

QUESTIONS LODGED PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER NO.18 FOR REPLY AT THE MONTHLY MEETING OF DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL TO BE HELD ON MONDAY 2nd SEPTEMBER 2024

Q.1 COUNCILLOR JOHN LYONS

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a detailed breakdown of the construction cost of each unit being built by Glenveagh on the public lands at the Oscar Traynor Road site; to provide a detailed analysis of the construction costs versus the affordable purchase price being charged for the 20% of new homes on the site; to provide a detailed analysis of the construction costs versus the cost to Dublin City Council in acquiring the new social homes; to provide a detailed analysis of the construction costs versus the proposed cost rental rents; and details on the original contract between Dublin City Council and Glenveagh and any changes to the agreed pricing structures and costs.

Q.2 COUNCILLOR DERMOT LACEY

To ask the Chief Executive if he could give a formal response to the issues detailed in the email submitted with this Question relating to the practice of placing tarmacadam very close to the base of trees in pavement works thereby depriving trees of important life enhancing air and water.

Q.3 COUNCILLOR JOHN LYONS

To ask the Chief Executive to replace the dilapidated old front porch of (**details supplied**). Several inspections have already occurred so I would ask that this request be treated as urgent.

Q.4 COUNCILLOR JOHN LYONS

To ask the Chief Executive about the transfer of (**details supplied**), who is living with her young family in very overcrowded conditions and has languished on the transfer list for than more 12 years.

Q.5 COUNCILLOR HAZEL DE NORTUIN

To ask the Chief Executive in regards to Tristan Square in Ballyfermot, for those that were awarded tenancies, that a list be provided as to the initial start dates of successful tenants on Dublin City Council housing list.

Q.6 COUNCILLOR HAZEL DE NORTÚIN

To ask the Chief Executive the following:

Is Dublin City Council aware of build to rent properties or approved housing bodies that have restricted DCC tenants to the full use of the buildings services/facilities?

If this is the case, does this contravene the social inclusion of DCC tenants and therefore is in breach of DCC housing policy and the DCC development plan.

Q.7 COUNCILLOR DERMOT LACEY

To ask the Chief Executive if he can issue a response to the issues contained in the email submitted with this Question relating to Temple Road in Darty.

Q.8 COUNCILLOR MAIRE DEVINE

To ask the Chief Executive that a practical reconfiguration of parking at Meath Place Flats, Pimlico, Dublin 8 be agreed to include a simple installation of a footpath ramp which allows optimal use of the space for residents cars.

Q.9 COUNCILLOR JOHN LYONS

To ask the Chief Executive for a full report on the housing file of (**details supplied**), a report which should include an explanation as to how and why her position on the list has drastically disproved over recent months.

Q.10 COUNCILLOR PADDY MONAHAN

To ask the Chief Executive to begin a process of liaising with residents and business owners on and around Main Street, Raheny - and to open a public consultation process - seeking views on the possibility of a car-free plaza on Main Street. This could be facilitated by trialling a temporary, car-free Sunday afternoon on Main Street, with seating, tables and food vendors.

Q.11 COUNCILLOR PADDY MONAHAN

To ask the Chief Executive to investigate every left-turn slip road in the Dublin City Council area as to whether it is necessary and beneficial to the area, particularly with regard to the detrimental effect such left-turn slip roads have on pedestrians, people with disabilities and active travel generally.

Q.12 COUNCILLOR PADDY MONAHAN

To ask the Chief Executive if it is the overall goal of Dublin City Council to install segregated cycle lanes on as many main roads as possible in Dublin. If such works are undertaken on an ad-hoc basis, what criteria are applied and what reasons exist for not installing a segregated cycle lane on a main road? In particular, will the Chief Executive report on plans for (or the feasibility of) segregated cycle lanes on the Howth Road, Collins Avenue, Brookwood Avenue, Ardlea Road and Oscar Traynor Road.

Q.13 COUNCILLOR PADDY MONAHAN

To ask the Chief Executive if Dublin City Council will install visible timers at all pedestrian crossings so that pedestrians can see how long they must wait until they may cross the road. Further, can the Chief Executive ensure that a maximum waiting time applies to any pedestrian crossing in the Dublin City Council area - for example, 30 seconds.

Q.14 COUNCILLOR MAIRE DEVINE

To ask the Chief Executive why has the preparing and producing of Tender documents for the refurbishment of Donore Community Centre , Dublin 8 (shut for over 3 years) been further stalled until December 2024- 4 times longer than stated in previous updates? This refurbishment of a fairly standard 2-3 storey community facility must be accelerated.

Q.15 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive to provide details of number of applicants on the Financial Contribution list and broken down per area.

Q.16 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a report on application for housing extensions for Dublin City Council tenancies for last 10 years. How many applications per year are received and how many are completed per year? Has there been any work done to reduce numbers on the list.

Q.17 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a report on the plumbing issues at (**Details supplied**). Residents have reported that there has been numerous issues with sewage over the years with sewage coming up in the rear yard affecting neighbouring

properties also. Can the problem be investigated with a view to resolving this not to happen again please.

