



MINUTES OF THE NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD ON MONDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2021

- 1 **Minutes of the North Central Area Committee meeting held on the 18 th January 2020**
Order: Agreed.
- 2 **Questions to the Manager**
Order: Noted.
- 3 **Area Matters**
 - a **Nomination of two Councillors to the Darndale Socio-economic and Community Plan Implementation Oversight Group**
Order: Agreed to nominate four Councillors to group. Cllr. O'Toole, Cllr. Batten, Cllr. Lyons and Cllr. Gilliland. To be reviewed in six months.
 - b **Update Presentation from Fold - Millwood Court**
Order: Noted. One further consultation with residents to take place.
 - c **Launch of Pre Part 8 - Millwood Court**
Order: Noted.
 - d **Report for local area Development outside of Development plan NCA**
Order: Noted.
 - e **Raheny Shamrock Athletic Club - Proposed Clubhouse**
Order: NCA are very supportive of this proposal and support the progression to S.183.
 - f **Stardust Memorial Greenway and Trail to Edenmore**
Order: The Manager informed the NCAC that we will undertake this as a project and engage with families and Cllr. Mac Donncha to progress this. The Councillors commended the Parks Department on how well Stardust Memorial / Park have been maintained.
 - g **Discretionary Fund Report**
Order: The Manager suggested a dedicated meeting be arranged in the coming weeks. This was agreed by the Committee.
 - h **North Central Area Climate Development Plan**

Order: Defer to March meeting. Sabrina Dekker, Biodiversity Officer to attend.

i **Glin Court - Initiation of Part 8**

Order: Cllr. O'Toole proposed the initiation of the launch of Part 8 this was seconded by Cllr. Tom Brabazon. Refer to City Council.

j **Naming and numbering Proposal for a new apartment development on a site known as Windermere, Hole in the Wall Road, Clongriffin, Dublin 13.**

Order: Agreed. Refer to City Council.

k **With reference to the proposed disposal of a plot to the rear of 74 Brian Road, Marino, Dublin 3.**

Order: Agreed. Refer to City Council.

l **Disposals at New Priory**

Order: Agreed. Refer to City Council

m **Exchange at New Priory**

Order: Agreed. Refer to City Council

n **Housing Allocations Report January 2021**

Order: Noted.

o **Housing Supply Report**

Order: Noted.

p **Sports and Wellbeing Partnership**

Order: Noted.

4 **Roads and Streets**

a **Minutes of TAG meeting of 26th January, 2021.**

5 **Items for following meeting**

Cycling Infrastructure Plan

Climate Report – Sabrina Dekker

Car Parking Situation on Bull Island – (Cllr. O'Farrell April Agenda)

Extinguishment of Castilla Park of Vernon Ave – (Cllr. O'Farrell Mar Agenda).

6 **Motions**

a **Motion in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon**

That this Area Committee instructs the Chief Executive and calls upon the Chief Executive of the NTA to carry out the democratic will of this Council as expressed by the amendment of the Housing Land Initiative Report of on the 9th January 2017. This report was the foundation document of the Procurement and Disposal Process of the Oscar Traynor Road site which was passed by a 100% vote by Councillors in favour of the amendment on the 9th January 2017, the wording of which was **(in bold)** below:

"Dublin City Council has recently met with residents of Lorcan Estate and public representatives from the North West and North Central Area. It is proposed to put in place a Local Consultative Forum to ensure that there is fair and ongoing engagement and consultation with Community Interests in the area. The exact consultation structure can be agreed between the Area Committees and the local Area Managers and their teams **but will include representatives of Lorcan**

Estate, Castletimon Estate, Woodlawn Estate, Aulden Grange Estate, Santry Court Estate and Gaelscoil Cholmcille. ¹ This forum will be consulted by those drawing up the statutory Master Plan. ² The Masterplan will then be presented to the City Council for approval."

As neither 1: ¹ ***This forum will be consulted by those drawing up the statutory Master Plan*** nor 2: ² ***The Masterplan will then be presented to the City Council for approval."***

have ever been completed, it is incumbent upon the Chief Executive to complete these two steps immediately and should have done so "before" the Oscar Traynor Road was presented for disposal.

Reply

Comment/Observation

This forum will be consulted by those drawing up the statutory Master Plan

The original motion referred to a change to be made to the text of the Oscar Traynor Road Feasibility Study, 2017. The proposed text contained the phrase "statutory masterplan", since, in the context of the Housing Land Initiative procedure, the masterplan cannot be considered "statutory", the word "statutory" was omitted from the final document.

The Community Consultative Forum was set up in 2017, as per the text contained in the final version of the Feasibility Study above, including the membership.

The consultation with the local community has had a deep and strategic impact on the masterplan at all levels. Especially on the following issues: Mixed, not single tenure, no scope for vehicular rat running through the new development, taller buildings to be distanced from existing two storey houses, inclusion of at least 20% of the site to be dedicated to a park, local labour and apprenticeship clause, Restriction on the use of bogus sole trader employment on site, de-culverting of the Naniken river, restriction on retail units (attracting extra traffic), limited scope for studio apartments, no student accommodation, no "shared living units", inclusion of community facilities, MUGA etc, mitigation of wider traffic issues in local area, facilitating the construction of the gaelscoil etc etc,

The Masterplan will then be presented to the City Council for approval

The masterplan was submitted by the successful tenderer Glenveagh Living Limited as part of the procurement process. The content of the final bid/masterplan was dictated by, amongst other issues, several main considerations: zoning, community input, planning guidelines, city development plan, site configuration, current trends in ABP decisions and available finance/funding, agreed Feasibility Study, etc. Local consultation has been as important as any of any of these main issues referred to above, in determining the overall design of the development.

Glenveagh presented the masterplan on the 21st September 2020 to North Central Area Committee and to the Consultative Forum meeting on the 28th September 2020.

The masterplan was submitted to the Council for approval at its November 2020 meeting without being passed.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: David Dinnigan, Director of Housing Delivery
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Order: Agreed. Cllr. Gilliland to organize a meeting of the consultative forum to discuss.

b Motion in the name of Cllr. Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Manager can an audit be carried out on all traffic lights in the North Central area to make sure they are operating efficiently and correctly. Can 'smart traffic light systems' be introduced in some key areas in the North Central area”

Reply

Traffic signals in Dublin city are controlled by the City Council's Urban Traffic Management System, SCATS. SCATS is an adaptive traffic control system that automatically alters signal timings based on traffic flows and vehicle demands taken from on street vehicle detectors. These detectors can be in road inductive loops, video cameras, radar, and push buttons (for pedestrians) or a mix of these technologies. Also automatic systems offer priority at traffic signals to public transport at many city junctions.

In addition, traffic in the city is monitored 24 hours a day, 365 days a year by the City Council's Traffic Control Centre, and amendments are made in SCATS by these staff in response to incidents and problems /congestion as they arise. Traffic signal sequences are cyclical at junctions giving a percentage of available time to each approach dependant both on traffic volume, demand and pre-set timings.

SCATS has to service demands from pedestrians, cyclists, public transport operators and general traffic meaning that a balance needs to be struck between various users on different approaches and various modes of transport, and it is therefore not always possible to prioritise one mode or approach over another.

If there are specific perceived issues with traffic signal operation at any junction in North Central Area please don't hesitate to send a follow up query that I can investigate and respond to.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Seán Fallon, Assistant ITS Officer, Transportation
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Email: sean.fallon@dublincity.ie

Order: The Manager has asked Cllr. Flanagan to identify specifically which Traffic lights he is referring to and he will follow up.

c Motion in the name of Councillor John Lyons

“Recognising and welcoming the numerous residential developments and sites along either side of Coolock Lane, Oscar Traynor Road and its environs that are currently under construction, at design stage or preliminary planning stage and aware also of the potential additional pressures on the road network that these developments will generate, this area committee calls on Dublin City Council to liaise with all relevant stakeholders with the aim of connecting the R104 to the R139/M50/M1 by opening up the private road that runs through the Clonsaugh Business and Technology Park.”

Reply

It is an objective of the current 2016-2022 Dublin City Development Plan to provide the link road referred to above, the provision of which requires the use of land in private ownership. This proposal is being reviewed as part of the development plan review process which is now underway.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Edel Kelly, Senior Transportation Officer,
Transportation Planning
Tel: 222 2132
Email: transportplanning@dublincity.ie

Order: The Manager to contact the IDA and Edel Kelly regarding current status and will email Councillors with follow up.

d **Motion in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney**

"To request that lamp post no. 21 on Watermill road which is in the centre of a narrow pavement is moved to the side of the road to prevent obstruction to pedestrians, that widening the pavement is done immediately until the lamp post can be relocated"

This column is due to be replaced as part of a future project. We will investigate relocating this column at this time.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Dale Donnelly, Assistant Engineer, Public Lighting
Phone: 222 4682
Email: dale.donnelly@dublincity.ie

Order: Agreed. Report to Councillor.

e **Motion in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney**

"That the leave no trace signage and litter reduction measures/interventions on the Clontarf Promenade that were agreed for introduction in Autumn 2020 are implemented and that this important linear park is given more attention, that the shelter on the sea by the baths is fixed, gullies and drains cleaned water pooling fixed, muddy grassed areas restored, that seating is restored around the large shelter at the boat launch area, that funding is sought to improve this well used and loved public realm, including more amenities, chess tables, picnic tables, water fountains, possibility of changing area for swimmers, the car park by the boat launch is an issue, lighting not working, opposite the bus garage the pavements are very damaged and a danger to people, a plan for this linear park, estimated costs, implementation and maintenance plan"

Reply

There are approximately 10 individual lights spread along Clontarf Promenade that are currently not working. We are waiting for delivery of the necessary parts to repair these lights. These lights will be repaired when we receive the required parts.

Contact: Karen Leeson, Executive Engineer, Public Lighting Services
Email: karen.leeson@dublincity.ie

The Litter Prevention Officer is working with the parks and landscapes services division to introduce leave no trace signage and messaging. In relation to the provision of litter bins a number of locations are being considered along the outer footpath as well as increasing the number of standard bins provided along the promenade walkway. Temporary bins will remain in place as an interim measure until such time as this is completed. Waste Management Services are carrying out audits of the supply of bins in the local electoral areas to ensure that there is an adequate supply of bins provided in proximity to all litter generators and an adequate number provided to provide the capacity required.

