

NORTH WEST AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES

TUESDAY 17th January 2017

NWA/01/2017 Minutes of the North West Area Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 20th December 2016.

ORDER: Noted

NWA/02/2017 Questions to the Area Manager.

ORDER: Noted

NWA/03/2017 Cabra Area Office Report, Fergus Synnott, Administrative Officer

ORDER: Noted

NWA/04/2017 Housing Cabra/Finglas Report, Derek Healy, Housing Manager

ORDER: Noted

NWA/05/2017 Finglas Area Office Report, Aidan Maher, Assistant Area Manager

ORDER: Noted.

NWA/06/2017 Nominations to the Finglas-Cabra Local Drug & Alcohol Task Force.

ORDER: Noted. Councillors Anthony Connaghan and David Costello were nominated to the Finglas-Cabra Local Drug & Alcohol Task Force.

ORDER: Recommend to City Council

NWA/07/2017 Motion in the name of Councillor David Costello

That this committee opposes any future move by the Dublin City Council to build housing on the Green View Community Garden, Tolka Valley Road, Finglas.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

NWA/08/2017 Motion in the name of Councillor David Costello

That this committee calls on the housing department to explain why tenure diversity is being reserved for selected developments and why Finglas South is being targeted as a hub for 100% Social housing developments when it is one of the most socially deprived areas of the city?

ORDER: Composite motion submitted on behalf of the North West Area Committee to the Minister for Housing

That Northwest Area Committee calls on the minister for housing and DCC housing department to reconsider the 100% social housing development on the Scribblestown site using the PPP process. 100% social housing on this site is not sustainable development given the proximity of the site to services and the level of deprivation in the area. We have many sites in Finglas that can be developed on a mixed tenure basis enabling the Minister to achieve his social housing goal without concentrating it in any one area. This Committee are willing to work with the minister to help him find another way forward using public housing models.

NWA/09/2017 Dublin Bus - Questions and Answers - Gareth Quinn, Fran Pitts and Kieran Berry Dublin Bus

ORDER: Noted. Dublin Bus to provide written updates to the Councillors questions.

NWA/10/2017 Public Domain Report, John Twamley, Public Domain Officer

ORDER: Noted.

NWA/11/2017 Sports & Wellbeing Partnership Report

ORDER: Noted.

NWA/12/2017 Housing Allocations Report January 2017

ORDER: Noted. A Housing Department Official to be invited to the February North West Area Committee Meeting.

NWA/13/2017 Traffic Service Requests, Status Report

ORDER: Noted.

NWA/14/2017 Minutes of the Traffic Advisory Group (TAG) Meeting.

ORDER: Noted.

NWA/15/2017 Motion in the name of Councillor Cathleen Carney Boud

That this area committee agrees that the manager should write to all waste collection companies requesting that they provide additional services every year over the Christmas period at no extra cost to customers. A double collection of both waste and general recycling between the 27th and the 4th January. This would help to prevent the temptation to dump excess rubbish when people's bins are overflowing.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

NWA/16/2017 Motion in the name of Councillor Cieran Perry

This committee calls on the Chief Executive to immediately review staffing levels in the Traffic Advisory Group given the delays in investigating various issues. The current staff are extremely amenable and it is unfair to expect them to continue to work in such a pressurised environment due to staff

shortages. The public service employment embargo has been lifted and there is no barrier to employing required staff in any department.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

NWA/17/2017 Ballymun Area Office Report, Mary Taylor, Assistant Area Manager.

ORDER: Noted.

NWA/18/2017 Proposed disposal of lands at Balcurris Road/Main Street, Ballymun, Dublin 11.

ORDER: Recommend to City Council

NWA/19/2017 Motion in the name of Councillor Noeleen Reilly

In light of the IBAL report that the Council look at using some of the discretionary funding to purchase moveable cameras with night vision technology which can be moved to various black spots of illegal dumping around Dublin Northwest.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

NWA/20/2017 Motion in the name of Councillor Cathleen Carney Boud

That this North West Area Committee of Dublin City Council writes to the Minister for the Environment expressing our frustration and dismay at the effects that privatisation and the charging of the waste collections has had on the area, Ballymun in particular. Ballymun has a high level of low income families many of whom cannot afford to pay for bin collections. Since the enforcement of making people pay for bin collections is poor and very often the bin collection service is poor this has led to many struggling families deciding to dump their rubbish illegally rather than pay for it. Quality of service and affordability would be hugely improved if local authorities were to take back control of waste collections and a scheme similar to "bin waiver scheme" for low income families was reintroduced. We must convey our huge disappointment that Ballymun was listed in the top five most littered areas in Ireland and that dumping in general has become epidemic in all areas since the introduction of bin charges and privatisation of the service.

ORDER: Motion on behalf of the North West Area Committee Meeting to be sent to the Minister for the Environment and the Environment SPC.

NWA/21/2017 Motion in the name of Councillor Paul McAuliffe

Can the Manager initiate a taking in charge process for the damaged wall on Mannix Road/Botanic Avenue.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

NWA/22/2017 A.O.B.

Proposed change of date for the December North West Area Committee.

ORDER: Agreed. The December meeting will take place on Tuesday 12th December.

NWA Councillors:

ORDER: Councillors Noeleen Reilly, Anthony Connaghan, Emma Murphy, Paul McAuliffe, Cathleen Carney Boud, David Costello, Cieran Perry, Andrew Keegan, Seamus McGrattan, Andrew Montague, Norma Sammon, Aine Clancy and Teresa Keegan.

Others in Attendance Gareth Quinn, Fran Pitts and Kieran Berry Dublin Bus

Apologies: Lord Mayor, Brendan Carr

Officials: Dave Dinnigan, (Area Manager), Aidan Maher (Senior Executive Officer), Mary Taylor (Senior Executive Officer), Derek Healy (Area Housing Manager – Finglas/Cabra), Donal Barron (Area Housing Manager – Ballymun), Fergus Synnott, (Administrative Officer – Cabra), Bernie Roe (Administrative Officer – Ballymun) Bridget Gilbert (Senior Staff Officer), MaryBellew (Staff Officer), John Twamley (Public Domain Officer,) and Neil O'Donoghue (Traffic Engineer, NWA).

Councillor Noeleen Reilly
Chairperson

The meeting concluded at 4.20pm