

Breviate of the Traffic & Transport Strategic Policy Committee Meeting Held on 2nd September 2020

In accordance with standing orders of the Dublin City Council, the Breviate of the meeting of the Traffic and Transport Strategic Policy Committee held on the 2nd September 2020 remotely via Microsoft Teams is set out hereunder: -

- 1. Minutes of meeting held on 3rd June 2020. **Minutes agreed.**
- Presentation by Transport Infrastructure Ireland on the extension of the Luas green Line to Finglas
 Noted
- 3 Update by Brendan O'Brien A/Executive Manager on Covid Mobility Measures **Noted.**
- Report by Brendan O'Brien A/Executive Manager on Special 30Km Speed Limit Bye-Laws 2020 – Public Consultation Report and draft Bye-Laws.
 Agreed Public Consultation Report and Draft Special Speed Limit Bye-Laws go to full City Council meeting for consideration on 7th September 2020
- Presentation on Mobility Education by Helen Smirnova Sen. Executive Engineer.
 Noted
- **6.** Traffic & Transport Sub-Committees, Walking and Cycling and Public Transport next steps.

Proposed dates in September for each sub-committee to be circulated

7. Motion in the name of Jane Horgan Jones

For an assessment of the advantages and the disadvantages of running bus routes against the flow of traffic on the quays in the city centre to be undertaken by Dublin City Council, with a view to the findings being presented to Dublin Bus and the NTA. For example, buses heading to Heuston station would no longer run on the south-side of the river, they would run on the Northside on the river-side of the road, adjacent to the boardwalk.

The potential advantages of this are as follows:

Make better use of footpaths on the riverside

- Increased use of riverside footpaths can reduce antisocial behaviour on the boardwalks
- Reduce conflict between bus passengers and cyclists at bus stops on the business/shop side of the road and so allow the bike lane to revert to the left side of the road, from the current riverside bike lane. This is a more suitable side of the road for cyclists.
- Reduce bus passengers clogging up footpaths on the building-side of the quays.
- Makes it easier for restaurants and cafés to open out on to the footpaths, as there would no longer be bus stops. This would be more beneficial to the sunnier north-side of the quays
- If cyclists could use the contraflow bus routes, it would allow cyclists cycle in either direction on both sides of the river. This could potentially reduce the amount of space needed for the bike lane

 Deferred to next SPC meeting.

8. Motion in the name of CIIr Janet Horner

"That the Traffic and Transport SPC call the appropriate representatives from An Garda Siochana and Dublin City Council Parking Enforcement services to the next SPC to discuss improvement to policing of illegal and irresponsible parking in the Dublin City Council area with a view to improved safety for vulnerable road users."

Noted.

Cllr Christy Burke, Chairperson 2nd September 2020

ATTENDANCE:

SPC Members:

Cllr Christy Burke, Chairperson; Cllr Deirdre Conroy; Cllr Mannix Flynn; Cllr Keith Connolly; Cllr Jane Horgan Jones, Cllr Caroline Conroy; Cllr Janet Horner; Cllr Anne Feeney, Cllr Paddy McCartan Cllr Larry O'Toole.

Mr Martin Hoey, Public Participation Network; Mr Colm Ryder, Dublin Cycling Campaign; Mr Keith Gavin, Irish Parking Association; Mr. Gary Kearney Public Participation Network, Richard Guiney Dublin Town, Fergus Sharpe Dublin Chamber of Commerce.

Apologies: Cllr. Anne Feeney

Dublin City Council Staff:

Brendan O'Brien, Head of Technical Services, Maggie O'Donnell, Senior Transportation Officer, Patricia Reidy, Acting Senior Engineer, Bernard Lester, Senior Engineer, Antonia Martin, Administrative Officer, Sustainable Mobility & Projects, Deirdre Kelly, Walking & Cycling Officer, Mobility & Projects, Martina Halpin Senior Staff Officer; Mary Boyle, Staff Officer; Mr Michael Mann, Staff Officer; Mr Fergal McKay, Assistant Staff Officer.