

**DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL**  
**SOUTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE**  
**20<sup>th</sup> January 2021**

**Q1 Councillor Tina MacVeigh**

To ask the Director of Services for an update on the windows inspection that was carried out at the home of our tenant (*details supplied*). The tenant was told on foot of the inspection that she needed new windows and I am wondering when we can expect that her windows will be replaced.

**Q2 Councillor Máire Devine**

To ask the Director of Services what plans there are to reinstate/replace the Anne Devlin mural that was situated at Carmans Hall prior to recent development?

**Q3 Councillor Tina MacVeigh**

To ask the Director of Services to carry out an inspection of the heating system/radiators at the home of our tenant at (*details supplied*) with a view to carrying out any necessary maintenance, repairs or upgrade so as to improve their output.

**Q4 Councillor Tina MacVeigh**

To ask the Director of Services whether we could offer (*details supplied*), a 2 bed unit at the new development in Raleigh Square, Crumlin. They are currently in a three bed flat in Dolphin House and are looking for a transfer to a two bed in senior citizen housing. They need the extra bedroom because (*details supplied*) is on oxygen at night and (*details supplied*) can't sleep with the noise of the machine. I believe we have previously offered them a two bed in the new development in Dolphin House but they felt that the position of the apartment was very vulnerable as it was at ground level and very exposed to the potential for groups of people congregating outside the door.

**Q5 Councillor Tina MacVeigh**

To ask the Director of Services for a report on 4 bed units in the South Central Area to include numbers on the list for 4 beds, properties currently under acquisition or construction or refurbishment.

**Q6 Councillor Tina MacVeigh**

To ask the Director of Services what plans are in place to link Bridgefoot Street and Brunswick Street cycle infrastructures - will these plans provide for cycle infrastructure on Queen Street or is there another route planned.

**Q7 Councillor Daithí Doolan**

To ask the Director of Services for an update on Labre Park, including feedback from the consultation with residents and options to mitigate against any future flooding on the site.

**Q8 Councillor Daithí Doolan**

To ask the Director of Services that she ensures the contractor who cuts the grass on both sides of Kylemore Road does not cut away all the budding daffodils.

**Q9 Councillor Daithí Doolan**

To ask the Director of Services what are the plans to remove weeds on Sperrin Road?

- Q10** **Councillor Daithí Doolan**  
To ask the Director of Services for an update on the URDF for Cherry Orchard and to confirm when the funding will be made available?
- Q11** **Councillor Vincent Jackson**  
To ask the Director of Services to request that Dublin City Council please look at ongoing problems with the operation of bottle banks in many of our communities. From my knowledge and observation, there appears to be a problem with proper maintenance and servicing of these facilities. Tesco Ballyfermot is a prime example and waste can be on the surface of the carpark for a couple of days before being sorted out.
- Q12** **Councillor Vincent Jackson**  
To ask the Director of Services to request that Dublin City Council please look again at what enforcement, if any, we have in the aesthetically poor development built in the late 1980`s (*details supplied*). From day one, the area has had a problematic relationship with the local community in relation to maintenance of the car park and general cleansing of the vicinity. I regret to say over the Christmas period the private area was filthy. Local residents who work tirelessly to keep Le Fanu Road clean are at their wits end to know what, if anything, can be done and would love a meeting with DCC by Zoom to see if we can get a strong commitment from the owners to maintain the area on a daily basis.
- Q13** **Councillor Vincent Jackson**  
To ask the Director of Services has Dublin City Council sought possible cheaper options for the placement of mobile CCTV cameras to deter fly-tipping of waste in our communities. There is a small group who continually dump and it appears they do it with the knowledge they will never be caught. I and many others feel if a few were caught and mentioned in the media it will start a process of reversing this disgraceful practice of a few in our communities. Signage / a confidential line could be the start of empowering communities against this anti-social practice.
- Q14** **Councillor Vincent Jackson**  
Can the Director of Services please explain how a Take-Away can operate without any proper storage facilities for waste? I am aware that waste is left in lane-ways outside shops etc. much to determinant of the local area.
- Q15** **Councillor Vincent Jackson**  
To ask the Director of Services to request our Traffic Department to look at the following query. I have asked on a number of occasions what measures DCC can take to deter through traffic in Chapelizod Village. Over the past couple of years, the area has become a traffic bottleneck as people avoid using the M50 motorway with its toll charges. A local resident, a doctor, has mentioned to me a number of accidents as people fail to stop at pedestrian lights etc. DCC needs to look at operating a contra flow system in the village to discourage these heavy volumes of traffic and, as the OPW often close off the Phoenix Park to through traffic. This only adds to the problems for residents of Chapelizod Village.
- Q16** **Councillor Vincent Jackson**  
I am aware Chapelizod Residents Association are looking for co-operation from Dublin City Council Parks Dept. for the development of a wildflower garden for pollinators at the entrance to Liffey Valley Park at the bypass bridge. The area, whilst a wild area, is not used for any real purpose, however our Parks Dept. cut back the grass on a regular basis. The area is 55m long by 3 m wide. The secretary of

Chapelizod Residents Association has approached three local schools to work on a project to plant sustainable pollinators and manage the facility;- St Patricks Chapelizod, St Raphaels Ballyfermot and the Model School Inchicore. I am aware DCC have promised a small grant towards the project, and our Parks Dept. has done some bulb planting recently at this location. I would ask that, if successful, DCC would consider 3 bee hives behind the metal railing, one for each school here to solidify the project and promote sustainability of the project called the **BEE LOUD GLADE.**

**Q17 Councillor Vincent Jackson**

To ask the Director of Services to look into (*details supplied*) who is selling his apartment. There is a problem now that the certificate of compliance from approx. 29<sup>th</sup> of March 2005 is missing from his DCC file. Can we source this document, which he is happy to pay for if necessary? However, the omission of the document is stopping the sale going through.

