



MINUTES OF THE NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD ON MONDAY 19 APRIL 2021

- 1 **Minutes of the North Central Area Committee meeting held on 15th March, 2021.**
Order: Agreed.
- 2 **Questions to the Area Manager**
Order: Noted.
- 3 **Area Matters**
 - a **Richmond Road**
Order: Report noted. Feedback from Richmond Road Residents re initial design to be adapted to plan and put out to plebicide. List on July Agenda for update.
 - b **Supporting the Arts in the North Central Area**
Order: Report noted. This item to be kept on the Agenda.
 - c **Report on the Propagation of Trees in public domain NCA**
Order: Noted. Fergus O'Carroll to circulate full pdf version of presentation to the Councillors. Councillors can email Fergus O'Carroll directly with their enquiries.
 - d **Tree Pruning/Grass Cutting Contract**
Order: Waiting for completion of Grass cutting Contract. Fergus O'Carroll to bring back to the May meeting.
 - e **Update - Clongriffin Town Centre**
Order: Report noted. Deirdre Murphy to revert directly to Councillors regarding specific enquiries.
 - f **Proposal to initiate the Extinguishment of Public Right of way over the Laneway located at 4-26 Carndonagh Park & 73-91 Donaghmede Road, Donaghmede, Dublin 13**
Order: Agreed. Refer to City Council.
 - g **Naming and numbering Proposal for a new residential development on the site of 126 Howth Road, Clontarf, Dublin 3.**
Order: Agreed. Refer to City Council.

- h **With reference to the proposed disposal of a plot to the rear of 17 Saint Aidan's Park Avenue, Marino, Dublin 3.**
Order: Agreed. Refer to City Council.
- i **With reference to the proposed disposal of a plot of land to the front of 212 Malahide Road, Clontarf, Dublin 3.**
Order. Not agreed. The Manager to take back to Development Department and get further information for Committee next month.
- j **Disposal Fee Simple 190 Drumcondra Road**
Order: Agreed. Refer to City Council.
- k **Disposals New Priory**
Order: Agreed. Refer to City Council.
- l **Housing Supply Report**
Order: Bunratty Road / Belcamp B site - Connell McGlynn to get report on both projects and report directly to the NCAC.
Blackbanks/Newtown Cottages – Brian Kavanagh to get report on both projects and report directly to the NCAC.
Housing Supply Report to be reviewed to represent the effect Covid 19 has had on housing supply.
- m **Sports and Wellbeing Partnership Report**
Order: Noted. How many grants are the NCAC supporting under Jack Chamber scheme.

4 **Roads and Streets Matters**

Order: Noted.

- a **Minutes of the TAG meeting of 30.03.21**
Report: Noted. Eoin Corrigan to report back to next meeting re pedestrian crossing.

5 **Items for following meeting**

Merville Ave Waste Issue – ELO to engage with businesses and prepare written report for May meeting.
Grass Cutting Contract
Eoin Corrigan TAG – Pedestrian Crossing
Extinguishment 212 Malahide Road

6 **Motions**

- a **Motion in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten**
That this Committee seek a legal opinion on the position of the Dublin City Council's Planning department firstly making recommendation to application on breaching the six story city limit especial in suburban area of the city.

Reply

Planning guidelines may be issued by the Minister for Housing under Section 28 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended). Planning authorities and An Bord Pleanála are required to have regard to the guidelines and are also required to apply any specific planning policy requirements (SPPRs) contained in the guidelines, within the meaning of Section 28 (1C) of the Planning and

Development Act 2000 (as amended) in carrying out their functions.

SPPR3 contained in the Urban Development and Building Heights Guidelines for Planning Authorities (2018) states that “It is a specific planning policy requirement that where; (A)1. an applicant for planning permission sets out how a development proposal complies with the criteria above (*outlined in the guidelines*); and 2. the assessment of the planning authority concurs, taking account of the wider strategic and national policy parameters set out in the National Planning Framework and these guidelines; then the planning authority may approve such development, even where specific objectives of the relevant development plan or local area plan may indicate otherwise”.

