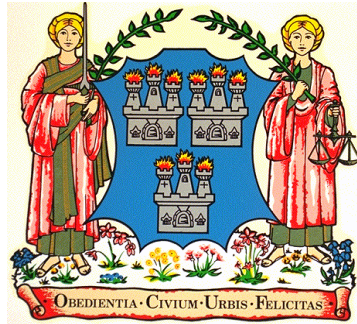


**COMHAIRLE CATHRACH BHAILE ÁTHA CLIATH**



Miontuairiscí Chruinniú Míosúil a tionóladh ar 1 Iúil 2019 i Seomra na Comhairle, Halla na Cathrach, Sráid an Dáma ag 6.15 i.n., i láthair an tArdmheara Paul Mc Auliffe sa chathaoir

**Comhairleoir:**

Chris Andrews  
Janice Boylan  
Claire Byrne  
Hazel Chu  
Caroline Conroy  
Joe Costello  
Daithí De Roiste  
Daithí Doolan  
Mary Fitzpatrick  
Anthony Flynn  
James Geoghegan  
Deirdre Heney  
Dermot Lacey  
Tina MacVeigh  
Paddy McCartan  
Criona Ni Dhalaigh  
Claire O'Connor  
Larry O'Toole  
Noeleen Reilly  
Marie Sherlock

**Comhairleoir:**

Daryl Barron  
Tom Brabazon  
Danny Byrne  
Anthony Connaghan  
Deirdre Conroy  
Patrick Costello  
Tara Deacy  
Pat Dunne  
Declan Flanagan  
Mannix Flynn  
Alison Gilliland  
Neasa Hourigan  
John Lyons  
Ray McAdam  
Seamas McGrattan  
Sophie Nicoulaud  
Damian O'Farrell  
Cieran Perry  
Councillor Nial Ring  
Catherine Stocker

**Comhairleoir:**

Racheal Batten  
Christy Burke  
Mary Callaghan  
Keith Connolly  
Donna Cooney  
Hazel de Nortuin  
Kevin Donoghue  
Anne Feeney  
Terence Flanagan  
Gary Gannon  
Lawrence Hemmings  
Vincent Jackson  
Micheal Mac Donncha  
Paul McAuliffe  
Rebecca Moynihan  
Naoise O'Muirí  
Colm O'Rourke  
Michael Pidgeon  
Patricia Roe  
Michael Watters

**Oifigigh**

Caroline Fallon  
Owen P. Keegan  
Terence O'Keeffe  
Richard Shakespeare

Anthony Flynn  
Brendan Kenny  
Kathy Quinn

Michael Gallagher  
Victor Leonov  
Deirdre Ni Raghallaigh

**1 Lord Mayor's Business**

The Lord Mayor opened the meeting by requesting approval for Councillor attendance at the following conferences which had been recommended by the Protocol Committee at its meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> June 2019:

- 39th Annual MacGill Summer School (21<sup>st</sup> July – 26<sup>th</sup> July 2019)
- Parnell Summer School (11th – 15th August 2019)

Councillors who wish to attend should contact the Chief Executive's Office for further details.

The Lord Mayor requested the following be remembered with a moment of silent prayer / reflection:

- Fianna Fáil Councillor Manus Kelly of Donegal County Council who died 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2019
- Mr. Gerard Dunne, the husband of former Councillor Gaye Fagan who recently passed away.

The Lord Mayor extended congratulations to the following for their success in the sporting arena:

- The Dublin Men's Leinster Senior Champions
- The Dublin Ladies Leinster Senior Champions
- The Irish medallist at the European Games in Minsk

The Lord Mayor announced the resignation of Councillor Ciaran Cuffe from the City Council. He thanked Councillor Cuffe for his contributions during his time on the Council and wished him success in his future role.

### **The Dublin Agreement:**

It was agreed to suspend standing orders to discuss the "Dublin Agreement". The Lord Mayor invited a representative from each of the political groups to make a statement on the document and then opened to the discussion to the floor. Members were generally supportive of the goals outlined in the "Dublin Agreement". Many regarded the document as positive and aspirational although some members were critical of the lack of detail in relation to funding which would have serious implications on the Council's ability to implement many of the proposals.

## **2 Ceisteanna fé Bhuan Ordú Úimhir 16**

It was moved by Councillor Christy Burke and seconded by Councillor Vincent Jackson, "That Dublin City Council approves the Dublin Chief Executive answering the questions lodged". The motion having been put and carried, written answers to the 84 questions lodged for the City Council meeting were issued. The Questions and Answers are set out in Appendix A attached.

## **3 Correspondence**

- (a) Letter dated 20th June 2019 from Clare County Council in relation to the adoption of a resolution opposing the roll out 5G and calling on the Minister for Communication, Climate Change and Environment to establish a working group to establish the facts about the radiation impact of 5G on the environment and human health.

It was moved by Councillor Declan Flanagan and seconded by Councillor Vincent Jackson "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of this letter". The motion was put and carried

## **4 To confirm the minutes of the City Council Meeting held on 17th June 2019**

The minutes the Monthly Meeting of the City Council held on the 17<sup>th</sup> June 2019, having been printed, certified by the Meetings Administrator, circulated to the Members and taken as read, were signed by the Lord Mayor.

5 To fill vacancies on the following committees and outside bodies:

- (a) 1 vacancy on the Protocol Committee following the resignation of Councillor Nial Ring.

It was proposed by Councillor Cieran Perry and seconded by Councillor Vincent Jackson "That Councillor Anthony Flynn be appointed as a member of the Protocol Committee of Dublin City Council". The motion was put and carried.

- (b) Appointments to Outside Bodies:

It was proposed by Councillor Dermot Lacey and seconded by Councillor Deirdre Heney "That Dublin City Council adds two Members to the Local Travellers Accommodation Consultative Committee and appoints Members to the outside bodies and committees as outlined in the submitted list". The motion was put and carried. For full details of the Members appointed to each outside body and committee, please see **Appendix B** to these minutes.

It was also agreed that the appointments to the Grangegorman Consultative Group be referred to the Central Area Committee for their consideration and that the nomination to the Dublin City Cultural Company be considered following the establishment of the Arts, Culture, Leisure and Recreation SPC.

6 Report No. 195/2019 of the Assistant Chief Executive (B. Kenny) - Nomination of Dublin City Councillors to the Dublin City Local Community Development Committee.

It was proposed by Councillor Dermot Lacey and seconded by Councillor Deirdre Heney "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 195/2019 and hereby approves the nomination of three Members of the Local Authority to the Local Community Development Committee as outlined in the report". The motion was put and carried.

It was further agreed that the issue of composition of the LCDC would be referred to the Protocol Committee for further consideration.

7 Report No. 221/2019 of the Chief Executive (O. Keegan) - Proposed Strategic Policy Committee Scheme 2019-2024

It was proposed by Councillor Deirdre Heney and seconded by Councillor Ray McAdam "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 221/2019 and hereby approves the contents therein". The motion was put and carried.

The following Members were proposed by Councillor Deirdre Heney and seconded by Councillor Ray McAdam and approved by the City Council to be the Chairs of the Strategic Policy Committees:

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| • Seamas McGrattan | - Finance                                |
| • Christy Burke    | - Traffic and Transport                  |
| • Gary Gannon      | - Arts, Culture, Leisure and Recreation  |
| • Alison Gilliland | - Housing                                |
| • Michael Pidgeon  | - Climate Change, Environment and Energy |
| • Claire O'Connor  | - Economic Development & Enterprise      |
| • Ray McAdam       | - Planning & Urban Form                  |

- 8 Report No. 210/2019 of the Head of Finance (K. Quinn) - Monthly Local Fund Statement.

It was proposed by Councillor Declan Flanagan and seconded by Councillor Mannix Flynn "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 210/2019". The motion was put and carried.

- 9 Report No. 212/2019 of the Chief Executive (O. Keegan) - Monthly Management Report

It was proposed by Councillor Mannix Flynn and seconded by Councillor Ray McAdam "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 212/2019." The motion was put and carried.

- 10 Report No. 200/2019 of the Chief Executive (O. Keegan) - Briefing Note on the proposal to increase the annual throughput at the Dublin Waste to Energy (DWtE)

It was proposed by Councillor Daithi Doolan and seconded by Councillor Declan Flanagan "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 200/2019." The motion was put and carried.

- 11 Report No. 199/2019 of the Assistant Chief Executive (B. Kenny) - Draft Scheme of Priority for Affordable Dwelling Purchase Arrangements.

The following amendment in the names of Councillors Tina MacVeigh, Neasa Hourigan, Deirdre Heney, Seámas McGrattan, Garry Gannon, Ray McAdam, Ciaran Perry and Dermot Lacey was agreed:

"The inclusion of a new section 6.6 in the report that reads: Qualifying Individuals or households will have demonstrated residence within the allocation zone or demonstrated the following qualifying criteria:

- A local connection such as a family association
- A previous work, community contribution or residence in the area or
- The intention to move to the area for work because an offer of employment has been accepted."

It was proposed by Councillor Tina MacVeigh and seconded by Councillor Deirdre Heney "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 199/2019 as amended and hereby approves the contents therein". The motion was put and carried.

- 12 Report No. 197/2019 of the Assistant Chief Executive (B. Kenny) - Social Housing Supply and Delivery Monthly Update Report

It was proposed by Councillor Ray McAdam and seconded by Councillor Janice Boylan "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 197/2019." The motion was put and carried.

- 13 Proposed additions to the Record of Protected Structures:

- (a) Report No. 204/2019 of the Assistant Chief Executive (R. Shakespeare) - Addition of the Garden of Remembrance, Parnell Square, Dublin 1 to the Record of Protected Structures in accordance with Section 54 and 55 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000.

It was moved by Councillor Vincent Jackson and seconded by Councillor Ray McAdam "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 204/2019 and approves the addition of the Garden of Remembrance, Parnell Square, Dublin 1 to the Record of Protected Structures in accordance with Section 54 and 55 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000". The motion was put and carried.

- (b) Report No. 205/2019 of the Assistant Chief Executive (R. Shakespeare) - Addition of 60-61 Manor Street, Dublin 7 to the Record of Protected Structures in accordance with Section 54 and 55 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000.

It was moved by Councillor Vincent Jackson and seconded by Councillor Ray McAdam "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 205/2019 and approves the addition of 60-61 Manor Street, Dublin 7 to the Record of Protected Structures in accordance with Section 54 and 55 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000". The motion was put and carried.

- (c) Report No. 206/2019 of the Assistant Chief Executive (R. Shakespeare) - Addition of 4A & 4B Henrietta Lane, Dublin 1 to the Record of Protected Structures and Amendment of entry for 4 Henrietta Street, Dublin 1 in accordance with Section 54 and 55 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000.

It was moved by Councillor Vincent Jackson and seconded by Councillor Ray McAdam "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 206/2019 and approves the recommendation not to add 4A & 4B Henrietta Lane, Dublin 1 to the Record of Protected Structures. The motion was put and carried. It was also agreed that a new process to consider the addition of 4A & 4B Henrietta Lane, Dublin 1 to the Record of Protected Structures would be initiated.

