

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
15th April 2024

Q.1 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones

“To ask the Manager about the water pressure in Abbeyfield, and to make a statement regarding any improvements that have been carried out in recent years or are planned in coordination with Uisce Éireann in future?”

Reply

The Area Office has logged this with Uisce Éireann and the reference number is: **73994**. Please note that all matters relating to Uisce Éireann should be referred directly to them on the following.

Please call the telephone number on 0818 178 178 / 0818 578 578 and identify yourself as an Elected Representative. You will be put through to the Local Representative Support Desk in Uisce Éireann’s Customer Contact Centre who will deal with you directly. Alternatively, there is a specific e-mail address at Uisce Éireann for Councillors: LocalRepSupport@water.ie.

The Local Representative Support Desk at Uisce Éireann operates from 9.00am – 5.30pm, Monday to Friday.

The following are the contact details for Irish Water:

Telephone: 0818 178 178 / 0818 578 578
Web: www.water.ie
Twitter: @IrishWater
Postal Address: Irish Water, PO Box 860, South City Delivery Office, Cork

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

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Q.2 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones

“To ask the Manager to fix the path outside **(details supplied)** as it is not listed as being part of the current improvement works.”

Reply

An enquiry (ref.11155531) has been created for **(details supplied)**. Approximately 2000 square meters of footpath areas within **(details supplied)** Estate including **(details supplied)** is on 2024 North Central Area Civil Works (Footpath Reconstruction) Programme.

Contact: Ugurhan Ilhan, Assistant Engineer, RMS North Central Area
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Email: ugurhan.ilhan@dublincity.ie

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Q.3 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones

“To ask the Manager to fix the tree outside **(details supplied)** as it is damaging their wall and is dangerous and getting worse.”

Reply

A visual tree inspection will be arranged in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area 2024-25.

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

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Q.4 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons

“To ask the Manager for a new date to be confirmed as soon as possible for the next meeting of the Oscar Traynor/Coolock Lane Traffic Summit.”

Reply

The Area office are in consultation with relevant departments to arrange a suitable date for a meeting of the Oscar Traynor/Coolock Lane Traffic Summit.

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

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Q.5 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

“To ask the Manager for an update report on my request from 3 years ago, for a pedestrian crossing at Lorcan Avenue, Santry, Dublin 9, where a busy Supervalu, other shops and a pub are located. There is a large cohort of people, ranging from the elderly to young children, struggling to cross at this location.”

Reply

The request is currently with the Area Engineer to assess whether it meets the criteria for inclusion on the list of pedestrian crossings which are recommended to be further assessed by the City Centre Projects team.

The Councillor will be given an update at/or before the next Area Committee meeting.

Contact: Máire Nic Réamoinn – North City Executive Engineer
Email: maire.nicreamoinn@dublincity.ie

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Q6. Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

“To ask the Manager to put Lorcan Avenue and Shantalla Road on the road works program for re-surfacing as they are both in very poor condition.”

Reply

An enquiry (ref.11156018) has been created for the request. These road will be inspected and considered for inclusion in the roadworks program for next year, if they are deemed to require resurfacing.

Contact: Ugurhan Ilhan, Assistant Engineer, RMS North Central Area
Tel: 0879109484
Email: ugurhan.ilhan@dublincity.ie

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Q7. Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

“To ask the Manager to have the grass verges repaired on Coolgarriff Road, Lorcan Avenue, Coolatree Park and Coolgreena Road please.”

Reply

Road maintenance have agreed on this occasion to have the inspector include the repair of the grass verges at these locations.

Contact: Ronan Connolly, Acting Senior Executive Engineer
Tel: 222 2576
Email: ronan.connolly@dublincity.ie

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Q.8 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

“To ask the Manager to repair the light outside (**details supplied**) as it is permanently on.”

Reply

The light outside (**details supplied**) was upgraded to an LED street light on the 25th March and the issue of being on permanently has been resolved.

Contact: Seamus MacSweeney, Senior Engineer
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Email: seamus.macsweeney@dublincity.ie

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Q9. Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

“To ask the Manager to urgently arrange to have the footpaths in Lorcan Villas cleaned, especially in the corner, as there is moss growing on the path and it is very slippery. The corner bushes were not cut back last year as requested and are blocking safe access to houses.”

Reply

Waste Management Services had the road and footpaths in Lorcan Villas cleaned on the 20th March 2024.

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

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Q.10 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

“To ask the Manager when he will be replacing the tree at **(details supplied)** please.”

Reply

The site has been examined and is located on the north side of the avenue and is heavily shaded by the 3 lines of existing mature boulevard trees immediately to the south of this location. The levels of shade here unfortunately means that any new planting of London Plane is unlikely to establish and thrive. The planting of a more shade tolerant specimen will be considered as part of next winter’s street tree planting programme.

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

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Q.11 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

“To ask the Manager to arrange that the broken branches on trees outside **(details supplied)** are removed please as they are in danger of falling on a passers-by.”

Reply

A visual tree inspection will be arranged in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area 2024-25.

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

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Q12. Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

“To ask the Manager to have the trees at the side of **(details supplied)** cut back away from the house, as this area is very dark and dangerous to walk through at night.”

Reply

The trees at **(details supplied)** will be inspected in the coming weeks as schedule allows, any necessary works will be added to our “Tree Care” programme for the area.

**Contact: Stephen Groome, Executive Parks and Landscape Officer, NW
Parks District.**
Tel: 222 3395
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

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Q.13 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

“To ask the manager to assist **(details supplied)** who needs a new shower and boiler.”

Reply

Housing Maintenance have no record of any issues with the shower or the boiler at this property. We will log these items now for inspection and repair if necessary.

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

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Q.14 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole

To ask the Manager to make provision for a speed ramp to be installed at corner of Moatfield Avenue outside (**details supplied**) there have been a number of crashes recently, speeding car crashed into wall of residents home”

Reply

This request (Enquiry Ref: 7038403) will be referred to the Area Engineer for assessment and report to the Transport Advisory Group for their consideration. The Councillor will then be informed of the final recommendations of the Transport Advisory Group.

Contact: Catalin Rosca
Email: Catalin.rosca@dublincity.ie

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Q.15 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole

“To ask the Manager to make provision for trees outside (**details supplied**) to be pruned”.

Reply

A visual tree inspection will be arranged in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area 2024-25.

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

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Q.16 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons

“To ask the Manager for a report on the housing file and housing options available to **(details supplied)** who has two very young children and is currently living in overcrowded accommodation that is having a significant detrimental impact on her own mental health and the development of her children.”

Reply

The above applicant is on the Housing List, with an application date of 23/02/2022, the applicant holds the following position on this list;

Area	Bed size	Position
B	2	432
D	2	257

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.

I note from the applicant’s file that she is actively applying for Choice Based Lettings, she should be advised to continue to do so as, 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.

Furthermore, it should be noted that the applicant only has one child on her housing application, she should be advised to submit a copy of her second child’s birth certificate and PPS number to have them added to her housing file.

Contact: Sandra Barry , Allocations Officer
Tel: 222 2201
Email: Sandra.barry@dublincity.ie

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Q.17 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Manager to have signage installed at the greens on St Aidan’s park, Marino D3 indicating the address and the numbers of the houses at each section. There is a lot of confusion between addresses on St Aidan’s Park Road and St Aidan’s Park and residents complain that they are constantly disrupted by delivery drivers/take away drivers etc. who have confused the address.”

Reply

Road Maintenance Services is currently preparing a name-plate contract and will include a number of street name-plates (including house numbers) at St. Aidan’s Park & St. Aidan’s Park Road.

Contact: Ronan Connolly, A/Senior Executive Engineer, RMS North City
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Email: ronan.connolly@dublincity.ie

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Q.18 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Manager to assess the layout of the road and footpath near **(details supplied)** where the council have done some work but unfortunately have inadvertently created a patch where trucks/bin trucks keep mounting the verge and a muddy pond has developed. Please see photos attached.”

Reply

Road Maintenance Section will install a number of flexible bollards in an attempt to discourage parking at this locus.

Contact: Ronan Connolly, A/Senior Executive Engineer, RMS North City
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Email: ronan.connolly@dublincity.ie

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Q.19 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Manager to take in charge the green area at the junction of Dollymount Park and Dollymount Rise, Dublin 3. I understand from local residents that historically ownership rests with a private developer but residents locally have been using it for biodiversity and environmental amenity and are concerned that the owner may at some stage withdraw what is effectively a local amenity. See location on map attached.”

Reply

This area has been maintained as public open by the Council for many years and cannot now be privatised.

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

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Q.20 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Manager to detail the works undertaken on footpaths in the Clontarf area, Dublin 3 during the tenure of this council and to prioritise the footpaths in Clontarf – particularly Vernon Avenue and Blackheath – for inclusion in the next programme of works.”

Reply

Road Maintenance Services is currently preparing tender documents for the annual footpath contract works. As part of the 2024 works, sections of footpath fronting the shops on both sides of Vernon Avenue will be included.

When drafting the 2025 Works Programme, Blackheath will be considered for inclusion.

