



MINUTES OF THE NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD ON MONDAY 15 MARCH 2021

1 **Minutes of North Central Area Committee meeting held on Monday 15th February, 2021**

Order: Agreed.

2 **Questions to the Area Manager**

Order: Noted.

3 **Area Matters**

a **Cycling Infrastructure Plan**

Order: Verbal update on Cycle Infrastructure plan including updated Maps. Further meeting for consultation with Councillors to be arranged once project teams are established closer to the end of Q3 / Q4 with more comprehensive maps and updated drawings to include Bus Connects routes.

b **Proposal for Dublin City Council Special Speed Limit Bye Laws, March 2021 (Loving 30) North Central Area.**

Order: The Manager suggested that the NCA make their submissions in writing by Monday 22nd March and a briefing will be organised with Councillors later next week.

c **NCA - Climate Plan Report**

Order: Presentation noted.

d **Update Sculpture Dublin Report March 2021**

Order: Noted.

e **Belcamp (Site B): Re Part 8 status update to North Central Area Committee**

Order: Proposed by Cllr. Larry O'Toole seconded by Cllr John Lyons.

f **Proposal to initiate the procedure for the extinguishment of the public right of way over the laneway located at 17-32 Castilla Park, Clontarf, Dublin 3**

Order: Agreed.

g **Naming & Numbering Proposal for a new student accommodation**

development on the site of 116, 118, 120 Drumcondra Road Upper, Drumcondra, Dublin 9 - 1-101 Drishoge House, Drumcondra Road Upper, Drumcondra, Dublin 9

Order: Agreed. Refer to City Council.

h Disposals at New Priory

Order: Agreed. Refer to City Council. The Manager to send written update to Councillors on current position at New Priory.

i Housing Supply Report

Order: Noted.

The Manager to follow up

Written update to NCA on Rapid Build Woodville/Cromcastle Court.

Possibility of recommencement of work on Bunratty Road to be raised with the Department.

Manager to make enquiry regarding people on DCC Hap list transferring to Fingal County Council.

j Sports and Wellbeing Partnership Report

Order: Noted.

Cllr. Heney requested the Manager to follow up with the Boxing Officer Noel Bourke on how he is targeting youngsters to register with you tube.

4 Roads and Streets Matters

a Minutes of TAG report

Order: TAG team to attend the next meeting.

5 Items for following meeting

Richmond Road Update – Cllr Ó Muirí

Report on Propagation of Trees in the NCA Public Domain – Cllr. Brabazon

Tree Pruning / Grass Cutting Contract – Cllr. Heney

Update on Clongriffin Town Centre

Update on delays to our Housing Projects re Covid - Cllr. Declan Flanagan

6 Motions

a Motion in the name of Patricia Roe

That this committee agree that there is a need for more public toilets to be provided in our area, particularly in parks and areas where people recreate.

Firstly, in the short term, could 'Portaloos' be provided in our public parks where there are no public facilities available, in particular Albert College Park.

Secondly, can we look at installing public toilets on a more permanent basis in the above areas. Perhaps single 'automated public convenience' type could be used where appropriate, and as an example for multiple cubicle plus baby changing area, could I refer to public toilet installed at Duncannon beach, Co Wexford.

I note that the only budget allocated in the CE's capital fund, for the coming year, for public toilets are at tea rooms in Merrion Square and Fairview Park tea rooms.

Installation of public toilets at appropriate public areas should be a recommendation in our new city development plan.

Reply

While public toilets would be a welcome addition to the offering in most parks their location, design and maintenance requirements must be given serious consideration. Unless such public toilets are suitably located and adequately serviced they can quite quickly become havens for anti-social behavior and vandalism. The Parks Service has experience of such toilets in the past that were unavailable to the public more often than not due to vandalism and damage.

Portaloos would not be considered as an appropriate interim solution within a public park as their light-weight plastic construction makes them vulnerable to being tipped over or otherwise damaged and to firesetting. Such temporary toilets are only really suitable at events or at works sites where they are located behind locked gates.

There are longer term proposals to develop and conserve the historic buildings and courtyard in Albert College Park which will include tea-rooms and public toilets which will depend of the future allocation of appropriate capital funding.

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.

b Motion in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

That the Manager refer to the narrow cycle track along the promenade on Clontarf Road and give a detailed overview of planned improvement works that are planned to be carried out to make the cycle track safe for cyclists and pedestrians who traverse each other along the route

Reply

Upgrades to the cycleway are a key part of the Promenade and Flood Alleviation scheme, which is at pre-feasibility stage. It is hoped that an outline design will be brought through a public engagement exercise before year end.

The element of the cycleway adjacent to Alfie Byrne Road is part of the Clontarf to City Centre cycleway, which is at a more advanced stage with designs already being discussed through the Consultative Committee.

It is not planned to undertake significant capital works to the cycleway at this time but if the Councillor is aware of immediate safety issues the Area Office will be more than happy to follow up on these specific issues.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Gerard O'Connell, Senior Engineer, Flood Projects and Water Framework Division.
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Order: Agreed. Report to Councillor.

- c **Motion in the name of Councillor Naoise Ó Muirí**
That full wheelchair access to Dollymount Strand be provided by 1st June 2021.

Reply

The Council is committed to improving access to the beach for wheelchair users even if full wheelchair access is unlikely. Beach-wheelchairs are available during the bathing season that are suitable for both the beach and use in the shallows and surf. However these do not suit all wheelchair users.

The soft wind-blown and tide-borne sands that accumulate at the toe of fore dunes and particularly at the ends of the beach access roads pose particular access difficulties for wheelchair users. The matter has been raised at the oversight forum and various technologies that would provide a suitable surface over these sands are currently being explored. Sand ladders and sand matting provide a usable surface for wheelchair users but have maintenance requirements and need to rise and fall with the accumulated sands and re-lain after particularly high tides and storm events. The possibility of partnering with one of the volunteer groups on Bull Island in this regard is also being explored.

The matter will be further investigated and will be discussed at the next meeting of the oversight forum.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Order: Motion proposed by Cllr. Naoise Ó' Muirí and seconded by Cllr Damian O'Farrell and Cllr. Deirdre Heney.

- d **Motion in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney**
Further to my motion on the lack of footpaths and damaged inadequate footpaths in the Killester Area particularly for active transport to St Bridget's GNS, Holy Faith Killester and the Dart Station, could the councillor be updated on works scheduled as they are needed urgently, also on signage for 30km speed limits around the school and residential roads as speeding is an issue, the school has applied for a school zone and I'm hopeful that a walkability audit will be undertaken"

Reply

Regarding the installation of 30 km/h at the residential roads, since March 2020, the installation of speed limit signage in most residential 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.

Contact: Rossana Camargo, Executive Engineer, Transportation.
Road Safety. Policy, Strategy and Innovation Section
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Road Maintenance Services has localized carriageway repairs scheduled for 2021 as part of our Major Works Program. There are currently no other major works scheduled for the Killester Area at present.

Contact: Shane Satell, Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services.
Tel: 2222297.
Email: shane.satell@dublincity.ie

A site visit has been arranged with the Principal of St Bridget's Girls National School on 23rd March to assess the current situation at the school gate. We have also contacted the Principal of Holy Faith Secondary School to establish if their student travel modes impact St Bridget's GNS.

Contact: Antonia Martin, Communication & Promotion officer, Covid Mobility Measures
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Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Order: Agreed. Report to Councillor. Manager to follow up.

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

Could the leave no trace signage and new style bins promised for the Clontarf promenade be implemented ASAP to reduce littering and costs financial and environmental with extensive littering especially at weekends"

Reply:

The Litter Prevention Officer has discussed this issue directly with the Councillor and is in the process of arranging signage through Leave no Trace Ireland and will provide a full report when more information is available.

