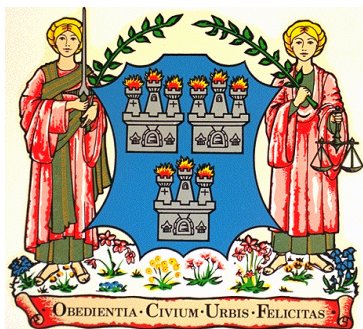


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Miontuairiscí Chruinniú Míosúil a tionóladh ar 12 Aibreán 2021 ar físchomhdháil cianda ag 6.15 i.n.i láthair an tArdmheara Hazel Chu sa chathaoir

Comhairleoir:

Daryl Barron
Tom Brabazon
Claire Byrne
Hazel Chu
Caroline Conroy
Joe Costello
Tara Deacy
Daithí Doolan
Declan Flanagan
Mannix Flynn
Alison Gilliland
Janet Horner
Darcy Lonergan
Briege MacOscar
Paddy McCartan
Declan Meenagh
Sophie Nicoullaud
Cat O'Driscoll
Larry O'Toole
Noeleen Reilly
Catherine Stocker

Comhairleoir:

Racheal Batten
Christy Burke
Danny Byrne
Anthony Connaghan
Deirdre Conroy
Daniel Céitinn
Máire Devine
Pat Dunne
Terence Flanagan
Mary Freehill
Deirdre Heney
Vincent Jackson
John Lyons
Tina MacVeigh
Eimer McCormack
Carolyn Moore
Naoise Ó Muirí
Damian O'Farrell
Cieran Perry
Nial Ring
Michael Watters

Comhairleoir:

Janice Boylan
Dearbháil Butler
Mary Callaghan
Keith Connolly
Donna Cooney
Daithí de Róiste
Kevin Donoghue
Anne Feeney
Anthony Flynn
James Geoghegan
Jane Horgan-Jones
Dermot Lacey
Micheál MacDonncha
Ray McAdam
Séamas McGrattan
Darragh Moriarty
Claire O'Connor
Colm O'Rourke
Michael Pidgeon
Patricia Roe

Oifigigh

Oliver Douglas
Michael Gallagher
Brendan Kenny
Eileen Quinlivan
Richard Shakespeare
Eoghan Broderick

Ruth Dowling
Owen P. Keegan
Brendan O'Brien
Kathy Quinn
Sandra Walley
Cian Harte

John Flanagan
Yvonne Kelly
John O'Hara
Deirdre Ní Raghallaigh
Liam Bergin

1 Lord Mayor's Business

In Memoriam

The Lord Mayor extended her sympathies to the families of the following:

Veronica Dunne who died on 5th April, 2021. A world renowned singer and teacher, she was a recipient of a Lord Mayor's Award in 2008, presented by Lord Mayor Paddy Bourke.

Shay Healy who died on 9th April, 2021. Broadcaster, Journalist and Songwriter who composed 'What's Another Year', Ireland's winning entry in the 1980 Eurovision Song Contest.

Correspondence

On 8th April the Lord Mayor wrote to the Lord Mayor of Belfast Frank McCoubrey to offer our support and solidarity following the violence on the streets of Belfast over the past few weeks.

On 9th April the Lord Mayor wrote to the British Ambassador to Ireland HE Paul Johnston offering our condolences to the people of the UK following the death of Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh

Hate Crime Webinar

The Lord Mayor held a Webinar titled "How to tackle Hate Crime and protect our people" on Friday 26th March. In the morning session which was chaired by Anastasia Crickley, former Chairperson UN Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, we discussed the upcoming new Hate Crime Legislation.

In the afternoon session we discussed the new Hate Crime reporting system which An Garda Síochána are implementing.

The Lord Mayor thanked all those who attended, particularly her colleagues on Dublin City Council.

Youth Awards and Youth Webinar

This year as part of the monthly Lord Mayor's Awards, the Lord Mayor introduced the first Youth Awards to celebrate the young people in the city who have been through so much.

There will be two categories – Aged 5 – 12 and Aged 13 – 18. Nominations are open until 21st April at bit.ly/YouthAwards2021. If you know any young people who deserved recognition for how they've dealt with this pandemic, please nominate them.

The Youth Awards winners will be announced at a Youth Webinar which will be held on Thursday 29th April. Registration for attendance at the Webinar will open tomorrow.

Committee on Homelessness

The Lord Mayor's Homeless Task Force has now transitioned to the Housing SPC Committee on Homelessness and had its first meeting on 7th April where the various roles were identified and the Terms of Reference were agreed.

The next meeting in May will focus on Allocations and housing for single people. Members were advised to contact the office of the Lord Mayor if they have any questions / issues they wish to raise.

Covid -19

The Lord Mayor supported the World Health Organisation plea for the equitable global distribution of all Vaccines, Treatments and therapies.

Congratulations

The Lord Mayor extended congratulations to Professor Linda Doyle on her appointment as the first female Provost of Trinity College Dublin and to Rachael Blackmore as the first female winner of the Aintree Grand National.

2 Ceisteanna fé Bhuan Ordú Úimhir 18

It was moved by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council approves the Dublin Chief Executive answering the questions lodged. The motion having been put and carried, written answers to the 138 questions lodged for the City Council meeting were issued. The Questions and Answers are set out in **Appendix A** to these minutes.

3 Correspondence

It was moved by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that that Dublin City Council notes the contents of all correspondence listed. The motion was put and carried.

4 To confirm the minutes of the Special City Council Meeting held on the 8th February 2021, the monthly City Council Meeting held on the 1st March 2021 and the Special City Council meeting held on the 8th March 2021.

The minutes of the Special City Council Meeting held on the 8th February 2021, the monthly City Council Meeting held on the 1st March 2021 and the Special City Council meeting held on the 8th March 2021 having been printed, certified by the Meetings Administrator, circulated to the Members and taken as read, were signed by the Lord Mayor.

5 Report No. 112/2021 of the North Central Area Committee - Proposal to declare the roads & footpaths at 1-7 Parkview, Kincora Court, Clontarf, Dublin 3 to be public roads & footpaths.

It is hereby resolved that we, the Lord Mayor and members of Dublin City Council, being the Road Authority for the City of Dublin declare the roads and footpaths at 1-7 Parkview, Kincora Court, Clontarf Dublin 3 to be public roads and footpaths as shown on Drawing R.M. 37542 in accordance with Section 11 of the Roads Act 1993.

6 Reports of the Chief Executive, in compliance with Section 138 of the Local Government Act 2001 informing the Council of works which are about to commence and in compliance with the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, Part 8:

- (a) Report No. 93/2021 of the Chief Executive (O. Keegan) - Proposed development at Number 30 Sackville Avenue, comprising the demolition of an existing derelict house and the construction of three, two storey, three bedroomed terraced houses. The site is within the Strategic Development and Regeneration Area (SDRA) "Croke Villas and Environs" as defined in the Dublin City Development Plan 2016 - 2022.

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 93/2021 and hereby approves the proposals set out therein. The motion was put and carried.

- (b) Report No. 97/2021 of the Chief Executive (O. Keegan) - Proposed demolition of street facing boundary treatments of the formerly used senior citizen housing complex and the development of 46 apartment dwellings intended for use by older persons, in two blocks on either side of St Finbar's Road, Cabra, Dublin 7.

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 97/2021 and hereby approves the proposals set out therein. The motion was put and carried.

- (c) Report No. 87/2021 of the Chief Executive (O. Keegan) - Proposal for 12 No. apartments arranged in four blocks with associated car parking and site amenity space at Belcamp, Priorswood, Dublin 17.

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 87/2021 and hereby approves the proposals set out therein. The motion was put and carried.

7 Granting of Licenses and Leases to Community and Voluntary Groups:

- (a) Report No. 115/2021 of the Executive Manager (P. Clegg) - With reference to the proposed grant of a further licence of the premises at No.5 Emor Street, Dublin 8 to DePaul Ireland.

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 115/2021 and assents to the proposal outlined therein. The motion was put and carried.

- (b) Report No. 116/2021 of the Executive Manager (P. Clegg) - With reference to the proposed grant of a further licence of part of the Bluebell Community & Youth Centre, Bluebell, Dublin 12.

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 116/2021 and assents to the proposal outlined therein. The motion was put and carried.

8 Disposal of Property:

- (a) Report No. 118/2021 of the Executive Manager (P. Clegg) - With further reference to the proposed disposal of site at Balbutcher Lane Lower, Ballymun, Dublin 11.

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 118/2021 and assents to the proposal outlined therein. The motion was put and carried.

- (b) Report No. 119/2021 of the Executive Manager (P. Clegg) - With reference to the proposed disposal of a plot to the rear of 74 Brian Road, Marino, Dublin 3.

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 119/2021 and assents to the proposal outlined therein. The motion was put and carried.

- (c) Report No. 120/2021 of the Assistant Chief Executive (R. Shakespeare) - With reference to the proposed disposal of 8 apartments in New Priory, Hole in the Wall Road, Dublin 13.

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 120/2021 and assents to the proposal outlined therein. The motion was put and carried.

9 Disposal of Fee Simple and Freehold Interest:

- (a) Report No. 101/2021 of the Executive Manager (D. O'Connor) - With reference to the disposal of the Fee Simple Interest under the Landlord and Tenant (Ground Rents) (No. 2) Act, 1978 in 20 premises.

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 101/2021 and assents to the proposal outlined therein. The motion was put and carried.

- (b) Report No. 117/2021 of the Assistant Chief Executive (R. Shakespeare) - With reference to the proposed disposal of fee simple interest in a site at Coruba House, St. Agnes Road, Crumlin, Dublin 12.

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 117/2021 and assents to the proposal outlined therein. The motion was put and carried.

10 Record of Protected Structures:

- (a) Report No. 107/2021 of the Assistant Chief Executive (R. Shakespeare) - Addition of No.6 Parkgate Street, Dublin 8 to the Record of Protected Structures in accordance with Section 54 and 55 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended).

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 107/2021 and approves the addition of No. 6 Parkgate Street, Dublin 8 to the Record of Protected Structures in the Dublin City Development Plan 2016-2022 in accordance with Section 54 and 55 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 as amended. The motion was put and carried.

- (b) Report No. 108/2021 of the Assistant Chief Executive (R. Shakespeare) - Addition of No.7 Parkgate Street, Dublin 8 to the Record of Protected Structures in accordance with Section 54 and 55 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended).

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 108/2021 and approves the addition of No. 7 Parkgate Street, Dublin 8 to the Record of Protected Structures in the Dublin City Development Plan 2016-2022 in accordance with Section 54 and 55 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 as amended. The motion was put and carried.

- (c) Report No. 109/2021 of the Assistant Chief Executive (R. Shakespeare) - Addition of No.8 Parkgate Street, Dublin 8 to the Record of Protected Structures in accordance with Section 54 and 55 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended).

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 109/2021 and approves the addition of No. 8 Parkgate Street, Dublin 8 to the Record of Protected Structures in the Dublin City Development Plan 2016-2022 in accordance with Section 54 and 55 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 as amended. The motion was put and carried.

- (d) Report No. 110/2021 of the Assistant Chief Executive (R. Shakespeare) - Addition of 139-149 North King Street, Dublin 7 to the Record of Protected Structures in accordance with Section 54 and 55 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended).

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 110/2021 and approves the addition of 139-149 North King Street, Dublin 7 to the Record of Protected Structures in the Dublin City Development Plan 2016-2022 in accordance with Section 54 and 55 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 as amended. The motion was put and carried.

- (e) Report No. 111/2021 of the Assistant Chief Executive (R. Shakespeare) - Addition of No. 31 Old Kilmainham, Dublin 8 to the Record of Protected Structures in accordance with Section 54 and 55 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended).

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 111/2021 and approves the addition of 139-149 North King Street, Dublin 7 to the Record of Protected Structures in the Dublin City Development Plan 2016-2022 in accordance with Section 54 and 55 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 as amended. The motion was put and carried.

- 11 Report No. 99/2021 of the Assistant Chief Executive (B. Kenny) - Dublin City Council Monthly Housing Delivery Report.

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report 99/2021. The motion was put and carried.

- 12 Report No. 91/2021 of the Head of Finance (K. Quinn) - Monthly Local Fund Statement and reports as submitted under the EU/IMF Framework.

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 91/2021. The motion was put and carried.

- 13 Report No. 104/2021 of the Budget Consultative Group - Budget Consultative Group Allocation of €6.1m 2020 Funding for Additional Covid Expenditure and Non-Rates Income.

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 104/2021 and assents to the proposal outlined therein. The motion was put and carried.

- 14 Report No. 113/2021 of the Head of Finance (K. Quinn) - Rates Debtors as at 31st December 2020.

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 113/2021. The motion was put and carried.

- 15 Report No. 102/2021 of the Chief Executive (O. Keegan) - With reference to Revised Expenditure for 2020 submitted in accordance with Section 104 Local Government Act 2001.

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 102/2021 and assents to the proposal outlined therein. The motion was put and carried.

- 16 Report No. 127/2021 of the Chief Executive (O. Keegan) - With reference to the Annual Financial Statements 2020.

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 127/2021 and adopts the Annual Financial Statements 2020. The motion was put and carried.

- 17 Report No. 103/2021 of the Assistant Chief Executive & City Engineer (J. Flanagan) - Update on Covid Mobility Measures and Major Walking and Cycling Projects.

The Executive Manager, Brendan O'Brien agreed to provide written responses to those Councillors to whom he did not get an opportunity to respond to during the meeting.

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report 103/2021. The motion was put and carried.

- 18 Report No. 114/2021 of the Chief Executive (O. Keegan) - Monthly Management Report - April 2021.

This item was not reached and will be relisted for the May City Council meeting.

- 19 Strategic Policy Committee Breviates:

This item was not reached and will be relisted for the May City Council meeting.

- 20 Area Committee Breviates:

This item was not reached and will be relisted for the May City Council meeting.

- 21 Dublin City Joint Policing Committee and Area Joint Policing Committee Breviates:

This item was not reached and will be relisted for the May City Council meeting.

- 22 Report No. 98/2021 of the Corporate Policy Group - Breviate of the meeting held on the 19th February 2021, Lord Mayor Hazel Chu, Chairperson.

This item was not reached and will be relisted for the May City Council meeting.

- 23 Topical Issues

The following Topical Issues were proposed:

- 1.) Dublin's City Centre Recovery Plan
- 2.) Dog Fouling

Both topical issues were put to a vote but failed to receive the requisite two thirds support to be debated so neither issue was taken. Full details of the votes can be found in **Appendix B** to these minutes.

24 Emergency Motion(s)

Emergency Motions No.1 – No.5 were taken without debate. Emergency Motion No.6 was put to a vote and was carried. Full details of the vote can be found in **Appendix C** to these minutes

Emergency Motion No. 1:

That this council supports a proposal to initiate a variation of the Dublin City Council Development Plan to include the historical Moore Street Area which includes the National Monument as an architectural conservation area.

Submitted by Councillors Donna Cooney, Lord Mayor Hazel Chu, Micheál Mac Donncha, Damian O'Farrell, Noeleen Reilly, Daithí Doolan, Mannix Flynn, Christy Burke, Pat Dunne, Seamas McGrattan, John Lyons, Patricia Roe, Máire Devine, Dearbháil Butler, Tina MacVeigh, Joe Costello, Janice Boylan, Eimer McCormack, Anthony Connaghan, Caroline Conroy, Alison Gilliland, Carolyn Moore, Darcy Lonergan, Janet Horner, Mary Freehill, Deirdre Heney, Tara Deacy, Deirdre Conroy, Declan Meenagh, Michael Pidgeon, Claire Byrne, Anthony Flynn, Sophie Nicoullaud, Tom Brabazon, Nial Ring, Larry O'Toole, Daniel Céitinn, Darragh Moriarty, Cieran Perry,

Emergency Motion No.2:

This City Council welcomes the proposed establishment of the City Recovery Task Force and recognises that the current proposed membership on both gender and political representation levels is unacceptable. The Council agrees that the membership of the Taskforce will include the Lord Mayor, or nominee, and the chairpersons, or their nominees, of the following four Strategic Policy Committees; Arts & Culture, Economic, Climate Action, Environment and Energy, and Enterprise, Traffic and Transport and recommends a 50/50 gender balance.

We believe that as elected representatives we should have an opportunity to input into the objectives of this new task force. We do not want to delay this taskforce so we call on a final set of objectives to be put before the next council meeting and for consultation to happen before that. We also agree that the Taskforce will report to all members on a weekly basis in the same form as Covid Mobility.

Submitted by Fianna Fáil, Independents, Green Party, Labour, Sinn Féin and Social Democrats

Emergency Motion No.3:

That this Council, in response to how the pandemic has exposed the demand for and deficit of public sanitary facilities in the City, calls on the CEO to deliver on the following objective in the Dublin City Development Plan 2016 - 2022:

SCO9: To work with city business associations and agencies to provide for appropriately located, independently accessible sanitary facilities (public toilets, changing areas, showers and wash facilities etc.) for the use of citizens and visitors to the city and accessible to all.

We welcome the proposal to introduce temporary toilets as part of coffee dock services across each of the LEA's. However we believe the citizens of Dublin require and deserve a range of both short term and long term solutions to meet a variety of needs and to address the deficit of sanitary facilities in public places across the City.

Therefore we ask the CEO to draw up a plan as a matter of urgency and to seek additional national funding in order to deliver these solutions for both the duration of the pandemic and beyond.

Submitted by Councillors Claire Byrne, Michael Pigeon, Darcy Lonergan, Donna Cooney, Dearbháil Butler, Caroline Conroy, Hazel Chu, Carolyn Moore, Janet Horner.

Emergency Motion No.4:

That Dublin City Council recognises the epidemic of gender-based violence; that design of public spaces and public transport can facilitate violence against women; and will examine measures which can be taken by services under its remit to support safety of women and marginalised groups.

Submitted by Councillors Darcy Lonergan, Anne Feeney, Cat O Driscoll, Catherine Stocker, Tara Deacy, Eimer Mc Cormack, Racheal Batten, Deirdre Conroy, Deirdre Heney, Briege MacOscar, Mary Freehill, Dearbháil Butler, Caroline Conroy, Lord Mayor Hazel Chu, Claire Byrne, Janet Horner, Carolyn Moore, Máire Devine, Janice Boylan, Donna Cooney, Patricia Roe, Mary Callaghan, Alison Gilliland.

Emergency Motion No. 5:

Dublin City Council calls for serious consideration to be given to the City's participation in the URBACT Good Practice Transfer Network - Second Wave (<https://urbact.eu/call-projects-transfer-networks-second-wave>) with particular reference to the Playful Paradigm Project (<https://urbact.eu/playful-paradigm-0>) . As demonstrated by one of the original participants, Cork City Council, this project promotes play as a vehicle for intergenerational place making, social inclusion and energy awareness and its associated funding would contribute to both the wellbeing of citizens of all ages across our city, particularly as we all emerge from the isolation and restrictive interactions placed on communities due to Covid.

Submitted by Councillors Alison Gilliland, Declan Meenagh, Joe Costello, Darragh, Moriarty, Dermot Lacey, Mary Freehill.