Q.18 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a report on the number of homes checked for Bin Collection services and what follow up was pursued? How many DCC tenancies were checked and what process was followed afterwards? Are further powers needed to help deal with this issue.

Q.19 COUNCILLOR DERMOT LACEY

To ask the Chief Executive how much income Dublin City Council receives in rent for the Incinerator at Ringsend , the application of this rent in City Expenditure and what flexibility exists to apply that income in terms of preparing the forthcoming City Council Budget.

Q.20 COUNCILLOR MAIRE DEVINE

To ask the Chief Executive for a detailed update on the plans for the vacant commercial units/spaces at ground level in the Herberton complex in Rialto.

Q.21 COUNCILLOR MAIRE DEVINE

To ask the Chief Executive Given the successful largest ever medal haul at Paris Olympics for the extra sports funding recently announced so a swimming pool (Herberton? /Watling Street?) be delivered for the community of South West inner City.

Q.22 COUNCILLOR DARRAGH MORIARTY

To ask the Chief Executive to confirm the following with respect to Medical Priority Applications for DCC Housing in tabular form (see suggested table below):

- the total number of Medical Priority Applications by year for 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024 (so far);
- the total number of Medical Priority Applications by the above years granted at the first attempt;
- the total number of Medical Priority Applications by the above years subsequently granted on appeal.

Year:	Medical Priority Applications	Granted at first attempt	Granted on appeal
2019			
2020			
2021			
2022			
2023			
2024 (YTD)			

Q.23 COUNCILLOR DARRAGH MORIARTY

To ask the Chief Executive to confirm the following with respect to Exception Social Grounds (ESG) applications for priority transfer in tabular form (see suggested table below):

The total number of ESG applications by year for 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024 (so far);

The total number of ESG applications by the above years granted at the first attempt;

- The total number of ESG applications by the above years subsequently granted on appeal.

Year:	ESG Applications	Granted at first attempt	Granted on appeal
2019			
2020			
2021			
2022			
2023			
2024 (YTD)			

Q.24 COUNCILLOR JOHN STEPHENS

To ask the Chief Executive what are the plans for Tree Pruning, Maintenance and Tree Removal if required in the Cabra Glasnevin Drumcondra Area. As I am the only FF Councillor in the Dublin Central Area, what are the plans for the North Inner-City Area also.

Q.25 COUNCILLOR JOHN STEPHENS

To ask the Chief Executive what plans are in place to deal with litter and dog fouling in Griffith Park and in particular to the Coffee Dock area and entrance from Walsh Road and Ferguson Road.

Q.26 COUNCILLOR JOHN STEPHENS

To ask the Chief Executive what intervention can he make if any to secure a premises for the Cabra Boxing Club.

Q.27 COUNCILLOR DANNY BYRNE

To ask the Chief Executive what is the average amount of time for one to get on the housing list.

Q.28 COUNCILLOR DANNY BYRNE

To ask the Chief Executive for the up to date figure regarding rent arrears

Q.29 COUNCILLOR SEAMAS MCGRATTAN

To ask the Chief Executive when will the roll out of communication boards in playgrounds begin, and when will playgrounds in Cabra/Glasnevin be included.

Q.30 COUNCILLOR SEAMAS MCGRATTAN

To ask the Chief Executive the following:
In last year's budget, we provided for an increase in energy rates due to expected inflation, how has this expectation materialised and will there be any savings due to a decrease in the inflation rate.

Q.31 COUNCILLOR SEAMAS MCGRATTAN

To ask the Chief Executive to secure the site of the old Matt Whelan's pub to prevent antisocial behaviour here and illegal dumping.

Q.32 COUNCILLOR SEAMAS MCGRATTAN

To ask the Chief Executive to consider an alternative use for the waste land behind the shops in the Maple Centre, Dunard, due to antisocial behaviour here and storage of bonfire material.

Q.33 COUNCILLOR MICHAEL MACDONNCHA

To ask the Chief Executive on what basis and why the Executive sought a ruling to prevent the Coroner in the Stardust inquests presenting unlawful killing as one of the verdict options for the jury to consider: and given that the jury did return an unlawful killing verdict, which was widely welcomed by the Stardust families and by Irish society generally, leading to a State apology by the Taoiseach, will the Chief Executive now likewise apologise on behalf of the Executive of Dublin City Council.

Q.34 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN

To ask the Chief Executive to issue a full report and update regarding the ongoing investigations into wrongdoing malpractice and lack of governance at the Peter McVerry Trust. This report to include, what investigations, if any, the Dublin Regional Homeless executive have carried out? What investigations Dublin City Councils Audit committee have carried out, if any? What investigations the financial department of DCC have carried out, if any? What safeguards are in place given the public outcry in relation to the scandal at the Peter McVerry Housing trust charity have been put in place to ensure that this kind of practice and behaviour is no longer tolerated. Further, has DCC initiated any overall governance examination of all the approved housing bodies, homeless charities and the like that DCC, through the Dublin Regional homeless executive, finance.

