



**MINUTES OF THE SOUTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 15TH MAY, 2024 VIA HYBRID MEETING  
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, DAME STREET, DUBLIN 2.**

1. **Minutes of Meeting held on 17th April, 2024.**  
**Order: Agreed.**
2. **Questions to the Director of Services South Central Area.**  
**Order: Replies to Questions and the Director of Services report circulated.**
3. **Environment and Transportation Matters**
  1. Minutes of the Traffic Advisory Group held on the 30/04/24 in relation to Traffic Matters in the South Central Area.
  2. Traffic Service Requests Status Reports at 15/04/24 and 17/04/24.  
**Order: 1. Report Noted.**  
**2. Reports Noted.**
4. **South Central Area Matters**
  1. Notification of initiation of Part 8 Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended). Proposed Development of 108 Residential Dwellings the Site of Dublin City Council Road Maintenance Depot at Marrowbone Lane & Forbes Lane, Dublin 8. **This item is for information purposes only.**
  2. Notification of initiation of Part 8 Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended). Proposed Development of 171 Residential Dwellings the Site of Basin Street Flats. **This item is for information purposes only.**
  3. Director of Services Report.  
**Order: 1. Noted.**  
**2. Noted.**  
**3. Report Noted.**
5. **Culture, Recreation & Economic Matters**
  1. Sports and Recreation Report for May 2024 South Central Area.  
**Order: Report Noted.**
6. **Emergency Motions.**
7. **May 2024 Motions.**

**DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL**  
**SOUTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE**  
**15<sup>th</sup> May, 2024**

**M325 Councillor Vincent Jackson**

This Area Committee please look at improving the physical environment of the Dowland Road area of Walkinstown Dublin 12. I regret looking at the damaged footpaths, poor surface of roads and general lack of maintenance of the area leaves a lot to be desired. I am asking Dublin City Council to do a full review on the area and come back with a report indicating a time span to make progress on improving the area. The general area has the potential for serious trip hazards.

**Order: Report Noted.**

**M326 Councillor Vincent Jackson**

This Area Committee please note that due to change in weather patterns that it's no longer possible to depend on using public football pitches in the winter / spring months that serious consideration be given to providing funding to develop a full size all weather football pitch in the Ballyfermot Area. The current facilities at the Ballyfermot Leisure Centre provide space for training only and are not sufficiently large to allow regulation games take place. Opportunities for funding are available from Lottery Funding etc.

**Order: Report Noted.**

**M327 Councillor Vincent Jackson**

This Area Committee please look for Dublin City Council on a pilot basis to do an extensive clean-up of general open spaces in the Cherry Orchard area in order to try and deter systemic dumping by a few. Local residents and DCC have from time to time done great work cleaning up open spaces only for the efforts to be undone by a few who think its ok to fly tip waste, having a cleansing crew doing a deep clean and maintaining it for a couple of months could and should have a very positive impact.

**Order: Report Noted.**

**M328 Councillor Hazel de Nortúin**

This Area Committee recognises that there's a high level of vacant housing in the Cherry Orchard area and that for numerous reasons there's been a need for family supports with residents off all backgrounds.

This Committee calls on the Director of Services to direct supports into the Cherry Orchard area with a dedicated Project Estate Officer that's based in Cherry Orchard and is 'on the ground ' working with families who need their support. There's been a large volume of allocations in the Ballyfermot/Drimnagh ward and there's recognition of the work carried out by housing staff. There is, however, acknowledgement that we need more support in the area.

**Order: Motion Falls.**

**M329 Councillor Máire Devine**

This committee expresses dismay at the serious AS/Criminal behaviour that has made life intolerable for the residents at Herberton Apartments, Block D, Rialto. We call on DCC to attend to the maintenance issues and robustly address the marauding gangs that have taken over the public spaces and communal lobbies terrifying residents and visitors. We further request that a dedicated community development worker be deployed to deal with the numerous issues and reclaim these spaces for the community.

**Order: Report Noted.**

**M330 Councillor Máire Devine**

This Committee acknowledge that the installation of the protective gates at Robinsons Court, Dublin 8 was agreed by members a year ago. The delay is unacceptable and we ask that a report be presented by the manufacturing company to members detailing the issues encountered with a definite urgent date provided for these necessary works.

**Order: Report Noted.**

**M331 Councillor Kelsey May Daly**

This Area Committee condemns the unfair segregation of social housing tenants at Newmarket Yards. To have developed legislation to integrate social housing tenants with private tenants to negate the negative impact of deprivation in communities then to only separate them both physically and through denial of access of areas that allow such integration i.e. communal areas goes against the ideology that informs this practice and does not produce the results found in studies on the matter. This area committee recognises this as discrimination of social housing tenants and does not support such policies and practice.

**Order: Agreed.**

**Councillor Sophie Nicoulaud**

**Chairperson**

**15th May, 2024**

**Attendance**

**Members:**

Sophie Nicoulaud (Chairperson)

Vincent Jackson (Vice Chair)

Kelsey May Daly

Michael Pidgeon

Darragh Moriarty

Máire Devine

Michael Watters

**Officers:**

Bruce Phillips, A/Executive Manager, South Central;

Alan Sherry, Local Area Manager, Ballyfermot Area Office;

Gareth Rowan, Senior Executive Office, Housing Deliver;

Aoife Hannan, Kilmainham Inchicore Network Project Co-Ordinator;

Linda Fanning, Area Housing Manager, SWIC;

Frank Murphy, Administrative Officer, SWIC;

Colm Ennis, Senior Executive Engineer, Environment & Transportation Department;

Neil O'Donoghue, Executive Engineer, Environment & Transportation;

David Quearney, Environmental Liaison Officer, SWIC;

Nicola O'Kelly, Staff Officer, South Central Area;

Gabrielle Malone, Senior Staff Officer, South Central Area;