Contact: Ronan Connolly, A/Senior Executive Engineer, RMS North City
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Q.21 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Manager to examine the tree (**details supplied**) where the roots have caused damage to the footpath and the resident’s wall. Can the manager send a claims form to the resident regarding the damage to their property? Can the manager also arrange for crown lifting of this tree and others on this road where some residents have taken the pruning of trees into their own hands due to frustration at repeated requests?”

Reply

A visual tree inspection will be arranged in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area 2024-25.

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

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Q.22 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Manager to provide traffic calming in the form of speed bumps or another solution for the laneway at **(details supplied)** where traffic is moving very fast into and through the lane and the resident is concerned for the safety of his children and has had damage to his wall/property. To provide some background an EPROW was attempted at this location but did not get sufficient support to progress”

Reply

The Transport Advisory Group have dealt with this issue previously.

As it is narrow and short lane, **(details)** "laneway" does not qualify for traffic calming measures.

- 1) There is no through traffic on this road.
- 2) It is mostly used by locals.
- 3) In our three site visits to date (different days and hours), we haven't noticed any issues with traffic volume or speed.

In residential areas, speed ramps are commonly used for traffic calming, but in this case it does not meet the following criteria:

- The road should have a straight run of at least 200m.
- The 85th percentile speed should be greater than speed limit of the road.
- Traffic volumes should exceed 60 vehicles per hour.
- There should be genuine road safety concerns based either on actual accident statistics or on observed road safety patterns or written report from an Inspector of the Garda Traffic Division, Dublin castle relating to an issue of safety.

To date we have received no requests and/or reports from An Garda Síochána Traffic Division.

Contact: Catalin Rosca – North Central Area Engineer
Email: catalin.rosca@dublincity.ie

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Q.23 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Manager to arrange for crown lifting of the trees at **(details supplied)**. Residents are concerned about very low hanging branches in the first instance and overhanging wires in the second.”

Reply

A visual tree inspection was carried out and the trees were found to be in an acceptable condition and were not interfering with the public footpath, no works were considered to be required or recommended at this time.

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

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Q.24 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Manager to clear the weeds and clean the street along Clanree Road and to arrange for regular cleaning from a street cleaning machine on this road which leads up to the park”

Reply

The Donnycarney Area was recommended for weed spraying in 2024 by Greentown Environmental and has been approved. This work will be carried out under the 2024 weed spraying programme.

Contact: Tommy Collins, Public Domain Enforcement Officer Clontarf –
Donaghmede LEA
Phone: 222 8859
Email: tommy.collins@dublincity.ie

Waste Management Services had Clanree Road cleaned by the street cleaning machine on the 4th April 2024. We will have the street monitored on a regular basis and cleaned when necessary.

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

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Q.25 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Manager who is responsible for the planting in the planters in the Clans, specifically at **(details supplied)**. The resident living adjacent does not like the tree planted in the planter and would be happy to plant and maintain it herself.”

Reply

These boxes were requested by a Councillor in 2022 with a specific request for trees to be planted in them as this area has no trees or grass verges.
These boxes were delivered to the location in December 2022 and are looked after by the Clans Environmental Group.

Contact: Joanne O’Sullivan, Environmental Liaison Officer
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Email: joanne.osullivan@dublincity.ie

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Q.26 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Manager to provide play equipment / a play area for children and families within the Charlemont estate, D3. The nearest full playground is at Fairview Park which is a significant walk with small children. There are approx. 400 homes in Charlemont, many with children and/or grandchildren and the provision of some play equipment would be most welcome.”

Reply

The Parks Service does not provide play equipment within residential housing estates such community facilities are provided within larger neighbourhood or community parks with a concentration of such amenities.

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

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Q.27 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones

“To ask the Manager for the trees to be cut at the green on Killester Avenue opposite
(details supplied)”

Reply

A visual tree inspection will be arranged in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area 2024-25.

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

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Q.28 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones

“To ask the Manager to assess and improve the street lighting on Elm Mount Avenue”

Reply

A lighting assessment will be carried out on the street lighting on Elm Mount Avenue to determine what improvements, if any, may be required on this street.

Contact: Seamus MacSweeney, Senior Engineer
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Email: seamus.macsweeney@dublincity.ie

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

“To ask the Manager to arrange an inspection of the trees with a view for pruning at Carndonagh Park, Carndonagh Road, Carndonagh Drive, Carndonagh Road, and Newbrook Avenue. It has been years since they were last done and the branches have become very low in the whole estate and are a danger to elderly citizens and those with vision impairment.”

Reply

There are approximately 200 street trees on the roads listed above. Visual tree inspections will be carried out over the coming months as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area 2024-25. If there are any trees of particular concern if the locations can be forwarded to parks@dublincity.ie a targeted inspection can be expedited.

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

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

“To ask the Manager to arrange for the grass to be maintained on Croydon Green and to give some further detail on why it is considered that the trees on this green do not need pruning” (Follow up from Q3 March NCAC)

Reply

The grass on this green is maintained by contract and the request for maintenance will be forwarded to the contracts manager.

The Dublin City Council Tree Strategy adopted as policy in 2016 identifies pruning as weakening trees and opening potential sites for infection by disease and decay causing organisms and requires pruning work on trees to be carried out only when absolutely necessary. The trees were inspected in this context and were found to be in an acceptable condition with no pruning works required at this time. The inspection did identify that the epicormic growth at the base of certain trees should be removed which was carried out last month.

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

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

“To ask the Manager to assess whether Croydon Green is suitable for a one way system and/or to implement double yellow lines on the inside path to prevent illegal parking.”

Reply

This request (Enquiry Ref: 7038594) will be referred to the Area Engineer for assessment and report to the Transport Advisory Group for their consideration. The Councillor will then be informed of the final recommendations of the Transport Advisory Group.

Contact: **Catalin Rosca**
Email: Catalin.rosca@dublincity

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

“To ask the Manager for a summary outline of the plans for St. Anne’s Court redevelopment and what assurances can be given to local residents regarding their return to their apartments following the redevelopment and the future ownership of St. Anne’s Court.”

Reply

The redevelopment of St Anne’s Court is currently going through the Part 8 planning process. It is due for noting at the April North Central Area Committee meeting and for decision at the May City Council meeting.

Upon receipt of Part 8 planning approval, the current programme shows for:

- Stage 3 DHLGH submission and approval Q4 2024
- Stage 4 DHLGH submission and approval Q2 2025
- Start on site mid-2025
- 27 month construction period

Decanting of residents is underway and the Housing Area Office team is working with each individual tenant. The option and assurance to return to the redevelopment complex is given to all current residents.

Contact: Collette Egan, A/Programme Manager Housing Regeneration
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Email: collette.egan@dublincity.ie

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

“To ask the Manager regarding the footpath replacement in Ennafort - when the new footpaths are laid they concrete over existing tree bases where trees have been removed and not been replaced. The trees on Ennafort and the surrounding roads are a fantastic feature and it would be a shame to lose any of these during the footpath repairs. Local residents have built timber planters around the bases of many of the existing trees but a proper grating would be a better solution. Can this be communicated to the Parks Department to ask them to review and replace the trees on Ennafort please?”

Reply

The remit of the footpath repairs, including tree surrounds, falls with Road Maintenance Services (RMS). Where any tree bases exist, RMS will leave an opening (soiled over) for Parks Department to install a new tree.

Contact: Ronan Connolly, A/Senior Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services North City
Tel: 222 2297
Email: ronan.connolly@dublincity.ie

Based on previous tree planting requests the estate was inspected and planting opportunities identified which resulted in 14 number small canopy street trees being planted in this estate last winter. If the locations of the trees reported above as removed and not replaced can be forwarded to parks@dublincity.ie an inspection can be arranged later this summer with a view to including any planting locations deemed suitable in next winter's tree planting programme.

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

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

“To ask the Manager to fix the very broken path outside **(details supplied)**, an elderly man lives there and has fallen on it previously and it's not listed in the current works.”

Reply

Footpath works outside **(details supplied)** were recently completed as part of the annual works contract.

Contact: Ronan Connolly, A/Senior Executive Engineer, RMS North City
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Email: ronan.connolly@dublincity.ie

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Q.35 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole

“To ask the Manager to carry out repairs to the broken public footpath outside **(details supplied)**”

Reply

An enquiry (ref.11156707) has been created & forwarded to the Area Inspector, who will carry out an inspection of the footpath outside **(details supplied)**. Any defects will be added to a works list and assigned to a crew for repair.

Contact: Ronan Connolly, A/Senior Executive Engineer, RMS North City
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Email: ronan.connolly@dublincity.ie

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Q.36 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Manager to arrange an inspection of the tree at **(details supplied)** to ascertain the likelihood of it falling on the resident's property (car in driveway)”

Reply

A visual tree inspection will be arranged in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area 2024-25.

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

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Q.37 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Manager to outline the implications for changes in community policing in the Santry, Whitehall, Artane, Beaumont and Kilmore areas following the move by all An Garda Siochána members stationed in Santry Garda Station to the station in Ballymun”

Reply

As this is a Garda Siochána issue, it would be more suitable to be raised under AOB at the next North Central JPC meeting which is due to take place on Monday 15th April at 10.30am via zoom or alternatively the councillor can contact Superintendent Darren Mc Carthy in Ballymun.

