

**Q.1 Councillor Kevin Donoghue**

To ask the manager if we can arrange for tree cutting on Rosary Terrace which is blocking residents light.

**Q.2 Councillor Kevin Donoghue**

To ask the manager to provide for cleansing of shores along Rosary Terrace.

**Q.3 Councillor Kevin Donoghue**

There is a tree root raising the path outside details supplied and when heavy rain falls outside these two properties, the path gets flooded and their exterior front walls have become damp and also the interior wall is damp from this flooding. Can the Council call out to investigate and have the necessary work carried to prevent this flooding?

Can I get an update on when this house will be ready for occupants?

**Q.4 Councillor Kevin Donoghue**

To ask the manager to repair street lighting along Pembroke Cottages, Ringsend and cleanse shores in the Pembroke Cottages, Ringsend area.

**Q.5 Councillor Kevin Donoghue**

Dublin City Council to cleanse shores in the Pembroke Cottages area.

**Q.6 Councillor Kevin Donoghue**

To ask the manager to erect dog fouling signs around Pembroke Cottages and remove two traffic signs which is causing confusion as it is a one way system.

**Q.7 Councillor Dermot Lacey**

To ask the Manager if he will respond to the issues referred to in the email submitted with this question relating to the green space area at Beggars Bush Court.

“Beggars Bush Court is a Dublin City Council sheltered housing complex home to 56 (+-)residents all in advancing years of 60 plus.  
I trust, I have your attention young Lady.

I have an ongoing problem with a 50/50 dispute involving Dublin City Council and a small minority of residents within this normally harmonious elderly community.

NB. Beggars Bush Court is part of the old Barracks of that name dating back to pre-1900 and was exceptionally active during the establishment of this country as we know it today. I live in part of the officers’ quarters that where. The building is solid. The memories vexed.

It is with great shame that I have to report that Dublin City Council have not taken any steps to rectify the removal of either floral or fauna from my community. The place is knee deep in rat faeces, used dentures, people from Donegal and hedge trimmings that are now the burrowing areas of rats  
I am not amused

People are now wantonly hacking with malice the pure green fabric of a blanket that has covered Beggar's Bush Court and the very least, brain people have taken it upon themselves without council permission to hack into nature for the self-satisfaction of what is an area not one of them lives in,

Sick to my back teeth people chopping down greenery in inner city areas.”

**Q.8 Councillor Anne Feeney**

To ask the manager to arrange for cutting back the hedgerow at Bushy Park boundary with Rathdown Avenue to facilitate pedestrians walking safely.

**Q.9 Councillor Anne Feeney**

To ask the manager to come back to the South East Area Committee with feasible and pragmatic options to deal with the Herzog project both in terms of the park, park boundary and car park, given that this project has been committed to for years but now faces the challenge of increased costs due to the delay and the additional issue of Japanese knotweed.

**Q.10 Councillor Anne Feeney**

To once again ask the manager to consider installing double yellow lines on both sides of Castlewood Avenue. Some driveways are regularly blocked by cars parking in front of them. There is no need for parking on this road as the houses have drives for private parking. Currently one side of the road has permit parking and the other side has no parking.

**Q.11 Councillor Anne Feeney**

To ask the manager to follow up on a request from residents of Brookfield, Kimmage (near KCR junction) to have overgrown trees pruned in the estate and to install badly needed street lights in the estate. These requests have been promised to residents for years and again this year, with a promise that it will be done by end of September. The estate has no lighting after 8pm and has 78 trees, most of which need pruning. There is a safety and security issue in not addressing this as soon as possible.

**Q.12 Councillor Anne Feeney**

To ask the manager to prioritise resurfacing of Fortfield Road and Lavarna Grove.

The condition of Fortfield Road in particular (a main link road) is extremely bad, with potholes, patched repairs that are disintegrating and speed bumps (unlit by cats eyes) which have holes in them.

There was a serious accident on Fortfield road recently resulting in injuries to a cyclist who had to receive hospital treatment.

This road is on the boundary with South Dublin County Council and as such appears to have been neglected for much needed repairs. The resurfacing of Lavarna Grove and maintenance of speed bumps also need to be progressed if further accidents are to be avoided.