Emergency Motion No. 6:

That Dublin City Council;

- welcomes reports that Merrion Row, Mary Street and part of Capel Street will be pedestrianised on a trial basis this summer;*
- supports the reports that the pedestrianisation South Anne Street, Dame Court and parts of Drury Street and South William Street will be made permanent this year;*
- calls on more streets to be considered for pedestrianisation or extended pedestrian space to support outdoor dining, including, but not limited to, Parliament Street, Fade Street, South Frederick Street, Wicklow Street, Stephen's Street Lower, St Andrews Street, Exchequer Street, Dame Court, St Andrews Street, Parnell Street, Jervis Street and Dawson Street;*
- calls on clear measures to support musicians and artists in outdoor settings across the city centre as part of the outdoor summer strategy*
- Requests that an update on implementation be provided weekly to councillors with a view to having the measures in place by the June Bank Holiday weekend.*

Submitted by Councillors James Geoghegan, Ray McAdam, Danny, Byrne, Anne Feeney, Declan Flanagan, Terence Flanagan, Paddy McCartan, Naoise Ó Muirí, Colm O'Rourke.

25 Motions on Notice

All motions listed were carried over to the City Council meeting on 10th May 2021.

The meeting concluded at 9.30pm and in accordance with Standing Orders all other items remaining on the Agenda were deferred to the next meeting of the City Council to be held on the 10th May 2021.

Correct.

LORD MAYOR

MEETINGS ADMINISTRATOR

QUESTIONS LODGED PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER NO.16 FOR REPLY AT THE MONTHLY MEETING OF DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, 12TH APRIL 2021

Q.1 COUNCILLOR CHRISTY BURKE

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange to clean out the gutters at **(details supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council has inspected this property. It is a three storey property and access to the gutters is proving difficult as the yard at the back is too small for a cherry picker. Dublin City Council is assessing the situation to see what the best option to carry out these works is.

Q.2 COUNCILLOR CHRISTY BURKE

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange to replace the defective boiler and address the dampness in a bedroom at **(details supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The matter of the defective boiler has been addressed and is now fully functioning. Dublin City Council will carry out an inspection of the bedroom in relation to the reported dampness and any necessary works will be carried out.

Q.3 COUNCILLOR CHRISTY BURKE

To ask the Chief Executive that the rough patch of small ground opposite **(details supplied)** be reinstated as this request is going on for some time. DCC have agreed to carry out the work.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council has plans in place to reinstate this particular piece of ground. Subject to Level 5 restrictions, works are due to start in the coming weeks.

Q.4 COUNCILLOR CHRISTY BURKE

To ask the Chief Executive for an update on **(details supplied)**. Could the CEO outline the number of housing units that are being proposed for the site.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

(details supplied) has been approved by the Department of Housing for development as part of Bundle 3 (B3) of the Social Housing (SH) Public Private Partnership (PPP) Programme.

It is currently envisaged that the proposed development on Readymix site will deliver 65 apartments to meet the general social need within this Housing area.

Q.5 COUNCILLOR DERMOT LACEY

To ask the Chief Executive if there is any funding from our inclusion and diversity funds or indeed any other source that would be available to assist this man continue to publish information for Italians living in and coming to Dublin **(details supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

An action under our forthcoming revised Integration Strategy, currently being developed under the LCDC in 2021, will include proposals for a new stream of grant funding to support integration activities that include multilingual transmedia community resources.

Q.6 COUNCILLOR NAOISE Ó MUIRÍ

To ask the Chief Executive to please outline:

1. The extent of dialogue between DCC and the Dept. of Housing in relation to an Affordable Homes (for purchase) scheme for the duration of the last Council i.e. 2014-2019
2. The up-to-date position in relation to provision of support by the Dept. for new schemes of this nature

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The City Council has made five separate submissions for funding, through the Serviced Sites Fund (SSF), to the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage, to assist in the delivery of affordable/cost rental schemes. The sites are as follows:

- Balbutcher, Ballymun, Dublin 11 (affordable purchase)
- Sillogue, Ballymun, Dublin 11 (affordable purchase)
- Cherry Orchard, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10 (affordable purchase)
- O'Devaney Gardens, Dublin 8 (affordable purchase)
- St. Michael's Estate, Inchicore, Dublin 8 (cost rental)

All five submissions have received approval in principle from the Department, through the SSF. The Council will continue to liaise with the Department as the projects progress through the various stages.

Final details of the Affordable Purchase Scheme are awaited.

Q.7 COUNCILLOR NAOISE Ó MUIRÍ

To ask the Chief Executive to please respond on the following **(details supplied)**:

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Derelict Sites Section will arrange for an inspection of the site and will take action as appropriate following the assessment of its condition. A full report on the findings of the inspection will issue to the Councillor.

Q.8 COUNCILLOR NAOISE Ó MUIRÍ

To ask the Chief Executive to please adjust pedestrian signal timings to deal with the issue in Killester as raised in the following correspondence **(details supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

An intermittent fault with one of the pedestrian push buttons has been discovered, and repaired.

This will assist with delays experienced waiting for pedestrian crossing to run. Changes to the operation of the pedestrian crossing have also been made to ensure more frequent running.

The pedestrian crossing will be monitored and further changes made if required.

Q.9 COUNCILLOR NAOISE Ó MUIRÍ

To ask the Chief Executive, in relation to the tree outside **(details supplied)** can the CEO please address the following:

- Comment on DCC's failure to respond to multiple correspondence from a local resident/her representative in relation to their efforts to comply with DCC's wishes in relation to this tree
- Procure a second opinion as to whether the tree has to be removed or can stay

- In the event of it having to be removed, commit to its immediate replacement with a suitable alternative.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A follow up tree inspection was carried out confirming that due to the severing of major tree roots to install underground services the stability has been compromised necessitating the removal of the tree.

It is an objective of the adopted tree policy that all such trees removed will be replaced as soon as is practicable. The site will be examined later in the summer to assess its suitability for inclusion in the upcoming tree planting programme in winter 21/22.

Q.10 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for a fairy garden to be placed down around the pond in Tolka Valley Park.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Parks, Biodiversity and Landscape Services believe the installation of fairy doors around the pond would not be ideal in terms of a potential health and safety issue but will review the possibility of installing some around the trees next to the playground.

Q.11 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for a full and proper inspection of **(details supplied)** where the tenant has had several leaks which have not been properly addressed. After a flooding incident the tenant was told that a de-humidifier would be used to dry out some of the damage but this did not happen. The tenant has reported that flooring needed to be removed which was not replaced also and there is a constant smell of damp throughout.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council has carried out a full inspection of this property and all outstanding maintenance issues have been resolved. Dublin City Council do not replace flooring as that falls under tenant's responsibility.

Q.12 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for an Inspection of **(details supplied)** where the tenant has reported that there is a need for new windows and doors and also for some work on walls inside the home also.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

New windows for this property were fabricated in December 2019. However, when the workers went to install them, the tenant refused the windows.

There is no previous report for maintenance required on walls for this property. This request has been logged and subject to Level 5 restrictions will be addressed in due course.

Q.13 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive to provide details of litter wardens in each of the 5 DCC Areas. Considering the increase in illegal dumping can the Manager arrange for an increase in litter wardens to deal with the issue.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

At present there are 13 Litter Wardens employed in Dublin City Council. Three Litter Wardens are assigned to the Central Area.

Two Litter Warden are assigned to the North Central Area.
One Litter Warden is assigned to the North West Area.
Two Litter Wardens assigned to South Central Area
Two Litter Wardens assigned to the South East Area.
Three Litter Wardens are assigned to Waste Management Services and provide services to the Central Commercial District.

There are no plans to increase the number of litter wardens at this time.

Q.14 COUNCILLOR RACHEAL BATTEN

To ask the Chief Executive to look at having **(details supplied)** and have the paths put on the list for repairs.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Road Maintenance Services will carry out an inspection at **(details supplied)**. Repairs will be scheduled when a works crew is available in the area.

Q.15 COUNCILLOR RACHEAL BATTEN

To ask the Chief Executive to provide advice of why victims of sexual abuse **(details supplied)** suffering for server PTSD and mental health would not be considered a ground for medical priority. Mental Health is a huge issue in someone's physical health and should be consider in the same little as other physical conditions.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Each application made under a Medical Priority application is reviewed based on the supporting medical documentation provided by the applicant. Medical Priority status for housing/transfer applicants may be given in cases of exceptional medical circumstances. This only relates to the applicant's housing conditions and the accommodation being unsuitable by reason of the condition. Each case is reviewed based on the supporting medical documentation provided. The applicant has been contacted and advised how to appeal the decision with supporting documentation.

Housing Allocations has also been in contact to discuss her housing application and has advised the applicant to contact the Welfare section for advice and referral to support services. The applicant was sent a Welfare application form to apply for Housing Priority on Exceptional Social Grounds. Upon the applicant submitting her Welfare Priority application, it will be assessed.

The above applicant is on the Homeless HAP Transfer Housing List with an application date of 23/09/2008, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

Area	Bedsizes	Position
Area B	3	17

The applicant will be considered for offer when accommodation to meet her household need becomes available and according to her position on the list. The applicant may apply for a move to another HAP property based on her circumstances. It would qualify as a valid reason for requiring a move.

Q.16 COUNCILLOR RACHEAL BATTEN

To ask the Chief Executive to provide the breakdown of % of senior management positions filled in the last three years, and also provide the percentage gender

breakdown of applicants and the percentage breakdown of gender of successful candidates.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The total number of senior management posts in the Council is 30. The number, percentage breakdown of senior management positions filled for the period 2018 – 2020 and the gender breakdown of appointees is indicated in the table below:

Senior Management	2020	2019	2018
Total Posts Filled	5	4	2
Percentage	16.6%	13.3%	6.7%
Gender breakdown of successful candidates appointed to Dublin City Council	Male – 3 Female- 2	Male – 3 Female - 1	Male– 1 Female - 1

Recruitment competitions for positions at senior management level are run by the Public Appointments Service (PAS) on behalf of Dublin City Council. A request has been made for the details requested as outlined to the PAS in relation to gender breakdown and a further report will issue when received.

Q.17 COUNCILLOR RACHEAL BATTEN

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange the footpath at **(details supplied)** to be repaired as it is flooding and broken and will cause an accident if not repaired.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Road Maintenance Services will carry out an inspection at this location during rain. If required, a repair will be scheduled when a works crew is available in the area.

Q.18 COUNCILLOR DERMOT LACEY

To ask the Chief Executive to respond in detail to the issues raised in the submissions made with this question **(details supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The City Council's position is that it does not deem the siting of the mini pillar to constitute a trip hazard. The mini pillar is positioned between the new traffic signal controller and a Big Belly Solar Powered Bin, which was removed temporarily by DCC Waste Management while the works were being completed. The bin has now been reinstalled.

This area with a Traffic Controller, Mini Pillar, Bollard and Big Belly Solar Powered Bin is a build out and not part of the main footpath. More importantly it is not a designated crossing point. The designated crossing point is the newly installed Signalised Pedestrian Crossing. Pedestrians are prohibited from crossing the road except at a pedestrian crossing, when they are within 15 metres of a pedestrian crossing.

The reason why there is a gap between the Traffic Controller and the mini pillar was due to the presence of underground services in this area which would have resulted in complex, extensive, expensive and time consuming roadworks in order to relocate these services.

Q.19 COUNCILLOR NOELEEN REILLY

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for new parking spaces at Hampton Wood Drive and Poppintree Park as previous ones have been eliminated by the new cycling lanes.

This needs to be done as a matter of urgency to avoid any conflict between motorists and cyclists.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Local Area Office are looking into possible options to provide an alternative parking solution at above location. A feasibility assessment will be required and funding will have to be identified.

Q.20 COUNCILLOR NOELEEN REILLY

To ask the Chief Executive for an update on a Playground for Hampton Woods given the large number of children living there.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The location in question is not in the charge of Parks Service and consequently Parks do not have any plans to install a playground here. Planning dept. Might be in a position to provide further information as a playground was to be included in original planning of this development.

This matter was previously investigated in detail by the Planning Enforcement Section and the development and area concerned was subject to an inspection on 19th December 2018.

The inspection revealed that the parcel of land indicated on the sales brochure image / map showing "Play Area" was in fact a landscaped / grassed area of private open space, which can be used as a play area. There was no formal playground indicated or approved within the development at this location.

There was no playground indicated on planning application Reg Ref, 4387/03. The area was described as "informal landscaping". The Planning Department have also checked the further planning applications reg ref 1742/07 & 2414/16 which also relate to Hampton Wood. Neither of these applications have provision for a Playground on any of the approved plans or particulars associated with the granted permissions.

As the developer is required to comply with the approved plans and particulars associated with his/her planning approval, the development at the location concerned is compliant.

Q.21 COUNCILLOR NOELEEN REILLY

To ask the Chief Executive to address the lack of bins and lighting in Hampton Woods.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Waste Management Services will be installing two litter bins at the bus stops at the new roundabout on Balbutcher Lane at Hampton Woods. These bins will be installed in the week commencing the 19th April 2021.

The lighting on Hampton Wood Drive was upgraded in 2017 to LED. It is considered that the road is lit to an acceptable standard and we have no plans at present for any further improvements to the lighting here.

Q.22 COUNCILLOR NOELEEN REILLY

To ask the Chief Executive to get the Road Sweepers into Griffith Parade and Glasnamana place and to ensure this is done on a regular basis.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned locations cleaned on the 26th March 2021. We will monitor litter levels in this area to ensure that it is kept as clean as possible.

Q.23 COUNCILLOR DECLAN MEENAGH

To ask the Chief Executive how many HAP and Homeless HAP applications are started but not completed and if he will make a statement on the matter. To also ask do Dublin City Council or DRHE staff help people take cases against landlords who refuse HAP?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The HAP Section only accepts valid and complete HAP applications. Incomplete applications are returned to applicants/landlords requesting the required documentation be submitted. In 2020, documentation requested in 76 cases was not submitted and therefore the applications did not proceed.

Applications are refused in cases where the documentation submitted does not comply with the terms and conditions of the HAP Scheme e.g. excessive overcrowding, tenant unable to afford top-up to landlord, rent for property is above market rent/not in compliance with RPZ, tenancy not bona fide etc. In 2020, 33 applications did not proceed for one of the above reasons.

In cases where Dublin City Council is advised that a landlord is refusing to accept HAP, staff advise the applicant of their rights under the Equal Status Acts 2000-2018 which prohibits discrimination against someone in receipt of, or seeking HAP and advise them to contact Threshold for advice and support.

Due to the large volume of applications for Homeless HAP from the four Dublin Local Authorities, we are currently working through a back log and unfortunately some Landlords are experiencing delays. However all rent is payable from the move in date submitted on the application form.

All applications submitted to Homeless HAP are assigned to a team of Housing Advisors in the first instance who check that the relevant documentation is correct. If there are any documents not included or incorrect, the Landlord and/or Tenant is contacted immediately by staff to advise on what is required and to advise on any queries.

Q.24 COUNCILLOR JOHN LYONS

To ask the Chief Executive for the amounts of money spent by the council collecting illegally dumped rubbish in each of the years 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020, the locations where rubbish is continuously dumped in each of the years, and detailed information on the funding sources from which the cost of collecting the illegally dumped rubbish is met by the council and to ask the manager for a statement on the matter and whether he agrees that it is time for the council to re-enter the waste collection service.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The following table provides an indication of the money spent by Waste Management Services over the past five years collecting illegally dumped rubbish. The figures are based on costs associated with specific vehicles assigned to this task within Waste Management taking into account fleet, labour and disposal costs. Illegally dumped waste is being removed and disposed of as part of ongoing overall waste management budget provision.

Year	Tonnes	Total
2020	3415	€1,007,038
2019	3965	€1,170,728
2018	3932	€1,159,219
2017	3156	€1,100,424
2016	3115	€966,663

It is estimated that the volume of illegal dumping could be up to 25% higher given the volume of dumped bags and waste items that are regularly collected by other vehicles assigned to regular street cleaning tasks.

It is not possible to provide exact details on location but the CRM reports for illegal dumping are reflective of the nature of the activity across the city.

The percentage break down of illegal dumping requests per area from 5th April 2020 to 5th April 2021 are as follows:

Central – 11%
 North Central – 8%
 North West – 56%
 South Central – 15%
 South East – 9%
 City Centre – 1%

The question of whether the City Council could re-enter the domestic waste collection service is not straightforward in that there are significant legal as well as financial implications for any such proposal. A sub-group to examine waste remunicipalisation has been established under the Climate Action, Environment and Energy Strategic Policy Committee. The sub-group will report to the SPC and full Council on the matter in due course.

Year	Tonnes	Total
2021 to Feb	445.8	€145,342
2020	3415	€1,007,038
2019	3965	€1,170,728
2018	3932	€1,159,219
2017	3156	€1,100,424
2016	3115	€966,663

The percentage break down of areas where the reports relate to from 5th April 2020 to 5th April 2021 are set out below.

Central – 11%
North Central – 8%
North West – 56%
South Central – 15%
South East – 9%
City Centre – 1%

Illegally dumped waste is being removed and disposed of as part of ongoing overall waste management budget provision.

The terms of reference of the waste municipalisation sub-group of the Climate Action, Environment and Energy Strategic Policy Committee (SPC) set out that the sub-group will meet every 2 months and provide a report to that SPC at every second meeting of the committee.

Q.25 COUNCILLOR DERMOT LACEY

To ask the Chief Executive if he will respond positively to the request contained in this email submitted with this question relating to a Grafton Street/South Anne Street Trader (**details supplied**)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Property Management Section has received many requests from lessees and licences for rent and licence fee relief due to the effect on their businesses as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic.

Each case is treated on its merits and the Property Management Section is adopting a sympathetic approach to these requests. This licensee's request will be examined and dealt with on a similar basis having regard only to the effect of Covid-19 on the business during 2020. A similar approach will be adopted in 2021 and similar reliefs will be granted on application supported by relevant documentation.

Q.26 COUNCILLOR DECLAN MEENAGH

To ask the Chief Executive if he will provide additional public toilets for the summer season where so much activity will be happening outside. Will he make a statement on plans to make these toilets permanent?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Options are currently being assessed for the provision of temporary toilets during the summer months when retail and hospitality remains closed. The provision of permanent public toilets is a longer term proposal which will require significant funding and take time.

Q.27 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN

To ask the Chief Executive to issue a full report as to who was appointed to run the Chinese New Year festival? What is the value of the contract? What were the KPI's for the contract? What is the term of this contract?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

After a Procurement process and as per MO CRES 72/2019 Aimée van Wylick t/a Boxroom Productions was appointed to run the Dublin Chinese New Year Festival. The payment for the Management Services for each year €22,000 excluding VAT

Term of contract up to 2021 Festival subject to satisfactory performance each year in 2019/2020.

KPIs set out below.

Festival Coordination

1. Work with Dublin City Council to deliver DCNYF.
2. Manage programming scheduling, public relations, marketing, ancillary programming and contracts
3. Research and negotiate hire and usage of venues and spaces
4. Oversee requirements for outdoor events (including licensing and statutory requirements)
5. Recruit, induct, and manage temporary staff, induction and management of a Volunteer Co-ordinator and management of artist liaison during the festival

Administration

Provide an administrative and support service

Ensure the effective and safe operation of the Festival

Provide plans, budgets, reports as necessary to Dublin City Council Team, Steering Group and other stakeholders

Finance and Legal

Prepare projected budgets, working with Dublin City Council

Prepare projected bids, working with Dublin City Council

Ensure preparation of all required procurement, contractual and legal documentation

Ensure compliance with all financial, contractual and legal requirements

Maximize resources available to festival and negotiate best possible rates from service providers

Work with Dublin City Council on financial management aspects

Monitor, record and reconcile box office income and financial settlements with host venues and ticketing system

Development

Optimise development opportunities for the festival - strategic partnerships, sponsorship, both funding and in-kind to support and enhance the festival and to diversify revenue streams

Liaise with festival funders, stakeholders and sponsors and ensure all contractual obligations are met, working with Dublin City Council.