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

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Q.38 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Manager to outline the planned public realm and traffic management changes proposed for **(details supplied)**”

Reply

The Transport Advisory Group (TAG) have proposed some specific works at **(details supplied)** shops as part of TAG Package 11 Capital Works.

We currently in the process of appointing a consultant for a feasibility assessment and design at the above location. Once the consultants complete their report, this will be made available to councillors and TAG will determine a schedule to carry out these works.

Contact: Catalin Rosca
Email: Catalin.rosca@dublincity.ie

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Q.39 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Manager to detail traffic signalling works to date at **(details supplied)** and the timeline for the completion of these works.”

Reply

Works are still ongoing but the pedestrian crossing at the **(details)** flyover is expected to be operational at the end of quarter two this year.

Contact: Karen Hosie, Senior Transportation officer
Tel: 222 5488
Email: karen.hosie@dublincity.ie

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Q.40 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

To ask the Manager to outline the process to realise the installation of facilities as outlined in **(details supplied)**”

Reply

A tender seeking expressions of interest will be published in the coming weeks.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th April 2024

Q.41 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Manager for an update on the tree trimming in **(details supplied)**. An inspection was due to take place in the last two months”

Reply

This tree line acts to protect the adjoining residences from stray golf balls that might otherwise leave the facility and cause damage to private property. A visual tree inspection was carried out and the tree line was considered to be in an acceptable condition with no works required or recommended at this time.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th April 2024

Q.42 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Manager to provide details of a community audit as outlined in **(details supplied)**”.

Reply

The North Central Area Office have been working on a terms of reference for the **(details)** Road Community Gain fund, Community consultation / needs analysis for a number of months. We have now finalised the Terms of Reference (TOR) and sent out the TOR to suitable community consultation companies, with a request for quotations / proposals to be submitted. Dublin City Council will assess the submissions after the closing date (end of April). It is hoped to begin the consultation with the community in Q3 of 2024. This public consultation is imperative stage to the allocation of the community gain funding.

The core objective of the community gain consultation is to facilitate a two –way dialogue process between representatives of the community, local groups, agencies, residents and Dublin City Council. The consultation must be inclusive of groups representing persons in relation to the **(details)** Road Area community gain fund catchment area.

The consultation will allow constructive ideas to be brought forward to address particular concerns by the residents in the local area that could be addressed through this capital fund e.g. upgrading of a local community facility, public domain improvements.

The consultation will provide Dublin City Council with a rounded opinion of all age demographics (e.g. schools, youth facilities, parish centres, scouts groups, sports clubs, bowling groups etc.).

The report will give guidance to Dublin City Council and the Consultative Forum on what the area priorities are for capital investment.

It will enable residents to provide their ideas more directly to Dublin City Council from the parties most impacted by the development.

The North Central Area Office will keep the Artane-Whitehall LEA Councillors informed during each stage of the community gain fund process.

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

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Email: niamhp.reilly@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
15th April 2024

Q.43 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Manager to indicate the traffic light system installed (i.e. on demand or programmed) and provide feedback on the impact of the **(details supplied)**”

Reply

The traffic signals at this junction are controlled by Dublin City Council's Urban Traffic Signal Management System, SCATS, which adapts signal timings on each approach, automatically, in response to real time demand(s) from traffic / pedestrians.

All operation is demand dependant, traffic detectors are located in the road surface on approaches to the junction and are activated by a vehicle passing over them whilst pedestrians demand the crossing using the pedestrian push buttons.

The installation of traffic signals at the junction has increased the level of service and safety for pedestrians, which is in line with national and City Council policy to provide for active and sustainable modes of transportation.

Traffic count data extracted from the SCATS system shows that traffic volumes along **(details)** Road exceed those of the **(details)** Avenue approach and therefore Gracefield Rd approaches receive traffic signal priority, subject to demand.

The operation of the traffic signals has been continually reviewed since installation and traffic signal operation amended to decrease vehicle journey times through the junction

The operation of the traffic signals will continue to be monitored and further amendments made, as required, where there is scope to do so.

Contact: **Seán Fallon, Executive ITS Officer, Transportation**
Email: sean.fallon@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.44 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Manager if he will arrange for the following public realm works to be carried out at **(details supplied)**”.

Reply

- 1) A night check will be carried out on the 15th April. Any street lights found to be out of order will be scheduled for repair in the days following the night check.

Contact: Seamus MacSweeney, Senior Engineer
Tel: 086 8343154
Email: seamus.macsweeney@dublincity.ie

- 2) This are is on the list for spraying as part of the Public Domain team’s schedule.

Contact: Tommy Collins, Public Domain Enforcement Officer Clontarf – Donaghmede LEA
Phone: 222 8859
Email: tommy.collins@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
15th April 2024

Q.45 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Manager to conduct a traffic survey to ascertain the safe use and effectiveness of the roundabouts at **(details supplied)**”

Reply

This request (Enquiry Ref: 7038505) will be referred to the Area Engineer for assessment and report to the Transport Advisory Group for their consideration. The Councillor will then be informed of the final recommendations of the Transport Advisory Group.

Contact: Catalin Rosca
Email: Catalin.rosca@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th April 2024

Q.46 Question in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney

“To ask the Manager could the issue of clear sight of pedestrian lights at Killester junction of the Demesne and Howth Road be looked at as appears to be difficult to see.”

Reply

We have arranged for a DCC Traffic Officer to attend site and assess if the pedestrian lights are in line with requirements.

Contact: Liam O’Brien, Senior Executive ITS Officer
Email: liam.obrien@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th April 2024

Q.47 Question in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney

“To ask the Manager to request an update on restoration of structures Clontarf promenade and the Realt na Mara statue on North Bull Wall”

Reply

Clontarf Shelters:

The Area office have appointed 7L Conservation Architects to appoint a design team to prepare tender documents and to project manage the necessary remedial works detailed in their 2022 Report. They have commenced the works requirements with their drawings and specifications to progress this project.

Realt na Meara:

We are in the process of finalising, selecting a covering for the base of the statue, once done we will then commence tender procedures.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th April 2024

Q.48 Question in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney

“Councillor requested question be withdrawn.”

Reply

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th April 2024

Q.49 Question in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney

“To ask the Manager could I have an update on all rapid cycleway designs and timelines in NCA?”

- a) Howth Road Raheny to black banks, (as some of the existing bollards in Howth road are broken and there have been complaints that the existing narrow cycleway is dangerous, it also needs cleaning), also specifically an update on
- b) Brookwood to Vernon Avenue active travel route the consultation was completed in July 2023 and a design consultant appointed but we have had no updates and we were offered a meeting to discuss with stakeholders the phase 2 Vernon avenue village place making plans in December 2023 with the same design consultants and the active travel project team, but have not had the meeting as yet, could I request at [Vernon Avenue](#) phase 2 Kincora to [Clontarf road](#) place making with DCC active travel project team, Jacobs consultants, the stakeholders, CRA, CBA, councillors for Clontarf LEA.”

Reply

- a) As requested if councillor can submit more information this issue will be investigated.
- b) Phase 1 of the Coolock to Clontarf Walking & Cycling route: Gracefield Rd to Vernon Ave scheme

Non Statutory public consultation for the scheme was undertaken in July 2023 and a walk-in Public Information Event was held on the 25th July 2023 in the Artane-Coolock Family Resource Centre. On review of the submissions it was evident that there were a number of key concerns.

In October 2023 a Consultant in the Active Travel Design Office was appointed to progress the project through detailed design, planning, procurement and construction phases.

The design team have been undertaking a revision of the design taking on board the submissions whilst also improving the design proposals. This review also provides an opportunity to align with the latest National Transport Authority (NTA) design guidance relating to pedestrian and cycle infrastructure.

Publication of the Public Consultation Report and revised design and is expected to take place in Q2/Q3 2024. A Public Information event is proposed with an information leaflet to be distributed to residents at this time.

Phase 2 - Vernon Avenue, from the junction with Seafield Road to Clontarf Road,
The Active Travel Programme Office propose to engage Consultants for the Active Travel Design Office to develop the design for this project and work is earmarked to commence at the end of Q2 2024

The team note the complexities of Phase 2 with constraints such as narrow road width, parking and requirement for deliveries for businesses whilst also

addressing the needs for appropriate active travel and public realm infrastructure. Therefore it is proposed to undertake early engagement with residents, businesses and other key stakeholders ahead of full public consultation. This will assist the multi-disciplinary design team in the options assessment process. It is expected that this Phase 2 early engagement will take place over Q3 2024.

It is anticipated that full Public consultation for Phase 2 will be undertaken later in 2024.

Contact: Grainne O'Brien
Email: ActiveTravelOffice@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th April 2024

Q.50 Question in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney

“To ask the Manager could the lights on Clontarf promenade which are out again from St. Lawrence Road to Alfie Byrne Road be repaired and the issue of regular outages be examined to prevent water damage causing outages?”