**Q.13 Councillor Anne Feeney**

To ask the manager for an update in relation to the request to remove permit parking on Cambridge Road, which is having an adverse effect on a small garage business. Residents in the vicinity are supportive of the request from the garage owner.

**Q.14 Councillor Anne Feeney**

To ask the manager to address an urgent need on children safety grounds for a traffic lights and pedestrian crossing at the junction of Church Avenue and Rathmines Road Upper. This has been requested on numerous occasions and is badly needed given a primary and Montessori school nearby and no safe crossing on this very busy road.

- Q.15 Councillor Anne Feeney**  
To ask the manager for an update on why the badly maintained pole in Ashdale Gardens has not yet been restored. When I raised this question some months ago, I was told it would be repaired and restored during the summer of 2023.
- Q.16 Councillor James Geoghegan**  
To ask the Area Manager if an inspection could be carried out at Alma Court, Ranelagh, Dublin 6 where the speeds which cars and vans are doing on this narrow lane is of major concern to residents in the area; if as part of this inspection new traffic calming measures could be considered and if a site visit with residents could be arranged to discuss possibilities of available measures, including signage or ramps.
- Q.17 Councillor Mannix Flynn**  
Can the manager issue a full report regarding the use of the community rooms at the York Street apartments? This report include all present usage and who has been using these rooms since the building was opened in 2009. And what procedures are in place in order for the community and residence to gain 1 1access to the rooms and what fees if any are involved in the hiring of these rooms.
- Q.18 Councillor Mannix Flynn**  
Can the manager issue a report as to the working order of the umbrellas in meeting house Temple Bar?
- Q.19 Councillor Mannix Flynn**  
Can the manager issue a full update regarding the works at Temple Bar Square? This report to include whether works would be carried out at Fownes Street as the street is seriously, dilapidated and dangerous to pedestrians.
- Q.20 Councillor Mannix Flynn**  
Can the manager confirm whether the live crib will be reinstated at the Mansion House this Christmas?
- Q.21 Councillor Mannix Flynn**  
Can the manager have a full assessment and evaluation of all the wooden landings at the York Street apartments? Numerous residents have complained regarding the dangerous state of the decking outside of their homes. It would appear the wood is rotten and needs to be replaced.
- Q.22 Councillor Mannix Flynn**  
Can the manager supply a full report as to how many commercial properties Dublin City Council has in the South East Area that are occupied and leased out and also how many of these properties unoccupied and where these properties are.
- Q.23 Councillor Mannix Flynn**  
Can the manager investigate the possibility of Dublin City Council initiating a publicity campaign that encourages cyclist to wear helmets?
- Q.24 Councillor Mannix Flynn**  
Can the manager issue a full report regarding the ongoing issues that are affecting the residents and community regarding build outs and changing of the road layout and parking at Seafort Avenue, Sandymount?

**Q.25 Councillor Mannix Flynn**

Can the manager give an update regarding the school zones initiative that was agreed for St. Enda's School at Whitefriar Street?

**Q.26 Councillor James Geoghegan**

To ask the Area Manager if a contra-flow cycle lane could be installed on Oakley Road that would enable, in particular, children and parents, travelling to *Scoil Bhríde and Lios na nÓg* by bicycle to safely go up and down to school each morning and afternoon.

**Q.27 Councillor James Geoghegan**

To ask the Area Manager if any cycle measures are proposed for some wide streets in Dublin that have no protected cycle lanes, including but not limited to, Waterloo Road, Clyde Road, Eglin Road, Raglan Road and Pembroke Park.

**Q.28 Councillor James Geoghegan**

To ask the Area Manager if a contra-flow cycle lane could be installed on Maxwell Road, Rathgar, Dublin 6.

**Q.29 Councillor James Geoghegan**

To ask the Area Manager if there is any solution that could be put forward which would enable a safe crossing between both sides of Milltown Road and Richmond Avenue South junction for pedestrians and cyclists alike, which could be coupled with a contra-flow cycle lane on Richmond Avenue South.

