

**DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL**  
**NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE**  
**19<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

**Q.1 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons**

“To ask the Manager for a detailed report on the situation regarding the St. Luke's Youth Club building in Kilmore West.”

**Reply**

By agreement dated 1<sup>st</sup> July 1980, the premises at Cromcastle Road, Coolock, Dublin 17 was demised by Dublin City Council to the Trustees of St. Luke's Youth Club (lessee) for a term of 99 years from 1<sup>st</sup> July 1975, subject to an abated rent provided that the premises was used as a youth club and for no other purpose.

Dublin City Council's Property Management Section, in its role as Landlord, became aware of breaches of the Lease namely that there was no insurance on the building, that the rent had not been paid and that the lessee was no longer in possession of the premises which was occupied by unauthorised users. The Council engaged with the lessee to resolve the breaches and provided a reasonable opportunity for the lessee to remedy same. However the lessee subsequently ceased engagement.

The Council exercised the Forfeiture Procedure of the Conveyancing Act 1881 which provides for the termination of the Lease prematurely. Accordingly, a Section 14 Notice dated 14th November 2023 was issued to each individual Trustee and also sent to the premises giving 28 days' notice for the Trustees to rectify the breaches of the Lease. The Notice expired on 11<sup>th</sup> December 2023 and as there was no communication from the Trustees. The Council peaceably entered the premises on Tuesday 12th December 2023. As a result of the possession of the premises by the Council, the lease held by the Trustees of St. Luke's Youth Club was terminated.

A condition survey was carried out on the building for compliance with Fire Safety regulations. Additional checks and works required at the premises are noted below. When all investigations are complete, the works will take at least 4 months depending on availability of contractors and procurement requirements:

- a. Procurement of appropriate contractor to address recommendations in the Fire Safety report e.g.: absence of fire doors, flame retardant paint required to internal roof surfaces, blockage of internal access door by kitchen unit installation, boiler housing replacement with appropriate fire retardant materials and service of fire alarm system.
- b. Review Disabled WC which has shower heads installed and is currently filled with items of furniture. Also to review the statutory requirement for Disability Access Certification (DAC).
- c. Review of the Electrical Services.
- d. Review and service of the Gas Boilers.
- e. Replacement /repair of broken window.
- f. Unblock waste drains and address toilet leaks.
- g. Review the suitability of the flooring in main hall.

An executed Licence Agreement will be required to be in place before occupation of the premises. In this regard, whilst the above noted checks and works are carried out, it is proposed to start the process for a new agreement for the use of the premises. This will entail co-ordinating with the Local Area Office for recommendations of any entity or group who wish to propose a detailed use for the premises under a new Licence Agreement. The recommended entity or group will be referred to the Council's Chief Valuers Section to agree terms and conditions which will include the permitted use of the building, the payment of the licence fee, repairs and maintenance of the premises, services, insurance, utility bills etc. When terms are agreed the Law Department will be instructed to prepare the necessary legal documents to include a deed of renunciation.

It is anticipated that by the time the legal documents are prepared that all the necessary checks and works will largely have been completed.

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**Q.2 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons**

“To ask the Manager for a detailed update on the timelines and procedures involved in removing the illegal dumped waste at Belcamp Gardens this year.”

**Reply**

Below is an outline of what has happened so far since the previous Chief Executive gave a commitment to members and outlines the process going forward until the end of June 2024 when we would hope to be going on site.

- The previous Chief Executive of DCC, Owen Keegan sent a memo to all 63 Councillors in September 2022 outlining his plan to remove this waste and design and build a wall.
- Myself and the previous Director of Services for the area met with a group of residents representatives at the end of September 2022
- Powers under the Waste Management Act were conferred on 12 Gardaí from Coolock Station.
- Work then began on designing the proposed wall and planning the Part VIII application.
- Leaflets were delivered to all residents in Darndale/Belcamp/Moatview showing the wall and where it was being installed.
- Notice was given to Local Councillors at the North Central Area Committee in April 2023 that it was intended to launch the Part VIII for the building the 2.5 metre wall to be installed while removing the waste.
- The Part VIII planning was agreed by all Councillors in City Hall in November 2023.
- Work has been ongoing since then to prepare the tender documents.
- These are now being forwarded to our Procurement Section to begin the two stage tender process, as follows:-
- Procurement – restricted procedure
- (i.e. 2 stage – expressions of interest followed by tender – to ensure that interested contracts have the necessary skills and experience in construction and waste removal.)
- Pre-qualification/Expressions of interest tender docs to be advertised approx. end Feb 2024
- Expressions of interest received approx. end March 2024

- Assessment and statutory “cooling off” period
- Works tender issued to shortlisted contractors (assuming sufficient interest) approx. mid-April 2024
- Tender assessment and statutory “cooling off” period
- Contract award approx. beginning of June
- Mobilisation and site start approx. end June

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**Q.3 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons**

“To ask the Manager for a report on the housing file of **(details supplied)** and information regarding the CBL applications for two homes in Darndale, Dublin 17.”

**Reply**

The above applicant is on the Housing Transfer List, with an application date of 25/07/2008, the applicant holds the following position on this list;

<b>Area</b>	<b>Bedsize</b>	<b>Position</b>
B	3	50
D	3	18
E	3	66

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.

This applicant has applied for two properties recently advertised under Choice Based Lettings in Darndale, namely 43 Tulip Court and 89 Snowdrop Walk.  
The Darndale Office will be in touch with the successful applicants shortly.

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**Q.4 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons**

“To ask the Manager for information regarding the next steps in the ESG process for **(details supplied)**.”

**Reply**

The above applicant is on the Housing Transfer List with a welfare priority, with an application date of 08/08/2023, the applicant holds the following position on this list;

<b>Area</b>	<b>Bedsize</b>	<b>Position</b>
B	3	34

The applicant has been successful in obtaining a welfare priority and their housing file has been updated to reflect same.

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.5 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon**

“To ask the Manager to confirm the following regarding commercial rates **(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

There is one unit currently rated in **(details supplied)**. Commercial rates are fully paid up to 2023. Rate bills for 2024 are currently being issued and the rates charge for 2024 is €5,404.56.

There are no units in arrears.

There are 10 other units in **(details supplied)** awaiting valuation. Valuations are carried out by Tailte Éireann which is the state agency with responsibility for property valuations. A commercial rates bill will issue when a valuation is confirmed for these units.

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**Q.6 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten**

“To ask the Manager to follow up on the Griffith Avenue Junction, changes at the Swords Road Junction on the timing of the traffic lights which are not allowing balance from those coming from the Ballymun Road through the swords Road.”

**Reply**

At the junction of Swords Road/ Griffith Avenue, the Swords Road approaches receive a majority of available green time each cycle of at this location as this is a main public transport artery to/from the city and the main city transportation route to Dublin airport, Northern Ireland and northern commuter areas.

Allocation of extra green time to Griffith Avenue approaches reduces the green time available to the Swords Road and thus increase public transport journey times, delaying hundreds of passengers, contrary to Dublin City Council policy to prioritise sustainable modes of transportation.

Every effort is made to keep traffic moving on all routes in so far as possible, however increasing volume of traffic, coupled with the need to service priority demands from pedestrians, cyclists and public transport means that a balance needs to be struck between these multiple modes, on multiple approaches to junctions.

It is therefore not always possible to prioritise one route over others.

However, we will continue to monitor the junction in question and amendments to traffic signal timings will be made as required, where there is scope to do so.

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**Q.7 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten**

“To ask the Manager for a yellow box to be put in place at the exit of the Rise, Courtlands and filter lights on the cycle lane in line with the exit on to Griffith Avenue. Both busy estates are encountering danger exiting as a result of no consultation by the council on the change in the construction of the road.”

**Reply**

The request for a yellow box (Enquiry Ref: 7037206) 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.

**Contact:**       **Catalin Rosca – North Central Area Engineer, Transport Advisory Group**

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Clarity has been requested on what the Councillor means by “filter lights on the cycle lane”. Once this has been received the matter will be investigated and a response provided to the Councillor directly.

**Contact:**       **Alec Dundon, Senior Executive Engineer**

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**Q.8 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten**

“To ask the Manager to review the location of the bin on the Ballymun Road coming into Mobhi Road beside the bus stop which does not allow safe passage on wheelchairs and buggies.”

**Reply**

Waste Management Services inspected the location of the bin at the above mentioned bus stop and found that it wasn't causing any safety issues for wheelchairs or buggies.

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**Q.9 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten**

“To ask the Manager to have the double yellow lines that were in place on the inlet of The Rise, Courtlands repainted due to the new path work these lines are not visible.”

**Reply**

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

**Contact:** Anthony Dalton assistant traffic officer  
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**Q.10 Question in the name of Councillor Michael Mc Donncha**

“To ask the Manager if he will give a full report on the decommissioning of the wind turbines in Fr Collins Park, including the reasons for the decision, why proper arrangements for long-term and sustainable repair and maintenance by the City Council were not put in place, the implications for other Council infrastructure, and the cost to the Council”

**Reply**

The wind turbine system at Fr Collins Park was installed as part of the construction of the new park following an international design competition in 2003 that included sustainability as a requirement within the brief. In response the winning designers proposed five wind turbines positioned along the central promenade of the park. They functioned to provide energy to the park, demonstrate wind technology in an urban setting and create a strong sense of identity for both the park and the local area of Clongriffin.