Accordingly, it is not considered necessary to seek legal advice relating to the ability of the Planning Department to recommend that permission be granted for appropriate development that may exceed development plan height parameters on the basis that SPPR3 outlined the Urban Development and Building Heights Guidelines for Planning Authorities (2018) takes precedence over any conflicting, policies and objectives of development plans and local area plans.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact Bryan Ward
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Order: Planning Department to be invited in to future meeting to talk to NCAC.

b Motion in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

That this Committee write to the Chief Executive stating that we oppose the Planning department making recommendations on large scale planning application without the planning department submitting the recommendations to the local area committee first.

Reply

In accordance with the Planning and Development Act 2000, the elected members of the city council are responsible for the adoption of the city development plan and therefore have an interest in how the provisions of the plan are implemented. However, in accordance with Section 34 of the same Act, the determination of a planning application is a function of the Chief Executive.

The purpose of presenting planning applications at an area committee meeting is to keep elected members informed of the implementation of development plan provisions and to enable them to respond to queries from members of the public. However, any comments made at area committee meetings do not form part of the deliberation process and cannot be taken into account in determining planning applications.

An elected member can make a written submission to support or object to a planning application within the statutory 5 week time limit which will be taken into consideration when determining a planning application.

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Director of Services

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c Motion in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

That this Committee take on board the numerous concerns raised by residence about the format of the public online meeting with Clann about the development in Whitehall Carpark. Give the vast majority of residence did not feel they were heard or their concerns being noted that the Council itself will arrange and run their own public online meeting to have the residences concern properly taken on board. This is supposed to be a community driven development and the council made assurance that this would be done.

Reply

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This meeting was intended as an introductory meeting to provide the community with information on the service that Clann provide and to deliver a detailed presentation of the proposed plans for the site.

The meeting was timetabled to take one hour, and residents were invited to submit questions in advance of the meeting and through the chat facility available on the Zoom platform during the meeting. The presentation of the plans and introduction to Clann took approximately 40 minutes which did not leave enough time to answer all the questions submitted by the approximately 50+ attendees. Residents were invited on the night to provide contact details to Clann so that they can open direct communication channels with local residents via email, phone and printed material.

This was the first meeting in a series of events which are intended to keep the local community up to speed on the project. The intention is to continue to provide opportunities for local community engagement via virtual meetings, leaflet drops, and through online communication channels. At the moment Clann are preparing a list of FAQ for the project and drawing up a document setting out answers to additional questions posed by the local community. When this is completed the document will be circulated to the local community for their information and a date for the next virtual meeting will be set.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Dymphna Farrell, Senior Executive Officer,
Housing & Community Services
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Order: Clann/Cluid to re-engage with residents with DCC present.

d **Motion in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

The North Central Area Committee recognises the need to front load essential infrastructure and traffic management systems that will support sustainable development on the Oscar Traynor Rd site. Therefore the North Central Area Committee demands that a feasibility study be carried out to with a view to realising Dublin City Development Plan Objective MTO31 - a road scheme connecting the current Clonsaugh Industrial Estate Road with the R139. That this feasibility study indicate

- if the road as proposed in the Development Plan can be realised and if it will allow for a reduction of traffic into and out of the Industrial Estate via the Oscar Traynor Rd
- and if the road as proposed in the Development Plan is not feasible or would not allow for a reduction of traffic into and out of the Industrial Estate via the Oscar Traynor Rd that another route be advised

Basically, that this study recommend a feasible route that will connect the current Clonsaugh Industrial Estate Road with the R139 that will allow for a reduction of traffic into and out of the Industrial Estate via the Oscar Traynor Rd.

