

**DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL**  
**NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE**  
**14<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

**Q.1 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten**

“To ask the Manager to arrange that an inspection take place at path on **(details supplied)**. There is a lift in it and there has been reported talks. The lighting is also blocked by the tree and it is having a dual effect of being a risk hazard.”

**Reply**

An enquiry (ref. 11149943) has been created for the footpath defect associated with tree roots at **(details supplied)** & forwarded to the Area Inspector. An inspection of same will be carried out and added to a works list.

**Contact:** Ronan Connolly, Acting Senior Executive Engineer, RMS North City  
**Tel:** 222 2297  
**Email:** [ronan.connolly@dublincity.ie](mailto:ronan.connolly@dublincity.ie)

An inspection will be arranged in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area 2024.

**Contact:** Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent  
**Tel:** 222 6625  
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**Q.2 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten**

“To ask the Manager to follow up on a matter which **(details supplied)** put in a while ago about a broken wall from the tree which the council did remove but no repair to the wall took place.”

**Reply**

The Parks Service does not carry out repair works to private property. If the property owner wished to make a claim against the Council for remedy contact should be made with the Parks Service on the email below and request that a claim form be posted out. Once the claim has been initiated the matter will be fully investigated by an independent claims assessor.

**Contact:** Stephen Groome, NW District Parks Superintendent  
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**Q.3 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten**

“To ask the Manager to have an inspection of the trees behind the scout hall facing the back of Shanowen Drive. They are extremely large and safety assessment is needed.

**Reply**

These trees are located within the private grounds of the Scout Den and there inspection and maintenance is a matter for the landowner.

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**Q.4 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten**

“To ask the Manager to look at the condition of the tree at **(details supplied)**.. The tree roots have lifted the path and the residence wall and is cracking the pavement”

**Reply**

An enquiry (ref. 11149945) has been created for the footpath defect associated with tree roots at **(details supplied)** & forwarded to the Area Inspector. An inspection of same will be carried out and added to a works list.

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**Q.5 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones**

“To ask the Manager about the parking on Philipsburgh Avenue Residents want permits that allow them to park on all surrounding streets, rather than one to park in a spot three blocks away which they currently have.”

**Reply**

It would not be possible to provide residents with a permit to park on all surrounding streets. All requests from residents of non-Permit parking streets have to be assessed on an individual basis to ensure that if they can be facilitated with parking it is not to the detriment of residents who actually live on the streets where the permit is being offered. If a permit is being approved for a non-resident of a street it is only granted if there is sufficient space available on that street. We do try to accommodate residents as best as we can but the obligation to obtain parking for non-residents of schemes is not the responsibility of the Parking Enforcement Section.

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**Q.6 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones**

“To ask the Manager to investigate the feasibility of installing a pedestrian crossing at the top of Castle Avenue where it meets the Howth Road. There is a pedestrian light at present but it only gets people halfway across the road to an island. To get to the other side where Dunseverick Road is you have to dodge traffic coming from Howth road and Castle Avenue, in both directions. This is very dangerous especially for children going to and from school. Can a solution be found to ensure pedestrians can cross the Howth Road safely at this junction?”

**Reply**

The Area Engineer will add the Councillors request for a Pedestrian Crossing at the aforementioned location to a list with other sites for assessment for future implementation.

**Contact:** Gerry McEntagart – North City Executive Engineer  
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**Q.7 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons**

“To ask the Manager for a report on the housing file of **(details supplied)** who is currently homeless, entitled to Homeless HAP but really struggling to secure a new home.”

**Reply**

The above applicant is on the Housing List, with an application date of 16/10/2015, the applicant holds the following position on this list;

<b>Area</b>	<b>Bed size</b>	<b>Position</b>
B	1	219
D	1	97

Dublin City Council allocates properties based on time on the list and currently there are applicants on the waiting list 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.

Dublin City Council are increasing the number of units that are being allocated through the Choice Based Letting Scheme, such vacancies are advertised on the DCC website. If there are no properties available at present, nothing will be advertised. Applicants can only apply for properties in their chosen areas that meet the size requirement of their household.

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**Q.8 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons**

“To ask the Manager for a revision of the proposed design of the new and very much welcomed social housing planned for the former Bring Centre site on Collins Avenue, namely a reduction in the heights proposed and exclusion of a breakthrough from the new development into Crestfield”

**Reply**

The site is zoned Z1, as per the Dublin City Development Plan 2022 to 2028. The proposed development responds to the irregular shape of the site taking into consideration the requirements of the said plan.

The Project Team are reviewing the proposed permeability from the development into Crestfield, as part of the overall site strategy taking on board the feedback from residents.

The proposed development ranges in height from two to six storeys. The height of the blocks has been mitigated by the Project Team with the height of Block A, which, will be adjacent to Collins Avenue houses stepping down to two storeys'. The height of both Block A and B increases at the northern section of the development, which, is furthest away from the southern and western boundaries.

Block B is located to minimise the impact on boundaries to Crestfield Park and Close. A new road is proposed running parallel to Crestfield Close to create a greater distance between the boundary of the houses to Block B. The planned public open space is located at the front of Block B to create greater distance to the southern boundaries along with providing overlooking and passive surveillance for the space.

The final scheme design will be presented to the North Central Area Councillors, as part of the statutory Part 8 process and come before the council for decision.