The wind turbines were maintained in accordance with the manufacturer’s requirements since their installation. The decision to decommission the turbines was based on the advice and recommendation of the maintenance contractor. The decommissioning by the removal of the turbines and blades will be carried out in February at an approximate cost of €80,000 (Ex. Vat).

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**Q.11 Question in the name of Councillor Michael Mc Donncha**

“To ask the Manager If immediate measures will be taken to combat the serious problem of illegal parking on Harmonstown Road.”

**Reply**

Dublin Street Parking Services patrol and enforce this area on a continuous basis. Enforcement action has been carried out where necessary. DSPS will continue to monitor this area.

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**Q.12 Question in the name of Councillor Michael Mc Donncha**

“To ask the Manager if additional dog waste bins will be installed and existing bins emptied more regularly in Clare Hall.”

**Reply**

Waste Management Services no longer provide dog foul specific bins and dog walkers can use standard litter bins to dispose of their dog waste. We will ensure that the existing bins in Clare Hall are emptied on a regular basis.

**Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services**  
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**Q.13 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Manager to arrange for the lamp posts along **(details supplied)** to be painted.”

**Reply**

The poles on **(details supplied)** 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

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**Q.14 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Manager to arrange for the resurfacing of the lane way behind **(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

An enquiry (ref. 11151859) has been created & forwarded to the Area Inspector, who will carry out an inspection of the locus and add any defects to a list for repair.

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

“To ask the Manager to arrange for a traffic management review of traffic at **(details supplied)** in particular the corner area where the bus travels and cars can be parked causing difficulties - the corner area (No 1 & 3) may need double yellow lines to allow greater space and visibility”

**Reply**

This request (Enquiry Ref: 7037288) 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.

**Contact:** Catalin Rosca – North Central Area Engineer, Transport Advisory Group  
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**Q.16 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones**

“To ask the Manager to replace the stone block at **(details provided)**. It was put there to replace a damaged bollard, but people are using it to jump into people’s residences causing distress.”

**Reply**

Dublin City Council will arrange to exchange this concrete block and change it to a steel bollard.

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**Q.17 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons**

“To ask the Manager for the repair of the football pitch in Darndale Park as soon is as practicable.”

**Reply**

Repairs were affected soon after the damage occurred; de-compacting damaged areas and filling holes and ruts, over-seeding with grass seed. This is as much as could be done given the weather and time of year. The grass seed will strike and knit in to the sward but requires a spell of milder weather.

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**Q.18 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones**

“To ask the Manager to ask the traffic engineer to examine the increased volumes of traffic using Grace Park Terrace and what are the long term plans to reduce the volumes of traffic using this road. Also do you expect that these volumes will reduce once the roadworks in Fairview are completed?”

**Reply**

Grace Park Terrace links Griffith Avenue with Grace Park Road and as such provides an alternative route for vehicles seeking to avoid the current roadworks in Fairview as a result of the Clontarf to City Centre (C2CC) scheme. There are currently no plans to try to reduce volumes of traffic using Grace Park Terrace but the C2CC scheme is due to be substantially complete in Q2 of 2024, after which, it is expected that traffic will decrease on this road.

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**Q.19 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones**

“To ask the Manager about the upkeep of the grass areas on the paths on Kincora Road, the local residents are keeping them maintained themselves mostly.”

**Reply**

As has been reported to this committee the contract to maintain verges outside residents' homes in the City was not renewed in 2022 as this work was neither quantifiable nor verifiable. Rather it was expected that civically minded residents such as these would adopt the public face of their properties and maintain these verges as they best see fit. While it remains the case for 2024 that verges outside residents' properties will not be maintained by contract provision has been made to include in the landscape maintenance contract a number of roads in the north central area with much wider verges considered excessive for residents to maintain.

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**Q.20 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones**

“To ask the Manager to cut the trees and fix paths, as the trees have broken the paths and it’s dangerous. Fairview Avenue upper.”

**Reply**

An enquiry (ref. 11152446) has been created and forwarded to the Area Inspector, who will carry out an inspection of the locus & assign any defects to a crew for repairs.

**Contact:** Ronan Connolly A/Senior Executive Engineer, RMS North City  
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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 2024.

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

“To ask the Manager to provide an update on the commitment given in the question at **(details supplied)** provided at the September 2023 North Central area meeting with regards to traffic flow”.

**Reply**

In October 2023, I contacted the IDA to enquire if they have traffic count data for all modes of transport entering and exiting the IDA Clonsaugh Business & Technology Park and if they could make this available to Dublin City Council. In reply they confirmed that they were in the process of procuring a contractor to undertake an updated traffic survey count on the park and confirmed that they were happy to share info with DCC once the survey is completed. At the end of January 2024, I inquired if they had completed the traffic council survey and they confirmed that they are still waiting the final report and that they will share it with DCC immediately upon receipt.

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

“To ask the Manager to **urgently** arrange for the repainting of the white night visibility/safety markings on the traffic calming ramps along Clonshaugh Avenue.”

**Reply**

The road markings at this location will be checked and any action required will be taken within the next 4-5 weeks.

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

“To ask the Manager for an update on the acquisition of **(details supplied)** and if we have now required it could we please prioritise the clearing of the build-up of rubbish in back garden given the presence of vermin impacting local neighbours and that we cut back the trees/over growth and ensure when we allocate it that the back garden is left in a manageable condition for any incoming tenant.”

**Reply**

The property is being acquired by agreement and the acquisition is at legal stage, however the property is not yet in the ownership of Dublin City Council. When the legalities are completed and the property is vested in the Council, it will be retained under the control of Housing and Community Services for social housing and will be completely refurbished.

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**Q.24 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Manager to provide an update on progress on the Killester Heritage Garden, in particular to clarify if a tree, 2 x park benches and flowerbeds will be included in the final design and implementation of the Heritage Garden”

**Reply**

The design work for the proposed small seating and planting areas to enhance the new interpretative signage is scheduled for late Q1 or early Q2 2024 as there a number of larger tender packages for recreational infrastructure to be issued in the coming weeks.

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**Q.25 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole**

“To ask the Manager for the water pressure in the Kilmore West area to be improved/upgraded.”

**Reply**

As per letter dated 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2014 from the Chief Executive which was sent to all Councillors, water queries should be forwarded directly to Irish Water.

The following are the correct contact details for Irish Water;

**Telephone**

**General            1800 278 278 Free**

**Business         0818 778 778 Standard Charges Apply**

**Postal Address;     Irish Water. PO Box 860, South City Delivery Office, Cork City.**

**There is a specific email address at Irish Water for Councillors;**  
**[localrepsupport@water.ie](mailto:localrepsupport@water.ie)**

**Contact:            Catherine Cahill, Staff Officer**

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**Q.26 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole**

“To ask the Manager for the repair/remedial works to be carried out on the wall around green area at **(details supplied)**.”

**Reply**

The wall will be examined and any necessary repairs included in the park's schedule of such works.

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**Q.27 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole**

“To ask the Manager to make provision for two large flower boxes at top and bottom end of **(details supplied)** to for the following environmental improvements.”

**Reply**

**Flower Boxes**

The request for planter boxes should be made by any residents groups that are willing to take on the maintenance of planter boxes and who have been carrying out work in their estate for a year or so. Planter boxes are dependent on Budget allocation. Any group requesting planters would need to contact the local environmental liaison officer Joanne o Sullivan in the first instance.

**Weed removal**

The road sweeper cleans the gullies and removes weeds if cars are not blocking its path. The Roads Department pay for weed spraying with an allocation of 92km in the North Central area so it is not possible to have all areas sprayed. We will review this area when weed spraying begins around mid-April.

**Contact:** Richard Cleary, Public Domain Enforcement Officer Artane -  
Whitehall LEA

**Phone:** 222 8866

**Email:** [richard.cleary@dublincity.ie](mailto:richard.cleary@dublincity.ie)

Waste Management Services had road cleaning carried out at above locations on the 1<sup>st</sup> February 2024.

**Contact:** Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services,

**Tel:** 222 4240

**Email:** [mick.boyle@dublincity.ie](mailto:mick.boyle@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.28 Question in the name of Councillor Mícheál Mac Donncha**

“To ask the Manager given the growth in population and increase in registered voters, if there are plans for additional polling station(s) in the Area and the procedure by which this is decided”

**Reply**

The creating and updating of polling stations for all electoral events falls under the remit of the Dublin City Returning Officer, Mr. Joseph Burke.

Dublin City Council's Franchise section updates the register with the polling stations provided to them from the Dublin City Returning Officer.

Currently the residents of the Belmayne and Clongriffin area will be casting their vote at:

St. Francis of Assisi Primary school, Belmayne Avenue, Balgriffin, Dublin 13.  
St. Kevin's Junior National School, Newbrook Avenue, Donaghmede, Dublin 13.

If you wish to make a call for a new polling station in the area, the Dublin City Returning Officer's contact details are:

Dublin City Returning Officer.  
54 Fitzwilliam Square  
Dublin 2.

00 353 (01) 6759003 / 6759004 / 6759005  
(Monday to Friday from 9:30 am to 5:00 pm)

[info@dublincityreturningofficer.com](mailto:info@dublincityreturningofficer.com)

**Contact:** Carol McAuley, Acting Staff Officer  
**Tel:** 222 5037  
**Email:** [carol.mcauley@dublincity.ie](mailto:carol.mcauley@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.29 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones**

“To ask the Manager to fix the solar panelled speed signs on Griffith Ave, at Ard Scoil Ris and the Christian Brothers school. They haven't worked properly since installed, according to a local resident.”