Reply

A night check has been carried out on the lights along Clontarf Promenade and the faulty lights have been identified. Repairs will be carried out within the next week.

Contact: Seamus MacSweeney, Senior Engineer
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Email: seamus.macsweeney@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th April 2024

Q.51 Question in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney

“To ask the Manager can I have an update on play equipment in Fairview Park, trampoline to be fixed or replaced?”

Reply

This piece of play equipment seems particularly attractive to those who congregate in the playground at night and overload the piece resulting in the damage experienced. The trampoline has been so damaged and repaired already twice in the last 12 months. A contractor has been appointed and is expected to receive the necessary replacement parts and affect repairs in the coming weeks. If the trampoline is so damaged again in a short timeframe serious consideration will have to be given to its replacement with an item that might not attract the same level of abuse.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
15th April 2024

Q.52 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Manager to please clarify the following in relation to the C2CC cycleway project:

1. When is normal route for traffic through Fairview heading into town going to re-open?
2. Is the pedestrian/footbridge overhead bridge remaining?
3. How long more will work be ongoing on Alfie Byrne Road/ East Wall Road? Meaning when can people go to work unhindered by road works
4. Respond to the negative commentary about the new design of entrance off Clontarf Road to Alfie Byrne Road., being designed to slow traffic with a very deliberate left turn contrary to what was there before.
5. Regency Glass, Martins Off Licence, Costello's Pharmacy, and other businesses in Fairview along the route of the C2CC project are experiencing serious problems in terms of customer fall off (in the extreme); can the manager say when the barriers outside Regency Glass and the other businesses along this stretch, will be removed
6. if he can make arrangements, for once and for all, to ensure that construction workers do not park their vehicles in the reduced number of temporary carpark spaces along this stretch fronting business in Fairview
7. If he can make arrangement to ensure that 'rental cars' are not parked all day long in the temporary carpark spaces along this stretch fronting business in Fairview
8. Say why, there was no work being done on the project in Fairview over the Easter weekend when business owners continue to suffer massive negative effects on their livelihood”

Reply

1. ***When is normal route for traffic through Fairview heading into town going to re-open?***

We have not confirmed a date for the removal of this diversion. The Project team are working towards a time during the forthcoming summer months to lift it. The Project team has arranged a meeting of the C2CC Consultative Forum mid-May, further details will be discussed at this meeting.

2. ***Is the pedestrian/footbridge overhead bridge remaining?***

There is no change proposed to the existing footbridge in Fairview. Two additional pedestrian crossings are also being provided (i) on the Fairview side of Annesley Bridge and (ii) at Marino Mart which shall make it easier for pedestrians to cross the road through Fairview/Marino.

3. ***How long more will work be ongoing on Alfie Byrne Road/ East Wall Road? Meaning when can people go to work unhindered by road works***

Works are expected to be completed on the East Coast Trail project on Alfie Byrne Road & East Wall Road by the end of May. It should be noted that the outstanding works include some activities such as the installation of red cycle lane surfacing, which are weather dependent.

4. Respond to the negative commentary about the new design of entrance off Clontarf Road to Alfie Byrne Road., being designed to slow traffic with a very deliberate left turn contrary to what was there before.

At the Clontarf Road/ Alfie Byrne Road junction the C2CC Scheme connects to existing infrastructure providing a dedicated cycle-track along the coast. The trail along the coast from Fairview to Clontarf is a busy and extremely popular route for pedestrians and cyclists alike. Providing safe cycling and pedestrian infrastructure is one of the main objectives of the C2CC scheme.

Figure 1 (as per below) illustrates the junction arrangement at the Alfie Byrne Road which existed prior to the C2CC Scheme commencing. With this configuration, whilst travelling inbound and arriving at the end of the coastal cycle-track a cyclist was then required to cross (i) the left hand slip from Clontarf Rd onto Alfie Byrne Rd (ii) the Alfie Byrne Road itself with inbound and outbound lanes and (iii) the left turn slip from Alfie Byrne Road onto Clontarf Road. Similarly when travelling outbound in order to access the coastal trail, cyclists were required to cross the Clontarf Road, and then the left turn slip from Clontarf Road onto Alfie Byrne Road. Pedestrians and other vulnerable road users were required to complete these multiple crossings also in order to get from one side of the road to the other.



Fig. 1 – Clontarf Rd/Alfie Byrne Road Junction Pre C2CC Scheme

During the design process, in line with current best practice, it was identified that the current configuration did not give sufficient priority or protection to cyclists and pedestrians alike. The design as illustrated in Figure 2 (enclosed below) was subsequently developed. The dedicated traffic left-hand turn lane from Clontarf Road onto Alfie Byrne Road develops (starts) almost at the exact same location as it did prior to the scheme commencing. The slip lane which existed previously is removed but the dedicated filter lane on the approach to the traffic signals remains.

For cyclists the new configuration provides for a smooth progression from the coastal cycle-track onto the newly opened inbound segregated C2CC cycle-track. Only one crossing of the Alfie Byrne Road is now required for both pedestrians and cyclists compared to the three separate crossing points which existed previously. The inbound configuration shall also facilitate cyclists who wish to continue from the coastal trail along Alfie Byrne Road to East Wall Road. A single dedicated crossing point of the Clontarf Road shall facilitate outbound cyclists accessing the coastal track. Pedestrians, vulnerable users and cyclists alike shall benefit greatly from the proposed layout with increased priority and fewer crossing points whilst the left turn traffic lane to Alfie Byrne is still provided although part of the wider junction signal control.

When the inbound diversion at Edge`s corner to facilitate the construction of the C2CC Scheme is removed later in the year colleagues in DCC Traffic shall continue to monitor changes in traffic patterns to maximise efficiency of this junction.

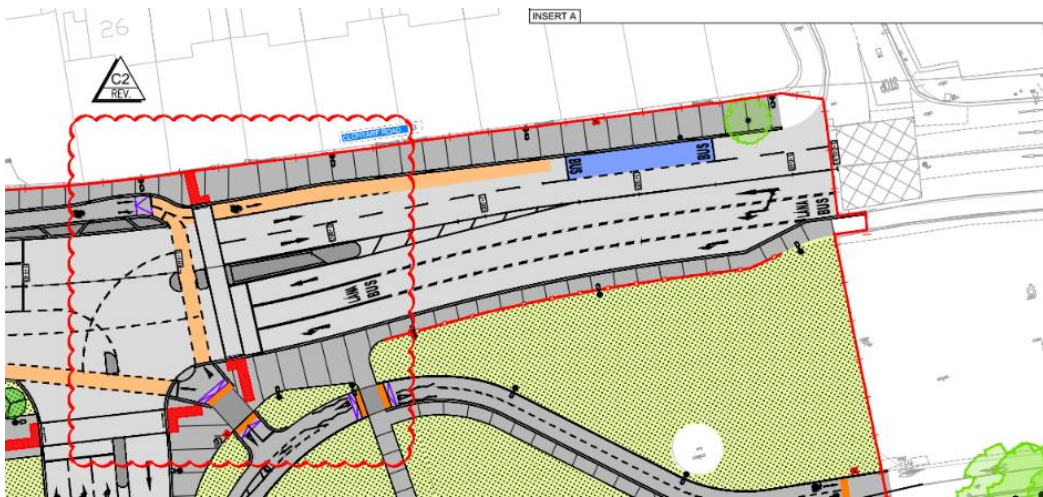


Fig. 2 – Clontarf Rd/Alfie Byrne Road Junction C2CC Scheme Design

5. ***Regency Glass, Martins Off Licence, Costello's Pharmacy, and other businesses in Fairview along the route of the C2CC project are experiencing serious problems in terms of customer fall off (in the extreme); can the manager say when the barriers outside Regency Glass and the other businesses along this stretch, will be removed***

Works between Marino Mart and Malahide Road are expected to be completed in July 2024. ESB diversion and new connection works are almost complete which shall allow the Scheme Contractor to progress with the Scheme elements (cycle-track, bus stop, footway, kerbing, public lighting etc.). Every effort is being made to progress the works in the area. We shall endeavour to manage the works programme and the school exam schedule in the area as best as is possible.

6. ***If he can make arrangements, for once and for all, to ensure that construction workers do not park their vehicles in the reduced number of temporary carpark spaces along this stretch fronting business in Fairview***

Construction workers relating to the C2CC Scheme have been asked not to park in the spaces provided outside the businesses through Marino to try ensure they are available for business customers only. Signage to that affect shall be erected in the near future. Additional car-park spaces were provided last weekend.

7. *If he can make arrangement to ensure that 'rental cars' are not parked all day long in the temporary carpark spaces along this stretch fronting business in Fairview*

The Project Team shall make contact with the relevant DCC Department to see what can be done on this matter.

8. *Say why, there was no work being done on the project in Fairview over the Easter weekend when business owners continue to suffer massive negative effects on their livelihood”*

Apart from the designated holiday periods, the Scheme Contractor typically works almost all weekends at some location along the Scheme route.