Q.28 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN

To ask the Chief Executive to report as to who was appointed to provide the recent drone light show which was run during the St Patricks Festival in the city? What was the cost of this event? Can the CEO confirm if DCC hired the TV production company which filmed the event? If so what was the value of this contract?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The drone light show was run by the St. Patricks Festival organisers. All companies involved in the drone light show and filming were engaged by St. Patricks Festival. Any details of the companies involved would be a matter for the St. Patricks festival organisers.

Dublin City Council made a financial contribution of €275,000 towards St. Patricks Festival 2021.

Q.29 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN

To ask the Chief Executive to issue a full statement and update as to DCC's involvement with the Waste to Energy facility at Dublin Bay. This report to include how much is the investment? How many staff if any are on the Board of the Waste To Energy Company? What are the annual profits of the company? How much of this profit goes back to DCC for their investment? What efforts have been made by this company with regards the recycling of waste?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Dublin waste to Energy Project is a Public Private Partnership (PPP) between Dublin City Council ('the Authority' acting on behalf of the four Dublin Local Authorities) and Dublin Waste to Energy Limited ('the PPP Co.'). The Project is for the Design, Build, Finance, Operation and Maintenance of a 600,000 tonne per annum, Waste to Energy Facility. The PPP Co. was responsible for financing the construction, commissioning and is now financing the operation of the Facility.

The Project represents a €500 million investment by Dublin Waste to Energy Ltd. Dublin City Council do not have a staff representative on the Board.

The company's profits are listed on page 11 in the signed accounts attached.

The duration of the Project Agreement is 45 years (excluding the 3 year construction period). The contract is split into three distinct phases as follows:

Phase 1: is a 3 year construction phase,

Phase 2: covers the first 15 years of operation (i.e. the PPP period) and

Phase 3: covers the remaining 30 years of operation (i.e. the merchant period).

Authority Contingent Obligation (ACO)

In Phase 2, the Dublin Local Authorities (DLAs) are bound by an ACO mechanism to underpin the waste market revenue of the facility. Under the ACO the DLAs will provide partial (i.e. 58%) revenue support in respect of any revenue shortfall below a threshold waste revenue. The ACO only becomes effective if the operator fails to achieve the threshold waste revenue in any year during the PPP period. There is a cap on the maximum DLA exposure under the ACO.

This mechanism has not been activated since the commencement of operations at the facility.

DLA Revenue Streams

In return for the provision of the ACO, the DLAs will receive 54% of all Dublin Waste to Energy (DWtE) waste revenue above the threshold waste revenue for the PPP period (i.e. 15 years). In addition they will receive 25% of energy revenue above an agreed threshold for the PPP period (i.e. 15 years) and 45% of energy revenue above the same threshold for the merchant period (i.e. 30 years).

Generally, electricity generated at the DWtE facility will be sold at the wholesale market price. However, for the first 13 years of operation (i.e. until 31 December 2030) the DWtE facility will benefit from a national renewable energy feed in tariff under the REFIT 3 Programme which will provide a guaranteed price per MWh for approximately 57% of the electricity produced at the facility. This means that if the wholesale price of electricity is below the REFIT 3 tariff, 57% of the electricity will be guaranteed the REFIT3 tariff by the State.

Actual returns to the DLAs will depend primarily on the development of the waste and electricity markets, although a significant element of the energy revenue is effectively

guaranteed until 31 December 2030.

The DLA's are receiving approx. €6.25 million per annum from the revenue share.

Other Payment Flows and Conditions

The Project Agreement provides for other payment flows as flows:

- DWTEL is to pay the DLAs an annual contribution of €0.5m (indexed) from 4 years after the start of construction,
- The DLAs are liable for any expenditure in excess of €0.5m on site remediation. It is estimated that in a worst case scenario the site remediation cost to be borne by the DLAs will not exceed €0.8m,
- The DLAs also share the risk associated with legal/regulatory changes that impact on the DWtE project. The likelihood of this risk having an impact on the financial return of the DLAs is considered low,
- If the DWtE facility is refinanced the DLAs will share in the benefits of any such refinancing,
- If DWTEL returns exceeds a certain threshold the DLAs will benefit from a profit share arrangement, and
- DWTEL will finance a Community Gain Fund that will amount to over €10m during the construction period alone and up to €0.6m per annum during the operation phase.

The DLA's received approx. €8 million from a DWtE refinance in 2017.

It should also be noted that Dublin City Council receives €3.7 million annually in rates/rent from Dublin Waste to Energy.

Company Accounts

The latest available published accounts are for 2019 and are attached to the reply.

Recycling

Dublin Waste to Energy is a residual waste treatment facility. Waste delivered to the site has come from source separated collections and may also have been pre-treated by the waste collectors at their facilities. In addition metals are recovered from the bottom ash and recycled and all the bottom ash is recycled at a 3rd party site. The Annual Environmental Return to the EPA for 2019 are attached to the reply.

Q.30 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN

To ask the Chief Executive to issue a full report as to the expenditure by DCC for the entire apparatus of social distancing measures which include the trial cycle paths throughout the city? This report also to include what oversights are employed regarding this expenditure? Who controls the budget and sign off? How much overtime, if any, has been spent on staff regarding these stimulus packages and Covid 19 cycling measures? What exemptions do staff have with regards working hours for the implementation of these cycling ways? What Covid 19 safety protocols are in place for staff or hired contract workers? Further, who is overall in charge of this particular project?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A report will issue to the Councillor in the coming weeks.

Q.31 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE CONROY

To ask the Chief Executive is the City Council in a position to request the owner of the Martello Tower on Sandymount Strand, which is in obnoxious condition for over 3 decades, to clean its grounds? As a Protected Structure RPS No. 7860, the external condition has a detrimental visual impact on the historic area, it is not understood why this negative condition is permitted and please advise if Conservation Department can request the owners to upgrade and restore the property. As the Martello Tower has been empty for over 30 years does Council have a remit to regenerate this Martello Tower?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Martello Tower at 133A Strand Road, Sandymount, is in private ownership.

The Buildings-at-Risk Officer of the City Council's Conservation Section will inspect the above protected structure to assess if a notice is required in relation to potential endangerment to or loss of character of the structure, having regard to Sections 58 and 60 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended). A report on the assessment will be prepared and made available in due course.

Q.32 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE CONROY

To ask the Chief Executive what is the current decision-making consultation between City Council Transport Department, National Transport Authority and An Bord Pleanála in relation to the Bus Corridor submissions to An Bord Pleanála? As we are advised that NTA submissions are being made to ABP in June 2021. We are advised that NTA will make 10 separate submissions on the various single and combined Bus Corridors and resident communities in South East Area seek details on submissions in advance.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

DCC recognise that there are sustainable changes proposed within BusConnects program for this area and that the NTA BusConnects team are engaging with the various residents groups and we will forward on this correspondence for their information.

As it is a matter for the National Transport Authority, BusConnects program, such questions should be directed to the Authority. This can be done via their web site, email, calls and digital media, via the cbc@busconnects.ie or also to their postal address. However, the Environment Impact assessment report and the Traffic Impact Assessment Report are currently 'work in progress' and when issued should provide the required information in order to review and address the overall effects the BusConnects will have on the area, prior to any proposal that DCC would make within that area.

Q.33 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE CONROY

To ask the Chief Executive if there is an alternative public realm activity proposal for George's Dock as the Whitewater Rafting proposal is not supported by funding from government. I am requested by a Dublin-based theatre company whether a revised Speigeltent, Spiegel Gardens [cultural event structure] is possible for all age groups including elderly and young children. I include their email with this question.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Contrary to recent media coverage regarding the George's Dock White Water project not receiving URDF support, it is still very much a live project and alternative proposals

for the site would be premature at this time. It is important to note that any funding that may have been received via the URDF would have been a gain as a URDF grant did not form the basis of the funding for the project as set out in the Capital Programme.

The current estimated cost of the project is €25m and the current expected funding sources are set out below:

Funding Source	
Development Levies	€6.0m
Capital reserve	€4.0m
Anticipated Grants*	<u>€15.0m</u>
Total	€25.0m

*In respect of the Tourism, Sport & Swift Water Rescue elements

The City Council has recently commenced Stage 1 (Expressions of Interest/Prequalification) of a two stage Procurement process for the appointment of a contractor to construct the proposed Georges Dock White Water project. The closing date for Stage 1 Submissions was 12 March 2021.

The Stage 1 submissions will be reviewed by an Assessment Board shortly to decide which firms have the necessary skills and experience to carry out such a development.

The successful applicants at Stage 1 will be invited to submit a tender for the project at Stage 2. It is expected that Stage 2 will commence during Q2 of 2021 and will take several months to complete.

On completion of Stage 2 the City Council will have an actual tender cost and will then decide whether or not to proceed with the project, based on the cost and the confirmed funding for the project.

Q.34 COUNCILLOR DANNY BYRNE

To ask the Chief Executive for an update on the housing position of **(details supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The above applicant is on the Housing List with a Medical Priority with an application date of 29/09/2020, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

Area	Bedsizes	Position
Area K	1	18
Area M	1	11
Area N	1	23

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

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.

Q.35 COUNCILLOR DANNY BYRNE

To ask the Chief Executive

- how many social housing tenants have signed up to homeswapper.ie?
- Is this number considered a success?

c) What is being done to increase awareness of homeswapper.ie?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

- a) There are currently 648 households on the Homeswapper website, which is almost double the 358 households that were accessing the site when statistics started being recorded in November 2020.
- b) At present, we are in the second year of a pilot scheme as the first year was affected by the Covid Pandemic. Due to the Pandemic, the website was not utilised as much as we would have anticipated but there has been an uptake in interest over recent months.
- c) To increase the awareness of the website, tenants are being actively informed of this site as a platform when contacting the Allocations Section through email and telephone. We also have details of the Homeswapper website on our Dublin City Council website and automatic replies to emails. We are also in the process of sending an information letter to all DCC tenants on our transfer list advising of the website as a platform to look for mutual transfers.

Q.36 COUNCILLOR DANNY BYRNE

To ask the Chief Executive for an update on the housing position of **(details supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The above applicant is on the Housing Transfer List and in receipt of HAP with an application date of 11/09/2013, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

Area	Bedsizes	Position
Area H	2	42
Area M	2	28

The applicant's interest in the following properties has been noted on her file – Canon Mooney Gardens, Whelan House, Ravensdale Road and George Reynold House.

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

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.

Q.37 COUNCILLOR DECLAN MEENAGH

To ask the Chief Executive to comment on the number of families in homeless accommodation for longer than 24 months. Is there a more detailed breakdown of this available and what are the reasons for this?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Duration accessing emergency accommodation as calculated over One Night in February

The DRHE's Family Support Team are completing an analysis of all families who were over 2 years in emergency accommodation at the beginning of January 2021 and we will include this in the DRHE Director's monthly report to Councillors. The analysis will be in Report 15 which is due to issue the first week of May. The factors being

considered are family size, housing options, time on the housing list prior to presenting as homeless and any specific barriers to housing.

Duration in EA	Total Families	%
24+ months	180	26%
18-24months	61	9%
12-18 months	106	15%
6-12 months	99	15%
6 months or less	236	35%
Total	682	100%

Q.38 COUNCILLOR COLM O'ROURKE

To ask the Chief Executive that a number of measures be introduced to tackle the increase in litter as a result of more people using this area due to the good weather. Measures to include but not limited to:

- A) That additional barrel bins be placed along and close to the Royal in Phibsborough, Drumcondra, Pelletstown/Navan Road and Cabra.
- B) That the collection of waste from general waste bins be increased over the weekends

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

- A. Waste Management Services will monitor litter levels at the above mentioned locations and additional litter receptacles will be provided if required.
- B. All litter bins in high footfall locations (shop fronts, villages and main roads) are serviced daily, seven days a week.

Q.39 COUNCILLOR COLM O'ROURKE

To ask the Chief Executive that a number of measures be introduced to tackle the issue of litter, dog dirt and overflowing bins at **(details supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

As part of phase 2 of the dog fouling campaign which is being rolled out from 4th April 2021, a number of measures have been put in place such as a radio advert, social media video and new signage. New adverts will appear on ad boxes and metropolises which will specifically target **(details supplied 1)**. The message to all dog owners/walkers is to clean-up after their dog and to "Bag it and Bin it" as dog fouling is everybody's business.

All of the above roads were visited in the last few weeks by both the Litter Wardens and myself. We spoke to the Principal of **(details supplied 2)** and inspected the outside of schools in the vicinity which were clean. Litter Wardens distributed free doggie bags to pedestrians.

Plans are in place to install audio systems in suitable area but as the area is mainly residential this is proving difficult.

Waste Management currently have a comprehensive street cleaning service in operation. All litter bins in residential areas are serviced daily Mon – Fri, litter bins in high footfall locations (shot fronts, villages and main roads) and are serviced daily, seven days a week. Litter picking and mechanical sweeping in places of high footfall (shot fronts, villages and main roads) takes place daily and street cleaning in residential areas is also in operation.

Q.40 COUNCILLOR COLM O'ROURKE

To ask the Chief Executive that a number of measures be introduced to eradicate the issue of fly-tipping at **(details supplied)** and that any illegally dumped materials be removed.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Waste Management Services remove dumped rubbish from the above mentioned location on a regular basis. We will continue to target this location with regard to illegal dumping and action will be taken against anyone found to be dumping there.

Q.41 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON

To ask the Chief Executive to please look at the full re-opening of Landsdowne Park Drimnagh. This beautiful linear Park has been a God send for people over the past few months with the lockdown. However the only access available is at the Black Horse, Suir Road resulting in over half the Park becoming almost out of bounds with those of limited mobility. Opening the gate at Slievebloom Road where the old pitch and putt was would double the walking experience and a couple of seats would transform the visitor experience and all access from the densely populated area of Drimnagh.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

This park was closed off when the pitch and putt closed approximately 18 months ago. Parks Service is currently looking at options for its reopening and will keep the councillors informed when this is due.

Q.42 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON

To ask the Chief Executive to please look into this urgent issue: that the damaged Big Belly bin at the skateboard / playground facility at Le Fanu Park, Ballyfermot be replaced as a matter of urgency, that an extra set of children's swings be installed, that the landscape people look at the grounds on a frequent basis and some trip hazards near the play-ground be looked at as a matter of urgency.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Big Belly bin was maliciously damaged by fire and has been sent away for repairs, which have been delayed due to the availability of spare parts. Parks service is currently engaging with the supplier in relation to issues with the surface. Installation of additional swings can be examined in the context of next year's programme of works for the South Central Area.

Q.43 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON

To ask the Chief Executive to please look at the hostile environment in the vicinity of Walkinstown Ave Park in Dublin 12. The Kissing gate whilst there to deter horses, scramblers results in serious difficulties of access for disabled persons etc. can it be remodelled or removed? The Roadway outside the Park entrance is a very busy Road Walkinstown Ave can we provide pedestrian lights here to aid easy access across the Road Lidl across the Road would make the place a lot safer, there is often serious levels of car-parking along the footpath here can we erect signs to advise people it's illegal and dangerous for others walking along the footpath in addition can a few good

quality cycle stands be provided inside and outside the Park entrance to promote cycling at this location.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

This section of the Walkinstown Avenue will need to be assessed by the Area Engineer for the installation of a Pedestrian Crossing.

On a previous site visit to the above location it was very clear that there is an issue with cars parking on the footpath. This is a clear breach of the Road Traffic (Traffic & Parking) Regulations, Section 36 paragraph (2) (i), it is illegal to park on a footway, a grass margin or a median strip.

The location in the vicinity of the park will be examined and if deemed suitable, will be included in the next Batch of the On-Street Cycle Parking Project.

Dublin Street Parking Services will be asked to enforce against illegal parking on the footpath along Walkinstown Avenue especially in the vicinity of Walkinstown Avenue Park.

Swing/kissing gates and similar traffic barrier type structures have been placed at some park entrances in response to concerns by local people about unauthorised vehicles, quad bikes, scramblers and even speeding cyclists. These gates still permit access for buggies and most wheelchairs.

If there is a specific individual or individuals who are having serious difficulties of access we would welcome meeting those affected on site to see how the situation can be remedied to their satisfaction. Queries in this regard can be emailed to the person below.

Q.44 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON

To ask the Chief Executive that the following housing query will be looked into (**details supplied**):

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The above applicant is on the Housing List with an application date of 07/05/2010, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

Area	Bedsizes	Position
Area J	2	17

The applicant will be considered for offer when accommodation to meet her household need becomes available and according to her position on the list. The applicant's interest in the Cornamona development is noted on her file.

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.

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

of choice. However given the applicant's relatively favourable position I would only advise this option if she is willing to accept an offer in another area.

Q.45 COUNCILLOR DAMIAN O'FARRELL

To ask the Chief Executive to report on the following please:

- to detail DCC's proposals / plans for St Anne's Court, Raheny including feasibility study, consultation with residents, planning procedure (e.g. is it a part 8 development with a full public consultation with a decision being made by councillors or if not please give details) and proposed timeframe for development.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council (DCC) applies for social housing capital funding from the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH) in accordance with its four stage capital approval process.

A feasibility study has been completed and the Housing and Community Services Department (DCC) are currently liaising with the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH) with regards to securing Stage 1 approval for the regeneration of Saint Anne's Court.

Upon receipt of Stage 1 approval, a design team will be appointed. The Housing and Community Services Department will support the North Central Area Office to co-ordinate full and open consultation and will seek consensus from the residents, local community, and local elected members with regards indicative design proposals. The consultation process will encourage involvement and optimise local democracy.

Accordingly, the existing Part VIII planning approval process will be pursued via the North Central Area.

The proposed timeline is subject to Stage 1 approval, the engagement of an integrated design team and achieving consensus amongst local stakeholders with regards design proposals.

Q.46 COUNCILLOR DAMIAN O'FARRELL

To ask the Chief Executive to report on the following please: Dublin City Council have several exclusively older person residential complexes and residents enjoy a quiet and peaceful quality of life.

- Has DCC's policy as regards older person complexes changed and will there now be a mixed age and family size in these refurbished complexes?

- Will this change of policy / allocation profile of residents impinge on the existing quality of life for our 'older person' residents?

- Has this matter (change of allocation policy in our older person complexes) ever been brought to the relevant SPC (as required) or the City Council? If yes, can I have further details please and if no, why not please?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council's policy has not changed in respect of older person's accommodation.

The Housing and Community Services Department are currently developing a number of regeneration schemes specifically for older persons' accommodation. The redevelopment of these complexes will enable the council to replace ageing stock with more and better homes for the same cohort.

There are two pilot schemes, namely the Age Friendly Dublin City Integrated Emmet Road Project and the Sarsfield Road Intergenerational Project, that are being developed with full and open consultation, invoking innovative ideas and designs which are ultimately aimed at better meeting the needs of older persons in their respective communities.

Q.47 COUNCILLOR JAMES GEOGHEGAN

To ask the Chief Executive if he can provide a copy (by email) of each of the filed court documents in proceedings bearing court reference number 2020/111 JR and 2020/112 JR respectively and detailed below in circumstances where most of the filed documents have been provided to all parties, have been opened in court or will be opened in court.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

It is only the parties to the legal proceedings that are entitled to copies of the filed court documents. It would not be appropriate to provide copies of the documents in question.

Q.48 COUNCILLOR JAMES GEOGHEGAN

To ask the Chief Executive if further to the passage of the South East Area motion number 22 on the 8th of February 2021 if at the request of Sandymount Tidy Towns and the Sandymount community he can provide additional bins on Sandymount Green and also an increased collection service on weekends and bank holidays.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

There are currently 5 no. standard sized litter bins in this compact village Green, which historically has been sufficient to deal with normal levels of litter and rubbish being disposed of in the Green. Currently Big Belly Bins are being sourced to replace some of these bins in order to increase capacity and have a more efficient litter collection regime.