Contact: Simon Brock, Administrative Officer, Waste Management Services
Phone: 222 4237
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We in the Surface water section have been working with Parks to address some of the flooding issues on the promenade in Clontarf. The promenade is ultimately under the remit of Parks but we have put a plan of works in place with Joe O Reilly and have already started work addressing the surface water issues. This will be on going for a number of weeks as it is not quick fix involving cleaning the gullies, gully pits and potentially some of the mains in the area also. There may also be repairs following on from our investigations as these gullies have never been cleaned by our section and we have been looking after the gully cleaning program for 17 years

Contact: Roy O'Donnell,
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The shelter by the baths is privately owned.

The gullies and drains are being cleaned out and jetted in tandem with the Surface Water Section. This unfortunately has provide to be a bigger issue than was hoped and is being somewhat exacerbated by the very heavy rainfall in recent weeks. The work involves cleaning the gullies, gully pits, jetting pipes and potentially some of the mains in the area also and certain repairs. It is intended to ensure the drains are working as efficiently as can be achieved at this time and schedule any major repairs for later in the year when the ground will be drier and access easier.

Muddy grassed areas will be de-compacted and reseeded later this spring when the ground has dried out somewhat and risk of frost has passed to allow seed to germinate and establish.

The replacement of the seating at the shelter near the boat launch area will be examined to see what works are necessary.

The area around the slipway is a cause for concern and it is intended in

consultation with the yacht club to restrict access to prevent inappropriate parking and damage to the green spaces. The overgrown shrubberies at this location which are restricting views of cyclists and pedestrians of cars coming in and out of the car parks will be severely cut back before the bird nesting season. Any damaged footpaths identified at this time and referred to the appropriate department for repair.

The Parks Service's programme of providing water bottle filling stations is very much dependant on the availability of a metered and potable source of water. The roll out of the programme will continue at pavilions and sporting/recreation facilities where such water sources exist.

It is intended an improvement plan for the promenade will be part of the flood defence project as the work will have the potential to cause major disruption to the amenity of the area during construction.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks
Superintendent
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Order: Agreed. Report to Councillor.

f Motion in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney

"That more areas for community food growing be provided to address the issues of food security, improve public health and wellbeing be found throughout Dublin North Central area including repurposing derelict sites, car parks, areas in parks"

Reply

The Parks Service has commenced the process of looking at larger open spaces, parks and backlands with a view to identifying areas that might be suitable for future allotments schemes, community gardens, bio-diversity interventions etc. It is envisaged that this analysis should be completed by the end of 2021.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks
Superintendent
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Order: Agreed. Report to Councillor.

g Motion in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

"That the Manager outline the situation re installation of CCTV for areas in North Central Area that are hot spots for regular illegal dumping; say what prevents the Council from using CCTV to prosecute continuing offenders of waste management legislation in terms of dumping; what changes (legislative or otherwise) need to be brought about to allow Council to prosecute persons who engage in continuous dumping, and with specific emphasis on the constant

dumping of waste on footpath fronting Our Lady of Consolation Church, Donnycarney, he can agree to install CCTV at this location to assist in a prosecution and if he can make a statement, (excluding cost) on that which prevents the City Council for using CCTV to assist in such prosecutions.”

Reply

The use of CCTV in identifying offenders engaged in illegal dumping has been successful in locations where the use of a vehicle is involved in the commission of the offence as the alleged offender can be identified through the ownership of the vehicle used in the offence. Where offences are committed and where there is no vehicle involved the use of CCTV is largely ineffective as it is generally not possible to identify those engaged in illegal dumping. While the presence of CCTV may in the short term act as a deterrent to offences being committed it is not possible to pursue enforcement in this scenario.

Reports from the Public Domain Officer and Litter Warden in the North Central Area indicate that litter and dumping that may occur at Our Lady of Consolation Church, Donnycarney is not the result of dumping offences where a vehicle is likely to be involved in the commission of the offence and as such it would be ineffective to consider installing CCTV at this location.

CCTV is generally installed in areas where the dumping is considerable in size, scale and of adequate regularity to justify the cost of the installation and monitoring of a location by CCTV.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Simon Brock, Administrative Officer, Waste Management Services
Phone: 222 4237
Email: simon.brock@dublincity.ie

Order: Agreed. Report to Councillor.

h Motion in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“The North Central Area Committee recognises the increase of dog owning in the area and the knock on increase in dog walking which has given rise to an increase in dog fouling on local footpaths. The North Central Area Committee requests that an anti-dog fouling campaign be rolled out across the area to include additional posters, social media posts, making dog poo bags available in local shops and the presence of a dog warden.”

Reply

The litter prevention officer is currently developing an updated anti dog fouling campaign following on from the campaign launched in 2020. This will include additional advertising both outdoors and on social media, Dog fouling bags can be made available from appropriate locations through the litter prevention officer in cooperation with the local public domain officer.

Contact: Simon Brock, Administrative Officer, Waste Management Services
Phone: 2224237
Email: simon.brock@dublincity.ie

Order: Agreed. Report to Councillor.

i Motion in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

"The North Central Area Committee recognises both the environmental/biodiversity and health and wellbeing value of green spaces to local residents. Such green areas also provide a space and opportunity for local residents to come together and enhance their local space and by default local community cohesion. However, the North Central Area Committee also recognises that many local green spaces lack any level of biodiversity or any seating/walking spaces to encourage local residents to more effectively use the green space. Therefore, the North Central Area Committee calls for i) an audit of all green spaces and a ii) reimagining of each green space as an integrated public realm amenity, that this re-imagining would be developed in consultation with the local community."

Reply

- (i) The Parks Service has commenced the process of looking at larger open spaces, parks and backlands with a view to identifying areas that might be suitable for future allotments schemes, community gardens, bio-diversity interventions etc. It is envisaged that this analysis should be completed by the end of 2021.
- (ii) The reimagining of each green space in the area would be an enormous body of work for which the resources are not available. The Parks Service has been carrying out incremental improvements to the biodiversity value and recreational amenity of the parks and open spaces in the north central area over the last number of years. The spring flowering bulb and wildflower seed programme across the area is a highly visible component of these objectives. The roll out of adult exercise equipment, new paths and seating has greatly improved the attractiveness of a number of formerly poorly served parks and open spaces. The Parks Services remains more than happy to hear from community and residents groups as to how they would like to see their local parks and open spaces developed or improved over the short to medium to longer terms.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent

Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Order: Agreed. Report to Councillor.

j

Motion in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

"The North Central Area Committee recognises the prevalence of drug related debt intimidation across the local area. The North Central Area Committee welcomes access to the Family Support Network and a dedicated Garda inspector for support for those impacted by such intimidation. To increase awareness of these supports the North Central Area Committee calls for a) a local DCC media/social media/leaflet campaign and b) a letter be written to the Minister of State with responsibility for Public Health, Well Being and National Drugs Strategy, Frank Feighan TD, calling for the provision of a confidential helpline for people affected by drug related debt intimidation."

Reply

If the motion is agreed Dublin City Council will undertake the media/advertising campaign and write to the Minister of State with responsibility for Public Health, Well Being and National Drugs Strategy, Frank Feighan TD on behalf of the Area Committee.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Order: Agreed. The Manager will write to Minister Feighan TD regarding confidential phoneline.

Cllr Donna Cooney
Chairperson
Monday 15 February 2021

Attendance:

Members:

Dearbháil Butler
Donna Cooney
Tom Brabazon
John Lyons
Damian O'Farrell
Alison Gilliland

Members:

Daryl Barron
Terence Flanagan
Deirdre Heney
Micheál MacDonncha
Larry O'Toole

Members:

Patricia Roe
Racheal Batten
Jane Horgan-Jones
Naoise Ó Muirí
Declan Flanagan

Officers

Catherine Cahill
Coilin O'Reilly
Elaine Mulvenny
Edel Joyce
Brian Kavanagh

Fergus O'Carroll
Dara McLoughlin
Derek Farrell
Aisling Browne
Brendan Doggett

Sarah Brady
Deirdre Murphy
Connell McGlynn
Dymphna Farrell
Fergus O'Carroll

Sara Brady

Darach O'Connor

Matt Carroll

Apologies:

Non-Members:

Raymond Grady (Crowley Architects)
Tina Donaghy FOLD
Ger English FOLD
Paul Brady (Rahey Shamrock)
Michael Crimin (Raheny Shamrock)
Dick Hooper (Raheny Shamrock)
Jim Kelly (Raheny Shamrock)
Paul Keogh (PKA Architects)
Clare Gorman (PKA Architects)

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
15th February 2021

Q.1 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole

“To ask the Manager to have the plumbing problems in bathroom at **(details supplied)** inspected and the necessary repairs carried out ”

Reply:

Housing Maintenance have inspected this property. We are in the process of replacing the bathroom, in the interim we have carried out temporary repairs and the heating system is fully operational.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Frank d'Arcy**
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Q.2 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole

“ To ask the Manager to respond to housing application query as per **(details supplied)** and advise if they can be considered for a two bed apartment in the soon to be opened (probably third quarter of this year) Bunratty Road Phase 3 “.

Reply:

The above applicant is on the Housing List with an application date of 26/05/2009, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

Area	Bedsizes	Position
Area B	2	16

The applicant will be considered for offer when accommodation to meet her household need becomes available and according to her position on the list.

The applicant may apply for a medical priority which if successful may decrease her waiting time on the housing list. It is noted from the applicant's file that she was previously forwarded an application form in respect of applying for a medical priority, however, it was never returned by the applicant.

Dublin City Council allocates properties based on time on the list and currently there are applicants of longer standing who have to be considered as suitable vacancies arise. It is not possible to indicate accurately the prospect of an offer for any applicant. The number of vacancies arising will be a determining factor in the length of time applicants could expect to be on the waiting list.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Cathal Daly, Allocations Officer, Housing Allocations & Transfers**
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Q.3 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole

"To ask the Manager if DCC have any plans to upgrade the public facilities on Bull Island"

Reply:

The proposals for the fully accessible interpretive centre to replace the 1980s concrete structure that is no longer fit for purpose will be brought to this committee later this spring.

Certain repairs to be carried out on the recently upgraded bathing shelters on the bull wall will be scheduled in the coming months as weather and access improves.

Designs for a new suite of signage are currently being finalised will be rolled out across the entire island in the coming months as soon as local schedules and CoVID restrictions allow

The revised safer parking arrangements on the Bull Wall will continue to be installed incrementally to allow visitors to become accustomed to the arrangements.

New in-situ kerbing is to be trialled at the end of the causeway road to define the separation of the 'share with care' pedestrian/cyclist space from the carriageway as a replacement to the temporary plastic barriers.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.4 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

“To ask the Manager to look into ensuring that the Malahide Road, especially around the Mask estate is cleaned regularly.”