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**Q.9 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons**

“To ask the Manager for the replacement of the broken lights around the caged astro pitch on Barryscourt Road, opposite Northside Shopping Centre.”

**Reply**

The Local Area Office have requested that these lights be inspected and will replace bulbs or repair the lighting system, whichever is required.

**Contact:       Derek Farrell, Acting Local Area Manager for Artane - Whitehall  
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**Phone:           222 8546**  
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**Q.10 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons**

“To ask the Manager for an update on the housing file of **(details supplied)** and provisional timeframe when her family will be reached with an offer of housing.”

**Reply**

Housing Allocations do not have a housing file in respect of the above named applicant.

**Contact:** Sandra Barry , Acting Allocations Officer  
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**Email:** [Sandra.barry@dublincity.ie](mailto:Sandra.barry@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.11 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons**

“To ask the Manager for the Installation of separate electrical boxes for the mobile homes at **(details supplied)** due to serious health and fire safety concerns”

**Reply**

Unfortunately we are unable to provide an additional electrical connection at this site to facilitate an unauthorised occupier. As previously discussed with the tenant and her representatives, this site forms part of the upcoming Capital works programme to facilitate the construction of 9 additional houses in Cara Park. This development forms part of our current Traveller Accommodation Programme 2019-2024. The site adjacent to **(details supplied)** will be the location for one of these 9 new builds and TAU are currently seeking vacant possession of this site to facilitate the commencement of these works in September 2024. Dublin City Council will continue to work with the family to address the housing need and will liaise with the unauthorised occupant and assess the concerns with the fire officer.

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**Q.12 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons**

“To ask the Manager for an update on the new kitchen required for **(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

Work on the kitchen at **(details supplied)** will start in Jan 2024. The Councillor can contact Donal Molloy DCC Clerk of Works (087 3447175) for more information on the timeline.

**Contact:** Tony Smithers, Housing Manager  
**Tel:** 222 6345  
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**Q.13 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons**

“To ask the Manager for the removal of a broken mobile home from **(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

I have requested the Traveller Accommodation Unit’s Inspector to locate and remove the mobile home in question in **(details supplied)**.

**Contact:** Tony Smithers, Housing Manager  
**Tel:** 222 6345  
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**Q.14 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons**

“To ask the Manager for the repair of the street light at **(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

Public Lighting Services is unsure where **(details supplied)** is located as this address isn't listed on the Councils asset management system and doesn't appear on a 'Google maps' search. The North Central Area Office has asked the Councillor to clarify the exact location. As soon as this information is provided repairs can be arranged. Note that Public Lighting Services carries out regular night checks of its street lights in DCC and street lights that are out of order will be picked up on those night checks so this light may already be repaired assuming it is a routine outage.

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**Q.15 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Manager to arrange for the following road markings to be re-marked at (details supplied)”

**Reply**

The road markings at this location will be checked within the next 4-5 weeks.

**Contact:** Anthony Dalton assistant traffic officer  
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**Q.16 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Manager to arrange a street light inspection at **(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

A special night check was carried out on the 4<sup>th</sup> January and all lights on Donaghmede Road, Carndonagh Drive, Newbrook Avenue and Carndonagh Park were all found to be lighting, with the exception of P18 Newbrook Avenue that has been scheduled for repair.

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**Q.17 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Manager to provide a detailed update on the status of the following housing development **(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

Currently the redevelopment of **(details a)** & the **(details b)** site is at design development stage. Dublin City Council received Stage 2 approval from the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage for the redevelopment of Phase 1 **(details a)**, which also includes the development of the **(details b)**, on the 31 August 2023.

The current proposals allow for 115 homes on the **(details a)** site, a mix of one, two and three bedroom homes, while it is planned to provide for 34 older person homes on the **(details b)** site.

Once the design has been completed, the next step is to achieve planning permission on the redevelopment proposals.

Further consultation will be arranged through the Local Housing Manager and her office, with the residents of **(details a)** and local elected members in the coming months. Similar, to all Housing Regeneration projects, consultation with the residents, local elected members and the community will also form part of the planning process.

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**Q.18 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Manager to arrange for the cleaning/sweeping of the laneway at **(details supplied)** and for the painting of the lamp posts therein”

**Reply**

The poles on Collins Park that carry the street lights on them are ESB Network poles and the painting of them is a matter for ESB. Public Lighting Services will forward this request for painting of the poles onto ESB.

**Contact:** Seamus MacSweeney, Senior Engineer  
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Waste Management Services had the above mentioned laneway cleaned on the 4<sup>th</sup> January 2024.

**Contact:** Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services  
**Tel** 222 4240  
**Email:** [mick.boyle@dublincity.ie](mailto:mick.boyle@dublincity.ie)

It was noted by Waste Management services that this lane way is in need of weeding and I am pleased to say that the Public Domain team have arranged for this lane way to be weeded in the coming weeks.

**Contact:** Tommy Collins, Public Domain Enforcement Officer  
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**Q.19 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Manager to arrange for a road/cyclist/pedestrian safety and traffic management audit in and around the entrance to **(details supplied)** School and to ascertain the need for the yellow box at the entrance to be extended, the need for a school lollipop person and for a school safety zone”

**Reply**

The School Mobility Team is installing School Zones in Dublin city as part of the Safe Routes to School Programme, funded by the National Transport Authority. **(Details)** CBS has not applied for a School Zone. The team is currently working through a priority list of schools for this programme, as identified by the Department of Transport. Once this list has been cleared, the team will be in a position to re-engage with other schools, subject to the availability of funding and resources.