However, elsewhere in the Area a community group is leading a 'Leave No Trace' campaign for their local park. This has resulted in a discussion between members of the resident's association, both in person and via social media, with regular park users to encourage them to bring their waste home.

The initiative is being well received and has resulted in a dramatic reduction in litter being left in the park. Park's would be supportive if a similar initiative was considered in Sandymount Green to reduce litter in this very popular public space.

Q.49 COUNCILLOR JAMES GEOGHEGAN

To ask the Chief Executive if he can set out in tabular form the estimated average annual revenue cost to Dublin City Council, total lifecycle of the lease cost to Dublin City Council, average duration of the lease; for Dublin City Council by reference to residential unit type for the promised Long Term Lease Delivery of 1,099 social units in 2020/2021; if he can set out the current annual average housing assistance payment and homeless housing assistance payment cost to Dublin City Council by reference to residential unit type.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Please find below the annual average Homeless HAP payments to landlords by residential unit type. The HAP Shared Services Centre provided a report on monthly payment amounts by unit type as at 31st March 2021 and the table below shows the annual average. These payments were in respect of 8,116 active HHAP tenancies in place at 31st March 2021.

Annual Average Landlord HHAP Payment by Unit Type at 31st March 2021		
Property Type	Self-Contained	Shared
1 Bed Unit	€13,749.00	€7,557.00
2 Bed Unit	€19,827.27	€7,282.44
3 Bed Unit	€21,474.24	€7,317.48
4 Bed Unit	€21,009.48	€7,093.92
5 Bed Unit	€24,030.00	€6,886.80
6 Bed Unit	€17,280.00	€6,285.72

Please find below the annual average HAP payments to landlords by residential unit type. The HAP Shared Services Centre provided a report on monthly payment amounts by unit type as at 31st March 2021 which have been annualised in the table below. These payments were in respect of 5,106 active HAP tenancies in place at 31st March 2021.

Annual Average Landlord HAP Payment by Unit Type at 31st March 2021		
Property Type	Self-Contained	Shared
1 Bed Unit	€10,236	-
2 Bed Unit	€15,048	€5,892
3 Bed Unit	€16,044	€5,880
4 Bed Unit	€14,628	€5,892
5 Bed Unit	€14,700	€5,664
6 Bed Unit	-	€5,568

Long Term Leasing Response

Table 1 below sets out the number of leases executed by the City Council under the Standard Long Term Lease initiative for 2020 and for Q1 2021.

Table 2 below sets the unit type, number of units, average monthly rent and average annual cost. The rent paid to Lessors under the scheme is 80% of market rent for houses in a non-managed development and 85% market rent where management fees apply for units in a managed development.

Rent reviews under standard long-term leasing occur on the third anniversary of the commencement date and every third year thereafter. These reviews are based on changes in the Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices (HICP).

TABLE 1

Lease Term	No. of Leases 2020	No of Leases 2021
7 Year Lease	1	

10 Year Lease	11	2
15 Year Lease	4	1
20 Year Lease	8	1
25 Year Lease	188	38
Total Leases	212	42

TABLE 2

Year	Type	No. of units	Average Monthly Rent Payment	Total Avg Monthly	Annual Average Cost
2020					
A1= One Bedroom Apt	A1	72	€1,457	€104,904	€1,258,848
A2= Two Bedroom Apt	A2	60	€1,700	€102,000	€1,224,000
H2= Two Bedroom House	H2	15	€1,526	€22,890	€274,680
A3 = Three Bedroom Apt	A3	6	€1,857	€11,142	€133,704
H3= Three Bedroom House	H3	49	€1,598	€78,302	€939,624
Year	Type	No. of units	Average Monthly Rent Payment	Total Avg Monthly	Annual Average Cost
H4= Four Bedroom House	H4	9	€1,850	€16,650	€199,800
H8= Eight Bedroom House	H8	1	€2,800	€2,800	€33,600
Total		212		€338,688	€4,064,256.00
2021 (Q1)					
A1= One Bedroom Apt	A1	19	€1,369	€26,011	€312,132
A2= Two Bedroom Apt	A2	14	€1,514	€21,196	€254,352
A3 = Three Bedroom Apt	A3	1	€1,913	€1,913	€22,950
H3= Three Bedroom House	H3	7	€1,570	€10,990	€131,880
H4= Four Bedroom House	H4	1	€2,000	€2,000	€24,000
Total		42		€62,110	€745,314

Q.50 COUNCILLOR JAMES GEOGHEGAN

To ask the Chief Executive if further to the report entitled 'Debtors Report year ended 31st December 2020' presented at the 25th March 2021 Finance SPC if he could provide the following sub-breakdown in respect of Table K by reference to specific Category of Loan (what form of loan is this? Rebuilding Ireland home loan etc.); the number of accounts in arrears of which days past due, up to 90 days, 91-180 days, 181 to 365, 1- 2 years, 2 -5 years, 5 – 10 years, over 10 years; if he can detail the eligibility criteria for a rebuilding Ireland home loan provided by Dublin City Council and explain how that criteria is applied and whose responsibility it is.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The arrears balance as of 31st December 2020 was € 7,730,739.58. The number of accounts in arrears was 599.

Breakdown of Arrears on all loan accounts:

Arrears	No. of Accounts in Arrears
Less than 91 days	214
Between 91 days & 180 days	44
Between 180 days & 365 days	76
Between 1 & 2 years	55
Between 2 & 5 years	96
Over 5 years	114
Total	599

There were 5 Rebuilding Ireland loans in arrears under 90 days and 7 over 90 days. The Rebuilding Ireland Home Loan was introduced to replace the House Purchase loan in February 2018. It is a nationwide scheme administered by all Local Authorities on behalf of the Government, who set out the terms, conditions and criteria. The loan is available to applicants who satisfy the below required criteria and whose income does not exceed €50,000 for a single applicant and €75,000 for joint applicants.

- Be first time buyers. Neither applicant can be previous owner or current owner of property
- Be aged between 18 and 70 years
- Be in continuous employment (this can be self-employed) for at least 2 years in the case of the primary earner and in continuous employment for 1 year in the case of the second applicant (if second applicant in employed)
- Be of good standing with a satisfactory credit record (a credit check will be carried out with Irish Credit Bureau and Credit Central Register
- Have an indefinite right to remain in Ireland either through nationality or refugee status
- Be able to provide proof of insufficient offers of finance from two financial institutions (Bank or Building Society only)
- Have minimum deposit of 10% of the purchase price of the property
- Provide proof of marital status (if divorced, legal documents must be submitted)
- If you are renting, you must have a clear rent account for 6 months prior to applying for the loan and your rent assessment must be up-to-date.

Q.51 COUNCILLOR DARCY LONERGAN

To ask the Chief Executive are there any plans to clear the walkway along the Glasnevin bridge and Dean Swift bridge and reopen it to the public in light of Covid and the need for more walkways.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Cabra Area Office will investigate and a reply will issue to the Councillor within the next two weeks.

Q.52 COUNCILLOR ANNE FEENEY

To ask the Chief Executive to redouble and accelerate efforts to secure more public toilets for Dublin's city centre and parks this summer to enable people to spend more time outdoors and enjoying the City and the good weather. We need more than four locations of public toilets in the city: 1. Sandy mount Strand; 2. Clontarf, Bull Wall; 3. Wolfe Tone Park; 4. St. Stephen's Green

The Taoiseach recently said that ["the theme going forward has to be around the outdoors and that people must avoid congregation indoors"](#) and the Deputy Chief Medical Officer, Dr. Ronan Glynn has said he hopes we can ["look forward to a good summer premised on outdoor activities"](#). But to enjoy the outdoors for more than an hour or two, we need public toilets in Dublin's city centre and parks. Public toilets bring multiple benefits, including improved accessibility for families, people with disabilities and those with medical conditions. While Dublin City Council provided two excellent public toilet services at Stephen's Green and Wolfe Tone Square with friendly staff who do a great job in operating the service efficiently and keeping the toilets clean, there needs to be a lot more of these facilities. Long queues every weekend show how badly more toilets are needed. This is also true of our parks. Last summer, thousands of people met up for walks and talks in Dublin's parks and found themselves at a loss when nature called. Why does Bushy Park not have public toilets and yet Marlay Park in DLR does? Despite numerous calls for more public toilets over the past year from myself, other Councillors and the public, no new toilets have been provided. If we are to see the City open up to outdoor activities over this summer and for the rest of the year, we need Dublin City Council and the Office of Public Works to provide more public conveniences at various points around the city, in our urban villages and in our parks and at places of public interest i.e. College Green, Smithfield, Phoenix Park, Grand Canal Dock, etc.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Options are currently being assessed for the provision of temporary toilets during the summer months when retail and hospitality remains closed. The provision of permanent public toilets is a longer term proposal which will require significant funding and take time.

Q.53 COUNCILLOR ANNE FEENEY

To ask the Chief Executive to let me know what guarantee is given to Dublin City Council by road and pavement resurfacing and repair contractors and whether contractors are obliged to repair/reinstate where faults arise within a reasonable period of time. There are a number of roads which were resurfaced in recent years and are now badly caving in at several points. While repairs can be done, this should not happen and the City Council should not have to incur the cost of repair.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Councils Road Maintenance Services (RMS) engage contractors to carry out our Annual Road Repair and Resurfacing Programme. The contracts entered into are Public Works Contracts which typically have a Defects Period of 12 months from the Date of Substantial Completion of works. If defects occur that are as a result of faulty materials or workmanship within this time frame they are referred back to the contractor to rectify at no cost to Dublin City Council. If the defect is as a result of unforeseen ground conditions (i.e. collapsed cellars, services etc.) the contractor cannot be held responsible and Dublin City Council will have to incur the cost of such repairs.

Q.54 COUNCILLOR CLAIRE BYRNE

To ask the Chief Executive how many homes will be retrofitted this year, can he provide a breakdown of whether the properties are houses or flats, and can he please provide a list of those properties in the South East Area that will be retrofitted this year.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Our target is to retrofit 100 homes in 2021 under our Energy Efficiency Retrofitting Programme.

The programme targets houses only, not flats. Therefore, all properties on the 2021 programme are houses.

According to our records, 961 housing units have been retrofitted to date in the South East Area with only 16 houses, which are categorised under Phase Two of the programme, remaining. There are approximately a further 2,700 houses across all areas of the City Council, that are eligible under this phase of the programme. There are two properties targeted for upgrade works in our 2021 works programme in the South East Area, however, it is anticipated that the programme will continue across all areas for a number of more years, subject to the continuation of Departmental funding.

Q.55 COUNCILLOR CLAIRE BYRNE

To ask the Chief Executive what is the proper procedure to add any land (for example additional lands on the Poolbeg peninsula) to the 'buffer zone' areas in the designation for the Dublin Bay UNESCO Biosphere? Does this come under Dublin City Council, and if so does it come under the Development Plan or the Biodiversity Officer? Or is this the responsibility of the Department of Parks and Wildlife?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

If the councillor can contact the undersigned with details of the site in question and the issues of concern the matter can be pursued with the landowner. All of the docklands are within the buffer or transition zone of the UNESCO Biosphere Reserve the partnership for which is led by Dublin City Council and includes both Dublin Port Company and the National Parks and Wildlife Service.

Q.56 COUNCILLOR CLAIRE BYRNE

To ask the Chief Executive can he please provide a list of contractors and external services used by DCC, and can he provide details on what percentage of women are employed through these outsourced services.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council does not hold any information regarding the gender balance or make-up of external contractors engaged by the City Council and have no mechanism to retrieve that information.

Q.57 COUNCILLOR CLAIRE BYRNE

To ask the Chief Executive can he provide a full list of streets to be pedestrianised in summer months as part of the Covid Mobility scheme, and can he confirm whether there has been any further progress with overcoming the barriers posed to the pedestrianisation of South William Street.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The following streets are to be pedestrianised (with access for deliveries 6am to 11am):

- South Anne St
- Drury St

- Dame Court
- South William St

The location of the car park and the position of the carpark owner on South William St that no changes can be made to the current configuration of the car park means that at present the proposal for South William Street remains as before.

Q.58 COUNCILLOR COLM O'ROURKE

To ask the Chief Executive for a 2021 programme of works at **(details supplied)** for:
A) Road surface and footpath improvements B) Traffic management/calming, C) Parks, and D) Public lighting.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

- A) Sections of River Road carriageway shall be resurfaced **(details supplied 1)** as part of the 2021 Road Maintenance Works Programme.
- B) The following traffic management/calming measures are to be installed as part of Package 7 Works in 2021: **(details supplied 2)**.
- C) Several local open spaces and residential greens in this area are currently being assessed for suitability for possible inclusion in the spring bulb planting and wildflower seeding programmes.
- D) There is no public lighting improvements programme for 2021 for locations specified.

Q.59 COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE

To ask the Chief Executive to respond to this housing application **(details supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The above applicant is on the Housing Transfer List with an application date of 07/02/2011, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

Area	Bedsizes	Position
Area B	3	148
Area D	3	57
Area E	3	181

Based on the applicant's position listed above, it may sometime before the applicant is reached for an offer of housing. The applicant's interest in Belmayne and Belcamp have been noted on the applicant's file.

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.

Q.60 COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE

To ask the Chief Executive to respond to this housing query **(details supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The above applicant is on the Housing Transfer List with an application date of 29/05/2007, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

Area	Bedsizes	Position
Area B	1	66
Area E	1	85
Area M	1	73

Based on these positions, it may be some time before the applicant is reached for an offer of housing. The applicant's interest in the Bunratty Road has been noted on his file.

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.

Q.61 COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE

To ask the Chief Executive to respond to this housing query (**details supplied**).

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The above applicant is on the Housing Transfer List with an application date of 29/05/2007, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

Area	Bedsizes	Position
Area B	2	85
Area E	2	9
Area H	2	90

The applicant should be advised to remain in contact with the area office as her position is favourable for this area (Area E). Based on the applicant's positions for her other two areas of choice it may be some time before she would be reached for an offer of housing. The applicant's interest in Edenmore Court, Belcamp Lane and Edenmore are noted on her file.

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.

Q.62 COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE

To ask the Chief Executive to respond to this housing query (**details supplied**).

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The above applicant is on the Housing List with an application date of 11/10/2007, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

Area	Bedsizes	Position
Area B	2	31

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

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 be eligible for HAP which will provide her with financial assistance towards the cost of renting another property. Should the applicant wish to apply for the HAP scheme, she should make contact with the Allocations Section with current income details where a Housing Advisor can provide information and advice on the scheme.

Furthermore, the applicant may wish to increase her areas of choice, it would be advised to the applicant, that by increasing her areas of choice, it may increase her chance of being housed in a shorter timeframe. Housing Advisors are available (Monday to Friday via phone 2pm – 5pm) to discuss options with the applicant should she wish to amend her application to include additional areas of choice.

Q.63 COUNCILLOR TINA MACVEIGH

To ask the Chief Executive what was the outcome of the damp pilot project undertaken by our housing maintenance section that ran during 2019. The project adopted a variety of measures including the installation of moisture extraction units, damp proof paint and other measures. Could the Manager provide this councillor with a report on how many units were treated for damp, the measures employed and the overall outcome of the pilot.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

As noted by the Councillor, Dublin City Council ran a pilot project in late 2018 to address condensation issues in our properties. Notwithstanding, the measures that are taken on our voids, we also looked at ways to help alleviate mould, where present, in properties with tenants in situ.

To date, the City Council has worked on just over 1200 properties citywide. We have employed five different measures as detailed below:

- Positive Input Ventilation (PIV), which circulates air around a flat or house, the idea behind this is similar to your car when it fogs up, in that the PIV unit reduces the moisture content in the units.
- Install filter less fans and demand control ventilation. Very similar to a PIV unit these fans are a lot smaller and go on the wall of a bathroom and kitchen. When the humidity rises in either of these rooms the fans automatically kick in and take the moisture out of the rooms.
- The area that mould is present is treated and then a type of insulation called *sempatap* is applied over the surface and then painted over. The idea behind the product is that it heats the wall which in turn prevents moisture from being attracted to the cold surface.
- Anti Mould Paint: This final product is similar to the previous product whereby it is a paint but this paint has a chemical that 'fights' mould when it is trying to form on a surface.

- In some circumstances we use a combination of all of the above to fight against the issues that arise.
- When a call now comes in from a tenant with mould issues, we will arrange for a report to be carried out on the property and depending on the report, we will carry out various forms of work. Our findings, however, are that ventilation measures have proved to be the most successful and economical of all of the measures. It is our intention to continue with this program for the foreseeable future.
- Housing Maintenance is cognisant of the fact that tenants are having issues with mould in their properties and are here to offer advice and implement solutions where possible. It should be recognised that while these solutions offer help to alleviate mould issues in a property, they are not the complete solution.

Q.64 COUNCILLOR TINA MACVEIGH

To ask the Chief Executive whether repairs have been carried out to the water leak in our tenant's home at **(details supplied)** and what is the status of those repairs and resolution to the issue.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council has attended this property and addressed the leak. The new radiator for the bathroom has been ordered and the installation will be carried out upon its delivery to the depot.

Q.65 COUNCILLOR TINA MACVEIGH

To ask the Chief Executive to set out at what stage of progress the process of granting the licence for the operation of the City Council and Fingal dog pounds is at.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council's Dog Shelter Services tender document has been compiled and is currently being assessed by the council's procurement unit prior to its publication on e-Tenders. The e-Tenders portal is a central facility for all public sector contracting authorities to advertise procurement opportunities and is a key reference point for potential suppliers and service providers.

It is expected that this process and publication will be completed in three weeks.

At present Fingal's Dog Warden and Dog Shelter services are operated under a regional arrangement with the other three Dublin Local Authorities and the current contracts are due to expire at the end of June 2021. Fingal County Council has decided to establish its own independent arrangement for the provision of dog related services.

Q.66 COUNCILLOR TINA MACVEIGH

To ask the Chief Executive whether the Development Board of the New Children's Hospital will be making a contribution of any kind (whether financial or in kind) to the development of any section of the planned Rialto Linear Park; whether they have been asked to and if they have been asked, what was their answer; whether they have paid any levy for use of the lands at the site of the proposed park which are currently behind the hoarding and if so, how much.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The wayleave agreement for the temporary use of DCC lands is subject to a requirement for the area to be reinstated to a specification and plan to be agreed with DCC. St James Hospital has not been requested to make any funding available to the improvement of the open space. Funding for this work will come from DCC's capital programme. The Children's Hospital would have been conditioned to make the

standard development contributions to DCC as part of the planning permission for the hospital. If further information is required on this the question should be forwarded to Planning and Development Department.

Development contributions have been paid as conditioned by the planning permission.

Q.67 COUNCILLOR EIMER MCCORMACK

To ask the Chief Executive to outline what protections will be put in place to allow the baths at Clontarf be opened to the public and when he expects this might occur?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Clontarf Baths are operated by a Private Company, the Area office will endeavour to make contact with the company in the next few days and follow up directly with the Councillor.

Q.68 COUNCILLOR EIMER MCCORMACK

To ask the Chief Executive to report on the re-opening of the Fruit and Vegetable market in Dublin 7. Can he particularly outline how the funding provided for the works in the URDF for this project have been spent and when the public can expect to use the facility?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Fruit and Vegetable Market is in need of extensive refurbishment and conservation works in order to provide for the new retail food market permissioned under Part 8 Planning Permission. The application and recent award of funding under the Urban Regeneration Development Fund for the capital works to the building, will require matched funding from Dublin City Council of 25%. When further detail regarding funding allocation and criteria are available the project will proceed to tender taking account of requirements

The Members Advisory Group on the Redevelopment of the Markets continues to liaise with management on the project. A specific timeline will be available when the tender is awarded.

