# DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL SOUTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE 17th Febuary 2021

# Q1 Councillor Tina MacVeigh

To ask the Director of Services whether it is customary practice that cars being clamped in residential areas are moved to different paid parking spaces? I am asking on foot of reports of residents living on Donore Road that cars illegally parked on other streets in the area are being moved to their streets. When they asked the clamping operatives they were told it was permissible.

## Q2 Councillor Tina MacVeigh

To ask the Director of Services for a report on any traffic/mobility audits that have been carried out on the junction of SCR/Brookfield Road in Rialto in the past 12 months?

#### Q3 Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud

To ask the Director of Services to give an update on the number of tree planting in the South Central Area in 2019-2020, and trees removed.

# Q4 <u>Councillor Sophie</u> Nicoullaud

To ask the Director of Services to change the system of the pedestrian lights at the junction of Moeran and Cromwellsfort roads. It works on a sensor so only changes when there is no traffic in either direction and then only goes green/amber for about 10 seconds. To ask the Director also to ensure the time for crossing is extended? Could a survey be carried out to see if a yellow box at the same junction would be useful: cars constantly blocking the path just after Fort Motors on Cromwellsfort Road make it hard to pass and impossible to give space to others.

#### **Q5** Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud

To ask the Director of Services to collect Council bins that are not attributed to anyone in Chapelizod: at the Arch In New Row, at the hoarding on Main Street and at Church Lane on Martin's Row.

#### **Q6** Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud

To ask the Director of Services to give Councillors an update on the work done to implement the motion passed in September on school mobility plan especially the schools that will not be included to the list of DCC School Zone.

## Q7 Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud

To ask the Director of Services to work with Liffey Gael on a pedestrian and cycling plan to access the club. The club and the community adjacent to the club on the north side of Sarsfield road is affected by segregation by the road. The club is working hard in collaboration with DCC on a long term plan and access is the main difficulty in the plan.

## **Q8** Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud

To ask the Director of Services how we can help Our Lady of the Wayside N.S., Bluebell with the creation of a sensory garden and outdoor classroom on the school ground. The school opened a class for children with ASD and would benefit from an outdoor facility.

#### **Q9** Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services to request that Dublin City Council please ensure that cycling options are available through a series of cycling lanes in the Dublin West area of the City towards the City Centre i.e. Ballyfermot, Cherry Orchard, Chapelizod, Inchicore, Bluebell, Drimnagh and Walkinstown. All too often the West of the City is forgotten in line with Bus Corridors etc. We must create safe facilities for people wishing to cycle around our communities / city etc.

#### **Q10** Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services to request that proper Bicycle storage facilities be provided at Ballyfermot Civic Centre, Ballyfermot Road, Dublin 10, for staff and visitors using this excellent facility.

## **Q11** Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services to request that Dublin City Council please look again at the serious speed problem on Lough Conn Road, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10, with a view to erecting reduce speed signs, speed cushions and or rumple strips to aid speed reduction. In the past couple of weeks, a number of residents have contacted me in relation to speeding motor bikes / cars on this narrow road, as it is the only road in the Drumfinn Ave. without speed reduction measures. It is now used as a rat run for speeding vehicles.

## Q12 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services to request that Dublin City Council re-position the various containers located at Walkinstown Credit Union on Walkinstown Green, Dublin 12. Residents have asked that they be moved elsewhere, as they are left there for long periods. In addition, can we look at the operation and maintenance of bottle banks that look very poor and distract from a clean and tidy environment and there is a general concern that litter is not removed from the streets in a timely manner in the Walkinstown Area / bins left overflowing. I am aware we are down staff, however, can we try and do a major clean up to get on top of the problem. I am asked by many residents what their LPT pays for. Obviously I explain, but some people feel they should have a better service with these additional resources. I wish to record my deep appreciation for all the efforts our staff give to keeping our communities clean and tidy.