**Q18 Councillor Vincent Jackson**

Can the Director of Services please give me a breakdown of the numbers on our housing list for the following areas;- Dublin 20, Dublin 10 and Dublin 12, with family sizes and waiting periods if possible and the time on list for those housed in the above areas in 2020.

**Q19 Councillor Vincent Jackson**

Can the Director of Services please ensure that the Drimnagh area does not have a repetition of the serious weed problem encountered in the community last year with the ending of weed spraying? I have never had so many complaints about a single issue as this issue and we need to be much more pro-active with the problem this year. I regret the same issue applies for many areas in the South Central Area.

**Q20 Councillor Vincent Jackson**

Can the Director of Services request that Dublin City Council look at doing a generic environmental leaflet / magazine for each of our areas, which have serious problems with waste, scrambler bikes and other forms of anti-social behaviour? This publication could be time neutral with an inset, which has the capacity to empower local residents with contact details on who to report anti-social behaviours etc. Talking to residents they sometimes feel powerless to promote positive change, hence we need to empower people with knowledge on an occasional basis.

**Q21 Councillor Vincent Jackson**

To ask the Director of Services to request that DCC please ensure the tree severely leaning onto the public road outside (*details supplied*) along Gurteen Park, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10, is removed and re-planted. I saw a potential serious accident happen here recently with a truck travelling down Gurteen Park. DCC said they would remove it a couple of months ago.

**Q22 Councillor Darragh Moriarty**

To ask the Director of Services for an update on the regeneration of Dolphin House.

**Q23 Councillor Darragh Moriarty**

To ask the Director of Services to provide any information on the roll out of future community crèche schemes. I understand that DCC have involvement in just two facilities at the moment: the Crumlin Childcare facility and Liberty Park Crèche. Are there further plans to roll out similar such services, which are sorely needed?

- Q24** **Councillor Darragh Moriarty**  
To ask the Director of Services if DCC's Historian in Residence could prepare a report on the history of urban horse culture in the Liberties.
- Q25** **Councillor Darragh Moriarty**  
To ask the Director of Services to provide the number of public bins in the South West Inner City. Could you also provide a map of the bins, which would serve to indicate how far bins are from one another and highlight 'black spots'. I have personally noticed and received some queries on the lack of public bins, specifically for dog walkers seeking to appropriately bin dog waste.
- Q26** **Councillor Darragh Moriarty**  
To ask the Director of Services to outline the Executive's position on an application made by Heyday Student Accommodation, Carman's Hall, the Liberties for a temporary change of use from student to tourist/visitor accommodation until the end of the 2022 academic year. Similar proposals have been granted permission until May 2021 but this would be the first of its kind to get temporary permission until May 2022. Can the Director of Services make a comment on the matter?
- Q27** **Councillor Darragh Moriarty**  
To ask the Director of Services for an update on allowing local community access to a currently gated garden at Rialto Cottages 30-45. I understand this is already receiving welcome attention from the Area Office. With further lockdown restrictions expected to last for the weeks (months) ahead, this under-utilised greenspace would be a welcome addition for the local community to have access to.
- Q28** **Councillor Máire Devine**  
To ask the Director of Services to provide a report on the progress to date regarding the installation of windows for the Thomas Court complex?
- Q29** **Councillor Máire Devine**  
To ask the Director of Services what measures have been agreed for School Zones in 50km/h areas and how quickly they can be rolled out.
- Q30** **Councillor Máire Devine**  
To ask the Director of Services for a report on the installation of a pedestrian crossing at the junction of Madison Rd/SCR to provide security and safety as this section of the main thoroughfare.
- Q31** **Councillor Máire Devine**  
To ask the Director of Services for an update on solutions to the area at Pimlico cul-de-sac which is blighted with constant illegal dumping and if the rubbish has been forensically inspected for identification of the culprits - if CCTV can be utilised at Pimlico to deter this?
- Q32** **Councillor Máire Devine**  
To ask the Director of Services for an update on the works at Myra Close regarding the instalment of visually agreeable railings here?
- Q33** **Councillor Máire Devine**  
To ask the Director of Services that the Quaker burial ground and the Weir Home for Nurses at Cork St be designated an Architectural Conservation Area.

- Q34** **Councillor Máire Devine**  
To ask the Director of Services to schedule a hard pruning of trees at Ceannt Fort in the upper car park prior to Spring growth?
- Q35** **Councillor Máire Devine**  
To ask the Director of Services to replace the public light standard tops with the old swan neck type in the unique Ceannt Fort estate.
- Q36** **Councillor Daithí Doolan**  
To ask the Director of Services can DCC please organise for the repair of the gates in to the Rossaveal Court senior citizen complex and be upgraded to include a manual release system? They were changed to a fob 8 months ago and have broken down on a number of occasions. There is no manual release system and residents are concerned if they break down during a power outage there will be no way in or out.
- Q37** **Councillor Daithí Doolan**  
To ask the Director of Services that in order to combat the increase in illegal dumping black spots in Cherry Orchard, can DCC; ensure that the contractors remove the illegal dumping on green spaces in a more timely fashion, extra street cleaning is provided and extra resources are provided to remove illegal dumping of footpaths and roads?
- Q38** **Councillor Daithí Doolan**  
To ask the Director of Services in light of the serious leaks and dampness in Ceadarbrooke, which affects City Council tenants, private rented sector tenants and home owners, will the DCC contact the management company requesting that a major repair plan is actioned to carry out the necessary works as soon as possible?
- Q39** **Councillor Daithí Doolan**  
To ask the Director of Services what is the rota and frequency for DCC staff and contractors removing illegal dumping on footpaths, roads and green spaces in Cherry Orchard.