

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
15th May 2023

Q.1 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

“To ask the Area Manager to examine the condition of Hampstead Park, The Rise, Glasnevin, Dublin 9 from a litter perspective and also with regards to tree pruning. This road has a lot of litter on it and trees require trimming”.

Reply

Waste Management Services had Hampstead Park cleaned on the 26th April 2023.

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

With regard to the trees at the above locations, Park services will arrange an inspection in the coming weeks and any necessary works will be listed for inclusion in our 2023/24 Tree Care programme for the area.

Contact: Stephen Groome, Exec. Parks & Landscape Officer, NW Parks
District
Tel: 222 3395
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

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Q.2 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

“To ask the Area Manager to arrange for the street lighting on Shantalla Road, Beaumont to be repaired, currently it has poor lighting”

Reply

A night check was carried out on Shantalla Road on 21st April 2023. One light was reported out (pole 38). This light will be repaired in the next two weeks.

Contact: Karen Leeson, Executive Engineer, Public Lighting Services
Email: karen.leeson@dublincity.ie

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Q.3 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole

“To ask the Area Manager to indicate when window and door replacement will be carried out at **(Details Supplied)**”

Reply

Housing Maintenance will have the request examined and the necessary works undertaken.

Contact: Clive Ahern, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance
Tel: 2223517
Email: clive.ahern@dublincity.ie

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Q.4 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to arrange for the repair of the trip hazard on the pavement outside **(details supplied)**.”

Reply

Road Maintenance Services inspected this location. Job number 41160474 & 41120534 has been scheduled, when a works crew is available in the area. There is currently a large backlog of repairs, which are being worked through.

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

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Q.5 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to arrange for dishing at the corner of the pavement beside **(details supplied)** to accommodate persons with mobility scooters etc to be able to cross the road.”

Reply

Road Maintenance Services inspected this location, the dishing will be installed when a works crew is available in the area. There is currently a large backlog of repairs, which are being worked through.

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

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Q.6 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager for an update on the inspection of trees at **(details supplied)** following a commitment to do so at the March North Central Area meeting (Q5 in the name of Cllr Alison Gilliland)

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 2023/24.

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

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

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the road markings in **(details supplied)** Traffic calming ramp markings, Yellow Lines etc. are worn off and long overdue to be re-done.”

Reply

The location will be inspected in the coming days. Any requirement for road markings to be renewed at this location, will be carried out within 30 working days of the Council meeting on May 15th 2023.

Contact: Paul Doyle, Road Markings Section, Traffic Transportation.
Email: paul.doyle@dublincity.ie

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

“To ask the Area Manager to bring to the attention of the relevant section the current spate of illegal dumping going on in **(details supplied)** and the residents association are looking for the Council’s guidance and assistance in how to deal with this ongoing scourge.”

Reply

If the residents of **details supplied** could contact the Acting Environmental Liaison Office, Joanne O’Sullivan 222 8541 with their illegal dumping queries we can then request the litter warden section to liaise with the residents on any queries they have and to follow up on this information.

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

The Litter Enforcement Manager will detail the litter wardens for the area to visit Aulden Grange daily to remove any illegally dumped bags present for investigation to try and gather evidence in order to issue fines under the Litter Pollution Acts, 1997 – 2009.

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

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Q.9 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon

“To ask the Area Manager to answer the following regarding **(details supplied)** there is continuing ponding of the footpath. Temporary works were carried out previously and have proven unsuccessful and only provided temporary relief.

Reply

Road Maintenance Services inspected this location. Job number 41127295 has been scheduled, when a works crew is available in the area. There is currently a large backlog of repairs, which are being worked through.

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

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Q.10 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon

“To ask the Area Manager can he arrange for the weekly cleaning of **(details supplied)** as it is constantly filthy and the grass contractors are driving over litter and cutting it up.”

Reply

Waste Management Services have Clarehall Avenue swept five days a week, Monday to Friday, by a road sweeping machine.

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

The landscape areas along the avenue were recently inspected and found to be in an acceptable condition and relatively litter free. The landscape maintenance contract requires that litter be removed from grass areas to prevent shredding of same. Incidents should be reported to parks@dublincity.ie to allow them to be brought to the attention of the contractor.

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

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Q.11 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole

“To ask the Area Manager to inspect the roadways in **(details supplied)** and carry out the necessary repairs. There are several pot-holes on the roads throughout the estate.”

Reply

Road Maintenance Services (RMS) have currently no plans in place to complete carriageway repairs at this location. Road Maintenance Services will however complete an inspection of the carriageway to assess the current condition of the carriageway with the view to having any potholes present made safe.

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

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Q.12 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to indicate the current status of the CPO process with regard to **(details supplied)**.”

Reply

A ‘Notice of Intention to Acquire’ compulsorily was issued on 16th December, 2022. The compulsory acquisition was subsequently deferred following representations received from the owner. In situations such as this, it is the Council’s preferred option to acquire the property by agreement through the City Valuer’s Office. The matter is being kept under review.

Contact: Nial Dully, Administrative Officer
Tel: 222 3941
Email: nial.dully@dublincity.ie

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Q.13 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to provide an update on the tendering and commencement of the 2 new playgrounds at Kilmore and McAuley Park planned for completion this year.”

Reply

The tender package will be published in the coming week for a design and build contract for both locations. Once tenders are returned and a preferred contractor appointed detail of the design and delivery timeframe will be shared with the area committee.

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

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Q.14 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Area Manager if the TAG Division will examine the installation of dipping of the path at **(details supplied)**? This location at the school gates can't get into and out of the school because of car parking issues for the special needs children in the school.”

Reply

The Transport Advisory Group (TAG) have proposed a dished kerb on Greendale Road near North Bay Educate Together National School / Gael Scoil Mide as part of the Works Programme for 2023. A Consultant is to be appointed to assess the location and carry out the detailed design stage.

Contact: Gerry McEntagart – North City Executive Engineer

Email: gerald.mcentagart@dublincity.ie

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Q.15 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Area Manager to examine the parking measures on Dollymount strand to ensure sufficient disabled parking and examine the possibility of an allocation of age friendly car parking slots at the top of the road to allow easier access to the beach.”

Reply

There are 8 number dedicated disabled car parking spaces at the end of the causeway road next to the entrances to the beach and 4 number at the end of the Bull Wall next to the café. It is understood that age-friendly parking refers to courtesy spaces where it is hoped that other motorists would leave them free for older persons close to amenities. It is not clear how this might work at Dollymount Strand. There remains approximately an acre and a half of on-beach parking at the end of the Bull Wall which provides the best access to the beach for older visitors.

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

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Q.16 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Area Manager if the Roads Division will examine and fix the problems at **(details supplied)**? This was assigned and marked for path to be fixed and hasn't been completed yet. Please note the tree closest to the house the path is beginning to lift badly from the tree. Please have it looked at also.”

Reply

Please be advised that Road Maintenance Services has been in communication with Irish Water on the 8th of May 2023 to carry out remedial works on the temporary reinstatement at the location details provided.

Contact: Finán Dooley, Executive Engineer
Tel: 222 6727
Email: finan.dooley@dublincity.ie

Road Maintenance Services have inspected the footpath at **(details supplied)**. The defect has been recorded (Job No. 41169862) with the repair 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.17 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Area Manager if the Parks Division will remove the installation of metal frames installed by DCC and any other objects at **(details supplied)**? The installation has caused an injury to a resident over the weekend and is a trip hazard. Please remove.”

Reply

The planters etc. on the open space were installed and are maintained by a local environmental group of residents. The Parks Service has ongoing contact with the group and provides advices and recommendations with regard to public safety. This reported incident will be investigated and discussed with the group.

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

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Q.18 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Area Manager to have the road swept and cleaned by DCC at **(details supplied)** as the trees from the greenspace are leaving a lot of residue.”

Reply

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned location swept and cleaned on the 4th May 2023.

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

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Q.19 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Area Manager if the Roads Division will repair the road as a pot hole has appeared at **(details supplied)** and it has become a hazard to vehicles.”

Reply

Road Maintenance Services inspected this location. Job number 41165336 has been scheduled, when a works crew is available in the area. There is currently a large backlog of repairs, which are being worked through.

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 the Parks Department will replace the tree at **(details supplied)**. It was damaged and removed but this is my third time requesting replacement of a tree.”

Reply

The locus will be inspected over the summer months and if deemed suitable will be listed for inclusion in the next street tree planting programme.

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 if the Parks Department will provide an update on the tree programme in the estates of **(details supplied)** as they are causing problems for residents in the locality and I am continuing to get correspondence in relation these locations of tree pruning/loping/removal.”