**Contact:** Deirdre Kelly, Acting Administrative Officer  
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The area engineer made the following report to the Traffic Advisory Group meeting in November.

Following a site investigation, on Collins Avenue near **(details)** CBS, it is not a suitable safe crossing point as there is no footpath opposite the school gates therefore a school warden is not recommended. Students can be redirected by school management to a safe crossing point on Collins Avenue junction with Falcarragh Road/Larkhill Road, where a controlled pedestrian crossing is in place near the second school gates on Falcarragh Road.

**Contact:** Carmel Curran, Staff Officer  
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Following on from a site investigation on Collins Avenue near **(details)** CBS, there is neither a suitable nor safe crossing point for a school warden box. This is further hindered as there is no appropriate footpath on Collins Avenue opposite the school gates. Therefore, it is unfortunate, but a school warden it is not recommended.

A pedestrian crossing is located approximately 90m from **(details)** CBS on Collins Avenue junction with Larkhill Road. The school management was informed to redirect students at the **safest crossing point** and utilise the School's side entrance on Falcarragh Road.

In order to improve general traffic flows and improve safety at the **(details)** CBS the existing yellow box (Collins Ave/Crestfield Drive) is to be extended.

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**Q.20 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Manager to support the sourcing of a new place to train for **(details supplied)** given the closure of their current building”

**Reply**

The Local Area Office will be liaising with groups from the Kilmore Area over the coming weeks. The aforementioned boxing club were using the **(details)** Youth Club building without the knowledge of Dublin City Council and were using this building for a very short period to our knowledge, possibly 6 to 8 weeks only.

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**Q.21 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Manager to provide an update on community audit at **(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

The Local Area Office have been working on the terms of reference to:-

- i) Carry out full consultation with residents within the areas that surround the Oscar Traynor Woods Development with regard to their Sports, recreation, arts, culture and public realm desires.
- ii) Form a steering committee to recommend the spending of the Glenveagh Community Gain funding based on the above mentioned consultation audit.

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**Q.22 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Manager to indicate i) how many tenants have purchased their DCC homes year on year over the last 10 in Area B and to indicate ii) the net additional social housing units year on year over the last 10 year in Area B”

**Reply**

The Tenant Incremental Purchase Scheme allows eligible tenants to purchase their homes from Dublin City Council at a discounted cost of either 40%, 50% or 60% of the market value of the property. The discount awarded is based on the tenant’s income at time of application. As part of the Tenant Incremental Purchase Scheme criteria, the period of time a tenant is required to be in receipt of social housing support to be considered eligible under the Scheme is 10 years.

The amount of Tenants that have purchased their properties in **Area B** in the last 10 years is as follow: -

<b>Year</b>	<b>Total Sales</b>
2016	0
2017	7
2018	2
2019	5
2020	8
2021	1
2022	4
2023	3
	<b>30</b>

Further information can be obtained from the Tenant purchase section at Phone Number 222 5449 or by emailing [tenant.purchase@dublincity.ie](mailto:tenant.purchase@dublincity.ie)

Full details of the Tenant Incremental Purchase Scheme can be found via the following link <https://www.gov.ie/en/service/12558-incremental-tenant-purchase-scheme-for-existing-local-authority-houses/>

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### Additional Social Housing North Central

The following figures have been compiled from a manual review of DCC's Housing Statistical Returns, for a more complete data set on new social housing in Area B a more indebt check including checking of Eircodes for each units delivered must be carried out.

Acquisitions in the North Central Area = 2015 to date 660

New build units in the North Central Area = 2016 to date 866

2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
50	90	130	108	11	233	119	125

Additional social units 1526

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**Q.23 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Manager to indicate the daily (including weekends) opening times and the daily activities provided by the Dublin City Council Kilmore Recreation Centre on the Cromcastle Road.”

**Reply**

The daily opening hours (including weekends) are as follows as well as the activities provided by Dublin City Council's Kilmore Recreation Centre.

Monday – Thursday 8.30am – 9.00 pm  
Friday 8.30am – 4.00pm  
Saturday 8.30am – 2.00pm Other times based on bookings

- St Luke's A.R.A (Bowls)
- Kilmore West Youth Service
- Karate
- Mental Health Group (HSE)
- Scoil Fhursa
- NSP Healthy Cookery Class
- Kilmore Celtic
- Kilmore Celtic Academy
- Vianny FC
- Dynamis Coaching
- Yoga
- Scoil Ide
- NSP Quit Smoking
- Nomads BB
- DCC Sports Officer
- Change 4 Life
- Pickle ball
- Trinity Gaels

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**Q.24 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler**

“To ask the Manager to arrange to have the flood lights fixed and turned on at the small astro on Bunratty Road beside Northside Shopping Centre. I have seen young people playing football in there, in the dark. If the lights cannot be turned off, please give an explanation to why not as I have had several requests.”

**Reply**

The Local Area Office have requested that these lights be inspected and will replace bulbs or repair the lighting system, whichever is required.

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**Q.25 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler**

“To ask the Manager to advise if the request to complete an ecological study on the 6 locations provided to DCC parks by local football clubs in the Artane/Whitehall area has been actioned and is in progress? Can you also give a timeline to when the report will be available to review?”

