## 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> FEBRUARY 2021

# Q.1 COUNCILLOR MARY CALLAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive what steps the council is taking to combat the theft of catalytic converters in the Dublin North West area, using the council's powers as set out in the Dáil reply below (details supplied)?

# Q.2 COUNCILLOR JOHN LYONS

To ask the Chief Executive for a detailed report on the issues highlighted by the external auditor as part of the Statutory Audit Report in relation to the council's procurement processes, specifically in regard to housing.

## Q.3 COUNCILLOR DECLAN MEENAGH

To ask the Chief Executive to give an update of who provides the key worker service for homeless people in private operated emergency hostels funded by the DRHE? Can the manager list the groups who provide this service and describe the arrangements that are in place? Could the manager provide the number of staff providing this service in tabular form broken down by provider and numbers of homeless people who benefit as well as numbers of homeless people in private hostels funded by the DRHE who do not have a key worker? Could the manager make a statement on the matter?

# Q.4 COUNCILLOR DERMOT LACEY

To ask the Chief Executive if he is aware of any "Mother and Baby Homes" or similar having been operated, run or funded by Dublin Corporation – the predecessor in law to Dublin City Council – and if he has reviewed the recent report on same and what actions he plans to take on behalf of the City Council if necessary.

## Q.5 COUNCILLOR CHRISTY BURKE

To ask the Chief Executive when (details supplied) will be ready to go back into housing stock?

## Q.6 COUNCILLOR CHRISTY BURKE

To ask the Chief Executive that a small section off double yellow lines be placed along the path that's dished on entry to **(details supplied)** as vans and cars' park on the dish and wheelchair users cannot be entry.

## Q.7 COUNCILLOR CHRISTY BURKE

To ask the Chief Executive if DCC will employ apprentices this year. Can the CEO say what trades DCC would be employing if any?

## Q.8 COUNCILLOR CHRISTY BURKE

To ask the Chief Executive what was the official rough sleepers count in Dublin and what date was the count carried out.

#### Q.9 COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE

To ask the Chief Executive to have window/door replacement carried out at this property (details supplied).

## Q.10 COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE

To ask the Chief Executive to engage with the local residents to maintain and manage the upkeep of the public green area (shrubbery etc.) at (details supplied).

# Q.11 COUNCILLOR EIMER MCCORMACK

To ask the Chief Executive can the footpath at the junction of Shandon Mills and the 6th Lock be repaired to address deep potholes and damage to green area adjacent to this?

# Q.12 COUNCILLOR EIMER MCCORMACK

To ask the Chief Executive to make a Sports Capital Fund application to provide a water connection to the Cabra Kayak cottage at the 6th lock for C4Y group.

# Q.13 COUNCILLOR EIMER MCCORMACK

To ask the Chief Executive to investigate and make good the gulley at St. Anne's Road and Drumcondra Road Lower junction. Area floods regularly.

## Q.14 COUNCILLOR EIMER MCCORMACK

To ask the Chief Executive to outline what traffic mitigation measures will be put in place on Monck Place and Avondale Road, Dublin 7, to reduce increased traffic volumes and increase pedestrian safety.

## Q.15 COUNCILLOR DECLAN MEENAGH

To ask the Chief Executive for an estimated costing of expanding Dublin Bikes to Cabra West with 3 stations. To further ask the manager if he has contacted the NTA to try get funding to further expand Dublin bikes and if he will make a statement on how we can get funding to expand the scheme?

## Q.16 COUNCILLOR DERMOT LACEY

To ask the Chief Executive if he can supply me with a copy of the Insurance estimates for premium and claims pay-out estimates for the first five years of the operation of the White water Rafting facility and any other related information that will assist in a full understanding of the aspect of the project.

## Q.17 COUNCILLOR SÉAMAS MCGRATTAN

To ask the Chief Executive to contact Fingal CC and the OPW to review traffic and pedestrian safety at (details supplied) and surrounding roads and pathways.

# Q.18 COUNCILLOR SÉAMAS MCGRATTAN

To ask the Chief Executive to provide additional litter bins around (details supplied).