That the feasibility study be carried out and a report presented to the North Central Area Committee at the latest, at its September meeting

Reply

Road Design & Construction will carry out a feasibility study for a scheme that will allow for a reduction of traffic into and out of the Industrial Estate via the Oscar Traynor Rd.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Joseph Kelly, Senior Engineer. Road Design & Construction Division.
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Order: Agreed. Report to Councillor.

e **Motion in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland**

The North Central Area Committee recognises the imperative of providing additional social housing needs across our area. The North Central Area Committee also recognises the important role Approved Housing Bodies play in supporting Dublin City Council in such provision. However, the North Central Area Committee also recognises the crucial role of local community consultation and liaison in the planning processes of any new housing development.

Therefore, the North Central Area Committee demands that ahead of the submission of a planning application for Millwood Court that the following aspects be agreed with the local community:

- a) a construction traffic management plan
- b) a demolition plan that takes cognisance of the incidences of COPD among residents in the immediate vicinity
- c) demolition and construction working hours

Reply

As part of the planning application process, a condition would pertain for a detailed construction and demolition management plan to be submitted on appointment of a contractor. This plan would include details such as intended demolition and construction practice for the development, construction phasing and programme, a detailed traffic management plan, hours of working, noise and dust management measures, and off-site disposal of construction/demolition waste. The appointed contractor liaises with DCC Road Works Control Section during the demolition and construction period.

A preliminary Construction and Demolition Management Plan may be submitted as part of the application process to provide an overview of the anticipated phasing programme and traffic management plan; however this cannot be finalised until a main contractor has been appointed to the development and any site specific requirements associated with said contractor can be agreed as part of an ongoing process with the Roadworks Control Section.

The working hours for construction and demolition are set out as standard in conditions attached to a planning permission. Any deviation from these working hours are subject to the approval of the Planning Department.

In addition any contractor who may be engaged to work on this development will be required to comply with H & S obligations and good practice. All of these elements will be directed and overseen by an appointed Project Supervisor who will co-ordinate all matters regarding safety and health including identifying hazards. This will include but will not be limited to dust control and damping down during the demolition stage.

FOLD will consult with the local community on the above matters if planning permission is granted for the development, and a representative will be appointed to liaise directly with the local community on all matters relating to the construction and build of the development.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Dymphna Farrell, Senior Executive Officer, Housing & Community Services
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Order: All three requested reports to be completed and discussed with residents before going to planning.

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Reply

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Contact: Dymphna Farrell, Senior Executive Officer, Housing & Community Services
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Order: Clann/Cluid to re-engage with residents with DCC present.

g Motion in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell

That this Area Committee discusses the urgent need for temporary toilets (Covid 19) to be installed near popular walking areas as a matter of urgency and also decides whether or not to request a temporary toilet be located at the sea side (back of) of the pumping station near the end of Vernon Ave.

Reply

Dublin City Council has been reviewing options with regard to the provision of public toilets in Dublin City with the emerging preferred option being the provision of toilets as an integrated part of retail units at high profile and high footfall locations to be selected by tenderers. The issuing of a tender is imminent.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Order: Agreed. Report to Councillor. Report to next meeting.

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

“To ask the Manager could the suitability of tree planting, planters, or some form of greening, softening of the environment be provided at the end of Foyle Road where it meets the an post sorting office, the finish there is bad since the 90’s and it is felt by residents to be an eyesore and could really do with greenery improvements”

Reply

The area is hard-surfacing where a cul-de-sac meets a wall and is not suitable for tree planting. Planters which might provide some opportunities for planting are not provided by the Parks and Biodiversity Service.

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

The Environmental Liaison Office visited this location and has stated that the paths are too narrow for trees/planters to be planted & planters would block the access at Foyle Road.

Contact Robert Ingram, Environmental Liaison Officer
Phone: 222 8843
Email: robert.ingram@dublincity.ie

Coilín O’Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Order: Response not acceptable Councillor requires new response.