- (d) Report No. 207/2019 of the Assistant Chief Executive (R. Shakespeare) - Deletion of 27a Oakley Road, Ranelagh, Dublin 6 from the Record of Protected Structures in accordance with Section 54 and 55 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000.

It was moved by Councillor Vincent Jackson and seconded by Councillor Ray McAdam "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 207/2019 and approves the deletion of 27a Oakley Road, Ranelagh, Dublin 6 from the Record of Protected Structures in accordance with Section 54 and 55 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000". The motion was put and carried.

#### 14 Proposed disposals of property:

- (a) Report No. 211/2019 of the Executive Manager (R. Kenny) - With reference to the disposal of the Fee Simple Interest under the Landlord and Tenant (Ground Rents) (No. 2) Act, 1978 in 7 premises.

It was proposed by Councillor Declan Flanagan and seconded by Councillor Vincent Jackson, "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 211/2019 and assents to the proposal outlined therein" The motion was put and carried.

- (b) Report No. 214/2019 of the Executive Manager (P. Clegg) - with reference to the proposed disposal of land to the front of 67 Balkill Park, Howth, County Dublin.

It was agreed to defer this item to the September City Council meeting to allow for further information to be provided to Members at the request of Councillor Damian O'Farrell.

- (c) Report No. 215/2019 of the Executive Manager (P. Clegg) - with reference to the proposed grant of a further licence to the premises at The Tram Café, Wolfe Tone Park, Jervis Street, Dublin 1.

The debate on this item was not concluded before the end of the meeting and therefore it will be relisted for the September City Council meeting.

- (d) Report No. 216/2019 of the Executive Manager (P. Clegg) - with reference to the granting of a licence to the Department of Education and Skills for the development of two temporary schools at Belmayne, Dublin 13.

It was proposed by Councillor Declan Flanagan and seconded by Councillor Vincent Jackson, "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 216/2019 and assents to the proposal outlined therein" The motion was put and carried.

- (e) Report No. 217/2019 of the Executive Manager (P. Clegg) - with reference to a proposed disposal of a site for an ESB substation adjacent to 81a Griffith Road, Dublin 3.

It was proposed by Councillor Declan Flanagan and seconded by Councillor Vincent Jackson, "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 217/2019 and assents to the proposal outlined therein" The motion was put and carried.

- (f) Report No. 218/2019 of the Executive Manager (P. Clegg) - with reference to the proposed disposal of a plot of land to the rear of 12 Brian Boru Street, Clontarf, Dublin 3.

It was proposed by Councillor Declan Flanagan and seconded by Councillor Vincent Jackson, "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 218/2019 and assents to the proposal outlined therein" The motion was put and carried.

- (g) Report No. 219/2019 of the Executive Manager (P. Clegg) - with reference to the proposed grant of a 10 year licence for St. Anne's Park All Weather Pitch, Raheny, Dublin 5

It was proposed by Councillor Declan Flanagan and seconded by Councillor Vincent Jackson, "That Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No 219/2019 and assents to the proposal outlined therein" The motion was put and carried.

- 15 Report No. 220/2019 of the Central Area Committee - Breviate of the meeting held on 14th May 2019 - Councillor Gaye Fagan, Chairperson.

This item was not reached and will be relisted for the September City Council meeting.

- 16 Report No. 208/2019 of the South Central Area Committee - Breviate of the meeting held on 19th June 2019 - Councillor Vincent Jackson, Chairperson.

This item was not reached and will be relisted for the September City Council meeting.

- 17 Report No. 209/2019 of the North Central Area Committee - Breviate of the meeting held on 17th June 2019 - Councillor Deirdre Heney , Chairperson.

This item was not reached and will be relisted for the September City Council meeting.

- 18 Report No. 213/2019 of the North West Area Committee - Breviate of the meeting held on 18th June 2019 - Councillor Anthony Connaghan , Chairperson.

This item was not reached and will be relisted for the September City Council meeting.

- 19 Topical Issue - As decided by Council on the night

No topical issue was proposed.

- 20 Emergency Motions

It was agreed to suspend standing orders to agree the following Emergency Motions without debate:

**Emergency Motion No. 1:**

*“Dublin City Council expresses deep concern at the recent overflow at the Ringsend water treatment plant which resulted in the closure Dublin beaches. We call on the Government to immediately release funding to carry out necessary work to ensure there is not a repeat of this spillage again.”*

**Submitted by Cllr. Daithí Doolan and Cllr Janice Boylan.** The motion was put and carried.

**Emergency Motion No. 2:**

*“This City Council calls on the CEO and the Planning Department to immediately order a halt to proposed works on the roadways and pavements, including original pre-1916 paving setts, at the Moore Street 1916 Battlefield site by Roadstone, under contract from the Council, until a proper archaeological and historical survey has been done.”*

**Submitted by Cllr. Michael MacDonncha, Cllr. Cieran Perry, Cllr. Donna Cooney, Cllr. Larry O’ Toole.** The motion was put and carried.

**Emergency Motion No. 3:**

*“That Dublin City Council is very concerned with the frequent contamination of Dublin bay with untreated sewage after heavy rain and sewage plant faults from the Ringsend sewage treatment plant and the resulting bathing restrictions, that the council request an urgent meeting with Irish water to discuss actions to address this situation and for immediate remedial measures to be put in place”.*

**Submitted by Cllr. Donna Cooney and Cllr. Claire Byrne.** The motion was put and carried.

21 Motions on Notice

Motions 1, 7 and 8 on notice from Cllrs, Tina MacVeigh, Tom Brabazon and Daithi Doolan were taken together as they were concerned with the same issue of the re-municipalisation of waste management in the City. The Councillors agreed to propose the following composite motion:

*“This Council agrees that waste management in Dublin City should be re-municipalised and that a working group comprising political Group Representatives and management meet in September and October to consider how this be advanced. This Working Group to report to the November City Council meeting.”* The Motion was put and carried.

The meeting concluded at 9.30pm in accordance with Standing Orders and all items remaining on the Agenda were deferred to the next meeting of the City Council to be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2019.

**Correct.**

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**LORD MAYOR**

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**MEETINGS ADMINISTRATOR**



**QUESTIONS LODGED PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER NO.16 FOR REPLY AT THE MONTHLY MEETING OF DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, 1<sup>st</sup> JULY 2019**

**Q.1 COUNCILLOR REBECCA MOYNIHAN**

To ask the Chief Executive to conduct a parking survey of Rialto Street and Rialto cottages with a view to improving safety for pedestrians and drivers in the area. Some cars are parked 2/3 deep and visibility from people exiting the avenue is very poor (photos to follow).

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Dublin City Council, local public representatives and the area office met with representatives for the residents regarding this and other issues in 2018 when Dublin City Council was considering the introduction of Pay, Display & Permit Parking in the area.

Residents indicated that they had some concerns with regard to the proposal and it was agreed that Dublin City Council would not proceed with any proposal until the residents had discussed the issues further. Dublin City Council have not had any further contact from the residents representatives and the matter is currently still on hold.

Illegal parking should be reported to Dublin Street Parking Services Tel no. 01 6022500 as they occur and enforcement action will be carried out

**Q.2 COUNCILLOR REBECCA MOYNIHAN**

To ask the Chief Executive what steps have been taken by Dublin City Council to assess flood risk along Emmet Road in Inchicore? Please provide a copy of any report or assessment of this.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A Catchment Flood Risk Assessment and Management Study of the Poddle and Camac was carried out between 2012 and 2014 for which there was a large amount of public consultation with letter drops to all properties deemed at significant flood risk in these catchments in 2014. The results of this were published on [www.opw.ie](http://www.opw.ie) and now on [www.floodinfo.ie](http://www.floodinfo.ie) with the launch of the OPW flood management plans for Ireland in May 2018 by Minister Kevin "Boxer" Moran in the presence of An Taoiseach. No viable flood alleviation plan was found for the Camac.

Dublin City Council are procuring a consultant to review and update this previous study and hope to make an appointment next month. If no overall viable flood alleviation scheme is forthcoming individual flood cells will be analysed for possible schemes.

**Q.3 COUNCILLOR REBECCA MOYNIHAN**

To ask the Chief Executive to consider placing fencing by the water in Grattan Square Park. Please make a statement on the matter.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Many parks have rivers, streams or ponds which are open and accessible. It is expected that visitors exercise caution with regard to their own, or their children's personal safety, around such features.

**Q.4 COUNCILLOR PATRICK COSTELLO**

To ask the Chief Executive to set out in tabular form the duration for accessing emergency accommodation for families accommodated at the end of April and at the end of May. Please provide same information for those families in 'own door' accommodation.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The table below detail the length of time families have been residing in all types of emergency accommodation in the Dublin Region in April and May 2019.

**Table 1** below details the duration of families accessing emergency accommodation on a single night in April and May 2019.

Duration in EA at 30/04/19			Duration in EA at 31/05//19	
Duration in EA at 30/04/19	Total Families	Total Families %	Total Families	Total Families %
24+ months	172	15%	184	15%
18-24months	155	14%	159	13%
12-18 months	209	18%	209	17%
6-12 months	211	18%	271	22%
6 months or less	396	35%	434	35%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,142</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>1,257</b>	<b>100%</b>

There were approximately 222 families residing in 'Own Door' accommodation across the Dublin region in April 2019 and 235 In May 2019. Information to determine the length of stay of every family residing in 'Own Door' accommodation is not readily available. However, in the six-month period December 2018 – May 2019, 64 families exited to tenancy from 'Own Door' accommodation.

**Q.5 COUNCILLOR CIARÁN CUFFE**

To ask the Chief Executive if you are aware that the contractor in charge of the removal of locks from the pedestrian bridges in the city centre appears to be failing to remove significant numbers of locks from the Ha'Penny Bridge, and can he modify the contract or ensure that all locks are removed on a fortnightly basis.

In addition can you ensure that the contractor or our cleansing staff remove the graffiti and stickers from the Millennium Bridge fortnightly and ensure that the copper handrail is polished and cleaned? It currently has a poor quality appearance that detracts from the appearance of the bridge and its surroundings.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Millennium Bridge will be cleaned of stickers and graffiti and the hand rail will be put on a schedule for regular cleaning.

"It is the intention to have the Millennium Bridge thoroughly cleaned once the present remaining re-lighting works to the corner feature poles are completed and the top halves of these poles reinstated"

Locks are being removed on a fortnightly basis from the metalwork of the Ha'penny Bridge. Some locks cannot be removed by cutting as they are attached to the Public Lighting conduit on the electrical cables.