Q.69 COUNCILLOR EIMER MCCORMACK

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a report, to include artist impressions or imaging if available, of the proposed new Library for Dublin City on Parnell Square, to be provided by funding from the URDF? Detailing costings and projected timeline to completion also.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

As per update last November, following the withdrawal of Kennedy Wilson from involvement in the project, the Chief Executive advised Elected Members that the City Council would assume full responsibility for the development of the Parnell Square Cultural Quarter. Work was undertaken to examine the feasibility of pursuing a two phased approach to delivering the project and to identify alternative funding sources.

Feasibility work was undertaken in the 4th quarter of 2019 and resulted in a plan to deliver phase 1 of the project. Phase 1 will develop the new library building and all works to house No 27 together with limited works to the other Georgian buildings.

During this period the project has been submitted for URDF funding. In early 2020, as the challenges posed by Covid-19 became apparent, the Chief Executive instructed that the project should be placed on hold.

Dublin City Council appointed a project manager in January 2021 who is currently examining in detail the scope of Phase 1, and will be working closely with the architects and design team over the coming months to finalise the design and assess costs.

Q.70 COUNCILLOR EIMER MCCORMACK

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a report on how funding from the URDF will be spent in the Central Area with specific reference to the following locations of the Five Lamps, Mountjoy Square and Moore Street. Any architects impressions or proposal illustrations to be included.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

On 5th March 2021, the DHLGC approved URDF funding to the value of €174.30 million in relation to the North Inner City Concept Area (1) and the South Inner City Concept Area (2).

The North inner City Concept Area project involves the regeneration and redevelopment of several areas that have suffered from dereliction and decline over a number of years. The main objective is to achieve long-term sustainable regeneration around the redevelopment of the Fruit and Vegetable Market, Smithfield, and the Parnell Square Cultural Quarter through a number of complementary projects.

These include:

- Markets and Public Realm Study and works, including a Public Realm Masterplan. The Masterplan and works include the pedestrianisation of streets, creation of public spaces, greening and cycle routes.
- Broadstone to Grand Canal – development of a pedestrian and cycle route.
- Site assembly in a number of areas.
- Parnell Square Public Realm works to create a civic space to link the Parnell Square Cultural Quarter buildings, which will involve the construction of a new city library.
- Mountjoy Square Construction project, which consists of a number of restoration measures and refurbishment of the existing community building.
- 41 Parnell Square – acquisition and refurbishment of a protected structure.
- Five Lamps Public Realm works, involving improvements to public lighting, street paving, street art and furniture.
- Moore Street Public Realm Renewal works to include lighting, public art, paving, stalls, signage to reactivate one of the most important trading streets in the city.
- 14-17 Moore Street – structural and restoration works to 4 houses to facilitate the reuse of these historic buildings to create an iconic visitor attraction and rejuvenation of a historic street.

DCC are awaiting further details of the breakdown of the funding allocated for each of these areas, including the Five Lamps, Mountjoy Square, and Moore St. There are no architects impressions of the projects available at present.

Q.71 COUNCILLOR JOE COSTELLO

To ask the Chief Executive if he will detail the amount of money spent on dealing with illegal dumping in the City in each of the last five years.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Please find details below:

Year	Tonnes	Total
2021 to Feb	445.8	€145,342
2020	3415	€1,007,038
2019	3965	€1,170,728
2018	3932	€1,159,219
2017	3156	€1,100,424
2016	3115	€966,663

Q.72 COUNCILLOR JOE COSTELLO

To ask the Chief Executive to detail the cost in time and staff resources in processing the Strategic Housing Developments since their inception in 2018.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The time and resources involved in assessing Strategic Housing Developments (SHD) applications is part and parcel of the workload of the Planning Authority. Staff also work on a variety of different types of applications as well as related planning matters, and are managed in accordance with changing priorities. As such it is not possible to separate out the SHD work from the other work of the Planning Authority.

In relation to SHDs there have been
286 - Pre App Meetings (Stage 1)
84 - SHD Pre Applications plus 2 Invalids (Stage 2)
68 - SHD Applications plus 2 invalids (Stage 3)

To date €1.2M has been generated in fees for SHD applications.

Q.73 COUNCILLOR JOE COSTELLO

To ask the Chief Executive to state if the Fruit and Vegetable Market will be developed by Dublin City Council from the Urban Regeneration Development Funds and if involvement of private developers is foreseen in any way.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Fruit and Vegetable Market has received funding under the Urban Regeneration Development Fund for the capital works to the building, which will require matched funding from Dublin City Council of 25% i.e. for conservation and improvement to the building structure. When the detail criteria regarding the funding allocation is available it will be discussed at the Members Advisory Group for the Redevelopment of the Market.

Q.74 COUNCILLOR JOE COSTELLO

To ask the Chief Executive if he will outline if Dublin City Council Parks will implement a policy of using only peat free compost and planting only native flowers and trees in all Council parks and open spaces. There are many alternatives to peat compost and the council should be developing these and supplying to neighbourhood gardeners. Removal of peat compost not only reduces carbon footprint, but aids the protection of native peatlands which are carbon sinks and biodiversity hot spots. With the closure of Bord na Mona peat harvesting, there will be increased demand for peat compost from

privately owned bogs. Dublin City Council should not be supporting this and could develop alternative composting solutions.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Native flowers are wildflowers and as such do not need planting. Increasingly areas of grassland are being left for the growth of native grasses and flowers which will colonise any given space given the opportunity. Native trees are also planted where they have the space to grow to maturity however other 'ornamental' trees, shrubs and perennials have benefits for biodiversity and are appropriate in an urban context. Eighty percent of the planting carried out by the Parks Service is pollinator friendly.

Dublin City Councils Parks, Biodiversity and Landscape Services have since 2014 reduced the use of peat in our spring and summer bedding production.

Alternatives to peat have been trialled in the nursery of St Anne's park and we have managed to reduce the use of peat by 65% in 2020. The potting and peat blocking machines which are used in our nurseries were designed to work with peat because of its cohesiveness and it has been a challenge to use the existing system with other compost formulations. Despite this it is our intention to cease using peat in the near future and we will utilise our own produced compost as the organic element within a soil based potting mix. While not having the same consistency in results we are confident as time goes on formulations will be improved upon.

Q.75 COUNCILLOR MARY CALLAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive if temporary public toilets can be provided in the vicinity of outdoor public amenities in North Dublin; and what steps are being taken to address the under provision of permanent and accessible public toilets across the city.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Options are currently being assessed for the provision of temporary toilets during the summer months when retail and hospitality remains closed. The provision of permanent public toilets is a longer term proposal which will require significant funding and take time.

Q.76 COUNCILLOR MARY CALLAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive to provide the ratio of population per councillor for each separate LEA in Dublin City Council and to specify how that compares with national figures.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The last census was completed in 2016 which preceded the electoral area boundary changes that took place in 2019 prior to the local elections. Information can only be provided based on the last census as outlined below:

Local Electoral Area	Population	Cllrs	Pop. per Cllr
Ballyfermot-Drimnagh	54848	6	9,141
Ballymun	61051	7	8,721
Clontarf	55096	6	9,182
Crumlin - Kimmage	54325	6	9,054

Beaumont - Donaghmede	76349	9	8,483
Cabra - Finglas	58727	7	8,389
North Inner City	72982	8	9,122
Pembroke - South Dock	71419	8	8,927
Rathgar - Rathmines	49757	6	8,292
Dublin City Council	554554	63	8,802
National	4.76 Million	949	5,017

In 2017 two Local Electoral Area Boundary Committees were established by Mr. John Paul Phelan T.D. Minister of State at the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government with special responsibility for Local Government and Electoral Reform, to review and make recommendations on the division of local authority areas. Under Section 23 of the Local Government Act 2001, the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government is responsible for dividing each city, county, and city and into local electoral areas (also referred to as electoral areas) for the purposes of local elections.

Local Electoral Area Boundary Committee No. 1 made recommendations on the division of local authority areas outside of Dublin, with the exception Cork City and Galway City. Local Electoral Area Boundary Committee No. 2 made recommendations on the division of the local authority areas of Dublin City, Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown, Fingal, South Dublin, Cork City and Galway City.

Attached to this reply are Boundary Committee Reports No. 1 & No. 2 which sets out the ratio of population per councillor for each electoral area in the country as well as the terms of reference and criteria used to determine the population and representation ratios between local electoral areas.

Q.77 COUNCILLOR CATHERINE STOCKER

To ask the Chief Executive to detail annual spending on housing provision through long term leasing over the past five years and projected spending on same in the coming five years and to name the companies/developers with whom the city council currently has such contracts.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:
Long Term Leasing Response:

The table below sets out the annual long term leasing payments over the last five years.

Year	Rent Payments to Lessors
2016	€667,412
2017	€950,505

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2018	€1,344,428
2019	€2,591,796
2020	€4,614,806

Based on the number of proposals due to be delivered during 2021 the estimated rent payments for 2021 for approximately 330 units is €6.3m.

Recently there has been a significant increase in the number of submissions under the long term leasing initiatives. The proposals include units undergoing refurbishment and new build which have not commenced. The projected rental values/payments will depend on agreed market rent and the number of leases signed by the Council.

The following commercial entities have signed Long Term Lease Agreements with the Council:

- The Davy Platform ICAV
- Vorsprung Properties Ltd
- Bespoke Trustees Ltd
- Smart Investor 2 Management Ltd
- Double S Housing Ltd
- Independent Trustee Company Ltd
- Elm Long Income ICAV
- Manustin Holdings Ltd
- KT Sports Ltd
- FIRST STEPS HOMES LTD
- Obsidian ICAV
- Basalt ICAV
- Domus Homes Limited
- Wealth Options LTD
- Topland No.42 Ltd
- KWPRS ICAV
- Newcourt Pensioner Trustees Ltd
- Arena Property Acquisitions Ltd
- RETIREMENT ASSET HOLDINGS DAC
- ELIREF BLACKHALL S.A.R.L
- Herbert Park ICAV.
- Arena Properties Ltd
- Arena Housing Bond Series 1 Limited
- Arena Housing Bond Series 2 Limited
- KWPRS ICAV
- Irish Social Housing Property Sarl
- Red Rock 1920BS Limited

There are also long term lease agreements signed by non-commercial entities whose details cannot be released as to do so would be in breach of data protection legislation.

In the context of the housing crisis in Dublin City the Long-term Leasing Scheme is now making a significant and very welcome contribution to social housing waiting lists. We expect that this contribution will increase further in the years ahead.

Q.78 COUNCILLOR CATHERINE STOCKER

To ask the Chief Executive to refer to my previous question - question 64, Dec 2020 and to provide an update on same.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Due to the extremely high number of requests we are receiving through the Covid Mobility Request Form and directly from Councillors, it is not possible to address all immediately. That said, we have commenced an assessment at this location and Initial findings reveal the following:

- The road is far too narrow over the majority of its length to allow for the provision of segregated cycle lanes while maintaining two way traffic on the road.
- Grace Park Educate Together shares All Hallow's Campus with DCU. There is a car park situated on campus and therefore cars driving on campus is likely to be a safety concern for pupils of Grace Park Educate Together. This is private land and therefore traffic management is not within the remit of DCC.
- Child Vision also appears to be experiencing issues within their own private grounds. Vehicular access to this facilities is essential.

Our Schools Outreach Officer plans to meet with the Principals of all educational facilities on this road after the Easter break to get a clearer picture of the primary safety concerns for pupils. Findings will inform an intervention plan at this location.

Q.79 COUNCILLOR CATHERINE STOCKER

To ask the Chief Executive what plans the council has in place in the coming summer period to facilitate greater pedestrianisation of streets and thus outdoor dining and socialising.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Council intends to pedestrianize a number of streets in the Grafton Street area once the Government's COVID-19 public health restrictions allow the works to proceed and there is greater clarity on when hospitality businesses are able to re-open for outdoor dining. The Council is also reviewing the potential to pedestrianize a number of additional streets, on both the north side and south side of the city.

We are eager to be able to support hospitality businesses with additional space for outdoor dining, whilst also maintaining transport access for residents, businesses and customers, where appropriate. Therefore, the Council intends to continue with rolling out temporary footpath buildouts that enable outdoor dining, as these provide a swift and effective response to the evolving needs of all stakeholders.

Both pedestrianisation of streets and new footpath buildouts, have an important role to play in re-opening the city as these measures support social distancing, facilitate outdoor dining and should also serve as an attraction for bringing people back into the city centre.

Q.80 COUNCILLOR DARRAGH MORIARTY

To ask the Chief Executive the status of derelict buildings at 1-3 Thomas Court, previously the subject of planning permission for a hotel in the Liberties (Planning Ref: 4460/19). Is this site now on the derelict sites register, what action has been taken by DCC to bring it back into use and can a statement be made on the matter?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The site was declared derelict on 21/3/2018 following inspection and the owner subsequently informed that the Council would take formal action as provided for under the Derelict Sites Act 1990 if the site remained in a derelict condition. The necessary

improvement works to render the site non-derelict were not carried out and accordingly the Council initiated formal action and the site was entered on the Derelict Sites Register on 28/11/2018. Sites entered on the Derelict Sites Register are subject to a Derelict Sites Levy of 7% per annum of the site's market value. Unpaid levies also attract interest at the rate of 1.25% per month. All unpaid levies automatically become a charge on the land. The site is currently on the market with an existing planning permission which offers the prospect that it will be redeveloped and returned to active use. The matter will be kept under review.

Q.81 COUNCILLOR DARRAGH MORIARTY

To ask the Chief Executive the following: a survey of Oliver Bond residents, carried out by the Robert Emmet CDP, has found DCC tenants are experiencing widespread damp and mould issues. Completed by 186 households, a very high completion rate of 47%, the survey found that 83% of respondents are experiencing persistent damp or mould issues. Further, 69% of respondents said they did not believe maintenance and repairs are carried out in a timely manner.

In response to a number of my questions on this matter, DCC has said there is engagement with residents on these issues and that they are dealt with on a case-by-case basis. This is clearly not good enough and clearly not urgent enough. While plans long-term regeneration are welcome, residents cannot be left waiting in these disgraceful living conditions in the interim.

Can the Chief Executive make a comment on this matter and can DCC commit to resolving these persistent issues by conducting an audit and assessment of homes in Oliver Bond, rather than waiting for tenants to have to come to DCC?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council is fully committed to resolving the issues that our tenants are experiencing in their properties. As well as the long term regeneration measures that the Council are involved in, the Council has engaged in carrying out immediate repairs as they arise.

DCC has carried out conditional surveys of the units in Oliver Bond in 2019 and following on from these audits has carried out works, such as, the installation of fire blankets and smoke alarms where required.

At this time, the most effective way for tenants to resolve issues that they are experiencing with their accommodation is to contact Housing Maintenance directly and, subject to Level 5 restrictions, we will arrange a call out to investigate the problem. The City Council is, however, considering how we can address this matter in a more sustained and proactive manner.

Q.82 COUNCILLOR DARRAGH MORIARTY

To ask the Chief Executive to introduce much-needed traffic calming measures at the exit of the War Memorial Gardens onto South Circular Rd (Islandbridge, see picture below). Pedestrians, cyclists and motorists—all road users—have expressed concerns about the blind spots coming out of this exit and the speeds at which cars fly down this road having exited from the nearby Con Colbert Rd. Action is required here to prevent a serious accident. Some of the measures local residents have asked for include:

1) Traffic mirrors on the trees to the left and right and opposite the entrance - so that visibility of oncoming traffic would be greatly improved

2) An eye level traffic light for cyclists that would make it less likely for cyclists to break the lights

3) Speed bumps to stop the vast majority of drivers breaking the speed limit as they come off Con Colbert Rd and onto this road, which is essentially a residential area. There is an electronic sign which measures speed limits of cars but residents report this is largely ignored cars have been seen travelling close to 100km/h on several occasions.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

- 1) The traffic department do not provide convex traffic mirrors as requested as they give a distorted view of approaching traffic which is potentially hazardous and also because such mirrors would attract a high degree of vandalism with associated maintenance costs.
- 2) It is not generally DCC policy to install repeater signals for cyclists on pedestrian crossings. It should be noted that there are two signals, a regular height signal and a cantilever, in each direction at this location.
- 3) The principle document, to which Local Authorities adhere to in delivering best practice to road design, is the Design Manual for Urban Roads and Streets, published by the Department of Transport, Tourism & Sport in 2013. This document says (under section 4.4.7) that vertical deflectors (speed ramps) are to be limited on arterial roads (such as the South Circular Road) only to where in a city street a focal point (visual distraction) is present. The document further guides that speed ramps are primarily infrastructure for consideration on 'Local streets'. As such the policy of Dublin city Council is not to construct speed ramps on main arterial roads, including circuitous routes such as the South Circular Road. However, Dublin City Council have installed a Driver Feedback sign that displays current traffic speed (VMS sign) facing outbound motorists to support the adherence to traffic law along this section of carriageway. Dublin City Council will also look into the idea of installing speed roundels in an effort to slow down the motorists even more but ultimately any enforcement of the speed limit would be a matter of An Garda Síochána. Dublin City Council will highlight this section of road at our monthly TAG meeting with An Garda Síochána.

Q.83 COUNCILLOR DARRAGH MORIARTY

To ask the Chief Executive to please provide an update on the removal of a DCC public bins from Sarsfield Rd outside Liffey Gaels GAA club. Local residents have sought clarification through DCC's website, and were simply informed that public bin was now "closed". If this bin has been permanently removed, could DCC's justification for doing so please be outlined?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Waste Management Services will have the damaged bins there replaced.

Q.84 COUNCILLOR PAT DUNNE

To ask the Chief Executive to select a staff member to carry out the role of Community Allotment Officer. In recent years there has been a significant increase in the number of allotment projects across the City. Currently local allotment groups contact to DCC through the local Community Development Officers however they need a designated Senior Official in a central role. The occupant of this role would be well versed in horticultural matters and the running of allotments/community gardens.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council provides access to allotments and community gardens to members of the public through its Parks Service, Area Offices and Community Services. A scoping exercise is being carried out by Parks, Biodiversity and Landscape Services to consider additional locations which could be considered for community gardens and allotments. Following the conclusion of this scoping exercise it may be opportune for DCC to review allotments/community gardens in the city as a whole and the additional resources which will be required to provide this service to the public.

Q.85 COUNCILLOR PAT DUNNE

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for the Parks section to provide street trees on Aughavannagh Road, Glenealy and Rathfrum roads in Dublin 12. These roads currently have no trees. Residents can provide a list of agreeable locations.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

If residents of Glenealy and Rathdrum Roads who are interested in having trees planted outside their homes contact the undersigned, we can assess these locations for planting. We are unable to offer the same facility to residents of Aughavannagh Road however, as the planting of trees here would cause accessibility issues due to the narrower width of the footpaths.

Q.86 COUNCILLOR PAT DUNNE

To ask the Chief Executive ask our Road Traffic Section to look at traffic calming measures on Glenealy, and Rathdrum Road in Dublin 12 and improve effectiveness of speed ramps on Rutland Avenue.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The area engineer will attend a site visit and investigate the issues raised by Councillor Dunne in relation to possible improvements in traffic calming measures on the roads mentioned above. Ref: 7019828.

Q.87 COUNCILLOR PAT DUNNE

To ask the Chief Executive ask our Drainage Section to look into really bad flooding outside Windmill Road Dublin 12. It has been reported that when it is raining there is bad flooding it can become icy and dangerous in winter.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Drainage Division is aware of this issue. This will be repaired within the next two weeks.