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

“To ask the Manager could planters or some other greenery be provided in the Craigford Drive, Killester/Artane, the residents there are trying to encourage each other to appreciate and care for their environment, while keeping it clean and making the area more appealing to live; But unfortunately, the roads don’t have any grass verges for the residents to plant, so they feel that they look like a bit of a concrete jungle, can the residents be helped to green their neighbour ”

Reply

The Craigford Drive has narrow paths not suitable for planters. When placing planters wheel chair mobility has to be considered.
I would recommend the residents of Craigford to setup a community environmental group. North Central Area office Public domain unit can facilitate community clean-up tools and materials to the residents going forward.

Coilín O’Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Robert Ingram, Environmental Liaison Officer

Phone: 222 8843
Email: rob.ingram@dublincity.ie

Order: Agreed. Report to Councillor.

j

Motion in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney

"To ask the Manager could the steps on the ladies bathing shelters be repaired and hooks be provided on the mixed shelters on the Bull wall, thank you to parks for recent painting of the bathing shelters, but more repairs and maintenance are needed as they are very popular, could DCC labs also provide updates on any water quality testing to councillors outside the bathing season"

Reply

Provision has been made in the Parks Improvements Budget to carry out repairs to the shelter which will be affected as soon as current restrictions allow.

Bathing water quality testing is published by Water Pollution Control on the DCC website and appears to include results from outside of the bathing season.

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

The Water Pollution Control (WPC) section of Dublin City Council is responsible monitoring water quality at designated bathing areas and communicating that data to the public, as well as any issues pertaining to bathing water quality. Our WPC Section continues to monitor designated and undesignated bathing areas both during and outside of the bathing season. All results of this water quality monitoring are published at two locations, namely; DCC's website for bathing water quality ([LINK](#)), and; at DCC noticeboards in the vicinity of various designated and undesignated bathing areas which are updated frequently, including the aforementioned North Bull Wall.

Contact: Roy O'Connor, Senior Executive Engineer
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Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Order: Agreed. Report to Councillor.

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Motion in the name of Councillor Naoise O'Muirí

"That Dublin City Council formulate a set of measures to deal with traffic congestion outside the entrance to Maryfield College, D9 at peak school hours to encompass consultation both with local residents and with the school"

Reply

Due to the extremely high number of requests we are receiving through the Covid Mobility Request Form and directly from Councillor's, it is not possible to address all immediately. The location will be assessed by an engineer as soon as possible.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Antonia Martin, Communication & Promotion Officer, Covid
Mobility Measures.
Email: covidmobility@dublincity.ie

Order: Agreed. Report to Councillor.

I Motion in the name of Councillor Naoise O'Muiri & Damian O Farrell

"That this Area committee proposes that a voluntary 30kph maximum speed limit trial takes place on two consecutive days (one weekday / one weekend day ie Friday / Saturday or Sunday / Monday) within the Dublin City Council functional area.

The purpose of the voluntary 2-day 30kph trial would be to raise the public's awareness of Dublin City Council's ongoing Special Speed Bye-Laws procedure and allow them make an informed submission.

The voluntary 30kph trial would only take place if approval is given by Dublin City Council that the impending DCC Special Speed Bye-Laws are sent for statutory public consultation"

Reply

The 2004 Road Traffic Act provides the legislative basis for speed limits generally, providing for the application of default speed limits in respect of various road types. There is no provision in legislation to allow us to have a trial for the 30 kph speed limit as set out in this motion.

The Default speed limits can only be changed by making Special Speed Limit bye-laws. The power to do so is vested in the Elected Members of Local Authorities. The primary purpose of any such intervention should be to better match the maximum speed allowed to the road conditions, and to improve road safety.