Reply:

Waste Management Services had the above section of the Malahide Road cleaned on the 2nd February 2021. We will ensure that this location is cleaned on a more regular basis.

Coilin O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services,**
Phone: **222 4240,**
Email: mick.boyle@dublincity.ie

Q.5 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

“To ask the Manager to look into cleaning the recycling bins in Whitehall carpark more regularly.”

Reply:

Waste Management Services clean the above mentioned location on a daily basis. We will certainly monitor the cleaning of this location to see what improvements can be made.

Coilin O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services,**
Phone: **222 4240,**
Email: mick.boyle@dublincity.ie

Q.6 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

“To ask the Manager to say when will the works on the MUGA at **(details supplied)** be completed?
Will the perimeter around the pitch be improved and enhanced?”

Reply:

The contractor is scheduled to return to carry out certain works on the facility including a tidy up of the compacted dust surface. The compacted quarry dust surface of the previous all weather training facility has developed an interesting native wildflower growth around the edges and particularly in the corners. The surface is to be retained as the residents wish to adopt these areas and enhance them as biodiversity sites.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.7 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

“To ask the Manager can the public lighting in a park at **(details supplied)** be improved in order to prevent ongoing problems of anti-social behaviour at night time?”

Reply:

There is existing public lighting the recognised commuter route across the middle of the park connecting the residential estates to the bus stops on the Malahide Road. As the park is officially closed after dark there are no proposals to introduce lighting elsewhere in the park. Anti-social behaviour is a matter for the Gardaí.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.8 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

“To ask the Manager can the trees and shrubs at **(details supplied)** be regularly maintained by Dublin City Council?”

Reply:

The area is maintained under contract and has recently been pruned back by the contractor. The shrubbery remains on the contract schedule and will receive an annual pruning when necessary.

Coilin O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.9 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

“To ask the Manager can a tree at **(details supplied)** be investigated by the parks department and the road maintenance section? The roots of the tree has uplifted the path and created a trip hazard. It has also cracked the cobble lock and moved the gate pillar of the adjacent house so that the gate of this house can’t close properly. Can this path be repaired?”

Reply:

Road Maintenance Services inspected the public footpath at this location. A repair has been scheduled. This will be completed when a works crew is next available in the area.

Contact: **Shane, Satell, Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services**
Phone: **222 2297**
Email: Shane.satell@dublincity.ie

The tree was inspected and found to be in an acceptable condition.

Contact: **Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Coilín O’Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Q.10 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole

“To ask the Manager to respond to the housing query of **(details supplied)** and say if this decision to refuse them to be accepted on to the housing list can be reviewed.”

Reply:

The above applicants submitted a housing application on 29/09/2020. Upon assessment of the application and in particular assessment of both applicant's income, based on the income details submitted by both applicants, they exceeded the income threshold of €36,750 applicable to two adults, their application was cancelled owing to the fact the applicants exceeded the income threshold.

In respect to having custody of three daughters, court documents submitted with the applicant's application, set out that the applicant has access to his children one full day per week and two evenings per week respectively. The court documents do not state the applicant has overnight access of the children, which is a requirement to have the children added to his application.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Cathal Daly, Allocations Officer, Housing Allocations & Transfers**
Tel: **2222639**
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Q.11 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole

“To ask the Manager can a reason be given as to why 'Bunratty Refurbishment Phase 3' is not included in the essential works under Covid?”

Reply:

In January the Government determined that only housing projects that were due for completion by February 28th 2021 were to be categorised as essential sites.
The Bunratty Road development had a programme completion date of May 27th 2021 (Pre COVID shutdown). It is anticipated that this will now be pushed out to Q3 2021.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Bernie Roe, Senior Executive Officer**
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Q.12 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

“To ask the Manager to provide an update on the drainage issues in Ellenfield Park.”

Reply:

There is a drainage issue to the southern end of the park where the existing drainage infrastructure is not able to cope with the higher levels of rainfall experienced in recent winters, It is intended to include this area in the summer pitch drainage programme.

Coilin O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.13 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

“To ask the Manager to prune the shrubbery at the entrance to the Cloisters on Grace Park Road, Dublin 9 as the shrubs on the right hand side are overgrown and dense and providing cover for anti-social behaviour on the lane at the rear of the shrubbery.”

Reply:

The locus was examined and very little evidence of anti-social behaviour was observed. A small amount of pruning was recommended at the substation however it is not possible to fully commit that this work can be carried out before the requirements of the wildlife act prevent such work to protect nesting birds on the 1st of March particularly given the revised work practices and restrictions to essential and emergency works only at this time due to the pandemic. If this work cannot be scheduled before March arrangements will be made to have the area pruned in September after the bird nesting season

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Director of Services
North City

Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.14 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

“To ask the Manager to inspect and repair the footpaths on The Thatch Road and Glencorp Road near the entrance of Margaret Aylward Community College”

Reply:

Road Maintenance Services has inspected this location. A repair will be scheduled when a works crew is next available in the area.

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Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Shane Satell, Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services**
Tel: **222 2297**
Email: shane.satell@dublincity.ie

Q.15 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon

“To ask the Manager to get the blue and white name road sign opposite **(details supplied)** repainted”

Reply:

Road Maintenance Services has inspected this location. A repair has been scheduled. This will be completed when a works crew is next available in the area.

Coilin O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Shane Satell, Executive Engineer
Tel: 222 2297
Email: shane.satell@dublincity.ie

Q.16 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon

“To ask the Manager to get the Double Yellow Lines opposite **(details supplied)** re-marked”

Reply:

The location will be listed for inspection and re-marking where necessary, will take place within 30 days of the NCAC meeting of 15/02/21.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Damien Cooney
 Traffic Officer

Tel: 086 815 1521

Email: damien.cooney@dublincity.ie

Q.17 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon

“To ask the Manager to get the briars growing out on to the footpath on Hole in the Wall Road where the new Laneway/Walkway has been opened at Parkside Estate close to the Depot at Fr Collins Park removed or cut back”

Reply:

Road Maintenance Services inspected the road between the Mayne River and The Hole in the Wall Road. No briars were identified during this inspection. A follow up inspection can be arranged if photos of the issues are provided.

Contact: **Shane Satell, Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services**
Tel: **222 2297**
Email: shane.satell@dublincity.ie

The briars are emanating from private property and it is a matter for the property owner to ensure that their vegetation does not interfere with the public footpath

Contact: **Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

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Director of Services
North City

Q.18 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon

“To ask the Manager regarding the illegal occupation of council owned lands at **(details supplied)** and in particular when vacant possession will be achieved?”

Reply:

Dublin City Council has instructed its Legal Department to investigate the legal options in relation to the illegal occupation of the above mentioned lands. This will run in conjunction with other Traveller Accommodation options currently being considered including the voluntary relocation of families to other areas, housing options under the current Scheme of Lettings and possible accommodation in any new builds in the area.

It is not possible to provide a date for vacant possession at this juncture. However, we will ensure that the member is kept updated with relevant information when available.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Mary Hayes – Executive Manager**
Ext: **2639**
Email: mary.hayes@dublincity.ie

Q.19 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon

“To ask the Manager to take action regarding the dogs at **(details supplied)** that are vicious and that have bitten an innocent passer by recently (reported to Coolock Gardaí).”

Reply:

The Dog Wardens have been asked to check with Coolock Garda Station to get details of the dogs in question so they can follow up. If there are any further details available i.e type of dogs, medical assistance needed, or medical reports from a doctor please email casualtrading@dublincity.ie and the wardens can act on the complaint.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Patricia Colfer , Administrative Officer**
Tel: **2226710**
Email: patricia.colfer@dublincity.ie

Q.20 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon

“To ask the Manager to install CCTV at Springdale Road on advice from An Garda Síochana that also takes in over the sensory Garden at that location.”

Reply:

This request will be discussed with key stakeholders & an assessment for suitability of CCTV installation will be considered.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Elaine Mulvenny, Local Area Manager, Donaghmede/Clontarf LEA
Tel: 222 8846
Email: elaine.mulvenny@dublincity.ie

Q.21 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon

“To ask the Manager to remove the Council equipment from the green area at the junction of the Harmonstown Road and the Springdale Road”

Reply:

Road Maintenance Services has a welfare hut located at the junction of Harmonstown Road and Springdale to facilitate works crews who operate in the locality. These crews carry out localised footpath repairs and pothole repairs.

Due to the covid restrictions, construction works have been suspended and as such there are additional barriers stored here which would usually be in place at repair sites. These barriers will be removed to our main depot.

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Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Shane Satell, Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services**
Tel: **222 2297**
Email: shane.satell@dublincity.ie

Q.22 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon

“To ask the Manager to urgently litter pick the walkway between Grange Abbey Drive and the Main Grange Road at the Railway End of the Estate.”

Reply:

Waste Management Services had this walkway cleaned on the 5th February 2021.

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Director of Services
North City

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services
Tel: 2224240
Email: mick.boyle@dublincity.ie

Q.23 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Manager to provide an update on the proposed Clonshaugh Sewage plant please.”

Reply:

Irish Water has a dedicated website for the “Greater Dublin Drainage Scheme” which relates directly to the Clonshaugh Sewerage plant. It contains information, updates, current status and contact details for the project. See links below.

<https://www.water.ie/projects-plans/greater-dublin/>

or

<http://www.greaterdublindrainage.com/>

These are the contact details from the site.

“Contact the GDD project team

- **Phone:** 1890 44 55 67 (9am-5.30pm Mon-Fri except bank holidays)
- **Email:** info@greaterdublindrainage.ie
- **Web:** www.greaterdublindrainage.ie ”

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Director of Services
North City

Q.24 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Manager to confirm if there have been any Covid 19 related deaths in Dublin City Council homeless facilities.”

Reply:

At the end of December, approximately 1,400 people accessing emergency accommodation or rough sleeping had been tested for Covid-19.

Unfortunately, there have been 3 COVID related deaths (In long-term supported accommodation) since the onset of the Pandemic in early 2020.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Mary Flynn A/ Director DRHE**
Tel: **222 6890**
Email: mary.flynn@dublincity.ie

Q.25 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Manager for an update on parking meters in the North Central area, how much is revenue down and how many enforcement tickets been issued in the last 12 months.”

Reply:

During 2020 DSPS carried out about 32,000 enforcements for illegally parked vehicles and Dublin City Council saw a 40% on average reduction in Parking Meter Income.

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Director of Services
North City

Contact: Dermot Stevenson, Parking Enforcement Officer
Phone: 2222017
Email: Dermot.stevenson@dublincity.ie

Q.26 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Manager to provide an update as to what DCC housing stock is in urgent need of insulation in the North Central area and can the manager identify the areas please.”