Q.35 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN

To ask the Chief Executive to issue a report as to the legislation regarding the use of drones for deliveries within the Dublin City Council administrative area. This report to include whether such devices are exempt from planning in relation to the airspace and the basis that these devices are flown from.

Q.36 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN

To ask the Chief Executive to give a full update as to the implementation of what is known as the medically supervised injection centre at Merchants Quay? This centre was the subject of much controversy and public concern. That concern is still very evident at present and many within the immediate community are alarmed regarding the arrival and opening of this facility. Further, part of its remit was to appoint an oversight committee which would include local representatives. Has anybody been appointed to such a committee.

Q.37 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN

To ask the Chief Executive to issue a full report as to why DCC architectural department, which has over 2 dozen highly qualified exceptional architects, and indeed a chief architect, did not see fit to design the proposed new plaza at College Green? Can the CEO explain the rationale for franchising this design concept out to the private sector? Surely with cost implications and the like and the fact that we employ such highly qualified architects to do these jobs it beggars belief that the city management would appear to have no confidence in one of its own departments? This kind of practice is unacceptable. Indeed, in recent times, the head of this department, with overall responsibility for such matters in the city abruptly resigned from her position regarding issues associated with the new central library at Parnell Square but withdrew her letter of resignation sometime later and was reinstated. Can the manager explain what is going on in this department? Surely, this department with all its expertise could design a simple public domain plaza bearing in mind all the design work that has gone into this project over the past number of years. This would appear to be an absolute disregard for the public purse and taxpayers' money. Further, this report to include a full assessment of the cost to date for this project 'College Green Plaza' and a proper value for money assessment.

Q.38 COUNCILLOR RAY CUNNINGHAM

To ask the Chief Executive what can be done about repeated breaches of planning directives. At (**Details supplied**) a property owner was found to be renting a shed for accommodation. An enforcement order was issued, and the tenancy ended, but soon after another set of tenants was moved in. What steps will the council take against landlords who consistently ignore planning regulations.

Q.39 COUNCILLOR RAY CUNNINGHAM

To ask the Chief Executive to introduce traffic calming measures in Walkinstown, between Crumlin village and Cromwellsfort Road, and between Walkinstown Avenue and the Long Mile Road. Both are residential areas that have serious issues with traffic taking shortcuts to avoid major junctions. Measures should include filtered permeability, to allow local access but restrict through traffic, and chicanes to reduce traffic speed.

Q.40 COUNCILLOR RACHEAL BATTEN

To ask the Chief Executive for an update on the repair of the playground surface in Ellenfield Park.

Q.41 COUNCILLOR RACHEAL BATTEN

To ask the Chief Executive for an update on the hosting of a community festival in Ellenfield Park.

Q.42 COUNCILLOR RACHEAL BATTEN

To ask the Chief Executive if he has considered applying for a nest/egg removal derogation with regards to seagulls in any part of Dublin City.

Q.43 COUNCILLOR RACHEAL BATTEN

To ask the Chief Executive if the grass verges on (**details supplied**) where the pavements were recently upgraded can be reseeded.

Q.44 COUNCILLOR NIAL RING

To ask the Chief Executive the following:

Given the fact that Dublin City Council management belatedly agreed to wait for the economic impact assessment report in relation to the proposed cross city pedestrian/traffic plan, can the Chief Executive confirm that a similar economic impact assessment will be carried out in relation to the planned College Green/Dame St. public realm proposed project and also, in relation to that project, can the Chief Executive detail consultations/negotiations with Dublin Bus and/or the NTA vis a vis the logistics and impact of rerouting bus routes from College Green.

Q.45 COUNCILLOR NIAL RING

To ask the Chief Executive to give a brief outline of the plans Dublin City Council has to optimise its alliance/relationship with IURC North America through its partnership with San Francisco, not only in relation to the circular economy, natural refrigerants and community engagement but also in relation to sustainable affordable housing, an area in which the IURC has researched and addressed.

Q.46 COUNCILLOR NIAL RING

To ask the Chief Executive to give an estimated cost to Dublin City Council of providing cleaning equipment etc. for the c5,000 clean ups DCC supports in the city annually.

Q.47 COUNCILLOR NIAL RING

To ask the Chief Executive to detail how many demands for payment of Vacant Site Levy were issued in 2023 and to further detail how many of these related to City Council owned sites and to further ask for details of the sites and the levy assessed for each site. Finally, to ask the Chief Executive to clarify if this levy will continue to be assessed in 2024 or will it be replaced by the Residential Zoned Land Tax.

Q.48 COUNCILLOR EDEL MORAN

To ask the Chief Executive if there are any plans for Equestrian facilities/ stables for the Northside Community in the Darndale- Clonsaugh similar to the ones set up in other Dublin Communities such as Ballyfermot and Ballymun? There is a big interest in this within the community and if there are no plans the groups concerned would like to know how to go about requesting such a facility.