Reply

Prices are currently being sought from contractors for the next tranche of removals of problematic trees. Once a contractor has been appointed timeframes and scope of works will be shared with local councillors,

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

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Q.22 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Area Manager if they can examine the installation of a “Yield Sign” and traffic calming measures at **(details supplied)** within the estate as road/junction users are not adhering to speed limits of 30 KM/H. More details can be provided.”

Reply

Above location is a cul - de - sac area used in general by residents, the road is short and narrow as such not conducive to speed, additional on street parking effectively acts as traffic calming by physically narrowing the carriageway and reducing drivers forward visibility.

This location is in the area covered by the 30 km/h Slow Zone signage, indicating the lower speed limit and that the area is a Home Zone/Slow Zone, which warns drivers the road is a residential area and to expect children. The sign is clearly visible at entrance from Tonlegee Road.

Under the Road Traffic Regulations, traffic at a T - junction drivers must give way to traffic from either direction on the other road. A Yield sign is not necessary where normal rules of the road apply.

Such road traffic signs are only provided on approaches to major junctions as this would lead to a proliferation of road traffic signs throughout residential estates. Accordingly, Dublin City Council does not propose a ‘Yield’ sign at the aforementioned junction.

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

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Q.23 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Area Manager to provide an update from Planning Department of the taking in charge of road and paths in **(details supplied)**.”

Reply

Belmayne

A map of the road that is proposed to be declared public has been finalised. This map will be circulated this month to the internal DCC Departments for comment by the North Central Area Office. A public consultation process will then proceed stating objections or representations may be made in writing to the road authority in relation to the proposed declaration. A report will then be prepared on the public consultation, considering any objections and representations made, before a recommendation is made to the Council on whether the proposal should proceed. This process will take approximately three months. It is expected that the public consultation process will begin next month if no significant objections are received.

Contact: Eric Lavelle, Executive Engineer
Tel: 222 6847
Email: eric.lavelle@dublincity.ie

Clongriffin

The taking in charge process for Main Street, Clongriffin is still underway. Gannon's and the various service divisions from DCC are in regular contact and all are eager for this to be completed. The taking in charge of Clongriffin will be done on a sequential basis, once Main Street has been taken in charge, Gannon Homes will then apply for Marrsfield followed by Bell Tree and Beau Park to be taken in charge.

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

The taking in charge process for Main Street Clongriffin is still underway. The North Central Area office are coordinating efforts to regularise the taking in charge of the main street in Belmayne area. No request has been submitted to the Planning Department from residents in Belmayne or Clongriffin to initiate the Taking in Charge process.

Contact: Greg Bryan Administrative Office
Tel: 222 3108
Email: greg.bryan@dublincity.ie

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Q.24 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Area Manager if the road sweepers will clean and wash (**details supplied**).”

Reply

Waste Management Services clean Tonlegee Road on a daily basis as it is a main thoroughfare. Springdale Road and Raheny Road are cleaned on a weekly basis. On inspection it wasn't considered necessary to have washing carried out there.

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

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Q.25 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager in relation to Pinebrook Estate, Artane, Dublin 5. please;

(a) renew/repaint the stop sign marking on the road at junction of Pinebrook Drive and Kilmore Road as paint has faded and in an effort to slow traffic down travelling around corners can he;

(b) install/paint yield signs/road markings at the following locations;

- (i) Pinebrook Drive onto Pinebrook Road
- (ii) Pinebrook Road onto Pinebrook Drive junctions
- (iii) Pinebrook Grove onto Pinebrook Rd.
- (iv) Pinebrook Avenue onto Pinebrook Crescent/Rise junction”

Reply

The location will be inspected in the coming days. Any requirement for Renewal / Repaint will be carried out within 30 working days of the NCAC meeting of the 15th of May 23. (Weather permitting)

Contact: **Damien Cooney**
 Traffic Officer
Tel: **086 815 1521**
Email: **damien.cooney@dublincity.ie**

In relation to the request for a yield signs and road markings the Area Traffic Engineer has reported that under the Road Traffic Regulations, traffic at a T junction must give way to traffic from either direction on the other road.

A Yield sign is not necessary where normal rules of the road apply. Such signs are only provided on approaches to major junctions as otherwise this would lead to a proliferation of signs throughout residential estates. Accordingly, Dublin City Council does not propose to recommend a ‘Yield’ sign marking at the aforementioned junctions

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

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Q.26 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager to please in relation to pot holes at **(details supplied)**, say if he can repair same as soon as possible as resident has requested same over 2 months ago now and has not had any response from Council officials”.

Reply

Road Maintenance Services (RMS) currently have no plans in place to complete carriageway repairs at this location. Road Maintenance Services will however complete an inspection of the carriageway to assess the current condition of the carriageway with the view to having any potholes present made safe.

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

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Q.27 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager to refer to **(details supplied)** and say if he can install speed ramps or take some other action to slow down speeding motorists using **(details supplied)** as a rat-run as residents, particularly vulnerable pedestrians, are worried about their safety.”

Reply

The area engineer has assessed the Councillor’s request. Above location is approximately 165m in length therefore does not meet Dublin City Council’s criteria for providing speed ramps. The road should have a straight run of at least 200m. The 30km/h painted roundels were installed at the entrance to (details supplied) from Clontarf Park and Conquer Hill Road in order to complement the existing 30Km/h signage.

No other engineering measures are recommended at this time.

Contact: Catalin Rosca, Area Traffic Engineer, Environment & Transportation Dept.

Tel: 222 6145.

Email: catalin.rosca@dublincity.ie

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Q.28 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager to please refer to new road signage installed at **(details supplied)** and say if he can arrange to remove same as it is incorrectly positioned naming another road and is causing confusion for residents, delivery personnel etc.”

Reply

Road Maintenance Services (RMS) have investigated the location of the nameplate. This nameplate will be removed and position further along **(details supplied)** outside house no.1.

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

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Q.29 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager to please refer to tree that was removed from **(details supplied)** and say when same will be replaced/replanted as promised.”

Reply

The locus will be inspected over the summer months and if deemed suitable will be listed for inclusion in the next street tree planting programme.

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

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Q.30 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager to please refer back to my previous representations in relation to area of road surface at **(details supplied)**, arrange to have his officials contact homeowner and at this stage say if he will put matters right/level off road surface to prevent water flowing into property of homeowner who is an elderly resident and distressed at what is happening to her property.”

Reply

Road Maintenance Services inspected this location during rain and found that the lane is draining via a central channel towards a gully at number 43.

The water ingress is due to the fact that the shed is constructed below the level of the laneway. This is a private matter and as such, unfortunately RMS are not in a position to offer a solution to this issue.

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

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Q.31 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons

“To ask the Area Manager for an update on the new social homes on Bunratty Road: when will the remedial work conclude, when will the allocation process begin & when will a provisional date for allocation of these badly needed new homes be available.”

Reply

The development has 78 Dwellings, which are as follows:

- 14 x 3 Bedroom homes
- 64 Apartments in the complex, providing a mix of 1,2 & 3 bedroom homes
- Completion works are ongoing onsite. Details of a potential phased handover of the development are currently being reviewed.
- Allocations will begin once official handover has been sanctioned.

Contact: Alice Simington, SEO Housing Regeneration
Tel: 087 267 2578
Email: alice.simington@dublincity.ie

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Q.32 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons

“To ask the Area Manager for a clean-up of the road and paths along Cromcastle Park.”

Reply:

Waste Management Services will have the road and paths along Cromcastle Park cleaned during scheduled cleaning week commencing the 29th May 2023.

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

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Q.33 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons

“To ask the Area Manager for an inspection of **(details supplied)** as it's currently vacant, posing a public health threat with regard to rodents and could possibly be purchased by the council.”

Reply:

The City Council's vacant property unit will arrange for an inspection and investigation of this property to identify the status of same.

If the property is determined to be long term vacant then it will identify the owner and issue correspondence to them to return the property to use in a timely manner.

Any failure by the owner to comply with same request may result in the City Council invoking its legislative powers to get the owner to return the property to use.

Contact: John Ryan, Administrative Officer
Tel: 222 5367.
Email: john.ryan@dublincity.ie

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Q.34 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons

“To ask the Area Manager for a report on the housing file of **(details supplied)** who has been served with a valid notice to quit and has two daughters and was granted medical priority for a 2-bed but says one of her daughter's medical needs would require the family needing a 3-bed designation.”

Reply:

The applicants 2nd Appeal is with the Medical Examiner at present. We will contact the applicant directly when a decision is made.

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

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Q.35 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons

“To ask the Area Manager for a report on the revenue collected by the City Council through Section 48 Development Contributions arising from planning permissions granted for residential, commercial and industrial construction in the North Central Area in each of the past nine years, 2014-2022.”