**Q.6 COUNCILLOR CIARÁN CUFFE**

To ask the Chief Executive to place 10-13 Conyngham Road, Dublin 8 on the Derelict Sites Register? It appears to have been vacant/derelict for over forty years, is 800 sq. m. in area; is under the ownership of CIE; and stands opposite the main entrance to the Phoenix Park. Ironically the site is next to the Dublin Region Homeless Executive

Central Placement Service at 6-9 Conyngham Road and appears to epitomise the State's neglect of inner city property. In your reply could the Chief Executive provide me with a copy of any correspondence that the Council has sent to or received from C.I.É. Group Property Management who apparently control the site.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The site 10, 11, 12, 13 and 13A and 13B Conyngham Road, Dublin 8 has been declared to be a derelict site in accordance with S (3) of the Derelict Sites Act, 1990 and an entry made was made in the Derelict Sites Register on 9th April, 2019. The sites 13A and 13B were inadvertently included in the entry on the Derelict Sites Register and according it is necessary to remove the entire entry from the Register. A Notice of Intention to enter the site at 10, 11, 12 and 13 Conyngham Road on the Derelict Sites Register in accordance with S8(2) of the Derelict Sites Act, 1990 will be served on the owners.

This is an active Derelict Sites case and I am unable to accede to your request to include correspondence in this reply.

**Q.7 COUNCILLOR CIARÁN CUFFE**

To ask the Chief Executive to update me on what progress, if any has been made to render the following sites non-derelict:

- Large industrial premises, Ratoath Road, D11 HY83
- Office of Public Works site bounded by Hammond lane and Church Street, Dublin 7
- Dublin City Council owned site at junction of Marshal Lane and Bridgefoot Street, Dublin 8
- Law Society of Ireland site, Benburb Street, Dublin 7

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

**Large industrial premises, Ratoath Road, D11 HY83**

This is the former Ormond Printers site, on Ratoath Road, D.11. This site has been inspected by the Derelict Sites Section and the new owners written to in accordance with the Derelict Sites Act, 1990. The new owners have advised that they intend to apply for planning permission to develop this site and a pre-planning consultation took place with the Planning Department in March, 2019. This site is being kept under review by the Derelict Sites Section.

**Office of Public Works site bounded by Hammond Lane and Church Street, Dublin 7:**

The Vacant Sites Unit is currently assembling data with a view to assessing this sites suitability for inclusion on the Vacant Sites Register, in line with the criteria as outlined in the Urban Regeneration & Housing Act, 2015 (the Act).

Dublin City Council owned site at junction of Marshal Lane and Bridgefoot Street, Dublin 8:

This site was published on the Vacant Sites Register on 31st March 2017. It has since come to the attention of the Vacant Sites Unit that this site was and still is in use as a general works compound. Therefore, as the site is currently in use its entry to the Vacant Sites Register will be cancelled.

**Law Society of Ireland site, Benburb Street, Dublin 7:**

This site was published on the Vacant Sites Register on 28th July 2017. A Demand for payment of Vacant Site Levy for 2018 was served on the owners of this site on 12th February 2019. An appeal against this Demand has been lodged with An Bord Pleanála by the owners and therefore the Vacant Sites Unit awaits the outcome of this appeal.

**Q.8 COUNCILLOR CIARÁN CUFFE**

To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update (including time-lines) on the refurbishment of the Iveagh Market.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The City Council is actively pursuing the most efficient means available to it to ensure that the Iveagh Market Building is refurbished and returned to beneficial use. Following engagement with **(details supplied)** (who claims a legal interest in the property) in 2018, the City Council engaged consultants to carry out a condition survey of the building. **(details supplied)** was advised that the estimated cost of the stabilisation works would be in the region of €13m. The entire project has been estimated at circa €30m which has not been provided for in the Council's Capital Programme. We are therefore awaiting his comments on the projected financial costs of the project before taking further action.

**Q.9 COUNCILLOR CHRISTY BURKE**

To ask the Chief Executive to outline to this Cllr as to when the works at **(details supplied)** will be reinstated given that a number of residents are wheelchair users. Also that low Maintenance plants be planted on the left hand side off entry. When will the main gates will be painted?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Relaying of the cobble-lock in this area is scheduled by Housing Maintenance for the end of July this year. Any necessary weed removal or trimming back of shrubs will also be carried out at that time. There are no plans to re-paint the gate currently.

**Q.10 COUNCILLOR CHRISTY BURKE**

To ask the Chief Executive how many 2 bedrooms homes would be developed for €7 million on a ready to go site?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Based on a number of unknowns, but assuming the following –

1. Site is clean and services do not need to be updated.
2. Houses as opposed to apartments
3. No Part 8 conditions that would render the site unviable
4. No community facilities
5. Provision for families

Between 15 and 20 no. 2 bed houses may be achieved on the site.

**Q.11 COUNCILLOR CHRISTY BURKE**

To ask the Chief Executive how many homeless individuals reported to the Homeless Department in May and June 2019?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

In April 2019, 155 single adults entered emergency accommodation (EA), a further 61 single adults were prevented from entering EA and 39 exited homelessness to tenancy.

May 2019 saw a slight reduction in the number of single adults entering EA at 151, with 60 single adults prevented from entering EA and the number of single adults exiting homelessness to tenancy increased in May 2019 to 58.

The DRHE is currently finalising the homelessness statistics for June and will forward this data as soon as it is available.

**Q.12 COUNCILLOR CHRISTY BURKE**

To ask the Chief Executive when **(details supplied)** may be housed, given the family are number 3 on the list.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The above applicant is on the Transfer Welfare Housing List with an application date of 28/04/2016, the applicant hold the following positions on this list;

Area	Bedsizes	Position
Area B	3	9
Area H	3	3
Area P	3	4

Dublin City Council allocate 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.

**Q.13 COUNCILLOR TINA MACVEIGH**

To ask the Chief Executive how many applications for 3 bed housing are currently on our housing application lists for Area L.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The following is the number of current applications that require 3 bed properties applicable to Area L –

Bedsizes Required	Area L
3 Bed	87

Dublin City Council allocate properties based on time on the list, 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.

**Q.14 COUNCILLOR TINA MACVEIGH**

To ask the Chief Executive how many applications for 4 bed housing, are currently on our housing application lists for Areas K & L and whether there are any plans to acquire 4 bed units in Areas K or L.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The following figures relate to the number of applications that are currently on our housing list requiring 4 bed housing in Areas K and L -

<b>Bedsizes Required</b>	<b>Area K</b>	<b>Area L</b>
4 Bed	39	13

Dublin City Council allocate properties based on time on the list, 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.

Dublin City Council has expressed an interest in 5 x 4 bed properties in Area K and are currently seeking to acquire these properties.  
There are no offers on 4 bed properties in Area L.

**Q.15 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN**

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for an inspection to the road at the bus stop 1587 on Cardiffsbridge Road and for a re-instatement to be carried out. The road looks like it wasn't allowed settle before vehicles drove on it creating indentations. A lot of people cross here to either catch the bus or when getting off the bus. There has been a number of elderly people who have tripped because of this.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Road Maintenance Services has inspected this location and will repair the potholes present in the surface course of the trench. Road Maintenance Services will continue to monitor the condition of the trench and may consider the resurfacing of this section of road in 2020 Works Programme

**Q.16 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN**

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for the footpaths at **(details supplied)** to be re-instated as they are in a bad state of disrepair.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Road Maintenance Services has determined upon inspection that a vehicular dishing is not present at this address and the householder drives illegally over the footpath which may have contributed to its current state. Road Maintenance Services advises that the householder must contact Roads Maintenance Section, phone 2228936 or 2228937 in order to apply for a vehicular dishing and arrange a meeting with the Area Inspector.

The Area Inspector will check that the conditions for the installation of a vehicular dishing are fulfilled, e.g. planning approval for the existing driveway or a sworn affidavit to state that the existing driveway has been in use for the last seven years. If either of the above-mentioned conditions is fulfilled, the Area Inspector will give the householder a quotation for the works involved. If this procedure is not adhered to, Road Maintenance section of Dublin City Council has the authority under section 13(10) Roads Act, 1993 to reinstate the footpath and invoice the householder for all reasonable costs involved.

In the interim the householder may be held liable for any claim that may arise as a result of their interference with the public footpath.

**Q.17 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN**

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for the window at **(details supplied)** to be replaced with smaller windows, as promised to the tenant many times in the past.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Housing Maintenance has no plans to replace this window with a smaller one. This window is in good condition and not in need of replacement.

**Q.18 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN**

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for the laneway between **(details supplied)** to be blocked off.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

In Order to begin the process to have a public right of way extinguished a letter of Application (Petition) signed by residents living adjacent to relevant road/laneway is required to be submitted to the North West Area for consideration.

**Q.19 COUNCILLOR CHRIS ANDREWS**

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange signage at either end of South Cumberland Street to denote the presence of a school. Many people who come to the school have great difficulty in finding the Westland Row CBS School in Dublin 2. I think two of the brown street signs would be of great help and I think the wording CBS Secondary School would be best as a lot of people no longer understand the CBS title.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The Environment & Transportation Department's criteria for all signage requests is set out below.

- Fingerpost signage 1000mm x 300mm, Black writing on White background. Irish and English translation. (Extra depth may be considered, e.g. 1000mm x 600mm)
- The sign must be produced by one of three approved DCC Sign Manufacturers (Rennicks, PWS or Highway).
- The applicant must submit a Map showing location(s) of proposed signs. (No signage to be within 600mm of the Kerb Edge and to be erected on pre-existing Sign Poles. No Lamp Standards).
- The format must be approved by DCC Traffic Officer BEFORE manufacture. All costs associated with production to covered by the applicant.
- The quantities and location of Signage to be pre-approved by DCC Traffic Officer prior to manufacture.
- If no suitable Sign Pole exists, one can be erected. Cost of 100 euro per pole to be charged to applicant.
- All Signage to be collected from applicant and erected free of charge by DCC

If the CBS Westland Row wishes to apply to have directional signage erected the above criteria must be met and an application submitted to [traffic@dublincity.ie](mailto:traffic@dublincity.ie)

**Q.20 COUNCILLOR CRIONA NÌ DHÁLAIGH**

To ask the Chief Executive to consider the following regarding **(details supplied)**.

- a) To address the serious rat run that has got worse in the complex. Cars are cutting through the complex in order to avoid traffic congestion outside the complex. They exit/enter at the children's playground neat blocks R,S,T. This is a serious safety hazard for children who play here, which is of the few safe

places to play there. Residents did try stop the traffic but AGS cautioned them not to.

- b) The bins have no lids- this is creating a big litter problem in the complex as it flies everywhere and seagulls are dragging food from them everywhere. Can this be investigated with a view to either putting lids on them or something else?
- c) Is there an official residents group for the complex?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

- a) DCC architects and area staff did a walkabout with local residents in **(details supplied)** on June 19<sup>th</sup> 2019 to look at precinct improvement work and this included traffic using the complex as a short cut. DCC local area staff are also working closely with An Garda Síochaná in Kevin St to address this matter.
- b) A full survey of refuse bins was carried out and all bins were repaired and replacement lids were fitted where required in this complex. On inspection in the last week 10 bins in this complex were found to be without lids. In the majority of cases this is due to anti-social behaviour. Replacement lids have been ordered and will be fitted within the next 2 weeks.
- c) **(details supplied)** does not have an official residents group. DCC is working with Robert Emmet Community Development Project, Community Organisation & Residents Network and the residents to form a group to represent **(details supplied)** for improvement works to the complex.