**Reply**

1. Griffith Avenue, H4 Griffith Avenue (Swords Road Direction) sign had its yearly periodic inspection on the 16/01/24. The sign was confirmed as working on a timed schedule and is in good working condition.

2. Griffith Avenue, opposite H44 Griffith Avenue (Malahide Road Direction) is due its annual inspection soon. The last time the sign was checked on the 16/03/23, the sign was confirmed as working on a timed schedule and in good condition. DCC have had no reports of this sign not working. The sign will be checked on the 14/02/23 to confirm it is still working.

Please note these signs are on a timer and only work during the school opening / closing schedule.

**Contact:** Colum Kavanagh, Traffic Officer  
**Tel:** 222 2509  
**Email:** [colum.kavanagh@dublincity.ie](mailto:colum.kavanagh@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.30 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones**

“To ask the Manager have DCC insurance. For example if a tree on the street falls onto a private property.”

**Reply**

DCC are insured and have claims system in place for such incidences where it is alleged that publicly owned trees have damaged private property. Residents can submit a claim form to initiate the claim which is then fully assessed by the insurers.

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



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**Q.31 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones**

“To ask the Manager to trim the 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 2024.

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**Tel:** 222 6625  
**Email:** [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.32 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones**

“To ask the Manager to follow up a residents request to install speed bumps, in Kincora Road, the speed bumps have been approved after testing, the resident at **(details supplied)** has been chasing this since 2021.”

**Reply**

The request for traffic calming measures on Kincora Road will be reassessed by the Area Engineer and will be considered for the North Central Traffic Minor Works Programme. Please note the North Central Area has an increasing demand for traffic calming measures throughout the Area.

However, enforcement of speed limits is a matter for An Garda Síochána, and Transport Advisory Group will raise the Councillor’s concern at the next meeting with An Garda Síochána.

**Contact:** Will Mangan, Senior Executive Engineer  
**Email:** [William.mangan@dublincity.ie](mailto:William.mangan@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.33 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones**

“To ask the Manager why Clontarf GAA club is being refused an area for an astro pitch in St. Annes Park.”

**Reply**

The Parks Service has had no discussions with this football club on this matter.

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

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**Q.34 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones**

“To ask the Manager to install a basketball hoop in the Castle Court and Auburn estate please?\_The green part in front of the trees at the entrance would be a good place. There is nowhere the kids can play as the Howth Road is so busy it's not safe to walk down”

**Reply**

As there is no existing hard surface to allow for play at this location this proposal would be expensive to implement. The Parks Service does not normally locate such facilities in small local greens such as this.

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**Q.35 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons**

“To ask the Manager for a detailed update on the proposed playground for Kilmore West. Update to include information regarding its accessibility, its location, the commencement date and opening date”

**Reply**

The layout and location drawings of the proposed playground was recently shared with the area committee and will form the basis of local consultations. Once the layout can be considered agreed and no further revisions to the design are required contracts can be signed with the supplier at which time timeframe for construction and delivery dates will be fixed.

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

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**Q.36 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons**

“To ask the Manager for a detailed update on the proposed new Kilmore Leisure Centre.”

**Reply**

The preparation of tender package for the appointment of a Design Team for the Kilmore Leisure Centre has now been completed. The tender will be advertised on E-tenders in the coming weeks. The tender issue date was delayed due to other project procurements ahead of it. A detailed report will be provided to the Area Committee following issue of the tender package.

**Contact:** Donncha Ó Dúlaing, Senior Executive Officer  
**Tel:** 222 3877  
**Email:** [donncha.odulaing@dublincity.ie](mailto:donncha.odulaing@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.37 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons**

“To ask the Manager for a detailed progress update on the work being undertaken on the proposed new all-weather football facility for the Artane-Coolock area.”

**Reply**

The Parks Service has commissioned ecological studies of the use of the various locations discussed by Brent Geese, a protected species over the winter months. Once the final report is received from the consulting ecologists in March/April Parks has committed to reverting to the area committee with an analysis, feasibility report and recommendations based on these findings.

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

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**Q.38 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Manager if he will arrange for the following road/footpath works to be carried out at **(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

An enquiry (ref.11152998) has been created & forwarded to the Area Inspector, who will carry out an inspection & assign to a crew for repairs.

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



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**Q.39 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon**

“To ask the Manager to repair the potholes at **(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

An enquiry (ref.1115302) has been created & forwarded to the Area Inspector, who will carry out an inspection of **(details supplied)** & add any defects for repair.

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

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**Q.40 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon**

“To ask the Manager to provide a full report in the taking in charge of roads and services in **(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

**Belmayne**

A query was received from a resident of Belmayne Avenue in April 2021 regarding the process required for the taking in charge of Belmayne Avenue and surrounding streets. An application was issued to the individual however to date no request for taking in charge has been received.

**Parkside**

A query regarding taking in charge was received from a resident of “Parkside” in March 2023. The resident was issued with an application form. No response has been received to date.

**Parkside Boulevard:**

A request was received from Cairns Development Ltd in October 2017 for the area surrounding the school to be taken in charge. The request was forwarded to the services divisions. The services divisions’ response outlined works that were required to be carried out prior to the area being taken in charge. This was forwarded to the developer in February 2018. No response has been received to date.

**Clongriffin**

**Beau Park Clongriffin:**

A request for taking in charge was received from Gannon Homes in November 2014. The request was forwarded to the services divisions. The services division’s responses outlined works that were required to be carried out prior to the area being taken in charge. This was forwarded to the developer in February 2015. No response has been received to date.

**Clongriffin Main Street:**

A request for taking in charge was received from Gannon Homes in January 2022. The request was forwarded to the services divisions. The services divisions’ response outlined works that were required to be carried out prior to the area being taken in charge. This was forwarded to the developer in February 2022. No response has been received to date.

**Wellfield Bridge Apartments Clongriffin:**

A request for taking in charge was received from High Garden Real Estates Limited in May 2022. The request was forwarded to the services divisions. The service division’s response outlined works that were required to be carried out prior to the area being taken in charge. This was forwarded to the developer in August 2022. No response has been received to date.

**Contact: Greg Bryan, Administrative Officer**

**Tel: 222 3108**

**Email: [greg.bryan@dublincity.ie](mailto:greg.bryan@dublincity.ie)**

While Parks are not leading this process it is understood that work proceeds on mapping those areas to be taken in charged. It is noted that the playground no longer exists at this location having been previously completely removed by the Management Company currently maintaining these areas

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**Q.41 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon**

“To ask the Manager to arrange for the public Domain Crew to clear the weeds as the footpath meets the Boundary wall at **(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

This area will be included on the weeding programme for 2024.

**Contact: Tommy Collins, Public Domain Enforcement Officer Clontarf –  
Donaghmede LEA**

**Phone: 222 8859**

**Email: [tommy.collins@dublincity.ie](mailto:tommy.collins@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.42 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon**

“To ask the Manager to arrange for the strimming of the grass at the boundary fence of the green open space at the following **(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

The area is covered by the maintenance contract which provides for 2 number mechanical strimmings a year of growth in such areas along walls and beneath railings that would have in the past been maintained chemically through the use of biocides. Ideally the first strimming would be scheduled later in the spring after the spring growth surge once the growth rate had subsided. If such work was carried out now it will be quickly undone by spring growth as temperatures rise.

**Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**  
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**Q.43 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon**

“To ask the Manager to clean the debris around the Bus Lane Bollards at the top of  
**(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

Waste Management Services will have the above mentioned locations cleaned by  
the middle of February 2024.

**Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services**  
**Tel: 2224240**  
**Email: [mick.boyle@dublincity.ie](mailto:mick.boyle@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.44 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon**

“To ask the Manager to arrange the following edging of green open spaces at  
**(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

This area is covered by the landscape maintenance contract which provides for the cutting back of such grass creep from kerbs and paths once every 4 years. The matter will be forwarded to the contracts manager for consideration for inclusion in this year’s programme of such maintenance.

**Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**  
**Tel: 222 6625**  
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**Q.45 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon**

“Question withdrawn by Councillor”



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**Q.46 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon**

“To ask the Manager to provide a figure for works that have been carried out throughout the North Central Area in respect of **(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

Road Maintenance Services does not have the resources to research such an extensive request.

**Contact:** Ronan Connolly, A/Senior Executive Engineer, RMS North City  
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**Q.47 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon**

“Question withdrawn by Councillor”

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**Q.48 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Manager to arrange for a speed audit to be carried out at peak hours at **(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

**(Details)** Drive was previously investigated by the area engineer following numerous requests for a review of traffic calming measures and it is considered that the area has a plenty of traffic calming measures in place:

- The road is short in length: approx. 240 meters
- A raised table it is provided on Hazelwood Drive at the junction with Hazelwood Park;
- Two speed ramps
- **(Details)** Drive is 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 motorists the road is a residential area and to expect children. The signs are clearly marked at entrance from Kilmore Road and Ardlea Road
- A posted 30km/h roundel at the entrance on Chanel Road from Brookville Park with an additional 30 km/h Slow Zone signage entering from Malahide Road
- Elements of traffic calming according Design Manual for Urban Roads and Streets (the provision of on-street parking which acts as a passive traffic calming measure, thus reducing carriageway width for motorists and increasing driver caution)

Following the above, further traffic calming measures are not recommended at aforementioned location.

If vehicles are observed by residents speeding this should be referred to the local Gardaí as a matter for enforcement. Transport Advisory Group will raise the Councillor’s concern with them at the next TAG Meeting.

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**Q.49 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

“To ask the Manager for an update on **(details supplied)** gaining access to the youth club again?”

