



MINUTES OF THE SOUTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD ON WEDNESDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER 2020

1. **Minutes of Meeting held on 15th July 2020**
Order: Agreed.
2. **Questions to the Director of Services South City**
Order: Replies to Questions and the Director of Services report circulated.
3. **Environment and Transportation Matters**
 1. Minutes of the Traffic Advisory Group held on the 25/08/2020 in relation to Traffic Matters in the South Central Area.
 2. Traffic Service Request Status Report at 04/09/2020.Order: 1. Report noted.
2. Report noted.
4. **South Central Area Matters**
 1. Report on Regeneration Proposals for St Teresa's Gardens/Donore Avenue.
 2. Initiation of Part 8 Demolition of former Ardscoil Eanna, Funeral home and ancillary buildings at Crumlin Road / Rafter's Road, Crumlin, Dublin 12.
 3. Initiation of Part 8 for new house at 31 Croftwood Drive, Ballyfermot.
 4. Feasibility Study: Bridgefoot Street, Merchants Quay.
 5. Historian in Residence Report.
 6. Director of Service's Report.Order: 1. Report noted.
2. Report noted. Agreed to proceed to Part VIII Planning Process.
3. Report noted. Agreed to proceed to Part VIII Planning Process.
4. Report Noted.
5. Report Noted.
6. Report noted, (see attachment).
5. **Community, Culture, Economic and Emergency Services**
 1. Sports and Recreation report for September 2020Order: 1. Report noted.
6. **Planning & Property Development Matters**
 1. Proposed grant of a 15 year Lease of Ground Floor and First Floor Units of Bridgefoot Court, Dublin 8 to Innovate Dublin Communities Ltd.

2. Proposed grant of a licence at 48-49 Meath St., Dublin 8, to Meath Street Youth Activity CLG.
3. Proposed disposal of a plot comprising part of the rear garden of 86 Mourne Road, Drimnagh, Dublin 12.
4. Proposed disposal of the Council's freehold interest in the property known as 312 Ballyfermot Road, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10.
5. Disposal of Fee Simple in premises at Kylemore Park South, Dublin 10

Order:

1. **Agreed. Recommend to Council**
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7. Emergency Motions

Order: No Emergency Motions taken.

8. September 2020 Motions

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
SOUTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
16th September 2020

M.50 Councillor Darragh Moriarty

That this area committee is very concerned about the proliferation of 'bangers' in the local area so early this year and we agree to write to the Superintendent expressing our concerns and asking what steps they are taking to seize illegal fireworks and clamp down on this activity. We also call for imaginative solutions so that public information campaigns on the dangers of bangers continue in schools, despite Covid-19.

Order: Agreed.

M.51 Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud

That this Area Committee requests the Planning department to give us a presentation on how Dublin City Council is planning the future for this area, to give the vision Dublin City Council has for the area:

The Camac area in Bluebell is going through many planning changes, George Cook Industrial Estate is for sale, some houses have been added to the Camac area etc.

Order: Agreed.

M.52 Councillor Vincent Jackson

That the ongoing issue of anti-social behaviour with the Play-ground at the new Skateboard Park at the Lawns Park Le Fanu Road, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10, be addressed with the construction of new railings, opening closing times, proper signage, inter-agency approach. The facility, minus the anti-social behaviour, offered thousands of children a lifeline after the lifting of Covid 19 restrictions. The provision of railings is something many facilities offer like the play facility in the Phoenix Park. If we get a second round of lock-down we need to be in a position we can close off this facility. I am aware most of the problems happen after BYS staff leave the facility after dark.

Order: Agreed.

M.53 Councillor Daithí Doolan

This Area Committee expresses deep concern at the increasing level of fireworks being used in recent months. It is only by working together can Gardaí, youth services,

Dublin City Council and the public tackle the causes and consequences of this problem. We call on the Garda Commissioner and Assistant Commissioner for the Dublin Metropolitan Region to give extra resources to Garda stations so Gardaí can respond in an adequate and timely manner.

Order: Agreed.

M.54 Councillors Sophie Nicoulaud and Michael Pidgeon

That Dublin City Council will develop a clear safe mobility plan for each primary and secondary school in the south-central area to:

- remove school traffic congestion near the school
- ensure COVID social distancing measures can be complied with
- enable walkers and cyclists to safely access each and every school

Order: Agreed.

M.55 Councillor Vincent Jackson

That Dublin City Council look at the operation and running of the Ashtown Dog Pound in Dublin 15. There is serious concern with the welfare of animals kept at this facility I would ask that we seek a full report to include all aspects of its operation and aggressively look at other contractors to provide a service when this tender expires. How much is the current contract costing DCC and what service do we get for that? When does the current contract expire?

Order: Agreed.

M.56 Councillor Daithí Doolan

This Area Committee agrees that Dublin City Council will work on a plan with Gardaí to tackle the problem of illegal parking on footpaths and cycle lanes in Drimnagh. This plan will be presented to the October South Central Area Committee meeting.

Order: Agreed.

M.57 Councillor Vincent Jackson (Amended 16/09/20)

That Dublin City Council please look again at our practice of ending the spraying of weeds in our City without any alternative. I, like many in our City, are shocked at the state of our community with weeds 2 to 3 feet now a feature of our streetscapes. I regret areas like Drimnagh, Ballyfermot Inchicore seem to be particularly bad. I regret a large number of people have expressed a view they will not pay their Local Property Tax because they don't see the benefit of same. I am aware we are bringing contractors on board to look at the problem with a view of addressing same. Can the Director of Services indicate what this service will look like and ensure that no products harmful to the environment are used for this service?

Order: Agreed.

Councillor Vincent Jackson

Chairperson

17th September 2020

Attendance

Members:

Vincent Jackson, (Chairperson)

Members:

Michael Pidgeon (Vice Chair)
Tina MacVeigh
Darragh Moriarty

Members:

Michael Watters
Daithí Doolan
Hazel de Nortuin

Members attending remotely

Daihe de Roiste
Críona Ní Dhálaigh
Sophie Nicoullaud

Officers

Mary Taylor, Director of Services South City;
Kay Noonan Cork, Acting Senior Executive Officer, Ballyfermot / Chapelizod;
Cora Roche, Staff Officer, South Central Area;
David Quearney, Acting Assistant Staff Officer, South Central Area;

Officers Remotely

Bruce Phillips, Senior Executive Officer, South West Inner City;
Darach O'Connor, Senior Executive Officer, Housing
David Dinnigan, Executive Manager Housing
Ray Yeates, Arts Officer