Q.49 COUNCILLOR EDEL MORAN

To ask the Chief Executive for an update on the distribution of the Community Fund provided by Glenveagh Homes associated with the Oscar Traynor Road Development and what Area Facilities and Groups will be the beneficiaries of this Community funding

Q.50 COUNCILLOR EDEL MORAN

To ask the Chief Executive on the possibility for the provision of a Wheelchair Accessible Area on Dollymount Beach to enable wheelchair users and other mobility aid users practical access the Sea Front.

Q.51 COUNCILLOR GAVIN PEPPER

To ask the Chief Executive In regard to complaints to Environmental Health by Tenants, have Dublin City Council lowered the thresholds in regard to Minimum Standards for Electrical Compliance as per the relevant Housing Acts and began to accept mere Draft Reports as opposed to registered bona fide Periodic Inspection Reports? I refer to (**details supplied.**)

Q.52 COUNCILLOR GAVIN PEPPER

To ask the Chief Executive the following:

I have been dealing with a victim of the Housing Crisis. A Mother of an autistic child with nowhere else to turn. This lady's landlord had an agreement with Fingal County Council to purchase the home. Private Landlords in the area vetoed this purchase & disenfranchised the victim who is now due to be evicted with her 3 Children. When will the State deploy a mechanism to protect all Citizens in Ballymun Finglas & all our additional constituencies from this & similar tragedies.

Q.53 COUNCILLOR GAVIN PEPPER

To ask the Chief Executive In regard to Homeless HAP, I am aware of a Constituent who is too afraid of moving from her undesirable dwelling to another similar dwelling because she will lose most of her Homeless Hap Benefit which is at a higher rate than the regular HAP which is insufficient for a comparable property within the same vicinity. Have the relevant Authorities a remedy for this anomaly.

Q.54 COUNCILLOR GAVIN PEPPER

To ask the Chief Executive, After Kellie Harrington's success being shown on Widescreen to exited families in a tremendous atmosphere, have the Council any plans for Widescreen Public events or Cinema Showings.

Q.55 COUNCILLOR DANIEL ENNIS

To ask the Chief Executive if he could provide an update on the progress of installing traffic calming greenery or to work with residents on a greening strategy, on Aberdeen Street, Sullivan Street, and Findlater Street. Residents have raised concerns about cars speeding in these areas, particularly as children regularly play on these streets.

Q.56 COUNCILLOR DANIEL ENNIS

To ask the Chief Executive if there is any updates regarding the parking issues consistently raised by residents of Clonliffe Road who have continuously mentioned that they are unable to park on their own street during events at Croke Park.

Q.57 COUNCILLOR DANIEL ENNIS

To ask the Chief Executive what steps will be taken to ensure accessibility for residents with disabilities and mobility issues, in particularly on footpaths being blocked by illegally parked vehicles in the vicinity of Croke Park, this is especially bad when matches and events are on in the stadium.

Q.58 COUNCILLOR DANIEL ENNIS

To ask the Chief Executive the following:

Nothing the serious incidents around Dublin's North Inner City, and the ongoing open drug dealing rendering certain streets as no-go zones, I ask Chief Executive if he has had any recent correspondence with Senior Gardai and if so, is he aware of what, short term, effective operations are taking place in an reactionary setting and what long term initiatives are being put in place from a community policing stand point.

Q.59 COUNCILLOR CIARAN PERRY

To ask the Chief Executive In relation to the O'Devaney Gardens development, can the Chief Executive confirm the following

- a) The estimated housing costs (social and affordable) remain as per Dave Dinnigan's letter to me on 9th July 2021 (attached for reference)?
- b) The construction phasing remains as per the letter above?

Can the Chief Executive also provide an update on the possibility of an Approved Housing Body purchasing some of the private units as Cost Rental housing.

Q.60 COUNCILLOR CIARAN PERRY

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a response to the Supreme Court decision to reject the council's appeal in relation to the Derelict Sites Levy owed on an East Wall property? Can he comment on the implications of the court decision? As Bank of Ireland was a beneficiary of the sale does it have any responsibility for the outstanding levies.

Q.61 COUNCILLOR CIARAN PERRY

To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on progress on Condition 6 for Large-scale Residential Development LRD6001/22-S3A? The initial submission was found to be non-compliant.

Q.62 COUNCILLOR ALISON FIELD

To ask the Chief Executive the status of the plans for Richmond Road in terms of traffic mitigation, and to urge them to roll out further initiatives to ensure greater safety for pedestrians and cyclists on the road.

Q.63 COUNCILLOR ALISON FIELD

To ask the Chief Executive to undertake an engineer's report for the area on Church Avenue in Drumcondra outside the back entrance to DCU and Grace Park Educate Together NS to deal with the fast-moving rat-run traffic through the area, and ensure greater safety for the children accessing the school.

Q.64 COUNCILLOR ALISON FIELD

To ask the Chief Executive to install a playground in Rockfield Park, Beaumont.

Q.65 COUNCILLOR ALISON FIELD

To ask the Chief Executive to investigate the tree roots of a tree, as the tree has been examined, but the roots seem to be causing the house walls to crack, the resident is very distressed. (**details supplied**).