**Reply**

The Parks Service has commissioned surveys of Brent Geese across the city on areas where such facilities have been requested. As the geese leave for their breeding grounds in March it is expected that the results of these surveys would be available from the consulting ecologists in April.

**Contact:** Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent  
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**Q.26 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker**

“To ask the Manager to repair the footpath at **(details supplied)** which is in extremely poor condition and is a risk for falls”

**Reply**

An enquiry (ref. 11150684) has been created & forwarded to the Area Inspector, who will carry out an inspection at **(details supplied)** & schedule the necessary repairs.

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Maintenance Services, North City**  
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**Q.27 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker**

“To ask the Manager to repair the footpath in the vicinity of **(details supplied)** which is in extremely dangerous condition due to tree roots from publicly planted/maintained tree and to examine the tree at this location to see what action can be taken to crown lift/prune the tree and also if any action can be taken to manage damage from tree roots.”

**Reply**

An enquiry (ref. 11150911) has been created & forwarded to the Area Inspector, who will carry out an inspection of the footpath at (details supplied) & schedule necessary repairs.

**Please refer the matter of tree pruning to Parks Division**

**Contact: Ronan Connolly, Acting Senior Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services, North City**

**Tel: 222 2297**

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An inspection will be arranged in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area 2024

**Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**

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**Q.28 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker**

“To ask the Manager to liaise with the local Gardaí and the traffic department in the council on additional enforcement and measures to prevent people driving the wrong way on a one way section of Brian Rd – leading from Marino out to Malahide Rd. I know some measures were put in place in 2023 but residents indicate it is still a major problem. Would the council/ traffic engineers consider build outs on the road or similar to make this option less attractive to drivers? ”

**Reply**

The Transport Advisory Group will raise the Councillor’s concerns with An Garda Síochána at the next monthly TAG Meeting as they are responsible for enforcing road traffic legislation to ensure that drivers comply with the rules of the road.

**Contact: Gerry McEntagart – North City Executive Engineer**  
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**Q.29 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker**

“To ask the Manager to liaise with the local Gardaí and the traffic engineer in the council on additional enforcement and traffic measures to prevent people driving the wrong way and rat running through Declan Terrace, D3. ”

**Reply**

The Transport Advisory Group will raise the Councillor’s concerns with An Garda Síochána at the next monthly TAG Meeting as they are responsible for enforcing road traffic legislation to ensure that citizens comply with the rules of the road.

**Contact:** Gerry McEntagart – North City Executive Engineer  
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**Q.30 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker**

“To ask the Manager to assess the tree at **\*(details supplied)** for crown-lifting/pruning as the resident indicates it is in the way of ESB wires.”

**Reply**

An inspection will be arranged in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area 2024.

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**Q.31 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker**

“To ask the Manager to consider removal or management of the tree at **(details supplied)** a resident at this address who is a child is severely asthmatic and this is triggered badly by the tree in question resulting in ongoing health problems.”

**Reply**

An inspection will be arranged in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area 2024.

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**Q.32 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker**

“To ask the Manager to prune the tree at **(details supplied)** where there are issues with it intersecting with ESB lines and residents feel it needs managing/pruning?”

**Reply**

An inspection will be arranged in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area 2024. Clearance of vegetation around overhead electricity lines is dangerous and specialist work and is a matter for ESB networks who provide contact details on their website where residents can report their concerns.

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**Q.33 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker**

“To ask the Manager to ensure that all bins in Fairview – along the stretch where the C2CC works are taking place – are open, usable and regularly serviced as there is an ongoing issue with lack of bins and consequent littering/rubbish?”

**Reply**

Waste Management Services will survey the bin needs in Fairview and see what needs to be done. We will not be able to reinstate every bin exactly where they were as the cycle lane will be blocking access in places.

**Contact:** Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services,  
**Tel:** 222 4240  
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**Q.34 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker**

“To ask the Manager if the Council will carry out an assessment for improvement to be made for a better tidal flow of water at the causeway to Bull Island, as there is currently a high volume of silting take place.”

**Reply**

Recent analysis of historic aerial photographs has indicated that there is no significant silting of the inner lagoon at North Bull Island. The 2 rivers that enter the bay at each side of the causeway Road the Naniken and the Santry act to naturally scour this area and prevent such silting.

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**Q.35 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker**

“To ask the Manager to repair the footpaths at **(details supplied)** which are in very poor repair and area causing mobility/accessibility issues for the resident.”

**Reply**

An enquiry (ref. 11150686) has been created and forwarded to the Area Inspector, who will carry out an inspection at **(details supplied)** and schedule repairs for same.

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**Q.36 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron**

“To ask the Manager if the tree at **(details supplied)** will be inspected and see if it can be pruned by the Parks Dept.”

**Reply**

An inspection will be arranged in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area 2024

**Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**  
**Tel: 222 6625**  
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**Q.37 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron**

“To ask the Manager to inspect the ramp over **(details supplied)** as the dog fouling at this location is very poor. Can we please have location power hosed and cleaned urgently?”

**Reply**

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned over pass manually cleaned on the 5<sup>th</sup> January 2024. It is not deemed a suitable location for power washing.

**Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services,**  
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**Q.38 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron**

“To ask the Manager if the Roads Division will examine the path and fix the problems at **(details supplied)**? As recent incident caused an accident to elderly person. With a particular mention of **(details supplied)**.”