A number of locations are being considered along the outer footpath at Clontarf as well as increasing the number of standard bins provided along the promenade walkway. Temporary bins currently in situ will remain in place as an interim measure until such time as this is completed. New covers/lids for the temporary bins have been ordered and are due for delivery shortly. These will restrict access to the bins reducing the opportunity for waste to be removed and avoid litter overflowing from the bins. The opening in the existing standard litter bins on the promenade cannot be adjusted.

Waste Management Services are carrying out audits of the supply of bins in various areas of the city and in 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. There are a significant number of replacement and new installations to be completed.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Simon Brock, Administrative Officer, Waste Management Services

Tel: 222 4237
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Order: Agreed. Refer to City Council.

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

Could we adopt a policy of proactively helping residential groups that wish to plant wildflower meadows, patches and pollinators in their communities, put out a call for groups to express an interest and have a webinar to educate on best methods and supply seeds and bulbs to organised and informed groups”

Reply

The Parks Service is currently dealing with over 30 residential and environmental groups in the North Central area that have requested wildflower seeds directly from the Parks Service or through the area office of elected representatives. An information leaflet is being developed and will be sent out to these groups with seeds in the coming weeks to be sown early next month.

While wildflower seeds provide a splash of colour and a valuable succession of flowers for pollinators during the summer months these areas can look untidy during the autumn and winter and are not to everyone's taste. Also careful consideration has to be given to what is being removed to allow for the sowings. For these reasons there is not really a one-size fits all solution and the location of the sowing and the buy-in of nearby residents is of the utmost importance for the success of the intervention.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Order: The Manager suggested that Fergus O'Carroll's leaflet be distributed through Community Groups and that the groups he is working with be identified.

Cllr Donna Cooney
Chairperson
Monday 15 March 2021

Attendance:

Members:

Daryl Barron
Catherine Stocker
Tom Brabazon
Micheál MacDonncha
Larry O'Toole

Members:

Patricia Roe
Terence Flanagan
Deirdre Heney
Naoise Ó Muirí
Declan Flanagan

Members:

Donna Cooney
Racheal Batten
John Lyons
Damian O'Farrell
Alison Gilliland

Jane Horgan-Jones

Officers

Aileen Doyle
Sarah Brady
Deirdre Murphy
Sabrina Dekker
Chris Manzira
Rossana Camargo

Fergus O'Carroll
Coilin O'Reilly
Elaine Mulvenny
Maryann Harris
Padraig O'Brien

Les Moore
Dara McLoughlin
Derek Farrell
Eoghan Broderick
Will Mangan

Apologies:

Non-Members:

Mannix Flynn
Neil O'Donoghue

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
15th March 2021

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

"To ask the Manager to have the windows/doors replaced at (details supplied)."

Reply:

Dublin City Council replaced the front and back door at the above property last September. An order for the windows is currently with the joinery. As soon as the order is ready for installation, contact will be made with the tenant.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Michelle Robinson, Senior Executive Officer
Phone: 2223517
Email: michelle.robinson@dublincity.ie

Q.2 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole

"To ask the Manager to respond to this housing query who have been given ninety day's notice-to-quit (selling up) by the owner of the property. They reside at this HAP accommodation (details supplied) with their two children (daughter 13 years old & son who is 17 years old)

Can an indication be given as to when the applicants will be offered suitable council accommodation?"

Reply:

The above applicant is on the Transfer HAP with an application date of 03/08/2011, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

Area	Bedsizes	Position
Area B	2	76

The applicants should be advised to submit a copy of the Notice to Quit to Housing Allocations. Just to note, there is no record of the applicant having a 13 year old daughter on file in Housing Allocations, should the applicant wish to add her daughter to her application she should be advised to submit a birth certificate and PPS number in respect of her daughter.

Based on the applicant's current position, it may be considerable time before they are reached for an offer of housing. 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.

Should the applicants be unsuccessful in sourcing another private rented tenancy in the next three months, and is within 28 days of the notice of termination date the applicants can present to Parkgate Hall, where they can be assessed for a Homeless HAP payment. This an enhanced HAP payment for applicants who are at imminent risk of entering emergency accommodation or are already residing in emergency accommodation. Should the applicants be unable to source accommodation with the financial support of a Homeless HAP payment, the household will be assessed for placement into emergency accommodation until such time as a property can be sourced through the HAP Scheme or the applicant is reached for an offer of housing.

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 to have the leak at (details supplied) from the shower repaired which is leaking down into hallway electric light fitting."

Reply:

Dublin City Council has given this job to the contractor. Arrangements are been made with the tenant to have these works carried out.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Michelle Robinson, Senior Executive Officer
Phone: 2223517
Email: michelle.robinson@dublincity.ie

Q.4 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon

“To ask the Manager to get the Double Yellow Lines extended as far down as opposite to (details supplied).”

Reply:

The request for an eastward extension of the existing double yellow lines (Enquiry Ref: 7019389) 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.
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Q.5 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon

“To ask the Manager to list the locations within the Donaghmede Estate that trees were pruned during the last tree pruning season”

Reply:

Crown lifting was carried out on Donaghmede Road and Cardonagh Road.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.6 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Manager to inspect and resolve the issues of damp and mould in relation to the home of (details supplied).”

Reply:

This apartment was refurbished by Dublin City Council in October 2020. On foot of this report the city council has made arrangements with the contractor to call to the tenant this week(Monday 8th March) to investigate the situation.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Michelle Robinson, Senior Executive Officer
Phone: 2223517
Email: michelle.robinson@dublincity.ie

Q.7 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Manager to engage with people involved in water-based activities such as paddle boarding, kayaking and kitesurfing regarding access to Dollymount beach.”

Reply:

A detailed protocol regarding access to the beach and launching of such craft has been agreed with the Irish Kitesurfing Association. Access is by way of the sand area at the end of the Bull Wall and the agreed launch area at the bull wall end of the beach to minimise disturbance of wildlife and to avoid conflict with bathers.

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 Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Manager to commend the city council on its recent greening the city works, including at and around Artane roundabout, and to ask the manager to consider a greening project for the median of Malahide Rd between the Collins Ave and Griffith Ave junctions. There are some trees at present but it could be much improved in appearance and biodiversity”

Reply:

Road Maintenance Services has liaised with the parks section regarding this matter. Due to the busy nature of the Malahide Road, it is not preferable to install grass at this central verge to the risks to workers for maintenance and cutting of this grass.

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

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Q.9 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Manager to refer the parks dept to question 10, NCAC April 2020 regarding tree planting and stump removal in Donnycarney West at the (details supplied) and ask for any update on any actions taken and a renewal of the commitment given to proceed with these tree replacements and stump removals”

Reply:

As is no doubt appreciated the pandemic has greatly impacted upon planned works due to revised work practices, changed shifts, working in pods and bubbles as well as staff isolating and cocooning etc. The current level 5 restrictions allow for emergency works only. All commitments for tree planting and stump removal will be assessed once the current level 5 restrictions are eased and provision made for stump removals over the summer months and where planting is possible inclusion in the upcoming planting season.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.10 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Manager to have tree pits filled in where stumps/trees have been removed at (details supplied)”

Reply:

As is no doubt appreciated the Parks Service do not fill in such pits and give up a tree planting opportunity without a strong rationale. The loci will be inspected in the coming weeks with a view to arranging necessary works as soon as schedules and restrictions allow.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.11 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Manager to commit to one room of the new St Anne’s pavilion development being designated for use of mothers feeding infants. Ireland has extremely poor breastfeeding rates and while many mothers are happy to feed outdoors others would appreciate a designated area. All that would be needed is a comfortable chair and baby changing facilities.”

Reply:

The Parks Service is more than happy to consider this proposal but would like to consult with the appropriate advocacy groups to ensure that this is done in a sensitive manner.

Coilín O’Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.12 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Manager what the current timeframe for delivery of the Fairview Playground upgrade is?”