**Q.21 COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE**

To ask the Chief Executive to have the following works carried out, repairs to broken path and shore on the public path outside **(details supplied)**.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Road Maintenance Services has included **(details supplied)** in our Major Works Program 2019 for localised footpath repairs. Localised footpath repairs have been scheduled between Greencastle Parade and Riverside Park, which includes **(details supplied)**. Works are programmed for completion in the 2019.

**Q.22 COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE**

To ask the Chief Executive when the windows of **(details supplied)** be replaced under the window refurbishment scheme.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Housing Maintenance do not currently operate a window refurbishment scheme for our housing units. We will carry out an inspection of the windows in this dwelling to establish if repairs are required. Replacement is carried out only where the windows are not fit for purpose.

**Q.23 COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE**

To ask the Chief Executive to respond to this housing maintenance matter, to have the gutters at the back of the house at **(details supplied)** replaced/repaired.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Housing Maintenance will inspect the gutters at the back of this dwelling. Any necessary repairs/replacement will be carried out.



**Q.24 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN**

To ask the Chief Executive to make a full and clear statement to the public regards to the ongoing issue of releasing of sewage into the Dublin Bay area and the contamination of public beaches that has been caused by Irish waters mismanagement of the waste water treatment plant facility at Ringsend. This situation is a grave public health issue, as well as having a very serious impact on the environment of this world protected site.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The issue of the operation of the Wastewater Treatment Plant at Ringsend is a matter for Irish Water.

Dublin City Council has responsibility for the bathing waters. Dublin City Council regularly monitors the water quality in Dublin Bay and will continue to work with the EPA and the HSE to ensure the users of this amenity are kept informed of any water quality changes.

**Q.25 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN**

To ask the Chief Executive to call on the homeless executive and the four local authorities in the Dublin region to make available the policy document and maps indicate areas where social housing will not be permitted to be built.

Statements have been made recently by officials that certain areas whether social housing Estates will not be considered for further social housing build.

This issue needs coherence and clarity with a clear policy document it simply does not make sense in the present housing shortage and crisis, that land that's available in certain areas would not be considered for public-housing build.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Currently Dublin City Council owns around 120 Hectares of residential land in the city.

Most (95 Hectares approx.) of this land is already in the delivery pipeline for the development of much needed social housing throughout the city.

The bulk of the remaining land is located in areas such as Ballymun, Cherry Orchard and Coolock/Belmayne where there is already a very high concentration of social housing. While we are not suggesting that no more social housing be built in these areas this land does provide the opportunity to construct Affordable and Cost Rental Housing thus bringing a better mix of residential accommodation to these areas.

The whole issue of social mix in future housing developments by Dublin City Council and what size of social housing development constitutes undue segregation etc or that certain areas of the city be treated differently requires an open, balanced and robust discussion on the new Housing Strategic Policy Committee of DCC and we intend placing this issue on an early agenda of this SPC.

The three other Dublin Local Authorities have their own Development Plans and Housing Strategies.

**Q.26 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN**

To ask the Chief Executive to make efforts to restore full pay restoration to the many waste management workers who clean our streets and manage our waste. Wages and earnings of these council workers were savagely cut during the years of austerity this group of employees have not received any pay rise in many years nor have their pay that was cut been restored. This Irish economy is restored again, it is now time to restore the proper wage that these workers are entitled to and are rightfully due.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Dublin City Council along with the various Trade Unions signed up to the current Public Service Agreement in June 2017 (Public Service Stability Agreement 2018 - 2020). This proposal aims to assist significantly the unwinding of financial emergency measures legislation as it had applied to public servants since 2009.

The proposal was accepted by the various Trade Unions which included the unions representing Waste Management workers.

This wage agreement acknowledges the various cuts imposed during the years of austerity and addresses these cuts by the restoration of percentage pay increases during the life time of the agreement.

Payments made and due are outlined below:

2018

1 January 2018 annualised salaries to increase by 1%

1 October 2018 annualised salaries to increase by 1%

2019

1 January 2019 annualised salaries up to €30,000 to increase by 1%

1 September 2019 annualised salaries to increase by 1.75%

2020

1 January 2020 annualised salaries up to €32,000 to increase by 0.5%

1 October 2020 annualised salaries to increase by 2%

**Q.27 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN**

To ask the Chief Executive to issue a full report with regard to how many tenants have been evicted from approved housing bodies and emergency accommodation facilities. This report to include also how many warning notices for rent arrears, breach of contract and tenancy agreement that have been served on tenants.

This report should cover the last three years and all approved housing bodies and housing association that Dublin city council has agreements with, within the remit of the Dublin regional homeless executive.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

A reply will issue to the Councillor within 2 weeks of this meeting.

**Q.28 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON**

To ask the Chief Executive that the damaged section of footpath outside **(details supplied)** be repaired. The resident in question **(details supplied)** is terrified to repair the footpath for fear of an insurance claim. Please check this out I would be very grateful.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Road Maintenance inspected this location and find that the tree roots are lifting the pavement. This defect has been logged to our works list for repair.

**Q.29 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON**

To ask the Chief Executive that all the large trees along Kylemore Road, Ballyfermot Dublin 10, get serious pruning in the coming months. There is now a serious tree growth all along the trunks of the trees impeding residents walking & driving along here.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Pruning will be carried out at the base of these trees over the next 2 weeks.

**Q.30 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON**

To ask the Chief Executive that the following be looked into; Dublin City Council working for Irish water appeared outside (**details supplied**) in early April to repair a leaking water service pipe and replace a manhole cover on the public footpath. However when the works were carried out damage was done to the pier & gates of the residents boundary resulting in the gates / pier been dislodged & no longer close properly.

It is obvious that the damage was caused when the works were carried out. I feel DCC must do one of two things repair the pier & gates or pay for the works to be done. I am happy to meet on site with the resident to discuss same.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

As this issue is a matter for Irish Water it should be referred directly to Irish Water.

Please call the Lo-Call telephone number 1890 278 278 and identify yourself as an Elected Representative. You will be put through to the Local Representative Support Desk in Irish Water's Customer Contact Centre who will deal with you directly. Alternatively, there is a specific e-mail address at Irish Water for Councillors: [LocalRepSupport@water.ie](mailto:LocalRepSupport@water.ie).

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

The following are the contact details for Irish Water:

Telephone: 1890 278 278 (Lo-Call)  
Web: [www.water.ie](http://www.water.ie)  
Twitter: @IrishWater

Postal Address: Irish Water, PO Box 860, South City Delivery Office, Cork

**Q.31 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON**

To ask the Chief Executive to confirm that the new allotments at the site of the Old ABC Centre, Bluebell Ave, Dublin 12 has sufficient quality top soil to sustain the growth of vegetables, fruits etc. Some residents have stated a lot of spoil was deposited here from other works the ESB were doing to bring the new Electricity Main up to the Amazon facility on the Belgard Road, Tallaght Dublin 24. Who will be responsible for maintenance around the Pylon at the entrance to the gated allotments?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The quality of the topsoil in the new allotment site at the former ABC Hall has been brought to the attention of the ESB who were responsible for the development of the area. I will contact the Councillor upon receipt of a reply.

A sustainable gardening course will be held in August/September on the site adjacent to the pylon. There are a number of possible uses for this area, such as;

- Develop individual allotment(s) on the site
- Create a communal gardening area
- Hold further gardening courses

A decision will be made on the appropriate use at a later stage.

**Q.32 LORD MAYOR PAUL MC AULIFFE**

To ask the Chief Executive arrange for the pathway to be repaired at **(details supplied)**.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Road Maintenance Services informs that this service request will be added to a pending tender contract which covers a number of road repairs on **(details supplied)**. This tender also covers a wider selection of road repairs in Dublin City North and the contract is expected to be completed this year subject to contractor's works programme and available resources.

**Q.33 LORD MAYOR PAUL MC AULIFFE**

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for a review of the Road Maintenance work carried out on the pathways at **(details supplied)**.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Road Maintenance Services has been carrying out a number of repairs on **(details supplied)** and confirms the footpath outside 93 has been repaired. Please advise Road Maintenance Services of any matter of concern in regard to a particular address.

**Q.34 LORD MAYOR PAUL MC AULIFFE**

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for a removal of illegal dumping at **(details supplied)**. There is a mattress, a burnt out motor bike and a number of black bags.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Waste Management Services had all the illegally dumped rubbish removed from the above mentioned location on the 24th June 2019.

**Q.35 LORD MAYOR PAUL MC AULIFFE**

To ask the Chief Executive arrange for the pathway to be repaired at **(details supplied)**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Road Maintenance Services has inspected the footpath **(details supplied)** and confirms that this is in a satisfactory condition. Road Maintenance Services has a number of repairs scheduled on **(details supplied 1)** which will be carried out subject to a priority-based job queue and crew availability in the area. However, these repairs are not located **(details supplied)**.

**Q.36 COUNCILLOR MARY FREEHILL**

To ask the Chief Executive please state the number of overtime hours worked by Litter Wardens in each of the Local Area Committee areas on 23rd April and also on 21st May last.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

There was no overtime worked by any staff members within the Litter Warden service on either of the dates listed above. 2 office based Authorised Officers responded to complaints received from the public and carried out inspections outside of normal office hours in the North Central, Central and North West areas on the 23<sup>rd</sup> April. 1 member of staff from the litter warden service was on duty in the South Central and South East Areas on a late shift on the same day and also on the 21<sup>st</sup> May.

**Q.37 COUNCILLOR NEASA HOURIGAN**

To ask the Chief Executive what type of provisions and safe guards are undertaken by council bodies and contractors during road works and maintenance to ensure that cyclists and pedestrians are not denied access to route ways during operations and that where disruption does occur, it follows best practice of street hierarchy design. Giving pedestrians priority, then cyclists and finally other vehicles.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Roadworks Control Unit are responsible for processing permit applications from utilities & service providers (including DCC). Permits are issued on condition that applicants comply with legal requirements & guidelines, including 'Traffic Signs Manual Chapter 8 – Temporary Traffic Measures and Signs for Roadworks', 'Guidance for the Control and Management of Traffic at Road Works', 'Directions for the Control and Management of Roadworks in Dublin City', and 'Guidelines for Managing Openings in Public Roads'. Roadworks Control Inspectors carry out site visits and pay particular attention to the impact on vulnerable road users. Therefore, where existing pedestrian & cycling facilities are affected by works, it is expected a safe route past the works is provided via a temporary footway and, if possible, cycle way, but where space is limited, cyclists may be directed to pass the work site by merging in traffic lane. Violation Notices are issued where temporary traffic management plans are found to be deficient/sub-standard. Inspectors may also instruct contractors to backfill excavations & reinstate the road, involving suspension of permits, pending agreement on measures to ensure proper work practice.