Reply:

Revenue collected through the Section 48 development contribution scheme is not recorded by development type or by area. Please find below records below outlining the Section 48 development contributions collected by year from 2014-2022

Revenue raised in 2014:	€10,973,378
Revenue raised in 2015:	€14,696,171
Revenue raised in 2016:	€21,030,931
Revenue raised in 2017:	€33,831,613
Revenue raised in 2018:	€39,646,177
Revenue raised in 2019:	€45,977,403
Revenue raised in 2020:	€21,147,648
Revenue raised in 2021:	€28,782,461
Revenue raised in 2022:	€39,027,074

Contact: Greg Bryan Administrative Officer
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Email: greg.bryan@dublincity.ie

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Q.36 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons

“To ask the Area Manager for a report on the capital monies spent by the City Council in the North Central Area over the last nine years, 2014-2022.”

Reply:

The oracle financial system is not structured to automatically provide the information as requested. It is not feasible to resource a manual exercise to provide this information.

Contact: Fintan Moran; Head of Management Accounting
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Email: fintan.moran@dublincity.ie

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Q.37 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager to refer to housing applicant as per **(details supplied)** and say when it is likely they will be accommodated with a City Council dwelling in their own right”

Reply:

The above applicant is on the Transfer HAP List with an application date of 24/5/2016, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

Area	Bedsize	Position
Area B	2	232

Dublin City Council allocates properties based on time on the list and currently there are applicants of longer standing who have to be considered as suitable vacancies arise. It is not possible to indicate accurately the prospect of an offer for any applicant. The number of vacancies arising will be a determining factor in the length of time applicants could expect to be on the waiting list.

The applicants should check the Dublin City Council website for any Choice Based Lettings that may become available in their area of choice. They are advertised every Friday and remain advertised for a period of 3 weeks.

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

Tel: 222 2226

Email: sandra.barry@dublincity.ie

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Q.38 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager to please refer to missing ramp/dishing at **(details supplied)** as dishing/ramp was never reinstated following works on the path; the lack of a dishing at this point is causing a problem for wheelchair users, parents with buggies etc, and say when he can arrange to have same replaced.”

Reply:

This ESB permanent reinstatement will be referred to ESB Networks for repair to include the pedestrian dishing that was in place prior to the ESB works.

Contact: Deri Flood, SEE, IMU, RMS
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Q.39 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager in relation to Pobalscoil Rosmini, Gracepark Road can the manager advise what planning enforcement matters are outstanding at this location following initial work on the demolition and the removal of a number of trees/breach of planning permission for construction of a new can the manager advise what enforcement matters is any are outstanding and when building of the new school is due to recommence.”

Reply:

Pobalscoil Rosmini, Gracepark Road (Planning register reference 2172/17) have submitted all outstanding pre commencement compliance documentation to the compliance section.

The Section 154 Enforcement Notice requires no further development works pursuant to the permission granted under ABP ref PL29N.249253 / DCC ref. 2172/17 until compliance submissions have been received and approved in writing for the following:

- Condition 5 (Construction and demolition waste plan) has been submitted and is deemed compliant
- Condition 6 (Construction Management Plan) has been submitted. The Planning Enforcement Section are awaiting one aspect of this submission to be determined. All other departments who have reviewed the Construction Management Plan have approved the submission. The latest date for a decision on this submission is 22 May 2023.
- Condition 7 (Landscaping Plan) has been deemed compliant by Parks, Biodiversity & Landscape Services
- Condition 9 (Materials and Colours), a deferral request has been submitted for this element. The details have been requested to be submitted in due course.

Once condition 6 has been fully approved by all internal departments of Dublin City Council the school development can re-commence on site. The latest date for this is 22 May 2023, unless the submission is deemed non-compliant. Should compliance be determined before the 22nd May the site will be allowed re-open immediately.

Contact: John Downey, A/Planning Enforcement Manager
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Email: john.downey@dublincity.ie

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Q.40 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Area Manager to refer to my question 62 of November 2022 Area Committee and say if repair works to this footpath at **(details supplied)** were carried out and if not, say when same can be done.”

Reply:

Road Maintenance Services (RMS) have completed an inspection of the footpath and can confirm that this location **(details supplied)** is part of 2023 programme of works for footpath repairs.

These works have yet to be sent out for tender and therefore we cannot give an exact timeframe for when the works will be completed at this time. We would anticipate that it would be completed in 2023 if there are no unforeseen delays.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th May 2023

Q.41 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager that following on from the universal support for the development of a Community Garden to commemorate Irish WWI ex-service men at Killester at the October 2022 meeting of the North Central Area Committee, to ask the Area Manager for a) a detailed written report on progress to date b) a timeline for completion of the project recognising the community's desire to open the garden on the Centenary Community Day' on Saturday 26th August and c) and online meeting with Cllr and local stakeholders to keep all apprised of progress”

Reply:

The proposal for a WW1 Memorial Garden was first considered by the Monuments and Naming Committee the formal committee set up by the Council to consider such proposals for memorials. The committee rejected the WW1 memorial proposal however approved the idea of commemorating the housing scheme in principle. Members of the Memorial Committee met the group on site and recommended that the group go for a simple bench or tree with an information plaque instead, as allowed for under Parks' policy. The Parks Service has engaged with this group for some time on what was seen as a local history project to tell the fascinating story of the area culminating in the largest housing scheme for returning WW1 veterans in the state but not a memorial for remembrance of veterans. The main elements of this project included interpretative signage, seating and planting and possibly leading to a publication or possibly an exhibition which was seen as a more fitting way to remember the original residents of this housing scheme. The Parks Service remains supportive of the installation of good-quality well-researched interpretative signage presenting the history of the area with associated seating and some planting sensitively located in the vicinity of the former legion hall. While there is no agreement for the launch date picked by this group progress and research towards the interpretative signage is ongoing with certain consulting researchers lined up. While it is difficult to put a precise timeframe on such research it is anticipated that work on this element could be complete to have same installed later this summer subject to the identification of a suitable budget.

The Parks Service is happy to meet with Councillors on line with regard to this project.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th May 2023

Q.42 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to provide an update on the request to provide a one-way vehicular system at **(details supplied)**”

Reply:

The Area Engineer is not in possession of enough information to confirm absolute ownership of the land in question and whether the area is fully under DCC’s control, and unfortunately, no action can be taken at this time.

Contact: Gerry McEntagart – North City Executive Engineer

Email: gerald.mcentagart@dublincity.ie

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15th May 2023

Q.43 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to a) provide the costings for the installation of a fully signalised junction for **(details supplied)**, b) to ensure its inclusion in next year's Capital Plan and c) given the number of safety incidents involving this junction, the fact that the second access point to this estate **(details supplied)** has a fully signalised junction, temporarily re-install the sensors on the lights to increase pedestrian and vehicular safety

Reply:

As previously stated, Dublin City Council policy does not permit pedestrian crossing signals to be used to control traffic movements. These type of signals are exclusively to ensure that pedestrians may cross roadways safely.

These pedestrian signals were upgraded last year and in line with current DCC policy mentioned above, the traffic detector previously on site was removed as it cannot be used to control traffic movements at a pedestrian crossing.

As you have stated, motorists do have the option of another, signalised junction to exit the Ardmore estate.

The traffic signals at this alternative exit are not currently connected to Dublin City Council's SCATS traffic management system, however, a connection will now be undertaken and this should improve the exit of vehicles from Montrose Ave onto Skellys Lane, thus alleviating some of the issues at the junction of Kilmore / Ardmore..

Contact: Seán Fallon, Executive ITS Officer, Transportation

Email: sean.fallon@dublincity.ie

Reply:

There is currently no funding for junction upgrade at Kilmore Road and Ardmore Drive. The requested junction upgrade was added to the waiting list for future works programme along with other locations where crossings signalised / traffic lights have been requested.

The locations (including the one raised above) will be reassessed at the end the year with the aim of including them on the next Capital Works Programme, if funding is made available.

Contact: Gerry McEntagart – North City Executive Engineer

Email: gerald.mcentagart@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th May 2023

Q.44 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to arrange for the removal of the very young palm-like tree growing from the base of the lamppost at on Skelly's Lane opposite Beauvale and have it transplanted to a more appropriate setting. (if it is deemed too damaged or not fit for transplant I will adopt its remains and try nurturing it in my own garden)”

Reply:

Cordyline trees are prolific self-seeders and are easy to propagate but are deep rooted and difficult to transplant particularly when growing so close to a pole or similar with foundations. As the roots will be entangled with the concrete foundations it will be practically impossible to remove the plant with enough roots if any at all, to allow for successful replanting. Parks staff will endeavour to remove same.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th May 2023

Q.45 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Area Manager to indicate why the recently installed bin on **(details supplied)** was removed and when it will be replaced?”

Reply:

This bin was removed again as it was being used as a toilet and this was a serious health and safety concern for the staff emptying the bin.