**Reply**

By agreement dated 1<sup>st</sup> July 1980, the premises at Cromcastle Road, Coolock, Dublin 17 was demised by Dublin City Council to the Trustees of St. Luke's Youth Club (lessee) for a term of 99 years from 1<sup>st</sup> July 1975, subject to an abated rent provided that the premises was used as a youth club and for no other purpose.

Dublin City Council's Property Management Section, in its role as Landlord, became aware of breaches of the Lease namely that there was no insurance on the building, that the rent had not been paid and that the lessee was no longer in possession of the premises which was occupied by unauthorised users. The Council engaged with the lessee to resolve the breaches and provided a reasonable opportunity for the lessee to remedy same. However the lessee subsequently ceased engagement.

The Council exercised the Forfeiture Procedure of the Conveyancing Act 1881 which provides for the termination of the Lease prematurely. Accordingly, a Section 14 Notice dated 14th November 2023 was issued to each individual Trustee and also sent to the premises giving 28 days' notice for the Trustees to rectify the breaches of the Lease. The Notice expired on 11<sup>th</sup> December 2023 and as there was no communication from the Trustees. The Council peaceably entered the premises on Tuesday 12th December 2023. As a result of the possession of the premises by the Council, the lease held by the Trustees of St. Luke's Youth Club was terminated.

A condition survey was carried out on the building for compliance with Fire Safety regulations. Additional checks and works required at the premises are noted below. When all investigations are complete, the works will take at least 4 months depending on availability of contractors and procurement requirements:

- a) Procurement of appropriate contractor to address recommendations in the Fire Safety report e.g.: absence of fire doors, flame retardant paint required to internal roof surfaces, blockage of internal access door by kitchen unit installation, boiler housing replacement with appropriate fire retardant materials and service of fire alarm system.
- b) Review Disabled WC which has shower heads installed and is currently filled with items of furniture. Also to review the statutory requirement for Disability Access Certification (DAC).
- c) Review of the Electrical Services.
- d) Review and service of the Gas Boilers.
- e) Replacement /repair of broken window.
- f) Unblock waste drains and address toilet leaks.
- g) Review the suitability of the flooring in main hall.

An executed Licence Agreement will be required to be in place before occupation of the premises. In this regard, whilst the above noted checks and works are carried out, it is proposed to start the process for a new agreement for the use of the premises.

This will entail co-ordinating with the Local Area Office for recommendations of any entity or group who wish to propose a detailed use for the premises under a new Licence Agreement. The recommended entity or group will be referred to the Council's Chief Valuers Section to agree terms and conditions which will include the permitted use of the building, the payment of the licence fee, repairs and maintenance of the premises, services, insurance, utility bills etc. When terms are agreed the Law Department will be instructed to prepare the necessary legal documents to include a deed of renunciation.

It is anticipated that by the time the legal documents are prepared that all the necessary checks and works will largely have been completed.

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**Q.50 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

“To ask the Manager to confirm if any of the broken footpaths on Kilbarron Road /Castlekevin and other roads in Kilmore west have been fixed in the last year”

**Reply**

There are no records of any footpath repairs carried out by Road Maintenance Services in Kilbarron Road /Castlekevin or the Kilmore West Area in 2023. Sections of footpaths in the Kilmore West Area shall be included for repair in the 2024 works programme.

**Contact: Ronan Connolly, A/Senior Executive Engineer**  
**Phone: 222 2297**  
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**Q.51 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

“To ask the Manager are there any further updates on **(details supplied)** for when will work commence on the following playgrounds?”

**Reply**

Consultations on the proposals are underway and once there is broad agreement the project can be moved on to the signing of contracts and issuing of orders at which time timeframes and delivery dates will be fixed.

**Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**  
**Tel: 222 6625**  
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**Q.52 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

“To ask the Manager what is the update on planning at the drive in site in Beaumont?  
Can the developer be written to and reminded of his responsibilities, the site is  
attracting anti-social activity and is an eye sore”

**Reply**

The question would appear to refer to Site at Beaumont Road / Beaumont Grove /  
Grace Park Court / Ellenfield Road, Beaumont, Dublin 9.

Planning permission was refused by Dublin City Council for 99 Build to Rent (BTR)  
apartments under Plan Ref. 2569/21. This decision was appealed to An Bord  
Pleanála. ABP overturned DCC’s decision and Granted permission under ABP-  
310709-21 on 11/01/2022. The decision was subject to a judicial review. I have no  
further details to hand on the judicial review. This is a matter for ABP’s legal  
department.

**Anti-Social Behaviour on the site:** This would pertain to a non-planning matter and  
is an issue of site security and maybe potential malicious damage and as such would  
be a matter for the owner of the site and perhaps, An Garda Síochána

**Contact:** Siobhan O’Connor, Senior Executive Planner  
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**Q.53 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

“To ask the Manager how much community funding has DCC given **(details supplied)** over the past 5 years? Who owns the community centre, can you provide background to same”

**Reply**

Community and Social Development Office would use the centre for hire of the hall. From 2018-2024 the section has paid €5300 for room hire.

Discretionary budget funded the upgrade of a door, totalling €5170 in 2019.

**(Details supplied)** Centre did not receive community grants through our central fund from 2018-2023.

**Contact:** Niamh Reilly – Area Community and Social Development Officer  
**Tel:** 222 8841  
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**Ownership**

By way of Lease dated 19<sup>th</sup> May 1988, a site at Skellys Lane, Kilmore Road, Dublin 5 was demised by Dublin City Council to **(details supplied)** (now Company Limited by Guarantee – CLG) for a term of 99 years from 2<sup>nd</sup> August 1984 provided that the site is used as a Club Community Centre. Following a rent review in 2019, the current rent is €175,000 per annum abated to €190.46. The **(details supplied)** (now Company Limited by Guarantee – CLG) recently applied with consent and were granted planning permission PP Ref 4271/23 relating to the after school services provided and permission to open a pre-school at this location.

**Contact:** Nicola Finegan, Administrative Officer, Property Management  
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Below is information on Dublin City Sport & Wellbeing Partnership’s (DCSWP) use of **(details supplied)**, the role it plays in the delivery of DCSWP core target programmes in the North Central Area and information on how DCSWP engages with the centre for programme delivery. In terms of capital or community funding, Q.53 will have to be directed to other sections in Dublin City Council that can comprehensively answer the question for Cllr. Flanagan

DCSWP provides opportunities for everyone to partake in sport and physical activity regardless of age, gender, ability or background through the delivery of wide-range of activity programmes aimed at core target groups. DCSWP Sport Officers operate

across the five electoral areas in the Dublin City area and in the North Central Area (NCA) four Sport Officers have responsibility for the delivery of multi-sport/activity programmes, events and initiatives working in partnership with Co-funded Officers (Athletics, Boxing, Cricket, Football, Rowing, Rugby & Swimming) and a wide range of stakeholders. Dublin City Council's Sports & Fitness Centres, local community centres and clubs play a huge role in the facilitation of these programmes.

DCSWP Sport Officer Fergal Scally works across a number of NCA locations and his remit includes the Artane/Beaumont area. Fergal has facilitated sport and physical activity programmes and one off classes/workshops in **(details supplied)** over the past five years.

The hiring and payment process for the hall/room is the same as any external application for usage. Programmes are typically delivered over one hour and the hourly rate for hire of the hall is €50 per hour. As programmes are typically targeted at local Active Retired as part of a community initiative in the surrounding area, DCSWP has negotiated a rate of €30 per hour for four weekly sessions which will greatly benefit the delivery of programmes.

Fergal is currently running an 8 week Active Retired 'Change for Life' programme in **(details supplied)** twice a week for 4 hours in total.

Plans are in place to use the centre throughout the year for other programmes pending on funding available and the demand for programmes and services by the residents in the Artane/Beaumont area.

Each year DCSWP supports clubs in communities through the Sport for Young People Club Small Grant Scheme. Details of the scheme and its benefits have been provided in area committee reports along with a list of clubs in the NCA that benefitted in 2023. 37 clubs received a total of €950 in 2023. Below are clubs that use the **(details supplied)** facilities and received funding from DCSWP.

<b>Name of club</b>	<b>Address of club</b>	<b>Amount Awarded</b>
Santry Volleyball Club	<b>Details supplied</b>	950
ABC Junior Badminton Club	<b>Details supplied</b>	950

**Contact:** Fergal Scally, Sports Officer  
**Tel:** 087 1181885  
**Email:** [fergal.scally@dublincity.ie](mailto:fergal.scally@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.54 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

“To ask the Manager what is the update on **(details supplied)** has DCC had any meetings with the club over the past two years”

**Reply**

The Area Manager has met with Parnell's football club in the past two years, however no discussion were brought up with regards to **(details supplied)**.

**Contact:** Derek Farrell, Local Area Manager for Artane - Whitehall LEA  
**Phone:** 222 8546  
**Email:** [derek.farrell@dublincity.ie](mailto:derek.farrell@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.55 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

“To ask the Manager can the continuous white line outside **(details supplied)** be removed asap please. Why was this continuous white line placed outside the houses when the occupants have to park their vehicles there, why are DCC placing fines on the cars here?”

**Reply**

The request for rescinding the continuous white line (Enquiry Ref: 7037593) 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.

**Contact: Catalin Rosca – North Central Area Engineer, Transport Advisory Group**

**Email: [Catalin.Rosca@dublincity.ie](mailto:Catalin.Rosca@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.56 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

“To ask the Manager is there new parking enforcement personnel operating around the Coolock area, if so can you advise on the background to this please”

**Reply**

Dublin Street Parking Services, the parking enforcement contractor, patrol and carry out enforcement in the administrative area of Dublin City Council.