All traffic control associated with road works is carried out in accordance with the national document: "Guidance for the Control and Management of Traffic at Road Works" which ensures that the needs of pedestrians and cyclists are prioritised. Traffic management plans are checked by the Council's Traffic Section before the appropriate permits are issued.

**Q.38 COUNCILLOR NEASA HOURIGAN**

To ask the Chief Executive what is the current standard practice from DCC in making information accessible to persons with disabilities. Does it include the following: ISL at public meetings, subtitles on all webcasts, online information that is fully compatible with reader technologies (i.e. no use of PDFs etc.), accessible venues for all public meetings, easy read versions of documents, Braille versions of documents on request and Text phone.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The City Council's Customer Service Action Plan 2018-2020 commits to providing information that is clear, timely and accurate and that meets the requirements of people with specific needs.

In particular the City Council is working to ensure that:

- Our redesigned web-site will be more user friendly and will meet current NDA accessibility standards
- Our application forms are simplified and made easier to understand, and are compatible with reader technologies when available online
- The 'Plain English Style Guide for the Public Service' is used in our written communication

In addition, we have reviewed the provision of induction loop facilities at our public counters and we are assessing what additional measures should be in place to meet requests for access to services through Irish Sign Language

**Q.39 COUNCILLOR NEASA HOURIGAN**

To ask the Chief Executive to outline when the orcas and other cycling protections in front of the Customs House will be reinstated following the recent road works undertaken there.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The orcas were removed to facilitate resurfacing works and were replaced a day later.

**Q.40 COUNCILLOR MARY CALLAGHAN**

To ask the Chief Executive to provide information on any plans to upgrade and expand cycling routes during the current year.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Construction contracts for Royal Canal Phase 3, Dodder Greenway (Herbert Park to Donnybrook), Fitzwilliam Cycle Route, Royal Canal Phase 4A and Clontarf to City Centre will be awarded this year. This is in addition to Royal Canal Phase 2 and Lombard Street cycle tracks that are already under construction. Planning work will also be commencing on the East Coast Trail (S2S) and Liffey Cycle Route.

**Q.41 COUNCILLOR MARY CALLAGHAN**

To ask the Chief Executive if local waste depots sites will continue to provide local community recycling facilities after the move of operations to Super Depots.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Dublin City Council is committed to providing a comprehensive recycling service in Dublin. There are no plans to reduce the number of Community Bring Centres when the North City Operations Depot opens.

**Q.42 COUNCILLOR CAROLINE CONROY**

To ask the Chief Executive for a full list of the ingredients of the herbicides, applied by spraying or otherwise, by Dublin City Council on roads and streets, green spaces and parks in use, in Dublin City.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Set out below is the list of Herbicides used by Parks Service and contractors engaged by Parks Service including the brand name and the active ingredient(s).

Parks Service does not carry out spraying on Grass Verges ,Playgrounds ,Senior citizen's Complexes Hard surfaces areas or Social Housing Flat Complex Hard surface areas

Chikara	active ingredient ..Flazasulfuron
Finale 150	active ingredient Glufosinate ammonium
Valdor flex	active ingredient Diflufenican and iodosulfuron
Rifle	active ingredient ..Phenmediphom and demediphom
Premazor	active Ingredient ...Diflufenican
Nomix Dual	active ingredients...Isopropylamine salt of N(Phosphonomethy)glycine isopropylamine salt of Glyphosate ...
Synero	active ingredient Aminopyralid
Garlon	active ingredient ..Aminopyralid Triclopyr
Renovator pro Selective Herbicide	active ingredient mecoprop+p.Mcpa-Mecoprop-p
Medallion (Fungicide )	active ingredient ..Fludioxonil used on Turf
Interface (Fungicide )	active Ingredients ..Iprodion 3,5-Dichlorophenyl-N- methylethyl-2,4-dioxo .Imidazolidine carboxamide Trifloxystrobin

The Parks Service has significantly reduced chemical usage over the last three or four years and this year we have again cut usage substantially and by the end of this year will have stopped using glyphosateb totally. Many Parks are already 'chemical free' and it is intended that they all will be in the next year or two. No chemicals are being used in the vicinity of playgrounds and we have stopped spraying around the base of trees.

The consequences of this reduction in chemical usage is evident in our parks and open spaces and we are receiving a number of complaints that areas look untidy but it should be noted that we are receiving more messages of support for our efforts in this regard. The public is particularly supportive of the concept of chemical free parks and playgrounds. Additional bulb planting, wildflower seeding and tree planting is taking place and more is planned within the parks to increase their attractiveness to pollinating insects. The Parks Service does not maintain roads and streets.

**Q.43 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE HENEY**

To ask the Chief Executive to please refer to the dishing in footpaths at entrance to **(details supplied)**. Dishing's are facing out onto the main road causing a problem for my constituent, a senior lady who uses a wheelie travel frame and who has to go out onto the main road in order to get across the minor road at **(details supplied)**.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Road Maintenance Services has previously inspected this location. A repair has been scheduled when a works crew is next available in the area.

**Q.44 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE HENEY**

To ask the Chief Executive to please refer to the large tree outside **(details supplied)** Please say if you will examine same with the view to removing this very large tree on health and safety grounds. The residents feel it is unsafe due to its height and in danger of being blown down and in the case of two other similar trees in the estate both of which blew down during most recent stormy weather conditions.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Dublin City's Tree Policy states that *'trees are not dangerous just because they are perceived as tall, too big for their surroundings or move in the wind'*.

The tree was inspected and found to be in acceptable condition recently pruned and is not considered unsafe.

**Q.45 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE HENEY**

To ask the Chief Executive please refer to the bin that was removed from location as per **(details supplied)**. Explain why the bin was removed, say when a replacement big belly bin will be installed, say when additional required bins will be installed at **(details supplied)** Explain why 7 bins have been removed from general area of **(details supplied)** over the last few years and when same will be replaced.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Waste Management Services never had a big belly bin at the above mentioned location. Any litter bins removed from this general area over the last few years was due to the problem of household waste being dumped in and around these bins. There is a litter bin at the green in **(details supplied)**. We also have a litter bin at the bus stop on Croydon Avenue and two litter bins on Croydon Park. We are satisfied that these litter bins are sufficient for this residential area and there are no plans to install additional bins there at this time.

**Q.46 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE HENEY**

To ask the Chief Executive to please refer to removal, during road resurfacing works, of traffic calming ramps from location at **(details supplied)** and say when ramps will be replaced.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Having inspected **(details supplied)** on Google maps in 2014 prior to resurfacing, there is only one ramp at this location at the junction of Howth Road. This ramp is still located here and was resurfaced since.

Please clarify the location of the ramps which were removed and further investigations will be carried out.

**Q.47 COUNCILLOR CRIONA NÌ DHÀLAIGH**

To ask the Chief Executive what action is being taken to address the leak in the kitchen at **(details supplied)**. This has been a problem for years now but has never been properly resolved. The tenant is at the end of her tether as her kitchen units are again destroyed and warped. The bathroom is riddled with dampness as well. Can the source of this leak please be found and addressed once and for all. The kitchen ceiling also needs to be fixed.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Housing Maintenance investigated the cause of the leak in this unit. There was a leak from the washing machine in the flat over this unit which caused staining on the ceiling. This leak has been repaired. Housing Maintenance called to repaint the ceiling however the tenant had carried out this work herself.

Housing Maintenance are scheduling a further inspection of this dwelling to establish if there is any further leak, to reseal the taps as logged by this tenant, and to check the bathroom for any evidence or cause of reported dampness. Any necessary works identified as a result of this inspection will be carried out.

**Q.48 COUNCILLOR HAZEL CHU**

To ask the Chief Executive the total number of bins removed from parks in the city in 2018 and the total number of bins installed in parks in the city in 2018.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Approximately 20 Bins were removed from city Parks in 2018. 5 bins were installed in the same period. Bins were largely removed due to vandalism or inappropriate use i.e. dumping of household waste.

Parks service are currently in the process of installing 50 solar compacting "Big Belly" bins throughout the city to replace existing bins with smaller capacity .

**Q.49 COUNCILLOR HAZEL CHU**

To ask the Chief Executive when repairs to Merrion Road cycle path will be undertaken.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Could specific location details e.g. inbound / outbound and nearby property number please be forwarded and these locations will be examined.

**Q.50 COUNCILLOR DECLAN FLANAGAN**

To ask the Chief Executive can I be supplied with the latest vacant site register for Dublin City please?



**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The Vacant Sites Register is a live register and can be viewed by clicking on the following link:

<http://www.dublincity.ie/sites/default/files/content/Planning/Documents/VacantSitesRegister.pdf>

**Q.51 COUNCILLOR DECLAN FLANAGAN**

To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the agreed heights for new buildings on the quays and docklands. What planning permissions have been granted in the past 12 months and for what heights have the permissions being given?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The agreed heights for new buildings in the North Lotts and Grand Canal Dock SDZ are set out in the Planning scheme approved by An Bord Pleanala in 2014. The heights in the Poolbeg West SDZ are as set out in the Planning Scheme approved by An Bord Pleanala in April this year.

In the recent government guidelines 'Urban Development and Building Heights' published in December 2018, there is emphasis on the need to move towards sustainable patterns of urban development and away from lower density developments. In response to and in compliance with the guidelines, Dublin City Council carried out a review of height in the North Lotts and Grand Canal SDZ planning scheme and submitted proposed height amendments to the scheme to An Bord Pleanala on the 31-05-2019. Dublin City Council now awaits a decision from An Bord Pleanala..(a) On whether the proposed amendments require public consultation, and (b) On whether the proposals are in accordance with the proper planning and development of the area.

In the past 12 months, planning permissions have been granted for 52 developments (inclusive of amendment applications), all of which are in compliance with the scheme's development code of height, i.e. ranging between 5 – 10 storey buildings generally, with some taller landmarks.

**Q.52 COUNCILLOR DECLAN FLANAGAN**

To ask the Chief Executive Has the council plans to start proactively building again rather than relying on the private sector for this.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Details of all City Council housing construction projects, over the three year period 2019-2021, are listed in the monthly Housing Supply Report. These projects are at various stages in the capital works management framework process. On completion, these projects will deliver approximately 2,465 units over the three year period.

**Q.53 COUNCILLOR DECLAN FLANAGAN**

To ask the Chief Executive what plans for retrofitting has DCC for the next 12 months, how many dwellings do they expect to retrofit? How much will the cost be per dwelling and who will carry this out.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

DCC's target is to complete circa 330 retrofits in the next 12 months under Phase two of the Energy Efficiency Fabric Upgrade Programme (subject to Departmental funding) at an estimated cost of €5.8 Million in total/average of €17,575 per unit inclusive of VAT. This work will be carried out by various contractors as there is a framework in situ of 10 no. contractors per area which was tendered and implemented in 2018.