Contact: Paul Arnold, Executive Engineer, Waste Management Services,
Email: paul.arnold@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.46 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons

“To ask the Area Manager for a report on all communications, contacts and engagements between the city council and Platinum Land Ltd in relation to the former Chivers site on Coolock Drive over the past two years.”

Reply:

A search of relevant planning documentation has been undertaken in relation to the above query. No communications or submissions were received by the City Council as part of the review of the City Development Plan process from Platinum Land or similar.

In relation to Development Management; no new planning applications have been made on the lands and no compliances have been received in relation to current granted permissions on the lands. The Council cannot, under the Planning Acts; outline if pre-planning meetings have been held on the lands until an application is lodged.

In relation to the residential zoned land tax, submissions were received in regard to the site as follows:

RZLT58

- RZLT-58 Submission received on 22nd December 2022 re. Lands at the 'Former Chivers Site', Coolock Drive, Coolock, Dublin 17 prepared by McCutcheon Halley Chartered Planning Consultants on behalf of Mr. Maurice Gillick of Veni Vidi Vici Limited.
- RZLT-58 Notification of RZLT Determination issued from Dublin City Council to consultants above on 29th March 2023
- RZLT-58 Copy of appeal to An Bord Pleanala received re. RZLT-58 from An Bord Pleanala on 28th April 2023

RZLT-93

- RZLT-93 Submission received on 29th December 2022 re. Former Chivers Site, Coolock Drive, Coolock, Dublin 17 from Andrew Gillick of Veni Vidi Vici Limited.
- RZLT-93 Notification of RZLT Determination issued from Dublin City Council to Andrew Gillick on 29th March 2023

Contact: Deirdre Scully, City Planner
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Email: Deirdre.Scully@dubincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.47 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

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

Reply:

There is no specific budget allocated for this as the works are carried out during the course of our ongoing direct labour repair program.

Carriageway resurfacing, where sections of carriageway are resurfaced by third party specialist resurfacing contractors is carried out as part of the Road Maintenance Services Major Works Program. The budget for 2023 in the North Central Area for carriageway resurfacing is €1,614,900.00. There are always additional candidate resurfacing projects omitted from the annual works program due to insufficient budget allocation. Any additional funding made available for resurfacing would be welcome and would allow for an increased number of roads to be resurfaced and an improvement in the condition of the roads

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

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15th May 2023

Q.48 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

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

Reply:

Road Maintenance Services (RMS) currently have no plans in place to complete reseeded of the grass verges at **(details supplied)**.

Please provide exact location details of the road sign which was removed in order for RMS to fully investigate who is responsible for this signage.

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

Verges outside people’s homes have not been included in the new landscape maintenance contract and rather it is expected that residents will adopt these spaces and maintain them as they best see fit. Verges at entrances to estates that are not outside residences remain under contract and will be brought to the attention of the contractor. The Parks Service does not repair or reseed verges unless required as a consequence of works carried out by the Parks Service.

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

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15th May 2023

Q.49 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

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

Reply:

There are no major capital works planned by Libraries in the NCA in 2023. There is a budget of €80,000 for new windows for Donaghmede Library in the Programme of Works, although this may need to be increased once quotes are received. Coolock, Drumcondra and Raheny Libraries have all been recently renovated / improved and a feasibility study for a new library serving the Marino / Fairview / Clontarf area will be undertaken in 2023.

All branch libraries, as well as the Library in the Community team, work with schools across the city, hosting class visits and events.

Contact: **Brendan Teeling, Deputy City Librarian**
Tel: **222 4000**
Email: **brendan.teeling@dublincity.ie**

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15th May 2023

Q.50 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

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

Reply:

The Area Office are working on a report regarding the walkability study & further requests made by the Santry Forum during their presentation to the Whitehall/Artane Councillor.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.51 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

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

Reply:

Both roundabouts have been seeded with pollinator friendly wildflower displays. It appears that the Busconnects proposals include converting these roundabouts to fully signalised junctions.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th May 2023

Q.52 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

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

Reply:

Please see attached which was previously circulated to all Councillors.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.53 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

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

Reply:

Cluid Housing are still committed to the site and are working with their architects and technical teams on the appropriate design for this site.

Contact: Michelle Robinson, Senior Executive Officer
Tel: 222 6114
Email: Michelle.robinson@dublincity.ie

B) PPP Bundle 3 Site – Collins Avenue/Swords Road, Dublin 9

The site adjacent west to Whitehall Colmcille GAA is included in the National Social Housing PPP Bundle 3 programme. Part 8 approval for the scheme was granted at the September 2022 City Council meeting. The scheme will deliver 83 units in total, comprising of;

- 41no. 1 bed units
- 30no. 2 bed units
- 12no. 3 bed units (10% of the apartments being designed to Universal Design standards)
- Public/Private open space, surface car parking, bicycle parking and community room.

The PPP Bundle 3 programme is currently in the procurement phase of programme. It is expected that construction will commence on site following financial close in Q2 2024.

The current projected completion date for all six sites in PPP Bundle 3 is Q4 2025.

Contact: Gareth Rowan, PPP Project Manager
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Email: ppphousing@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th May 2023

Q.54 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

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

Reply:

There has not been recent funding given directly to Artane Beaumont Recreation Centre through the Community & Social Development Section. Funding is provided directly to the groups that use the centre for programmes through the annual community development grants scheme.

Contact: Niamh Reilly, Area Community & Social Development Officer
Artane / Whitehall LEA.

Tel: 222 8841

Email: niamhp.reilly@dublincity.ie

The following centres were awarded funding from the 2022 annual community grant scheme, Donaghmede LEA:

Artane Coolock Family Resource Centre, €620. Their application was to help with the running costs of their monthly café for older people.

TARGET, Newbrook Avenue, €620. Their application was to help with counselling services.

TARGET, Newbrook Avenue, €300 Adult Education Grant. Their application was to help purchase art supplies.

KCCP, Kilbarrack, €620. Their application was to help provide Halloween activities for families and yoga classes for the old and young.

Contact: Sheila Duffy, Senior Staff Officer

Tel: 222 8556

Email: Sheila.duffy@dublincity.ie

Dublin City Council administers a variety of community based funds and grants via many of the Council's Departments throughout the year.

The Community Support Fund (under the Community Enhancement Programme) is the latest one funded by the Department of Rural and Community Development (DRCD). It is administered through the Dublin City Local Community Development Committee (LCDC) and Dublin City Council's Housing and Community Services Department. It opened for online applications on 13th March and closed on 31st March. The aim of the CSF is to support non-profit, community-based and/or voluntary sector organisations or groups who are seeking support with meeting capital costs and operating/ running costs, not including salary. A total of €576,625 is available under this round of the Dublin City CSF. A total of 140 applications were received and assessment is underway.

The Dublin City LCDC is very aware of the funding needs and challenges facing local community and voluntary groups across the city. As a result, it has partnered with [The Wheel](#) to provide local community and voluntary not-for-profit groups in Dublin City with access to important resources. These include the Wheel's Fundraising Guidance Library and Helpdesk and the bi monthly Dublin City focused Funding point Local Digest. By drawing on a well-established body of funding research, the Dublin City focused Funding point Local Digest provides up to date detailed information about hundreds of viable alternative sources of local, national and EU funding to which local

groups could apply. These resources can be accessed online on Dublin City Council's website at the Community Grants and Funding webpage (<https://www.dublincity.ie/residential/improving-my-community/community-grants-and-funding>).

Community Grant Scheme 2023 - On an annual basis, Dublin City Council provides financial support through once-off local and city-wide community grants with a particular emphasis on community development and social inclusion to a range of resident, community, environmental and festival groups. This Scheme will open for applications in due course.

Contact: Kayanne O'Mahony, Acting Senior Executive Officer, Community & Social Development, Housing and Community Services

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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th May 2023

Q.55 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following re; street sweeping (**Details supplied**) and if he will make a statement on the matter.”

Reply:

Litter levels in the North Central area are monitored on an ongoing basis and extra cleaning is arranged at certain locations when deemed necessary.

There is no new cleaning plant or extra staff planned for the North Central area at this time.

Waste Management Services have one inspector, three supervisors and thirty eight outdoor staff working in the North Central area from 6am-2pm. We have a Suburban 7/7 team consisting of one inspector, one supervisor and six outdoor staff working there from 2pm-9pm. The machines used here are three large road sweepers and two small road sweepers. There are fourteen side loaders, one bin truck and a grab lorry which are dedicated to clearing the illegal dumping black spots as quickly as possible. There are two hand carts operating in this area.

These staff clean the main thoroughfares and shopping areas on a daily basis and empty the bins there. Residential areas are cleaned on an Area Based schedule. We remove illegally dumped rubbish from the area as it arises.

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services,
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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th May 2023

Q.56 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following regarding astro turf pitches at (Details supplied) and if he will make a statement on the matter.”