**Contact:** Elaine Norton, A/Administrative Officer  
**Tel:** 222 6291  
**Email:** [elaine.norton@dublincity.ie](mailto:elaine.norton@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.57 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

“To ask the Manager what is the update on a local area plan for Santry?”

**Reply**

The 2022-2028 City Development includes Table 2-13 which identified 3 priority areas for local plans and in Table 2-14 a list of 15 proposed other LAPs/VIPs which includes Santry/Whitehall. Work is now underway on the 3 plans in Table 2-13; in line with their prioritisation in the Development Plan

Decisions in relation to prioritisation of the other 15 LAPs will be examined by the incoming Planning SPC, in line with the criteria specified on page 76 of the Development Plan. It would be premature at this stage to advise the possible outcome of such decision as to which LAPs from this list will be identified to progress.

**Contact:** Deirdre Scully, City Planning Officer  
**Tel:** 222 3129  
**Email:** [Deirdre.Scully@dublincity.ie](mailto:Deirdre.Scully@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.58 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

“To ask the Manager can the property adjacent to **(details supplied)** previously mentioned at a DCC meeting in 2018 and has been abandoned since 2016 be tackled please. It is an abandoned property”

**Reply**

The Derelict Sites Unit has an active file on this site having received a number of complaints regarding its condition. Owners have been contacted regarding the condition of the property and requested to carry out improvement works. The site was inspected on the 31<sup>st</sup> January 2024 which showed no improvement works have carried out. The site is now being considered for entry onto the derelict site register.

**Contact:** Elaine Parker / Senior Staff Officer  
**Tel:** 222 2330  
**Email:** [Elaine.parker@dublincity.ie](mailto:Elaine.parker@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.59 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

“To ask the Manager for the below to be urgently followed up regarding illegal occupation at **(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

The Darndale Housing Office is currently investigating this matter and working with the tenant, DCC Rents Section and the Fire Prevention Officer in relation to above issues.

**Contact:** Gillian Corcoran A/ Housing Manager  
**Tel:** 086 8556560  
**Email:** [gillian.corcoran@dublincity.ie](mailto:gillian.corcoran@dublincity.ie)



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**Q.60 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons**

“To ask the Manager that remedial action to remedy a situation where a public tree is damaging the front garden wall of **(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 2024.

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

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**Q.61 Question in the name of Councillor Mícheál Mac Donncha**

“To ask the Manager to confirm that repair of roads in Foxhill estate will be included in the 2024 works programme.”

**Reply**

The resurfacing of sections of carriageways within the Foxhill estate will be considered when drafting the 2024 works programme.

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

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**Q.62 Question in the name of Councillor Mícheál Mac Donncha**

“To ask the Manager if bins will be placed at each entrance to Donaghmede Park, given the extent of dog waste discarded in bags in the park, and the constantly overflowing single dog waste bin that is supposed to service the park.”

**Reply**

Waste Management Services have a litter bin at the entrance to this park from Grange Road and we also have a litter bin at the entrance to the park from Grange Abbey Grove. There is also a dog poo bin at the entrance to the park from Carndonagh Road. We are satisfied that these existing bins cater for the litter and dog foul disposal needs at this location and we have no plans for additional bins here at this time.

**Contact:** Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services  
**Tel:** 2224240  
**Email:** [mick.boyle@dublincity.ie](mailto:mick.boyle@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.63 Question in the name of Councillor Mícheál Mac Donncha**

“To ask the Manager if additional lights can be installed in Donaghmede Park.”

**Reply**

The Parks Service does not normally provide lighting in parks unless there are facilities that are used after dark or along recognized commuter routes to bus stops for example. As there are already 2 number lit routes across the park providing safe access to the school and all-weather facility there does not appear to be a rationale to provide additional lighting at this location.

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

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**Q.64 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler**

“To ask the Manager for an update on flood lights beside 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.

**Contact:** Derek Farrell, Acting Local Area Manager for Artane - Whitehall  
LEA  
**Phone:** 222 8546  
**Email:** [derek.farrell@dublincity.ie](mailto:derek.farrell@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.65 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler**

“To ask the Manager if he can advise on the process of removing these old telephone boxes and have the one on Kilmore Road removed – see photos”  
<https://maps.app.goo.gl/SmZHeFcAv2hrpqqZ9>

**Reply**

Eir has taken the decision to remove all the remaining payphones from the streets of Ireland by July 2024

All ESB disconnections have been submitted.

All Road Opening Licences (ROL) have been submitted to the councils.

Once ROLs and ESB Networks terminations are complete, then jobs will be scheduled and the kiosks removed and Dublin will be first priority.

The kiosk on Kilmore Road is not an EIR asset and Road Maintenance Services is endeavouring to determine its ownership and when this is achieved, the owner will be requested to repair the payphone or remove it, if redundant.

**Contact:** Deri Flood, SEE, IMU, RMS  
**Tel:** 222 2558 & 086 388 3986  
**Email:** [deri.flood@dublincity.ie](mailto:deri.flood@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.66 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler**

“To ask the Manager to review the following location, on both sides of the road, as it is prone to flooding each time it rains. It seems the water is not flowing to the drain and this causes difficulty for anyone crossing at the traffic lights, when it rains.”

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/h69xyq6KaSuAbDDu8>

**Reply**

An enquiry (ref. 11153122) has been created for this issue. The Area Engineer will carry out a site inspection and have the ponding issue resolved.

**Contact:** Ronan Connolly, A/Senior Executive Engineer, RMS North City  
**Phone:** 222 2297  
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**Q.67 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole**

“To ask the Manager to make provision for entire resurfacing of roadway at **(details supplied)**).

**Reply**

The resurfacing of the carriageway at **(details supplied)** will be considered when drafting the 2024 works programme

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



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**Q.68 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole**

“To ask the Manager to respond to the housing application of **(details supplied)**”.

**Reply**

The above applicant is on the Housing List, with an application date of 05/09/2022, the applicant holds the following position on this list;

<b>Area</b>	<b>Bedsize</b>	<b>Position</b>
B	2	576
E	2	689

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.

The applicant may be eligible for HAP which will provide her with financial assistance towards the cost of renting another property. Should the applicant wish to apply for the HAP Scheme, she should make contact with the HAP Section ([hap@dublincity.ie](mailto:hap@dublincity.ie))

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.

**Contact:** Sandra Barry, Acting Allocations Officer  
**Tel:** 222 2201  
**Email:** [Sandra.barry@dublincity.ie](mailto:Sandra.barry@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.69 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole**

“To ask the Manager to respond to the housing application of **(details supplied)**.”

**Reply**

The above applicant is on the Housing List, with an application date of 21/06/2016, the applicant holds the following position on this list;

<b>Area</b>	<b>Bedsize</b>	<b>Position</b>
B	2	60
B	3	182
J	2	83
J	3	102
P	2	22
P	3	54

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Should the applicant wish to make an application for a medical priority he should complete the Disability and/or Medical Application form and submit it with supporting documentation for review to Housing Allocations.

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**Q.70 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

“To ask the Manager if the Council will consider installing a new bin inside the open green space between Riverside, Coolock and the Santry River? As there are often bags of dog litter left on the railings.”

**Reply**

The Parks Service does not provide bins at such local open spaces and greens where resources are not available to service same.

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

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**Q.71 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

“To ask the Manager if the Council will provide an update on a vacant property (details supplied).”

**Reply**

The outstanding issues with regard to the occupancy of this dwelling are currently being addressed and will be resolved in the near future.

**Contact: Patrick Smith Area Housing Officer**  
**Tel: 087 2185149**  
**Email: [Patrickp.smith@dublincity.ie](mailto:Patrickp.smith@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.72 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

“To ask the Manager following up on question 103 from May 15<sup>th</sup> 2023, if the trees at **(details supplied)** can be pruned, as the resident is extremely worried about their size”

**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 2024.

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

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**Q.73 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

“To ask the Manager if a litter bin could be placed at the newly landscaped area at  
**(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

The Parks Service does not provide bins at such local open spaces and greens where resources are not available to service same.

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

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**Q.74 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

“To ask the Manager if bollards could be installed on the footpath at **(details supplied)** in order to prevent cars from parking partially on the footpath at the corner, impeding pedestrians and people with buggies.”

**Reply**

Under The Road Traffic (Traffic & Parking) Regulations, Article 36, Paragraph (2) (i), it is against the law to park on a footpath. It is the policy of Dublin City Council not to install bollards on footpaths to prevent illegal parking as this approach is not sustainable and prohibition is already provided for in law.

The matter has been referred to Dublin Street Parking Services who are responsible for parking enforcement.

**Contact:** Catalin Rosca, Area Engineer  
**Email:** [catalin.rosca@dublincity.ie](mailto:catalin.rosca@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.75 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

“To ask the Manager if consideration could be given to closing off the laneway between **(details supplied)** Residents report continuous anti-social behaviour including drug dealing, other illegal actions and as a cut through for stolen motorbike/scramblers riders. There was previously a cctv camera at this location but it was removed in recent years. Is it possible to have a) the cctv reinstated or b) a viability study of the negative effect of having the laneway open?”

**Reply**

This laneway is currently in charge of Dublin City Council. In order to close the laneway, the public right of way over the laneway needs to be extinguished under section 73 of the Roads Act 1993.