Reply:

To date in excess of 200 properties have been upgraded under Phase Two of The Energy Efficiency Retrofitting Programme in the North Central area including Artane, Whitehall, Donaghmede and Clontarf areas. All properties that are categorised under this phase of the programme are treated with the same priority.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Frank d'Arcy, Senior Executive Officer**
Tel: **222 3517**
Email: frankgdarcy@dublincity.ie

Q.27 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Manager to advise on how many roads are operating on a 30Kbh speed limit in the North Central area.”

Reply:

From March 2020, the installation of speed limit signage in most areas was suspended due to Covid-19 related actions. Currently, the installation of the new speed limit signage has been resumed in phases for all remaining areas and is expected to be fully in place by mid-2021. It is expecting that all residential roads in the North Central Area will be 30 km/h by July 2021.

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Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Rossana Camargo, Executive Engineer, Transportation. Road Safety. Policy, Strategy and Innovation Section**
Tel: **222 6453**
Email: rossana.camargo@dublincity.ie

Q.28 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Manager to update on North Central area front line DCC staff having vaccinations against Covid in the short term”

Reply:

Significant measures have been taken across the North Central Area Offices to keep staff safe while maintaining a full service to citizens. This includes investment in technology, pod working, working from home, investment in PPE and many other measures. No staff in the North Central Area have received vaccinations to date associated with the employment. Local Authority staff are not currently prioritised for vaccination due to their employment and as things stand will be vaccinated on a personal basis in line with the national Covid 19 vaccination plan.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Q.29 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Manager can a skateboard/BMX park be explored for Ellenfield park please, can the manager provide a background on same please”

Reply:

As Ellenfield Park contains 6 number full size and juvenile pitches, a playground, an all-weather pitch and 3 tennis courts there does not appear to be the space left to introduce a facility of this nature.

Following on from the success of the destination skate park on the South Side the Parks Service is actively seeking a suitable location of the north side where a corresponding facility could be located.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.30 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Manager to provide an update on New Priory and how many apartments are remaining to be sold”

Reply:

In Phase 2 of New Priory (blocks 8 – 20), the final 2 blocks (19 & 20) were handed over by the contractor to the City Council on the 16th December 2020. All residential units are now complete.

83 residential units were advertised for sale in Phase 2. To date, 23 have been sold, 43 are sale agreed and 17 are currently for sale.

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Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Dymphna Farrell, Senior Executive Officer**
Tel: **222 6114**
Email: dymphna.farrell@dublincity.ie

Q.31 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Manager to provide an update on DCC childcare facilities in the North Central area, are any of these facilities operating currently”

Reply:

Dublin City Council do not provide Childcare services within the North Central Area. The Development Department informs me that we lease two premises directly to Childcare Services. These are Kilbarrack Childcare Services on Swans Nest Road and Edenmore Daycare on Tonlegee Road.

At present Kilbarrack Childcare are closed due to level 5 (there is no demand at present by their clients who are working in essential services). Edenmore Daycare are operating for their clients who work in essential services. There are childcare services operating in other buildings that we lease with but they operate under a sub-lease and we would have no details on these.

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Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Derek Farrell, Local Area Manager, Artane/Whitehall LEA**
Tel: **222 8546**
Email: derek.farrell@dublincity.ie

Q.32 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the Manager to provide the background to any recent communication the council has had with Raheny Shamrock Athletic club”

Reply:

Raheny Shamrocks Athletics Club have made a request for an athletics track in St Annes Park and Dublin City Council has agreed to look at the feasibility of such a development with particular regard to the impact on existing playing fields and impact on the historical integrity of the park. A report will be brought for discussion to a NCAC meeting in due course.

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Director of Services
North City

Contact: Leslie Moore
Head of Parks, Biodiversity and Landscape Services
Culture, Recreation and Economic Services Department

Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.33 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler

“To ask the Manager to arrange for a road sweep on the Ardlea Road (from Artane Roundabout to Kilmore Road)”

Reply:

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned road swept on the 5th February 2021.

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Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services,**
Phone: **2224240,**
Email: mick.boyle@dublincity.ie

Q.34 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler

“To ask the Manager to put dog fine and bye laws signs in Rockfield Park, Artane”

Reply:

Arrangements have been made to put in place signage relating to dog fouling at Rockfield Park, Artane.

Contact: **Bernie Lillis, Litter Prevention Officer.**
Tel: **01 222 4243**
Email: bernie.lillis@dublincity.ie

The Parks Service will make contact regarding the nature and location of the required signage and make arrangements to have same erected as soon as schedules allow.

Contact: **Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

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North City

Q.35 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler

“To ask the Manager to inspect the laneway at the rear of the houses on Collins Park as per **(details supplied)** not closed off by gates. The path is irreparably damaged with a lot of growth coming through, making the surface uneven. Can the manager consider a clean up with a new concrete surface, which will allow residents to use this space in a positive way.”

Reply:

Road Maintenance Services has inspected this location. Full resurfacing is required at the laneway, with an estimated cost in the region of €50,000 to €60,000.

Resurfacing works are selected based on their location, their condition and the repair budget. At present repairs are prioritised for roadways and footpaths. Laneways are not a repair priority at present as there is a backlog of footpath and road repairs. Localised repairs and joint sealing was completed on the main road at Collins Park in the last number of years.

I have forwarded the photo of the weeds provided to the area office who may be able to carry out weed spraying at this location.

Contact: **Shane Satell, Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services**
Tel: **222 2297**
Email: shane.satell@dublincity.ie

Waste Management Services have had any litter cleaned from this lane.

Contact: **Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services**
Phone: **222 4240**
Email: mick.boyle@dublincity.ie

Laneways are not included in the weed spraying contract as the main thoroughfares and housing estates are priorities.

Contact: **Richie Cleary, Public Domain Enforcement Officer**
Phone: **222 8866**
Email: richard.cleary@dublincity.ie

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Director of Services
North City

Q.36 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler

“To ask the Manager for an update on when they expect the Community grant funds from 2019 to be paid as groups do not seem to have received the funds yet. Also, it was noted that new applications were not available in Oct 2020 for new community grants available to groups for 2021, can you advise if there will be additional opportunities for community groups to apply for funding?”

Reply:

Dublin City Council's Community Grant scheme is impacted by COVID19 public health restrictions since spring 2020. This necessitated a full review of all proposed activities, events and services originally assessed under the grant scheme by DCC's Community Development staff and management. This review concluded in late 2020 with payments being made city wide as early as possible thereafter. It is envisaged that all payments will have been made by end of February 2021. While the final details of DCC's Community Grant scheme for 2021 are not finalised, DCC has been to the fore in the provision of additional opportunities for community groups to apply for funding, most notably the Community Enhancement Programme (CEP) Round 1 and Round 2 and the COVID19 Emergency Response funding Round 1. The second round of the COVID-19 Emergency Fund provided by government via the Department of Rural and Community Development has allocated a total of €117,246 to Dublin City Council. I am happy to inform you that from 0900 Monday 1st February 2021 applications to this fund are now being welcomed by Dublin City Local Community Development Committee (LCDC). Applications can be made online from the following:
<https://www.dublincity.ie/residential/improving-my-community/local-community-development-committee-lcdc/dublin-city-covid-19-emergency-fund-2nd-round>

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Contact: **Dáithí Downey, Chief Officer, Dublin City Local and Community Development Committee (LCDC)**
Phone: **222 6803**
Email: Daithi.downey@dublincity.ie

Q.37 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler

“To ask the Manager to arrange for the area at the rear of the Rockfield Tennis Club Pavilion in Rockfield Park to be cleared of all the old unused metal.”

Reply:

As the area in question is a small works depot for the repair and painting of railings etc. the metal is not considered unused. The area will be reviewed and tidied in the coming weeks.

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North City

Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.38 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler

“To ask the Manager if he can provide an update on the request from the resident’s association on Grange Park Crescent, Raheny for 2 trees to be planted in the cul de sac. Can you advise if this is scheduled to happen.”

Reply:

The locus will be examined in the coming weeks for suitability for planting. However due to the current restrictions on work practices due to the pandemic requiring only essential and emergency works to be scheduled it is unlikely that these trees can be planted until the autumn.

Coilín O’Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.39 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler

“To ask the Manager for an update from the Road Maintenance Services on my question from September 21 if Roseglen Avenue will be considered in the 2021 major works program for footpath reconstruction and if they are still in favour of converting some of the concrete into grass? If they are being considered, can the manager give an estimate on when these works will be due to start?.”

Reply:

Road Maintenance Services has scheduled repair works at the flagged area at the entrance to the Cul De Sac near Roseglen Avenue. We will liaise with the parks section regarding replacing the concrete flag in part with grass. No date for these works has been set however it is our intention that these works are completed in 2021 as part of our works program.

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Director of Services
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Contact: **Shane Satell, Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services**
Tel: **222 2297**
Email: shane.satell@dublincity.ie

Q.40 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler

“To ask the Manager to review in addition to the damaged slabs on (**details supplied**), to also remove the old tarmac along the street verges and replace with grass.” See photos:

Reply:

Road Maintenance Services has scheduled repair works at the flagged area at the entrance to the Cul De Sac near 46. We will liaise with the parks section regarding replacing the concrete flag in part with grass. No date for these works has been set however it is our intention that these works are completed in 2021 as part of our works program.

Further works at this location will be considered for inclusion in the major works program in the coming year if there is additional funding available. Works are planned at Briarfield Road in 2021, which were delayed from 2020 due to delays in the works program caused by Covid 19.

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North City

Contact: Shane Satell, Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services
Tel: 222 2297
Email: shane.satell@dublincity.ie

Q.41 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler

“To ask the Manager to review the junction coming from Collins Park onto Celtic Park Road and consider adding a yield or stop sign. I have had reports of near misses of cars coming from Collins Park onto Celtic Park Road.”

Reply:

This request (Enquiry Ref: 7018908) will be referred to the Area Engineer for assessment and report to the Transport Advisory Group for their consideration.
The Councillor will then be informed of the final recommendations of the Transport Advisory Group.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Martina Halpin, Senior Staff Officer, Environment and Transportation
Department.**
Phone: **222 2528**
Email: martina.halpin@dublincity.ie

Q.42 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Manager if DCC has plans to upgrade park facilities on the Northside including playgrounds & exercise equipment and if he will make a statement on the matter.”

Reply:

There are plans to upgrade Edenmore Park over the next couple of years and improve facilities in consultation with local residents and clubs.