Q.66 COUNCILLOR AISHLING SILKE

To ask the Chief Executive to engage with the company that owns (1.**details supplied**) and demand the removal of bikes left parked/abandoned in areas within a specific time frame. A bike has been left outside (2. **details supplied**) for over two months. The manager has contacted the company numerous times and been informed that the bike would be collected, but the bike remained. The issue is not limited to (1. **details supplied**) parking railings in Drumcondra are often filled with (1.**details supplied**) for over two weeks, leaving daily cyclists unable to park their bikes.

Q.67 COUNCILLOR AISHLING SILKE

To ask the Chief Executive if there are plans to prevent cyclists and e-scooters from using footpaths and enforce the use of new bicycle lanes. Pedestrians on Griffith Avenue continue to experience large volumes of high-speed electric cyclists and e-scooters using the footpath, causing safety issues for the elderly and young children.

Q.68 COUNCILLOR AISHLING SILKE

To ask the Chief Executive in relation to the constant delays and missed targets for turning on the new pedestrian lights at the Coolock Interchange, if they will provide a detailed report setting out the reasons for the delays and provide a date for the turning on of the lights.

Q.69 COUNCILLOR AISHLING SILKE

To ask the Chief Executive for a report on the Bagbin initiative aimed at preventing Seagulls from opening up plastic rubbish bags and request an update on plans for dealing with the ongoing litter collection issue in Dublin City Centre which is an eyesore for the people of Dublin and tourists. Photos attached of a walk from O'Connell Street to Grafton Street between 7pm and 9pm on a Saturday evening.

Q.70 COUNCILLOR DAITHÍ DOOLAN

To ask the Chief Executive what are the plans for the former pitch and putt grounds in Drimnagh, will the management consider working towards developing a park similar to the People's Park in Ballyfermot.

Q.71 COUNCILLOR DAITHÍ DOOLAN

To ask the Chief Executive for an update on the development of new dressing rooms in Brickfield Park.

Q.72 COUNCILLOR DAITHÍ DOOLAN

To ask the Chief Executive to please ensure Brickfield Park is regularly cleaned and can you please confirm what is the rota for cleaning Brickfield Park.

Q.73 COUNCILLOR DAITHÍ DOOLAN

To ask the Chief Executive for the housing manager to meet with Tiglin to resolve the issue of allocations to the new 6 units in Bluebell.

Q.74 COUNCILLOR HAZEL DE NORTÚIN

To ask the Chief Executive in regards to the Development - Tristan Square- in Ballyfermot, can there be some clarity on why the office/community spaces weren't part of the long term lease package by Dublin City Council why they leased the residential units?

If the Development needed to provide these units to be successful with the planning authority, why now are they to be left idle for 25years and not deemed a requirement for residential need? Is the housing manager happy to reside over Dublin City Council tenants discussing their housing needs in the court yard while office spaces that would be suitable are idle.

Q.75 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON

To ask the Chief Executive to have the housing Department look into the following issues with the allocation of **(details supplied)**.

Q.76 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON

To ask the Chief Executive please look into the following housing issue with Dublin City Council Planning Department **(details supplied)**.

Q.77 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON

To ask the Chief Executive That Dublin City Council see if the small stone clad wall at the entrance of Laurence Brook Estate on the Lucan Road Chapelizod Dublin 20 which was hit by a car approx. 2 years ago can be repaired as it leaves the area in a very poor visual appearance the wall would take 3 hours to repair by a stonemason, DCC cut the grass in this little estate of 40 houses going down towards the banks of the River Liffey.

Q.78 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON

To ask the Chief Executive the following:

Currently the prospect of Ballyfermot losing the iconic Roundabout next to the Church of Our Lady of The Assumption at the junction of Kylemore Road / Ballyfermot Dublin 10 which pre dates most of the Ballyfermot Housing Scheme has gone down like a lead balloon with both residents and traders alike because of the potential loss of local mobility for residents getting around, loss of car-parking near the shops and the general disconnect of Dublin City Council's with its hands off approach / shocking planning decisions which has resulted in the destruction of the day time commercial life of our community all we have left is bookie shops, chemists and take-aways, Can DCC please inform me of any plans to try and reverse their years of poor planning decisions and what discussions they are having with the NTA in relation to local concerns all we seem to get is traffic travelling to the west of the city and Kildare.

Q.79 COUNCILLOR RAY MCADAM

To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the actions taken in respect of the following question, I posed in April:

- ensure that this council advances the refurbishment and upgrade of **(details supplied)** so that we can consider utilising the community property for community purposes such as early years childcare and education, training programmes to assist parents of children with neurodiverse needs;
- dedicated space for senior citizens in the area;
- And that any alternative plans for the site to be shelved; and if he would make a statement on the matter.