The extinguishment of a public right of way is a reserved function of the elected members of the City Council. The local area office manage the application and statutory consultation process.

An application for the Extinguishment of a Public Right of Way (EPROW) is made in writing to the local area office and must include:

- The reason for the requested closure
- A statement as to how the laneway will be closed
- A statement confirming that the proposers are aware that following the closure they take responsibility for the future maintenance and upkeep of the laneway
- A statement confirming that residents agree to undertake the costs of closure of the laneway, including the cost of installing a gate and diverting services, if necessary
- A petition signed by the majority or residents/owners of houses abutting the laneway, which should contain a statement on each page illustrating that signatories are aware of the above.

On receipt of the above, the Area Office will prepare a report for the next Area Committee meeting requesting that procedures be initiated under Section 73 of the Roads Act 1993. If this is agreed the local area office will initiate the statutory consultation process:

- A notice will be published in one or more national newspapers circulating in the area indicating where the public right of way proposed to be extinguished is located. This notice must also indicate where the map showing this public right of way may be inspected. A minimum period of one month must be allowed for inspection of the proposal with a further two weeks allowed for the making of objections or representations. The notice shall also state that persons making such objections or representations may make a request in writing to state their case at an oral hearing.



- An online consultation will be set up on DCC's consultation hub so that members of the public can view the map and information associated with the EPROW, and can submit objections/representations on the proposal
- A sign will be placed at each end of the public right of way to be extinguished for a period of at least 14 days, with the drawing illustrating the closure and details of the consultation process
- A service check will be carried out, notifying service providers of the proposed EPROW and requesting any objections or requirements
- If an oral hearing is requested in writing, the Local Area office will schedule and conduct same.

On conclusion of the consultation process the Local Area Office will prepare a second area committee report for councillors, with a recommendation to extinguish/retain the right of way. This decision is a reserved function of the elected councillors.

**Contact:** Lynda Drysdale, Acting Senior Staff Officer  
**Tel:** 222 8847  
**Email:** [Lynda.drysdale@dublincity.ie](mailto:Lynda.drysdale@dublincity.ie)

a) The area office is not aware of CCTV being in place at this location, however, the Area Manager will look into this and come back to Councillor.

b) A viability study will be carried out of foot of the residents making an application to have this lane way closed, this includes checking with An Garda Síochána and residents reports of anti-social behaviour in the lane way.

**Contact:** Derek Farrell, Local Area Manager for Artane - Whitehall LEA  
**Phone:** 222 8546  
**Email:** [derek.farrell@dublincity.ie](mailto:derek.farrell@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.76 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

“To ask the Manager if a new gate could be installed in (**details supplied**).

Possible position of new gate photo 2 attached

Current Gates - Locked in case of ice – see attached photo 3

these gates have been locked for a while now and will remain locked once it's cold and icy

**Reply**

This work to breach a reinforced concrete wall would be prohibitively expensive considering there is an on grade entrance to the park some 200m to the south. It does not appear that both sides of the wall are at ground level as is claimed. The photos below indicate there is a level difference of approximately a metre (Please see photos below) which would be difficult to resolve over a short distance without installing steps which would create the same challenges during icy conditions.





Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent  
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**Q.77 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

“To ask the Manager if he could organise a meeting between myself, the ELO and the litter warden to see how we could address the ongoing issues of littering at **(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

The Environmental Liaison Officer and the Litter Warden met on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> Feb it was agreed that Stephen Kavanagh DCC Litter Management Officer will inspect the shop area and the laneways running along the side of the shops to see if it will be possible for the businesses to store their large euro bins there instead of in front of the shops and in the pedestrian walkway. If this is not possible the public domain team will explore the possibility of lockable secure containers that could be located in the walkway where businesses can securely store the bins and protect them from being accessible to members of the public and prevent overflow and spilling over which is generating a lot of litter in the area.

The Litter Warden has already spoken to the newsagent shop in the last few days and they have increased their bin collection to 2 days per week to prevent overflow.

The takeaways only open in late afternoon and evening so unfortunately we could not talk to them today however the Litter Warden will call to them this week to chat about their responsibilities.

Unfortunately the litter that is dropped by people down the street is not a matter for the businesses as they are only responsible for keeping the area in front of their premises and up to 50 metres distance clean. They cannot be asked to clean up a street/pathway that is a large distance from their premises.

The environmental officer will once again ask Waste Management to provide additional bins near the bus terminus on **(details supplied)** which was previously refused.

The public domain team will monitor the area and liaise with the Community Team to see if there is a way to build the relationship between the businesses, residents & local schools etc. to bring about an improvement in litter in the area.

The environmental officer will connect with a new litter picking group that has recently been set up in Shanowen Park to see if they will consider extending their litter picking to **(details supplied)** Road.

**Contact:** Joanne O’Sullivan, Environmental Liaison Officer  
**Phone:** 222 8843  
**Email:** [joanne.osullivan@dublincity.ie](mailto:joanne.osullivan@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.78 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

“To ask the Manager if the road markings could be painted in such a way to safely facilitate parking, removing obstruction of the bicycle and bus lane to ensure the safety of cyclists at the following location **(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

The request for road markings to be reviewed (Enquiry Ref: 7037594) 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.

**Contact: Catalin Rosca – North Central Area Engineer, Transport Advisory Group**

**Email: [Catalin.Rosca@dublincity.ie](mailto:Catalin.Rosca@dublincity.ie)**

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**Q.79 Question in the name of Councillor Mícheál Mac Donncha**

“To ask the Manager if repairs will be carried out of the kerb on Edenmore Crescent, alongside Edenmore Green.”

**Reply**

An enquiry (ref. 11153124) has been created & forwarded to the Area Inspector, who will carry out an inspection of the locus & add any defects for repair.

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**Tel:** 222 2297  
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**Q.80 Question in the name of Councillor Mícheál Mac Donncha**

“To ask the Manager if the overgrowth of bushes obstructing the path on Clarehall Ave from the Malahide Road junction on the Belmayne side will be cut back.”

**Reply**

An enquiry (ref. 11153701) has been created with regard to the above request. A request will be sent to the property owner to remove any growth from the public realm.

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**Tel:** 222 2297  
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**Q.81 Question in the name of Councillor Mícheál Mac Donncha**

“To ask the Manager if the yellow junction box at the entrance to Clarehall Estate will be repainted.”

**Reply**

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

**Contact:** Anthony Dalton assistant traffic officer  
**Email:** [anthony.dalton@dublincity.ie](mailto:anthony.dalton@dublincity.ie)



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**Q.82 Question in the name of Councillor Mícheál Mac Donncha**

“To ask the Manager if he is aware of the safety concerns of the school community of the Belmayne Educate Together secondary school due to the fact that there is no footpath on the school side of the road between the entrance of the school and the road junction opposite the Clare Hall roundabout; and if the process of constructing a path here can be commenced.”

**Reply**

There is no footpath on the school side of the road between the entrance of the school and the road junction opposite the Clare Hall roundabout because as you head east there is no footpath northern side of the R139.

**Contact:** Joe Kelly, Senior Engineer, Road Design Division  
**Email:** [joseph.kelly@dublincity.ie](mailto:joseph.kelly@dublincity.ie)

Environment & Transportation Department is directly engaging with the contractor for the Department of the Environment regarding the completion of works around the permitted school and in alignment with the Road Safety Audit associated with the planning approval Ref. 2600/20 and Condition No. 7 (b) below. This includes the completion of the footpath.

**Condition 7**

*b) Prior to the completion of works on site, the applicant/Board of Management of the School shall liaise with the Planning Authority to agree detailed design and timeline for delivery of necessary improvements works to the adjoining Belmayne Avenue, if not otherwise implemented by Planning Permission Register Reference 3009/19. These works shall seek to undertake the measure outlined in the submitted Road Safety Audit Stage 1 Report. Such works shall be in place prior to the occupation of the proposed school unless otherwise agreed with the Planning Authority. All works shall be carried out at the applicant's expense at no cost to Dublin City Council and to the detailed requirements of the Planning Authority.*

**Contact:** Gareth Hyland, Senior Executive Planner, Transportation Planning Division  
**Email:** [Gareth.hyland@dublincity.ie](mailto:Gareth.hyland@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.83 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager to re-examine my previous requests for the installation of a calming ramp on road as per **(details supplied)**, because all surrounding roads have ramps and **(details supplied)** does not, leading to constant rat-running through **(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

The area engineer has assessed the Councillor's request. The above location is approximately 85m in length, therefore does not meet Dublin City Council's criteria for providing speed ramps as the road is required to have a straight run of at least 200m to qualify. No other engineering measures are recommended at this time.

**Contact:** Catalin Rosca, Area Engineer  
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**Q.84 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager in relation to sign as per (details supplied), arrange to repair/straighten same”

**Reply**

An enquiry (ref. 11153143) has been created & forwarded to the Area Inspector, who will conduct an inspection of the locus and assign any footpath defects to a crew for repair.

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

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**Q.85 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager please say if he can (a) arrange to have the area at **(details supplied)** swept/cleared of accumulated rubbish and (b) agree to replace the litter bin that was removed from **(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned area cleaned on the 12<sup>th</sup> February 2024. We cannot find evidence of a litter bin ever being there. This busy junction would not be suitable for a litter bin as there would be difficulty in stopping to empty it.

**Contact:** Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services  
**Tel:** 2224240  
**Email:** [mick.boyle@dublincity.ie](mailto:mick.boyle@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.86 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager please refer to location as per **(details supplied)** and arrange to repair broken footpath which was ‘inadvertently’ damaged as a result of City Council operatives recently working on/removing a fallen tree at **(details supplied)**”

**Reply**

An enquiry (ref.11153146) has been created in relation to a section of damaged footpath outside **(details supplied)**.