The planned upgrade to Fairview Playground is to commence in the coming weeks.

The playground at Darndale is to be upgraded in 2021.

It is also hoped to replace the failed exercise equipment in Fr. Collins Park and introduce some exercise equipment into Streamville park if budgets allow.

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Director of Services
North City

Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.43 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Manager to outline his priorities for the NCA for 2021 and if he will make a statement on the matter.”

Reply:

On an operational level the key focus is to continue to serve the citizens and Councillors of the North Central Area to the best of our ability with a focus on the following:

- Management of all elements of our Housing stock.
- Facilitate Housing Development both public and private.
- Deliver Community Development programmes and activities.
- Engage with all elements of the Public Domain to enhance it for all stakeholders.
- Coordinate all DCC activities in the NCA from various DCC Departments to ensure coordinated and prioritised delivery of service.
- Delivery of the Discretionary Budget programme of works.
- Begin the implementation of the Darndale Socio-economic and Community Plan
- Bring final updated and costed options for Clontarf Flood Defences to a full public engagement process.
- Deal with traffic/parking issues at Richmond Rd.
- Deal with parking issues at Vernon Ave.

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Director of Services
North City

Q.44 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Manager to provide a detailed update on the Malahide Road to Amiens Street cycletrack and if he will make a statement on the matter..”

Reply:

The Clontarf to City Centre Cycle and Bus Priority Project includes the area from Clontarf Road at the junction with Alfie Byrne Road, to Amiens Street at the Junction with Talbot Street. This project is currently out to tender for a works contractor. It is estimated that the tender process will be complete and a contractor appointed by May or June 2021, with works commencing in July or August 2021.

The project team is preparing for consultation in relation to the works. Information will be provided on the DCC website and businesses and residents affected by the works will be notified and consulted in relation to the programming of works and the details of the final design proposals.

Contact: **Fiona Craven, Senior Executive Engineer**
Email: Fiona.craven@dublincity.ie

The section of the route from Belmayne to Marino is part of the BusConnects CBC 1 Clongriffin to City Centre route. The Core Bus Corridor (CBC) commences at Clongriffin DART Station, and is routed via Clongriffin Main Street which will be extended to join the Malahide Road at a new junction opposite Mayne River Avenue to the north of Clare Hall Junction. The CBC is then routed via Malahide Road to the junction with Marino Mart/Fairview. From here the CBC ties into the Clontarf to City Centre Cycle Scheme currently proposed by Dublin City Council.

Along the Malahide Road from Mayne River Avenue to Brian Road/Malahide Road Junction segregated cycle tracks in both directions are to be provided. From Brian Road/Malahide Road Junction To Marino Mart it is proposed to provide an alternative cycle route using a Quiet Street Treatment running parallel to the Malahide Road along Brian Road, Carleton Road and Haverty Road. Cyclists will then re-join Marino Mart and connect with the Clontarf to City Centre Scheme. It is proposed to close Haverty Road for vehicular traffic at the St Aidan's Park end of the street. This proposal will also help to further reduce through-traffic on Brian Road, Carleton Road and Haverty Road.

A 3rd round of Public Consultation for CBC01 was completed in December. The NTA is currently finalising the scheme taking into account comments raised from the Public Consultation. It is currently planned that the scheme will be presented to An Bord Pleanála for scheme approval in Spring 2021.

For further information and updates on the Clongriffin to City Centre CBC, please visit www.busconnects.ie

Contact: **Maggie O'Donnell, Senior Transport Officer**
Email: Maggie.odonnell@dublincity.ie

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Director of Services
North City

Q.45 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Manager to provide an update on plans for a new bull island Interpretative centre and if he will make a statement on the matter.”

Reply:

Following feedback received and further meetings with stakeholders, the design proposals for the Discovery Centre as previously presented are being amended to reflect the common views and concerns that have been raised. These revised proposals (which will include a scaled back building) will be presented to the Area Committee in Spring 2021 as well as to other stakeholders, including the local community.

The emphasis and objectives of the Discovery Centre in providing a centre of excellence for education and awareness as part of the wider conservation and management of both Bull Island and the wider biosphere have not changed however. The Discovery Centre is planned as a replacement for the existing Interpretive and Education Centre, opened in 1986 and no longer fit for purpose.

Unlike the old building the new building would have access for people of all abilities and it would use passive energy technology. It would also be able to facilitate up to date interactive means of informing and educating people about the Nature Reserve and the Dublin Bay UNESCO Biosphere and wider global issues around climate change.

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Director of Services
North City

Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.46 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Manager to advise what impact Covid will have on the delivery of housing projects in the NCA for 2021 and following years.”

Reply:

The impact of site closures due to Covid 19 restrictions in 2020 has led to on average a loss of three months on delivery times for housing projects across all areas of the city.

It is not possible to determine what impact the 2021 restrictions will have on completion dates until we receive a date for the reopening of sites, at this point all building project delivery times will be re-evaluated.

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Contact: **Dymphna Farrell, SEO, Housing Development**
Tel: **222 6114**
Email: dymphna.farrell@dublincity.ie

Q.47 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Manager for an update & breakdown of the capital programme this year in NCA and if he will make a statement on the matter.”

Reply:

There are 3 Capital Cost Centres in the North Central Area

The delivery of projects is expected to be a bit slower than usual given restrictions in the early part of the first quarter of 2021 to date.

The combined total figure is €935,091.11

The breakdown is as follows

1. € 397,478.69
2. € 337,993.90
3. € 199,618.52

The works we intend to carry out going forward in 2021 are as follows

- Santry (Public Realm improvement)
- Glin Rd Sports centre (structural works)
- Clongriffin (Enterprise Hub)
- Kilmore (structural works)
- Road repairs throughout the North Central area

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Contact: **Elaine Mulvenny, Local Area Manager, Clontarf/Donaghmede LEA**
Tel: **222 8846**
Email: elaine.mulvenny@dublincity.ie

Q.48 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Manager to respond to the issues at Clarehall Roundabout as per **(details supplied)**”

Reply:

Waste Management Services had the Clarehall roundabout cleaned on the 5th February 2021. Belmayne is not in charge of Dublin City Council. This lady can email me regarding getting some bags for a community clean up and making arrangements to have the collected rubbish removed.

Contact: **Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services**
Phone: **222 4240**
Email: mick.boyle@dublincity.ie

The local area manager will schedule an on-site meeting with a representative group once all Covid restrictions have been lifted.

Contact: **Elaine Mulvenny, Local Area Manager, Clontarf/Donaghmede LEA**
Phone: **222 8846**
Email: elaine.mulvenny@dublincity.ie

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Director of Services
North City

Q.49 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Manager to respond to the attached correspondence **(details supplied)** regarding Bull Wall.”

Reply:

The decision to restrict parking and vehicular access to the beach was not taken unilaterally as suggested but on safety grounds but following advises from the Gardaí as emergency vehicles had difficulty attending incidents.

The areas to the east and west of the golf course entrance where boulders now restrict vehicular access are important habitats of the Statutory Nature Reserve for rare flora and ground nesting birds.

The boulders were moved in line with the shelter to prevent inappropriate parking on the important meadow habitat to the front of the Scout Den and in response to complaints that there were joy riders damaging this area after dark.

The 2nd line of boulders was moved to within 5m to prevent access and inappropriate parking at the marram grass habitat associated with the dunes to the east.

The parking to the east of the café and on the beach have not been affected by these changes.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.50 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Manager to outline how successful CCTV has been for the purposes of catching those engaged in illegal dumping in the nca over the years and currently and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply:

The use of CCTV in identifying offenders engaged in illegal dumping has been successful in locations where the use of a vehicle is involved in the commission of the offence as the alleged offender can be identified through the ownership of the vehicle used in the offence. Where offences are committed and where there is no vehicle involved the use of CCTV is largely ineffective as it is generally not possible to identify those engaged in illegal dumping. While the presence of CCTV may in the short term act as a deterrent to offences being committed it is not possible to pursue enforcement in this scenario.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Simon Brock, Administrative Officer, Waste Management Services**
Phone: **222 4237**
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Q.51 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Manager to develop a local area plan for Santry which is badly needed and demanded by local residents and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply:

The review of the City Development Plan is currently underway and following completion of the pre-draft public consultation process, the preparation of the Draft Plan for the City will be underway. In preparing the Draft Plan, the core strategy and the development framework for future growth will be addressed. Part of the implementation of the Plan will be, where appropriate, the identification of key regeneration and new development areas. These areas have a defined policy approach through the Strategic Development and Regeneration Areas (SDRA), and zoning as Z14- regeneration, as appropriate. Key principles and an indicative development and urban form approaches are detailed for each location. For some, due to the size, scale or complexity of the area; the proposed new development may be best responded to through the preparation of a Local Area Plan or designation of a Strategic Development Zone, and the Draft Plan shall identify such locations. Other locations may merit a local strategy or a non-statutory masterplan.

As part of drafting the new Development Plan, all areas of the City will be reviewed to assess the most appropriate policy response to accommodating future growth. Santry will be considered as part of this review.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Deirdre Scully. Deputy City Planner**
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Q.52 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole

“To ask the Manager that when swimming pools are reopened post COVID to ensure that public opening hours at Northside Swimming Pool are extended in the future.”

Reply:

All Dublin City Council swimming pools and sports and recreation centres are currently closed under level 5 Covid restrictions. It is likely that re-opening will be carried out on a phased basis depending on the level of restrictions in place and the rate the restrictions are reduced.

The level, the restrictions and the requirements to meet new operating procedures ie increased sanitising / pre booking / limited numbers allowed will all have an impact on service delivery and on resources. It will require additional resources both financial and staff to extend the current opening hours. This request to extend the opening hours to allow for additional public swimming can be reviewed in context of the above requirements.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Jim Beggan, Senior Executive Officer
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Q.53 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Manager if urgent attention can be paid coming out from Larkhill Road on the left side towards the Swords Road corner. The bike lane coming north along the Swords Road meets up and there is no clear road marking, whether on the path or the bike lane; cyclists seem to think they are in the lane but it is unclear who has the right of way. There has reportedly been a number of near misses here.”

Reply:

This request (Enquiry Ref: 7018952) will be referred to the Area Engineer for assessment and report to the Transport Advisory Group for their consideration.

The Councillor will then be informed of the final recommendations of the Transport Advisory Group.

Coilín O'Reilly

**Director of Services
North City**

**Contact: Martina Halpin, Senior Staff Officer, Environment and Transportation
Department.**
Phone: 222 2528
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Q.54 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Manager to address the issue of standing surface water on Clontarf Promenade which is effecting accessibility and is a health and safety risk.”