Reply:

The Sports & Recreation Services have no involvement in the astros mentioned.

Contact: **Donncha O’Dulaing, Senior Executive Officer**
Tel: **222 3877**
Email: Donncha.odulaing@dublincity.ie

Parks have no role in funding private facilities.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.57 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following regarding plans for council depots (**Details supplied**) and if he will make a statement on the matter.”

Reply:

Housing Maintenance has one depot in the North Central Area located in Coolock which is a leased commercial unit. This depot is due to close over the summer of 2023.

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

The depots relevant to the North City Operations Depot in the NCA are as follows:

- Collins Avenue Waste Management
- Collins Avenue Road Maintenance
- Cromcastle Court Waste Management
- Malahide Industrial Estate Housing Maintenance

The Housing Department is liaising with AHB's on all appropriately zoned existing depot sites with a view to redeveloping them for public housing. The construction of the North City Operations Depot is in its final weeks. The Contractor is expected to be substantially complete in early June. The fit out of furniture will commence immediately in tandem with the commencement of operations moving into the depot. The move of staff into the depot will be on a phased basis starting in June. The NCOD is expected to be fully operational by mid-August. There will be a short period of time after each operational section moves to the NCOD to allow existing depots to be fully vacated.

Contact: Sharon Mc Mahon, Senior Engineer
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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th May 2023

Q.58 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager to consider removing or repositioning the barrier opposite the pedestrian entrance/exit to **(details supplied)** and reseeding the grass verges around it and behind the bus shelter and providing a new bin at the bus stop”

Reply:

Waste Management Services will install a litter bin at the above mentioned bus stop when the new batch of bins are delivered in July 2023.

Contact: Paul Arnold, Executive Engineer, Waste Management Services
Email: paul.arnold@dublincity.ie

Road Maintenance Services cannot remove this barrier, it is positioned at this location for safety to discourage pedestrians rushing out onto a busy road.

Road Maintenance Services have recorded the grass reseeding issue at this location for consideration to complete 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.59 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager what actions can be taken by the council to prevent illegal parking of motor vehicles on (**details supplied**) e.g. the provision of attractive knee high die case metal post and rail boundary fencing?”

Reply:

Dublin Street Parking Services will patrol the area and issue warnings initially for illegal parking. However, the council is aware that in some residential areas with narrow roads it may be necessary to park partially on the kerb line to prevent any obstructions to traffic.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th May 2023

Q.60 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager to provide an update in relation to the proposed senior citizens development at Whitehall church car park.”

Reply:

Cluid Housing are still committed to the site and are working with their architects and technical teams on the appropriate design for this site.

Contact: Michelle Robinson, Senior Executive Officer
Tel: 222 6114
Email: Michelle.robinson@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th May 2023

Q.61 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager if some ramps could be installed on **(details supplied)**. If ramps are not deemed suitable could the Manager review other means of slowing traffic on this busy residential road?”

Reply:

A speed survey was recently conducted on Shanard Road the resultant 85% percentile vehicular speed was found to be 33.1 km/h and have not indicated the presence of speeding vehicles which suggests that the road is compliant with the speed limit.

The provision of speed ramps is not recommended at this time 30 km/h road markings will be provided on Shanard Road junction with Shanard Avenue and at junction with Shanliss Road to enhance the current 30 km/h speed limit signage for the road.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th May 2023

Q.62 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager when will the underground car park at Clongriffin DART Station be re-opened?”

Reply:

Gannon Homes are still carrying out ongoing works to the Park and Ride, there is no date yet for re-opening, they are awaiting parts from England for the emergency doors and once they are fitted they will need to be signed off by the Fire Officer.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th May 2023

Q.63 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager if the Council will provide a playground in Donaghmede Park - there are lots of families with small children that have moved into the area?”

Reply:

Donaghmede is not considered an area of deficit and is served by a number of playgrounds in the area. The priority for playgrounds budgets in the short to medium term is to address areas of deficit and to bring existing playgrounds up to standard.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th May 2023

Q.64 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager if the Council will prune a tree outside **(details supplied)?**”

Reply:

The tree 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 2023-24.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th May 2023

Q.65 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager if the Council will prune the trees at the entrance to Kilbarrack Gardens”

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 2023-24.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th May 2023

Q.66 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager will the Council prune the trees outside **(details supplied)** as a loose branch is hanging down onto the wires.”

Reply:

The tree 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 2023-24.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th May 2023

Q.67 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Area Manager will the Council prune the trees outside **(details supplied)**”

Reply:

The tree 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 2023-24.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th May 2023

Q.68 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following regarding street cleaning & land ownership issues at **(details supplied)** and if he will make a statement on the matter.”

Reply:

This slip road to M50 is looked after by Transport Infrastructure Ireland.

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

The public domain section have a litter pick carried out fortnightly on the **(details supplied)** which involves both sides of the road from Malahide Road to the Clayton hotel.

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

b) The Development Department has not carried out any audit and is not aware of any audit that may have been carried out in this area.

The following undeveloped sites in DCC ownership are –

- Gallagher Lands, corner of Malahide Rd and R139 off Belcamp Lane – see attached Map – LR Folio DN3982
- Deering Lands, off Belcamp Lane – see attached Map – DN4634
- Oblate Lands, between Belcamp Lane and R139 – see attached Map

DCC owned occupied sites/lands/developments are -

- Clonshaugh Park /Belcamp Pitch & Putt Course DN2244
- St. Michael's House Site -- Leased by DCC for 150 years from 23.10.1976
- Housing units -- Cara park/Close & Tara Lawn, Northern Close LR Folio DN222995F

DCC owned Park Lands are -

- Darndale Park – LR Folios DN201884F, DN16612, DN1765
- Belcamp Park – LR Folios DN2244, DN188932F

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Q.69 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

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

Reply:

Improvements have been carried out in both local parks in recent years there are no plans for further improvements at these locations this year.

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

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Q.70 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

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

Reply:

A map of the road that is proposed to be declared public has been finalised. This map will be circulated this month to the internal DCC Departments for comment by the North Central Area Office. A public consultation process will then proceed stating objections or representations may be made in writing to the road authority in relation to the proposed declaration. A report will then be prepared on the public consultation, considering any objections and representations made, before a recommendation is made to the Council on whether the proposal should proceed. This process will take approximately three months. It is expected that the public consultation process will begin next month if no significant objections are received.

Contact: Eric Lavelle, Executive Engineer
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Smart property look after the retail units in Clongriffin for Gannon Homes and are actively seeking/negotiating with prospective tenants for vacant units.

Contact: Deirdre Murphy, Administrative Officer
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Clongriffin

Dublin City Council do not own any Commercial Units in Clongriffin.

New Priory Retail Units:

There are 4 Retail units at New Priory, Hole in the Wall Road, Dublin 13. These units continue to be advertised for letting by Mason Owen & Lyons Estate Agents on behalf of Dublin City Council. Any proposal for lease will be presented to the North Central Area Committee.

Contact: Bláthnaid Conlon, Senior Staff Officer, Property Disposals.
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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.71 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

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

Reply:

Average time taken from date of vacant possession to the properties have being fully refurbished in Q1 2023 was 18.28 weeks. A new framework of contractors has been established which has increased the number of contractors available to Housing maintenance. At present there are 278 properties under refurbishment across the City, 59 in the North Central Area. Housing Maintenance have met with the contractors and reinforced the need to refurbish these properties as quickly as possible, but it must be noted that there are constraints within the construction sector at present. I.e. labour shortages, supply delays, windows, fire doors etc.

The following is a summary of the vacant units in the North Central Area.

Property Type	No. Beds	No. Properties	Total
Apartment	1 bed	4	9
	2 bed	5	
House	2 bed	6	40
	3 bed	28	
	4 bed	6	
Senior Citizens	0 bed	5	10
	1 bed	4	
	2 bed	1	

Contact: Robert Buckle
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Q.72 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

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

Reply:

The Raheny to Kilbarrack Walking and Cycling Interim Scheme will deliver a 1.75km cycle route along the Howth Road which extends from Raheny Village (junction of Howth Road, Station Road and Main Street) to the junction of Howth Road and James Larkin Road.

The project teams is currently assessing the submissions made during the public consultation process and it will publish the Public Consultation Report once completed.

A cost estimate for the proposed scheme is currently being developed following potential alterations to the segregation technique following updated guidance from the NTA and assessment of the public consultation submissions.

The interim scheme will be implemented in two phases:

Phase 1: This phase commences at Raheny Village (junction of Howth Road, Main Street and Station Road) and continues along the Howth Road for approximately 1km and finishes at Foxfield Road. It is proposed to use bollard protected and parking protected cycle tracks along this section.