Minimal construction works were carried out this weekend on the Project for a number of reasons, including the fact that material suppliers and their plants were closed for the weekend. Works did take place in Marino on Easter Monday 1st April in an effort to advance works for the ongoing ESB connections.

This weekend was in the middle of the Construction Industry Federation Holidays commonly known as the “builders’ holidays” which runs from 29th March to 5th April for the Easter period.

This period also aligned with the school holidays, when there are reduced traffic flows. The Contractor took advantage of this reduced traffic flow, and carried out a number of major traffic interventions at a number of locations along the route, in order to progress a number of major utility connections, and complicated public realm works.

From a management of the works perspective and also from a site productivity perspective it works much better for as many of the site crews and staff to take holidays at the same time. This helps with the efficiency of resources and hence productivity to progress the works.

Contact: Joe Mernagh, Senior Resident Engineer
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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th April 2024

Q.53 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Manager to please agree to the provision/erection of a direction sign at (details supplied) “

Reply

If interested stakeholders wish to make contact with the Parks Service on parks@dublincity.ie consideration will be given to the installation of suitably located signage later this summer.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th April 2024

Q.54 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Manager to please arrange to have the “beep” to alert pedestrians who are blind reinstated in the pedestrian traffic signals **(details supplied)**”.

Reply

Thank you for bringing this to our attention. Our traffic signals maintenance contractor has attended this junction and resolved a fault relating to one particular audio tactile unit. Our contractor also checked and verified the operation of all other audio units at this junction.

Contact: Liam O’Brien, Senior Executive ITS Officer
Email: liam.obrien@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th April 2024

Q.55 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Manager in relation to broken footpaths and constant parking of motor vehicles on footpaths at **(details supplied)**, can the manager

- a) Examine the broken footpaths which pose a serious hazard for nearby resident who is blind and arrange to have same repaired
- b) Examine the problem of reported parking of motor vehicles (by workers on site) on the footpaths at **(details supplied)**, and arrange that workers desist from same
- c) Examine the issue of barriers/fencing surrounding the site constantly being moved/relocated by workers on site and say if he can seek to have the practice of moving same stopped as blind persons cannot know what is in front of them at any given time if barriers, fencing etc. is constantly being moved (on footpaths and roads) at **(details supplied)** during construction period.”

Reply

- a) An enquiry (ref. 11156777) has been created & forwarded to the Area Inspector, who will carry out an inspection of the footpaths at **(details 1) Road/ (details 2) Road** & create list of defects for repair by our direct labour crews.

Contact: Ronan Connolly, A/Senior Executive Engineer, RMS North City
Tel: 222 2297
Email: ronan.connolly@dublincity.ie

- b) The Parking Enforcement Inspector will visit the location and investigate the issues raised and will request appropriate enforcement where necessary.

Contact: Elaine Norton, A/Administrative Officer, Parking Enforcement
Tel. 222 6291
Email: elaine.norton@dublincity.ie

- c) The location was checked, in relation to the barriers/fencing issue, by an Inspector from the Roadworks Control section on the 5th April. The barriers that were in situ on that date were found to be necessary from a safety perspective and were not blocking public access.

Contact: Conrad Rennicks, Administrative Officer, Roadworks Control Unit
Tel: 222 3808
Email: conrad.rennicks@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th April 2024

Q.56 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Manager in relation to request for the erection of a sign from **(details supplied)**, can you please say if you can accede to this request and advise of the process to be followed to have same erected.”

Reply

Arrangements will be made to meet with **(details supplied)** in order to discuss this proposal in greater detail.

Contact: Tommy Collins, Public Domain Enforcement Officer Clontarf – Donaghmede LEA
Tel: 222 8859
Email: tommy.collins@dublincity.ie

Permission would be required by Traffic Division, so as to avoid street clutter on the public footpath.

If there is any excavation required on the public footpath, a Road Opening Licence from RMS & a T2 from Roadworks Control would be required.

If it is proposed to install the sign in a park area, Parks Division would need to be contacted.

Contact: Ronan Connolly, A/Senior Executive Engineer, RMS North City
Tel: 222 2297
Email: ronan.connolly@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.57 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Manager please refer to my numerous previous requests for the provision of a right turn traffic signal at **(details supplied)** as there is no obvious reason why same cannot be installed at this incredibly busy major junction”

Reply

The ITS section have reviewed the operation of this junction. The addition of a dedicated right turn movement from **(details)** Avenue to **(details)** Road would require either separating the current Copeland Avenue/**(details)** Avenue traffic phase into two separate movements or introducing a new movement for the right turn only. This would lead to a reduction of green time on the Malahide Road traffic phase.

Please note that the **(details)** Road carries large volumes of Public transport routes and also is the alternative route for large HGVs to / from Dublin Port, in the event of a Port Tunnel closure. Therefore consideration cannot be given, at this time, to altering the operation of the traffic signal phases at this location.

However, the ITS section will continue to monitor the junction with a view to allocating additional green time to the side roads, when it is possible to do so, without compromising the performance of the **(details)** Road corridor.

Contact: Karen Hosie, Senior Transportation Officer
Tel: 222 5488
Email: karen.hosie@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th April 2024

Q.58 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Manager in relation to **(details supplied)**, where footpaths are of poor quality/broken up condition, (some of which are hazardous for vulnerable pedestrians, including elders on walking frames) and where traffic speeding is a problem, (particularly for vulnerable pedestrians) and say when he can arrange:-

- a. to have necessary repairs carried out
- b. to take necessary action to discourage motorists parking 4 wheels of vehicles on footpaths
- c. to erect “go slow” (yellow sign with a child’s image) and “30kph’ signs
- d. to provide traffic calming ramps/infrastructure”

Reply

An enquiry (ref. 11156775) has been created with regard to the necessary footpath repairs required at **(details supplied)**. & forwarded to the Area Inspector, who will carry out an inspection of the area and add any defects to a list for repair.

Contact: Ronan Connolly, A/Senior Executive Engineer, RMS North City
Tel: 222 2297
Email: ronan.connolly@dublincity.ie

The Parking Enforcement Inspector will visit the location and inspect the situation. The inspector will direct Dublin Street Parking Services to carry out appropriate enforcement action.

Contact: Linda McDonald. A Parking Enforcement Officer
Tel: 222 2238
Email: linda.mcdonald@dublincity.ie

This request (Enquiry Ref: 7038530) will be referred to the Area Engineer for assessment and report to the Transport Advisory Group for their consideration. The Councillor will then be informed of the final recommendations of the Transport Advisory Group.

Contact: Catalin Rosca
Email: Catalin.rosca@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th April 2024

Q.59 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Manager in relation to **(details supplied)** who is anxious to remain in this tenancy in which he has been a sub-tenant for over 7 years now and say if, in the circumstances, he can accede to this application?”

Reply

(Details supplied) has applied for the succession of this tenancy, however, whilst he was unsuccessful in his application, he has been approved for a swap to a one bedroom property. **(Details supplied)** has stated that he will be submitting an appeal regarding the succession application refusal and it will include an affidavit in respect of his daughter and his access rights of her and his need for a two bedroom property, however, presently there is no record of an appeal having being received.

Contact: Sandra Barry , Allocations Officer
Tel: 222 2201
Email: Sandra.barry@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th April 2024

Q.60 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Manager to refer to continuing dumping of household waste at **(details supplied)** (see photo) and say:

- a) What steps he can take to identify the culprit and
- b) if he will arrange to have the area frequently visited by waste management as the dumping is making the area look awful, particularly so with the ongoing C2CC works with broken up/unfinished footpaths etc.,
- c) If in the circumstances, some urgency will be given to completing the footpaths/roads at this location so the area can at least, be made to look somewhat decent for residents and businesses alike

Reply

a&b) Waste Management Services will continue to remove dumped waste from the above mentioned location and ensure that a litter warden includes this location as part of his regular patrol.

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

c) An enquiry (ref.11156771) has been created and forwarded to the Area Inspector who conduct an inspection of both the footpaths & carriageway and log any defects. Any footpath defects will be assigned to a crew for repair. The resurfacing of the carriageway will be considered when drafting subsequent annual works programmes. In the interim, any local carriageway defects will be repaired.

Contact: Ronan Connolly, A/Senior Executive Engineer, RMS North City
Tel: 222 2297
Email: ronan.connolly@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th April 2024

Q.61 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Manager to please agree to removal of the tree at **(details supplied)** as the elder resident, (aged 98), is distressed about what is happening to her property as a result of the growth of the tree, the angle at which it is growing and the damage it has caused to her property. Can the manager please agree to examine this matter and respond to the specifics of this particular case?”

Reply

A visual tree inspection will be arranged in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area 2024-25.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th April 2024

Q.62 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Manager to refer to tree stump at location as per **details attached** and say

- a) if at this stage, the stump is dead (after 5 years) and when a replacement can be planted and
- b) in relation to location in general, if other appropriate/suitable replacement trees are planned, and if so, can he outline when please.”