Reply:

The delivery of this playground has not commenced due to the level 5 restrictions currently in operation. Once these are eased to allow such construction works to commence a schedule can be agreed with the contractor.

Coilín 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 Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Manager if there are any planning applications or other use applications of which the city council is aware for the site of the former Beaumont Drive-In at (details supplied)”

Reply:

Following a review of the APAS system(planning system) it was found that there are no current planning application lodged with the Planning Department as of today's date 08/03/21. There are two applications for 1990 & 1998 respectively.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Greg Bryan, Administrative Officer
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Q.14 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Manager to take action regarding repeated, multi weekly, household waste dumping at ‘the piggery’ – the green area behind (details supplied). The local community have made consistent efforts to improve this green space but are hindered by this consistent dumping.

Reply:

The local litter warden visits this area daily and checks any dumping for evidence that is left at this location.

If any residents know who is carrying out this dumping they can contact us and we will have the litter warden speak with them.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact:	Richard Cleary, Public Domain Enforcement Office
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Q.15 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Manager to repair the significant roots lifting paths in ‘Mucky Lane’ off the Malahide Rd, beside Maypark Circle K. I have twice been promised in questions that this will be addressed but the path remains raised in multiple locations and poses a falls hazard for elderly people and also children playing and an accessibility barrier for residents in wheelchairs.”

Reply:

The matter will be fully investigated once level 5 restrictions have been eased.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.16 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the manager about a commitment made to me 6 months ago to place bollards at the junction of Donnycarney Rd and Malahide Rd where cars are continuously mounting and indeed driving on the footpath. Despite this commitment in response to a previous question no action has been taken although I’ve emailed the relevant staff member on a number of occasions. Can I ask for an onsite meeting with the local residents to determine the best location for bollards and for same to be installed?”

Reply:

Dublin Street Parking Services will be instructed to enforce against illegal parking on the footpath at the shops near the junction of Malahide Road and Donnycarney Road.

Contact: Hugh Fahey, Administrative Officer, Parking Policy and Enforcement.
Tel: 222 3847
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Road Maintenance Services will endeavour to arrange an onsite meeting at this location in the coming weeks

Contact: Shane Satell, Executive Engineer
Phone: 2222297
Email: shane.satell@dublincity.ie

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Director of Services
North City

Q.17 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons

“To ask the manager to install public bins at several locations around the outside of the Stardust Memorial Park.”

Reply:

Waste Management Services will consider appropriate locations surrounding the park for the installation of litter bins. Waste Management Services have already been in contact with the local community development officer and the parks department regarding the provision of litter bins at this location. A review of litter bins in various areas and electoral districts in the city is underway and there is a significant number of replacement and new installations to be completed.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.18 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O Toole

“To ask the manager to have essential repairs to the bathroom carried out at (details supplied).”
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Reply:

Dublin City Council has made arrangements with the tenant for a Plumber and Carpenter to call to her home and carry out any necessary works.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Michelle Robinson, Senior Executive Officer
Phone: 2223517
Email: michelle.robinson@dublincity.ie

Q.19 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the manager to advise on what steps the North central area office is doing locally to encourage more local office building development as opposed to apartments in the locality. for example Clongriffin is a flagship area that could benefit from office development”

Reply:

Whilst there is a focus on the delivery of housing, the Development Plan also seeks to deliver mixed uses with commercial development in appropriately zoned areas such as those zoned Z4 ‘District Centre’ and Z14 ‘Strategic Development and Regeneration Areas’. There is a tendency for office accommodation to cluster in central areas.

Notwithstanding the above, The Economic and Retail Study for the Clongriffin-Belmayne Area 2018 indicated that there will be an additional requirement for development of between 12,184 gross sq.m and 22,358 gross sq.m of economic and retail space by 2027, availing of the proximity of new residential areas and the rail station.

In this context, it is noted that permission was granted for: over 3,000 sq.m of office uses designed to be suitable for a single user or multiple users with subdivisions in block 12 in Clongriffin town centre (Station Square) under plan ref. 4054/16; and over 8,000sq.m of offices in block 3 and block 13 in Clongriffin town centre under plan ref. 3894/19.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Bryan Ward, Senior Planner
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Q.20 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the manager to advise what the future role of Glenveagh is in terms of the new plan for the Oscar Traynor road site”

Reply:

The rejection of the Glenveagh proposal for the Oscar Traynor Road site will require a new plan to be initiated.

This new plan will require each stage of the procurement process to re-start, up to, and including feasibility, design, planning and construction.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Dave Dinnigan, Executive Manager
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Q.21 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the manager how will the new Land development Authority impact the local area office and the planning teams in terms of development of land going forward”

Reply:

The area office and planning teams are functionaries of the relevant Development and Planning Acts. We strive to provide information and facilitate the planning and development processes as efficiently and effectively as possible. Any changes in relevant legislation will be assessed and complied with.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Q.22 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the manager to advise what is the update on Millwood Court please”

Reply:

The proposals for the redevelopment at Millwood Court are being finalised and the file is being prepared for the Pre-Part 8 circulation to the relevant DCC technical departments for comment.

A further information meeting with local residents, Fold Housing, the Housing Development Section and the local Area Office staff is due to take place in the coming weeks.

The Area Committee will be advised when the formal Part 8 procedure is to begin.

Coilin O Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Aisling Browne, Administrative Officer
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Q.23 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the manager to identify 6 projects that they will be concentrating on as regards the retrofitting programme”

Reply:

As the Councillor has noted funding for the continuation of the retrofitting programme has recently been announced. At this time the City Council are reviewing the qualifying criteria and developing a suitable programme.

Health and Safety is paramount to Dublin City Council in the current pandemic ,and we will be working in occupied properties , we will initially be targeting end of terrace houses that have qualify for the programme. As this will minimise thoroughfare through the properties.

The programme will be further developed as we progress through the year and current pandemic and further information will be available in due course.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Michelle Robinson, Senior Executive Officer
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Q.24 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the manager what virtual plans has the Local area office for the upcoming St Patricks day celebrations”

Reply:

The Artane/Whitehall LEA have been busy promoting our Sustainable Garden Workshop which will take place over the next five weeks.

In addition, the Team will circulate details of any upcoming St. Patrick’s Day virtual events to community groups in the area.

Contact: Madeleine Ebbs, Senior Community Officer
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Area are providing ongoing history related and exercise related virtual activities for community groups in the area. These virtual activities are taking place in the week in which St. Patrick’s Day falls.

In addition, the Team will circulate details of any upcoming St. Patrick’s Day virtual events to community groups in the area.

Contact: Aileen Doyle, A/Area Community Development Officer
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Coilín O’Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Q.25 Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan

“To ask the manager to advise if there are plans to upgrade any local parks in the next 12 months”

Reply:

A number of improvements and upgrades are proposed as part of the parks improvements programme and playground upgrade programme:

Fairview Park:	Playground upgrade and water fountain
Fr. Collin's Park:	Green Flag commitments and replacement of certain exercise equipment
Belcamp Park:	Path upgrades
Ellenfield Park:	Planting and basketball goal
Bram Stoker:	Kerbing
Donaghmede	General improvements
Ardmore Park	Bulb Planting

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.26 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O Farrell

“To ask the manager for an update please in relation to the provision of bollards at the bottom of Vernon Ave from Thunders to Pender’s – to facilitate physically distanced queueing while enabling pedestrians to walk past and to prevent cars parking on the footpath and causing a hazard.”

Reply:

The Dublin Street Parking Services will be asked to enforce against illegal parking on Vernon Avenue near Thunders to Pender’s.

Contact: Hugh Fahey, Administrative Officer, Parking Policy and Enforcement.
Tel: 222 3847
Email: hugh.fahey@dublincity.ie

It is intended to replace the existing cones, which were placed following the implementation of a temporary Traffic Management plan. We can update the Councillor as soon as installation plans are finalised. This is expected to be in the very short term period.