Phase 2: The remaining 0.75km section of Howth Road will continue on from Phase 1 at Foxfield Road until it ends at the approach to the junction of Howth Road and James Larkin Road. Due to the narrower road width at this section of the Howth Road it is proposed to use temporary kerbs and flexible bollards on the southern side of the road and on the northern side the cycle track will be off-road adjacent to the existing footpath.

See attached drawings of the proposed route which were included in the public consultation phase. These drawings are subject to change following a review of submissions and completion of detailed design stage.

See also the Dublin City Council website for more details of the scheme (Link):
Raheny to Kilbarrack Walking and Cycling Interim Scheme Information

Contact: David Conway, Senior Executive Engineer
Email: activetraveloffice@dublincity.ie

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Q.73 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

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

Reply:

A shower was recently installed at the first bathing shelter. The steps, railings etc. will be inspected in advance of the bathing season and any necessary repairs or upgrades scheduled to ensure the facilities are safe and fit for purpose.

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

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Q.74 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

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

Reply:

Development Name	No. of Units	Expected Completion Date	Delivery Stream
Plunkett Hall, Dublin 13	6	Q2 2023	Part V
Chanel Manor, Dublin 5	9	Q4 2023	Part V
Northern Cross Block 2, Dublin 17	19	Q4 2023	Part V
Newtown, Clarehall Site, Dublin 17	33	Q4 2023	Part V
Ashbrook, Howth Road, Dublin 3	4	Q4 2023	Part V

Contact: Lorraine Gaughran
Email: 222 5379
Tel: Lorraine.gaughran@dublincity.ie

Long Term Leasing	Broomhill House, Swords Road, Whitehall, Dublin 9	124 Apartment	(includes 12 Part V).
Long Term Leasing	Block A, Newtown, Malahide Road, Dublin 17.	93 Apartment	(includes 33 Part V).

Contact: Alana Dunne
Email: 222 5354
Tel: alana.dunne@dublincity.ie

Development Name	No. of Units	Expected Completion Date	Delivery Stream
Chanel Manor	78	2023	AHB – CALF

Contact: Aisling Browne
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Email: Aisling.browne@dublincity.ie

Development Name	No. of Units	Expected Completion Date	Delivery Stream
Glin Court, D17	32	Q4 2024	Regeneration
Cromcastle Court	148	Q3 2027	Regeneration
St. Anne’s Court, D5	102	Q3 2027	Regeneration

Contact: Alice Simington

Email: Alice.simington@dublincity.ie

The priority projects for the North Central Area for this year for Housing Maintenance are as follows:

The continuation of our Energy Efficiency Retrofit Programme (EERP), which has proven very successful in significantly improving the energy efficiency of the Council's housing stock and assisting tenants with warmer homes and reduced heating bills.

In addition to the primary benefits of the programme outlined above, tenants have also highlighted that the works have substantially improved moisture control, external noise reduction and the external aesthetics of the building and their homes. Finally, these works will importantly also extend the lifespan of the building.

Commence the rollout of new Secure Bin Areas programme in a number of our Senior Citizen housing complexes in the North Central Area. These new and improved bin areas look neater, they are more in keeping with the surrounding built environment and they are an important pest control measure.

The Voids programme has put in place a new framework of contractors, this has increased the number of contractors available to Housing Maintenance. Housing Maintenance has met with contractors and reinforced the need to refurbish these properties as quickly as possible. To this end, there has been a 25% increase in refurbished properties in Q1 2023 versus Q1 2022 and we will work to continue this trend across 2023.

The Adaptions and Accessibility programme addresses the needs of older people or people with a disability, who may require stair lifts, ramps, level access showers, etc. This programme is a demand lead programme and Housing Maintenance continues to increase the output across all categories of adaptions as demand has increased. In 2022 the programme delivered a 40% increase in showers and bathrooms adaptions in comparison to 2021. Housing Maintenance has maintained this increased delivery across Q1 2023. This is a vital programme for Housing Maintenance as it improves the quality of living of our tenants and supports them in maintaining their independent living too.

Housing Maintenance has developed a new scheme that we are calling an Enhanced Works Programme. This programme will focus on making key improvements to the Council's housing complexes. It is a separate programme to the Council's regeneration scheme run by the City Architects and the Regeneration section.

The Enhanced Works Programme will include a suite of measures such as external wall insulation, new windows and doors, new heating systems if needed, completion of any internal maintenance requests, painting of the complex, repairs to boundary walls, roof and balcony repairs and works, and maintaining and upgrading shared common areas and green spaces.

As part of the Enhanced Works Programme we will undertake repairs and improvements inside the properties, outside the properties and in the immediate area surrounding the properties, and these works are intended to make important improvements both for the general area and especially for our tenants.

Contact: Clive Ahern, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance
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Q.75 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

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

Reply:

The Water Pollution Control (WPC) section of the Protection of Waterbodies Office is responsible for the protection of waters within Dublin City Councils administrative area, predominantly under the Water Pollution Act of 1977 as amended. This includes the River Santry, which enters Dublin City’s jurisdiction downstream of the Santry Demesne to where it outfalls into Dublin Bay, north of the Causeway Road at Bull Island.

The WPC section is responsible for removing debris, objects or bulky waste from rivers, which has or can cause an obstruction to flow. Flooding obstructions are typically identified by the section during routine river sampling or pollution investigation work. Additionally, observations of flooding obstructions can be reported for investigation via our dedicated email address (waterpollution@dublincity.ie). Work to remove impediments to flow is actioned as soon as practicably possible following identification.

The section also manages the maintenance of 32 river screens/racks, of which 8 are located along the River Santry. Screens are typically located immediately upstream of culverts and bridges, to help mitigate blockages or damage occurring therein. Screens are maintained by the section on at least a bi-weekly basis or as required.

The River Santry was most recently maintained on the 04/05/23, specifically the stretch of river which runs through Stardust Memorial Park. Previous to that, a rigorous clean-up occurred the last week in April on the stretch of river between Tonlegee Road and Lein Gardens. On both occasions, a significant quantity of bulky waste was removed from the channel including furniture, shopping trollies, and tyres. Pictures of the waste identified and removed from the river have been included in the end of the report for reference.

In addition to our prescribed work, WPC regularly coordinates river cleaning activities with various local groups, including the Raheny Tidy Towns Committee. In support of the 2022 tidy towns competition, the section organised cleaning of the River Santry in Raheny village to coincide with the committee’s efforts.





Contact: Emma Finlay A/Senior Executive Engineer, Water Pollution
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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.76 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

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

Reply:

Safe Routes to School (SRTS)

Progress on completing 'Safer routes to schools (SRTS)' is very limited due to staffing shortages and unfortunately the situation is getting worse not better. We are currently awaiting sanction for 2 number Walking & Cycling Officers to progress the project and have been for some time with no date when sanction may finally be received from the Department so for now we cannot guarantee being able to complete any schools this year.

Subject to staffing , the schools earmarked for SRTS completions are the SRTS Round 1 and Round 2 priority list of schools (plus adjacent schools) identified by the Department of Transport for front-of-school treatment. As it currently stands it is not possible to give timelines on completions due to staff shortages.

SRTS Round 1 and 2 Schools Current Status:

Completed 2023:

- SRTS Round 1 Assumption Junior School
- SRTS Round 1 Assumption Senior Girls' National School

For Completion – Timeframe tbc - subject to staffing/ sanctioning of posts:

- SRTS Round 1 Our Lady of Consolation & Scoil Chiarain (adjacent school)
- SRTS Round 1 St Fiachra's Junior National School & St Fiachra's Senior National School (adjacent school)
- SRTS Round 1 Broombridge Educate Together National School
- SRTS Round 1 Drumcondra National School
- SRTS Round 1 St. Brigid's Girls' National School & St Marys Secondary School (adjacent school)
- SRTS Round 1 St Joseph's Secondary School Fairview & SRTS Round 1 St. Joseph's CBS
- SRTS Round 1 Stratford College & SRTS Round 1 Stratford National School
- SRTS Round 1 Harold's Cross Educate Together Secondary School
- SRTS Round 1 Kildare Place School
- SRTS Round 2 St Christopher's Primary School

Once the above List 1 Schools have been completed, it is intended to commence the preliminary design phase with the following five Round 2 Schools – timeframe tbc subject to staffing/sanctioning of posts:

- SRTS Round 2 St Pauls College Sybill Hill & St Brigid's (adjacent school)
- SRTS Round 2 Gaelscoil Lios na n-Óg
- SRTS Round 2 Glasnevin National School
- SRTS Round 2 St Kevin's Junior National School

- SRTS Round 2 St. Paul's CBS Secondary School New Brunswick St

There are also a number of non SRTS Round 1/Round 2 schools awaiting interventions. As it currently stands, due to current staffing constraints, we are unable to commence the progress of schools outside of the SRTS Round 1 and Round 2 priority list at this time. Once the Round 1 and 2 list has been cleared, we will commence engagement with the awaiting schools.