The Area Inspector will carry out an inspection of the locus and assign a crew to carry out the necessary repairs.

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

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**Q.87 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager please refer to application for a housing transfer for senior citizen as per **(details supplied A)** attached and say

- 1) If the manager is aware of the outstanding repairs required in her current accommodation
- 2) if she can be accommodated at this stage in the vacancy at **(details supplied B)**”

**Reply**

The above applicant is on the Older Persons Housing Transfer List, with an application date of 31/01/2024, the applicant holds the following position on this list;

<b>Area</b>	<b>Bedsizes</b>	<b>Position</b>
B	1	164

It is not possible to accommodate the applicant in the vacancy as 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.

**Contact:** Sandra Barry , Acting Allocations Officer  
**Tel:** 222 2201  
**Email:** [Sandra.barry@dublincity.ie](mailto:Sandra.barry@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.88 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager in relation to **(details supplied A)**, say if he can (i) arrange for the pruning/lopping of the on green space, particularly the one in the centre of the green and (ii) replace the tree that was removed from **(details supplied B)** as the hole left behind is a serious trip hazard, particularly for vulnerable pedestrians”

**Reply**

- (a) Topping i.e. reduction of the height of trees is outdated and no longer a recommended arboricultural practice as it is bad for the health of the tree and merely leads to a flush of weakly attached re-growth that can easily become detached in high winds rendering the tree unsafe. The avoidance of this harmful pruning practice was included as a policy objective in the Dublin City Tree Strategy adopted as policy in 2016.
- (b) The locus will be examined and if suitable listed for inclusion in the street tree planting programme for the area.

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

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**Q.89 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager arrange to have broken front door lock on senior citizen’s dwelling as per **(details supplied)** repaired please.”

**Reply**

Housing Maintenance have completed all works to the door at this property.

**Contact: Ursula Donnellan, Senior Executive Officer, Housing  
Maintenance**  
**Tel: 222 2095**  
**Email: [ursula.donnellan@dublincity.ie](mailto:ursula.donnellan@dublincity.ie)**



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**Q.90 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager please refer to senior citizen housing transfer applicant as per **(details supplied)** and say if he is aware of the applicants medical conditions and say if/when he can be accommodated with a transfer from his bedsit.”

**Reply**

The above applicant is on the Housing Transfer Older Person's List with an application date of 10/11/2023, the applicant holds the following position on this list;

<b>Area</b>	<b>Bedsize</b>	<b>Position</b>
B	1	87
D	1	14
H	1	77

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.

Should the applicant wish to make an application for a medical priority he should complete the Disability and/or Medical Application form and submit it with supporting documentation for review to Housing Allocations.

**Contact:** Sandra Barry, Acting Allocation Officer  
**Tel:** 222 2201  
**Email:** [Sandra.barry@dublincity.ie](mailto:Sandra.barry@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.91 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager in relation to trees in cul de sac as per **(details supplied)**, say if he can arrange to inspect same, meet residents and agree to seriously lop same as several of them had to be felled following Storm Betty as residents have safety concerns arising from the height of these trees.”

**Reply**

Topping i.e. reduction of the height of trees is outdated and no longer a recommended arboricultural practice as it is bad for the health of the tree and merely leads to a flush of weakly attached re-growth that can easily become detached in high winds rendering the tree unsafe. The avoidance of this harmful pruning practice was included as a policy objective in the Dublin City Tree Strategy adopted as policy in 2016. An inspection will be arranged in the coming weeks and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritized tree care programme for the area 2024.

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

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**Q.92 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker**

“To ask the Manager for lighting at the laneway at **(details supplied)**. This area and laneway are now heavily used due to community work in the park but there has been an assault there in recent times and lighting is required to improve safety and reassure residents and users of the lane.”

**Reply**

The provision of a light in this laneway will be provided this year subject to getting approval from one of the house owners either side of this lane so that a fuse box can be mounted on one of the gable ends of these houses. This is required in order to get an electrical supply from the nearby ESB supply on the houses and to run a cable from the fuse box to the pole that will provide light to the lane.

**Contact:** Seamus MacSweeney, Senior Engineer  
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**Q.93 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker**

“To ask the Manager to assess the two very large trees at **(details supplied)**? They have broken up through the pavements and residents are concerned that in addition to being a trip hazard, the roots are destabilised and the trees are likely to come down in high winds/storm conditions. Additionally, the trees have grown so large that they block any sun to the householder, requiring additional use of heating at the front of the house. Finally, the crown of the trees that is against the electricity supply wires poses a potential hazard. Can the manager arrange to inspect the trees with a view to establishing if they are safely rooted and pose any safety risk and take the necessary action in terms of removal or crown lifting and footpath repair?”

**Reply**

An enquiry (ref. 11153143) has been created & forwarded to the Area Inspector, who will conduct an inspection of the locus and assign any footpath defects to a crew for repair.

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

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 2024.

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

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**Q.94 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker**

“To ask the Manager if the Council will provide an update on the road works on Alfie Byrne Road and East Wall Road where traffic is being merged into one lane, and when the two lane system is likely to be reinstated?”

**Reply**

The works currently underway on the East Coast Trail on East Wall Road and Alfie Byrne Road form a section of the East Coast trail and will see the construction of a new contraflow cycle lane linking the East Point Business Park on Alfie Byrne Road and St Joseph’s National School on East Wall Road. As well as the construction of two new crossing points linking the school to the scheme and linking this scheme through Fairview Park to the City Centre to Clontarf scheme. The contraflow cycle lane section of the scheme is being constructed in the now permanently closed left hand lane on Alfie Byrne Road and East Wall Road and as such this lane will not be reopening to vehicular traffic. Works are well progressed at this stage, the new cycle lanes are expected to be fully open on schedule in Q2. Drawings and additional information for the scheme can be found at [www.dublincity.ie/ectnp1](http://www.dublincity.ie/ectnp1).

**Contact:** Larry Bergin, Resident Engineer.  
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**Q.95 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker**

“To ask the Manager to arrange for cleaning of the in charge areas of Doyle’s Lane, Clontarf (as seen in the images attached)”

**Reply**

Waste Management Services will have the in charge areas of the above mentioned lane cleaned by the end of February 2024.

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

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**Q.96 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker**

“To ask the Manager to provide/reinstate the public bin at the N4 bus stop at Le Cheile community centre, Collins Avenue East. This bus stop is now heavily used, which is a positive, but a bin is very much needed at the stop and has been requested by service users, including Prosper Fingal, of the community centre.”

**Reply**

Waste Management Services have a big belly bin at the above mentioned community centre which is very close to this bus stop and we are satisfied that this big belly bin caters for the litter needs at this location.

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

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**Q.97 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker**

“To ask the Manager for a thorough street cleaning of Marino Park Ave, D3 and for the street to be added to a regular street cleaning schedule. In addition to ask the manager for some planters to be provided at this location to enhance the appearance of the street (there are residents willing to care for these and I can provide their details). For background, the filtered permeability on Haverty Road has had the unintended consequence of increased traffic on Marino Park Avenue, the road is also directly adjacent to the primary school so has heavy footfall and some littering from there and very close to the main stretch of Marino Mart and the current roadworks related to C2CC. As a result it is subject to a lot of littering, dust and similar and elderly residents are not, and should not have to, keep up with street cleaning.”

**Reply**

This location will be given consideration by the public domain section for planters in 2024 following a site inspection.

**Contact:** Joanne O’Sullivan, Environmental Liaison Officer  
**Tel:** 222 8541  
**Email:** [joanne.osullivan@dublincity.ie](mailto:joanne.osullivan@dublincity.ie)

Waste Management Services had Marino Park Avenue cleaned on the 12<sup>th</sup> February 2024 and will ensure it is cleaned when scheduled for cleaning.

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



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**Q.98 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

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

**Reply**

An enquiry (ref.11153147) has been created in relation to a request for a new nameplate for **(details supplied)**. This nameplate will be ordered & installed in due course.

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

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**Q.99 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

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

**Reply**

This defect will be repaired within the next 4 weeks.

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

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**Q.100 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

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

**Reply**

No rationale was provided for the potential removal of this street tree. 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 2024.

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

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**Q.101 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

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

**Reply**

The proposed 2024 pitch improvement programme for the North Central Area has been shared with the area committee. The Parks Service intends to commence such pitch improvement works including decompaction, top-dressing and over-seeding, in-house on certain pitches in St. Anne’s Park this summer as ground conditions allow.

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

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**Q.102 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

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

**Reply**

Below is an outline of what has happened so far since the previous Chief Executive gave a commitment to members and outlines the process going forward until the end of June 2024 when we would hope to be going on site.