Re bollards for Social Distancing on the path: It is not intended to place bollards for this purpose. The traffic bollards referred to above should enable pedestrians to walk on the path safely when installation is complete.

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

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Director of Services
North City

Q.27 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O Farrell

“To ask the manager for an update please on the installation of Big Belly Bins on the Clontarf Promenade.”

Reply:

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 various areas of the city and in 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. There are a significant number of replacement and new installations to be completed.

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Director of Services
North City

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

Q.28 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O Farrell

“To ask the manager for details please of the arrangements for additional temporary bins on Clontarf Promenade and Bull Island for the summer and if these bins could be provided earlier in the season to allow for the increase in litter due to the increase in numbers visiting these amenities.”

Reply:

There are currently a number of additional temporary bins being provided on Clontarf Promenade to provide for additional demand for litter disposal. These bins will remain in place on an ongoing basis as long as there remains a requirement for additional capacity.

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

This matter was raised and discussed at the Bull Island Oversight Forum, options are being explored and will be brought back to the next Forum meeting.

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

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Q.29 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O Farrell

“To ask the manager for an update please on the development of a Strategic Management Plan for St Anne’s Park.”

Reply:

The existing detailed management plan from 2006 is currently being updated to include various works and improvements that have taken place in the interim and the historic and conservation information that has been discovered as part of the projects to conserve the historic follies in the park. The updated plan will also to take cognisance and integrate the objectives and outcomes of other plans currently being worked on such as the landscape conservation plan and a sustainability plan for the park and depot. It is anticipated that this work will be ongoing over the summer months and a draft will be available later in the year.

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 Damian O Farrell

“To ask the manager what arrangements are being made to regularise the parking and cycle track arrangements on the Causeway Road and whether a new Part 8 will be required.”

Reply:

The work on the shared surface on the southern side of the causeway is all but complete. The remaining task is to replace the temporary plastic barriers with a more permanent and less intrusive form of separation. To that end an in-situ cast kerb is to be trialled at the roundabout end of the causeway. Part 8 is not required for these works.

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Director of Services
North City

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

Q.31 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O Farrell

“To ask the manager if the signage on the S2S cycle track from Alfie Byrne Road to Sutton can be reviewed to ensure that shared spaces and cycle tracks are clearly delineated and road markings and signage installed as necessary to ensure the safety of all concerned.”

Reply:

The Sustainability Mobility Projects Division will conduct a survey of the cycle route from Alfie Byrne to Kilbarrack and renew the road markings and install signage where required.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Perry Chitombo, Senior Executive Engineer.
Email: perry.chitombo@dublincity.ie

Q.32 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O Farrell

“To ask the manager to clarify why the access from Vernon Ave, at the Heath Centre, to St Anne’s Park has been removed and if a right of way had not been established at that point given the length of time that opening has been in use.”

Reply:

This gap arising from private property was not a formal entrance to the park and was removed as the track through the trees was increasingly slippery and dangerous during the winter months. It is not considered a right of way it has been established as a serviceable alternative exists some 100m or so to the north.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.33 Question in the name of Councillor Mícheál Mac Donncha

“To ask the manager the position regarding the previously proposed new community neighbourhood centre for Kilbarrack; if the Area Office has been in contact with the leaseholders of the existing Kilbarrack Community Hall regarding the current state of the building, including its state of repair, insurance cover etc.; and if all options will be examined in consultation with the community for the development of a community neighbourhood centre.”

Reply:

During 2019 the Area Office were in contact with the local community and the existing Kilbarrack Community Hall with regard to the construction of a new community centre in Greendale, Kilbarrack.

There was a significant increase in the cost of this Project beyond budget and in order to stick to the original budget it would necessitate having to substantially alter the size and content of the Project. Therefore, it was proposed to carry out a Cost Benefit Analysis and a further Needs Analysis of the Project in 2020.

Unfortunately, with the onset of Covid 19 this was temporarily put on hold. I am in the process of arranging for the analysis to be carried out.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
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Contact: Deirdre Murphy, Administrative Officer
Phone: 222 8845
Email: deirdre_a.murphy@dublincity.ie

Q.34 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O Farrell

“To ask the manager to please organise the cleaning up of the area north of the all weather playing surfaces (Clontarf Road) and south of the public car / bottle bank (Clontarf Road). This green area park land and is the responsibility of Dublin City Parks. The area in question is in very poor condition rubbish wise presently.”

Reply:

The area is regularly maintained under contract and has been referred to the contracts manager.

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Director of Services
North City

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

Q.35 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O Farrell

“To ask the manager for advice on the following please. If a residential estate wishes to allocate an area of green within their estate to a wildflower meadow whom should they contact in DCC for permission, advice, support etc”

Reply:

Interested residents groups should make contact with the Parks Service on the email below:

parks@dublincity.ie

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North City

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

Q.36 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon

“To ask the manager can illegally dumped material at (details supplied) be cleared up as soon as possible? “

Reply:

The Traveller Accommodation Unit working with the local Parks & Landscape Division removed the illegally dumped material on Wednesday 3rd of March.

It has been agreed that this area will be monitored and an arrangement has been put in place to have any illegally dumped material removed in the future.

Contact: Mary Hayes, Executive Manager
Phone: 222 2283
Email: mary.hayes@dublincity.ie

The area was cleared at the beginning of the month.

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

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Q.37 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the manager to please arrange to have some enforcement of the no left turn HGV ban from Swords Road onto Collins Avenue raised with An Garda Síochána as there is continuing breaches of this ban”

Reply:

Enforcement is strictly a matter for An Garda Síochána; the matter will be brought to the attention of An Garda Síochána at the next Transport Advisory Group meeting on the 23rd March 2021.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.38 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the manager to please refer to (details supplied) and say what arrangements can be put in place to resolve the issue where two estates in separate local authority areas have been given the same name and can he also say what consultation if any, takes place between local authorities when naming estates etc takes place and if he can make a statement on the matter. “

Reply:

The process used by the North Central Area Office when processing Naming applications is as follows:

Check the submitted name on DCC’s internal GIS mapping system to see if it is already in use.

Check Google Maps to see if the name is in use in other areas/regions.

If name is in use within a certain radius it is flagged and discussed with the Local Area Manager.

If it is deemed to be too close to the new development an alternative name is sought from the developer.

Ensure the name is locally/historically relevant.

Seek advice and approval from DCC’s Heritage Officer.

Prepare report for the North Central Area Committee seeking their comments and approval.

No consultation currently takes place between Local Authorities.

Note: There are many names that are used in different areas within the Dublin City Council Region

Beresford Green, Lawn & Avenue on Griffith Avenue, Dublin 9- North Central Area

Beresford Place, Dublin 1- North Inner City

Beresford Street, Dublin 7- Central Area

Beresford, Griffith Avenue has been in existence since the 1980’s

Beresford, Donabate is a relatively new estate (2015).

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Director of Services
North City

Contact: Joanne O’Sullivan
Phone: 087 2868325
Email: joanne.osullivan@dublincity.ie

Q.39 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the manager in relation to the continuous feeding of Seagulls in housing estates, can the manager please say what action the City Council can do to tackle this issue and if there are any plans to engage in an educational campaign advising people not to feed Seagulls and if he can make a statement on the matter “

Reply:

Waste Management Services are in the process of developing an educational campaign advising people not to feed seagulls which will be rolled out on social media.

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

This activity is not in the best interest of the seagulls who do not thrive on a diet of scraps and bread and become increasingly aggressive and may become a nuisance. This activity may be considered an offence under the litter pollution acts but issuing of fines in this regard has been controversial in other council areas. If the locus of the matter can be forwarded to parks signage asking residents to desist from such behaviour as it is bad for the health of the birds and may attract vermin can be erected.