To introduce the changed by making Special Speed Limit bye-laws local authorities most follow the following procedure setting in the Guidelines For Setting and Managing Speed Limits In Ireland

(<https://www.tipperarycoco.ie/sites/default/files/Publications/Guide%20Speed%20Limits%20Ma>

Please see following diagram process:

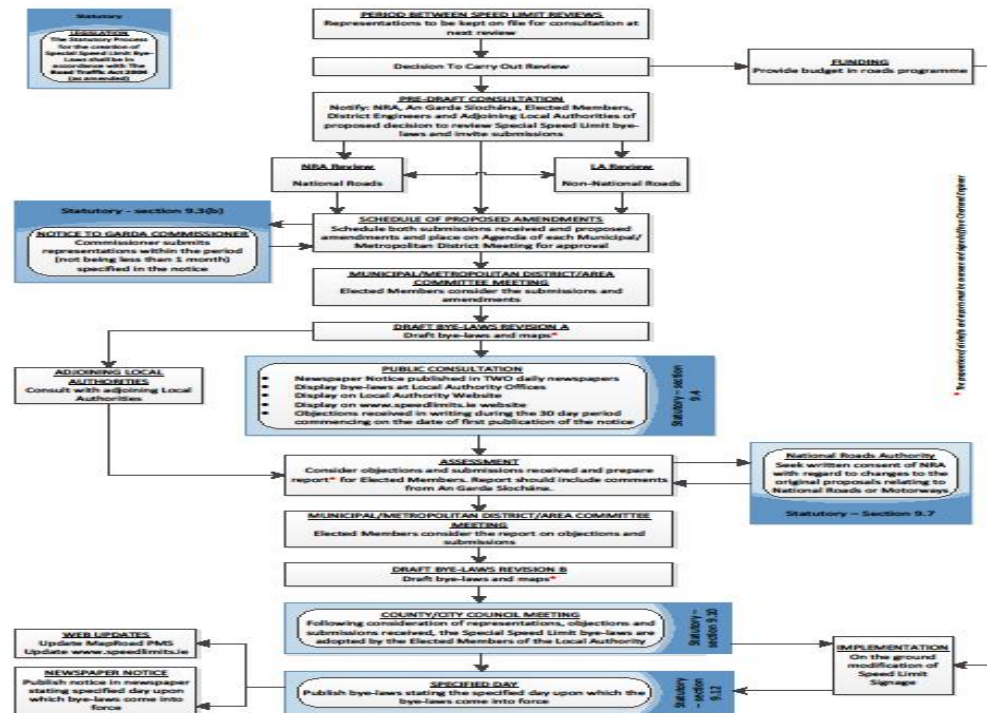


Figure 4.4 – Process of making bye-laws

Currently the Road Safety Section is working on the proposal for Dublin City Council Special Speed Limit bye-Laws April 2021. After the Non Statutory Public Consultation we are expecting to produce our final version of the proposal and we are aiming to report the outcome of the non-statutory public consultation at the next Transportation SPC meeting.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Rossana Camargo, Executive Engineer, Transportation. Road Strategy and Innovation Section.
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Order: Seconded by Cllr. Heney and thirded by Cllr. Brabazon. Opposition noted Cllr. Cooney, Cllr Lyons and Cllr. Mac Donncha. Agreed to send to Traffic SPC for consideration.

m **Motion in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

"That this Area Committee notes the criticisms (see below) from Residents of The Thatch Road, Whitehall, in relation to the consultation meeting chaired by Clann on 25.03.2021 with regard to the proposed development on Holy Child Church car park. That this committee agrees to write to the head of Clann and request that all consultation and development of this site be put on hold until such time as Covid-19 restrictions are lifted in order to allow face to face communication to be held between Clann and local residents.

- * Residents were asked to submit questions in advance, even though most residents had not seen the plans before the meeting.
- * Questions submitted in advance of the meeting, as requested, were not answered.

- * Many questions submitted on the night were not answered.
- * During the meeting the chat was private and attendees could not see the questions posted by other residents. Only five minutes at the end of the meeting was given over to addressing selected questions from residents.
- * No resident has yet received an acknowledgement, or answers to their requests for information, from Clann.

Also signed by: **Cllr Tom Brabazon**
 Cllr Deirdre Heney
 Cllr Catherine Stocker

Reply

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This was the first meeting in a series of events which are intended to keep the local community up to speed on the project. This project is at the very early stages of development and the intention is to continue to provide opportunities for local community engagement via virtual meetings, leaflet drops, and through online communication channels. At the moment Clann are preparing a list of FAQ for the project and drawing up a document setting out answers to additional questions posed by the local community. When this is completed the document will be circulated to the local community for their information and a date for the next virtual meeting will be set.