**Reply**

An enquiry (ref. 11150687) has been created & forwarded to the Area Inspector, who will carry out an inspection of the footpaths at **(details supplied)** & schedule repairs for same.

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**Q.39 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron**

“To ask the Manager if an additional bin could be installed on **(details supplied)** as illegal dumping with area consistent over the last 12 months. This is an issue that has been raised before and need to be dealt with the 6 different fast-food restaurants. A big belly bin is required in addition to the one currently here.”

**Reply**

The Public Domain Enforcement Officer has spoken with the fast food restaurants in relation to their role in keeping the area outside their premises as clean as possible.

**Contact:** Tommy Collins, Public Domain Enforcement Officer  
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Waste Management Services will monitor litter levels at the above mentioned location over the coming weeks to see if there is a requirement for another litter bin there. A litter warden will also check that these fast food restaurants are playing their part in keeping the area outside their premises as clean as possible.

**Contact:** Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services,  
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**Q.40 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron**

“To ask the Manager to examine when paths in **(details supplied)** will be improved? Paths requires improvement to deem them safe. Several requests have been input on these locations”

**Reply**

An enquiry (ref. 11150688) has been created & forwarded to the Area Inspector, who will carry out an inspection of the footpaths at above locations & schedule any necessary repairs. These footpaths will also be considered when drafting the 2024 Annual Works Programme.

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**Q.41 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron**

“To ask the Manager if a Roads Division will repair path at **(details supplied)** as it has become a hazard to pedestrians in recent years. Will this be included in Road Maintenance budget for 2024?”

**Reply**

An enquiry (ref. 11150691) has been created & forwarded to Area Inspector, who will carry out an inspection of the footpaths at above locations & schedule any necessary footpath repairs. Both these estates will also be considered when drafting the 2024 annual works programme.

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**Q.42 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron**

“To ask the Manager will request to see if Public Domain them to install two planters at the entrance of **(details supplied)**. Residents group in situ are maintain area”.

**Reply**

Once the Discretionary Budget for 2024 has been completed this area will be included on the list for the installation of planters on the clear understanding that the residents will maintain them on an ongoing basis.

**Contact: Tommy Collins, Public Domain Enforcement Officer**  
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**Q.43 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron**

“To ask the Manager when proposed works at **(details supplied)** will be commenced as confirmed by area office previously that improvement to railing and building where to be done”

**Reply**

We have completed the internal station upgrade, there are some minor improvements to be made in the engine bay that will be complete in 2024.

The low level exterior railings where painted in the summer of 2023.

The painting of the high level railings that stretch around the complete perimeter of the station approximately 260 meters will be tendered next year.

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**Q.44 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron**

“To ask the Manager if they can provide a written update on the Belmayne Main Street and when it will be complete in 2024? Can we also get a progress update on other critical infrastructure projects locally and an update on the playground for Belmayne?”

**Reply**

ESB Networks are onsite carrying out supply connections to ESB substations and checking associated traffic and public lighting micro-pillars are live. Commissioning of traffic infrastructure at the junction Belmayne Main Street/Belmayne Avenue can commence post ESB works and it is envisaged this will be completed by February 2024, subject to contractor scheduling. Similarly, commissioning of the Public Lighting infrastructure can only commence post ESB works. It is envisaged that this work will be completed by February 2024 subject to contractor scheduling. It is estimated that the areas from a-c (New Priory to Belmayne Avenue) and c-d (Belmayne Main Street) will open in February 2024, subject to contractor scheduling.

**Contact:** Joseph Kelly, Senior Engineer. Road Design & Construction Division.  
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The playground at Belmayne Park was previously removed by the management company. There are however 2 playgrounds in Balgriffin Park located 150m to the north of this location.

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**Q.45 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron**

“To ask the Manager to provide a written update on the status of Community Centre Capital funds for Kilbarrack and provide an update of the future for this project with view to progressing this development”.

**Reply**

There was no allocation of funding for this project in the current 3 year Capital Programme adopted by the elected representatives.

The Area Office are still awaiting a report from DCC Architect’s Department to see if the requirements of Northside Partnership could be incorporated into the initial design/plans for the Community Centre which were drawn up in 2018, taking into account that the childcare facility space would no longer be needed.

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**Q.46 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron**

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

**Reply**

Waste Management Services will have the above mentioned estates cleaned by a road sweeper by the middle of January 2024. It is not deemed necessary to have any washing carried out here.

**Contact:** Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services,  
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**Q.47 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

“To ask the Manager if the Council will install a bin at the green area located at **(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

Waste Management Services will monitor litter levels at the above mentioned location over the coming weeks to see if there is a requirement for a litter bin there.

**Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services,**  
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**Q.48 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

“To ask the Manager if the Council will repair the broken footpath at a location **(details supplied)** where it’s cracked?”

**Reply**

An enquiry (ref. 11150692) has been created & forwarded to the Area Inspector, who will carry out an inspection of the locus & schedule a repair for same.

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**Q.49 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

“To ask the Manager to review the refusal (to a previous question that I submitted) to extend the yellow box fully across the road at **(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

Following a previous site investigation during peak times it was observed that the traffic exiting from **(details)** (Cul-de-Sac road with no major traffic) onto Drumcondra Road Upper was not significant and no blocking of the junction was observed. The waiting time was acceptable. It is therefore not recommended to extend the current yellow box outside **(details)**.

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**Q.50 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

“To ask the Manager to survey the junction at **(details supplied)** to ascertain what actions could be implemented to slow down traffic on this residential road.”