Reply:

The Surface Water & Flood Incident Management Division are assisting the Parks & Landscape Services Division in addressing the flooding issues on Clontarf Promenade. Inspections and cleaning of gullies & gully pits are being undertaken. Should any defects or problems with gullies be identified when they are cleaned they will be passed on to the Drainage Services Division to be repaired.

Contact: **Richard Sheehy, Senior Executive Engineer, Surface Water & Flood Incident Management Division**

Email: richard.sheehy@dublincity.ie

The matter is being addressed on an ongoing basis as best as can be achieved given the recent exceedingly heavy rains, soft soils and poor access. Any required repairs identified will have to be addressed during the summer months when the ground dries out allowing for better access.

Contact: **Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**

Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Coilín O’Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Q.55 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Manager to upgrade facilities on Bull Island in relation to things like shower and bathroom facilities, upgrading of shelters, steps and handrails and fixing the lighting at the Realt Na Mara statue”

Reply:

The bathrooms in the interpretative centre have been closed due to CoViD restriction however the toilets at the café are open.

A solar shower is available on the beach during the bathing season.

The bathing shelters were all recently upgraded and will be investigated and any necessary repairs scheduled.

The lighting at the realt na mara statue was in the control of Dublin Port but is currently being investigated by DCC to ascertain if it can be repaired, Initial investigations have indicated that the sea water has caused considerable corrosion to the infrastructure and it may be the case that a significant replacements will be required.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.56 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Manager can action be taken against owner/occupiers of **(details supplied)** where many overflowing bins and old furniture in the front garden of the premises are causing a health hazard”
Photo attached

Reply:

The litter warden has called to this property but was unable to get a reply. He will call again next week and inform the owner either verbally or written of their responsibility in keeping their garden and surrounding area clean.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Richard Cleary, Public Domain Enforcement Officer**
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Q.57 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Manager, if will agree to provide a surface of bark clippings, stronger grass seed or rubber grass mats along with grass seed on the area fronting the benches in Marino Park and Croydon Gardens, Marino, Dublin 3.

Because they are used so much, the grass in front of the benches is struggling and muck has taken over making the area become mucky and swampy as a result of the use by many park users.”

Reply:

The loci will be investigated and any workable solution scheduled later in the spring or early summer when ground conditions will allow for such works and it is hoped that CoViD restrictions might have eased by then to allow such non-essential works to be affected.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.58 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Manager, if will agree to reseed large patch of grass fronting ESB substation in Marino Park, needs reseeding; this very popular location to kick ball against wall; the substation is behind the railings, (near Marino Park & Marino Green road junction)... very mucky and slippery, same as the area has become very mucky”

Reply:

The locus will be inspected and if reseeding is required such work will be scheduled In late spring when risk of frost has passed to allow grass seed to germinate and establish.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.59 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Manager can he please refer to concerns of residents in relation to outstanding planning enforcement matters at Gracepark Wood and say what action is being taken to ensure enforcement notice is complied with.

A lack of progress made on the items to be addressed, as outlined in the planning enforcement order which DCC issued to Castlethorn commencing 17th September 2020, ending 18th February 2021). Copies attached.”

Reply:

An undertaking has been given to the Planning Enforcement Section by the developer that they intend to comply fully with the required actions as stated in the enforcement notice. The developer has indicated that they require more time as a result of the current required residential use of Gentili House by Child Vision. The developer has indicated that alternative accommodation arrangements have to be made for the children and that this is taking time as the accommodation must be suitable and in compliance with HSE and HIQA requirements. The demolition of Gentili house forms part of the approved planning permission for this development. The developer has indicated that they expect to have vacant possession of Gentili house by 31st May 2021 and that they will then proceed to demolish the building, realign the road and Junction and build the two remaining houses which have not been built due to the retention of Gentili House. The developer estimates a 6 month construction programme from the time of vacant possession of Gentili House for the completion of the works.

An extension of time application was lodged on the 8th of January 2021 for planning register reference 2991/15 and a decision is due on the 4th of March 2021. This matter will be reviewed again following the decision on the extension of time application.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **John Downey, A/Planning Enforcement Manager**
Tel: **222 3465**
Email: john.downey@dublincity.ie

Q.60 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Manager if he can please refer to my previous requests for the installation of a traffic calming measure such as

(a) a bollard or

(b) a mini roundabout

at **(details supplied)** as local residents feel that it's a very dangerous corner and it's only a matter of time before a vulnerable pedestrian is seriously injured”

Reply:

This request (Enquiry Ref: 7018953) will be referred to the Area Engineer for assessment and report to the Transport Advisory Group for their consideration.

The Councillor will then be informed of the final recommendations of the Transport Advisory Group.

Coilín O'Reilly

Director of Services

North City

**Contact: Martina Halpin, Senior Staff Officer, Environment and Transportation
Department.**

Phone: 222 2528

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Q.61 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Manager to refer to low wall at location as per **(details supplied)** which was destroyed with concrete overspray, muck and dirt following road maintenance work carried out by contractors on behalf of Dublin City Council and say when he can arrange to have the wall cleaned and painted as elderly resident is really upset about the matter and was promised on several occasions that the wall would be painted but to date, nothing has happened.

Reply:

Road Maintenance Services completed footpath repairs on Shelmartin Avenue in 2020 as part of our 2020 Major Works Program. These works were carried out by a third party contractor. Our works contractor confirmed-

He was in touch with this lady before the Christmas break and told her that he would be back in the new year to paint over the affected part of the wall, he also left her with his phone number if she needed to contact him. The matter is in hand but with the current cold weather forecast it would not be ideal weather for painting the wall. This will be carried out as soon as there is a lift in temperatures from the current forecast and the covid restrictions have been lifted.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Shane Satell, Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services
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Q.62 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Manager if he can please refer to trees at **(details supplied)** and agree to heavily prune same as these trees almost entirely block the terrace of houses the trees front, leaving residents in these homes devoid of sunshine/sunlight”

Reply:

The trees in question are located across the road behind the railings in the park. Pruning of these trees will make little difference to shade cast as even a full crown reduction would only reduce the height of the tree by a metre or so which would grow back within a season.

The **Dublin City Council Tree Strategy 2016-2020** adopted by the Full Council as policy in 2016 identifies pruning as weakening trees and opening potential sites for infection by disease and decay causing organisms and requires pruning work on trees to be carried out only when absolutely necessary.

Objective 3.7.5 - ‘Shading’ of the adopted tree policy states ‘*Tree works will not normally be carried out to address shading of direct sunlight*’.

Coilín O’Reilly

Director of Services

North City

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent

Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.63 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Manager if he can please refer to housing applicant as per **(details supplied)** whose application for priority housing was rejected with no reason provided. The applicant is living in a situation where alcohol is being abused (by a family member) and the applicant feels unsafe in the dwelling and if he can provide a reason as to why priority housing was refused”

Reply:

A priority is only recommended in cases where the social circumstances relating to the applicant's housing need are deemed to be of an extremely serious nature. In order to prioritise applicants with the most urgent need a designated staff member of the Social Work Section examines all of the written evidence made available by an applicant and considers whether the circumstances, as described, meets all of the following criteria:-

- the circumstances relating to where the applicant lives are extremely difficult and significantly more urgent in comparison with other housing and transfer applicants and
- The circumstances are proven to be exceptional e.g. not commonly experienced by others or experienced by others in the general area where the applicant lives and
- The applicant's difficulty can only be resolved by a change of housing and
- That change of housing cannot be, or could not have been, sourced by any other means and
- The issue cannot be catered for /addressed under any other Scheme or potentially improved by intervention from another appropriate agency.

The above's application, as described, was not deemed to be exceptional or significantly more urgent than other applicants under the Exceptional Social Grounds Scheme. She was advised of this in a letter dated 4/12/20.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Anne Helferty, Chief Housing Welfare Officer
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Q.64 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Manager if he can please refer to reply received to my question at Feb City Council meeting and say if he can arrange to have an official actually call to my constituent who is aged 80 years, and see at first hand the problem she is enduring in her property with flooding every time it rains and say if he can agree to carry out the necessary corrective resurfacing or whatever works are required to resolve the problem at **(details supplied)**” Photos attached.

Reply:

Thank you for providing the photos of the flooding at this location. Road Maintenance Services did complete an inspection during rain at this location. At the time of the inspection, the flooding was not apparent. A follow up inspection will be scheduled and a member of our staff will arrange to call to your constituent during this inspection.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Shane Satell**
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Q.65 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Manager if he can please have gullies cleared on Collins Ave East, just in front of Our Lady of Consolation Church, Donnycarney”

Reply:

Collins Avenue East is on the list of gully cleaning works for the week of 8th February 2021. Should any defects or problems with gullies be identified when they are cleaned they will be passed on to the *Drainage Services Division* to be repaired.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Richard Sheehy
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Q.66 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Manager if he can arrange to have area at Collins Avenue side of Whitehall Church carpark, as well as the area at the redundant bus stop close to the bottle bank cleaned, cleared of rubbish, and overgrowth of bushes etc”

Reply:

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned locations cleaned and cleared of rubbish on the 8th February 2021.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services**
Phone: **222 4240**
Email: mick.boyle@dublincity.ie

Q.67 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Manager to arrange for "NO ENTRY" road marking on **(a) details supplied**) and the Double Yellow Lines extended after **(b) details supplied**)”

Reply:

- a) The request for renewal of the “NO ENTRY” road marking (Enquiry Ref: 7018946) will be referred to the Traffic Officer for assessment and renewal as required.

Contact: **Martina Halpin, Senior Staff Officer, Environment and Transportation Department.**

Phone: **222 2528**

Email: martina.halpin@dublincity.ie

- b) The reason for the request for provision of double yellow lines at this location is not immediately obvious. Carnodagh Road is naturally traffic calmed with the provision of on street parking. The extension of double yellow lines at this location would likely increase the speed on this road to the detriment of road safety for all and are therefore not recommended at this time.

Contact: **Catalin Rosca, Area Engineer, Environment and Transportation Department.**

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Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Q.68 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Manager to arrange for a night time examination of the street lights on Holywell Avenue, Holywell Crescent and Carndonagh Road to ensure that are all in full working order”

Reply:

A night check will be carried out and any lights found not working will be attended to.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Karen Leeson, Executive Engineer, Public Lighting Services**
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Q.69 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Manager to arrange Newbury Woods to be placed on the local public realm, road and parks cleaning/pruning/maintenance rota”

Reply:

Waste Management Services will ensure that Newbury Woods is included in the street cleaning rota for this area.