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

Coilín O’Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Q.40 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the manager to please refer to location as Lein Rd and Lein Park, Raheny, D5 and say if he can arrange to have weeds on same treated with foam weed killer as residents are finding it difficult to control the growth of same.”

Reply:

When the weed spraying begins this year we will look to include this area on the list. We are limited to a certain amount of kilometers so we cannot guarantee anything.

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North City

Contact:	Richard Cleary, Public Domain Enforcement Office
Phone	222 8866
Email	richard.cleary@dublincity.ie

Q.41 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the manager to please refer to (details supplied) and say if he can agree to provide bins at Dollymount.”

Reply:

This matter has been discussed at the Bull Island oversight forum, options are being explored which will be brought back to the next forum meeting.

Coilín O'Reilly
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North City

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

Q.42 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the manager to say if he can assist resident at (details supplied) who continues to have to clean up the area across from his house following bin collection day and say if he can agree to provide bins at same.”

Reply:

The Litter warden operating in the North Central Area is investigating 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. Dublin City Council will support any community clean ups taking place in the locality and will provide equipment and remove any waste or litter collected as part of any community initiatives. This is not an issue that requires the provision of a litter bin.

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North City

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

Q.43 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the manager to refer to the felling of trees at Seapark off Mount Prospect Avenue, Clontarf Dublin 3 (6 trees removed & more to follow), in which Dublin City Council own properties and say what action the Council can take (in the context of being a property owner in details attached) to bring about a cessation of the felling of beautiful healthy trees and if he will make a statement on the matter as local residents are distraught at their removal.”

Reply:

This is private property and the management of trees on these lands is a matter for the management company. It is understood that the management company have contacted the residents and advised that safety audits have been carried out which recommended the removal of certain trees.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.44 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the manager to please refer to the 2 sapling trees that were very recently planted very close to house at (details supplied) and say if he can agree to have same removed and replanted at the other end of the line of saplings planted, where is ample space, as the resident, aged 91 years, is very upset that her home is going to be shaded from the sun all day long as she loves the sun shining into her home.”

Reply:

These trees are planted on a green on the opposite side of the road from this property and it is not felt that they will overly shade this property.

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Director of Services
North City

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

Q.45 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the manager to please refer to wall at (details supplied) which is covered in graffiti and say if he can agree to remove same as its very obvious to passers-by, unsightly and rude.”

Reply:

The graffiti at this location will be removed over the next couple of weeks.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Richard Cleary, Public Domain Enforcement Office
Phone: 222 8866
Email: richard.cleary@dublincity.ie

Q.46 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the manager to refer to tenancy at (details supplied) and say if, as a matter of urgency, he can arrange to have repairs carried out and gutters cleaned.”

Reply:

As per the Dublin City Council Tenant's Handbook, responsibility for cleaning and maintaining gutters is with the tenant. In this instance however the Area Foreman will make contact with the tenant, inspect the gutters, and identify what assistance they can offer her.

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Director of Services
North City

Contact: Michelle Robinson, Senior Executive Officer
Phone: 2223517
Email: michelle.robinson@dublincity.ie

Q.47 Question in the name of Councillor Rachel Batten

“To ask the manager can additional traffic calming measures be put in place at (details supplied) to prevent a serious problem of rat-running traffic which constitutes a danger for the many young families now living on this road?”

Reply:

This area is currently traffic calmed with two speed ramps. They are placed at the appropriate distances apart for optimum traffic calming. Introducing additional ramps would not comply with current design standards and would encourage harsh braking and consequent heavy acceleration.

It is covered by the 30 km/h Slow Zone, indicating the lower speed limit and the area is a Home Zone/Slow Zone, which warns motorists that it is a residential area and to expect children.

In view of the above, it is not recommended to provide extra traffic calming measures at this time.

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North City

Contact: Catalin Rosca, Area Engineer
Environment and Transportation Department.
Email: catalin.rosca@dublincity.ie

Q.48 Question in the name of Councillor Rachel Batten

“To ask the manager can the four missing trees at (details supplied 1) be replaced and can trees also be planted at (details supplied 2)?”

Reply:

These locations will be inspected and any suitable planting sites will be listed for inclusion in the next tree planting programme 2021-22.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.49 Question in the name of Councillor Rachel Batten

“To ask the manager can broken kerbs at (details supplied) be repaired?”

Reply:

Road Maintenance Services has inspected these locations. A repair has been scheduled. This will be completed when a works crew is 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.50 Question in the name of Councillor Rachel Batten

“To ask the manager can the provision of railings around a park at (details supplied) be completed? Five years ago additional railings were delivered to this site but they were stolen at the time and were never erected.”

Reply:

If the councillor provides the location the Parks Service will investigate and revert directly to the Councillor.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact Sean Ray, Staff Officer
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.51 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the manager he would organise to have a deep clean of the Ellenfield Road area done.”

Reply:

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned area deep cleaned on the 8th March 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.52 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the manager to have the litter bin outside of Mercy Convent on Beaumont Road re-instated.”

Reply:

Waste Management Services are awaiting the delivery of a consignment of new litter bins in the coming weeks. On receipt of same we will install a litter bin at the above mentioned location.

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.53 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the manager to address the litter problem in Greenfield Park Estate (Shanliss, Shanard, Shanowen & Oldtown Roads)”

Reply:

Waste Management Services will monitor litter levels in the above mentioned estate and have cleaning carried out there when necessary.

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.54 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the manager to organise cleaning and a public domain upgrade for the shops and laneway area on Shanard Road.”

Reply:

Community Clean ups not being encouraged at the moment due to Social Distancing.

Contact: Madeleine Ebbs, Senior Community Officer
Phone: 222 8858
Email: madeleine.ebbs@dublincity.ie

The Public Domain section have removed graffiti from this laneway/walkway at the shops on numerous occasions & we will continue to do so as it appears.

Contact Richard Cleard, Public Domain Enforcement Officer
Phone 222 8866
Email Richard.cleary@dublincity.ie

Waste Management Services will ensure the above mentioned location is cleaned on a daily basis and is also part of the public domain cleaning schedules.

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

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Q.55 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the manager when work will commence on the Swords Road/Griffith Avenue junction, as part of the Griffith Avenue Protected Cycle Track Scheme; and if the junction proposal (details supplied) has changed since being published on the Consultation Hub “

Reply:

The National Transport Authority have recently completed their review of the proposed modifications to the junctions of Griffith Avenue at both the St Mobhi Road/Ballymun/Griffith Avenue Junction and the Swords Road/Griffith Avenue junction to accommodate the protected cycle lanes.

Some very minor modifications have been made at both junctions and the revised drawings will be uploaded on the Public Consultation Hub in the coming weeks.

Our current programme has us completing the tender documents by the end of April. Allowing a month to tender and award the contract, we would expect to start construction sometime in late Q2 or early Q3 of 2021.

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Contact: Alec Dundon, A/Senior Executive Engineer
Email: COVIDMOBILITY@dublincity.ie

Q.56 Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon

“To ask the manager when will Wildflowers to be planted on the entrance road to Grattan Lodge estate and at the entrance to Rathvale Estate and on a suitable green space in Ayrfield Estate.”

Reply:

The wild flower planting programme has concentrated on high profile area on commuter routes. Where residents wish to carry out such sowing within residential estates seed and advices can be provided. Any interested residents, community or environmental groups can make contact on the email below.

Sites with a lot of trees such as the entrance to the Grattan Lodge would make the site shady and dry and unlikely wildflower planting would be successful.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.57 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the manager for an update on planned cycling and walking infrastructure in the North Central area? “

Reply:

Over the next five years, Dublin City Council will undertake the planning and implementation of 140km of cycling and walking infrastructure. This will include 55km spread across 27 existing projects and 85km spread across 31 new projects. This is in addition to cycling and walking infrastructure being delivered under the BusConnects programme. Details of the specific projects are contained in Report no. 67/2021 to the Lord Mayor and Members of Dublin City Council, which was issued prior to the City Council meeting of 1st March 2021. A map of the locations of the 31 new projects is included below.