**Reply**

This request (Enquiry Ref: 7037029) will be referred to the Area Engineer for assessment and report to the Transport Advisory Group for their consideration. The Councillor will be informed of the final recommendations of the Transport Advisory Group in due course

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**Q.51 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí**

“To ask the Manager to provide an up-to-date status on the Manager’s Order relating to the acquisition of the open space between **(details supplied)?**”

**Reply**

Terms and conditions for the acquisition of the plot of land have been agreed and the Law Agent was instructed to progress the acquisition. The legal formalities have commenced and are ongoing.

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**Q.52 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí**

“To ask the Manager In relation to the trees growing on south-western end of the Grace Park Wood along the boundary with Grace Park Gardens can the Area Manager:

1. Confirm if the trees are in Dublin City Council’s charge
2. If not, clarify if DCC has been in discussions with the management entity within Grace Park Wood with a view to taking the area in charge and
3. If discussions are ongoing confirm the name of the management entity”

**Reply**

1. These trees are not in the charge of DCC.
2. Discussions are ongoing with the developer with regard to the taking in charge of the open space at this location.
3. This is a relatively new development and remains in the charge of the developer Castlethorn.

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**Q.53 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí**

“To ask the Manager to please provide a detailed report on the good work done by Dublin City Council to deal with flood-water build-up at the Graveyard on Castle Avenue encompassing the nature of the blockages that were found in the drainage network there; can the Area Manager also summarise the remaining remedial works to be done at this location in 2024.”

**Reply**

The flooding at St John the Baptist graveyard on Castle Avenue was a result of an obstruction within the surface water network, which has now been removed.

The surface water network, upstream of the graveyard consists of a 300mm pipe which transitions into a 600 culvert within the graveyard. It is difficult to determine the age of the culvert but it is shown on drawings dating from the 1880s. The invert level of the culvert is lower than the piped section meaning that initial efforts to CCTV the network were unsuccessful. Initial attempts to locate manholes shown on the records within St John’s Wood were also unsuccessful meaning the next confirmed manhole location was within Clontarf Castle. A CCTV survey was undertaken from Clontarf Castle and this indicated that the line had deviated from the record drawings. It was only possible to survey the first 13 metres of the main which necessitated excavating to locate the main where it travelled from Clontarf Castle into St John’s Wood. The main was located and exposed at this location with main cleaning being undertaken both upstream and downstream. Another CCTV survey was undertaken which again was only possible for approximately 15m from the excavated location. This thus necessitated that the main was exposed and cleaned, this work identified a plastic 5 gallon drum and metal canister, which were removed from the main. It is not possible to determine when or how these got into the main but these items were the cause of the blockage. The main was cleaned through to the graveyard from this location with no further blockages being encountered. A manhole was built at this location to facilitate cleaning in the future.

It is further noted that the location of the two excavations were in close proximity to existing trees within St John’s Wood. A tree surgeon was engaged to investigate the extent of the impact on these trees from the excavations. Two of the trees were felled due to the impact on their root structure and they have since been replaced with mature saplings.

There are current remedial works required on the parking bays and curb flag stones which were damaged due to heavy machinery. A contractor is being engaged to rectify these issues within the coming month.

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**Q.54 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí**

“To ask the Manager to ask DCC Waste Management to follow up on the following waste-related issues in the Fairview public domain **(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

Waste Management Services will survey the bin needs in Fairview and see what needs to be done. We will not be able to reinstate every bin exactly where they were as the cycle lane will be blocking access in places.  
A litter warden will investigate the illegal dumping issue outlined and do all he can to address this problem there.

**Contact:** Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services,  
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**Q.55 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí**

“To ask the Manager regarding the left-hand-turn at the junction of the Howth Road and the Clontarf Road, which has been removed to facilitate C2CC works; can the Area Manager confirm that this is a temporary measure and that the left turn will be reinstated in due course in line with the approved plan.”

**Reply**

At present the left-hand-turn has been closed to enable the Contractor to carry out the upgrade works safely. Concerns were raised about the operability of the junction by Dublin Bus and as such trial movements and auto-tracking exercises have been commissioned to inform the design review.

The project team are currently working towards a solution for this matter in consultation with the NTA. As the matter is not yet resolved, the project team cannot confirm the configuration of the final junction design at this time.

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**Q.56 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí**

“To ask the Manager to confirm if there are any Council-related matters holding up the completion and release of 10 new houses recently built at Hampton off Grace Park Road.”

**Reply**

The Housing Department have agreed to acquire 8 apartments at Block B, Hampton, Grace Park Road under Planning Reference 4105/15. The developer has been granted further permission for an additional 13 apartments and therefore the Housing Department are pursuing securing additional Part V units under Planning Reference 4277/22. The developer has also submitted a further planning application for an additional 99 apartments in Block B. If granted there will be a further Part V obligation in this block.

There are no Council-related matters holding up the completion of these units and expected delivery date is Q1 2024.

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**Q.57 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí**

“To ask the Manager confirm (a) current list of secure, publicly-accessible bike parking facilities e.g. Drury Street and capacity of each and (b) any plans to provide further facilities like these for commuters to the north and south city centre?”