Q.88 COUNCILLOR PATRICIA ROE

To ask the Chief Executive for a breakdown of expenditure on public toilets in Dublin City council area for 2020 and so far in 2021 (I take into account that no building works carried out this year due to Covid)

A figure of €128,688.00 for public toilets, was included in the budget expenditure provision for 2020, was this drawn down? If so, how was it used - upkeep/maintenance of existing facilities or on new facilities?

What is the provision in the capital expenditure budget 2021 for provision of new public toilets? Will this be carried forward and added to future budgetary provision for public toilets? What budget has been used for the expenditure on the temporary facilities on Jervis St and St Stephens green?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council have incurred expenditure of €724,503 in 2020 and €194,163 to date in 2021 on the provision of public toilets.

The emergence of Covid19 and the associated provision of additional temporary facilities in the city centre significantly increased the revenue expenditure in 2020 and this is ongoing into 2021.

Dublin City Council in preceding years provided a revenue budget allocation for the provision, maintenance and upkeep of existing automated public conveniences and temporary facilities at major sporting events.

Options are currently being assessed for the provision of further facilities. The provision of permanent public toilets is a longer term proposal which will require significant funding and take time to progress.

Q.89 COUNCILLOR PATRICIA ROE

To ask the Chief Executive to provide seating at the quay side on Hanover Quay at Grand Canal docks. This area is south facing onto the water where water sports take place. It is well used by pedestrians, and in other times, by office workers and tourists. It would provide a useful stopping point for people traversing along from Grand Canal area, across the footbridge on to Irishtown/Dodder walkway/Herbert Park and for those who just wish to sit and enjoy the ambience of this area. The area nearest the quay is only used by pedestrians and provides ample space for installation of seating. It would be a very pleasant and practical addition to this well-used public open space.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

There is no budget provision for the installation of seating at Hanover Quay this year however it will be considered in the context of the preparation of next year's budget.

Q.90 COUNCILLOR MÁIRE DEVINE

To ask the Chief Executive for a list, in tabular format, of derelict sites that are subject to levies/fines and if fully or partially paid up? Furthermore are the fines/levies due payment on an annual basis and if not paid what are the options for DCC to impose sanctions on the owners? And how are levies/fines recovered when derelict sites are sold? Is the new owner liable to pay or does the debt remain with the seller?"

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Sites entered on the Derelict Sites Register are subject to a Derelict Sites Levy of 7% per annum of the site's market value. Unpaid levies also attract interest at the rate of 1.25% per month. Sites entered on the Derelict Sites Register can be found on the Council's website using the link below. Details of derelict site levy payments are being collated and will be submitted to the Councillor.

<https://www.dublincity.ie/residential/planning/active-land-management/derelict-sites>

All unpaid levies automatically become a charge on the land and will remain a charge on the land until they are fully discharged. In the case of the sale of a derelict site with a charge registered against it for unpaid levies, such a charge will be identified by a purchaser's solicitor in the normal way as with all other charges registered against a property i.e. mortgage as part of the conveyancing process. Purchasers will require outstanding levies to be discharged prior to closing otherwise the responsibility for payment passes to the new owner. The important thing to note here is that while outstanding levies have been discharged at the date of closing the site remains derelict and will continue to be subject to a derelict sites levy. That said our experience is that

the sale of derelict sites, which continues to increase in number, has been very positive from a dereliction perspective as such sites are being acquired for the sole purpose of redevelopment. Furthermore we are witnessing that new owners are anxious to progress with their plans for redevelopment so as to render their sites non-derelict and halt the application of a derelict sites levy.

Q.91 COUNCILLOR MÁIRE DEVINE

To ask the Chief Executive to engage with the Minister for Local Government seeking a rates waiver for Credit Unions for 2021. They are not banks, they are not for profit and receive no government funding. They serve over 400k people in their communities and have kept up their financial support for community organisations, sports clubs and schools in their areas. Dublin's credit unions are "essential services" and have remained fully open and operational all through the Covid pandemic".

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A rates waiver for 6 months was notified to the Local authority sector for 2021 and provides for modified qualification criteria in comparison to the 2020 schemes. The scheme clearly states that there is no overlap with the 2020 rates waiver schemes.

Credit unions are one category of many others excluded as determined by government and in recognition that such categories may be severely impacted by the pandemic, the scheme provides that such excluded ratepayers may engage with the Local Authority to demonstrate that they meet the financial criteria to support eligibility. All excluded ratepayers have been notified of the appeals mechanism and qualification criteria and appeals submission date of 14th April 2021.

Q.92 COUNCILLOR MÁIRE DEVINE

To ask the Chief Executive to detail the process and stages when installing residential permit parking following a successful ballot of residents? In particular to inform me of the public consultation stage where the layout and marking is agreed by all parties- it appears that respectful engagement with knowledgeable residents to inform layout marking plans does not include collaborative consultation but is prescriptive and rigid.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The consultation process when introducing a new pay and display and permit parking scheme is primarily and foremost the ballot of all residents on that road. The ballot pre dates the installing of a new permit parking scheme and indeed the ballot determines if a scheme will be introduced or not. In all such ballots a map is provided outlining the details of the layout of the proposed parking spaces for the road concerned. Prior to the ballot closing date it is the experience of the parking policy and enforcement unit that some residents seek clarification and consult further in relation to it. However, when residents vote in a ballot for a new scheme, then the scheme is implemented in accordance with the result of the ballot. When a scheme is implemented consultation with residents can take place, if residents request it, once the scheme is in operation for a six months period.

It is not possible to reach agreement with all parties on the layout of a scheme and this is way a ballot is held and the result of the ballot determines what is implemented on the road concerned. We do not hold ballots and allow them to be overturned by request of individual residents especially when what has gone in on the road reflects what residents voted for with the map provided for with the ballot papers.

Q.93 COUNCILLOR MÁIRE DEVINE

To ask the Chief Executive to give due consideration to make the ground stop sign and lines at street junctions more visible as many drivers are unaware that parking is

prohibited 10m or so from these junctions. There has been a spate of fines/tow away's for unsuspecting motorists that are preventable if the markings are more visible and obvious (see attached photo for a visual explanation).

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Additional signage or road markings are not recommended for these type of locations as under the Road Traffic Act (Traffic & Parking) Regulations, Section 36 (c); *a vehicle shall not be parked on a public road within 5 metres of a road junction*. In addition to this, the stop sign road marking contains a continuous centre line, vehicles cannot park opposite this line.

The Design Manual for Urban Roads & Streets outline that the use of signage and/or road marking that duplicate existing regulations should be avoided and may lead to confusion. For example the use of double yellow lines around corners to reinforce the standard prohibition on stopping within 5 metres of a road junction may lead to misinterpretation that loading is generally permitted. Awareness of the rules of the road are the responsibility of the driver.

Q.94 COUNCILLOR BRIEGE MACOSCAR

To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on progress made on Dublin's City Council's commitments under the 'Breathe Life Campaign' which involves a commitment to meet WHO air quality standards by 2030.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

In February 2020, Dublin City Council in conjunction with the other local authorities in the Dublin region signed up to the UN Breathe Life Campaign, <https://breathelife2030.org/> which commits them to work together to achieve WHO air quality guideline values by 2030. These guidelines are in some cases significantly more challenging to achieve than current EU legal limit values and take account of the growing body of health research linking air pollution levels, even at low levels, with an increasing range of health effects. It is noteworthy that in 2021 the EU Commission signalled a policy shift move to move EU air quality legal limit values towards the WHO guideline values on a progressive basis over the coming years.

Currently the four Dublin local authorities are preparing an air quality plan for submission to the EU Commission by the end of 2021, for the management of nitrogen dioxide in the Dublin region. This is necessitated by the fact that there was a breach of nitrogen dioxide levels at one location (St. John's Road West) in 2019. Nitrogen dioxide is primarily associated with vehicular emissions, and this plan will require that actions are identified and implemented over a specified period to reduce emissions from this sector. In the case of nitrogen dioxide, the EU limit values and the WHO guideline values are identical, so achieving the legal standard has a built in health protection benefit on the basis of current scientific knowledge.

With respect to overall air quality management for Dublin City Council, the next iteration of the City Development Plan provides a timely opportunity to integrate the Breathe Life commitments into economic and development strategies for Dublin.

Q.95 COUNCILLOR BRIEGE MACOSCAR

To ask the Chief Executive to outline if further provision of public toilets is planned for the summer of 2021 in line with expected government advice around outdoor socialising.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Options are currently being assessed for the provision of temporary toilets during the summer months when retail and hospitality remains closed. The provision of permanent public toilets is a longer term proposal which will require significant funding and take time.

Q.96 COUNCILLOR BRIEGE MACOSCAR

To ask the Chief Executive to investigate the issue with rats in **(details supplied)**. There appears to be a problem with the drains in particular with rats being seen to enter and exit them throughout the day in the public parts of the estate.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

DCC drainage department will inspect the public sewers in the area for evidence of vermin. If such evidence is found the area will be added to the baiting programme.

Ordinarily if members of the public notice rodent activity that may be associated with public sewers they should report it to Irish Water directly at 1850 278 278.

Q.97 COUNCILLOR BRIEGE MACOSCAR

To ask the Chief Executive to outline if it is possible to attach public lighting to buildings in order to cut down on the amount of poles on our pavements.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Unfortunately, we do not have the authority to install lights on private buildings. Building mounted lights are generally only considered in situations where footpaths are narrow, there are no existing footpaths, or surfaces are shared surfaces (i.e. road and path are at the same surface) and there is no available space for lighting columns. In addition to installing the light and wall bracket on a building, there are other considerations that need to be taken into account, such as the construction of the building façade, building height consistency along a road and most importantly, getting an electrical supply to the light which can involve surface cabling along a number of buildings. Getting permissions to install a wall light and the required surface-mounted cabling is often very difficult as it can involve wayleaves and legal agreements with all the owners where the light and associated cabling is required.

Q.98 COUNCILLOR CAROLYN MOORE

To ask the Chief Executive for a report on the availability and operation of clothing banks in the DCC area, including:

- how many clothing banks are currently operational in DCC-operated civic amenity depots and bring centres, or otherwise accommodated on DCC land, with a break down by administrative area;
- outlining if DCC is responsible for the collection of clothing and textiles at any of its civic amenity depots or bring centres, or if this facility is always provided via a third party operator in the form of a clothes bank;
- listing by name how many companies or providers DCC are currently working with in the provision of clothing banks;
- providing details of the tendering or vetting process, including the terms and conditions under which companies or providers can be accommodated to collect clothing and textiles on DCC land, i.e. frequency of pick up and responsibility for clothing or textile waste left at rather than in a clothing bank, sustainability, and performance-based assessment (i.e. what percentage of collected clothing and textiles is a) repurposed, b) reused, c) recycled, d) goes to landfill, e) is sold on to a textile agent;
- providing details of what, if any oversight role DCC has in the life-cycle of clothing and textiles collected at its depots, bring centres, or other DCC facilities.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

At present, there are a total of 105 individual textile receptacles - a combination of single, double and 12-bank units - at 54 locations across the city: Central Area - 3, North Central Area - 13, North West Area - 14, South East Area - 13, South Central Area - 10.

Dublin City Council is not involved in the collection or processing of textiles, this service is provided by a third party service provider and subject to European procurement legislation. The current service provider is Textile Recycling Ltd. (TRL) whose clothing banks are branded Clothes Pod. 99% of textiles collected by TRL are exported for reuse as clothes or repurposing as furniture stuffing or industrial rags. Less than 1% of items retrieved by TRL is sent to landfill and consists of wet, soiled or otherwise un-useable textiles, non-textile products, duvets, pillows and domestic waste deposited in clothing banks. This service is due to go to tender again in Q2 2021.

There are however a number of rogue textile recycling companies who place unauthorised banks at some of our on street locations. Waste Management Services are investigating the potential to impound these rogue banks at present. Furthermore, some textile companies have agreements in place to locate their clothes banks on private sites where Dublin City Council also provide this service, such as supermarket car parks.

While TRL have recently introduced wheeled containers to their fleet which has dramatically improved their service levels, Dublin City Council Street Cleaning staff continue to remove items illegally dumped around on street recycling facilities in the course of their daily duties.

Dublin City Council has no oversight role in the life-cycle of clothing or textiles. There is currently no regulation of the used textile industry in Ireland as has been highlighted in the recently published National Waste Plan for a Circular Economy.

Q.99 COUNCILLOR CAROLYN MOORE

To ask the Chief Executive what, if any, information or statistics are available on the life-cycle of plastic waste collected at DCC recycling centres, brings centres or civic amenity sites: what percentage is recycled; what percentage is incinerated; what percentage goes to landfill; and what percentage is exported for processing.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

On average, plastics make up 16% of annual mixed dry recyclables deposited at Dublin City Council Bring Centres and Civic Amenity sites. Plastics are collected in the mixed packaging stream and subsequently transported to Materials Recovery Facilities operated by Irish Packaging Recycling Ltd. The plastics are then separated from the other mixed dry recyclables and 100% of this material is bailed for export to international markets.

Q.100 COUNCILLOR CAROLYN MOORE

To ask the Chief Executive for a report on the numbers of social houses currently scheduled for completion and delivery between April 2021 and April 2024 with a breakdown by local electoral area.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The relevant information is contained in the Housing Supply Report that goes to every Council Meeting.

Given the recent Government announcement regarding Residential Construction, we will be in better position to reassess the completion dates for the next Housing Supply Report.

Q.101 COUNCILLOR CAROLYN MOORE

To ask the Chief Executive for a report of numbers of roads scheduled for repair and resurfacing in the 2019, 2020, and 2021 schedule of works, with a break down by local electoral area.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Please see attached annual works programmes for 2019, 2020 and 2021. These are broken down by electoral area and include the roads scheduled for repair and resurfacing in each of those years.

Q.102 COUNCILLOR DONNA COONEY

To ask the Chief Executive what plans are in place for creating attractive safe outdoor areas for cultural and recreational use in the City and urban villages this summer and what toilet facilities are to be made available for outdoor activities in our city, parks and recreational areas.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council has established an Office of City Recovery, led by C  ilin O'Reilly, Director of Services. This office, along with the recently announced City Recovery Task Force, will address the key themes of

City Centre Recovery Plan
Presentation of the City
Promotion of outdoor trading and dining
Roll out of additional public conveniences
Policing and Safety
Transportation
Animating the City by promoting events
Delivering Capital Projects
Promotion / Lobbying on behalf of the City Centre

As this office is primarily aimed at the City Centre, the Area Offices will address the cultural and recreational uses within the urban villages.

Options are currently being assessed for the provision of temporary toilets during the summer months particularly when retail and hospitality remains closed.

The City Arts Office is supporting Arts Organisations in their funding applications to the outdoor funding schemes launched by the Arts Council. The Events Unit and the Arts Office are consulting with cultural programmers to look at what is possible at different levels of restrictions for outdoor gatherings this Summer

Dublin City Council is developing plans to provide attractive outdoor areas in a number of locations for multi-purpose use by the public. The plans should be completed by in early May.

Options are currently being assessed for the provision of temporary toilets during the summer months particularly when retail and hospitality remains closed.

Dublin City Council are working with the business community to explore the possibility of converting some of the closed retail units into managed toilet facilities.

Q.103 COUNCILLOR DONNA COONEY

To ask the Chief Executive if we can get more detailed data, surveys of transport users, particularly gender and ages of cyclists, as there would appear to be an increase in the number of female, children and older cyclists since Covid restrictions, it would be useful to have that data to help influence perceptions, also could the active transport engineers consult with women and children and older active transport users, (or wishing to become active transport users), to make sure that any cycling and walking infrastructure suits the needs of all users in our City.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

In 2019, the NTA published the first Dublin Bike Life Report. The report generated very useful information about why Dubliners do or don't cycle, their attitudes to cycling, and the quality of the cycling environment. Results are broken down based on gender, age, disability and socio-economic status. Bike Life reports every two years on cycling progress. The full report from 2019 is available at, https://www.sustrans.org.uk/media/6390/bikelife19_the-dublin-metropolitan-area_eng_digital.pdf

We are currently setting up an advisory group to inform a roadmap for the development of a new Dublin City Walking and Cycling Action Plan. Baseline data will be addressed as part of this process and consideration given to further data that may be useful and possible to gather.

Q.104 COUNCILLOR DONNA COONEY

To ask the Chief Executive for any plans to reduce the amount of waste as our targets on waste reduction are not being met, takeaways and vendors should be requested to reduce their packaging, use reusable cups and reusable containers if possible and also facilitate and encourage customers to take back cardboard boxes to them for recycling or composting, with incentives like vouchers deals for takeout's, or returnable deposits.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The City Council is committed to supporting the measures recently announced in the Government's "A Waste Action Plan for a Circular Economy" Ireland's National Waste Policy 2020-2025.

The Policy's key objective is to towards product life cycle, to remove or design out harmful waste, to extend the life of products and goods we consume and finally to prevent waste arising in the first instance.

The Policy has specific actions around Plastic, Packaging and Single Use Plastics (SUP) including:

- Deposit & Return Scheme for Plastic Bottles & Aluminium Cans by end of 2022.
- SUP banned from July 2021 (Cotton Bud Sticks, cutlery, plates, stirrers, chopsticks, straws, polystyrene containers and oxo-degradeable plastic products)
- Significantly reduce other SUP's on market by 2026
- Potential environmental levies on food containers
- All packaging reusable or recyclable by 2030
- Mandatory Extended Producer Responsibility for all packaging producers before 2024
- New Rules for EPR Schemes to incentivise good practice in recycling and product design

The full policy document is available on <https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/4221c-waste-action-plan-for-a-circular-economy/#>

The 3 Regional Waste Management Planning Offices (RWMPO) on behalf of the Local Government Sector will seek to implement Government Policy through the development of a “National Waste Management Plan for a Circular Economy”.

A Pre-Draft consultation phase has commenced and will run until 6th May. A further public consultation phase will take place later this year with the publication of a Draft Plan. The final Plan will be published at the end of Q1 2022. Full details are available on www.mywaste.ie.

Dublin City Council is Lead Authority for the Eastern-Midlands Waste Management Planning Region.

Q.105 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE HENEY

To ask the Chief Executive to please refer to location at **(details supplied 1)** (A) attached where residents/parents are concerned about the blatant disregard fellow motorists appear to be displaying to speed limits in a heavily pedestrian populated area and say if he will agree to:

- (i) erect a speed limit or slow sign at entrance to the estate and
- (ii) erect a speed limit or slow sign at the two T-junctions beside the Stop sign as you progress further into the state or
- (iii) erect appropriate signage appropriate to slow down motorists and protect vulnerable pedestrians and that will slow motorists down and
- (vi) examine traffic calming ramp at **(details supplied 2)** B attached and say whether a reconfiguration of same could be considered as the ramp in its current form is having little or no effect on motorists speed.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE’S REPLY:

The location has been inspected and there was no evidence of excessive speeding **(details supplied)**. The road is naturally traffic calmed with the provision of on street parking on both sides of the road, it is also lined with mature trees offering a more enclosed residential space as well as the treatment to the entrance of the cul-de-sac . The combination of these measures offer a reduced carriageway width for motorists and increases driver caution.

(details supplied) is currently traffic calmed with a number of speed ramps placed at the appropriate distances apart for optimum traffic calming and comply with the current standard. The factors taken into consideration in locating ramps include spacing between ramps, street lighting, location of driveways and proximity of junctions.

However, it is recommended that the continuous white line be repainted and a yield road marking sign on **(details supplied)** at junction near no 49a.