## Q.19 COUNCILLOR SÉAMAS MCGRATTAN

To ask the Chief Executive to consider local community locations for the collection of cardboard and Christmas trees next January.

## Q.20 COUNCILLOR SÉAMAS MCGRATTAN

To ask the Chief Executive how many applications for Co-Living developments in the City have been lodged since the Minister banned such applications in November

## Q.21 COUNCILLOR JOHN LYONS

To ask the Chief Executive for a detailed breakdown on the constructions costs involved in the estimated unit cost of €375,000 on the proposed Emmet Road Mixed Use Housing Development site and a detailed explanation of the COST DRIVERS mentioned at the December Housing SPC presentation, specifically a detailed explanation of the following under the Construction and Additional Fees sections: Shape of a building Net to gross ratio Units per core Min. floor space

## Dual aspect

Professional Legal Statutory Management and Maintenance Lifecycle Costs % Renal Voids Financing - Interest Rates/Term of Loan Project Timescale - Inflation Project Phasing.

## Q.22 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON

To ask the Chief Executive to ensure that the following Housing issues are completed (details supplied):

## Q.23 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON

To ask the Chief Executive to please report on the following Housing issue (details supplied)?

# Q.24 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON

To ask the Chief Executive to please look into the following housing request (details supplied):

## Q.25 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON

To ask the Chief Executive to please give me breakdown on the numbers of houses in the Ballyfermot, Cherry Orchard, Inchicore, Drimnagh and Bluebell Area which have had a full exterior insulation job done by DCC in the past 10 years and numbers awaiting to be done, the average cost of the works and the anticipated completion time for all the outstanding works that need to be done in addition what supports if any do we give older persons living in private homes which need works such as heating , window replacement, insulation etc. Fuel poverty is a huge issue in the community with many unable to heat their homes satisfactory.

## Q.26 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN

To ask the Chief Executive to issue a full report of exactly what records are being held by DCC Records and Archive Department on local authority's involvement with any Mother and Baby homes in the Dublin region and other such institutions. Also, what involvement did DCC have with the Mother and Baby Homes investigation? Further, that DCC make available all such records not withstanding confidentiality agreements, and GDPR etc. to Councillors and the wider public.

## Q.27 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN

To ask the Chief Executive to issue a full report with regards reporting of domestic violence incidents in emergency homeless accommodation. This to include hostels, family hubs, hotels, and other such accommodations. Also, to clarify whether domestic violence incidents and domestic disturbance incidents are being recorded under antisocial behaviour and what action is being taken by DCC to address these issues for those that are victims of such incident and also neighbours and other residents who live in close proximity to such incidents. Further, that this report cover the full Homeless Regional Executive services and all of their dwellings within the region.

# Q.28 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN

To ask the Chief Executive to issue a full report as to how many of Dublin City Councils tenants have had their boiler replaced/fixed in the last three years. Also, how many

incidents of boiler failure have been reported in the last three years? How much do DCC add on to the rent for the maintenance of the boilers? What efforts have DCC made to inform tenants of the maintenance charge for boilers and also the services available to fix or replace them. How much has been spent in the last 5 years and how much has been collected in the last 5 years with regards boiler maintenance. Can DCC also supply a list of contracts that they have with private companies in relation to boiler maintenance and how much these contracts are worth.

# Q.29 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN

To ask the Chief Executive, further to my request to view all legal documents regarding Priory Hall and its acquisition by DCC can the CEO arrange with the legal department for me to come and view the documents? I am aware of the Covid 19 issue but that should not prohibit me being able to view the documentation in one of DCC's Civic Office rooms.

# Q.30 COUNCILLOR DECLAN MEENAGH

To ask the Chief Executive for a timeline and copies of all communications related to (details supplied).

# Q.31 COUNCILLOR DECLAN MEENAGH

To ask the Chief Executive if ABP informed the council that it is now possible to make online submissions for SHDs and in what way it did.

## Q.32 COUNCILLOR NOELEEN REILLY

To ask the Chief Executive how many tenants are living in units bigger than their needs, to give a breakdown by size and housing area?

# Q.33 COUNCILLOR NOELEEN REILLY

To ask the Chief Executive for an update on the development at the grounds of the Church of Annunciation.