**Reply**

(a) Drury Street – Capacity 320 cycles (includes 11 bike lockers) plus 4 Cargo Bikes

Jervis Street Car Park – Capacity 64 Bicycles plus 4 Cargo Bikes

Spire Car Park – Capacity 98 Bicycles plus 4 Cargo Bikes

(b) The development of indoor cycle parking facilities have certain key requirements. The facility needs to be located on the ground floor of a building or on floors that are accessible by shallow ramps suitable for safe access by cyclists. It needs to be centrally located to generate sufficient demand to justify the establishment of a cycle parking facility. It needs to be safe and secure while also allowing for easy access and egress by cyclists. Ideally the facility is owned by the City Council but where necessary lease agreements can be entered into with car park owners.

In recent years Dublin City Council has inspected car parks, both publically and privately owned, in the city centre area. The above requirements have ruled out the development of cycle parking facilities in these car parks with the exception of the Spire and Jervis Street Car Park where facilities have been installed.

DCC would welcome opportunities in other suitable locations and if funding is available DCC is open to developing further indoor cycle parking facilities in the future.

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**Q.58 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí**

“To ask the Manager to organise for the shrubbery/foilage at the southern eastern end of St Anne’s Park (Vernon Avenue, near the health centre) to be cut back as it is encroaching on the footpath there?”

**Reply**

The boundary to the park is defined by a well maintained hedge at this location which is regularly trimmed during the year to ensure that it does not encroach on the public footpath and to ensure clear views in and out of the park for perceptions of safety.

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**Q.59 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí**

““To ask the Manager to organise for the public light standard near **(details supplied)** to be upgraded to provide more lighting at this location”

**Reply**

The street lights in **(details)** were upgraded to LED street lights back in 2016/2017 and the lighting meets the required levels for such a residential estate. There are no plans for further improvements to the street lighting in this estate. We will continue to carry out maintenance and will attend to any outages that occur in accordance with current maintenance regimes.

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**Q.60 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager to please refer to junction as per **(details supplied a)** and say if a filter right turning filter can be introduced into the traffic signal sequence at this location as the traffic backs up onto **(details supplied b)** is horrendous and needs attention.”

**Reply**

The ITS section have reviewed the operation of the junction of Malahide road / Griffith Ave in light of your query.

The addition of a right turn filter from Griffith Ave to Malahide Road would necessitate splitting the Griffith Ave / Copeland Ave approaches into two traffic signal phases.

This would reduce the available green signal timings along the main Malahide Road and thus increase public transport journey times, delaying hundreds of passengers, contrary to Dublin City Council policy to prioritise sustainable modes of transportation.

Additionally, the Malahide Road is the main alternative city artery for HGVs in the event of Port Tunnel closure.

Any reduction green available green time would cause excessive congestion of large goods vehicles along this route.

The operation of the junctions along the Malahide Route will be further re-assessed under the forthcoming Bus Connects programme when consideration can be given to the operation of the Griffith Ave / Copeland Ave approaches.

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**Q.61 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager to please refer to housing applicant as per **(details supplied)** who is seeking consideration for housing on exceptional social grounds, (has submitted her HDM1 form as requested) and say if he can speed up this process as soon as possible in order to assist this applicant whose son of ten years, has Downes Syndrome.”

**Reply**

The above applicant is on the Housing List, with an application date of 29/06/2023, the applicant holds the following position on this list;

<b>Area</b>	<b>Bed size</b>	<b>Position</b>
B	2	744
B	3	364
E	2	877
E	3	387
H	2	476
H	3	220

Dublin City Council allocates properties based on time on the list and currently there are applicants on the waiting list 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.

Allocations have received a medical priority application in respect of the applicant, it is currently awaiting assessment by the Medical Examiner, it is anticipated this decision will be imminent.

Dublin City Council are increasing the number of units that are being allocated through the Choice Based Letting Scheme, such vacancies are advertised on the DCC website. If there are no properties available at present, nothing will be advertised. Applicants can only apply for properties in their chosen areas that meet the size requirement of their household.

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**Q.62 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager to refer to **(details supplied)** and say if he can be of assistance with regard to cleansing issues”.

**Reply**

The Public Domain Officer has spoken with above mentioned premises in relation to their responsibility to keep this area clean and they have agreed to have this area cleaned in the coming days. The Public Domain Officer will continue to monitor this situation.

**Contact:** Tommy Collins, Public Domain Enforcement Officer  
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**Q.63 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager to please refer to property as per **(details supplied)** which is being converted into multiple residential units and confirm that no additional residential parking will be made available for this residence (parking in this already high demand locality is a nightmare currently) as local residents are concerned that the parking situation at this location will worsen.”

**Reply**

The quota for the allocation of residential parking permits for a building is contained in the Parking Control Bye Laws. Section 22. (1 to -7). I can confirm that outside of these bye laws no additional permit quotas will be added, however if a building has not exceeded its quota, the resident can apply for a permit even if the street is heavy demand. As this street is heavy demand no permits will be issued to non-residents.

Permit quota  
and permit  
entitlement for  
converted  
houses

1. (1) Where a building comprises a converted house containing more than 4 housing units and is located on a heavy demand road, the total number of residents' parking permits that may be held concurrently by residents of housing units in that building shall be 4 or the permit quota for that building, whichever is the greater, subject to the limit of one resident's parking permit per housing unit. For dwellings not formally in multiple units, the number of permits issued will be 1 permit, per premises.
- (2) If the road on which a building comprising a converted house containing more than 4 housing units is located is not classified as heavy demand or ceases to be classified as heavy demand the number of residents' parking permits that may be held concurrently by residents of housing units in that building may exceed the entitlement set out in paragraph (1) of this Bye-Law, subject to the limit of one resident's parking permit per housing unit.
- (3) If the road on which a building comprising a converted house containing more than 4 housing units is located is reclassified as heavy demand the entitlement set out in paragraph (1) of this Bye-Law, will apply but without prejudice to the rights of existing permit holders in that building to renew their parking permits.