**Q.54 COUNCILLOR CHRIS ANDREWS**

To ask the Chief Executive given the ongoing problems with chronic traffic problems on Pidgeon House Road can the Council look to undertake a study similar to Mount Pleasant Ave Lower, Rathmines. Please put in a pilot scheme to see if it works for residents as the current situation is not sustainable.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

There are currently traffic measures such as 3.5 Tonne limit, ramps and 5 axle ban for HGV's in this area. However this query will be added to the Traffic Asset Management System (TAMS) to be assessed by an Area Engineer to see if any further action may help resolve congestion in the area.

**Q.55 COUNCILLOR CHRIS ANDREWS**

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange to have the large roundabout at the end of Sean Moore road painted and planted as it very unkempt and ugly looking.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

This matter is being investigated and full reply will issue to the Councillor in advance of the September meeting of the City Council.

**Q.56 COUNCILLOR CHRIS ANDREWS**

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange to have an electronic speed sign erected for traffic going in both directions at on R131 Approach to East Link/Tom Clarke Bridge across from Poolbeg Quay as traffic is travelling very fast at night in particular and early morning and the road surface is very bad and the heavy containers make a lot of noise and the number of HGV's is continually increasing.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The request for the installation of electronic speed signs at the location(s) in question will be examined and reply will issue to the Councillor when this is complete.

**Q.57 COUNCILLOR RAY MCADAM**

To ask the Chief Executive to make all necessary arrangements for the gutters at the rear and to the front of **(details supplied)** to be cleaned. Please update me on the actions undertaken to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Housing Maintenance are making arrangements to have the gutters on this dwelling cleaned. This work will be carried out within the next 3-4 weeks.

**Q.58 COUNCILLOR RAY MCADAM**

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a commitment to remove the monument structure at **(details supplied)** directly opposite homes at the top of the square as the area acts as a magnet for public drinking, drug taking and urination; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Environmental Services Unit will assess the location. We have also contacted the Community Policing Garda for this area and they will forward a report on this matter in due course.

**Q.59 COUNCILLOR RAY MCADAM**

To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the status of an application submitted by **(details supplied)** seeking to have her bath replaced with a walk-in shower; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

An application for a low level shower for this tenant has been received by Housing Maintenance. The application has been processed and surveyed and is scheduled for assessment on medical grounds within the next two weeks. The tenant will be notified in writing of the outcome.

**Q.60 COUNCILLOR CLAIRE BYRNE**

To ask the Chief Executive if he would consider communal bin storage for City Centre businesses to minimise the use of bags on the streets, to reduce litter and to introduce more efficiencies in bin collections.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Dublin City Council would support the examination or trialling of the introduction of communal bin storage and usage in suitable areas where bags are currently in use. However as waste collection is carried out by authorised waste collectors operating in an open and competitive market and is not provided by Dublin City Council it is not a measure that can be introduced by the City Council in isolation.

The issue of where storage for such a communal bin system would be located is an important factor that is required to be taken into consideration. If such a project was proposed the City Council would be open to considering the possibility of facilitating this and authorising the storage of communal bins in appropriate locations in a scenario where all stakeholders were in agreement to the suitability of the project and the proposed location for a specific area or street. This may require the input and agreement of a number of city council departments such as the Area Departments, Planning Department and Environment and Transportation Department.

How such a service can be provided in Dublin in the context of implementing group or individual charging structures that ensure compliance with regulations regarding the application of charging on a usage basis would appear to be complex and may be difficult to implement successfully where a management company, or similar entity that is mandated to contract services on behalf of a group of individuals or businesses, does not exist.

Any such implementation would require the commitment of a group of businesses to contract with an authorised waste collector who is willing to provide such a system and for those businesses and the authorised waste collector to ensure that the system was managed in a way that ensured that communal bins were restricted to the use of those that are paying for the service and that the bins were maintained in such a way that did not create litter.

**Q.61 COUNCILLOR CLAIRE BYRNE**

To ask the Chief Executive if to date there have been any further discussions between Dublin City Council and the NTA with regards to the Metro development, the impact that this will have on the Markievick Leisure Centre and the residents of College Gate Apartments. What plans are in place to rehouse the residents, and for how long he thinks this will sterilise development on surrounding lands, in particular the Council owned site at Luke Street. Can you also outline whether alternative locations have been considered to avoid the demolition of Markievick and College Gate.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Discussion are on-going between the City Council and TII/NTA in relation to routing options for MetroLink.

The construction of MetroLink will be of major benefit to the city and especially to communities in the city centre. It will also increase the vitality of the city centre. The NTA/TII, in selecting the optimal alignment, is committed to minimising adverse impacts on communities and on residential properties as far as reasonably possible.

It is the City Council's understanding that alternative alignments that will avoid the need to demolish the building housing the Markievicz Leisure Centre and other Council owned properties in the area were considered. To date they have been rejected because they are considered not viable from an engineering perspective. It is our understanding that alternative route alignments are being re-examined.

If the building housing the Markievicz Leisure Centre has to be demolished, the NTA/TII has offered to construct an alternative Leisure Facility for the City Council in advance of construction on MetroLink, assuming a suitable site can be identified. We are currently seeking to identify such a site. However, it may be difficult to source a suitable site in the immediate area. Failing this, the TII/NTA has given a commitment to reinstate the Leisure Facility on its current site after the MetroLink works are complete.

If Council properties need to be demolished to facilitate the construction on MetroLink every effort will be made to rehouse the residents in the general area. The timing of this and the duration of the sterilisation on any Council sites will only be known when the route for MetroLink is finalised.

**Q.62 COUNCILLOR CLAIRE BYRNE**

To ask the Chief Executive what is being done to re-home the residents of Hatch Hall who are facing imminent eviction due a hotel development that is proposed for this building. Can you provide a report and a statement on this?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Hatch Hall is a Direct Provision accommodation centre for asylum seekers and refugees in Ireland administered by the Reception and Integration Agency [RIA], an agency of the Department of Justice. The Department of Justice has statutory responsibility for the accommodation needs of families whose asylum claims are still being processed.

RIA and the Department of Justice are in regular contact with DCC and other relevant local authorities regarding the provision of alternative accommodation for residents with Leave to Remain status.

**Q.63 COUNCILLOR CLAIRE BYRNE**

To ask the Chief Executive for an update on the plans to pedestrianise the following streets and areas:

- College Green (and to include an update on the trial period and associated events)
- Drury Street
- South William Street
- Dame Lane

Can you provide a projected timeline for the delivery of these pedestrianisation projects

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Following An Bord Pleanála's decision last year not to approve the City Council's proposal for College Green, the project is being reviewed and discussions are taking place with the National Transport Authority and others. It is anticipated that a new application in respect of College Green will be submitted to An Bord Pleanála later this

year. In the meantime, Dublin City Council are planning to close College Green to traffic on three consecutive Sundays this Summer, i.e. Sunday 21st July, Sunday 28th July and Sunday 4th August 2019. College Green will become, in effect, pedestrianised on these days and a programme of family orientated events will be held. An Event Management Company has been engaged to assist with the development of an appropriate programme of events. The required traffic management arrangements are being finalised and discussions are taking place with relevant stakeholders. Further details will be available in due course.

Drury Street, South William Street and Dame Lane are included within the Grafton Street Quarter Public Realm Plan. This public realm plan is a rolling programme of improvements that are to be carried out to the streets in the Grafton Street Quarter. Public realm improvements have, to date, been carried out to Grafton Street, Johnson's Court and Wicklow Street and recently, improvement works have been completed in the area around Chatham Street and Harry Street. Improvement works have just commenced on Clarendon Street for completion next year with works to follow on Clarendon Row. Preliminary designs are being developed for improvements to the South Anne Street / Duke Street area with a Part 8 planning submission expected later this year. When the current projects have been developed further, Drury Street, South William Street and Dame Lane will be considered in the context of developing public realm design proposals.

**Q.64 COUNCILLOR KEITH CONNOLLY**

To ask the Chief Executive to conclude and sign off on the weed spraying programme for Dublin North West as soon as possible.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

There has been no official decision made on the weed spraying contract.

**Q.65 COUNCILLOR KEITH CONNOLLY**

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for the installation of additional public waste bins at **(details supplied)**. 7 new retail outlets have opened here since 2017 yet not one additional bin has been installed.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Waste Management Services would not recommend installing litter bins at the above mentioned location. Only a few weeks ago the ESB box there was set on fire and we are constantly removing burnt rubbish from this location. There is no doubt that a litter bin would become a focal point for these acts of vandalism. We clean these shop fronts on a daily basis and every effort is made to keep this location as clean as possible. However, we will monitor litter levels at this location and keep this request for litter bins there under review.

**Q.66 COUNCILLOR KEITH CONNOLLY**

To ask the Chief Executive to investigate the possibility of installing an electric vehicular gate at **(details supplied)**. The residents are concerned about how open the senior citizen complex is and how cars that aren't residents are parking there.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The installation of electronic gates is not recommended at this complex as the maintenance and operation of these gates can be problematic. This then can become a Health & Safety issue which can leave residents being unable to access or exit the complex while waiting for a contractor to repair the gates. Any problems in the past with non-residents parking in this complex has been dealt with by the local office.

**Q.67 COUNCILLOR KEITH CONNOLLY**

To ask the Chief Executive to investigate the possibility of Cycle Lanes in **(details supplied)**.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

There are currently no plans to install dedicated cycle lanes in **(details supplied)**. Dedicated commuter cycle routes require a full assessment, design and funding through the NTA. Consideration could be given to the introduction of cycling into **(details supplied)** on a trial basis using existing paths under the 'Share with Care' initiative. Such shared surfaces within **(details supplied)** may not suit commuting cyclists as speeds very much have to be modified to share such paths safely with other parks users.

**Q.68 COUNCILLOR NAOISE Ò MUIRÌ**

To ask the Chief Executive to confirm if the area as highlighted in the correspondence below **(details supplied)** is in charge with Dublin City Council?

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

In order to ascertain if an area is in charge of the City Council a number of administrative processes have to be carried out. The application should be accompanied by a map identifying the property in question and should be forwarded to the Environment & Transportation Department, Administration Unit, Block 2, Floor 6, Civic Offices, Dublin 8. The fee payable in respect of the service is €63.00 and cheques made payable to Dublin City Council should also accompany the application.

**Q.69 COUNCILLOR NAOISE Ò MUIRÌ**

To ask the Chief Executive to follow up with those with management responsibility in relation to the installation of barrier-free tolling technology on the East-Link bridge – there is regular congestion here on account of the use of barriers as raised in the correspondence below **(details supplied)**.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

This issue is part of the consideration for the future of the tolling scheme at the Tom Clarke Bridge.