## Q.34 COUNCILLOR NOELEEN REILLY

To ask the Chief Executive how many vacant bedsits are there across the city and to give a breakdown by area?

## Q.35 COUNCILLOR NOELEEN REILLY

To ask the Chief Executive to look at putting railings around the homes at Wad River Ballymun.

## Q.36 COUNCILLOR RAY MCADAM

To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the status of Shared Bins project on the Dublin Beta Projects page; the progress made to date in evaluating the initiative; the next steps in the project; and when will a recommendation be presented to each of the five administrative areas for potential roll-out in local areas such as Stoneybatter, for example; and if he will make a statement on the matter?

## Q.37 COUNCILLOR RAY MCADAM

To ask the Chief Executive to detail the number of expressions of interest received by and regards to **(details supplied)**, what such an expression means; and when does he expect a decision on allocating the first number of units to begin; and if he will make a statement on the matter?

## Q.38 COUNCILLOR RAY MCADAM

To ask the Chief Executive to indicate the initial thinking in respect of the feasibility study being prepared with regards to (details supplied); the numbers of homes

envisaged; and when he expects it to be made available to Councillors; and if he will make a statement on the matter?

# Q.39 COUNCILLOR RAY MCADAM

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a detailed update as to the progress being made on the selection of a contractor to advance the building of new public housing on a City Council owned site on **(details supplied)**; when he expects a preferred contractor to begin works on site; and to outline his current thinking with regards the redevelopment of the remainder of the lands owned by Council here; and if he will make a statement on the matter?

# Q.40 COUNCILLOR COLM O'ROURKE

To ask the Chief Executive that the deterioration at **(details supplied)** be addressed and that a number of measures be undertaken to include but not limited to:

A) That the issue causing the footpaths to waterlog be addressed and that the gullies be cleared here.

B) To repair the football goals, to replace the tennis net and to repair the existing basketball post and to reinstate the other basketball post.

C) To repair the tarmac area for football and the tennis area that was scorched by a bonfire.

D) To remove the glass, nails and sharp objects from this area and to ensure that the area be regularly cleaned.

E) To address the constant issue of dog foul here, to introduce more dog foul signage and for the litter warden to regularly patrol this area, and to introduce more bins to address the dog foul problem.

# Q.41 COUNCILLOR COLM O'ROURKE

To ask the Chief Executive that a number of traffic measures be introduced in the Drumcondra area including:

A) Speed ramps to be introduced at **(details supplied 1)** due to the regular traffic accidents that occur here.

B) To introduce a lamppost in the centre of the mini-roundabout on (details supplied2) to prevent traffic driving over the top of it.

C) To introduce footpath build-outs at junctions and other traffic calming measures such as street trees similar to St. Brigids Road Upper.

## Q.42 COUNCILLOR COLM O'ROURKE

To ask the Chief Executive that speed ramps be introduced at **(details supplied)** due to the amount of speeding vehicles that use this road.

## Q.43 COUNCILLOR COLM O'ROURKE

To ask the Chief Executive that a Bigbelly bin be placed at (details supplied) in addition to the Bigbelly bins that are planned to be installed nearby.

## Q.44 COUNCILLOR CIERAN PERRY

To ask the Chief Executive, in relation to the Horse Pound, can the CE answer the following questions?

- a) Who decides if a horse is to be disposed of (if seized under order of council)?
- b) Who decides re disposal if seized under order of a Garda?
- c) What is the mechanism to instruct a horse to be disposed of?
- d) Can the instruction to dispose only be made by an authorised officer under CHA?
- e) If decision is made by pound staff, how is that decision made?

- f) Is there a record or decisions made and reasons for disposal?
- g) Who decides on exact method of disposal e.g. sale, transfer to rescue, shot?

## Q.45 COUNCILLOR CIERAN PERRY

To ask the Chief Executive to detail the number of housing acquisitions and housing type per area over the last 3 years?

## Q.46 COUNCILLOR CIERAN PERRY

To ask the Chief Executive to confirm whether the new Apartment Guidelines published by the Department of Housing on the 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2021 will apply to applications lodged prior to that date but where no decision has been made by An Bord Pleanála?