Of these 31 new projects, the following nine pass through the North Central Area:

Finglas to Killester Cycle Scheme (from Finglas Road to Howth Road via Collins Avenue).

Coolock to Clontarf Cycle Scheme (from Kilmore Road to Clontarf Road via Brookwood Avenue and Vernon Avenue).

Glasnevin to Clontarf Cycle Scheme (from Finglas Road to Clontarf Road via Griffith Avenue and Hollybrook Road).

Santry River Greenway (from Ballymun Road to James Larkin Road).

Raheny to Kilbarrack Cycle Scheme (from Station Road to James Larkin Road via Howth Road).

Drumcondra to Parnell Street Cycle Scheme (from Edge's Corner to Parnell Square via Fairview Strand).

Howth Road (Baldoyle to Fairview) Cycle Scheme (via Grange Road, Raheny Road and Station Road).

River Tolka Greenway (from Fairview to St. Mobhi Road).

Bayside to Donaghmede Cycle Scheme (from Raheny Road to Howth Road via Kilbarrack Road).

Over the coming months, Dublin City Council will be developing teams to devise delivery time frames, as well as design concepts for the 31 new schemes. As the new projects have only just been incepted, it is not possible at this time to give definitive timelines for the statutory approval, detailed design and construction phases.

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Director of Services
North City

Contact: Padraig O'Brien, A/Senior Executive Engineer.
Email: padraig.obrien@dublincity.ie

Q.58 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the manager as to what Plans he has to extend the opening hours of Bring Centres, and plans to increase the recovery of items at these Centres for delivery to reuse purposes like the Discovery Centre in Ballymun? “

Reply:

Waste Management Services currently have no plans to extend Bring Centre or Civic Amenity Site opening hours.

Recovery and reuse form the backbone of services provided at our Bring Centres and Civic Amenity sites. For example, green waste is composted and made available to community and resident groups on request, a wide range of electrical items are recovered and recycled by WEEE Ireland, textiles are recycled commercially by our service provider and water based paints are made available to the Discovery Centre.

Waste Management services are currently investigating the potential to introduce a bike recycling programme with Bikes for Africa to our Civic Amenity Sites, and we are also exploring the possibility of a program of books/furniture/brick-a-brack for reuse in the community.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Sid Daly, Public Domain Enforcement Officer, Waste Management Services.
Email: sid.daly@dublincity.ie

Q.59 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the manager to outline his Biodiversity plan for Edenmore Park as land is released from Pitch and Putt use? “

Reply:

The Parks Service will be making contact with the pitch and putt club in the coming weeks to begin the process of redesigning the reduced pitch and putt offering in the park. Any grass lands to be reintegrated into the park as part of this process will be managed under a pollinator friendly mowing regime.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.60 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the manager to provide full details of the capital works planned for nca for the next 3 years
“

Reply:

The projects relating to the North Central Area are clearly outlined in the Capital programme. They include but are not limited to:

Flagship projects – Citywide Public Lighting Upgrade Projects

Housing – HLI Oscar Traynor Rd., Cromcastle Housing Development, Spine Site Darndale, Glin Court, Belcamp B & E, Sladmore Ayrefield, St. Annes Court Raheny, Bunratty Rd., Part V acquisitions, Voids, Boiler replacement programme

North Central Capital Projects – Northside Urban Villages and Santry Village

Roads – Belmayne Main St., Footpath & Road refurbishment, Replacing public lighting poles

Cycle schemes – Clontarf to Amiens St. Cycleway

Flooding – Clontarf Flood Defences, Santry River Flood Protection Phase 2 and 3

Leisure and sports facilities – Northside Swimming Pool, Clontarf Pitches, Kilmore Recreation Centre, Darndale Recreation Centre

Libraries – Coolock Library

Parks – St. Annes Park, Bull Island, Fairview Park Tearooms, Belcamp Park, Rockfield Park Tennis Pavilion, Belcamp All-weather pitch

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Director of Services
North City

Q.61 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the manager to provide an update on the housing waiting lists in the nca; and also to advise what the numbers on the lists have been for the past 3 years “

Reply:

Please find attached figures as requested, below -

WAITING LIST JANUARY 2019	Area B	Area E	Grand Total
HOUSING LIST TOTAL	5015	2939	7954
TRANSFER LIST TOTAL	2607	1728	4335
COMBINED GRAND TOTAL	7622	4667	12289
WAITING LIST JANUARY 2020	Area B	Area E	Grand Total
HOUSING LIST TOTAL	4657	2668	7325
TRANSFER LIST TOTAL	3386	2153	5539
COMBINED GRAND TOTAL	8043	4821	12864
WAITING LIST JANUARY 2021	Area B	Area E	Grand Total
HOUSING LIST TOTAL	4112	2295	6407
TRANSFER LIST TOTAL	3923	2517	6440
COMBINED GRAND TOTAL	8035	4812	12847

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Contact: Cathal Daly, Allocations Officer, Housing Allocations & Transfers
Tel: 222 2639
Email: cathal.daly@dublincity.ie

Q.62 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the manager to outline the next steps that will be taken to ensure that housing will be built on the Oscar Traynor lands “

Reply:

The rejection of the Glenveagh proposal for the Oscar Traynor Road site will require a new plan to be initiated.

This new plan will require each stage of the procurement process to re-start, up to and including feasibility, design, planning and construction.

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Director of Services
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Contact; David Dinnigan, Executive Manager
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Q.63 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the manager to outline his plan to refurbish and provide new traveller accommodation in the nca”

Reply:

Dublin City Council have plans to build nine (9) new houses in the Cara Group Housing Scheme to alleviate overcrowding.

The Council is also consulting with the families on Grove Lane with a view to building a number of houses to revitalise that area.

The City Council provided fresh running water to the unauthorised occupants on Belcamp Lane, Tara Lawns and St Dominic’s Park in 2020 as part of the Council’s response to the Covid 19 emergency. A proper authorised electricity supply has also been provided to all the occupants on Belcamp Lane as part of these works.

It is also the Councils intention to provide an authorised electrical supply to the residents on the decommissioned sites at St Dominic’s Park and Tara Lawns and to refurbish the supply to the residents of Northern Close. Further remedial works have already taken place at these locations in order to address Fire Safety and Health and Safety issues.

There are tentative plans for the redevelopment of the decommissioned site at St Dominic’s Park, Tara Lawns and to redevelop Northern Close which may include new Traveller Specific housing. These plans are not fully developed as yet and will be the subject of consultation with all stakeholders.

The City Council is also investigating new opportunities to develop any sites that are either owned by DCC or could potentially be acquired for new development of Traveller Specific Accommodation in the North Central Area.

Coilín O’Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Mary Hayes, Executive Manager
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Q.64 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the manager to an update on S2S cycle track and to advise what projects the new DCC staff will focus on in the nca”

Reply:

The S2S is being implemented in different phases as follows.

Phase 1 : Causeway Road to Bull Road which is complete

Phase 2 : Bull Road to Alfie Byrne Road.is at the Construction stage

Phase 3 : Alfie Byrne Road to the Point Junction is at Detailed design stage

Phase 4: East Wall Road to Merrion Gates is at Options Selection stage.

Over the next five years, Dublin City Council will undertake the planning and implementation of 140km of cycling and walking infrastructure. This will include 55km spread across 27 existing projects and 85km spread across 31 new projects. This is in addition to cycling and walking infrastructure being delivered under the BusConnects programme. Details of the specific projects are contained in Report no. 67/2021 to the Lord Mayor and Members of Dublin City Council, which was issued prior to the City Council meeting of 1st March 2021.