(details supplied) is included in the areas covered by the fourth phase of the 30 Km/h speed limit introduction Dublin City Council’s Bye- January 2020. The intention of Dublin City Council’s Transportation Department is to roll out of 30km/h speed limits in all residential areas across the local authority it is expecting to complete the installation of signage by July 2021

The signage will indicate the lower speed limit and that the area is a Home Zone/Slow Zone at the entrance and exit of the state.

Q.106 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE HENEY

To ask the Chief Executive, if in relation to location **(details supplied 1)**, he will agree to reduce the grass area and replace it with increased pavement or a cycle pathway

as the number of bicycles on the pathway going to school at **(details supplied 2)**, (as they have no room to cycle on the road in the morning) has resulted in a number of collisions between cyclists and pedestrians.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

This location has been added to the full list of requests for assessment by the relevant project team. Due to the extremely high number of requests we are receiving through the Covid Mobility Request Form and directly from Councillors, it is not possible to address all immediately.

With regards to this specific request, it will also be necessary to liaise with our Parks department to ascertain if it is in conflict with their greening strategy.

Q.107 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE HENEY

To ask the Chief Executive in relation to **(details supplied 1)** at (A) he can address the following

- (i) Assess the current signage and it's appropriateness to recent change to 30km speed limit
 - (ii) agree to the erection of highly visible 30km speed limit sign(s) at relevant points along this stretch of road
 - (iii) agree to the erection of highly visible 30km speed limit sign(s) at or about the school entrances/exits
 - (iv) in relation to the current "children at play" he will provide that they made highly visible as those currently in place have become obstructed by trees and/or turned so they are no longer visible to drivers
 - (v) agree to the erection of highly visible "driver feedback signs" (speed indicator devices)
- and provide School Zone at the entrance/exit to **(details supplied 2)** (B) attached.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

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 July-2021. It is expected that all residential roads in the North Central Area will be 30 km/h by July 2021.

30 Km/h Special Speed Zone signage has been recommended to be placed at the entrance and exit of the estate, in order to avoid the proliferation of signage. It is expected the installation be in place by July 2021.

The erection of highly visible 30km speed limit sign(s) at or about the school entrances/exits it is not recommended as this signage is only in place at the entrance and exit of the estates. Also, the schools **(details supplied 1)** are located in a roads that has no variable speed, as it is permanent 30 km/h. Therefore, it is not recommended the installation of 30 km/h signage.

The road safety engineer will review with the lining marking team the possibility for installation of 30 km/h roundel approaching the school to alert drivers. The Councillor will be informed in due course if the installation is approved.

(details supplied 2) recently applied for a School Zone and is currently at the design/consultation stage. **(details supplied 3)** is a second level school and whilst we understand the need to interventions at secondary schools our priority at the moment is the installation of School Zones at primary schools. We have received 112 School Zone applications to date and have installed 38.

Q.108 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE HENEY

To ask the Chief Executive in relation to location **(details supplied)**, he can advise when previously promised public lighting will be installed as residents are concerned for the pedestrian safety, particularly that of vulnerable pedestrians, as currently there is lighting on one side of the road which is blocked by the trees, making the road very dark (and unsafe) at night.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

An additional public light will be installed within the coming weeks on **(details supplied)**.

There is, however, a possible issue with trees blocking some of the lights here, and the Parks Department will be asked to examine these trees and prune them as required.

Q.109 COUNCILLOR DAITHÍ DOOLAN

To ask the Chief Executive to confirm how many applicants left the City Council housing list over the last 12 months and went on to HAP or HHAP?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A total of 1,655 new DCC tenancies were created with the support of Housing Assistance Payment in 2020. These households moved from the Housing List to the Transfer List.

A total of 1,633 new DCC tenancies were created with the support of (Homeless) Housing Assistance Payment over the last 12 months. These households moved from the Housing List to the Transfer List.

Q.110 COUNCILLOR DAITHÍ DOOLAN

To ask the Chief Executive what recourse to action do neighbours have under legislation when responding to HAP tenants who continue to involve themselves in anti-social behaviour and where the landlord continues to ignore pleas from neighbours, elected reps and the Gardaí and what action can DCC take in this situation?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

HAP tenancies are private rented tenancies covered under the terms of the Residential Tenancies Act 2004, as amended. This means that the tenancy agreement is between the tenant and the landlord. Dublin City Council is not a party to these tenancies.

Under the Residential Tenancies Act 2004, as amended, a landlord has a duty to enforce the responsibilities of the tenant in the tenancy. Where a landlord fails to enforce a tenant's responsibility, a third party who has been directly and adversely affected by the tenant may take a case against the landlord through the Residential Tenancies Board.

Further information on Third Party Dispute Resolution Services is available from www.rtb.ie.

Q.111 COUNCILLOR DAITHÍ DOOLAN

To ask the Chief Executive where now stands the plans for the white water river project and will the management revisit constructing this project in Cherry Orchard and if not why not?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Contrary to recent media coverage regarding the George's Dock White Water project not receiving support from the URDF Call 2, it is still very much a live project and work is progressing to bring the project to the construction stage.

The City Council has recently commenced Stage 1 (Expressions of Interest/Prequalification) of a two stage Procurement process for the appointment of a contractor to construct the proposed Georges Dock White Water project. The closing date for Stage 1 Submissions was 12 March 2021.

The Stage 1 submissions will be reviewed by an Assessment Board shortly to decide which firms have the necessary skills and experience to carry out such a development.

The successful applicants at Stage 1 will be invited to submit a tender for the project at Stage 2. It is expected that Stage 2 will commence during Q2 of 2021 and will take several months to complete.

On completion of Stage 2 the City Council will have an actual tender cost and will then decide whether or not to proceed with the project, based on the cost and the confirmed funding for the project. If a decision is made to proceed, it is hoped construction will commence in Q1 of 2022 and will take 18-24 months to complete.

A site at Le Fanu Park, Ballyfermot was considered along with a number of other sites around the City as part of a 2017 scoping study for a White Water Course in Dublin. However, the George's Dock site later became the preferred location due to its City Centre location which is ideal for a tourism focussed project such as this and also its excellent transport links. George's Dock is still the preferred location for the facility and no alternative sites are being considered for the development at this time.

Q.112 COUNCILLOR DAITHÍ DOOLAN

To ask the Chief Executive, in noting with concern the Department's decision not to award €30m in URDF to Cherry Orchard what plans are in place to apply for similar funding from other sources?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

While implementation of the Cherry Orchard Local Area Plan would have been greatly assisted if funding from the Urban Regeneration and Development Fund, its implementation was and is not dependant on this funding. As outlined in the recent presentation to the Councillors representing the Local Electoral Area, significant progress has been made in progressing development on a number of the sites identified in the Local Area Plan, a successful application for funding to the Serviced Sites Fund was made in respect of one of the sites, and the Land Development Agency is progressing two of the other sites in our ownership. This means that three of the five sites in our ownership are progressing. Additionally we have included Cherry Orchard in our submission for funding under the National Recovery and Resilience Plan. Work on the redesign of Cherry Orchard Park will commence once level five restrictions are lifted.

We will continue to apply for funding as opportunities arise.

The Housing Department and the South Central Office are in the process of establishing a Multi-Agency local structure for Cherry Orchard led by DCC to address social and economic issues in the area and to drive implementation of the Local Area Plan (LAP).

Q.113 COUNCILLOR CAROLINE CONROY

To ask the Chief Executive can Dublin City Council install at least one Table Tennis Table in all suitable parks in Dublin North West? Table Tennis is a very cheap activity for the user - you only need two bats & balls which are cheap to buy. It's a fun and easy sport to get involved in.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Parks, Biodiversity and Landscape Services are carrying a feasibility assessment to determine a suitable location for a table tennis table in the NW District.

Q.114 COUNCILLOR CAROLINE CONROY

To ask the Chief Executive can the 30km sign be painted on Hampstead Avenue Road - there was one there previously and it faded away. The traffic coming and going to Albert College Park in large numbers to the Car Park are a cause of worry to the residents because of the high speeds by some drivers.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Hampstead Avenue it is a Cul de sac road and the drivers have already been warned that this road is 30km/h road. The 30 km/h Slow Zone sign (F 403) has been put in place at the entrances to Hampstead Avenue indicating the lower speed limit and that the area is a Home Zone / Slow Zone which warns motorists that it is a residential area and to expect children.

However, considering that it is in place at Elmhurst Day Hospital & Nursing Home and the car park for Albert College Park, it is recommended to install painted 30km/h roundels towards Ballymun Rd, in strategic locations in order to complement the existing 30km/h signage of the zone and to make aware for drivers to slow down approaching these locations.



Q.115 COUNCILLOR CAROLINE CONROY

To ask the Chief Executive can a segregated bike lane be put on Santry Avenue as a matter of urgency. The amount of traffic, the speed and the narrow lanes makes this a very dangerous road to cycle on. Also the paths along this Avenue are very narrow and make it very difficult for pedestrians and wheelchair users so there is an urgent need for a solution for both issues.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The possibility of providing a segregated cycle lane on Santry Avenue will be investigated. However it should be noted that an initial desktop review would indicate that there isn't sufficient space to provide segregated cycle lanes on this route while maintaining 2 way traffic.

Q.116 COUNCILLOR CAROLINE CONROY

To ask the Chief Executive can space be made for allotments/community gardens in Parks around the City to encourage gardening to facilitate growing your own food and help with the greening of the City.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A scoping exercise is being carried out by Parks, Biodiversity and Landscape Services to consider locations which are under-utilised or back lands and which could be considered for community gardens and allotments. This exercise has been made more difficult with remote working but it is hoped to have a report for the Arts, Culture, Leisure and Recreation Strategic Policy Committee later in the year.

Q.117 COUNCILLOR KEITH CONNOLLY

To ask the Chief Executive if he will consider using Dublin North West (Finglas-Ballymun LEA) as a trial area for anti-dog fouling initiatives, similar to schemes carried out in South Central previously; and his plans to improve the low level dog fouling fines throughout the city.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

In order to trial methods of increasing enforcement of dog fouling offences a decision was taken to carry out a targeted dog fouling enforcement campaign in the South Central Area. The Litter Pollution Acts (S22) states that a person in control of a dog must remove the faeces immediately and dispose of same in an environmentally safe manner. Where a Litter Warden, Dog Warden or member of An Garda Síochána witness such an offence, they must be in a position to identify the person. I.e. the person in charge of the dog must provide details of their identity in order for enforcement action to be taken. As Litter Wardens or Dog Wardens do not have such powers, it was considered that if a dog fouling enforcement campaign was to be successful the assistance of An Garda Síochána was required.

In 2015, 12 locations were chosen in Dublin 12 as test sites and patrols were carried out by South Central Area public domain unit, Waste Enforcement Officers and members of An Garda Síochána after normal working hours during the months of August, September and October in parks and green spaces.

The campaign involved significant planning and resources and also required significant financial resources as the Gardaí had to be engaged to provide their services on an overtime basis. While the initiative was successful on a small scale the overall cost of carrying out such operations on an ongoing basis is prohibitive.

At time of writing, phase 2 of the dog fouling awareness campaign is being rolled out. The campaign involves, radio adverts, social media video, adverts on metropolises and adboxes and new signage on big belly bins and public litter bins. Plans are also in place to work with schools in order to arrange a poster competition.

When society opens up again after lockdown, the issue of enforcement will be looked at again with a view to having Litter Wardens patrol parks and public spaces.

Q.118 COUNCILLOR KEITH CONNOLLY

To ask the Chief Executive for an update on the closure of the Abigail Centre; and his views on the recent anti-social behaviour linked to the centre.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The current level 5 restrictions prevented works from resuming after the Christmas break and we are awaiting confirmation construction staff can return to site of the replacement facility.

The replacement facility for the Abigail Centre was expected to be ready at the end of Q1 2021. The Dublin Region Homeless Executive (DRHE) team will set out a revised time frame when all the planning queries are completed and construction works resume on the site of the proposed replacement facility.

The DRHE has not received any recent complaints regarding anti-social behaviour linked to this facility.

Q.119 COUNCILLOR KEITH CONNOLLY

To ask the Chief Executive for an update on the progress of the report on site 31 of the Ballymun LAP; if any DCC officials have met with Ballymun Kickham's and if there are plans to do so.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

As soon as the finalised Planning Consultants report has been received, a meeting will be arranged by DCC officials with Ballymun Kickham's.

Q.120 COUNCILLOR KEITH CONNOLLY

To ask the Chief Executive if he can examine the possibility of 30 k/m per hour signage for **(details supplied)**. Can both pole signage and ground signage be examined.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Please note attached item. It shows the City Council/Councillors approved "Arterial Routes" in this area.

All roads in this area are deemed to be 30Km/h except for the blue / green arterial routes.

All roads that lead off these Arterial Roads have 30Km/H Signs installed. They also have 50Km/h or 60Km/h Signs installed as you enter onto these Arterial Routes. This came into effect in December 2020

DCC only installs Speed Signage where Speed Limits change up or down (depending on access/egress). They do not install "repeater" signs. This is to help minimise street clutter.

Q.121 COUNCILLOR DANIEL CÉITINN

To ask the Chief Executive to install a new Pigeon House Road sign at the Sean Moore roundabout and welded on to prevent further theft, which also details the house numbers and access to ensure that the residents of the eastern portion of Pigeon House Road remain identifiable.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Arrangements will be made to install a nameplate for the eastern portion of Pigeon House Road. Road Maintenance Services do not usually designate house numbers on

name plates unless there is confusion with the numbers of the houses - this is not the case here.

Q.122 COUNCILLOR DANIEL CÉITINN

To ask the Chief Executive if he will review the adequacy of dog fouling signage in Sean Moore park and the surrounding area and install additional signs and notices.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

This assessment will be undertaken and additional no dog fouling signs will be erected if recommended to do so.

Q.123 COUNCILLOR DANIEL CÉITINN

To ask the Chief Executive to double the bin capacity in the Poolbeg-Irishtown-Sandymount area around the parks, strand, and nature walk and to install additional bins along the walk at the Shelley banks and great south wall as the littering problem is out of control given the good weather and lockdown.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Waste Management Services will assess the above mentioned locations to see whether an increase in the frequency of emptying existing litter bins is required there or the actual provision of extra litter receptacles. We will keep the matter under continuous review.

Q.124 COUNCILLOR DANIEL CÉITINN

To ask the Chief Executive if he will issue an update following his reply in December and advance the Canon Mooney Gardens precinct improvements as a legacy project and if the feasibility study promised will recognise this legacy.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage used to fund precinct improvement works and the City Council availed of this scheme to enhance a number of its flat complexes. However, this source of funding is no longer available.

The Area Housing Manager and his staff are in active engagement with the resident's committee of Canon Mooney Gardens with regards to exploring various options of environmental enhancements and potential funding.

The initial meetings have considered the implications of a redevelopment option, namely to demolish and rebuild or deep retrofit. It was generally accepted that the group would prefer to concentrate its efforts on the legacy precinct improvements project at this stage rather than the redevelopment of the estate. Accordingly a redevelopment feasibility study has not been progressed to date.

Q.125 COUNCILLOR SOPHIE NICOLLAUD

To ask the Chief Executive what are the plans to make Ballyfermot Civic Office as close to or a carbon neutral building as possible. The building is planned to be upgraded. I have been asking since July 2020 but I have yet to receive a detailed reply. What BER rating will you bring the building to?

Is the high efficiency boiler a gas boiler? What type is it? How will DCC address the 5 key Climate Action Areas, which include "Energy and Building" in the upgrade of Ballyfermot Civic offices. This would a great opportunity to showcase retrofit building for the area.

Is there a plan to add insulation to the building? Is the building already insulated? Will it collect rain water for the need of the People's Park?

DCC is a member of the Irish Green Building Council .How will the Ballyfermot Civic offices project respond to driving sustainability and follow Green building recommendations. Is DCC taking part in a Sustainable Energy Community? Could Ballyfermot Office apply for Community Grant to be able to avail of maybe 35% but possibly more - see this link:

<https://www.seai.ie/grants/community-grants/project-criteria-and-funding/>

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

DCC has already surpassed its obligation to achieve improved energy efficiency of 33% by end of 2020, recording an improved performance of greater than c.40%. With the new targets for 2030 now setting out improved energy efficiency of 50% and a reduction in absolute CO2e emissions of 51%, the Council has been progressing plans and getting organised to ensure we build on the good work already undertaken so that we can continue to lead by example.

This involves numerous factors, such as being able to accurately measure all energy consumed and the carbon footprint across all of the Councils 1,700 meters, buildings and fleet. This helps with identifying suitable projects to progress in line with available resources. The Council has adopted international best practice approach in this regard and has pioneered the Energy Performance Contract (EPC) model in the Public Sector in Ireland. An example of this in in Ballyfermot Sports & Fitness, a very large energy user, which is one of 7 buildings in our second EPC, which is on target to achieve energy savings of 35% through a combination of measures.

As we build our capacity to measure, audit and deliver on projects through aggregation and scaling, making the most efficient use of our available resources, Ballyfermot Civic Centre and other area offices can be more fully considered in the context of overall plans for Council assets to ensure that our targets are met.

In particular, the Civic Centre has a BER rating of C3. The planned upgrade offers scope for improvements to the lighting and heating systems possibly through an Energy Performance Guarantee form of contract to incentivise the contractor to deliver targeted energy efficiency improvements. This would include a suite of measures, notably lighting upgrade to LED, consideration of a switch away from fossil fuels for heating and the inclusion of renewables. Discussions, consultations and planning are ongoing.

We hope to be in a position to respond more fully in the near future.

Q.126 COUNCILLOR SOPHIE NICOULLAUD

To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update from the LCDC meeting on the adoption the recommendation and the passed motion to join the National Healthy Cities and Counties of Ireland Network, which is accredited to the WHO. To ask the LCDC Chief Officer that the Chair and Vice Chair reply to correspondence to keep communication open between Council members and the LCDC members and that the minutes from the 24th of February be published online.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

As part of our 2021 Action Plan, Dublin's LCDC, via its Healthy Ireland Sub-Committee, is considering the recommendation and passed motion to join the National Healthy Cities and Counties of Ireland Network, which is accredited to the WHO. The requirements of this Network are aligned to the WHO and include political commitment from our elected representatives and that a coordinator is in place alongside development of a work plan and active contribution to both National Network and WHO

meetings. Upon its adoption, the Chief Officer will ensure correspondence on the 2021 Action Plan is issued to all Council members.

Following their approval, LCDC meeting minutes are published online and as a matter of course.

Q.127 COUNCILLOR SOPHIE NICOULLAUD

To ask the Chief Executive to add cycle parking at the Walkinstown Green at the following location 53°19'16.3"N 6°20'06.0"W. There are no bicycle parking available there.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The location requested at Walkinstown Green will be examined and if deemed suitable, will be included in the next Batch of the On-Street Cycle Parking Project.

Q.128 COUNCILLOR SOPHIE NICOULLAUD

To ask the Chief Executive to request that the Department of DHLG and the Department of Environment & Climate and their ministers fund the replacement of the 20,000+ gas boilers by non-fossil fuel boilers in DCC housing stock. Tendering process has not yet started. To ask the Chief Executive, Minister O'Brien and Minister Ryan to consider the 2021 Climate Bill and the role the DCC has to play to lower our emissions coming from the building and housing sector before DCC goes to tender for 20,000+ gas boilers. To ask the Chief Executive to give details of the impact on the environment to replace 20,000+ boilers with gas boilers, to give the quantified greenhouse gas emission impact the replacement with fossil fuel boilers would have and to compare it with the replacement with non-fossil fuel boilers.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

There is currently no funding scheme for a planned maintenance boiler replacement programme. Dublin City Council Domestic Gas Boiler stock comprises of the management of 20,663 boilers and central heating systems. The City Council currently has a contract in place for the servicing and repairs of same and replacements are carried out under our Boiler Replacement Programme.