## Q.47 COUNCILLOR DANNY BYRNE

To ask the Chief Executive if the drains on Thorncastle Street in Ringsend could be looked at, picture shows water overflow after rain.

## Q.48 COUNCILLOR DANNY BYRNE

To ask the Chief Executive if the following could be addressed: the kerb stones on the corner of Charlemont Street and Harcourt Road have been very badly repaired using tarmac instead of cement. The surface is now very uneven and is a trip hazard.

## Q.49 COUNCILLOR JAMES GEOGHEGAN

To ask the Chief Executive, further to question 79 on the 11<sup>th</sup> of January 2021 and the delivery of the report entitled 'Construction costs for direct-build Dublin City Council residential developments' on the  $31^{st}$  of December 2020 if he can set out in tabular form the estimated average delivery cost per unit to Dublin City Council for each specific separate 'Scheme' detailed in pages 2 – 13 of Report No. 340/2020 under the heading 'Scheme'.

#### Q.50 COUNCILLOR JAMES GEOGHEGAN

To ask the Chief Executive if he can set out in tabular form the average purchase cost for an eligible buyer by reference to each unit type for affordable purchase homes on the O 'Devaney Gardens development, Emmet Road Development and the proposed Oscar Traynor Road Development if the Services Sites Fund was increased to €100,000 per unit for Dublin City; if he can set out in tabular form the estimated average acquisition cost by reference to each unit type for Dublin City Council or an approved housing body to purchase the currently allocated private units on the O 'Devaney Gardens development and the proposed Oscar Traynor Road Development if the Services Sites Fund was increased to €100,000 per unit for Dublin City; if he can set out in tabular form the estimated average monthly rent by reference to each unit type for a cost rental unit on the Emmet Road Development if the Services Sites Fund was increased to €100,000 per unit for Dublin City.

# Q.51 COUNCILLOR JAMES GEOGHEGAN

To ask the Chief Executive, further to question 81 on the 11<sup>th</sup> of January 2021 whether the preliminary report outlining feasibility and potential solutions for Belmont Avenue, Donnybrook, Dublin 4 has now been completed; if that report has been reviewed and discussed internally; and when it is likely that this will be discussed with Elected Councillors.

# Q.52 COUNCILLOR JAMES GEOGHEGAN

To ask the Chief Executive, further to the commitment given at the adjourned council meeting of the 18<sup>th</sup> of January 2021 if he can provide a breakdown of the spending on private emergency hostels for each year between 2016 to date applying whatever

redactions are required; if he can provide all of the reports of inspections of emergency hostels since February 2019 applying whatever redactions are required.

# Q.53 COUNCILLOR DARRAGH MORIARTY

To ask the Chief Executive to please outline current plans to roll out further Dublin Bikes schemes in the Dublin South Central Area, which it seems has been blatantly ignored in this regard? The area is full of development and regeneration and would greatly benefit from these schemes (see photo attached).

## Q.54 COUNCILLOR DARRAGH MORIARTY

To ask the Chief Executive to please provide a full list of all new hotel developments (including aparthotels) and hotel expansions granted planning permission by Dublin City Council and An Bord Pleanála from 2015-2020? Could this list please be broken down by Council Ward please? (Details supplied)

## Q.55 COUNCILLOR DARRAGH MORIARTY

To ask the Chief Executive to please offer an update on the roll out of public on-street recycling bins? How has the latest trial gone so far, when can we expect the bins to be pushed out across the city?

# Q.56 COUNCILLOR MÁIRE DEVINE

To ask the Chief Executive if recent planning applications that propose to develop shared type accommodation is considered "Co-Living". For example one live application in the Dublin 8 area proposes a "Build to Rent" development with a handful of double occupancy units.

### Q.57 COUNCILLOR MÁIRE DEVINE

To ask the Chief Executive for his opinion on applications for "Change of Use" from Student Accommodation to Co-living, in whatever guise it's presented, is lawful under the recent legislation banning this type of development?"

## Q.58 COUNCILLOR MÁIRE DEVINE

To ask the Chief Executive what incentives, tax breaks or supports are available to investors/developers from the Local Authority and central government when proposing a site for "Build 2 Rent" which has become their primary preference for development throughout the city?