**Q.30 Councillor James Geoghegan**

To ask the Area Manager, further to discussions that were raised at the previous area meeting with the new traffic manager for the area, and question 77 submitted on the 10/07/2023 and rely given, whether planters, on a pilot basis, on Morehampton Terrace, can be placed on the existing double yellow lines themselves, not the footpaths, and the footpath would remain unobstructed and the planter would prevent anyone parking on the lines.

**Q.31 Councillor Fiona Connelly**

Have the additional staff been recruited to the Schools Mobility Programme?

This was due to happen in August. There are many schools in the area that need attention of the schools team as a matter of urgency, as the safety of pupils is being compromised with the lack of school markings. In particular the new schools located in the old greyhound stadium on the Harold's Cross Road need markings, as they are new and there are in excess of 400 children, students, families and staff accessing the site daily.

**Q.32 Councillor Fiona Connelly**

The fence along the back path adjoining Mount Argus Crescent has been damaged and is in need of repair.

Could Dublin City Council (DCC) please prioritise the repair of this fence; the street has been taken in charge by DCC.



**Q.33 Councillor Daniel Ceitinn**

To ask the Area Manager if updates could be given in relation to Question 41, from the 14<sup>th</sup> November 2022 on traffic calming measures for Kilfenora Road and Devenish Road, as almost a full year has passed since their original request.

**Q.34 Councillor Daniel Ceitinn**

Could the manager arrange for a follow up with two addresses (details supplied) where there have been issues with a tree immediately outside cracking the footpath and in one case the crack damaging a private wall.

**Q.35 Councillor Daniel Ceitinn**

Could the manager outline all footpath repairs scheduled to take place in the Dublin 12 and Dublin 6W areas in Q4 2023 and Q1 2024.

**Q.36 Councillor Daniel Ceitinn**

To ask the manager if he will arrange for a full and thorough cleaning of the housing lanes in the 'new houses' estate off Sean Moore Road as they have been allowed to become overgrown and unkempt.

(The lanes run between the sections of Bremen Road, Bremen to Kyle-Clare Road, Kyle-Clare Road to Cymric Road, and parallel to Pine Road from Cambridge club house down to Sean Moore Road, connecting each of the smaller roads. In particular the ones around Bremen and Kyle-Clare were quite overgrown but the others are in need of cleaning too.)

**Q.37 Councillor Daniel Ceitinn**

To ask the manager if he will arrange for weeding and tidying up of the communal areas in George Reynolds House.

**Q.38 Councillor Daniel Ceitinn**

To ask the manager if he will modify by way of dishing the footpath at the end of Bremen Road which connects to Pine Road to improve accessibility as the footpath is not disability- or age-friendly in its current form, and if he will ensure appropriate lighting at both ends by cutting back the trees which are obscuring one light and by installing a second light at the Bremen Road end of the path.

**Q.39 Councillor Daniel Ceitinn**

To ask the manager to arrange to have the courtyard light in McDonagh House fixed, as it flickers and goes on and off at various times for different lengths of time?

**Q.40 Councillor Daniel Ceitinn**

To ask the manager to have the stairwell in McDonagh House power hosed, as the new surface on the stairs is causing everything to stick to them and they are very dirty.

**Q.41 Councillor Daniel Ceitinn**

To ask the manager to have the external waste pipe that runs down the wall at (details supplied) replaced, as the existing one is porous and there are small leaks coming from the rusty points as seen in photo in details supplied?

**Q.42 Councillor Daniel Ceitinn**

To ask the manager if he will arrange for a cleaning of 'The Drain' adjacent to Ringsend Park.

**Q.43 Councillor Daniel Ceitinn**

To ask the manager if he will put in place a permanent solution to the unsafe steps at Ringsend Library, which were recently painted yellow by the local residents to improve visibility, but which urgently require a permanent solution to prevent further injury.

**Q.44 Councillor Deirdre Conroy**

To ask the Chief Executive and Local Area Manager how Dublin City Council can support the necessity of Grand Canal Dock residential houseboat owners, living standard in their barge/canal boat. I am aware that many residents appropriately live on their canal houseboat, from history and in heritage, in London, and many parts of Europe and the world, therefore, Dublin City Council is enquired about this issue can be resolved. Enquirer states:

I am writing to call for Waterways Ireland Bye-Laws 2023 to be rejected by DCC in line with other councils across the country. As a community of residential houseboat owners living in Grand Canal Dock for the last decade, we are opposed to the updates to the canal bye-laws proposed by Waterways Ireland. While we recognise the need for the existing bye-laws to be updated, the proposed changes would significantly and negatively affect us and other houseboat communities living on the canal system. Below I outline our key concerns but I also attach an explanatory PDF compiled by the GCD Bye-Law working group to provide some insight into the value and potential of live aboard communities on the canal system.