The revised edition of the national Climate Action Bill commits to Ireland becoming carbon neutral by 2050. The City Council is in the process of mobilising our Boiler Tender Replacement Programme which we intend to publish in Q2 2021 in order to achieve best market rates for ongoing domestic gas boiler replacements in the coming years.

Under our Energy Efficiency Retrofitting programme, we are replacing domestic gas boilers with Heat Pumps as part of the upgrade works on a property under Phase Two. We are also revisiting a number of properties that received upgrade works under Phase One of the programme with the intention of retrofitting existing domestic gas boiler heating systems with Heat Pumps.

We do not have sufficient information available to give details of the impact on the environment to replace 20,000+ boilers with gas boilers, or to give the quantified greenhouse gas emission impact the replacement with fossil fuel boilers would have and to compare it with the replacement with non-fossil fuel boilers.

Q.129 COUNCILLOR CAT O'DRISCOLL

To ask the Chief Executive to begin the process to close the laneway behind 33 to 69 Annadale Drive, Dublin 9 and remove public right of way. The lane is frequently used

for antisocial behaviour and the residents would like to be gated so they have a safe space for children to play.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

An application for the extinguishment of a public right of way must be supported by the signatures and addresses of the proposers and a majority of the adjoining residents/landowners with properties abutting the laneway. As an extinguishment of a public right of way is a statutory procedure, which must be published, there is a right of objection by local residents and members of the general public, who may not agree with the proposal and these objections must be considered by the City Council even to the extent of hearing the views of both proposers and objectors at an Oral Hearing should the need arise. The extinguishment of a public right of way is a reserved function of the City Council.

An application for extinguishment should also be accompanied by a statement as to how the laneway will be maintained in the future by the fee simple owner of the ground and/or the adjoining owners/occupiers and how access will be provided for any private right of way, and to any public services – E.S.B, Gas, Water, Drainage etc. that may exist on or under the laneway (if these services are not diverted at the proposers expense). If the public right of way is extinguished the City Council will have no further responsibility for maintenance/liability of the laneway and cannot undertake liability for any expenses involved in effecting the physical closure.

Upon receipt of this information and the undertaking as to the future maintenance of the laneway and details of the proposed method of closure i.e. gates with lock and key, electronic gates with keypads, gates with coded padlocks or walls etc. the matter will receive further attention.

Q.130 COUNCILLOR CAT O'DRISCOLL

To ask the Chief Executive to explain what policy initiatives or changes were made following the publication of the Dublin study included in the Safe in Ireland Report in 2018.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

We are not clear as to what report is being referred to here. If the Councillor could send me some background or detail of the report I will have it checked out and respond.

Q.131 COUNCILLOR CAT O'DRISCOLL

To ask the Chief Executive to pedestrianize Capel Street and other auxiliary streets as part of the reopening of shops, restaurants and bars in the city. More space will allow people in the city to keep safe distance from each other and support the use of additional street furniture without inhibiting footpaths.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Council is reviewing the potential to pedestrianize a number of streets, on both the north side and south side of the city once the Government's COVID-19 public health restrictions allow works to proceed and there is greater clarity on when hospitality businesses are able to re-open for outdoor dining.

We are eager to be able to support hospitality businesses with additional space for outdoor dining, whilst also maintaining transport access for residents, businesses and customers, where appropriate. Therefore, the Council intends to continue with rolling out temporary footpath buildouts that enable outdoor dining, as these provide a swift and effective response to the evolving needs of all stakeholders.

Both pedestrianisation of streets and new footpath buildouts, have an important role to play in re-opening the city as these measures support social distancing, facilitate outdoor dining and should also serve as an attraction for bringing people back into the city centre.

Q.132 COUNCILLOR CAT O'DRISCOLL

To ask the Chief Executive to plan summer markets in the city centre to make safe use of empty car parks, closed streets and city centre parks.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Markets in parks operate in Merrion Square Park (Thursdays - lunchtime food market), in St Anne's park (Saturday farmers market) and in Herbert Park (Sunday farmers market). Due to concerns about Covid-19 levels and following careful consideration, the market operator decided to temporarily suspend these markets, however they will resume as soon as it is practicable to do so.

Planning permission would be required for the change of use of a car park to a summer market as it would constitute a change of use.

Class 37 of the 2nd Schedule of the Planning and Development Regulations allows for an exemption from the requirement to receive planning permission for the use of 'land' for 'a fair', subject to the land not being used for a period exceeding 15 days continuously or occasionally for periods not exceeding in aggregate 30 days in one year. However, while such an exemption may apply in limited circumstances to the use of a surface car park, it is not considered that such an exemption could be applied to a built structure such as a purpose built and/or multi storey car park.

Q.133 COUNCILLOR DAMIAN O'FARRELL

To ask the Chief Executive to report on the following in respect of the Griffith Ave Cycleway stages 3, 4 & 5

Survey - that a proper residents survey be carried out by DCC on Griffith Avenue without delay. It is noted that a resident survey was carried out in Sandymount but none on Griffith Ave.

Griffith Avenue Residents Group did distribute a survey to affected residents and it should be noted that 95% of respondents requested the following option: 'Ask DCC to defer any further action on sections 3, 4 and 5 until detailed consideration is given to all concerns.

Consultation Hub,

-many of the affected residents are not computer users and the online hub style format has ruled out many elderly residents from participating.

DCC Leaflet,

- Griffith Avenue Residents Group disputes that DCC's leaflet was distributed to houses no. 1 to no. 238 Griffith Avenue. No one appears to have received it. It is requested that DCC issue an information leaflet to all affected residents (sections 3/4/5) without further delay please.

Safety;

- The project appears to be being rolled out without prior safety audits being done. It appears that what has already been completed on sections 1 & 2 is dangerous and not fit for purpose

Q; We request that BEFORE any further works are done on sections 3, 4 & 5 that a full safety audit is carried out and publicly published in advance

The safety audit of December 2020 carried out on section 1 and published on the DCC website contains many inaccuracies, is incomplete and is not dated or signed off as per the TII.

Four months later, many of the SAFETY recommendations recommended in the audit have still not been carried out by DCC.

Q Why are safety recommendations on a DCC published safety audit not fully complied with?

Maintenance;

-The promise to clean the cycle way lacks credibility. Given that there are 800 trees on our avenue, and from September to end December, given the rate of leaves falling, it would be impossible for anyone to be genuine about the successful removal of leaves and the ability to use the cycle lane in these circumstances. Even if DCC had a machine available, it would need to be permanently stationed on Griffith Avenue and continually cleaning day and night to achieve a satisfactory level of cleanliness.

An important thing to note is that a DCC leaf clean up in Nov 2020 took weeks to complete, and that only involved going over the area once. DCC had trucks and staff working day and night just to clear leaves once. 7 km of cycleway is not realistically possible to clean daily as the council already know given the 2020 clean up. A build-up of leaves will lead to the cycle way being inaccessible to users.

Q; given past performance, how can DCC be serious and credible about the regular cleaning/maintenance of the cycle way?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Survey:

A Public Consultation Web site was set up in August 2020 for the project.

<https://consultation.dublincity.ie/traffic-and-transport/griffith-avenue-protected-cycle-track/>

This has been updated on 9 separate occasions to date as designs have been developed and amended. There are over 30 separate documents relating to Griffith Avenue uploaded on it. There is a Consultation Summary Sheet that addresses many of the common concerns raised.

In addition Dublin City Council has operated the Covid Mobility email address over the past year. Approximately 150 submissions directly relating to Griffith Avenue have been received. Over 90 submissions have been answered directly with the remainder answered via the consultation summary page.

A leaflet was dropped to all homes on Griffith Avenue between St Mobhi Road and Malahide Road outlining the proposals in early October. It was also published on our consultation page and distributed to all Councillors on the NCAC.

Consultation Hub

In addition to an email address DCC also published an address to which members of the public could write namely Griffith Avenue Consultation, Covid Mobility Team, Block 2, Floor 7, Civic Offices, Wood Quay, Dublin 8, Ireland, D08 RF3F

DCC Leaflet

Our records show that a leaflet was dropped to all homes on Griffith Avenue between St Mobhi Road and Malahide Road outlining the proposals in early October. It was also published on our consultation page and distributed to all Councillors on the NCAC.

Safety

The works on Griffith Avenue comprise mainly road marking and the installation of bollards. There is no requirement to conduct a Road Safety Audit in advance of such works.

We would dispute that the RSA contains many inaccuracies. The only inaccuracy that we are aware of relates to a typo that stated the Speed Limit on Griffith Avenue was 60kph and not 50kph. This had no bearing on the recommendations contained within the report and the report has since been re-issued.

We would completely refute the unsupported allegation that sections 1 or 2 are either unsafe or not fit for purpose. The RSAs conducted by independent qualified auditors made no such findings.

Again we would dispute that many of the recommendations in the RSAs haven't been implemented.

Specific recommendations relating to the requirement for additional signal heads, increased buffer widths or additional reflector arrows on the carriageway have all been addressed. Recommendations relating to maintenance (leaf removal, tree cutting) have been referred to the relevant departments and these will be addressed as part of on-going maintenance strategies. Recommendations to improve signage on the approach to Griffith Avenue from side streets are in hand.

Maintenance

Waste Management Services are fully aware of the challenges of clearing leaves from Griffith Avenue. In order to deal with the cleaning of the cycle track a new type of road sweeping vehicle is being procured specifically for this purpose. The cleaning of the cycle track on Griffith Avenue during leaf fall will be prioritised.

Q.134 COUNCILLOR DAMIAN O'FARRELL

To ask the Chief Executive to report on the following please: several public representatives (Cllrs and TDs) have contacted DCC regarding a lack of public consultation in respect of the Griffith Ave Cycleway Sections 3, 4 & 5. On opening DCC's 'Consultation Hub' page the closing date is given as the 30th June 2021, yet the consultation is in actual fact over and the majority of the Cycleway has been laid.

There is a feeling that the consultation was not genuine but just a box ticking exercise. Personally I would feel this is fair comment considering my experiences in relation to some public consultation exercises by DCC in the past.

I'm requesting that the CEO personally intervenes to postpone the laying of the cycleway until proper consultation has taken place please. This will bring a sense of fairness to this issue.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

From the beginning of this project it was explained on our Consultation Hub and also at the briefing meeting with the area Councillors that this project would be rolled out in stages as the designs were developed. The initial interventions have been completed on Sections 1 and 2. The proposals for Stage 3 between Drumcondra Road and Gracepark Road were first published on the Consultation Hub on the 5th of November 2020. Stage 4 was first published on the 12th of November and Stage 5 was first published on 29th of November. After what we would consider a very reasonable

consultation period during which we received and responded to a large amount of correspondence from the general public we recently started to install Stage 3. We would expect to continue with Stage 4 in the coming weeks. The closing date on the Consultation Hub of 30th of June 2021 is not referring to any particular stage but rather the project as a whole.

We would strenuously refute the suggestion that the consultation is not genuine. A Public Consultation Web site was set up in August 2020 in the early days of the project.

<https://consultation.dublincity.ie/traffic-and-transport/griffith-avenue-protected-cycle-track/>

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An on-line briefing was given to the NCAC Councillors in early October 2020. The Councillors have been kept informed on progress on the route and the consultation process via the Chief Executive Update.

Q.135 COUNCILLOR JANET HORNER

To ask the Chief Executive for an update on the public sector duty action plan which was to be delivered under the corporate plan?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council's Public Sector Duty Implementation Strategy and Action Plan is referenced in our Corporate Plan 2020-2024 and is publicly available on our website. This high level framework strategy and action plan was adopted due to the diversity of functions provided by the Council and the complexity of our structures. An equality consultant is currently employed to assist various departments to draft specific action plans based on the framework and the values which underpin it. This will ensure more meaningful and effective outcomes for our members, employees and service users. It is anticipated that at least three departments will have specific action plans in place by the end of 2021.

Q.136 COUNCILLOR JANET HORNER

To ask the Chief Executive for a report on the timeline and budget for removing the illegal dump near Cara Park which is causing a public health concern currently?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council is working with various government departments and agencies in organising the removal of the waste material on Old Belcamp Lane.

The removal of the waste material is expected to begin this autumn and the estimated cost is between €5m - €6.5m.

Various remedial options are being investigated and suitable actions will be taken to secure the site to prevent dumping from reoccurring.

Q.137 COUNCILLOR JANET HORNER

To ask the Chief Executive how many homes, and on which Traveller specific sites, currently do not have access to an electric meter unique to their unit?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Tara Lawns Halting Site (11 Bays) and St Dominic's Park Halting Site (23 Homes) do not presently have an authorised electricity supply. However, authorised metered electricity supply will be implemented on these sites beginning April 2021 under Covid 19 emergency regulations.

All other Halting sites and Group Housing Schemes including unauthorised sites have authorised metered electrical supplies.

Q.138 COUNCILLOR JANET HORNER

To ask the Chief Executive for a report on the progress towards bringing all emergency accommodation up to fire safety standards, including any properties being shut down?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

As part of the Dublin Region Homeless Executive's (DRHE) commitment to provide quality accommodation services for people who are homeless, the property team is overseeing the implementation of improvement works on a number of emergency accommodation facilities. These works are being carried out in full compliance with fire and building regulations. The Property Team in the DRHE works constantly with Dublin Fire Brigade, the DCC Building Control Division, the DCC Planning Department as well as Property Owners, Private Operators and Public Health Officials in the HSE.

Some properties are undergoing enhanced fire safety works including upgrading of fire doors, fire safety alarms and fire stopping. In each situation, the improvement works generate a requirement for a new fire certificate application and/or for a regularisation certificate application. The DRHE property team liaises with Dublin Fire Brigade (DFB) throughout the process and they have confirmed that fire safety upgrade works are ongoing in these properties. They have agreed interim fire safety management plans, put in place to mitigate the risk on a temporary basis, alongside a quoted programme of fire safety works. These properties were risk assessed and a schedule of upgraded fire safety works was proposed. The DRHE always ensures that upgrade works comply with Building Control Regulations, and that such compliance will be demonstrated in Fire Safety Certificate Applications.

The DRHE has worked with owners and operators to ensure, where required by regulation, that Regularisation Fire Safety Certificate applications are submitted to DFB as per Section 20c of the Building Control Regulations 1997 to 2020. This is the most appropriate mechanism to demonstrate compliance in these instances. The DRHE property team liaise with DFB and the operators on an ongoing basis regarding these matters in order to ensure the necessary fire safety upgrade works are completed where still required, in as timely a fashion as possible, and compliance with the regulatory obligations. This dialogue and approach is standard and normal practice in these type of situations, when property owners are in good faith undertaking remedial and improvement works, while under the supervision of professional Fire Safety Consultants.

While there was always regular and ongoing interaction between Dublin Fire Brigade and the DRHE on all properties in the city used as emergency accommodation it has

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now been put on a more formal basis with meetings between the two groups every two weeks chaired by the Deputy Chief Executive.

Further it has been agreed that the DRHE and Dublin Fire Brigade will arrange for a specific inspection and risk assessment to be carried out on all emergency accommodation facilities in the city over the coming months (subject to Covid-19 restrictions).

Topical Issue No. 1 - Dublin City Centre Recovery Plan (Ad-Hoc)	
Councillor Daryl Barron	For
Councillor Christy Burke	For
Councillor Danny Byrne	For
Councillor Anne Feeney	For
Councillor Declan Flanagan	For
Councillor Terence Flanagan	For
Councillor James Geoghegan	For
Councillor Janet Horner	For
Councillor Ray McAdam	For
Councillor Paddy McCartan	For
Councillor Eimer McCormack	For
Councillor Naoise Ó Muirí	For
Councillor Colm O'Rourke	For
Councillor Noeleen Reilly	For
Councillor Larry O'Toole	Against
Councillor Racheal Batten	Against
Councillor Janice Boylan	Against
Councillor Dearbháil Butler	Against
Councillor Claire Byrne	Against
Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan	Against
Lord Mayor Hazel Chu	Against
Councillor Anthony Connaghan	Against
Councillor Keith Connolly	Against
Councillor Caroline Conroy	Against
Councillor Deirdre Conroy	Against
Councillor Donna Cooney	Against
Councillor Joe Costello	Against
Councillor Daniel Céitinn	Against
Councillor Daithí de Róiste	Against
Councillor Tara Deacy	Against
Councillor Máire Devine	Against
Councillor Kevin Donoghue	Against
Councillor Daithí Doolan	Against
Councillor Pat Dunne	Against
Councillor Anthony Flynn	Against
Councillor Mary Freehill	Against
Councillor Alison Gilliland	Against
Councillor Deirdre Heney	Against
Councillor Vincent Jackson	Against
Councillor Dermot Lacey	Against
Councillor Darcy Lonergan	Against
Councillor Micheál MacDonncha	Against
Councillor Briege MacOscar	Against
Councillor Tina MacVeigh	Against
Councillor Séamas McGrattan	Against
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Councillor Darragh Moriarty	Against
Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud	Against
Councillor Claire O'Connor	Against
Councillor Cat O' Driscoll	Against
Councillor Damian O'Farrell	Against
Councillor Cieran Perry	Against
Councillor Michael Pidgeon	Against
Councillor Nial Ring	Against
Councillor Patricia Roe	Against
Councillor Catherine Stocker	Against
Councillor Michael Watters	Against
Councillor Tom Brabazon	Abstain
Councillor Mannix Flynn	Abstain
Councillor Jane Horgan-Jones	Abstain
Councillor John Lyons	Abstain
Rejected	

Topical Issue No. 2 - Dog Fouling (Ad-Hoc)	
Councillor Daryl Barron	For
Councillor Racheal Batten	For
Councillor Christy Burke	For
Councillor Danny Byrne	For
Councillor Keith Connolly	For
Councillor Daithí de Róiste	For
Councillor Tara Deacy	For
Councillor Pat Dunne	For
Councillor Deirdre Heney	For
Councillor Vincent Jackson	For
Councillor John Lyons	For
Councillor Briege MacOscar	For
Councillor Eimer McCormack	For
Councillor Declan Meenagh	For
Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud	For
Councillor Naoise Ó Muirí	For
Councillor Claire O'Connor	For
Councillor Colm O'Rourke	For
Councillor Cieran Perry	For
Councillor Michael Watters	For
Councillor Janice Boylan	Against
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Councillor Tom Brabazon	Abstain
Lord Mayor Hazel Chu	Abstain
Councillor Declan Flanagan	Abstain
Councillor Jane Horgan-Jones	Abstain
Councillor Darcy Lonergan	Abstain
Councillor Damian O'Farrell	Abstain
Councillor Larry O'Toole	Abstain
Rejected	

Emergency Motion No.6 (Ad-Hoc)	
Councillor Dearbháil Butler	For
Councillor Danny Byrne	For
Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan	For
Lord Mayor Hazel Chu	For
Councillor Anthony Connaghan	For
Councillor Keith Connolly	For
Councillor Caroline Conroy	For
Councillor Donna Cooney	For
Councillor Daniel Céitinn	For
Councillor Tara Deacy	For
Councillor Máire Devine	For
Councillor Kevin Donoghue	For
Councillor Daithí Doolan	For
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Councillor Ray McAdam	For
Councillor Paddy McCartan	For
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Councillor Carolyn Moore	For
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Councillor Claire O'Connor	Abstain
Councillor Cat O' Driscoll	Abstain
Councillor Damian O'Farrell	Abstain

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Against4

Abstain14