## Q.59 COUNCILLOR MÁIRE DEVINE

To ask the Chief Executive what plans/consideration has been given to making permanent the outdoor dining spaces in suitable areas of the city and what infrastructures would be necessary to sustain this year round?

### Q.60 COUNCILLOR JOE COSTELLO

To ask the Chief Executive to detail the number and categories of DCC employees that have been vaccinated by the end of January and if he will outline the plans and schedule for vaccination of the remaining staff

#### Q.61 COUNCILLOR JOE COSTELLO

To ask the Chief Executive what action he is taking to protect and preserve cobbled setts in Dublin City; if there is a register of streets with cobbled setts; what instructions are given to contractors involved in road surfacing not to remove or cover over the setts and to utility providers who are regularly digging on streets with cobbled setts; and how the work of contractors and utility providers is monitored to ensure that no damage has been done to cobbled setts; what action is taken against contractors who damage/remove/cover cobbled street setts; if he is aware of the damage done recently

to setts by Irish Water at **(details supplied)** and if Dublin City Council has instructed Irish Water to repair the setts.

# Q.62 COUNCILLOR JOE COSTELLO

To ask the Chief Executive to detail how the City Council plans to mark the significant events which occurred in Dublin City in 1921 including the burning of the Custom House, the signing of the Truce in the Mansion House and the events leading up to the Treaty, as part of the Decade of Commemorations

## Q.63 COUNCILLOR JOE COSTELLO

To ask the Chief Executive if he will consider designating the area bounded by Collins Barracks and Museum, Arbour Hill Prison, Church and Graveyard, and St Bricin's Hospital and Stables, as an Architectural Conservation Area.

## Q.64 COUNCILLOR JOHN LYONS

To ask the Chief Executive whether or not Dublin City Council is in possession of records from Mother and Baby Homes that operated within Dublin city and county and if so, what is the current status of the records and archives?

## Q.65 COUNCILLOR JOHN LYONS

To ask the Chief Executive for a report on the residential land in DCC ownership across the city: the number of sites, their size and locations, the current status of each site and an estimate of how many homes could be delivered through the development of the sites.

## Q.66 COUNCILLOR KEITH CONNOLLY

To ask the Chief Executive to list in tabular form the number of people waiting on older person's accommodation throughout each area the city. Can the number of people requested to downsize from current Dublin City Council dwellings be highlighted along with those looking to avail of the financial contribution scheme.

## Q.67 COUNCILLOR KEITH CONNOLLY

To ask the Chief Executive for information in relation to Dublin Fire Brigade:

- a) How much was spent on overtime for Dublin Fire Brigade in 2020
- b) Is there a workforce plan for Dublin Fire Brigade?
- c) How many recruits are expected to be recruited during 2021-2025?
- d) When he expects the Kevin Duffy report to be implemented

#### Q.68 COUNCILLOR KEITH CONNOLLY

To ask the Chief Executive if acquisitions ask for the opinion of the local area office when purchasing property and is there a policy related to this.

#### Q.69 COUNCILLOR KEITH CONNOLLY

To ask the Chief Executive how much was spent on clearing illegal dumping in each LEA of Dublin City during the year 2020.

#### Q.70 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE CONROY

To ask the Chief Executive why City Council erected so many poles on the historic granite kerbs and stone slab footpaths on Fitzwilliam Street, Square and Merrion Square, in the South Georgian Core? I am contacted by SGCRA, who asked the workers what the poles were for and were told they were not certain.

If it is a cycle route notice – do cyclists not know the new 'trial routes for Covid Mobility' that DCC has erected already?

Our minimal heritage areas should not have increased signage. As I was advised by Waste Management in 2019 that they avoided putting up more illegal dumping signage as too much signage can be negative.

I include the photographs emailed to me 15 January 2021 and the comments of the SGCRA.

"DCC should be removing poles across the city, not erecting new ones, particularly in an ACA."