Reply

- a) The stump will be examined and arrangements made for its removal as local schedules allow if it has sufficiently degraded to allow for same without damaging nearby infrastructure or underground services; telecoms, data and broadband fibre cables are particularly vulnerable.
- b) The estate will be inspected later this summer and any suitable street tree planting locations identified will be listed for inclusion in next winter’s tree planting programme.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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15th April 2024

Q.63 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler

“To ask the Manager for an update on the flood lights being fixed and turned on at the small astro on Bunratty Road beside Northside Shopping Centre.”

Reply

The Area Office have had three of the four lights repaired and timers have been set to come on from 8pm to 10.30pm.

**Contact: Derek Farrell, Acting Local Area Manager for Artane - Whitehall
LEA**
Phone: 222 8546
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Q.64 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler

“To ask the Manager to move a bin location as a trial to see if it makes a difference reducing litter. There used to be a bin to the right of the bus stop at the Northside Shopping centre taxi rank (Barryscourt Road) but this was removed. There is however another bin closer to the shopping centre entrance but rubbish seems to be added to the trolleys instead of the bin. Could you move the bin from the entrance to the other side of the bus stop with the hope that it will help with the litter problem there. Please note there is also another bin provided by Northside Shopping centre on the other side behind the railings. I have also had engagement with taxi drivers, who feel this would make a difference. See image below”

Reply

Waste Management Services had this request investigated. The right hand side of the taxi rank is not a suitable location for a bin as there would be access issues for the reliant driver emptying the bin. The bin is considered best placed as it is.

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

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Q.65 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler

“To ask the Manager to clear the weeds from the small roundabout outside Artane Castle”

Reply

The Public Domain Team have removed these weeds on the small roundabout at Artane Castle.

Contact: Richard Cleary, Public Domain Enforcement Officer Artane -
Whitehall LEA
Phone: 222 8866
Email: richard.cleary@dublincity.ie

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Q.66 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler

“To ask the Manager to investigate the tree outside **(details supplied)** as it is quite large and is leaning in toward the property. Will the council consider crowning this tree to help with the sheer size of it? If a report once investigation is completed could be reported back to myself, would be most appreciated.”

Reply

A visual tree inspection was carried out late last year and the tree was found to be in acceptable condition with no works required or recommended at that time.

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

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Q.67 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler

“To ask the Manager to review the signage directing traffic to the city centre from the Santry flyover. As shown in the photo there is an arrow pointing but this is causing motorists who are not familiar with the area to miss the turn and pushing more traffic into residential areas. If I remember correctly, there used to be a sign that said ‘City Centre’ but that seems to have been replaced with just the arrow. If the sign is being knocked down too frequently, would the railings of Ellenfield Park be an option to consider hanging a direction sign?”

Reply

A “City Centre” directional sign has been ordered, once received this will be erected.

Contact: Damien Hollywood, Assistant Traffic Inspector
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Email: damien.hollywood@dublincity.ie

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15th April 2024

Q.68 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler

“To ask the Manager for an update on when the signs at the EBS on Kilmore Road will be updated?”

Reply

A name-plate contract by is currently being prepared Road Maintenance Services for both north & south city. The signs have been ordered and shall be erected sometime during the summer period.

Contact: Ronan Connolly, A/Senior Executive Engineer, RMS North City
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Email: ronan.connolly@dublincity.ie

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Q.69 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler

“To ask the Manager to clear away the backlog of bags at the entrance of Belcamp Park (Clonshaugh road, Dean Swift entrance). The dumping seems to be green waste and residents feel that if they are collecting it then the Council should remove it. Could the area office work collaboratively with residents to look at ways of reducing this. For example leaf composting in autumn, leaflet to advise how residents should be disposing of grass etc.”

Reply

There is no green waste collection provided by Dublin City Council. Residents who choose to cut green spaces around their homes have been advised to leave the grass they cut lie on top to provide nutrition to the grass below.

If a resident cuts grass they must use their brown bin to compost any grass that is cut. The Bring Centre on Oscar Traynor Road accepts green bagged waste for €2 per bag.

Finally the blue bags being left in this area has been going on for a number of years now with residents reporting that the bags being dumped at this location are being left by private residents who are cutting their private front and back gardens and dumping their grass at this location.

The local litter warden will inspect this estate to make residents aware that it is not acceptable to dump private green waste along the park boundaries and footpaths.

Contact: Richard Cleary, Public Domain Enforcement Officer Artane -
Whitehall LEA
Phone: 222 8866
Email: richard.cleary@dublincity.ie

Waste Management Services will have these bags removed on 4th April 2024.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.70 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

An enquiry (ref. 11156847) has been created and forwarded to the Area Inspector. This repair will be prioritised.

Contact: Ronan Connolly, A/Senior Executive Engineer, RMS North City.
Tel: 222 2297
Email: ronan.connolly@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.71 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

An enquiry (ref. 11156848) has been created and forwarded to the Area Inspector who will investigate this matter.

Contact: Ronan Connolly, A/Senior Executive Engineer, RMS North City
Tel: 222 2297
Email: ronan.connolly@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.72 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

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

Reply

The allotments in **(details supplied)** are situated on the **(details)** land parcel which forms part of the Belcamp Lane and **(details)** Masterplan. This Masterplan will guide the development of c. 24 ha of lands at **(details)** and Belcamp Lane in order to secure the delivery of a new Town Centre and residential area.

To date there is no indication of when these works will commence, therefore in February '24 the North Central Area Office have renewed the 11 month licences with the allotment holders. The North Central Area office will ensure to keep all allotment holders updated of any future plans.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.73 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

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

Reply

The Clongriffin – Belmayne Local Area Plan published in 2012, was by resolution of the Council extended in 2017 for a further five years until December 2022.

As part of the preparation of the 2022-2028 Dublin City Development Plan, the Council was aware that this Local Area Plan (LAP) was due to expire and Clongriffin – Belmayne was thus designated as a Strategic Development and Regeneration Area (SDRA). This designation provides a strategic spatial and urban design framework for the area, and ensures that the pertinent policies and objectives of the LAP can be delivered as part of the future build out of the lands (see Chapter 13, SDRA no. 1 of the Dublin City Development Plan).

With respect to L-shaped lands at Belmayne the urban structure envisaged by the LAP and included in the Development Plan is for a Key Urban Village (KUV) at Belmayne addressing the Malahide Road and the recently completed Main Street; providing a mix of uses (residential, commercial and community / social).

A cross-department team has been established in the City Council to consider the development options of the City Council owned lands at Belmayne. The Council own c. 9.6ha of the L-shaped lands; the Council do not own the south western corner of the L-shaped lands (c. 1.29ha). This team have analysed the relevant planning history of the area, the 2022 Census figures and the community provision. An analysis of the existing open space facilities is ongoing.

Following completion of the open space analysis, revised capacity studies will be undertaken for the DCC owned lands, with a presentation to Council on this work in September / October 2024.

Contact: Brian Keaney, Senior Planner
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Email: brian.keaney@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.74 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

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

Reply

The requested information relates to properties within the Grange A & Grange B wards. The information provided relates to all commercially rated properties in both of these wards.

As of 01/01/2024 the number of commercially rated properties is 88

Rates receipts for the years 2021-2023 are outlined below. Please note that this includes commercial rates waivers which were granted as a result of the pandemic.

2021	€615,545.51
2022	€706,347.14
2023	€895,579.96

As of 01/01/2024 the rates charge for the wards is €850,434.32

In relation to the rating liabilities in each year, the target realisable value was included as funding for City services in each year including 2024.

Contact: Enda Currid, Acting Head of Management Accounting
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Email: enda.currid@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.75 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

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

Reply

Once schools / colleges resume fully from week commencing 08/04/2024, the ITS section will evaluate the operation of the traffic signals at this location along with traffic movements / journey times.

Following evaluation, amendments will be made to traffic signal timings and operation as required where there is scope to do so.

Contact: Seán Fallon, Executive ITS Officer, Transportation
Email: sean.fallon@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.76 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

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

Reply

Road Maintenance Services is currently preparing a name-plate contract and will include any defective name-plates at Kilmore Close in this contract. An audit of the area will also be carried out and any defective street name-plates replaced.

Contact: Ronan Connolly, A/Senior Executive Engineer, RMS North City
Tel: 222 2297
Email: ronan.connolly@dublincity.ie

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Q.77 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

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

Reply

A crew will check this area and any work deemed necessary will be carried out in the next 5-6 weeks.

Contact: Anthony Dalton, Assistant traffic officer
Email: Anthony.dalton@dublincity.ie

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

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

Reply

Road Maintenance Services will investigate this matter to establish if there is a back fall on the footpath which is contributing to the formation of moss on the footpath outside **(details supplied)**. Just to note this sometimes occurs due to vegetation overgrowth from adjacent properties or due to the aspect of the property with regard to sunlight or lack thereof (enquiry ref. 11156850).

Contact: Ronan Connolly, A/Senior Executive Engineer, RMS North City
Tel: 222 2297
Email: ronan.connolly@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.79 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

The street lighting in **(details)** Park is scheduled to be upgraded to LED street lights under the Public Lighting Upgrade Project in the next couple of months.

Contact: Seamus MacSweeney, Senior Engineer
Tel: 086 8343154
Email: seamus.macsweeney@dublincity.ie

A visual tree inspection will be arranged in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area 2024-25.