# Q13 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services to request that serious Garda attention be requested to ensuring Brickfields Park, Drimnagh, Dublin 12, is reclaimed from a couple of small groups who are ruining the enjoyment of the Park for everyone else. I have had residents onto me saying they don't feel safe using this wonderful facility and can additional policing / cameras be provided to deter anti-social behaviour. In addition, can Traffic Enforcement be asked to look at illegal car parking at the street corners in the vicinity of Our Lady's Hospital, Drimnagh, Dublin 12. We all accept there is a serious traffic problem here, however the area has cars blocking up the junctions and it is only a matter of time before serious accidents occur. The cars are parked where the footpaths are dipped resulting in people with children / limited mobility having to go out on the road to pass by.

#### **Q14** Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services to request that DCC please look into the following *(details supplied)* and can we please ensure that in future before any changes are made of a major nature, discussions take place with adjoining properties / services.

#### **Q15** Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services to request that the resident at *(details supplied)* have his concerns addressed. He has had major flooding in his garden since DCC allowed the construction of housing on the old Bowling Green that used to be located behind his home. I have seen from pictures the serious threat to his property and the reduction on his enjoyment of his garden from factors outside his control. Can DCC please investigate and sort out the problem. I fear if this is not sorted out, legal action will follow. The residents tells me there used to be a stream where the new houses exist. However, he feels since the stream is now gone his garden has become the soak for the new development.

#### **Q16** Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services to request that Dublin City Council arrange for a major litter pick along the tree line / bushes boundary in the Californian Hills Park, Rossmore Road, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10, before the growing season starts. If the schools were open I would get support to do it locally. I have walked through the Park and its needs a clean-up.

# Q17 Councillor Vincent Jackson

Can the Director of Services please give an update of what stages we are at with the Cherry Orchard LAP, to include when we hope to commence the various actions of the LAP, what are the anticipated costs of the said actions and our efforts to date to get European Regional Development Funds / national funding.

# Q18 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services to request that Dublin City Council please look at repositioning the recycling banks from the Tesco Car Park to some more suitable location. I regret to say, whilst I love recycling, the bottle banks etc. attract a large amount of unwanted waste to the area. The banks themselves are in a poor state as are others in the Ballyfermot Area. Can I ask for a report on the matter on what we can do to try and sort out the problem.

#### **Q19** Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services to request that Dublin City Council please look again at the Junction of Ballyfermot Road / Cherry Orchard Ind. Est. where the Lidl supermarket is located. The restrictive nature of this junction and all traffic movement coming from Ballyfermot out of the City towards Clondalkin / Palmerstown / The West results in all traffic stopping if someone is entering the industrial estate to Lidl etc. It is a huge issue with Dublin Bus etc. that buses wait for up to 40 minutes from the Church of the Assumption to Cherry Orchard Hospital all because of the poor junction located here. I asked early last year that we ban left turns from Ballyfermot Road at the garage / Lidl junction and push until the next left turn at the Industrial Estate. This would allow traffic continue and improve traffic flows.

#### **Q20** Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services, has contact been made with the management company of Ceadarbrooke to discuss the leaks and dampness in these apartments, the situation continues to deteriorate and is affecting council tenants, private rented sector tenants and home owners?

## Q21 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services, to ensure that the commemorative garden at the Civic Centre is preserved and protected during the development of the park beside

the centre and any changes will be done in full consultation with those involved in the commemorative garden?

# Q22 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services will you organise for DCC to carry out street cleaning on the roads around Walkinstown church?

#### Q23 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services regarding the recycling containers beside the credit union at Walkinstown Green which were removed, they have since been reinstated. They are attracting litter. Will DCC consider removing them again?

#### Q24 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services, can she provide the councillor with a full update on the investigation into the fire at Thornton's recycling plant.

#### Q25 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services will she organise for the area around the bottle banks in Tescos Shopping Centre, Ballyfermot to be regularly cleaned?

#### Q26 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services, will DCC consider installing traffic calming on Lough Conn Road, Ballyfermot?

### Q27 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services for an update on *(details supplied)* who applied for an extension, can DCC ensure this extension is carried out ASAP and give a date when the family can expect the work to commence?

#### **Q28** Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services for an update and timeframe for the planned refurbishment of Tyrone Place and Bernard Curtis House?