#### Q.71 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE CONROY

To ask the Chief Executive if the City Council can provide relevant Covid Mobility information on the Poolbeg coastal walking route, including posters explaining to walk on one's left. There are two pairs of white arrows on the path to indicate walking well apart, however, more white arrows on the tarmac path would be necessary due to the crowds walking in both directions, too close.

#### Q.72 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE CONROY

To ask the Chief Executive if Dublin City Council is aware of low water pressure in recent months on Terenure Road East/Brighton Road and Harrison Row and if it is caused by local area development, as I am advised that a city council staff member notified a local resident that was the cause.

## Q.73 COUNCILLOR HAZEL DE NORTÚIN

To ask the Chief Executive to respond to the following questions in the wake of the liquidation of the company St Marys Centre (Telford):

- a) What is to happen to the social housing built with public money for social housing from Dublin City Council?
- b) How is a private company allowed to liquidate what is a disability service which provides care on behalf of the State that the State cannot provide?
- c) The houses were built while the Sisters of Charity ran the service and who although incorporated the service and care provision remain the shareholders of the company and landlords of the premises. Why did the DCC limit the agreement to 20 years?
- d) Is this the normal agreement that the City and County Councils engage in for the building of social housing?
- e) If St Marys Centre (Telford) is permitted to liquidate the social housing facility on Merrion Rd Dublin, will this set a precedence for private developers who are engaged by the State to build social housing being able to do the same?
- f) Will this practice not potentially expose all occupants of social housing to the risk of eviction if social housing is controlled by companies and can be liquidated by them?
- g) What is the future for the tenants of the social housing for people with disabilities on the Merrion Road?

# Q.74 COUNCILLOR MARY CALLAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to a safe pedestrian crossing across from D9 Family Practice, 204 Ballymun Road, to protect older and vulnerable patients who must cross the road to attend the clinic.

# Q.75 COUNCILLOR BRIEGE MACOSCAR

To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the housing maintenance issues at **(details supplied)** as new windows and kitchen presses were due to be installed following an inspection but this has never been completed.

# Q.76 COUNCILLOR BRIEGE MACOSCAR

To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the housing application of **(details supplied)** as she has reported significant housing maintenance issues with her home and was hoping to be made an offer of a transfer to either a two bed or a senior citizens unit.

# Q.77 COUNCILLOR CAT O'DRISCOLL

To ask the Chief Executive to place a litter bin at the Moyle Road entrance to the Royal Canal to address the increase in litter at the entrance.

# Q.78 COUNCILLOR CAT O'DRISCOLL

To ask the Chief Executive for a list of Council Activities taken to celebrate the All Ireland wins of the Dublin Women's Gaelic Football team and a list of the activities celebrating the All Ireland wins of the Dublin Men's Gaelic Football Team from 2018 to present.

# Q.79 COUNCILLOR DAITHÍ DOOLAN

To ask the Chief Executive has there been any contact or discussions with the Minister for Housing concerning the need to increase the SSF and what was the response from the Minister, it is essential that SSF is greatly increased to ensure the delivery of affordable homes to buy or rent?

# Q.80 COUNCILLOR DAITHÍ DOOLAN

To ask the Chief Executive how much funding was applied for under the URDF for Cherry Orchard, can you outline what this fund will be used for & when do you expect to get confirmation from the Department on DCC application?

## Q.81 COUNCILLOR DAITHÍ DOOLAN

To ask the Chief Executive how much funding was sought from the Department for the completion of Phase 2 of the insulation programme, when do you expect to get confirmation from the Department and how much of this fund is set to be spent in the Ballyfermot area?

# Q.82 COUNCILLOR DAITHÍ DOOLAN

To ask the Chief Executive how many companies are contracted by DCC to collect & dispose of illegal dumping, how many companies are contracted to maintain DCC green and open spaces and what is the total cost of these contracts?

# Q.83 COUNCILLOR DARCY LONERGAN

To ask the Chief Executive are there any plans for pedestrian lights at Island Bridge around the north side close to the entrance into Phoenix Park.

## Q.84 COUNCILLOR DARCY LONERGAN

To ask the Chief Executive for an update on current status of the Heuston to Chapelizod Greenway which was expected to go into construction in Q3 of 2015

# Q.85 COUNCILLOR CIERAN PERRY

To ask the Chief Executive to provide the following details in relation to litter fines? a) How many litter fines have been issued per month in each local area in Dublin for the last 3 years?