Contact: Aishling Lennon, Administrative Officer
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Q.77 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

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

Reply:

Capital Works include ongoing upgrades to the Red Stables building consisting of:

1. Proposed reconfiguration and enhancement of the new multi-functional first floor space, the café premises and a new courtyard lobby entrance
2. Proposed roof repairs (to the northern range) which will be partly funded by the HSF 2023 grant award.

Other capital works include:

New footpaths at the arboretum and south east corner of the park; quantum will depend on quotations received.

Repairs and stabilisation works to the wall at the clock tower.

Capital investment for Bull Island:

Continued roll out of the new suite of signage reflecting the new Visitor Management Access Plan.

Options for further capital improvements such as toilets at both locations are currently being explored but plans have not finalised at this time and it is not clear if same can be delivered in 2023.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.78 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

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

Reply:

Waste Management Services currently have 729 bins in the North Central area of which 32 of them are awaiting replacement due to being either damaged or at end of use stage. In 2018 there were 548 bins in the North Central area. The changed area boundaries since then would be a major factor in the increase in bin numbers in North Central. It should be noted that there have been significant delays in delivery of new bins, therefore these replacement bins will be installed over the coming months as the new stock is delivered.

Contact: Paul Arnold, Executive Engineer, Waste Management Services,
Email: paul.arnold@dublincity.ie

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Q.79 Question in the name of Councillor Damien O’Farrell

“To ask the Area Manager to organise a report on what works are presently being carried out by the developer on the O’Devaney Gardens site? Also, I understand that enabling works are being carried out on site. What exactly/specifically do these enabling works entail? Lastly, has the developer filed a commencement notice yet and if yes, for what date please?”

Reply:

The Developer of O’Devaney Gardens Development appointed HML Contractors in February last to carry out the Enabling works which is anticipated will complete by end of this year (2023). The Enabling works entails excavation of lands to accommodate all utilities and infrastructure throughout the site, laying of same including roads overhead and other external works all in preparation of the site for the construction of individual apartment blocks and houses.

The main contract is due to commence in June 2023 with the following completion dates:

PROGRAMME	
Phase	Completion date
1	Oct 2025
2	Nov 2025
3	Feb 2026

A commencement notice will be submitted to the Building Control Authority in advance of commencement of the main contract in line with the requirements of the Building Control Regulations.

Contact: Martin Donlon, Senior Architect
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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.80 Question in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney

“To ask the Area Manager to provide an update on adding the structures on the Clontarf promenade to the list of protected structures as no notice has been seen on the band stand style circular structure and when are remedial and restoration works are likely to begin?”

Reply:

It is envisaged that the next phase of proposed additions to the RPS will commence in the autumn, based on the methodology prepared by the Planning & Property Development Department. This methodology includes the prioritisation of categories of buildings of special interest that are considered under-represented on the current RPS, including 20th century buildings/structures.

The 20th century shelters and the ‘bandstand’ structure are recommended for inclusion in this next phase of proposed additions by the Planning & Property Development Department in accordance with the methodology as agreed.

Contact: Paraic Fallon, Senior Planner, Conservation Section
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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.81 Question in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney

“To ask the Area Manager provide accessible access to the promenade linear park from the bus stop and pedestrian crossings opposite St Anthony’s Hall Clontarf road as there is only an entrance through a car park with no separated pavement and no proper access for wheelchair users, push chairs or people using other mobility aids?”

Reply:

There is a dedicated and accessible pedestrian access to the promenade 100m to the east. The Parks Service does not consider that providing such an access through a busy car park is appropriate.

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

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Q.82 Question in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney

“To ask the Area Manager provide an update on the play areas for children that were to be provided on Clontarf promenade?”

Reply:

There are no current plans to install a playground here in advance of the proposed flood defences work. Play facilities should be considered as part of the design process for these defences.

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

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Q.83 Question in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney

“To ask the Area Manager provide an update on dates for the installation of the agreed inclusive swing equipment in Fairview Park and St Anne’s Park”.

Reply:

The procurement complications of the single supplier have been addressed and 2 swings are to be ordered in the coming weeks for the North Central Area; 1 for Fr. Collins Park and 1 for St Anne’s. There is unfortunately no room in the playground for one of these swings as they have a significant footprint. The Parks Service did commit to assessing locations outside of the playground in Fairview for suitability for one of these swings but unfortunately the spaces are too small to safely accommodate same.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th May 2023

Q.84 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O' Muiri

“To ask the Area Manager about the following: a local resident has been in touch with concerns that the public roadway is sagging near **(details supplied)**. Can the Area Manager ask the Roads Maintenance section to inspect and confirm this is not the case?”

Reply:

Road Maintenance Services will complete an inspection of the carriageway at **(details supplied)**. If any defects are found, they will be noted and recorded. Depending on the outcome of the inspection the location will then be considered for repair if additional funding becomes available in 2023 or part of the 2024 programme of works.

Contact: Derek Horan, Executive Engineer.
Tel: 222 3898.
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Q.85 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O' Muiri

“To ask the Area Manager to confirm if there is an appeals or mercy-plea mechanism for Household Adaptation Grant applications? I have been contacted by a resident who is out on pension since 2022 and is struggling without upgraded facilities – however the income assessment period is 2021/2022; is there a mechanism by which his 2022/2023 income could be assessed rather than him having to wait another year?

Reply:

The Housing Grant Section administers three Housing Grants Schemes designed to provide assistance to people making adaptations to their privately owned homes to meet their medical needs and to older people in poor housing conditions carrying out essential repairs to their owner occupied homes. These measures enable people to stay in their own communities and prevent or delay their placement in residential care thereby reducing social segregation, assisting their carer's and strengthening families.

The income assessment for Housing Adaptation Grants for Older People and People with a Disability is based on the previous year for e.g., in the current year (2023) income for the year 2022 is assessed.

However, if an Applicants circumstances has changed, Dublin City Council will assess the Applicant based on their current income.

I have attached the hyperlink to the Housing Adaptation Grants for older people and people with a disability (Private Houses).

[Housing Adaptation Grants for older people and people with a disability \(Private Houses\)](#)

If further information is required, please contact the Loans & Grants Section directly at Tel. 2222195 to discuss.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.86 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O' Muiri

“To ask the Area Manager to inspect a telecoms pole which has fallen into **(details supplied 1)** from **(details supplied 2)** – can Dublin City Council take any role in organising for it to be removed as the situation seems to be static at the moment.”

Reply:

An inspection of the public path outside 25 & 27 **(details supplied)** was carried out by a member of The Infrastructure Management (IMU) team in RMS on 8th May 2023. There was no evidence of a fallen telecoms pole on the public footpath or carriageway. In order to progress this matter for these residents, the matter has been referred by The IMU to EIR for action. EIR arranged for an inspector to call out on 9th May to investigate the situation in the back gardens of these houses however they were unable to gain access. EIR will continue to call to above location to investigate this situation and report will issue to Councillor once they have done so.

Contact: Deri Flood, SEE, IMU, RMS
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Q.87 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O' Muiri

“To ask the Area Manager to provide a background report and prioritise the Marino Neighbourhood Scheme with a view to providing some relief at this location? I was contacted by a local resident recently who tells me that traffic congestion and parking in and around Brian Road in Marino is very problematic at the moment and getting worse.”

Reply:

The Marino Neighbourhood Transport Scheme is aimed at addressing long-standing transport issues on Haverty Road and surrounding roads. The scheme is targeted at these roads in Marino due to the limited staff resources and funding available from the Capital Works Budget.

The Haverty Road Filtered Permeability Trial was installed on the 28th August 2022 for a 6 month trial period. A before and after evaluation of the trial is currently being carried out to assess the effectiveness of the trial. The results will indicate if the trial should be made permanent, amended or removed, and if additional traffic calming measures should be considered for implementation on the surrounding roads.

A report summarising the analysis will be compiled and presented to councillors prior to the June 2023 North Central Area Committee meeting. We will seek feedback from councillors on the report and councillors will be given the opportunity to advise whether to implement the trial on a permanent basis.

A permanent scheme would likely involve the installation of permanent infrastructure such as traffic islands, planting and other traffic calming measures as required. We will be in a position to tender for the development of a detailed design in Q3 2023 if there is support from councillors for a permanent scheme.

A permanent scheme would likely require the allocation of all funds available to the 2023 North Central Area Neighbourhood Transport Scheme Programme. Due to limited funding and staff resources, it is unlikely that we would be in a position to implement another scheme in other areas/roads in 2023.