Over the coming months, Dublin City Council will be developing teams to devise delivery time frames for these projects. Consequently, it is not possible at this time to advise on the resourcing of specific projects located within the North Central Area.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Padraig O'Brien, A/Senior Executive Engineer
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Q.65 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the manager to advise of the cost of remediating the illegal dump off the R139 at beginning of m50 and whether prosecutions will be taken against those responsible for the illegal dumping”

Reply:

The outline cost of clearing the site of the waste material is estimated at between €4m and €6m depending on the exact tonnage and types of waste identified as work progresses. The proposed plan includes the construction of a wall to prevent immediate recurrence of dumping and this work will be scheduled to coincide with the removal of the waste material. The cost of construction of the wall and other ancillary works together with costs for overall development of the site is being dealt with by the Housing Department and is not included in the estimate provided above.

Enforcement actions under the Waste Management Act have taken place where there was sufficient evidence of illegal dumping gathered against identified persons. There are no further enforcement actions pending at this stage.

Since early 2019 Dublin City Council's, Waste Enforcement Unit have worked in conjunction with An Garda Síochána on roadside checkpoints to combat the illegal transportation of waste to and from this site. Waste Enforcement are maintaining a daily presence in the area and call An Garda Síochána if required. If further evidence of illegal transportation of waste is discovered, appropriate enforcement action under the Waste Management Act will be taken.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
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Q.66 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the manager if the daffodil and Tulip bulbs were planted at (details supplied) if not, can assurances be provided that the daffodil and tulips be planted at location during the next planting season”

Reply:

These bulbs were mechanically planted on the 12th December.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.67 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the manager to arrange for the fixing of the trip hazard on the pavement between (details supplied) “

Reply:

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

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Shane Satell, Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services.
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Q.68 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the manager to arrange for a "NO U-Turn Sign" to be installed on the traffic island at the entrance to the car-park on Newbrook Road as vehicles approach from the Grange Road“

Reply:

This request (Enquiry Ref: 7019378) 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
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Q.69 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the manager to arrange for;

removal of all litter and fallen branches in and around the No 14 bus terminus on Maryfield Drive, Artane including the broken paving stones at the barrier opposite the entrance to the Lidl carpark and

the installation of a bin to encourage those dropping the litter to do so into a bin!” See attached 3 photos

Reply

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned location cleaned on the 8th March 2021. We will monitor litter levels to see if a litter bin is required here.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services
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Q.70 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the manager to arrange for the removal of debris built up at (details supplied)”

Reply:

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned locations cleaned on the 8th March 2021.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services
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Q.71 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the manager to arrange for the filling of

the serious pothole on Skelly's Lane by the kiosk near the entrance to Beaumont Hospital (see attached photo)

and the sunken tarmac repair on Skelly's Lane at the pedestrian light opposite Montrose Ave (see attached photo) “

Reply:

Road Maintenance Services has inspected these locations. A repair has been scheduled. This will be completed within 1 -2 weeks.

This repair was completed on behalf of Irish Water. Road Maintenance Services has requested that they carry out a safety inspection and complete a repair the temporary reinstatement if required. Irish water are responsible for scheduling the permanent reinstatement at this location.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Shane Satell, Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services.
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Q.72 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the manager to arrange for a dog poo bin on the footpath by the green at Coolgreena Close”

Reply

The installation of dog foul specific bins has ceased as they were being used for both general litter and dog foul and their limited capacity meant that this led to the regular overflowing of the bins between servicing. Dog walkers in this area can avail of the litter bins close by at the shops on Shantalla Road to dispose of their dog litter.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services.
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Q.73 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the manager to arrange to provide an update on the Options Study for the improvement of pedestrian and cycling mobility & permeability at the Coolock Lane/Oscar Traynor flyover”

Reply:

Over the next five years, Dublin City Council will undertake the planning and implementation of 140km of cycling and walking infrastructure. This will include 55km spread across 27 existing projects and 85km spread across 31 new projects. This is in addition to cycling and walking infrastructure being delivered under the BusConnects programme. Details of the specific projects are contained in Report no. 67/2021 to the Lord Mayor and Members of Dublin City Council, which was issued prior to the City Council meeting of 1st March 2021.

The Coolock Lane/Oscar Traynor Road flyover is not part of this programme, however the Santry River Greenway is and this will include a nearby crossing of the M50 between Exit 2 (Coolock Lane) and Exit 3 (M1). This project is currently at inception stage.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Padraig O'Brien, A/Senior Executive Engineer
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Q.74 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the manager to for the removal of litter, build up debris and moss in the laneway behind Maryfield Drive and to put this particular laneway on a regular cleaning rota.”

Reply:

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned laneway cleaned on the 8th March 2021. We will monitor the cleanliness of this laneway and have it cleaned when necessary.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services
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Q.75 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the manager to outline all efforts made to progress the request to investigate the building of a road from the Clonshaugh Industrial estate out on to the R139 to improve traffic congestion on the Oscar Traynor Rd “

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.
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Q.76 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the manager to refer to (details supplied) who is seeking a housing medical priority. Her GP feels her condition is getting worse and her children are sleep deprived due to poor living conditions. She has been refused a welfare priority twice.

Reply:

The above applicant applied to the Exceptional Social Grounds (ESG) Scheme twice, on 21/2/20 and 22/9/20. ESG applications are assessed under 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.

This application, as described, was not deemed to be exceptional or significantly more urgent than other applicants under the Exceptional Social Grounds Scheme. Applicant was advised of this by post.

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North City

Contact: Anne Helferty, Chief Housing Welfare Officer.
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Q.77 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O Farrell

“To ask the manager to report on the future of Clontarf Promenade Joint Working Group please.
When is the next meeting or are DCC disbanding the group ?”

Reply:

The Clontarf Promenade Joint Working Group is not being disbanded. Dublin City Council is currently undertaking important baseline studies to inform the development of viable options. When these studies are complete and the options more clearly defined Dublin City Council will reconvene the Joint Working Group. It is hope that this will happen over the Summer.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Q.78 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O Muiri

“To ask the manager to please clarify why the double-yellow lines south of (details supplied) were recently removed?”

Reply:

Double yellow lines are often provided to ensure the smooth flow of traffic and prevent congestion where parking causes congestion which would interfere with traffic flows on a daily basis.

Following a request from a local public representative and a subsequent site visit, it was determined that on this section of Glandore Road, no adverse problems regarding parking were observed, and DCC proceeded to rescind approximately 18 meters of double yellow line (parking restrictions), opposite house nos. 2a, 2 and 4, as a traffic calming measure, to reduce the speed on the road.

We maintained the double yellow lines on the east side of Glandore Road, which are considered to be of an adequate length allowing for visibility at and around the junction with Griffith Hall

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Catalin Rosca, Area Engineer
Environment and Transportation Department.
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Q.79 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O Muiri

“To ask the manager to please provide an update on the following waste-related items please:
Improved public bin lids/openings as per previous discussions with waste management
Options being considered for Dollymount Strand as discussed at the recent Bull Island Consultative Forum”

Reply:

Options such as the removal of temporary open barrel bins from the beach and the provision of dedicated waste and recycling areas at the entrances to the beach are currently being explored and will be brought back to the next forum meeting.

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

A number of locations are being considered along the outer footpath at Clontarf as well as increasing the number of standard bins provided along the promenade walkway. Temporary bins currently in situ will remain in place as an interim measure until such time as this is completed. New covers/lids for the temporary bins have been ordered and are due for delivery shortly. These will restrict access to the bins reducing the opportunity for waste to be removed and avoid litter overflowing from the bins. The opening in the existing standard litter bins on the promenade cannot be adjusted.

Waste Management Services are carrying out audits of the supply of bins in various areas of the city and in 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. There are a significant number of replacement and new installations to be completed.