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

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Q.80 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

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

Reply

An enquiry (ref.11156851) has been created & forwarded to the Area Inspector, who will carry an inspection of the locus and arrange for any necessary repairs to be carried out.

Contact: Ronan Connolly, A/Senior Executive Engineer, RMS North City
Tel: 222 2297
Email: ronan.connolly@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.81 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Manager if he will arrange for the reinstatement of a section of footpath at **(details supplied)** where there is currently a temporary tarmac surface which is covered in moss, as this poses a trip-hazard.”

Reply

An enquiry (ref.11156854) has been created & forwarded to the Area Inspector who will carry out an inspection of the footpath outside **(details supplied)** & arrange for any necessary repairs.

Contact: Ronan Connolly, A/Senior Executive Engineer, RMS North City
Tel: 222 2297
Email: ronan.connolly@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.82 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Manager if he will arrange for tree pruning at a location (**details supplied**), as requested by residents.”

Reply

A visual tree inspection will be arranged in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area 2024-25.

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

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.83 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Manager if he will arrange for the repair of a wall at **(details supplied)** as large pieces of render are falling off it and it is dangerous for residents and especially children playing close-by. It is over 10 years since DCC carried out repairs previously.”

Reply

The Road Maintenance Services is not responsible for repairing walls unless both sides of the wall are public property. In this case, the wall in question serves as a boundary between private and public areas. After reviewing this we found out that a private company increased the height of the wall, therefore this company is responsible of maintenance of the wall.

Contact: Ugurhan Ilhan. Assistant Engineer, RMS North Central Area
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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.84 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Manager if, now that the shrubbery has been removed, if all of the of the Whitehall church car park, including the area formally occupied by the shrubbery, will be included on the regular cleaning schedule for the Whitehall area?”

Reply

Not all of the Whitehall church car park is owned by Dublin City Council. The car park does not fall within the remit of the public domain and therefore is not maintained by the Waste Management Section.

Waste Management have agreed to clean the car park with the sweeping machine and maintain the area around the bottle banks.

The site will otherwise be monitored/maintained by the Development Department. The Planning Application for the development is due to be lodged in the near future.

Contact: Cathy Cassidy, Senior Staff Officer
Tel: 222 2861
Email: cathy.cassidy@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.85 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Manager if traffic calming measures can be installed along Hazelwood Drive, as this road is subject to speeding and rat running which poses a danger to many small children, and other pedestrians, in the area.”

Reply

Based on previous investigations, it was noted that Hazelwood Drive has several features that contribute to traffic calming, as outlined below:

- Hazelwood Drive is short in length and is currently traffic calmed with two speed ramps placed at appropriate distances for optimum traffic calming. At the junction with Hazelwood Drive/Hazelwood Park, traffic is calmed by a raised table (large ramp).
- The 30 km/h Slow Zone signage covers Hazelwood Drive, signalling the reduced speed limit and designating the area as a Home Zone/Slow Zone. This alerts drivers that the road is residential and to be cautious of children. The signs are prominently displayed at the entrances from Kilmore Road and Ardlea Road.
- There is a 30km/h road marking at the entrance of Chanel Rd from Brookville Park, accompanied by additional 30 km/h Slow Zone signage when entering from Malahide Road.

Instances of erratic driving/speeding should be referred to the Gardaí as a matter of enforcement. Transport Advisory Group will raise the Councillor’s concern with the Gardaí at the next TAG Meeting.

Also the residents can apply for a Neighbourhood Traffic Scheme which can be found on the DCC website:

https://citizenhub.dublincity.ie/en/service/Traffic_Request

Contact: Catalin Rosca – North Central Area Engineer
Email: catalin.rosca@dublincity.ie

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Q.86 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Manager if parking restrictions can be placed along Shanowen Avenue, at the very least a single yellow line from the traffic lights as far as **(details supplied)** No parking weekdays 8- 5 but parking allowed outside of these times. A resident at the end of the road nearest to the junction with Collins avenue has severe difficulty in exiting from her house due to lack of visibility caused by parked cars along the road on either side of her driveway. As a more general issue, as I have raised before, parking by students & construction workers all along Shanowen Avenue is causing severe traffic issues and has been & will be the cause of accidents along this stretch - between Collins Ave junction and Shanowen Road junction as, due to inconsiderate parking on both sides of the road, two-way traffic has to manage within the width of one lane in the middle.”

Reply

This request (Enquiry Ref: 7038455) will be referred to the Area Engineer for assessment and report to the Transport Advisory Group for their consideration. The Councillor will then be informed of the final recommendations of the Transport Advisory Group.

Contact: Catalin Rosca
Email: Catalin.rosca@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.87 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Manager to provide an update on the reinstatement of double yellow lines, as previously requested, at **(details supplied)**”

Reply

A crew will check this area and any work deemed necessary will be carried out in the next 5-6 weeks.

Contact: Anthony Dalton, Assistant traffic officer
Email: Anthony.dalton@dublincity.ie

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Q.88 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Manager to install ‘Children at Play’ and appropriate traffic calming measures on **(details supplied)** as the road is used as a rat run by speeding traffic who are a danger to the 16 young children living on this short road.

Reply

This request (Enquiry Ref: 11155504) will be referred to the Area Engineer for assessment and report to the Transport Advisory Group for their consideration. The Councillor will then be informed of the final recommendations of the Transport Advisory Group.

Contact: Catalin Rosca
Email: Catalin.rosca@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.89 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

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

Reply

There are no plans to prune the almost 200 trees within the estate or the 40 on the Avenue alone. A visual tree inspection will be arranged over the coming months as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area 2024-25.

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

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Q.90 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

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

Reply

In 2023 the Park Service collated a list of locations where grass verges were identified by residents and Councillors as being in need of maintenance and these were attended to in Q3 of 2023.

In 2024, funding has been allocated to maintain these locations once a fortnight throughout the growing season. In addition, we have identified a number of roads with wider margins which we have added to our landscape maintenance contract. We can add any other locations that are identified in 2024 but there is no reason to expect that there will be many more locations. The evidence is that the majority of residents in the City are maintaining their grass margin as residents do in every other local authority.

As previously stated, any locations where residents or communities are in need of support by the City Council to cut grass margins can be emailed to parks@dublincity.ie.

Contact: Leslie Moore, Head of Parks, Biodiversity and Landscape Services, Culture, Recreation and Economic Services Department
Tel: 222 5049
Email: leslie.moore@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.91 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

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

Reply

A number of sites have been submitted by the NCA to deploy CCTV cameras. Work is ongoing in preparing a Business Plan and a DPIA for a CCTV scheme at sites in the Central Area in the first instance. In accordance with the Code of Practice for the operation of CCTV to facilitate the deterrence, prevention, detection and prosecution of offences a CCTV scheme must be presented to Oversight Board for their approval and then forwarded to Chief Executive for his approval.

Meanwhile, the tender to engage a contractor to provide the CCTV service will be published on 15/04/2024 with a view that the contractor will begin work in Quarter 3.

Contact: Bernie Lillis, Litter Prevention Officer.
Tel: 222 4243
Email: bernie.lillis@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.92 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

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

Reply

The weed removal programme for the North Central Area spend in 2024 is approximately €122,850 plus VAT. The areas that Public Domain will be covering are attached.

There is no budget in 2024 for manual weeding.

Contact: Richard Cleary, Public Domain Enforcement Officer Artane -
Whitehall LEA
Phone: 222 8866
Email: richard.cleary@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.93 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Manager can the tree at **(details supplied)** be tackled please, the roots have knocked the wall down at the house, and can DCC call into the actual house to discuss”

Reply

A visual tree inspection will be arranged in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area 2024-25.

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

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Q.94 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Manager in relation to the housing application for (**detail supplied**) - what is the update on her application on exceptional social grounds, can you write out to her please so that we can progress housing for herself and her family”

Reply

The above application has been received in the Social Work Section and will be assigned to a Senior Social Worker shortly. They will receive a written reply when a decision is made on this application.

Contact: Anne Helferty, Chief Housing Welfare Officer/ Head of Social Work,
Phone: 222 3308
Email: anne.helferty@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.95 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Manager has the site been checked for fire hazards at (**details supplied**), if it is commercial zoning, how can any residents be housed there”

Reply

Exemptions from Planning exist for properties seeking to house IPA's and those fleeing war in Ukraine, there is no requirement to seek an Exemption Certificate, this matter is progressed by the Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth. The zoning of land is not a restriction on the use of property for temporary accommodation under these exemptions.

Contact: Emer Uí Fhátharta, Deputy City Planner
Tel: 222 3319
Email: emer.uifhatharta@dublincity.ie

DFB have received two separate applications for a Fire Safety Certificate, which were made through the BCMS for the proposed new use of this building to be used for residential purposes. DFB are assessing these applications to determine if compliance with Building Regulations has been demonstrated and achieved, and through engagement with the technical advisor we hope to be in a position to grant this application, once it has been finalised with our administrative processes it will be sent to the applicant.