- b) How many have been based on car registration numbers?
- c) How many of these fines have been paid?
- d) How many of these fines have been appealed?
- e) How many prosecutions have been initiated?
- f) How many convictions have taken place?
- g) How does DCC collect fines paid through the court services?

## Q.86 COUNCILLOR ALISON GILLILAND

To ask the Chief Executive to respond to the Value for Money Unit Local Government Audit Service, An Overview of Fire Service Expenditure and Income in Local Authorities (December 2020) and provide the details of the survey submitted to the Department of Housing Local Government to complete this Overview.

## Q.87 COUNCILLOR ALISON GILLILAND

To ask the Chief Executive to outline how many Dublin Fire Brigade firefighters, subofficers and District Officers a) have had their leave cancelled, b) have had their training cancelled and c) had had to attend work in an off shift/overtime basis to fill frontline staff shortages since Jan 1 this year.

## Q.88 COUNCILLOR ALISON GILLILAND

To ask the Chief Executive to outline a) the monthly numbers of positive Covid cases the Dublin Fire Brigade DFB & Ambulance Service have attended since the beginning of the Covid 19 pandemic in March 2020 and b) the number of DFB/ DFB Ambulance personnel who have contracted Covid 19 while carried out their work

#### Q.89 COUNCILLOR ALISON GILLILAND

To ask the Chief Executive to outline the a) current b) longer term strategy to fill gaps in front line staffing levels among Dublin Fire Brigade?

#### Q.90 COUNCILLOR JANET HORNER

To ask the Chief Executive what role the Council have to enforce apartment complexes to provide brown bins for tenants and what progress there has been towards widespread provision of these?

#### Q.91 COUNCILLOR JANET HORNER

To ask the Chief Executive whether there has been any progress towards preserving and maintaining historic post boxes across Dublin City?

# Q.92 COUNCILLOR JANET HORNER

To ask the Chief Executive the total money spent on all private emergency accommodation between 2016 and 2020, and as a percentage of all spending on emergency accommodation, and number of beds provided, and as a percentage of all beds, across these years?

#### Q.93 COUNCILLOR JANET HORNER

To ask the Chief Executive what the process is for awarding contracts for emergency accommodation and whether an open, competitive public procurement process applies?

# Q.94 COUNCILLOR DONNA COONEY

To ask the Chief Executive if we can access more funding for climate action and climate change mitigation from the EU for large infrastructure projects needed particularly flood defences in areas that need to protect homes and local businesses but also provide multifunctional design that protects environment, biodiversity and amenity on Clontarf promenade, that the councillor is concerned that the funding suggested for this project would not be adequate to provide, that this would be an ideal project under European Commission guidelines for Ireland to progress including cycling/walking active transport infrastructure.

## Q.95 COUNCILLOR DONNA COONEY

To ask the Chief Executive to consider the hiring of traffic wardens with an enhanced role of litter wardens to address persistent issues of illegal parking and littering dumping in our city pavements.

## Q.96 COUNCILLOR DONNA COONEY

To ask the Chief Executive if webinars similar to the City development plan information sessions can be held on Dublin City Council policy on biodiversity, pollinators, climate action, waste reduction elimination of single use plastic, protecting bull Island as public information meetings cannot go ahead due Covid restrictions"

## Q.97 COUNCILLOR DARRAGH MORIARTY

To ask the Chief Executive to advise on the uploading of Planning Application documentation to DCC's website, which has become unacceptably slow? There have been significant delays between planning being lodged and the documentation uploaded, which frustrates the planning and democratic process as local representatives and the local community do not have sufficient time to inform themselves before making observations. Two examples of this occurred recently with planning at Sweeney's Terrace, D8 (Ref: 4034/20) lodged on 23 December and as of 20 January, documentation hasn't been uploaded. Similarly, a planning application at Old Kilmainham Rd (Ref: 3973/20) was lodged 18 December and uploaded 11 January. Can the Chief Executive comment on this and advise how we can make this process more accessible and transparent?