Q.80 COUNCILLOR RAY MCADAM

To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the status of plans being prepared by the Parks Department regarding revising the existing layout of **(Details Supplied)** the nature of the proposed changes; the timeframe for the undertaking of these works; the indicative cost of the proposals; whether a Part 8 planning application is required; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Q.81 COUNCILLOR RAY MCADAM

To ask the Chief Executive to indicate the current status of plans to enhance and upgrade **(Details supplied)**; the time frame for the undertaking of any planning procedures to advance this initiative; the indicative cost of these works; to provide an outline of what is being considered and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Q.82 COUNCILLOR RAY MCADAM

To ask the Chief Executive when the public consultation on the draft Markets Public Realm and Traffic Plan will take place.

Q.83 COUNCILLOR KEITH CONNOLLY

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for the overgrown shrubbery at **(details supplied)** to be cut back.

Q.84 COUNCILLOR KEITH CONNOLLY

To ask the Chief Executive to examine the possibility of double yellow lines at **(details supplied)**.

Q.85 COUNCILLOR KEITH CONNOLLY

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a list of all the public houses/pubs/bar and lounges that Dublin City own.

Q.86 COUNCILLOR KEITH CONNOLLY

To ask the Chief Executive to provide an updated timeline on the implementation of the E spine of Bus Connects and any associated changes.

Q.87 COUNCILLOR DECLAN FLANAGAN

To ask the Chief Executive what is the update on providing suitable facilities for Kilmore West football club and why has the youth club not reopened, what is the plan for providing sports facilities for the youth of this area.

Q.88 COUNCILLOR DECLAN FLANAGAN

To ask the Chief Executive what is the update on the planned lights and pedestrian crossing for Ardmore estate coming onto Kilmore road which was promised for summer.

- Q.89 COUNCILLOR DECLAN FLANAGAN**
To ask the Chief Executive Can the council make contact with (**detail supplied**) regarding installing traffic calming measures for the Hazelwood estate in Artane.
- Q.90 COUNCILLOR DECLAN FLANAGAN**
To ask the Chief Executive what engagement is Dublin City Council carrying out with the local Coolock residents beside Crown paints.
- Q.91 COUNCILLOR GAYLE RALPH**
To ask the Chief Executive to respond to the following (**details supplied**) regarding speeding.
- Q.92 COUNCILLOR GAYLE RALPH**
To ask the Chief Executive to respond to the following (**details supplied**) regarding traffic lights.
- Q.93 COUNCILLOR GAYLE RALPH**
To ask the Chief Executive CEO to respond to the following (**details supplied**) regarding traffic issues.
- Q.94 COUNCILLOR GAYLE RALPH**
To ask the Chief Executive to respond to the following (**details supplied**) regarding speeding.
- Q.95 COUNCILLOR CAT O'DRISCOLL**
To ask the Chief Executive for an update on the implementation of the Play Strategy 2022-2027 'Everywhere, Any Day, You Can Play!' and what resourcing is allocated for this policy.
- Q.96 COUNCILLOR CAT O'DRISCOLL**
To ask the Chief Executive to consider the temporary use of Georges Dock as Pedals Courts and to meet with interested stakeholders to explore the feasibility of a temporary facility.
- Q.97 COUNCILLOR CAT O'DRISCOLL**
To ask the Chief Executive what policy has changed in relation to weddings in City Hall and are religious ceremonies catered for. How many wedding took place in City Hall last year and how many were religious ceremonies.
- Q.98 COUNCILLOR CAT O'DRISCOLL**
To ask the Chief Executive for an update on the statue commemorating the Women of the Revolutionary decade which was agreed by council.
- Q.99 COUNCILLOR CONOR REDDY**
To ask the Chief Executive for a city-wide breakdown of the housing maintenance workforce indicating staffing levels in local areas (especially NW area), vacant positions and any staffing targets that may exist at present.
- Q.100 COUNCILLOR CONOR REDDY**
To ask the Chief Executive for a report on staffing levels and performance targets in the Social Work section – this should include a report on numbers of applications for the Exceptional Social Grounds Scheme, success rates and average wait times for applicants over at least the last 12 months.

Q.101 COUNCILLOR CONOR REDDY

To ask the Chief Executive for a breakdown of numbers of voids by local area in Dublin City (total voids and numbers of 1, 2, 3 bed voids etc) and to give a detailed account of the average turnover times for voids across the city over the last 4 years (i.e. average times from vacancy to completion of works on voids or times from vacancy to allocation).

Q.102 COUNCILLOR CONOR REDDY

To ask the Chief Executive to give a detailed update on funding and works to install a new playground in Kildonan Park and to ask whether the playground will be designed with universal accessibility and inclusion in mind? Would the council consider installing accessible and/or sensory equipment if not already included in plans.

Q.103 COUNCILLOR PUNAM RANE

To ask the Chief Executive if communication boards could be installed in DCC playgrounds and parks for children who may be non-verbal, similar to those installed by South Dublin City Council.

Q.104 COUNCILLOR PUNAM RANE

To ask the Chief Executive what plans are in place by Dublin City Council for any structures built in the DCC area that must have facilities that support the disabled. If new facilities and developments will take on board the inconveniences that the disabled face on a daily basis, therefore making it easier to allow disabled people to access facilities in a more sufficient manner.