**Summary of Key Concerns:**

1. Both the proposed changes to the bye-laws and the inadequate consultation process by both Waterways Ireland and KPMG, on behalf of WI, omit the history and heritage of houseboat communities across the country and, in doing so, misses an opportunity to see both their value and potential as vibrant scaled-down low-carbon urban and rural communities, in line with the Government's Climate Action Plan 2023. We call for a reviewed consultation process that is carried out with the Irish government's climate and housing policies as a baseline and in line with the government's recent 'Guide for Inclusive Community Engagement in Local Planning and Decision Making'.
2. As also stated by IRBOA, we object in the strongest possible terms to the monetization of our waterways and the selective targeting of one group of users i.e. boaters, through the raising of fees (between 400-2000%). The raise in fees ultimately means that many members of the houseboat community would face eviction and potential homelessness. We call for protection of existing houseboat communities through a Bye-Law Legacy Exemption Practice which would allow new rules to be enacted while safeguarding dwellings at existing moorings.

3. The proposed fee schedule presented by KPMG in their 'Pricing Strategy' document is a key concern. There is currently no transparent costing matrix outlined in the KPMG document. We recommend that the fees schedule is not included as part of the bye-laws and that a transparent costing process be carried out, which also considers existing live aboard communities.
4. From our perspective and as stated by IRBOA, Waterways Ireland has not carried out a proper consultation process. One online survey carried out by KPMG that did not reach all boat owners is insufficient to inform a legal document that will affect hundreds of families and boat owners across the country. It is also important to point out here that houseboat owners on the Shannon were not allowed to complete the survey because they didn't have a canal permit number.
5. The proposed bye-laws document does not outline issues of governance and accountability. The amendments to the bye-laws will allow, for example, revoking of permits without an independent third-party appeals process. We call for governance issues and accountability within the organisation to be addressed in order that the organisation ensures due diligence towards all the waterways stakeholders.

**Q.45 Councillor Deirdre Conroy**

To ask the Chief Executive and Local Area Manager and Traffic Dept., regarding a pedestrian safety issue on on Rathmines Upper Road at the junction of Church Avenue, in particular for young children walking and cycling.

The detail from the enquirer states:

"This is a really busy junction for pedestrians, particularly children as Belgrave Montessori school has two facilities located at the top and bottom of Church Avenue and Rathmines Road Upper, Kildare Place School is located on Rathmines Road Upper and the route is used for children travelling by foot, bike and scooter to Lios na nOg and Scoil Bhride primary schools. Currently, there are no traffic lights or pedestrian crossings anywhere near this junction (It is roughly 192 meters from the traffic lights in Rathmines village to Church Avenue and 362 meters from the traffic lights in Tranquilla Park to Church Avenue). This means the majority of adults and children are crossing at this dangerous Church Avenue junction at peak traffic times. This is not a safe area to cross as there is so much traffic and a lot of cars are parked on the street, obscuring the view of oncoming traffic. The Manager of Belgrave Montessori would very much welcome a visit to demonstrate the difficulties pedestrians have in crossing at this junction.

A case has been opened with Dublin City Council (TRF 544567607) ideally traffic lights and a pedestrian crossing would be installed."

**Q.46 Councillor Deirdre Conroy**

To ask the Chief Executive and Local Area Manager in regard to revision of Gulistan land disposal, whilst it is necessary to provide Primary Care Centre in certain areas with many residents in need, this enquiry has details from an architect living in Rathmines.

The enquirer states:

I call on you to reject the terms of the Gulistan land disposal at your meeting on Monday. My understanding is that the HSE did not fulfil their terms in agreements to date. Furthermore, a Primary Care Centre is inappropriate on the site as:

1. The proposed PCC underground commercial car park is not acceptable as it is wrongly located due to its access via narrow, residential streets and is

superfluous to the private parking requirements in Rathmines. The extent of the Swan's basement parking is shown in red below.

