Byrne

To ask the Manager if the area around Trinity College could be deep cleaned as it is in a poor state of cleanliness.

Q.83 Councillor Danny Byrne

To ask the Manager how we can progress the roll out of better quality refuse bags, both residential and commercial to avoid them being opened and interfered with by vermin. I understand one of the refuse companies is using GSM 200 industrial grade refuse bags with tie strings which are very effective.

Q.84 Councillor Danny Byrne

To ask the Manager if the following 2 Locations can be painted with small murals / Dublin Canvas.

Q.85 <u>Councillor Danny Byrne</u>

To ask the Manager if we can arrange alternate parking on a given day to arrange cleaning of the below streets in Ringsend and Irishtown.

- Pembroke Street lots of cars we can't get access to them to clean.
- Irishtown Road houses side cars parked all the time.
- Cambridge Road priest side cars parked all the time.
- Pembroke Cottages back lane absolutely the worst in area regarding illegal dumping
- York Road Port View House cars all parked can't get access to clean road.
- Ringsend bridge dodder footpath to Londonbridge all full of weeds dead leaves.