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Contact: **Dymphna Farrell, Senior Executive Officer, Housing & Community Services**
Phone: **222 6530**
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Amendment to Motion 6m for today's Area Committee

This Area Committee notes the criticisms (see below) from local residents, in relation to the consultation meeting chaired by Clann on 25.3.2021 with regard to the proposed development on Holy Child Church car park, and that this committee agrees to write to the head of Clan and request full and meaningful consultation with residents before any further steps are taken with regards this proposed development, and that consultation and communication are maintained at every

stage.

Residents were asked to submit questions in advance, even though most residents had not seen the plans prior to the meeting.

Questions submitted in advance of the meeting, as requested were not answered.

Many questions submitted on the night were not answered. During the meeting chat was private and attendees could not see the questions posed by other residents.

Only five minutes at the end of the meeting was given over to addressing selected questions from residents.

No resident has yet received an acknowledgement or answers to other requests for information from Clann.

Cllr. Larry O'Toole

Cllr. Micheal MacDonncha.

Order: Amendment Agreed. Clann / Cluid to re-engage with residents with DCC present.

Cllr. Donna Cooney
Chairperson
Monday 19 April 2021

Attendance:

Members:

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

Members:

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

Members:

Patricia Roe
Terence Flanagan
Deirdre Heney
Naoise Ó Muirí
Declan Flanagan

Officers

Catherine Cahill
Fergus O'Carroll
Dara McLoughlin
Connell McGlynn
Madeleine Ebbs
Catalin Rosca

Madeleine Ebbs
Sarah Brady
Deirdre Murphy
Karl Mitchel
Aileen Doyle
Eoin Corrigan

Aileen Doyle
Coilin O'Reilly
Elaine Mulvenny
Ray Yeates
Brian Kavanagh

Apologies:

Non-Members:

Niall Brady

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
19th April 2021

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

“To ask the Manager to make provision to have safety rails erected on the street side inside the railings at the three pedestrian exits from Maypark, Donnycarney. Explanatory photographs & diagrams attached”

Reply:

It is not possible to install a pedestrian barrier at the side of 1 May Park, Malahide Road as there are utility covers on the footpath at this location which would prevent this. The parks section may be able to install a gate inside the park similar to the one on Killester Avenue.

The entrance at Clanree Road appears to be a vehicular entrance which is used for maintenance. As such it would not be possible to install a pedestrian barrier at this location.

It may be possible to install a pedestrian barrier at the entrance opposite Elm Mount Road. Road Maintenance Services will add this to our works list. This will be completed when a works crew is available in the area.

Coilin O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

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

“To ask the Manager to provide an update on the disrepair of the footpath outside (**details supplied**). I requested repairs last year but no work has been carried out as yet.”

Reply:

Road Maintenance Services received a number of requests to complete carriageway repairs at this location. This work has been contracted out as part of our major works program. These works will be completed in 2021. No program has been set.

A follow up inspection will be completed at the footpath at this location and a repair will be scheduled if required.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Shane Satell, Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services.
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Q.3 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

“To ask the Manager to look at the street light and see if the brightness or the angle can be changed as it is directly in the window of **(details supplied)**.”

Reply:

We will examine the light here and adjust the tilt on the LED fitting. We will also consider installing a shield to the LED fitting to reduce the light spill directing in the window.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Dale Donnelly, Assistant Engineer, Public Lighting Services.**
Tel: **2224682.**
Email: dale.donnelly@dublincity.ie

Q.4 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

“To ask the Manager to arrange for the area outside the Whitehall Bingo hall to be cleaned regularly as it suffers from littering.”

