

Motions on Notice Dublin City Council Meeting 8th of April 2024

- 1) Councillor Ray McAdam** **Submitted: 17th May 2023**
That the City Council agree to establish a pilot initiative in the #NorthInnerCity to encourage and engage communities in order to create more playful, healthy and inclusive public places. Such an initiative should be piloted within the North Inner City given the lack of outdoor space within family homes. It can enable inner city communities to get the most out of the resources that they have and allow them to enjoy the places where they live, and for children, adults, older people, to have somewhere that's close to home for them where they can rest, they can play, communities can come together.
- 2) Councillor Keith Connolly** **Submitted: 31st May 2023**
That Dublin City Council agrees to lease site 31 in Ballymun to Ballymun Kickhams.
a) The fee is abated to a nominal fee until such a time that site 31 is fully developed.
b) The club retain Pairc Ciceam for a period of 30 years to allow for club development and expansion.
- 3) Councillor Máire Devine** **Submitted: 29th June 2023 & Replaced: 27th March 2024**
This council acknowledges that the provision of sport and pitch facilities is essential for healthy thriving cohesive communities. The lack of adequate facilities is most keenly felt in the Liberties D8 area where disadvantage and inequality has disproportionately impacted upon the lives of children. D8 population is to expand exponentially in the next few years and we must provide for their well-being. For over a decade D8 sporting groups have campaigned for playing pitches and sporting provision and members now direct this council to prioritise and plan to provide these facilities at the Marrowbone Lane site.
- 4) Councillor Deborah Byrne** **Submitted: 20th September 2023**
That Dublin City Council restates its support for the redevelopment of the Smithfield Fruit and Vegetable Market without further delay. That the Council dedicates itself to working with the Government, contractors, architects and engineers to remove any barriers to the progress of the development of this site and to bring it into public use. That the Council recognises the successful development of the Smithfield Fruit and Vegetable Market as providing a crucial amenity to residents of Dublin and as a positive example for the redevelopment of markets elsewhere in the city and that a clear timeline be put in place for the re-development of the market.
- 5) Councillor Hazel de Nortúin** **Submitted: 18th October 2023**
Dublin City Council recognises that we deal with people who may be coming or dealing with different levels with trauma when navigating the Housing System. For this we recognise that there's a need to firstly support a Trauma Informed approach and furthermore, DCC will agree to adopt a Trauma Informed approach when engaging with the public in our Housing Department.
- 6) Councillor Nial Ring** **Submitted: 06th November 2023**
That Dublin City Council commits to ensure it will not partake in any dealings with the public for which it could be accused of Digital Discrimination against non-tech using citizens.
- 7) Councillor Declan Meenagh** **Submitted: 1st December 2023**
Replaced on 25th March 2024
This council declares its solidarity with the Palestinian people and all protected people who are subject to war, armed conflict, or occupation and who require reliance on the protections afforded to civilians under the Geneva Convention Relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War, 1949 (the fourth Geneva Convention).

This council recognizes that through its day-to-day operation it invests and purchases goods and services with public monies in a wide range of ways.

Therefore, this council shall divest itself of all investments, holdings, procurement, or purchasing of goods or services which have originated in whole or in part from occupying powers as defined by the fourth Geneva Convention.

8) Councillor Mícheál Mac Donncha

Submitted: 18th January 2024

This Council deplores those corporations that profit from protracted armed conflict and systematic violations of human rights, particularly in the context of Israel's continuing brutal assault on the people of Gaza and escalating settler terrorism in the West Bank, Russia's ongoing war of aggression against Ukraine, and other conflicts around the world. With this motion, the Council encourages companies to meet their obligations to avoid contributing to adverse human rights impacts through their own activities, and to prevent or mitigate human rights abuses linked to their operations.

The Council is aware of the crucial role of local authorities and their public procurement procedures in ensuring respect for human rights by companies, as well as their obligations under widely accepted business and human rights norms – as laid down in the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises, and the Global Sullivan Principles (1999) – to promote respect for human rights by companies with which they do business.

The Council affirms that every endeavour is made to ensure that council's tender processes are consistent with the above principles, including under the Fourth Geneva convention relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War and under customary international humanitarian law, prohibiting the importation or sale of goods or services originating in occupied territories.

This Council resolves to adopt a rights-based Ethical Procurement Policy (EPP) that takes fully into account existing obligations and standards. The EPP will incorporate widely accepted and precisely formulated international standards and explain clearly how the policy will be implemented. The primary aim of the EPP is to ensure that human rights obligations are properly acknowledged, observed and respected at all stages of the procurement process.

9) Councillor Daniel Céitinn

Submitted: 23rd January 2024

That Dublin City Council shall pursue a proactive approach to identifying sites for acquisition to further the strategic aims of the Council as they relate to high density development and protecting lands with potential or existing use for parks and sports uses.

To that end, the Council shall develop registers of sites which the Council considers derelict and/or vacant, relevant institutional lands, relevant publicly owned lands held by other public bodies, and privately held un-or under-developed lands with existing or potential relevant uses.