Contact: **Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services**
Phone: **222 4240**
Email: mick.boyle@dublincity.ie

The shrubbery at Newbury Woods is covered by the landscape maintenance contract and was recently maintained by the contractor.

Contact: **Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Newbury Woods is not in charge by Road Maintenance Services. As such, Road Maintenance Services do not maintain the roads and footpaths at this location.

Contact: **Shane Satell, Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services**
Tel: **222 2297**
Email: shane.satell@dublincity.ie

Coilín O’Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Q.70 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Manager to arrange for the cleaning up of embedded rubbish in the following areas

- i) the boundary bushes around Whitehall Church carpark,
- ii) the boundary of the old coalyard on the Kilmore Rd
- iii) either side of the DID Electric/Circle K service station on the Malahide Rd between the Ardlea Rd and the Kilmore Rd junctions”

Reply:

Waste Management Services will have the above mentioned locations cleaned as requested.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services
Phone: 222 4240
Email: mick.boyle@dublincity.ie

Q.71 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Manager to arrange to arrange for the replacing of the litter bins at the bus stops on the boundary of the Whitehall Church carparks£”

Reply:

The public litter bins in this area will be inspected to assess whether they require repair or replacement and this will be completed where necessary.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Simon Brock, Administrative Officer, Waste Management Services**
Phone: **2224237**
Email: simon.brock@dublincity.ie

Q.72 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Manager to support the local residents association to enhance their local green by arranging for a dog poo bin to be provided for their green at Coolgreena Close and a survey of the green to be carried out and the landscape of the green to be drawn up on CAD”

Reply:

The Parks Service do not provide dog bins. The Parks Service does not have the capacity to carry out surveys and mapping of such greens in residential areas. However the Parks Service is always happy to support residents in their efforts to enhance their own areas and is more than happy to meet with residents about how they would like to see their local amenities developed or improved in the coming years.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.73 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Manager to provide an update on the removal of illegally dumped materials opposite Belcamp Gardens.”

Reply:

The current very soft ground conditions do not allow for access by the necessary plant and machinery to effectively remove the volumes of dumped materials here as this would destroy the green. It was hoped that the recent sub-zero temperatures might afford a window where access could be affected but the ground did not freeze sufficiently. The clearing of these illegally dumped materials will be scheduled later in the spring when ground conditions allow.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.74 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Manager to arrange for the inspection of the lamppost on the Malahide Rd in front of the Goblet pub on the corner of the Kilmore Rd to ascertain its safety” Photo attached.

Reply:

Having looked at this picture and our management system, this light is not maintained by our public lightening section. It appears to be a private light. Our light here is the tall silver pole in the picture just behind the pole in question.

Contact: **Karen Leeson, Executive Engineer, Public Lightening & Electrical Services Division**
Phone: **222 4539**
Email karen.leeson@dublincity.ie

The Area office requested an Inspector from Dangerous Building to call to this area & they contacted the owner of the Goblet pub & explained DCC concerns regarding this light. They have agreed to get this light fixed or removed until such a time as it can be replaced properly.

Contact: **Elaine Mulvenny, Assistant Area Manager, Donaghmede/Clontarf LEA**
Phone: **222 8846**
Email: elaine.mulvenny@dublincity.ie

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Q.75 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons

“To ask the Manager to address the difficulties faced by elderly people and those with restricted mobility trying to access the pedestrian gate to the primary care centre on Cromcastle Road by significantly reducing the height of the curb at the relevant location”

Reply:

Road Maintenance Services will examine this location with a view to assessing it's suitability for the installation of a pedestrian crossing.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Shane Satell, Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services**
Phone: **222 2297**
Email: shane.satell@dublincity.ie

Q.76 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O Farrell

“To ask the Manager to organise the marking of the parking spaces at the Tennis Courts car park in St Anne’s with a view to maximising the number of cars that can be accommodated at that location please”

Reply:

It is intended that the car park will be completed and entrance gates erected when the construction works on the proposed tennis bowling pavilion are completed. As is no doubt appreciated sections of the car park will be required for access and materials and plant during construction.

Coilin O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.77 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O Farrell

“To ask the Manager to look at ways of promoting sustainable transport please – walking, cycling and public transport options – for those wishing to visit St Anne’s Park and also look at improving the information, including on-line sources, and signage on car parking at St Anne’s for those who do use their private car with a view to easing the over concentration of parking at the Red Stables? Such measures could include signage indicating walking distance to various car parks e.g.sign at the playground with direction arrow to James Larkin Road, Tennis Courts and Red Stables car parks with the respective distance on each.”

Reply:

The North Central area office will contact the Covid mobility team regarding further roll out in the Geographical area concerned and how it might incorporate St Annes Park.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Elaine Mulvenny, Local Area Manager, Clontarf/Donaghmede LEA
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Q.78 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O Farrell

“To ask the Manager to report on the following please, at the last Area Meeting there was a comment made that the Brent geese don’t eat the grass that is on the land behind the red stables - proposed overflow car park area. Can the manager confirm that it **is not** DCC policy to plant grass in St Anne’s that is not suitable for feeding geese and will the manager also agree to undertake a study/re-examine the issue of whether or not the geese feed in that location, numerous photographs of the geese feeding in that area are available, and provide a report to the Area Committee in due course.”

Reply:

vegetation in the vicinity of the site of the proposed overflow carpark. This was considered interesting if somewhat anomalous in the area. This is not the favoured feeding vegetation of the Brent Geese. DCC did not sow this grass at this location as simply seeding such grass in the incorrect soil would not be successful rather it is considered that a significant quantity of soil must have been imported to sustain such a floral community. This was possibly done to level this area when it was used as a hockey pitch in the last century.

This area is not a major feeding site for Brent geese and none were observed during a number of visits and investigations over the winter of 2019-20. Given the proximity of the site to the roost at Bull Island it may be used by the geese as a staging area or refuge if disturbed and certainly further examination is warranted.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.79 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O Farrell

“To ask the Manager to please consider requesting access to the St. Paul’s lands for the duration of the lockdown, given the huge increase in footfall at St. Anne’s? It would be a perfect location for runners who want to run laps and that would take a lot of pressure off the rest of the park.”

Reply:

This matter will be examined by the Local Area Manager & the Councillor will be provided with an update.

Coilin O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Elaine Mulvenny, Assistant Area Manager, Clontarf/Donaghmede LEA
Tel: 222 8846
Email: elaine.mulvenny@dublincity.ie

Q.80 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O Farrell

“To ask the Manager to provide stats on the usage of St Anne’s Park please e.g. numbers of people visiting, average duration of visit, reason for visit e.g. playground, dog walking, exercise etc. mode of transport, the numbers of cars in the car parks, etc and whether there has been any change in this data over the last 12 months.”

Reply:

The Parks Service do not collect such statistics so cannot comment on any changes in the last 12 months.

Coilín O’Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Fergus O’Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.81 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O Farrell

“To ask the Manager to indicate when the damage to the Tram Shelter on the Clontarf Road, originally reported last November, will be repaired please .”

Reply:

The damage to the Tram Shelter has been an ongoing issue for a number of months now. All graffiti has been removed and a contractor has been requested to carry out works in conjunction with restoration at the location expected completion week of 15th February.

Contact: Elaine Mulvenny, Local Area Manager, Clontarf/Donaghmede LEA
Tel: 222 8846
Email: elaine.mulvenny@dublincity.ie

The Sustainable Mobility Project Section will arrange for the damages on the tram shelter to be repaired.

Contact: Perry Chitombo A/Senior Executive Engineer
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Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Q.82 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O Farrell

“To ask the Manager to report on what’s supports will DCC be providing to the Dublin Bay Bee Corridor initiative please”

Reply:

The Parks department is committed to providing habitat and planting for pollinating insects as part of our commitment to the City Biodiversity Action Plan and the All-Ireland Pollinator Plan, of which Dublin City Council is a Local Authority Partner. Our biodiversity officer is currently liaising with groups on the north side and south side of Dublin in relation to creating bee corridors and our local districts also support community groups. As there are a couple of projects in Dublin that are using the title of bee corridor, we would require clarification on the location or group of this specific project in order to answer this question in full.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.83 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O Farrell

“To ask the Manager to report on the following please? What measures are DCC intending to introduce to protect the nesting birds on Bull Island for this year’s nesting season? Is there a role for Birdwatch Ireland and local community groups in helping to spread the word about protecting this important habitat at this sensitive nesting time. There were signs in place last year but these were frequently ignored by walkers including some with dogs off leash”

Reply:

DCC Parks, Biodiversity and Landscape Services successfully applied in 2020 for funding under the National Biodiversity Action Plan to conduct the first comprehensive survey of ground-nesting birds at North Bull Island. This followed on from an initial pilot that Birdwatch conducted last year during late spring and early summer, which examined potential nesting sites for ground-nesting birds. Birdwatch Ireland will conduct a full survey of the breeding birds on North Bull Island starting this April. This will provide a baseline on the specific areas of nesting and the types of species and populations that are breeding on the North Bull Island Nature Reserve. The proposed North Bull Island Management Plan, which is in progress, will be informed by this baseline data to identify areas which are most sensitive and where greater controls may be necessary. Measures for awareness raising will be included in the Management Plan and will include as many channels as possible, including Birdwatch Ireland, local groups and via DCC media platforms. We will also schedule an awareness campaign via DCC social media outlets. DCC Parks, Biodiversity and Landscape Services and Economic and Enterprise Development jointly carried out survey of the public in December 2020 on biodiversity as part of the Dublin City Biodiversity Action Plan review process. The responses from this will inform future communications on biodiversity.

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Q.84 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O Farrell

“To ask the Manager to please provide an update on the provision of big belly bins at locations along the Clontarf Promenade”

Reply:

There have been delays in the supply of these units due to the effects of the pandemic. 10 units were recently installed in the North City area including one unit at Clontarf. The promenade at the pedestrian walkway is largely unsuitable for the installation of these units due to the risk to the electronic and mechanical parts of the equipment from flooding. A number of locations are being considered along the outer footpath as well as increasing the number of standard bins provided along the promenade walkway. Temporary bins will remain in place as an interim measure until such time as this is completed. Waste Management Services are carrying out audits of the supply of bins in the local electoral areas to ensure that there is an adequate supply of bins provided in proximity to all litter generators and an adequate number provided to provide the capacity required.