# Q29 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services;

- a) how many applications were received from council tenants in Dublin South Central for housing extensions on medical grounds or on grounds of overcrowding in the years 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 & 2020;
- b) how many extensions were carried out in each of these years:
- c) how many applications are currently on the waiting list in DSC
- d) what is the budget allocation every year for this work to be carried out what is the average cost for the extensions

## Q30 Councillor Tina MacVeigh

To ask the Director of Services whether the financial contribution scheme is currently operational and, if so, whether a recently widowed individual living outside of Dublin can avail of the scheme to facilitate a move to be closer to family.

#### Q31 Councillor Tina MacVeigh

To ask the Director of Services what housing unit size would (details supplied) be entitled to should she request a transfer for her and her 4 children.

#### Q32 <u>Councillor Tina MacVeigh</u>

To ask the Director of Services for an update on Planning Enforcement Complaint (details supplied)

## Q33 Councillor Tina MacVeigh

To ask the Director of Services to investigate the pedestrian lights at the Brookfield road/SCR junction - residents report that the lights are frequently out of order.

## Q34 Councillor Tina MacVeigh

To ask the Director of Services whether there are any particular supports we can offer to someone who has come out of prison and is having difficulty securing housing.

#### Q35 Councillor Tina MacVeigh

To ask the Director of Services whether the laneway between Mayfield and Madison, off the SCR, could be included in our rota for regular cleansing. The lane is used regularly by folk who do not live in the area and despite residents best efforts, it is frequently used as an outdoor latrine and can be littered.

#### Q36 Councillor Tina MacVeigh

To ask the Director of Services when we can expect the windows for our tenant *(details supplied)* to be ready for installation.

#### Q37 Councillor Tina MacVeigh

To ask the Director of Services to urgently investigate the ongoing issue with leaks coming through the ceilings into the home of our Tenant (details supplied)

#### **Q38** Councillor Máire Devine

To ask the Director of Services for an update on the completion and allocation of units at Bonham street?

## Q39 Councillor Máire Devine

To ask the Director of Services how significant the impact of level 5 restrictions are on general maintenance and turnaround of voids.

#### Q40 Councillor Máire Devine

To ask the Director of Services how best to advise tenants when claiming for essential repairs/refurbishment from the councils Insurance broker given the restrictions on home assessment visits?

# Q41 Councillor Máire Devine

To ask the Director of Services to liaise with the residents at Clarence Mangan Road regarding the planned installation of Pay & Display. They have expressed some concern that the proposed plan deviates from what was previously discussed and agreed.

#### **Q42** Councillor Máire Devine

To ask the Director of Services for an update on the locked railed green space enclosure at Rialto Cottages? What is the Councils legal advice on allowing access for residents pro temp while the legalities of ownership are investigated and settled?

#### Q43 Councillor Máire Devine

Can the Director of Services commence an audit on suitable commercial premises to promote and encourage business owners to consider "over the shop living" in the villages of SWIC and report back to this Committee?

# Q44 Councillor Máire Devine

To ask the Director of Services for an update on the Linear Park works from Fatima to Suir Bridge Luas stops.

#### Q45 Councillor Máire Devine

With regard to the Dublin City Council boiler service for tenants in the South West Inner City ward, can the Director of Services respond to these points?

- How many SWIC tenants do Dublin City Council have that are being charged for a boiler service?
- Of those tenants how many have not received a boiler service for 2020, 2019 and 2018?
- Of those tenants paying a boiler service charge how many have received a service for 2020, 2019 and 2018?

## Q46 <u>Councillor Máire Devine</u>

Question withdrawn.

# Q47 Councillor Darragh Moriarty

To ask the Director of Services for an update on the roll out of free period products across Dublin City Council buildings. To date, how much of the allocated budget has been spent, and in how many buildings and facilities are free period products provided.

## Q48 Councillor Darragh Moriarty

To ask the Director of Services for an update on the proposed cycling infrastructure improvements from Drimnagh to Portobello.

#### **Q49** Councillor Darragh Moriarty

To ask the Director of Services if she can provide an update on the discussions between An Garda Síochána and Dublin City Council regarding the possible relocation of Kilmainham Garda Station.