10) Councillor Claire Byrne

Submitted: 31st January 2024

That Dublin City Council calls on the Chief Executive to not grant planning permission for any more hotel or aparthotel accommodation in the city centre until the proposed demand analysis as set out in section 15.14.1 Hotels and Aparthotels of the City Development Plan 2022 to is completed.

11) Councillor John Lyons

Submitted: 12th February 2024

Acknowledging the on-going genocide of the people of Gaza by the Apartheid state of Israel which to date has killed more than 22,000 people, including 10,000 children, injured more than 58,000 and displaced more than 2 million, Dublin City Councillors call on the executive to sever

the last remaining link it has with HP via a supplier who provides Dublin City Council with monitors made by HP, a corporation which continues to provide technological services and support to Israel which enables it to perpetrate human rights violations and war crimes against the Palestinian people of the West Bank and Gaza as well as Palestinian citizens of Israel.

12) Councillor Vincent Jackson

Submitted: 21st February 2024

That Dublin City Council CEO make available the necessary funding to allow the replacement / repair to the long Meadow's Pitch and Putt facility Sarsfield Road Ballyfermot Dublin 10 the drainage system. Over the past couple of the years the system installed by Dublin City Council has steadily failed and from Dublin City Council own observation now needs replacement, Long meadows is a wonderful facility built on land that was once a land fill dump for the then Dublin Corporation.

13) Councillor Cat O'Driscoll

Submitted: 21st February 2024

Poor air quality causes an estimated 1,300 premature deaths in Ireland per year. This is a particular problem in urban centres and particulate matter from internal combustion vehicles is a major contributor. The Clean Air Strategy for Ireland has noted the role of transport demand management in improving air quality. This motion calls for the introduction of ultra-low emissions zones in Dublin City and supports the introduction of WHO guideline values prior to 2040.

The recent Environmental Protection Agency publication 'Air quality in Ireland 2022' shows that poor air quality causes an estimated 1,300 premature deaths in Ireland per year due to particulate matter.

The World Health Organisation has estimated that 4.2 million premature deaths globally were linked to ambient air pollution in 2019, mainly from heart disease, stroke, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, lung cancer, and acute respiratory infections in children. The EPA's air quality monitoring has shown that while we met the EU legal requirements in 2022, we did not meet the more stringent World Health Organisation air quality guidelines for health and the comments by the EPA that "reducing our use of cars to go to school, work and play are actions that will contribute towards achieving the WHO guidelines"

The 2019 report commissioned by the Irish Heart Foundation estimates that by achieving the final WHO Guidelines, Ireland could reduce annual premature deaths by more than 500. The Clean Air Strategy for Ireland says "the establishment of low emission zones or congestion charging as well as other demand management measures in our cities is something which has been highlighted as a potential solution to air quality issues in highly trafficked urban areas." The findings of a recent review of the use of ultra-low emissions zones in The Lancet Public Health on low emission zones around the world which found positive air pollution-related health outcomes, with the most consistent effect being on cardiovascular disease.

As a city council we agree to introduce ultra-low emissions zones in Dublin City and to meet the WHO guideline values prior to 2040.

14) Councillor Cieran Perry

Submitted: 10th March 2024

This council agrees to support the campaign by family members of those brutalised and murdered by General Franco's fascist regime, to achieve justice and recognition of the crimes committed by the Spanish state during this period.

When Franco's military dictatorship vanquished the elected Spanish Republic in 1939, it heralded four decades of systemic rape, torture and the execution of hundreds of thousands of civilians. The dictatorship ended in 1975. As the 50th anniversary approaches, the relatives of its victims still demand justice. The failure of the Spanish State to punish these crimes is an affront to those who fought against the coup during the civil war and to those who opposed the dictatorship.

These crimes continued during the so-called Transition to Democracy, between Franco's death and the first elections, during which millions marched, demanding basic rights. The state responded by murdering hundreds of its citizens, both directly and through proxy organisations.

On October 15th, 1977, the new government passed the Amnesty Law, believing they could sweep this dark past under the carpet. For 47 years, Spain's judiciary has not only refused to try the criminals, it has ensured nobody else does either.

In 2013, Argentinian Judge María Servini issued a warrant for the extradition of 20 dictatorship criminals, which successive Spanish governments have denied. Moreover, Spain's courts have ruled hundreds of complaints about torture inadmissible and refused to try crimes against humanity. The Historical Memory Associations are leading this fight for justice and are focusing on the prosecution of Martín Villa for four murders in 1976 and 1977 and an investigation into nine more, for which Servini has issued a warrant.

The recently approved Historical and Democratic Memory legislation precludes naming names, ensuring nobody will be held responsible for these crimes. Deliberately vague references to making amends seek to avoid compensating victims' families.

15) Councillor Catherine Stocker

Submitted: 11th March 2024

That this council requests that the Chief Executive conduct an 'Apartheid Audit' of the council's procurement in order to comply with the BDS campaign in support of Palestine – as agreed by the elected members in 2018. The elected members also recently agreed to endorse the Amnesty International report Israel's Apartheid Against Palestinians recently and the elected members call for actions to support our words.

The audit should include a listing of suppliers currently used who are listed by the BDS campaign and alternative options to be pursued.