Contact: Andrew Geoghegan Neighbourhood Transport Engineer (North City)
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Q.88 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O' Muiri

“To ask the Area Manager to please organise for repair of the damage to footpath caused by tree roots at the following location **(details supplied)**”

Reply:

Road Maintenance Services will complete an inspection of the public 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.89 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O' Muiri

“To ask the Area Manager to please organise for the laneway running from **(details supplied)** to be cleaned and for any graffiti at this location to be removed.”

Reply:

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned laneway cleaned and washed. The graffiti there is on a painted surface and would need painting over it.

Contact: Paul Arnold, Executive Engineer, Waste Management Services
Email: paul.arnold@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.90 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O' Muiri

“To ask the Area Manager the following in relation to local residents on Elm Mount Avenue who have been in touch in relation to noise problems from the car wash at Circle K on the Malahide Road near the Collins Avenue junction. Can the Area Manager;

1. Confirm that DCC is the competent authority for dealing with noise complaints in this regard
2. Outline if DCC are aware of any management arrangements in place at the Station to deal with this issue and if they are being enforced
3. Undertake a comprehensive study of noise levels after 7pm at this location and provide a report with an assessment underpinned by the relevant data.”

Reply:

1. The Air Quality Monitoring and Noise Control Unit, DCC can deal with this complaint under the provisions of the Environmental Protection Agency Act, 1992 (Noise) Regulations 1994
2. The Unit has not received any complaints about this premises and officers of the Unit are not aware of any management arrangements in place to deal with the issue.
3. The Councillor will be contacted to get the complainant's contact details. An investigation will be carried out which will include noise level monitoring and after 7-00 p.m. if required.

**Contact: Paul Rutherford, Acting Principal Environmental Health Officer,
Air Quality Monitoring and Noise Control Unit.**
Tel: 2223747
Email: paul.rutherford@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
15th May 2023

Q.91 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O' Muiri

“To ask the Area Manager to provide an update on discussions with the operators of the Clontarf Baths in relation to completing the element of the S2S cycleway to the front of the Baths to the appropriate standards and addressing current safety issues.”

Reply:

Talks with DCC and the developer regarding the S2S cycleway at Clontarf Baths are ongoing. There has been a delay due to legal clarity on land ownership, which has almost been resolved. A more detailed update will be provided as matters progress further.

Contact: Ronan Costello, Assistant engineer
Email: ActiveTravelOffice@dublincity.ie

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15th May 2023

Q.92 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O' Muiri

“To ask the Area Manager to please confirm the correct channel for a local resident wishing to discuss the purchase of a sliver of land from DCC near their property at **(details supplied 1)** as set out in the correspondence below **(details supplied 2)**.

Reply:

The Disposals Section in the Planning and Property Development Department, Dublin City Council, Block 3, Floor 2, Civic Offices, Wood Quay, Dublin 8 is the relevant section to deal with such queries. Requests to purchase plots of land owned by Dublin City Council should be emailed to disposals@dublincity.ie. Details of the subject plot and a rough map should be supplied in order that the Council's title can be investigated in the first instance.

In relation to the property referred, the plot to the side has been investigated and it has been confirmed that although our Parks, Bio Diversity & Landscape Services Division maintain the grass along the walkway, Dublin City Council does not own the subject property. The resident should contact the Property Registration Authority ([Property Registration Authority \(prai.ie\)](http://PropertyRegistrationAuthority.prai.ie)) in order to establish ownership.

Contact: Bláthnaid Conlon, Senior Staff Officer, Property Disposals.
Tel: 222 3408
Email: blathnaid.conlon@dublincity.ie

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Q.93 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O' Muiri

“To ask the Area Manager the following regarding a local resident who has complained to me about cars coming at speed from Elm Mount Road onto Thorndale Lawn and then Thorndale Avenue; can the Area Manager ask the traffic engineers to examine the situation and make recommendations they feel appropriate.

Reply:

Thorndale Lawn and Thorndale Avenue are residential roads with a 30km/h residential SLOW ZONE sign located on Elm Mount Road at the junction with Malahide Road along with diamond shaped “CHILDREN AT PLAY” sign both to warn drivers to curb their speed.

There are 3 No. speed ramps on Elm Mount Road before Thorndale Lawn as drivers leave Malahide Road for Elm Mount Road. On Thorndale Lawn/Ave. There is a cul-de-sac sign located to alert drivers.

The aforementioned roads are naturally traffic calmed with the provision of on-street parking on both sides of the road; the roads are also lined with mature trees which provides further traffic calming.

Therefore, further traffic calming measures are not recommended at aforementioned locations.

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

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Q.94 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O' Muiri

“To ask the Area Manager the following regarding a resident at **(details supplied)** who feels that the tree outside his house is very high – can the Area Manager organise for it to be assessed to see if it needs to be trimmed back?”

Reply:

The tree 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 2023/24.

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

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15th May 2023

Q.95 Question in the name of Councillor Karl Stanley

“To ask the Area Manager what is the current status of the proposed new playground in McAuley Park, Harmonstown and when is it scheduled for installation?”

Reply:

The tender package will be published in the coming week for a design and build contract for both proposed locations. Once tenders are returned and a preferred contractor appointed detail of the design and delivery timeframe will be shared with the area committee.

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

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Q.96 Question in the name of Councillor Karl Stanley

“To ask the Area Manager to report on the condition of the 6 drain shores near **(details supplied)**, where there are reports of local flooding due to blocked shores?”

Reply:

A CCTV camera inspection was carried out on the gullies outside and opposite **(details supplied)** on 08/05/2023. All gullies were found to be in good working order. These gullies were also cleaned on 08/05/2023.

Contact: Marina Hennesly, Senior Engineer, Surface Water & Flood Incident Management Division

Tel: 222 2403

Email: marina.hennesly@dublincity.ie

It is noted that the intensity of some recent showers/thunderstorms has been such that gullies/sewers would be expected to become overpowered. Usually these high intensity storms are of short duration and only cause temporary ponding on roads which quickly dissipates.

Contact: Dominic Molony, Senior Engineer

Tel: 222 2155

Email: dominic.molony@dublincity.ie

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Q.97 Question in the name of Councillor Karl Stanley

“To ask the Area Manager to describe any conditions /opening hour’s restrictions there are in place in relation to the operation of a bar in the St Paul’s Artane FC clubhouse?”

Reply:

Hours of operation of bars including at sports clubs are a liquor licencing issue and as such any queries relating to same should be referred to local licencing inspector from An Garda Síochána.

Contact: John Downey, A/Planning Enforcement Manager
Tel: 222 3465
Email: john.downey@dublincity.ie

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Q.98 Question in the name of Councillor Karl Stanley

“To ask the Area Manager if there are any plans in progress to add another astro pitch beside the one used by Raheny United in St Anne’s Park?”

Reply:

There are no plans for an additional all-weather facility in St. Anne’s Park

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

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Q.99 Question in the name of Councillor Karl Stanley

“To ask the Area Manager if an improved and expanded playground be provided (subject to consultation with local residents) at the Lambchop Bayside?”

Reply:

This area is not in the boundaries of Dublin City Council, I would advise Councillor to refer this question to Fingal County Council by emailing customercareunit@fingal.ie.

Contact: Catherine Cahill, Staff Officer
Tel: 222 8848
Email: Catherine.cahill@dublincity.ie

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15th May 2023

Q.100 Question in the name of Councillor Karl Stanley

“To ask the Area Manager if the Council will install more benches and some adult exercise equipment at Rockfield Park?”

Reply:

There are no current plans to install adult exercise equipment at this location. Consideration can be given to same as part of a future parks improvement programme.

Additional seating can be considered if a suitable location is identified.

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

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Q.101 Question in the name of Councillor Karl Stanley

“To ask the Area Manager if the tree that was knocked down at **(details supplied)** by a truck several years ago can be replaced? “

Reply:

The locus will be inspected over the summer months and if deemed suitable will be listed for inclusion in the next street tree planting programme.

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

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Q.102 Question in the name of Councillor Karl Stanley

“To ask the Area Manager what action can be taken with respect to the tree outside a house (**details supplied**) where the tree roots have cracked their boundary walls and are damaging the sewage pipe beneath the ground?”

Reply:

Tree roots cannot enter undamaged sewage pipes but will exploit any defect or crack. The tree 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 2023/24.

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

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Q.103 Question in the name of Councillor Karl Stanley

“To ask the Area Manager if the Council will inspect the trees at **(details supplied)** to ensure they are a safe size?”

Reply:

The trees are significant heritage trees of similar size and species to those on Griffith Avenue and may well have been planted at the same time. These trees are listed for a formal inspection this year and any necessary works identified will be scheduled as per the recommendations of the survey.

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

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Q.104 Question in the name of Councillor Karl Stanley

“To ask the Area Manager if the Council will cut back the low branches from the tree outside a house (**details supplied**) in the interests of pedestrian safety - residents’ report that these thorny branches are a hazard.”

Reply:

The tree 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 2023/24.

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