

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
SOUTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
18th November 2020

Q 1 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask that the Director of Services to please look at what financial penalties we can impose of certain people who change without planning permission, garden sheds into living accommodation, that they then rent on the private market. It appears once again we are powerless to do anything to stop this practice. Can letting agents be requested to ensure dwelling offered for private rent comply with current planning regulations, fire regulations, PRTB registration etc?

Q 2 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask that the Director of Services can Dublin City Council please look at doing a full sweep of the footpaths along Kylemore road, from the construction site at Cornamona Court to Le Fanu Road junction with Kylemore Road, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10. Kylemore College, the largest 2nd level school in Ballyfermot has ongoing problems with dog dirt, rubbish and weeds etc along their premises, which they keep to a very high standard.

Q3 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask that the Director of Services to please give me a full breakdown of the number and size of new units currently under construction at Cornamona Court, Kylemore road, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10. Can I also have the estimated time for completion and proposed management structure of the facility etc? As the Manager is very aware, this development is directly opposite a cluster of schools where up to 1600 children, youths and adults attend school on a daily basis, hence traffic management must be pencilled into proposed allocations etc.

Q4 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask that the Director of Services look into the following. I met a couple who live at (*details supplied*) and love their home and complex. However, they live in a unit which whilst is on the ground floor, doesn't have an additional exit other than the front door. The lady living here and her partner have health and mobility problems and they would love if one on the large windows could be retro-fitted with an entrance / exit door. This would allow an escape route and an opportunity to sit outside in the summer etc, During the recent lockdown with the Covid-19 pandemic, they found it difficult to get fresh air etc. If possible, I would welcome an onsite meeting to explain their predicament.

Q5 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask that the Director of Services to please give me a full update on the legal issues with the Springvale Housing Site at Chapelizod, Dublin 20. Can I have the exact number of units under construction, size of units, expected date of completion, management structure of the new development and parking arrangements due to location of the development and lack of on street parking etc?

Q6 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services to please give me a breakdown of the following; number tenant's awaiting transfers on waiting lists and times on the list (*details supplied*) It can be difficult to understand and explain to tenants who are awaiting a transfer, when so many houses are allocated in an area they are awaiting for many years to new tenants.

Q7 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services in relation to infill housing on potential sites such as Garryowen Road Depot, Ballyfermot and old OLV Youth Centre Sarsfield Road, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10, that at all stages, Dublin City Council ensure that the new housing is built sympathetic to existing housing, as all too often elevations are built which are hard to maintain, hence blending in with adjoining housing is the best for all concerned.

Q8 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services to please give me an update on the housing application of (*details supplied*) who is in urgent need of accommodation having a child with serious developmental issues. She had expressed interest in two houses in the Rossmore Avenue area of Ballyfermot without success. I would ask that whatever additional medical information is required is outlined, as I am aware a lot of reports etc. were submitted over the past 2 years. I regret our failure to re-house this young woman is causing severe stress and depression, while she tries to cope with issues unimaginable. I would welcome an opportunity to meet with senior housing official and this family to hear at first hand their ongoing difficulties trying to support their son.

Q9 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services that Dublin City Council help with the Drumfinn Avenue Ballyfermot Dublin 10 Tidy Committee, with the removal of the large wild area from the Triangle Park facing houses on the road between 106 and 54 Drumfinn Avenue. If the area is cleaned and thinned out, we can do a reasonable job maintaining the area. Many years ago, we put this area in to stop the lighting of bonfire's etc. and it proved very successful in doing so.

Q10 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services to have the damaged crash barrier outside Mary Queen of Angels School, Gurteen Road, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10 replaced. A truck damaged the barrier a few months ago and it now looks very unsightly, and that consideration be given for a small barrier outside the pedestrian entrance of St Louise's School Drumfinn Road, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10. Due to Covid-19, this gate is now used by many parents dropping and collecting children. The gate faces Rosaveal Court next to Glenaulin Park.

Q11 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services in light of the large number of children now using cycles for travelling to and from school, can Dublin City Council consider putting bicycle stands outside national schools and secondary schools as requested by school authorities, in order to promote cycling as an option. I regret one of the reasons many don't use cycling for travelling to school is the lack of any secure areas to lock bicycles

Q12 Councillor Maire Devine

To ask the Director of Services, as agreed by the South Central Area Committee, to extend the license for the RHE to use Carman's Hall as an emergency homeless facility for another year, but also that a process to take back in charge the hall for community use would begin as soon as possible. This hall has been a huge loss to the local community and there is a dire need for such a community facility in the area. When will discussions/negotiations commence between Dublin City Council and the Church to return this to community use?