- The previous Chief Executive of DCC, Owen Keegan sent a memo to all 63 Councillors in September 2022 outlining his plan to remove this waste and design and build a wall.
- Myself and the previous Director of Services for the area met with a group of residents representatives at the end of September 2022
- Powers under the Waste Management Act were conferred on 12 Gardaí from Coolock Station.
- Work then began on designing the proposed wall and planning the Part VIII application.
- Leaflets were delivered to all residents in Darndale/Belcamp/Moatview showing the wall and where it was being installed.
- Notice was given to Local Councillors at the North Central Area Committee in April 2023 that it was intended to launch the Part VIII for the building the 2.5 metre wall to be installed while removing the waste.
- The Part VIII planning was agreed by all Councillors in City Hall in November 2023.
- Work has been ongoing since then to prepare the tender documents.
- These are now being forwarded to our Procurement Section to begin the two stage tender process, as follows:-
- Procurement – restricted procedure
- (i.e. 2 stage – expressions of interest followed by tender – to ensure that interested contracts have the necessary skills and experience in construction and waste removal.)
- Pre-qualification/Expressions of interest tender docs to be advertised approx. end Feb 2024

- Expressions of interest received approx. end March 2024
- Assessment and statutory “cooling off” period
- Works tender issued to shortlisted contractors (assuming sufficient interest) approx. mid-April 2024
- Tender assessment and statutory “cooling off” period
- Contract award approx. beginning of June
- Mobilisation and site start approx. end June

**Contact:** Derek Farrell, Local Area Manager for Artane - Whitehall LEA  
**Phone:** 222 8546  
**Email:** [derek.farrell@dublincity.ie](mailto:derek.farrell@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.103 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

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

**Reply**

This matter will be referred to the contracts manager for investigation upon their return.

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

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**Q.104 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

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

**Reply**

Dog Wardens are the responsibility of the Animal Welfare Unit and all questions in relation to them should be forwarded to the Animal Welfare Unit.

Below are details of fines issued in relation to dog fouling in the NCA over the past three years:

Fines issued	Fines paid	Fines cancelled on appeal	Prosecutions initiated	Lapsed	Convictions Obtained In court	Awaiting A court hearing
4	0	1	2	1	1 case Struck	1

**Contact:** Bernie Lillis, Litter Prevention Officer  
**Tel:** 222 4243  
**Email:** [bernie.lillis@dublincity.ie](mailto:bernie.lillis@dublincity.ie)

Following a recruitment process held in late 2023 Dublin City Council will complete the appointment of five Animal Wardens in the coming weeks. These new posts will increase the capacity of Dublin City Council Animal Welfare & Control Services for enforcement of Control of Dogs legislation. It intended that, once fully trained, Animal Wardens will be assigned responsibility for specific administrative areas. Fines for breaches of the Dog Control regulations are issued under Section 27 of the Control of Dogs Act 1986. The warden service issues fines for breaches including dogs off leash, not muzzled when required and not under effectual control. Dog Control statistics are compiled and published on an annual basis by the Department of Rural and Community Development. The annual statistics can be viewed via this link <https://www.gov.ie/ga/bailiuchan/879d4c-dog-control-statistics/> Pg. 17-34)

**Contact:** Richard Herlihy, Administrative Officer  
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**Q.105 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

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

**Reply**

Dublin City Council will be providing native tree saplings to residents in the North Central Area to mark this year's National Tree Week which takes place from Sunday 3rd to 10th March 2024.

The public can collect the trees from Northside Civic Centre Car Park (REAR OF BUILDING) from 11AM-3PM on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2024.

These trees can be used by residents not only to improve the appearance of their gardens but, more importantly, to enhance their areas' local biodiversity.

**Contact:** Edel Joyce, Staff Officer  
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**Q.106 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

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

**Reply**

The Litter Enforcement Manager will ask a litter warden to visit the site and request the cleaning arrangements for the Oscar Traynor Road. The litter warden will make the site manager aware of their responsibilities and ensure there are adequate cleaning arrangements in place or fines will be issued under the Litter Pollution Acts 1997-2009.

**Contact:** Stephen Kavanagh, Litter Enforcement Manager  
**Email:** [Stephen.kavanagh@dublincity.ie](mailto:Stephen.kavanagh@dublincity.ie)

This question appears to relate to Planning register reference LRD6019/22. The Planning Enforcement Officer for the Area has had a recent meeting with the project manager for this site. She has been informed that they have a sweeper engaged everyday on the road surrounding this site.

The Planning Enforcement Section are issuing a warning letter pursuant to Section 152 of the Planning and Development Act requiring that the road and surrounding footpaths be cleaned on a regular basis and that the area will be monitored for a 3 month period.

It is our understanding that construction works commenced in December 2023. Works are also being carried out on both sides of the road as the crossing arrangement is being altered. We have been informed that they hope to complete the works on the crossing mid-March and that they will have the access road to their site tarmacked at this point. At the time of our recent inspection there was a lot of water runoff from the site access to the road. The new gully's that are to be put into the access road will address this issue. We have also been informed that a wheel wash will also be installed to clean off the wheels of vehicle before they depart from site. The site will continue to be monitored regularly in the coming months.

**Contact:** John Downey, A/Planning Enforcement Manager  
**Tel:** 222 3465  
**Email:** [john.downey@dublincity.ie](mailto:john.downey@dublincity.ie)

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**Q.107 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

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

**Reply**

Waste Management Services has a litter bin at a suitable location in Elmfield at the shops there. Templeview Copse is not a main thoroughfare or in proximity to shops or takeaways to merit additional bins. We will monitor the existing bins in this area and ensure they are emptied on a regular basis.

**Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services**  
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**Q.108 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

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

**Reply**

A new library was included in the 2020 Belmayne & Belcamp Lane Masterplan. The proposal was for a library as part of the ‘Town Square Pavilion’ at the Malahide Road end of the site.

We remain committed to developing a new library for the Belmayne/Clongriffin area; discussions as to the exact location are ongoing.

In the meantime, the Library in the Community Team will look at how engagement with the Belmayne/Clongriffin communities can be increased.

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**Q.109 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí**

“To ask the Manager to please organise for 2 x traffic calming ramps to be reinstalled in The Demesne, Killester – residents tell me that they were in situ previously but were never reinstalled after road re-surfacing”

**Reply**

There is a ramp missing at the Demesne junction of the Howth Road. The second ramp is in place at the Demesne junction of the Howth Road. These were the only 2 ramps in the vicinity of the Demesne.

Road Maintenance Services will include this ramp in the 2024 works programme.

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**Q.110 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí**

“To ask the Manager please organise for the trees in the laneway to the rear of **(details supplied)** to be assessed – local residents are afraid that they are vulnerable to coming down onto nearby properties during a storm”

**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 2024.

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**Q.111 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí**

“To ask the Manager issue an instruction for the shrubbery at the junction of the Demesne and Howth Road (corner where the pedestrian lights are) to be cut back as it is obscuring access for pedestrians coming around that corner and also obscuring visibility for road-users exiting onto the Howth Road”

**Reply**

An enquiry (ref. 11153700) has been created & forwarded to the Area Inspector, who will issue a notice to the property owner/tenant to remove any overgrowth from the public realm.

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**Q.112 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí**

“To ask the Manager organise for the shrubbery growing under the trees in the public area to the front of **(details supplied)** to be removed as there is a general build-up of waste there”

**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 2024.

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**Q.113 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí**

“To ask the Manager to organise for 2 public litter bins to be installed at the eastern end of Seafield Road East”

**Reply**

Waste Management Services have litter bins along the sea front at bus stops. Seafield Road East is not considered to be in proximity to any significant litter generators and there are no plans to install bins there at this time.

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**Q.114 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí**

“To ask the Manager organise for some pruning of the tree outside **(details supplied)** as it is causing the light from the nearby lamp standard to be obscured at night”

**Reply**

The tree at this address is not unduly obstructing the nearby street light. 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 2024.

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**Q.115 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí**

“To ask the Manager (a) confirm who is responsible for enforcing adherence to the School Zone system on Seapark Road and (b) ensure Seapark Road is considered for carriageway upgrade for 2024?”

**Reply**

A School Zone was installed on Seapark Road to improve safety at the front of the school. This School Zone design included yellow pencil-shaped bollards which prevent cars parking on the footpath, as well as colourful road markings to draw drivers’ attention to the school. The School Zone installation doesn’t change any of the rules of the road, the enforcement of which is under An Garda Síochána.

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**Reply**

Seapark Road will not feature in the 2024 works programme. It will be considered when drafting subsequent works programmes. In the interim, any defects will be repaired by our direct labour crews.

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**Q.116 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí**

“To ask the Manager organise for the tree at the location below **(details supplied)** on Killester Avenue @ the junction with Middle Third to be assess as roots are causing damage to a boundary wall there.”

**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 2024.

If the resident wishes to make a claim against the council for damages to private property contact should be made on [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie) and a claim form to initiate same will be forwarded.

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**Q.117 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí**

“To ask the Manager to please follow up on the public lighting issue below **(details supplied)** raised via the North Central Area Office to make sure it is resolved”

**Reply**

The light outside **(details supplied)** is scheduled for repair in the coming days and should be operating normally by the time this meeting takes place.

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**Q.118 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí**

“To ask the Manager please respond on the following query **(details supplied)** relating to Main Street, Raheny and provide some insights into how this particular problem has been resolved at other locations”

**Reply**

Dublin City Council adopted the Dublin Local Authority Electric Vehicle Charging Strategy in 2022. It was agreed that DCC’s role was to facilitate the roll out of fast charging hubs over other models including neighbourhood charging.

To support the strategy DCC and the other Dublin Local Authorities are in the process of procuring an operator to implement a pilot project to develop a limited number of public charging hubs across Dublin City and County.

In relation to residential / domestic charging, where a property has off street parking, the property owner can install an EV charger for use within the curtilage of the property.

Dublin City Council do not sanction any other systems of EV charging from a domestic supply.

Dublin City Council is responsible for the maintenance of the public road in the interest of all road users. The installation of privately owned infrastructure within the structure of the public footpath would be detrimental to the structure of the footpath and is not permissible under current legislation.

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