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Q.85 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O Farrell

“To ask the Manager to consider replacing the grassed area at the Tram Shelter with a wildflower lawn please”

Reply:

This site would not be a suitable for the wildflower schemes implemented elsewhere in the area as this is right on the coast with a significant maritime salt influence and there is considerable footfall in the vicinity, which might prevent establishment. Inquiries into establishing such schemes elsewhere on the prom have suggested that there are solutions with a mixed perennial plantings, wildflower and bub planting but are significantly more expensive which could be affected next autumn subject to the identification of an appropriate budget.

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Q.86 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O Farrell

“To ask the Manager to provide details of all the major projects undertaken by the Area Office with discretionary funding. The three most recent discretionary funding allocation periods along with individual cost of projects and locations will suffice please”

Reply:

The detailed breakdown of spend on Discretionary Fund 2020 has now been circulated by way of report for this month's Area Committee meeting.

While this year it has not been possible to provide an accompanying visual record of works and in particular works on large scale projects the overall summary of larger projects undertaken in 3 consecutive years is as follows:

Year 2020

- Improvement works to Stardust Park €40 k
- Security safety treatment at Edenmore Park (installation of perimeter railing) €35k
- Improvement enhancement works to Rockfield park €60k
- Senior Citizen complexes investment € 80 k Works + landscaping
- Infrastructural - Road works /Repairs to be carried out in 2021 €94 k
- Graffiti removal €52 k
- Kilmore public realm €50 k (€20 k spent out of '20) €30k to be spent in 2021

Year 2019

- Asphalt path Streamville The Beeches Donaghmede €32 k
- Glin Road €105 k
- Graffiti and planters throughout NCA € 83 k
- Lift Monica's GAA €30 k
- Minibus St Anthony's house €30 k contribution
- Marino pathworks €140 k
- Ardmore Drive Parks €65 k
- Signage & Installation Public Domain €33k
- Contract work St Berach's environs /Kilbarrack €35 K

Year 2018

- Outdoor fitness equipment Clontarf Promenade €25 k
- Road repairs at Elmount & Millwood €65 k
- Not so Different Hub IT equipment Special Needs Group €50 k
- ABRFC Toilets refurb bathrooms €40 k
- Asphalt path at May Park €35 k
- Fit out of Unit 11 Clongriffin community use €24 k
- CCTV at Cromcastle €32 k
- Bathrooms at Donnycarney Social Service Centre €37 k
- Carraigeway in Casino €121k
- Greening Edenmore Crescent € 73
- Casino Park Roadworks path €70 k

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Q.87 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons

“To ask the Manager for a report on the number of buildings in the north central area used by DCC/DRHE as temporary emergency accommodation over the last five years; the address, ownership and status of each building; the number of complaints received and how they were dealt with each year; the number of inspections conducted in each year and their outcomes; the amount of monies spent annually using each building as temporary emergency accommodation.”

Reply:

There are four properties located in the north central area used by DCC/DRHE as temporary emergency accommodation. There are two Private Emergency operated services and two Services operated by Non- Governmental Organisations.

The two Private Emergency operated services and one of the Non- Governmental Organisation operations are located in the Clontarf Area and the other Non- Governmental Organisation operation is located in Coolock. One other property was used by families on a self-accommodation basis and this use ceased in quarter 4 of 2020

The table below outlines the particulars requested;

Ownership	Location & Staus	No. of Inspections (2016-2021)	No. of Complaints (2016-2021)	Outcomes (2016-2021)	Total costs 2016-2020
Mathew & Maureen Hedigan (Jan 2016-May 2019 €1,186,063.14) Edenbrone Ltd.(Jun 2019 – Dec 2020 €888,107.50)	Clontarf - PEA	3	3	Resolved	€2,074,170.64
Indi-Go Catering Ltd	Clontarf - HUB	3	8	Resolved	€4,143,299.03
Propmaster Ventures Ltd.	Coolock - HUB	1	0	Resolved	€2,141,085.96
DCC	Clontarf - HUB	0	0	Resolved	€1,030,332.90

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Q.88 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons

“To ask the Manager for an update on plans to develop the decommissioned underpass site between Cromcastle Road, Kilmore Road and Oscar Traynor Road and can he confirm that existence of a second decommissioned underpass further along the Oscar Traynor Road.”

Reply:

The Housing and Community Services Department has had preliminary discussions with the Land Development Agency with regards the possibility of delivering a cost rental project on the lands at the corner of Kilmore Road and Oscar Traynor Road. A feasibility study is being prepared and a meeting with the local area committee will be scheduled shortly.

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Q.89 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Manager if the Parks Division will examine the problematic tree at **(details supplied)**? This tree has caused the owner property to be damaged because roots growing underneath the path.”

Reply:

The tree was inspected and other than damage to the verge due to parking no other damage was observed.

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Contact: **Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**
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Q.90 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Manager to examine the parking measures on Dollymount strand to ensure sufficient Disabled Park and examine possibility of an allocation of age friendly Car parking slots at the top of the road to allow easier access to the beach”

Reply:

Disabled car parking is available near the beach on both the causeway and the Bull Wall. It is not clear what is meant by age friendly car parking or how it might be enforced. Parking is still available on the beach at the end of the Bull Wall.

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Q.91 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Manager if the Drainage Division will examine and fix the problems at **(details supplied)**? As there is a consist flooding and blockage outside 36.”

Reply:

This location is on the list of gully cleaning works for the week of 8th February 2021. Should any defects or problems with gullies be identified when they are cleaned they will be passed on to the *Drainage Services Division* to be repaired.

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Q.92 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Manager if the Public Domain Team could examine the use of the Dog bins on Briarfield Villas, that would reduce the dog bags been left on road and railings.”

Reply:

Waste Management Services no longer provide dog foul specific bins. We will certainly monitor litter and dog litter levels at this location to see if there is significant litter generators there. We generally are not in favour of installing litter bins in residential areas.

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Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services
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Q.93 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Manager if a replacement light on **(details supplied)** be replaced and examine the possibility of an upgrade to LED lights in the Area?”

Reply:

Further information is required from the councillor to properly assess this request.

There are two lights in the vicinity of this house. The pole number of the light the councillor is referring to and why the councillor is looking for the light to be replaced is required.

With regards to upgrading the lights in the area to LED, the lighting on Grangemore Crescent will be upgraded to LED under a future LED upgrade programme, subject to available finances.

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Q.94 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Manager if a leak outside on the path and road can be examined and the path fixed with proper cement?”

Reply:

Road Maintenance Services has inspected this location. A repair has been scheduled. This will be completed when a works crew is next available in the area.

Concrete footpath repairs are completed by either grinding down any uneven joints or cracks in concrete bays or if the height difference between adjacent bays is too large, full footpath reconstruction is carried out. Due to the nature of the footpath at this location, a grinder repair may suffice.

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Contact: Shane Satell, Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services
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Q.95 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Manager if a Road repair on **(details supplied)** will be fixed and to ensure no vehicle or bike goes down into pot hole.”

Reply:

Road Maintenance Services has inspected this location. A repair has been scheduled in the coming days.

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Contact: **Shane Satell, Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services**
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Q.96 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Manager if the Parks Dept will remove Crab apple tree outside **(details supplied)** as they are causing problem local for residents in the locality.”

Reply:

The trees will be inspected in the coming weeks and any necessary works scheduled as part of the tree care programme for the area 2021-22.

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Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
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Q.97 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Manager if a schedule of works for road sweeping and the team cleaning the roads in the locality be sent to myself for the Donaghmede LEA”

Reply:

Waste Management Services are in the process of providing a cleaning schedule for all areas which will be accessed via the DCC website. This will inform the public of when their area will be cleaned. We expect to have this completed in the coming months.

In the Donaghmede LEA, main thoroughfares and shop fronts are cleaned daily. Residential areas are monitored by local management teams on a weekly basis and they deploy resources to where they are most needed at any given time to ensure a high standard of cleanliness is maintained. They are cleaned at a minimum of every eight weeks. In addition we remove dumped rubbish from this area when necessary to do so.

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Q.98 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons

“To ask the Manager for an update on my request to have a traffic survey conducted along Lorcan Road and Shanrath Road to establish the severity of the rat run along this route”

Reply:

A preliminary speed/count survey was carried on 16th – 17th Dec 2020 (07:00 - 07:00) on Lorcan Drive. The results of this survey show that a total of 381 vehicles passed by the survey location, at an 85th percentile speed of 21 km/hr. These results initially indicate that this road is not currently experiencing excessive levels of speed and cut-through traffic volumes. However, additional traffic survey(s) will be carried out on Lorcan Drive (between Lorcan Road and Shanvarna Road) following the lifting of Covid-19 level 5 travel restrictions. The results of these surveys will inform if additional traffic calming measures are required to alleviate any transport issues in this neighbourhood.

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Q.99 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O Muiri

“To ask the Manager to please organise for assessment of a filter light at the Griffith Avenue/Grace Park Road junction as highlighted in **(details supplied)**.”

Reply:

Dublin City Council are currently in the process of installing a protected cycle track in both directions along Griffith Avenue from Ballygall to the Malahide Road.

As part of this project the traffic signalling at many junctions is being upgraded to better serve cyclists and pedestrians.

The junction in question, Griffith Ave/Grace Park Road, will be upgraded as part of this project with the addition of cycle signals and cycle detection. The addition of a right turn filter from Griffith Ave to Grace Park Road is being assessed as part of this upgrade process.

If you have any further queries on this matter please don't hesitate to revert to me.

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Q.100 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O Muiri

“To ask the Manager to please expedite the request for dishing outside (details supplied 1) as highlighted in (details supplied 2).”

Reply:

Road Maintenance Services received a request to install a vehicular entrance at this location. If a tree is within 2.5m of a proposed new vehicular entrance, the applicant must contact the parks section to agree what measures are required with regard to the tree.

Parks and Landscape Services should be contacted at parks@dublincity.ie to arrange an inspection.

Contact: Shane Satell, Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services
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This is a large mature amenity tree. The installation of a driveway here has the potential to cause significant damage to this important tree. Similarly driving across the verge to the point where it is cut up and muddy can also negatively impact on the health and safety of this publicly owned tree.

The planning permission requires a tree bond and tree protection details to be lodged with the Council in advance of any works. The resident should make contact with the Tree Officer in the Parks Division in regard of these conditions to progress matters.

Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
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Q.101 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O Muiri

“To ask the Manager to provide a report/update on the correspondence as per **(details supplied)**.”

Reply:

The Litter warden operating in the North Central Area will be requested to investigate the overloading of household waste bins in this area with a view to informing householders that they can be fined for presenting bins in a manner that creates litter and following up with repeat inspections to ensure that the issue is resolved and to carry out enforcement action where it is not improved.

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