**Q.70 COUNCILLOR NAOISE Ò MUIRÌ**

To ask the Chief Executive to please detail the rationale for the mid-night cut-off for the new parking restrictions on Charlemont Road, Dublin 3. I would have expected normal residential hours to apply i.e. finish at 7pm and for Monday-Friday only. See **(details supplied)**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Dublin City Council can consider a range of operational hours for a Pay and Display and Permit Parking Schemes, e.g. Mon-Fri, Mon-Sat, Mon-Sun, 07.00-19.00, 07.00-24.00.

When requesting the introduction of a scheme on **(details supplied)**, residents indicated that parking by non-residents was an issue due to commuters during the daytime but also at night time by other motorists due to proximity to commercial units and the local gym. On that basis the operational hours Mon-Sat 07.00-24.00 and Mon-Sun 07.00-24.00 were offered to residents at ballot as these would best address all parking issues highlighted by residents. The results of the ballot indicated that the majority of residents favoured Mon-Sun 07.00-24.00 operational hours.

A request for introduction of a residential pay and display and permit parking scheme has also now been requested by residents of **(details supplied)** and this is currently being considered by the Council's Traffic Advisory Group. If recommended residents will likely be offered similar operational hours as those on **(details supplied)** Road. If a scheme is introduced the operational hours will be those favoured by the majority of the residents at ballot.

**Q.71 COUNCILLOR NAOISE Ò MUIRÌ**

To ask the Chief Executive to outline the rationale for closing the children's playground in St Annes Park for the entirety of the recent concert weekend. While the concerts were broadly welcomed, the restrictions to park access implemented before/during the weekend appeared excessive. Can you provide a report outlining the rationale for these restrictions? See **(details supplied)**.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

As the playground was located within the outer security cordon, it was necessary to close the facility at 2pm each of the concert days. This was the same restriction that was placed on a number of other amenities in the parks within this cordon such as the allotments, all-weather pitch, tennis courts etc.

The playground was available for visitors until 2pm on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The playground was open all day Bank Holiday Monday. Signage to this effect had been erected in the park for 2 weeks in the run up to the event

**Q.72 COUNCILLOR JAMES GEOGHEGAN**

To ask the Chief Executive if he could request that the operators of the Poolbeg Incinerator, in addition to publishing real-time furnace temperatures, also publish real-time emissions data instead of previous day half hourly data to bring the incinerator in line with other European countries and increase transparency.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Dublin City Council will request that the operator, reviews the emission data which is presented on the Dublin Waste to Energy Facility's website, with a view to providing as close to real time information as possible, while ensuring that the information is accurate and can be compared against the relevant compliance Emission Limit Values for transparency.

**Q.73 COUNCILLOR JAMES GEOGHEGAN**

To ask the Chief Executive if he could detail whether the Dublin City Sport and Wellbeing Partnership as part of its mandate maintain a database of all soccer, GAA or rugby playing fields within the Dublin City Council area; if he could detail whether the Dublin City Sport and Wellbeing Partnership have a role in identifying new sites for soccer, GAA or rugby playing fields within the Dublin City Council area or whether this has been explored.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The Dublin City Sport and Wellbeing Partnership's Statement of Strategy STRIDE sets out the sport and physical activity priorities for Dublin City from 2017 – 2020.

As part of this, please see below extract from STRIDE outlining the strategic goal and associated initiatives and actions in relation to Places & Spaces i.e. where sport and physical activity happens.

<b>1. Places &amp; Spaces</b>	
Providing opportunities for more people to participate in sport & physical activity in Dublin City by knowing what is available, identifying gaps and developing plans for future investment.	
Initiatives	Actions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Gather information on Dublin City Council's facilities and open spaces.</li> <li>➤ Identify gaps and needs for sport &amp; physical activity.</li> <li>➤ Engage with decision makers and influencers in Dublin City Council and external organisations.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Conduct an audit to map facilities and open spaces.</li> <li>➤ Examine Census and conduct research.</li> <li>➤ Strengthen relationship and develop plans with internal departments including Parks and Planning.</li> <li>➤ Make submissions to city development plans.</li> <li>➤ Liaise with external organisations re usage and development of facilities.</li> <li>➤ Identify new and maintain existing funding streams.</li> <li>➤ Prioritising projects.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Have a clear plan for investment.</li> </ul>	

The first action above is to conduct an audit and this task was undertaken by the Dublin City Council Culture Company as part of The Dublin City Cultural Audit and Map Project; which is due to go live imminently.

As a brief overview of the project – there are effectively two versions/outputs of the cultural audit:

1. A dataset of over 3,700 cultural asset records, nearly 500 of which are sport-related, including gyms/fitness centres, sports clubs/associations, community sports, pitches and facilities. Information collected on assets includes: ownership of facilities, type/features of the facility and where they are located in the Dublin City Council Administrative Areas. This information will sit on the DCC GIS system, and can be accessed in map form but also downloaded as csv files for anyone wishing to interrogate the data in more detail. Please note the sport-related records came from a variety of sources and in the case of playing fields the majority of these came from the Dublin City Council Parks Department.
2. An interactive map-based website, called "Culture Near You", which makes a subset of the audit information available to the public. This will present cultural information in a way that gives information and choices to Dublin residents and



visitors about the cultural options available to them in city neighbourhoods and localities.

Whilst having no formal role in identifying new playing fields in the Dublin City Area, it is evident from the above the Dublin City Sport & Wellbeing Partnership have aspirations to play a more active role. The existing use and future or proposed use of existing parks and public spaces falls under the remit of the Parks and Landscape Division of Dublin City Council. The Parks and Landscape Division has the information in relation to pitches under its remit. This Council Question and the response will be brought to the attention of the Board.

**Q.74 COUNCILLOR JAMES GEOGHEGAN**

To ask the Chief Executive further to question 82 on the 17<sup>th</sup> of June 2019 if he could detail for each of the years 2014 – 2018 inclusive the precise annual rate on valuation applied for each of the years in the annual budgets; if he could detail in tabular form for each of the years inclusive the total number of properties that paid commercial rates broken down by electoral area; if he could detail in tabular form broken down by electoral area the nominal euro amount for the total commercial rate collected for each year by reference to the following categories of properties where commercial rates were paid starting from the properties with the highest amounts collected, 1- 10, 1-50, 1-100, 1-1000, 1-10,000, 1-10,000+.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

- Please see attachment of the annual rate of valuation applied at each budget for the years 2014-2018.
- Please see attachment of amount collected in respect of rates for the years 2014 – 2018 and the corresponding number of ratings relating to the value collected.
- In response to Part 3 of this question i.e. the value of rates receipts per electoral area, this information is not held. A detailed breakdown of the 2019, 2018, and 2017 start of year charge subdivided into charge range is provided in attachment.

**Q.75 COUNCILLOR JAMES GEOGHEGAN**

To ask the Chief Executive further to question 82 on the 17<sup>th</sup> of June 2019 if he could detail in tabular form broken down by electoral area the total amount of development levies collected for each year by Dublin City Council between June 2014 and June 2019.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The following table gives details of the total amount of development levies collected by Dublin City Council between June 2014 and June 2019.

June 2014 – May 2015	€15,551,341
June 2015 – May 2016	€23,239,605
June 2016 – May 2017	€25,646,080
June 2017 – May 2018	€38,052,809
June 2018 – May 2019	€37,388,807

Development Contributions levied and collected under Section 48 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended are not ring fenced and allocated to the area in which development takes place.

Sub-section (1) of Section 48 of the Act specifies that contributions should be allocated to “public infrastructure and facilities benefiting development in the area of the planning authority and that is provided, or that it is intended will be provided, by or on behalf of a local authority (regardless of other sources of funding for the infrastructure and facilities).

It is not possible to give a break down by electoral area.

**Q.76 COUNCILLOR TERENCE FLANAGAN**

To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update regarding plans for capital investment in libraries for the city for this year and if he will provide a copy of the capital plan to this Councillor and make a statement on the matter.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE’S REPLY:**

**The branch network**

We aim to provide quality civic spaces in all parts of the city – spaces that are welcoming, fresh and clearly identifiable as part of the capital city’s library service. It is our ambition over the course of our current development plan (Libraries Unlimited: A Strategic Direction for Dublin City Public Libraries 2019-2023) to ensure the level of quality is the same across the city’s network.

Coolock Library is currently undergoing redevelopment. The main contractor is due to finish this summer with the moving-in phase of the project to commence as soon as possible afterwards. It is estimated this will take between 2-3 months. Updates will issue as we progress.

Inchicore Library has received approval from the Capital Projects Governance Board to proceed to Part 8 Planning for access improvement and redevelopment works. Assuming the receipt of tenders in line with the approved project budget, we expect to have a contractor onsite in Q2 2020.

Preliminary appraisals for a new development at the Ardscoil Eanna site in Crumlin and the redevelopment of Finglas and Terenure Libraries have been submitted to the CPGGB and have all received approval to proceed to the detailed appraisal stage.

The current capital programme also includes funding for access improvements to Marino Library; roof and structure repairs at Ballymun Library and refurbishment works to a number of libraries in the branch network, starting with the painting of Drumcondra, Phibsboro and Ringsend this summer and followed by works in Charleville Mall and Raheny before the end of 2020.

The capital programme will be revised as part of the budget process later this year for presentation to the SPC in September.

We are in discussions with the owners of Donaghmede Shopping Centre regarding the renewal of our lease with a view to improving access and facilities at Donaghmede Library.

**The City Library**

In May 2019 the City Library project at Parnell Square was granted planning application by An Bord Pleanála.

**Q.77 COUNCILLOR TERENCE FLANAGAN**

To ask the Chief Executive to outline the cost of cleaning footpaths and roads in the city over the past 3 years and if he will make a statement on the matter.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

The departmental budget for street cleaning for the previous 3 years is set out in the table below:

<b>2018</b>	<b>€31.1m</b>
<b>2017</b>	<b>€29.5m</b>
<b>2016</b>	<b>€30.5m</b>

The current departmental budget for street cleaning services for the current year is €33.4m.

This budget includes the cost of labour including provision for increased staffing levels in recent years. The waste management department currently employs approximately 460 operational staff across its street cleaning services. Services provided within this budget include street cleaning and washing, graffiti removal, litter management and removal of illegal dumping and the provision of the bulky household waste collection service.

The budget also includes the significant costs relating to the maintenance and upkeep of Dublin City Council fleet, fleet hire costs and the fuel costs associated with a fleet of in excess of 200 vehicles including a large number of specialist street cleaning vehicles.

Also incorporated into this budget are the costs of equipment required to carry out the day to day services including personal protective equipment, tools and consumables.

The budget also provides for the waste disposal costs of circa 16,500 tonnes of waste annually and the administrative costs related to the service provision.

Street cleaning services are provided 7 days a week throughout the city with daily shifts operating in both the morning and afternoon providing for services from 6am until 10pm on weekdays and from 6am until 6pm on weekend days in suburban areas. In the City Centre services are provided on a 24 hour basis throughout the year.