- (4) Non-renewal of permits by existing holders where the permit quota exceeds the level as per paragraph (1) will result in the extinguishment of an automatic entitlement for a new applicant to a permit for that unit.
- (5) Where the permit quota has been reached, as set out in paragraph (1) of this Bye-Law, new applications will only be accepted after a permit vacancy becomes available in a building on the basis of first application received and subject to the limit of one resident's permit per housing unit.
- (6) In a converted house containing 2 housing units, where the quota was previously 3 permits for the single housing unit then the building shall retain its previous quota up to a maximum of 2 permits for the larger housing unit.
- (7) Any newly converted house on a residential parking permit road will retain the previous quota for the building. The date of conversion will, for the purposes of these Bye-Laws, be the date the Council was first notified of the conversion.

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**Q.64 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager to please refer to problems with

- (a) Litter in Fairview
- (b) The need for replacement/additional bins in Fairview
- (c) Illegal dumping in Fairview near Tesco

and say what action he can take to rectify matters as requested by local residents”

**Reply**

Waste Management Services will survey the bin needs in Fairview and see what needs to be done. We will not be able to reinstate every bin exactly where they were as the cycle lane will be blocking access in places.

A litter warden will investigate the illegal dumping issue outlined and do all he can to address this problem there.

**Contact:** Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services,  
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**Q.65 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager to please say when the extension to the sewerage treatment in Ringsend is schedule to be commissioned/completed.”

**Reply**

On 13th September 2023, Uisce Eireann (previously known as Irish Water) took over direct control of all foul and combined sewage matters in accordance with the Government’s *‘Framework for Future Delivery of Water Services’*.

The Ringsend Wastewater Treatment Plant (RWWTP) is operated under a Design Build Operate (DBO) contract by Celtic Anglian Water on behalf of Uisce Eireann. Dublin City Council do not have any involvement in either the operation of the RWWTP or the extension works in RWWTP. This query/question must now be submitted directly to Uisce Eireann for reply.

Uisce Eireann provides a dedicated service for Local and Elected Representatives nationwide to ensure efficient and effective triage and resolution to any queries that they may have. Uisce Eireann’s Local Representative Support Desk (LRSD) is open Monday to Friday (excluding Bank Holidays), between the hours of 09:00 to 17:30. The LRSD can be contacted either by telephone (0818 178 178) or by email at [localrepsupport@water.ie](mailto:localrepsupport@water.ie). Uisce Eireann’s LRSD team receive prioritised support from across the Uisce Eireann business and have direct relationships with the Regional Engineers so that information from the ground can be gathered and fed back where necessary.

**Uisce Eireann Contact details for Oireachtas Members**

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**Q.66 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager to advise of the total cost and completion date of the Clontarf to City Centre Cycleway Project and say if same is within budget and within the schedule for completion, and if not please detail same.”

**Reply**

The Clontarf to City Centre Project will deliver 8km of walking facilities, 6km of cycling facilities, and 5.4km of bus lanes, from Alfie Byrne Road/Clontarf Road Junction to Amiens Street/Talbot Street Junction and a section of the Tolka Valley Greenway from Annesley Bridge to Alfie Byrne Road/East Wall Road Junction.

Construction commenced in Q1 2022 and the Project Team are working towards a substantial completion in Q2 2024. The Scheme Contractor has a substantial workforce of typically 100 no. operatives at any given time in an effort to progress the works as quickly as is possible in a difficult and restricted urban environment.

The budget for the Clontarf to City Centre Scheme is provided by the NTA. The approved scheme budget remains at €62m and the Project Team are working within this allocated budget.

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**Q.67 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager to arrange for a letter to be provided for residents of Castle Court and Auburn for insurers as was agreed/promised by City Council officials”

**Reply**

The Environmental Protection Division Team is working with IPB insurance to issue the appropriate letter to residents of the Castle Court and Auburn development and expect to issue the letter by the end of the week commencing the 15<sup>th</sup> of January.

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**Q.68 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager to arrange to have the tree large branch at **(details supplied)** removed/cut back as it is causing a problem for vulnerable elder pedestrians”

**Reply**

An inspection will be arranged in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area 2024.

**Contact:** Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent  
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**Q.69 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager in relation to **(details supplied)**, please arrange to have a disabled persons parking space installed to facilitate the ongoing difficulties the disabled/wheelchair bound resident is experiencing on a daily basis with access to healthcare and healthcare vehicles and other matters and can he arrange to have one of his officials call to the disabled resident and be of assistance”.

**Reply**

Following investigation at **(details supplied)** it is not possible to install a Disabling Parking Bay (DPB), as there is a turning area required to allow vehicles to manoeuvre. Additionally, there are driveways in the vicinity of the aforementioned address which cannot be blocked by vehicles.

Due to the narrow width of this road and the amount of driveways, the daughter of the resident was contacted on 30/7/20, to assess an alternative location for a DPB. She has stated that she does not wish to have the DPB installed at the alternative location on Donnycarney Road.

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