Q.105 COUNCILLOR PUMAM RANE

To ask the Chief Executive if the council would support the implementation of free and / or subsidised targeted swimming classes for young people under the age of 20 years who do not have this essential life skill and who are living in Dublin City Council as part of a cost-of-living alleviation programme.

Q.106 COUNCILLOR PUNAM RANE

To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the installation of outdoor fitness equipment in all Parks in Dublin City Council.

Q.107 COUNCILLOR BARRY HENEGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive if there is any update on the appointment of an Accessibility Officer within Dublin City Council, similar to the roles established in other councils. Such a position could play a crucial role in addressing various accessibility issues, including footpath assessments, the percentage of accessible housing, and public transport accessibility.

Q.108 COUNCILLOR BARRY HENEGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive what specific plans Dublin City Council intends to implement in response to the serious concerns and findings highlighted in the Dollymount lifeguard report, particularly regarding staffing levels, the quality of equipment, working conditions, and the overall management structure

Q.109 COUNCILLOR BARRY HENEGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive if an investigation can be conducted regarding safety concerns on the Clontarf Cycle Track, particularly at Vernon Avenue and the new Old Tram Stop bus shelter. There have been multiple incidents of cyclists colliding with pedestrians, especially those boarding buses. This issue is particularly concerning for elderly or visually impaired individuals and young children who have had close

encounters. Could warnings be implemented for both cyclists and pedestrians, and could additional measures such as warning signs be considered to slow down cyclists and make pedestrians and improve safety for both cyclists and our pedestrians.

Q.110 COUNCILLOR BARRY HENEGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive to address the neglected state of the area around Gabriel's Church, particularly where the bottle banks are located. The footpath in this area has become nearly unusable due to overgrowth, and the space between the bottle banks and the road is heavily overgrown. Can this issue be prioritized for clean-up? Additionally, residents have observed continuous littering and illegal dumping of non-clothing items at the clothes bank, including furniture, BBQs, television stands, and kitchenware. Is there a plan to address and prevent this ongoing problem.

Q.111 COUNCILLOR SUPRIYA SINGH

To ask the Chief Executive provide an update on the decision to remove the wall between Malahide Road (opposite Crown Paints) and Ayrfield Drive in Ayrfield, Dublin 13? Residents have expressed significant concerns about the potential impact on community safety, particularly due to an increase in antisocial behaviour in the area. In light of these concerns, will the Chief Executive commit to reassessing this decision, with a view to addressing the safety issues raised by the Ayrfield community

Q.112 COUNCILLOR SUPRIYA SINGH

To ask the Chief Executive provide an update regarding the plans to update facilities at St. Annes Park.

Q.113 COUNCILLOR SUPRIYA SINGH

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a timeline regarding when the taking in charge of Belmayne Avenue and Parkside Boulevard can be expected.

Q.114 COUNCILLOR DONNA COONEY

To ask the Chief Executive what progress there is in adding of the iconic shelters on the Clontarf promenade to the list of protected structures

Q.115 COUNCILLOR DONNA COONEY

To ask the Chief Executive on a update on progress with increasing indoor bicycle parking and possible extension of bicycle parking in Drury street and others used by DCC.

Q.116 COUNCILLOR DONNA COONEY

To ask the Chief Executive when additional funding is being allocated to public domain for non-herbicide removal of street overgrowth to protect pavements, whilst still protecting biodiversity.

Q.117 COUNCILLOR DONNA COONEY

To ask the Chief Executive for an update on the possibility of employment of parking wardens, with additional roles as litter wardens and street ambassadors.

Q.118 COUNCILLOR FELJIN JOSE

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a timeline for the upgrade of walking and cycling facilities along the Royal Canal between Ashtown and Cross Guns Bridge and to give an overview of what steps need to be taken.

Q.119 COUNCILLOR FELJIN JOSE

To ask the Chief Executive when Dublin City Council will complete its assessment of the 'BagBin' trial concluded on South William Street in March 2024 and whether there are plans for a wider rollout of the scheme.

Q.120 COUNCILLOR FELJIN JOSE

To ask the Chief Executive when Dublin City Council's plans to use CCTV to deter illegal dumping now that the relevant legislation and code of practice is in place.

Q.121 COUNCILLOR FELJIN JOSE

To ask the Chief Executive for a timeline for the procurement of the next parking enforcement contract and how the specifications of the contract will differ from the current contract.

Q.122 COUNCILLOR RORY HOGAN

To ask the Chief Executive for an update on the repairs to the pergola and benches in Dartmouth Square Park.

Q.123 COUNCILLOR RORY HOGAN

To ask the Chief Executive for an update on the status of the installation of the Dodder Greenway, specifically the Milltown section.

Q.124 COUNCILLOR RORY HOGAN

To ask the Chief Executive if plans exist to allocate additional resources for the maintenance and pruning of trees.