**Q.78 COUNCILLOR TERENCE FLANAGAN**

To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on new homes to be built in Dublin City this year and if he will make a statement on the matter.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Details of all City Council construction projects, over the three year period 2019-2021, are listed in the monthly Housing Supply Report. These projects are at various stages in the capital works management framework process.

The projected build figures for 2019 in DCC's administrative area currently stands at 732.

**Q.79 COUNCILLOR TERENCE FLANAGAN**

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a breakdown of how much subvention is paid to the various community centres in the City and if he will make a statement on the matter.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Clarification has been sought from Councillor in relation to this question.

A reply will be issued to the Councillor within 2 weeks of meeting based on clarification being furnished.

**Q.80 COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE**

To ask the Chief Executive to respond to this matter of illegal dumping of rubbish in **(details supplied)**. Despite the excellent efforts of the Parks Department to keep this section of the park clean – there is continues illegal dumping at the north western corner of the park. Please see attached map, can the gap at this point be closed off to, at least, make it more difficult for the perpetrators of this anti- social activity.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

Previous efforts to weld gates shut on both sides of the park for this reason at this location were only a partial success and a new solution is required. Various options to restrict access for illegal dumping in this section of the Park are currently being actively explored.

**Q.81 COUNCILLOR CRIONA NÌ DHÀLAIGH**

To ask the Chief Executive when the much needed hand rails on the stairs will be installed for this elderly tenant.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

An Occupational Therapist report is required prior to Housing Maintenance fitting handrails. This is to ensure they are at the correct height and position for the individual tenant. This has not been received to date in this case.

When the tenant has this report please submit it to Housing Maintenance, Block 2, Floor 3, Civic Offices, Wood Quay. Arrangements will then be made to have the handrails fitted.

**Q.82 COUNCILLOR RAY MCADAM**

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for the weeding of **(details supplied)** to take place by July 1st and to make a statement on the matter.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

In early 2019 the site was removed of weeds via mechanical process (hoes and scrapers). The Environmental Liaison Officer will visit this site shortly to look at the weeding issue and will meet the Probation Services to add the site to a list for action.

**Q.83 COUNCILLOR ANNE FEENEY**

To ask the Chief Executive to consider a program of implementing on-street public seating at strategic points around the City to facilitate older people and those with disabilities in particular and report back to the Council on this by October. This development would be consistent with our aim of developing and promoting an Age Friendly City. Implementation costs could be deferred by offering sponsorship of seating to local and corporate businesses.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

This matter will be examined and full reply will issue to the Councillor in advance of the October meeting of the City Council.

**Q.84 COUNCILLOR ANNE FEENEY**

To ask the Chief Executive to carry out a feasibility study to implement a CRM type system in Dublin City Council for workflow management of queries, issues and projects which would provide for logging, tracking and managing performance. Such systems are used by other Councils and their models should be explored in terms of learning from their experience and the potential to implement a standard system at reasonable cost and within a reasonable timeframe. The current system operated by Dublin City Council is not fit for purpose.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:**

CRM was introduced to the City Council in 2004 as part of the establishment of our Customer Services Centre, an operating model now being pursued by a number of other local authorities. CRM is extensively used in a number of service areas to manage workflows, queries and performance. A project is currently underway to replace the current CRM and provide improved functionality in the areas of customer experience, fieldwork and data analytics

Appendix B – Appointments to Outside Bodies, July 2019 City Council Meeting

No.	Surname	First Name	Party	Committee
1	Lacey	Dermot	Labour Party	Association of Irish Local Government
2	Freehill	Mary	Labour Party	Association of Irish Local Government
3	Chu	Hazel	Green Party	Association of Irish Local Government
1	Costello	Joe	Labour Party	City of Dublin Education and Training Board
2	Conroy	Caroline	Green Party	City of Dublin Education and Training Board
3	Nicoullaud	Sophie	Green Party	City of Dublin Education and Training Board
4	Sherlock	Marie	Labour Party	City of Dublin Education and Training Board
5	Stocker	Catherine	Social Democrats	City of Dublin Education and Training Board
6	Lacey	Dermot	Labour party	City of Dublin Education and Training Board
7	Callaghan	Mary	Social Democrats	City of Dublin Education and Training Board
8	Connolly	Keith	Fianna Fail	City of Dublin Education and Training Board
9	Reilly	Noeleen	Non-Party	City of Dublin Education and Training Board
10	Jackson	Vincent	Non-Party	City of Dublin Education and Training Board
11	Ní Dhalaigh	Criona	Sinn Fein	City of Dublin Education and Training Board
12	Anne	Feeney	Fine Gael	City of Dublin Education and Training Board
1	Byrne	Danny	Fine Gael	Commissioners of Irish Lights
2	Lacey	Dermot	Labour Party	Commissioners of Irish Lights
3	McAuliffe	Paul	Fianna Fail	Commissioners of Irish Lights <b>Ex-Officio</b>
4	<b>Vacancy</b>			Commissioners of Irish Lights
1	Byrne	Claire	Green Party	Dublin City BID Company trading as Dublin Town
2	Gannon	Garry	Social Democrats	Dublin City BID Company trading as Dublin Town
1	Fitzpatrick	Mary	Fianna Fail	Dublin City Council Audit Committee
2	Ó Muirí	Naoise	Fine Gael	Dublin City Council Audit Committee
3	Ring	Nial	Non-Party	Dublin City Council Audit Committee
1	Gannon	Gary	Social Democrats	Dublin City Council Cultural Company ( <b>Chair Arts SPC</b> )
2	To be appointed when Arts SPC Established			Dublin City Council Cultural Company ( <b>Member Arts SPC</b> )
1	Cooney	Donna	Green Party	Dublin City Gallery, The Hugh Lane (Board of)
2	Conroy	Deirdre	Fianna Fail	Dublin City Gallery, The Hugh Lane (Board of)
3	Flanagan	Terence	Fine Gael	Dublin City Gallery, The Hugh Lane (Board of)
4	Vacancy			Dublin City Gallery, The Hugh Lane (Board of)
1	O'Connor	Claire	Fianna Fail	Dublin City Leisure Services Company Ltd
2	Dunne	Pat	Non-Party	Dublin City Leisure Services Company Ltd
3	Freehill	Mary	Labour Party	Dublin City Leisure Services Company Ltd
1	Freehill	Mary	Labour Party	Dublin Mid-Leinster Regional Health Forum
2	Lacey	Dermot	Labour Party	Dublin Mid-Leinster Regional Health Forum
3	Anne	Feeney	Fine Gael	Dublin Mid-Leinster Regional Health Forum
4	Watters	Michael	Fianna Fail	Dublin Mid-Leinster Regional Health Forum
5	<b>Vacancy</b>			Dublin Mid-Leinster Regional Health Forum
6	<b>Vacancy</b>			Dublin Mid-Leinster Regional Health Forum

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No.	Surname	First Name	Party	Committee
1	Roe	Patricia	Social Democrats	Dublin North East Regional Health Forum
2	Heney	Deirdre	Fianna Fail	Dublin North East Regional Health Forum
3	Callaghan	Mary	Social Democrats	Dublin North East Regional Health Forum
4	Barron	Daryl	Fianna Fail	Dublin North East Regional Health Forum
5	McGrattan	Seámas	Sinn Fein	Dublin North East Regional Health Forum
6	Burke	Christy	Non-Party	Dublin North East Regional Health Forum
7	O'Rourke	Colm	Fine Gael	Dublin North East Regional Health Forum
8	Flanagan	Declan	Fine Gael	Dublin North East Regional Health Forum
1	Costello	Joe	Labour Party	Eastern & Midland Regional Assembly
2	Hemmings	Lawrence	Green Party	Eastern & Midland Regional Assembly
3	Lacey	Dermot	Labour Party	Eastern & Midland Regional Assembly
4	Heney	Deirdre	Fianna Fail	Eastern & Midland Regional Assembly
5	O'Toole	Larry	Sinn Fein	Eastern & Midland Regional Assembly
6	Barron	Daryl	Fianna Fail	Eastern & Midland Regional Assembly
7	Jackson	Vincent	Non-Party	Eastern & Midland Regional Assembly
1	Referred to the Central Area Committee			Grangegorman Development Consultative Group
2	Referred to the Central Area Committee			Grangegorman Development Consultative Group
1	O'Connor	Claire	Fianna Fail	Haverty Trust
1	Flanagan	Declan	Fine Gael	Irish Public Bodies Insurance
1	McAuliffe	Paul	Fianna Fail	Little Museum of Dublin Limited (Board) <b>Ex-Officio</b>
2	Freehill	Mary	Labour Party	Little Museum of Dublin Limited (Board)
3	Conroy	Deirdre	Fianna Fail	Little Museum of Dublin Limited (Board)
1	Brabazon	Tom	Fianna Fail	Local Authorities Members Association
1	Costello	Patrick	Green Party	Local Community Development Committee
2	Deacy	Tara	Social Democrats	Local Community Development Committee
3	Batten	Racheal	Fianna Fail	Local Community Development Committee
1	Gilliland	Alison	Labour Party	Local Travellers Accommodation Consultative Committee
2	Nicoullaud	Sophie	Green Party	Local Travellers Accommodation Consultative Committee
3	Hourigan	Neasa	Green Party	Local Travellers Accommodation Consultative Committee
4	De Nortúin	Hazel	People Before	Local Travellers Accommodation Consultative Committee
5	Connaghan	Anthony	Sinn Fein	Local Travellers Accommodation Consultative Committee
6	Flynn	Anthony	Non-Party	Local Travellers Accommodation Consultative Committee
7	Lyons	John	Non-Party	Local Travellers Accommodation Consultative Committee
1	Stocker	Catherine	Social Democrats	National Maternity Hospital, Holles Street (Board of)
2	Geoghegan	James	Fine Gael	National Maternity Hospital, Holles Street (Board of)
3	McAuliffe	Paul	Fianna Fail	National Maternity Hospital, Holles Street (Board of) <b>Ex-</b>
1	Donoghue	Kevin	Labour Party	Ringsend Toll Bridge Designated Activity Company
2	<b>Vacancy</b>			Ringsend Toll Bridge Designated Activity Company

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1	McAuliffe	Paul	Fianna Fail	Rotunda Hospital (Board of) <b>Ex-Officio</b>
2	Hourigan	Neasa	Green Party	Rotunda Hospital (Board of)
1	Lacey	Dermot	Labour Party	Royal Hospital, Donnybrook (Board of)
2	McCartan	Paddy	Fine Gael	Royal Hospital, Donnybrook (Board of)
1	McAuliffe	Paul	Fianna Fail	Royal Irish Academy of Music (Board of) <b>Ex-Officio</b>
2	Flanagan	Terence	Fine Gael	Royal Irish Academy of Music (Board of)
3	Conroy	Deidre	Fianna Fail	Royal Irish Academy of Music (Board of)
1	McAuliffe	Paul	Fianna Fail	Royal Victoria Eye & Ear Hospital (Board of) <b>Ex -Officio</b>
2	<b>Vacancy</b>			Royal Victoria Eye and Ear Hospital (Board of)