Contact: Simon Brock, Administrative Officer, Waste Management Services
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Coilín O’Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Q.80 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O Muiri

“To ask the manager to organise for a “big belly” bin to be installed on the Causeway Road sea-side of the St Annes Golf Club junction to cater for significant litter (incl. dog litter) generated at this location”

Reply:

The option of the provision of dedicated waste and recycling areas at the entrances to the beach which would meet this need are currently being explored and will be brought back to the next oversight forum meeting.

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 Naoise O Muiri

“To ask the manager to provide a full reports on speed-related issues relating to St Brigids Rd and surrounds in Killester as raised in the following correspondence and propose some measures to deal with same” Correspondence attached

Reply:

This request (Enquiry Ref: 7019390) 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.
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Contact: Catalina Rosca, Area Traffic Engineer, Environment & Transportation Dept.
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Regarding the installation of 30 km/h at St. Brigid's Road and Abbeyfield, since March 2020, the installation of speed limit signage in most residential 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.

Contact: Rossana Camargo, Executive Engineer, Transportation. Road Safety. Policy, Strategy and Innovation Section
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Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Q.82 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O Muiri

“To ask the manager to confirm that vehicular access will be maintained for water-sports enthusiasts who use Dollymount Strand and outline how this will be facilitated?”

Reply:

A detailed protocol regarding access to the beach and launching of such craft has been agreed with the Irish Kitesurfing Association. Access is by way of the sand area at the end of the Bull Wall and the agreed launch area at the bull wall end of the beach to minimise disturbance of wildlife and to avoid conflict with bathers. Vehicular access is not permitted beyond the area defined by boulders at the end of the sand area.

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 Naoise O Muiri

“To ask the manager to respond on a number of safety issues relating to the cycle track on the Clontarf seafront as raised in the correspondence attached”

Reply:

This request will be investigated and a response will issue in time for the April 2021 North Central Area Committee Meeting.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Perry Chitombo, A/Senior Executive Engineer.
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Q.84 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the manager if he will arrange for the permanent repair of the footpath at (details supplied)? This path was raised and uneven which is causing dangerous trips and falls from residents”

Reply:

Road Maintenance Services will schedule an inspection at Elmfield Walk. Any necessary footpath repairs will be scheduled during this inspection. These will be completed when a works crew is available in the area.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Shane Satell, Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services.
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Q.85 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the manager if he will examine (details supplied) for additional traffic calming measures and Installation of ramps for the road as vehicles are driving too fast with children playing in the area.”

Reply:

This road is naturally traffic calmed with the provision of on-street parking on both sides of the road; the road is also lined with mature trees offering a more enclosed residential space.

The combination of these measures offers a reduced carriageway width for motorists and increases driver caution. It is also located within the 30km/h speed zone, signage of which is placed at the entrance of these zones from main arterial and orbital routes within the city.

A speed survey was conducted on this location and the 85th Percentile results of the survey did not indicate the presence of speeding vehicles which suggests that the road is compliant with the speed limit and traffic volumes did not exceed 60 vehicles per hour.

A 30 km/h road marking was recommended to enhance the current 30 km/h speed limit signage for the road (adjacent house no.6 and no.51a).

In view of the above, is not recommended to install any additional traffic calming along the road.

Coilín O'Reilly
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North City

Contact: Catalin Rosca, Area Engineer
Environment and Transportation Department.
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Q.86 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the manager to please confirm if a suitable transfer for (details supplied) could be examined and why she is no longer able to get a 3 bed property?”

Reply:

The above applicant is on the Transfer Housing List with an application date of 14/09/2016, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

Area	Bedsizes	Position
Area B	2	797

Based on the applicant's current position for her area of choice, it may be some time before the applicant is reached for an offer of housing. It may benefit the applicant to increase her areas of choice as it may increase her chance of being housed in a shorter timeframe. Housing Advisors are available (Monday – Friday 2pm – 5pm) to discuss options with the applicant should she wish to amend her application to include additional areas of choice.

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.

The applicant's daughter and grandchild were removed from her application in November 2019, therefore, the applicant's housing need is now for a 2 bed property owing to the fact that it is the applicant and her son on her current application.

The applicant may wish to register her interest in Homeswapper.ie and create an account with a view to liaising with other applicants seeking transfers. Should the applicant be successful in finding a match, and all criteria is satisfied, it may decrease their waiting time.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Cathal Daly, Allocations Officer, Housing Allocations & Transfers
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Q.87 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the manager to arrange for removal of wooden poles and debris of metal around it as it cause serious harm to the public at (details supplied).

Reply:

The matter is being investigated by local management and the area will be made safe as soon as schedules, current restrictions and any biodiversity/conservation considerations allow.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.88 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the manager to advise if the railing at (details supplied) have been repaired or replaced as there was more damage done in recent weeks to the railing.”

Reply:

Four panels were replaced on February 23rd.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.89 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the manager to please confirm if a suitable transfer for (details supplied) could be examined and when she can be potentially moved from current address”.

Reply:

The above applicant is on the Transfer Housing List with an application date of 29/07/2003, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

Area	Bedsize	Position
Area B	2	76

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

It may benefit the applicant to increase her areas of choice as it may increase her chance of being housed in a shorter timeframe. Housing Advisors are available (Monday – Friday 2pm – 5pm) to discuss options with the applicant should she wish to amend her application to include additional areas of choice.

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.

The applicant may wish to register her interest in Homeswapper.ie and create an account with a view to liaising with other applicants seeking transfers. Should the applicant be successful in finding a match, and all criteria is satisfied, it may decrease their waiting time.

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Q.90 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the manager to examine (details supplied) view of enhancing the Kilbarrack Dart Area with a view to potential Bee Bombs and request if other potential sites have been chosen in Dublin 5 or 13 areas.

Reply:

Provision has been made in the Parks Improvement programme to continue the wild flowering initiatives in the North Central Area. The site will be examined for suitability to include in the wildflower seeding programme.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
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Q.91 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the manager to please examine when (details supplied) will potential get a home from the housing waiting list in Area B”

Reply:

The above applicant is on the Housing List with an application date of 07/07/2008, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

Area	Bedsize	Position
Area B	3	41
Area D	3	8

Based on the applicant's current position for her area of choice area B, it may be some time before the applicant is reached for an offer of housing. In respect of the applicant's position for Area D, it would be advisable to the applicant that she maintain regular contact with the Local Area Office, however, it is noted from the applicant's file that she recently made contact with the Allocations team advising that she wished to remove Area D from her application, a change of area preference form was forwarded to the applicant to resubmit confirming same, which upon receipt of same Area D will be removed from the application.

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
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North City

Contact: Cathal Daly, Allocations Officer, Housing Allocations & Transfers
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Q.92 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the manager to arrange for repair at Pedestrian bridge above Kilbarrack Dart Station as the path is now badly damaged.”

Reply:

The walkway surfacing on the footbridge was inspected this morning and there is no significant damage observed apart from the two isolated areas shown in the attached photos, (1) on the centre covered span – see photo ref #121653 with some scarring damage possibly caused by either heat or some corrosive liquid but it remains fully serviceable and (2) a localised loss of surfacing material – see photo ref #121743 & 121858; a localised patch repair can be done. The rest of the walkway surfacing on this bridge is generally in good condition – see photos ref #121130, 121544, 121635, 121708 & 121800 and a power wash can be arranged if necessary. There are other noticeable damage observed; (a) fire damage to lantern pole on the Grange Park side – see photo ref#120847 (b) damaged pedestrian guardrail on the Briarfield end –see photo ref#121959 and (c) material damage to RC column –see photo ref#122109. These will be referred to the relevant departments in DCC.

Contact: Desmond Leong, Senior Executive Engineer, Road Design & Construction Division.
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Q.93 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the manager to arrange for a repair of the Light at the junction of Collins Ave and Howth Road. There is a missing light on the junction of the pole and needs to be repaired and restored. Additional information can be provided.”

Reply

The heritage lantern at the junction of Collins Ave and Howth Road is currently under repair and will be reinstalled in the coming weeks.

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