Additionally, the Fire Services Act 1981 & 2003 places responsibility on those in control of a premises for the fire safety in the premises.

In this regard, DFB has written to outline these responsibilities, to those in control of this building and to request that a fire safety management plan is prepared and submitted to DFB outlining how they will meet their responsibilities.

DFB will continue to engage with the persons in control of this building going forward.

Contact: Karen Munds, Staff Officer
Phone: 222 4000
Email: dfbfeedback@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.96 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Manager if an audit of footpaths can take place in Santry and Whitehall?
What footpaths are being fixed and repaired this year in the Artane Whitehall ward?”

Reply

Road Maintenance Services does not have adequate time to carry an audit of such a wide ranging area in time for a response to this Area Committee Meeting question. The following footpaths have been repaired in the Artane-Whitehall Ward (under contract works) in 2024:

- Iveragh Road
- Falcarragh Road
- Iveleary Road
- Tourmakeady Road

Contact: Ronan Connolly, A/Senior Executive Engineer, RMS North City
Tel: 222 2297
Email: ronan.connolly@dublincity.ie

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Q.97 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Manager what is the update on bus connects for the Swords Road”

Reply

The Swords to City Centre scheme is subject to an ongoing statutory application process and has not as yet been approved by An Bord Pleanála.

Contact: Niall Bolger, Acting Senior Executive ITS Officer
Tel: 222 5271
Email: niall.bolger@dublincity.ie

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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Q.98 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Manager can the below cycle path be dealt with at **(details supplied)**”

Reply

The cycle path arrangements referred to above have been in place for over a decade. They are due to be upgraded as part of the National Transport Authorities Bus Connects proposals for the Swords to City Centre Route. Further information can be found at <https://swordsscheme.ie/>

Contact: Alec Dundon, Senior Executive Engineer
Email: Alec.Dundon@dublincity.ie

This request (Enquiry Ref: 7038527) will be referred to the Area Engineer for assessment and report to the Transport Advisory Group for their consideration. The Councillor will then be informed of the final recommendations of the Transport Advisory Group.

Contact: Catalin Rosca
Email: Catalin.rosca@dublincity.ie

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Q.99 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Manager can a solution be found to make it easier for drivers to exit the Ardbeg estate?”

Reply

A yellow box is located at the junction with Ardlea Road to facilitate egress from the Ardbeg estate.

No other engineering measures are recommended at this time.

Contact: Catalin Rosca – North Central Area Engineer
Email: catalin.rosca@dublincity.ie

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Q.100 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí

“To ask the Manager to ensure that the following 2 pot-holes at **(details supplied)** are repaired as soon as possible”

Reply

An enquiry (ref.11156857) has been created & forwarded to the Area Inspector who will arrange for a crew to repair the potholes at **(details supplied)**.

Contact: Ronan Connolly, A/Senior Executive Engineer, RMS North City
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Q.101 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí

“To ask the Manager to organise for the trees along the eastern entrance to Collins Park at **(details supplied)** to be pruned”

Reply

A visual tree inspection will be arranged in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area 2024-25.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 6625
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Q.102 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí

“To ask the Manager request that DCC Traffic assess the following turning proposal for Gracefield Road (**details supplied**) at the junction with McAuley Road”

Reply

The Area Engineer does not have enough information to assess this request.

Further details have been requested and when this becomes available, the request will be entered into the Confirm database (TAMS) and referred to the Area Engineer for assessment. A Service Request number will be created and issued to the Councillor for reference.

Contact: Catalin Rosca – North Central Area Engineer
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Q.103 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí

“To ask the Manager to organise for the public lighting quality on Grace Park Road between the Grace Park Height’s traffic entrance and Collins Avenue to be assessed and upgraded as required.”

Reply

A lighting assessment will be carried out on the street lighting on Grace Park Road to determine what improvements, if any, may be required on the stretch of road in question.

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Q.104 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí

“To ask the Manager can he confirm whether the following work was carried out by DCC workers or by a contractor working under their instruction? A tree in the green area in the central area to the front of **(details supplied)** which was removed in recent times and the stump bevelled and left behind”

Reply

The Parks Service has no reason to believe that this work was carried out by unauthorised 3rd parties. The matter will be confirmed as local schedules allow and will be communicated with the councillor directly.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 6625
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Q.105 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O'Muirí

“To ask the Manager to ask the DCC Roads Department to consider the installation of cyclist protection measures on the south-bound cycleway on Beaumont Road at the junction with Shantalla Road - drivers regularly cut left into the cycleway making it unsafe for school-going cyclists in particular”

Reply

This location will be inspected to determine if it is feasible to protect the cycle lane on the approach to the junction. An update will be provided to the Councillor in due course.

Contact: Alec Dundon, Senior Executive Engineer
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Q.106 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí

“To ask the Manager to organise for the removal of the tree stump in the public footpath outside **(details supplied)** and its replacement with a new sapling”

Reply

An inspection will be arranged in the coming weeks as local schedules allow to ascertain if the stump can be safely removed and if this small pit is considered a suitable planting location the locus will be listed for inclusion in next winter’s tree planting programme.

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

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Q.107 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí

“To ask the Manager organise for the planting of a new tree in the empty tree pit outside **(details supplied)**”

Reply

An inspection will be arranged in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and if considered a suitable planting location the locus will be listed for inclusion in next winter’s tree planting programme.

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

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Q.108 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí

“To ask the Manager to organise for the installation of signage and the renewal of road markings near the shops on Collins Avenue (i.e. at/near Kitty Kiernan’s) to discourage ongoing illegal footpath parking there”

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 additional signage 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.

The renewal of the existing faded road markings has been referred to our traffic officers.

Contact: Catalin Rosca – North Central Area Engineer
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Q.109 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí

“To ask the Manager to organise for the renewal of the narrow footpath outside **(details supplied)**”

Reply

An enquiry (ref. 11156858) has been created with regard to the defective footpath outside **(details supplied)**. The Area Inspector will carry out an inspection and assign the works to a crew for repair.

Contact: Ronan Connolly, A/Senior Executive Engineer, RMS North City
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Q.110 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

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

Reply

A visual tree inspection will be arranged in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area 2024-25.

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

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Q.111 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

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

Reply

A visual tree inspection will be arranged in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area 2024-25.

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

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Q.112 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

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

Reply

An enquiry (ref. 11156859) has been created & forwarded to the Area Inspector who assign repairs for the footpath outside **(details supplied)** to a crew.

Contact: Ronan Connolly, A/Senior Executive Engineer, RMS North City
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Q.113 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

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

Reply

A visual tree inspection will be arranged in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area 2024-25.

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

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Q.114 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

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

Reply

A visual tree inspection will be arranged in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area 2024-25.

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
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Q.115 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Manager if DCC will contact HSE regarding rodents in **(details supplied)** as multiple sighting of rodents.”

Reply

The Local Area Office has reported this issue to Uisce Eireann and they have raised the appropriate investigation for this matter. They advised that an update will be sent directly to Councillor.

Uisce Eireann Ref: 74190

The issue of Rats should be reported as follows:

DCC Tenants can report issue of rats in their **house/garden** to their local office who will advise Housing Maintenance through the CRM system. **Housing maintenance** will then liaise with the **HSE** on this issue.

DCC Tenants can report issue of rats on the **main road** to their local office who will advise Main Drainage through the CRM system. **Main Drainage** will then liaise with **Irish Water** on this issue.

Private residents can report issue of rats in their **dwelling/gardens** to the HSE directly on pestcontrol.north@hse.ie or ring 449 3255.

Private residents can report issue of rats on the **main road** to **Uisce Eireann** directly on customerservice@water.ie.

Uisce Eireann have a direct email for all local representatives to contact them directly on **E: localrepsupport@water.ie**

Contact: Catherine Cahill, Staff Officer
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Q.116 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Manager to request a review of the junction at **(details supplied)** as it is extremely difficult to enter or exit and it will likely cause an accident.”

Reply

A yellow box is located at **(details supplied)** junction to facilitate egress from the estate, in addition to a yield sign and associated road markings. These measures impose a requirement on all approaching traffic to yield, and continue driving only if safe to do so.

No other engineering measures are recommended at this time.

Contact: Catalin Rosca – North Central Area Engineer
Email: catalin.rosca@dublincity.ie

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Q.117 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

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

Reply

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

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

Proposed works to commence in the summer months of 2024 on painting of the high level fencing that stretches around the complete perimeter of the station.

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Q.118 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Manager to have tree inspected and pruned at **(details supplied)**”

Reply

A visual tree inspection will be arranged in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised tree care programme for the area 2024-25.

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

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Q.119 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Manager to request road maintenance to upgrade the path at **(details supplied)** as it has broken down badly after review.”

Reply

An enquiry (ref. 11156860) has been created in relation to footpath defects at **(details supplied)** & forwarded to the Area Inspector. An inspection of the locus will be carried out & any defects added to a works list for repair.

Contact: Ronan Connolly, A/Senior Executive Engineer, RMS North City
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Q.120 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

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

Reply

Waste Management Services will have the above mentioned roads cleaned by the middle of April 2024. It is not deemed necessary to have washing carried out there.

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