Q.125 COUNCILLOR CIAN FARRELL

To ask the Chief Executive what is the status of the redevelopment of a museum for George Bernard Shaw on Synge Street.

Q.126 COUNCILLOR KOURTNEY KENNY

To ask the Chief Executive to outline why the scaffolding was installed in the stairwell of the front block in Conway Court several months ago? Why has nothing been done or any work been carried out on an unstable structure? Can the manager confirm when the works will be carried out and when the stairwell will be safe again for residents.

Q.127 COUNCILLOR KOURTNEY KENNY

To ask the Chief Executive to outline at what stage of the long awaited redevelopment the St. Andrews Complex is at and when will they start works on these.

Q.128 COUNCILLOR KOURTNEY KENNY

To ask the Chief Executive to please outline when a new bin storage area will be installed in Bishop Street flats as the existing bin storage is unsafe and unhygienic and causing a real health hazard for residents.

Q.129 COUNCILLOR KOURTNEY KENNY

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange to have the play area in (**details supplied**) gated up as there is ongoing severe anti-social behaviour and drug related activity taking place in that area.

Q.130 COUNCILLOR NAOISE O'MUIRI

To ask the Chief Executive to organise for:

- the tree stump outside (**details supplied 1**) below to be removed as requested in the correspondence below (**details supplied 2**) and replaced with a new tree this planting season

- additional suitable tree planting along the stretch from 86 to 140 Ennafort Road in this planting season

Q.131 COUNCILLOR NAOISE O'MUIRI

To ask the Chief Executive that TAG assess for the installation of double-yellow lines at (**details supplied 1**) to deal with the congestion/access issues raised in (**details supplied 2**)

Q.132 COUNCILLOR NAOISE O'MUIRI

To ask the Chief Executive organise for the large tree on the public green space outside 77/79 Collins Park to be pruned back as it is causing substantial loss of natural light for residents living nearby.

Q.133 COUNCILLOR NAOISE O'MUIRI

To ask the Chief Executive the following:

I wish to support an applicant's appeal against the Council's decision to refuse medical priority (**details supplied**). I wrote to Dublin City Council (Hsgapplications@dublincity.ie) on 01/07/2024 seeking guidance as to where I should send my email of support but that email remains unanswered. Can the CEO (a) confirm whom I should write to within DCC to support the appeal and (b) provide an update on the current status of the case.

Q.134 COUNCILLOR DARRAGH MORIARTY

To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on DCC's plans to repair and upgrade the greening and tree area in Brabazon Square off Gray Street.

Q.135 COUNCILLOR DARRGH MORIARTY

To ask the Chief Executive for DCC to confirm when it will replace the removed tree on Anner Road, Inchicore.

Q.136 COUNCILLOR FIONA CONNELLY

To ask the Chief Executive Does Dublin city council have any influence over the use /access to Kenilworth Square? Was there an agreement from the purchasers of Kenilworth Square to open the space to the public as part of the purchasing agreement? When the railings were installed in 1999 was there an intention to give local residents on the Square keys so that they could access the Square? If so what happened that this has not materialised and is there any route to establish access for local residents.

Q.137 COUNCILLOR FIONA CONNELLY

To ask the Chief Executive the following:

Building on the success of last year's commitment to the Irish language could we facilitate a visit of Daidí na Nollag to the Mansion House this year? Could this also be considered for inclusion on the annual calendar of events that are hosted in the Mansion House.

Q.138 COUNCILLOR FIONA CONNELLY

To ask the Chief Executive the following:

Parking continues to cause significant impact on some areas in the city. Footpath parking puts pedestrians in a vulnerable position as they navigate their journey and causes unnecessary levels of danger for people pushing buggies, using wheelchairs or people who are visually impaired. Can we collaborate with communities to ensure safe parking is prioritised throughout the city and neighbourhoods? Can we also consider that areas with a high level of construction and construction vehicles may

need additional enforcement to ensure safety of residents? Can DCC fully support the Make Way Day at the end of September and keep the momentum going to shift the culture of cars blocking footpaths in our city and neighbourhoods.

Q.139 COUNCILLOR FIONA CONNELLY

To ask the Chief Executive could pedestrian and cyclist safety be audited in the vicinity of new and developing schools as the school population increases? In particular the new location of Harcourt Terrace ETNS, where there will be a significant increase in the volume of children and families using local roads to access the school.

Q.140 COUNCILLOR JANET HORNER

To ask the Chief Executive what has happened with the plans for a trial of shared bins, whether this can be re-ignited or any recommendations brought forward from the DCC Beta project on these lines.

Q.141 COUNCILLOR JANET HORNER

To ask the Chief Executive what progress has been made in relation to the plans for George's Dock.

Q.142 COUNCILLOR JANET HORNER

To ask the Chief Executive how the Council has progressed the agreed upon pilot project (at Central Area meeting June 2023) relating to public education and engagement on Dublin street names.

Q.143 COUNCILLOR JANET HORNER

To ask the Chief Executive what surveys have been done in relation to flood risk assessment for Portland Street North.