



**MINUTES OF THE NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING**

**HELD ON MONDAY, 19 DECEMBER 2016**

1 Minutes of meeting held on 21st November, 2016.

**Order: Agreed**

2 Questions to the Area Manager

**Order: Noted**

3 Area Matters

a Hole in the Wall Road/ Moyne Road junction improvement Scheme  
**Order: Noted. Report from Fingal Co. Co. – Noted. Request to be submitted to the NTA via the Traffic Department to co-fund pedestrian lights at Donaghmede Roundabout.**

b Major Emergency Plan  
**Order: Noted.**

c Monthly Housing Report within the North Central Area  
**Order: Noted.**

**Councillors are to frame the issues of concern with regards to the development of the Lawrence Lands & David Dinnigan will follow up with the relevant department heads on receipt of same. Councillor Paddy Bourke requested an updated report on the list of financial contribution applications & proposed Senior Citizen Complex developments.**

d Playground Audit Presentation  
**Order: Noted.**

e Report on naming of new estates  
**Order: Noted. The Heritage Officer is to be invited to the next meeting.**

f Waste Parks/Open Spaces  
**Order: Noted. The committee were appreciative of the efforts of both Waste Management & Parks Staff in keeping the area clean. Councillor Larry O'Toole requested that details of the new "Bulky Household" collection be re-circulated to the Councillors.**

- g Dublin City Sport & Wellbeing Partnership  
**Order: Noted.**
- h Proposal to initiate the procedure for the Extinguishment of the Public Right of Way over laneway to the rear of 34-48 and side of 50 Vernon Avenue, rear of 15-45 and side of 13 Belgrove Road, rear/side of 14, 15 & 16 St. Joseph's Square, Clontarf, Dublin 3.  
**Order: Agreed to defer to the January meeting.**
- i Proposal to initiate the procedure for the Taking in Charge of The Mews, Castle Avenue, Clontarf, Dublin 3 a small development of 8 houses numbered from 2 - 9 Castle Mews  
**Order: Agreed.**
- j Naming & Numbering Proposal for a new development of 84 units, 1 shop & 1 coffee shop located at Dermot Street, Park Street, Friars Street & Main Street, Clongriffin, Dublin 13  
**Order: Agreed.**
- k Naming & Numbering Proposal for 112 units at the Belltree Development, Clongriffin, Dublin 13  
**Order: Agreed.**
- l Naming & Numbering Proposal for Phase 2A & 2B Parkside, Belmayne, Dublin 13.  
**Order: Agreed.**

4 Items for following meetings

**Invite the Heritage Officer to the January Meeting of the NCAC to report on the process of naming of new estates.**

**Colaiste Dhulaigh to be contacted in relation to inviting one of their students who is championing accessibility issues to give a presentation.**

5 Roads & Traffic Matters

- a Minutes of the TAG Meeting held on 15th November 2016  
**Order: Noted.**
- b Verbal report on Illegal Parking & Traffic Management of Merville Avenue, Fairview.  
**Order: Noted.**

6 Planning and Development Matters

- a Proposed disposal of a plot of land to the rear of number 65 Croydon Park Avenue, Marino, Dublin 3 to Philip Doherty and Edel Egan.  
**Order: Agreed. Recommend to City Council.**
- b Proposed exchange of lands with the ESB at Belcamp Avenue, Priorswood, Dublin 17.  
**Order: Agreed. Recommend to City Council.**
- c Disposal of 2 apartments at New Priory, Hole in the Wall Road, Dublin 13  
**Order: Agreed. Recommend to City Council.**

**An emergency motion was tabled by Councillor Michael O'Brien and accepted without debate.**

That this area committee:

- Commends the actions of activists and celebrities, many of whom are from the North Central area, behind Home Sweet Home initiative who have occupied Apollo House since the night of Thursday 15th December to render it habitable for people rough sleeping on Dublin's streets.
- Furthermore commends the widespread public support that has manifested itself in terms of volunteers and donations.
- Recognises the steady increase in the uptake of accommodation at Apollo House, rising to 30 as of Saturday 17th December, by people who were prior to this initiative rough sleeping.
- Deplores the fact that an injunction has been served on the people occupying Apollo House by those claiming ownership of the building and calls upon them to withdraw their action.
- Calls upon Dublin City Council to recognise Apollo House as a bona fide homeless hostel and to ensure that its residents' time there is wholly reckonable as time served in emergency accommodation from the point of view of them progressing on the priority homeless housing list.