- Q13 Councillor Maire Devine**
To ask the Director of Services why is there a delay in the allocation of 9 vacant units at the Oliver Bond Complex?
- Q14 Councillor Maire Devine**
To ask the Director of Services to give consideration to, the purchase/lease of Emmet Hall, Inchicore which is in the heart of the village. This property is of significant historical value and could be used for a myriad of purposes that include; a base for the Project Team developing Emmet Road site, a Community facility, base for the regeneration of Kilmainham/Inchicore, a visitors centre and/or a Council satellite office.
- Q15 Councillor Maire Devine**
To ask the Director of Services to request a report on the "Repair and Lease Scheme" for SCA since its inception?
- Q16 Councillor Maire Devine**
To request from the Director of Services a list of derogations given to BAM for the National Children's Hospital development at the St. James' Hospital site in the past 2 years?
- Q17 Councillor Maire Devine**
To ask the Director of Services for a date when the installation of a shower room at (*details supplied*) will commence?
- Q18 Councillor Maire Devine**
To ask the Director of Services the amount of people on the Welfare and Medical Housing and transfer lists for area J, K and L?
- Q19 Councillor Maire Devine**
To welcome the Pimlico residents group who recently provided a superb and well thought out redesign of Pimlico Green in a presentation to councillors and South Central Area Public Realm. To ask that the Director of Services support them and provide funding for some of the protecting ideas that will enable safe community use of this leisure pocket park while also deterring antisocial behaviour.
- Q20 Councillor Darragh Moriarty**
To ask the Director of Services for Dublin City Council to please provide a breakdown, for 2018, 2019 and 2020 so far, of the number of residential dwelling units that have been granted permission by DCC and ABP, excluding student accommodation and co-living developments, compared to the number of hotel and aparthotel rooms that have been granted permission during the same period? Could this information be broken down by electoral ward across DCC, please?
- Q21 Councillor Darragh Moriarty**
To ask the Director of Services to outline what efforts DCC can make to ensure persistent noise pollution issues do not reoccur Bonham and Watling Street. As stated in Diageo's [2019 Annual Environmental Report](#), released in March of this year, "evening and night-time noise level limits were exceeded" at this location which has caused ongoing distress for local residents. Local residents have followed this up with the EPA and Diageo directly, and after months of engagement, Diageo has committed to implement measures to address these specific noise issues. What role can DCC play to ensure that similar such issues do not arise in the future?

Q22 Councillor Darragh Moriarty

To ask the Director of Services about the future of the Liberties Local Area Plan which lapsed in May 2020. Will an updated plan be introduced? If so, what consultation with the local community will take place?

Q23 Councillor Darragh Moriarty

To ask the Director of Services to outline DCC's plans to upgrade the lighting that is provided along the dry canal and the Luas line from Fatima stretching up as far as Blackhorse. A particular issue has been raised by local residents regarding the provision of quality lighting by BAM on its hoarding near Rialto Bridge and whether this could be extended along the whole away on the hoarding as far as Fatima Luas Stop. I understand Linear Park Phase 1 is due to begin, but would the provision of this lighting on a short-term basis for the duration of this winter period be possible as a stopgap?

Q24 Councillor Darragh Moriarty

To ask the Director of Services if it's possible for the Area Office to provide monthly updates on the roll out of green and brown bins in social housing across the South Central Area. I understand that a successful pilot project was completed in South East Area in late 2019, and that a plan has been put in place to roll the project out to the remaining Areas on a phased basis and that South Central Area was chosen for Phase 2 and preliminary work began in March 2020, but was subsequently suspended due to the advent of the current pandemic.

Q25 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services, how much money was spent on detection, collection and disposal of bonfire material in DSC over the Halloween season?

Q26 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services what was the total weight of bonfire material collected in DSC during the Halloween season?

Q27 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services what is the legal update on the challenge to the Springvale development Chapelizod and will it have any impact on the completion date?

Q28 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services can she confirm when, (*details supplied*), will have her house insulated?

Q29 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services for a report in tabular form on numbers of applicants on each of DCC housing and transfer lists for areas J,K & L, to include those on bands 1,2 and 3 etc and please include time bands of 1, 2, 3, 4, and over 5 years.

Q30 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services what actions, in 2020, have been taken to target illegal dumping on Tyrconnell Road and in the Bluebell area?

Q31 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services for an update on the Park West-Cherry Orchard LAP?

Q32 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services for an update on the construction of affordable homes in Cherry Orchard, including design, plans, funding and timeframe?