#### Q.98 COUNCILLOR MICHAEL PIDGEON

To ask the Chief Executive to state how many HGV with 5+ axle's permits were issued for travel through central Dublin in each of the last five years for which figures are available, and to state the top five companies that were issued with permits in each year. In his reply can he give a breakdown of the vehicles by Euro I-VI classes and electric vehicles, and can he state whether he has discretion to vary the fee charged depending on the emissions of the vehicle class.

### Q.99 COUNCILLOR MICHAEL PIDGEON

To ask the Chief Executive to state how many HGV without 5+ axles permits were detected using the App or by the Gardaí in the zone for which permits are required in the last year for which figures are available and how many fines were issued and collected?

## Q.100 COUNCILLOR MICHAEL PIDGEON

To ask the Chief Executive to provide me with a breakdown by decile of average length of stay in homeless hostels in the last year for which figures are available.

## Q.101 COUNCILLOR MICHAEL PIDGEON

To ask the Chief Executive to clarify whether an annual report for the Dublin Region Homeless Executive has been produced in the years since 2015, and if so can he make it available. If not can he consider reinstating the production of same in order to inform future strategy in this area, and can he make a statement on the matter.

## Q.102 COUNCILLOR HAZEL DE NORTÚIN

To ask the Chief Executive to provide me with the correct figures for population increase in the Ballyfermot/Drimnagh area as updated.

## Q.103 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE HENEY

To ask the Chief Executive in relation to **(details supplied)**, if he can arrange to have one of his officials contact my constituent directly with a view to being of every possible assistance to her and to see to it that all necessary repairs are carried out to her home and if he can refer to what she feels if an ongoing breakdown in communication between Dublin City Council and herself, confirm he has received medical evidence in support of her case, say why her several requests to have severe dampness in her home eliminated/reduced seem to be being ignored as my constituent's health, anxiety and chronic lung disease is being seriously affected as a result of damp and mould etc.

## Q.104 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE HENEY

To ask the Chief Executive in relation to **(details supplied)** (and my North Central Area Committee Motion of November 2020), if he can reconsider request and provide embedded or other type litter bins in order to address the serious problem of litter at **(details supplied)**.

## Q.105 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE HENEY

To ask the Chief Executive to please refer to public light at location (details supplied) and arrange to have same repaired as soon as possible as the area is very dark, particularly for vulnerable pedestrians.

#### Q.106 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE HENEY

To ask the Chief Executive to please refer to location (details supplied) and agree to carry out all necessary works to ensure the prevention of any further flooding of my constituent's property.

## Q.107 COUNCILLOR NAOISE Ó MUIRÍ

To ask the Chief Executive to please deal with the following pedestrian crossing issue (details supplied).

## Q.108 COUNCILLOR NAOISE Ó MUIRÍ

To ask the Chief Executive to provide details on the operation of the new Volumetric Apartments Framework including:

- Number of participants on the framework and who they are
- Indicative average costings from the Framework for 1,2 and 3-bed apartments
- Details on some projects where the Framework is already in use.

#### Q.109 COUNCILLOR NAOISE Ó MUIRÍ

To ask the Chief Executive to please provide an update on the installation of Big Belly bins on the Clontarf Promenade, particularly at locations of high footfall with associated waste generation.

#### Q.110 COUNCILLOR NAOISE Ó MUIRÍ

To ask the Chief Executive, in relation to the breakdown of budgeted Homeless expenditure provided by DCC officials during the 2021 budget process can the CEO

please provide a similar breakdown of actual expenditure for 2020 broken down by recipient of funds in Section/Category 2?

## Q.111 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for an inspection of (details supplied) where no vents were installed.

#### Q.112 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive for an update on the empty apartment block in Prospect Hill.

## Q.113 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive to investigate the possibility of providing suitable dressing room facilities at (details supplied 1) have played on this pitch since 1974 years and both their teams are playing in the top AUL league at present. If they don't have facilities pitch-side they have to play home games away. We hope a solution can be found to this to allow (details supplied 2) share the pitch with kids teams, schools teams and also adult Women's teams also which can be achieved with adequate dressing room facilities.