2. All other Dublin PCC's are located on highways that allow rapid, direct drop offs and direct public transport connections for patients to the PCC front door. The proposed PCC location to the back of the backlands site of Gulistan is thus exclusionary and an unnecessary change from the existing, familiar and convenient medical facilities within the Swan Centre. It is my understanding that those facilities can be expanded upon considerably quicker than a new build PCC to address the neighbourhood's urgent medical requirements.
3. The proposed PCC pharmacy will negatively draw trade away from Rathmines' main street and the family owned pharmacies of Rathmines.
4. The loss of any public land for what is private profit, typically benefitting foreign cuckoo pension funds as is the case of PCCs, is unacceptable.
5. The PCC's proposed massing beside Gulistan cottages is excessive.

**Q.47 Councillor Claire Byrne**

To ask the Area Manager can he please provide an update on Portobello Harbour redevelopment? We are way off meeting the timelines proposed back in May. Can the manager please outline what is causing the delay and provide new timelines for the next consultation, the finalisation of the plan, the commencement of works and the completion date?

**Q.48 Councillor Claire Byrne**

To ask the Area Manager what enforcement is taking place regarding private vehicles parking on Fosters Place?

**Q.49 Councillor Claire Byrne**

To ask the Area Manager can he please include the electricity box at the entrance to the Tom Clarke Bridge near Saint Patrick's Rowing Club in the Dublin Canvass Project so it can be creatively painted?

**Q.50 Councillor Claire Byrne**

To ask the Area Manager can he please identify a location in Grand Canal Street / Beggars Bush area to some plant trees that a local resident has that need a home?

**Q.51 Councillor Claire Byrne**

To ask the Area Manager can he please provide an update on the Discretionary Fund 2023, what projects have been completed, what projects are outstanding and when they might be completed?

**Q.52 Councillor Claire Byrne**

To ask the Area Manager can he please provide an update on the Green Infrastructure plan for the Whitefriar Street area?

**Q.53 Councillor Claire Byrne**

To ask the Area Manager can he please provide an update on the following housing projects:

- Saint Andrew's Court
- Fishamble Street

**Q.54 Councillor Claire Byrne**

To ask the Area Manager can he please investigate whether the following properties (details supplied) have planning permission to operate as Airbnb?



**Q.55 Councillor Claire Byrne**

To ask the Area Manager can he please remove the following useless / vacant poles in the South East Area (see attachment also) to reduce street clutter and can he provide a timeline for when these works will be completed:

- Merrion Row, outside McNally's Opticians.
- Nassau Street, across from House of Names at wall of Trinity College.
- Dawson Street, outside Marco Pierre White.
- Drury Street, outside Jenny Vander.

**Q.56 Councillor Claire Byrne**

To ask the Area Manager can he please remove the signage from the heritage lamp on Wicklow Street at the junction of South William Street outside Laduree?

**Q.57 Councillor Pat Dunne**

Can the Area Manager ask our Waste Management & Public Domain sections install public litter bins along the canal on Parnell Road from Rialto to Harold's Cross Bridge? This well used footpath currently has no bins and as a result can often be littered.

**Q.58 Councillor Pat Dunne**

Can the Area Manager ask our Parks and Street Lighting Sections to carry out a tree pruning programme and upgrade the street lighting in Brookfield Estate, Kimmage, adjacent to the KCR? Residents in this estate complain that the night-time lighting is almost zero. See request below from the local residents.

"I am writing to you on behalf of the residents of Brookfield about getting DCC to come into our estate to prune the overgrown trees and sort out our non-existing street lights in the estate. They have promised they would do this for us for years and again, this year. They said they would come in by the end of September but we feel this may not happen, as we cannot get a date as to when the Contractor will do the job.

DCC will not confirm either when they will come to inspect the lighting.

Cars have been broken into in the past few weeks with one car vandalised four times. All because the estate has zero lighting after 8pm. The overgrowth of trees (there are 78 trees and 90 houses in the estate! We are worried for the residents and their visitors' health and safety."