**Order: Agreed.**

- a Mot 1 Motion in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland, Councillor Jane Horgan Jones & Councillor Damian O'Farrell
- 1) To call on the Irish government to ratify, as soon as possible, The Convention against Trafficking in Human Organs which was adopted by the Council of Europe on 9 July 2014 in order to criminalise illegal organ transplantations[1]. The Irish Government has already signed this convention, but is yet to ratify it.
  - 2) To call on the Oireachtas Foreign Affairs committee to follow through on the pledge made by the Oireachtas Sub Committee on Human Rights to "investigate to the maximum extent possible"[2], persistent, credible reports of forced organ harvesting and other severe human rights abuses imposed on Falun Gong practitioners and other prisoners of conscience in China.
  - 3) To call on the Chinese government to end its practice of forced live organ harvesting of prisoners of conscience. And release all illegally detained Falun Gong practitioners in China.
  - 4) To facilitate a presentation before the Dublin City Council to further highlight this issue.

**Order: Agreed.**

b Mot 2 Motion in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

That Dublin North Central Area Committee acknowledges the potential of the Northern Fringe area to contribute a significant number of housing units to ameliorate part of the housing crisis and calls on Dublin City Council to

a) utilise the Local Infrastructure Housing Activation Fund to ease the congestion on the Donaghmede roundabout by building of a pedestrian crossing on the Hole in Wall opposite Grattan Lodge and on Clarehall Avenue opposite the bus-stop and to sequence these pedestrian lights along with the pedestrian lights on the Grange Road and the R809 to allow for a more effective flow of traffic around the Donaghmede Roundabout

b) request that the NTA prioritise the building of the Circle Road/ realignment of the R107 Malahide Rd across the N32/R139 towards the M1 identified in the Belmayne/Clongriffin LAP so as to better open up opportunities for land development in the area and ease current and future traffic congestion

c) conduct a social infrastructure audit to ascertain the level of local amenities required by the current residences in Belmayne, Clongriffin and Burnell, those that are currently under construction, those in the planning process - permissions granted and permissions awaiting adjudication and those anticipated on vacant lots.

**Order: Agreed. Report to Councillor.**

c Mot 3 Motion in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

That the Dublin North Central Area Committee acknowledges the ongoing failure of the Belmayne developer to initiate works so as to prepare the area for taking in charge and requests that the Area Manager convene a meeting with the various management companies in Belmayne, approved housing bodies with tenants resident in Belmayne, DCC and active community groups to discuss responsibility for the public realm in the local area and in particular how the bond held by DCC or finance from NAMA or the Unfinished Housing Development Special Resolution Fund could be used to bring the estate up to DCC requirements for taking in charge.

**Order: Agreed. Report to Councillor.**

d Mot 4 Motion in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

That the manager accede to resident's request to have Dunluce Road examined for the purposes of introducing traffic calming measures and that he clarify in relation to a previous request (in April 2015) for same, that An Garda Síochána were consulted in the process and also make a general clarifying statement on the matter.

**Order: Report to Councillor.**

- e Mot 5 Motion in the name of Councillor Michael O'Brien

That this area committee notes with extreme concern that the leaseholders of the building occupied by the Kilbarrack Community Coast Programme have initiated proceedings to force KCCP to quit thus jeopardising the project. We call upon the leaseholders to withdraw their proceedings and likewise call upon Dublin City Council to do everything in its power to help safeguard the survival of KCCP.

**Order: Agreed. Report to Councillor.**

- f Mot 6 Motion in the name of Councillor Michael O'Brien

That this area committee notes with concern the disappearance of one of the stone tablets on Donnycarney bridge denoting the year of its construction and if it cannot be located calls upon a replica to be installed in its place.

**Order: Agreed. Report to Councillor. David Dinnigan awaits a response from the Donnycarney West Resident's Association in this regard.**

**Councillor Ciaran O'Moore**  
**Chairperson**  
**Monday, 19 December 2016**

**Attendance:**

**Members:**

Sean Paul Mahon  
Jane Horgan-Jones  
Michael O'Brien  
Paddy Bourke

**Members:**

Edel Moran  
John Lyons  
Damian O'Farrell  
Tom Brabazon

**Members:**

Deirdre Heney  
Micheal Mac Donncha  
Larry O'Toole  
Alison Gilliland

**Officers**

Elaine Mulvenny  
Dave Dinnigan  
Noel McEvoy  
Chris Manzira  
Debbie Clarke

Jim Lee  
Fiona Moore  
Kevin Meade  
Dennis Keeley

Derek Farrell  
Yvonne Kirwan  
Joanne O'Sullivan  
Les Moore

**Apologies:**

Naoise Muiri

**Non-Members:**

Gavin White, Irish Independent

Gerry O'Brien (guest of Cllr  
Damian O'Farrell)

Tom O'Connor Fingal Co. Co.