**Q.59 Councillor Pat Dunne**

Can the Area Manager ask our Traffic Advisory Group to examine the junction of Clonard Road and Kildare Road with a view to improve user safety? The mini roundabout at this junction does little to protect pedestrians and cyclists and also presents dangers for motorists. There have been many accidents at this junction over the years with the most recent only two weeks ago when a local cyclist was knocked off her bike.

**Q.60 Councillor Pat Dunne**

I have previously received a commitment that the old red brick traffic ramps on St. Teresa's be replaced with asphalted ramps. I did ask at the time to include Stannaway Avenue in these works. Can you confirm that the ramps on Stannaway Avenue will be included in this programme of works?

**Q.61 Councillor Pat Dunne**

Following reports of children having been attacked and bitten by a pit bulldog in Brickfield Park on Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> September and numerous other reports of dogs running wild, off-lead, particularly in Eamonn Ceannt Park, can the Parks Superintendent provide a report on what safety measures are being introduced for park users?

A constituent recently wrote in relation to Eamonn Ceannt Park, "As is, there are dogs who are not under the direct control of their owners, and this is frightening for small kids and others who fear dogs. The playground is the only place which is dog-free, which really limits children's enjoyment of the park."

**Q.62 Councillor Pat Dunne**

Can the various Traffic Islands and newly built out footpaths in the Dublin 12 area be greened as they are almost all bare concrete and paving, this greening would enhance the look of the area and bring positive environmental results.

**Q.63 Councillor Pat Dunne**

Can the Area Manager ascertain who owns the laneway between details supplied?

**Q.64 Councillor Carolyn Moore**

To ask the Area Manager if an interim measure can be considered to make the approach to Emmet Bridge coming from Clanbrassil Street safer for cyclists before the proposed BusConnects redesign of the bridge takes place. The current allocation of road space, along with the wall at the outer edge of the footpath, create a pinch point for cyclists when vehicles encroach into the cycle lane. Some segregation of the cycle lane here, possible removal of the wall, and / or designation of the inner lane as a bus / cycle lane only at peak hours would help. Could these measures be considered? (See image attached.)



**Q.65 Councillor Carolyn Moore**

To ask the Area Manager if the long potholes, of about 3 metres in length, between the road and the footpath outside Tesco on Upper Rathmines Road (opposite the post office) can be urgently filled or repaired? They present a hazard to both cyclists and pedestrians and have been in a dangerous condition for a significant amount of time.

**Q.66 Councillor Carolyn Moore**

To ask the area manager if planning permission can be sought for the installation of a 'Kerb Charge Duct'. (See image attached) Is it possible to apply for permission to carry out this work to facilitate on street charging from the private home, and if so what is the permission the resident would need to apply for?



**Q.67 Councillor Carolyn Moore**

To ask the Area Manager if the trees on Mount Tallant Avenue can be scheduled for pruning before the next nesting season starts. In particular the tree outside (details supplied) requires pruning, as currently the trees are blocking out the street lights, leading to anti-social behaviour and causing a danger for children walking to school on dark winter mornings.

**Q.68 Councillor Carolyn Moore**

To ask the Area Manager what if the two trees planted roughly two years ago on Clonmacnoise triangle green can be inspected with a view to preserving them from further decline. Residents report the trees have fallen into a state of decline and would like the necessary action to be taken to restore them to good health and help them establish.

**Q.69 Councillor Carolyn Moore**

To ask the Area Manager if a list of all street trees removed in the Crumlin, Kimmage and Drimnagh area of the Kimmage Rathmines Local Electoral Area (LEA) over the last six months can be provided.

**Q.70 Councillor Carolyn Moore**

To ask the Area Manager for an update on when the signalised pedestrian crossing is expected at the new traffic lights at the intersection at Sundrive Road and Clogher Road at St. Bernadette's Church?

**Q.71 Councillor Carolyn Moore**

To ask the Area Manager when the tree pruning in Brookfield estate is scheduled to take place. The estate has a deficit of on-street lighting and this is currently being further limited by the trees, with the rest that vandalism, car-theft and anti-social behaviour is occurring on the darkened streets. Can the Area Manager commit to rectifying this before the dark winter evenings? Can Brookfield further be considered for a review of existing street lighting and the installation if additional lights if needed.