Reply:

Waste Management Services have the above mentioned location cleaned on a daily basis. We will monitor the cleaning of this location to see if any improvements can be made.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services.
Tel: 222 4240.
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Q.5 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

“To ask the Manager can he do anything about the litter situation around the N32/stock-hole lane/Darndale area. I understand it might be property of the NTA if so can the committee request that they clean up the area.”

Reply:

The R139 formerly known as the N 32 is litter picked on a fortnightly basis, Waste Management Services have agreed to deep clean this area in the coming weeks.

However Stockhole Lane is currently not in charge to Dublin City Council.

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

Waste Management Services looks after the cleaning of the above mentioned area. Arrangements will be made to have a deep clean carried out there in the coming weeks.

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

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Q.6 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

“To ask the Manager to clean and repair the path and green area at **(details supplied)** as the grass area at the end i.e past the wall and entrance to the private house, and situated between the public road and public footpath, has been damaged by delivery vans and lorries in the past few months.”

Reply:

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned location cleaned on the 29th March 2021.

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services.

Tel: 222 4240.

Email: mick.boyle@dublincity.ie

Road Maintenance Services will inspect this location and carry out a repair if required. It appears from google street view that paving has been installed on this grass verge. This will be removed as this was not completed by DCC and could pose a hazard to pedestrians.

Contact: Shane Satell, Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services.

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Coilín O'Reilly

Director of Services

North City

Q.7 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

“To ask the Manager to remove the broke tree at **(details supplied)** as it is a trip and fall risk”

Reply:

The tree was inspected and found to be in good condition with only the removal of epicormics growth recommended which was carried out last month.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.8 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

“To ask the Manager to provide an update on the pre- planning application on **(details supplied)** and confirm that the planning department is not making recommendation to the application to breach the Council limit of 6 stories which was voted from by the elected members council.”

Reply:

No application has been received to date in relation to a development on this site. Should a pre-application consultation be held under Section 247, the purpose is to assist potential applicants to gain a greater understanding of the planning process including any relevant guidelines, regulations and objectives of the development plan that may impact on the planning authority's decision on any subsequent planning application.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Greg Bryan, Administrative Officer**
Tel: **222 3108**
Email: greg.bryan@dublincity.ie

Q.9 Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten

“To ask the Manager to remove the tree stump at **(details supplied)** as it is causing damage to vehicles in the area”

Reply:

This tree was relatively recently removed and it can take some time for the stump and rootplate to degrade sufficiently to allow for effective removal particularly when planted in small concrete pits which would impede cutting off below ground level. Where trees cannot be removed to below ground level they are left at approx. 1m high to prevent the creation of a trip hazard and so that they can be seen by drivers. The Parks Service will continue to monitor the locus and arrange for the stump to be ground out as soon as is practicable.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

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

"To ask the Manager to have the tree at **(details supplied)** pruned back. It is causing serious interference with the front garden and car parked within.

Reply:

The tree will be inspected in the coming weeks as soon as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be included in the tree care programme for the area.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.11 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole

“To ask the Manager to provide information on what development is planned (if any) for the former Fruit & Veg Market site on Beaumont Road. The site is being cleared and cordoned off.”

Reply:

According to the APAS Planning System, there is no current planning application or permission to develop the former fruit and vegetable market site located close to the junction of Beaumont Road and Beaumont Grove.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Bryan Ward**
Email: bryan.ward@dublincity.ie

Q.12 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Manager to arrange for the following to be carried out:

- i) the remarking of "School Keep Clear" road markings at the vehicular entrance to Holy Trinity Primary School on Newbrook Road as far down as to the entrance to the other primary schools
- ii) the damage to the road outside **(details supplied)** repaired and
- iii) the remarking of the Yellow Box at the exit way from the car-park on Newbrook Road “

Reply:

- i) The location will be inspected in the coming days. Any remarking required, will take place within 30 Working days of the NCAC meeting of the 19/04/21.
- ii) Road Maintenance Services will inspect the carriageway at this location. A repair will be scheduled. This will be completed when a works crew is available in the area.
- iii) An inspection/marketing of the above locations will be carried out.

Coilin O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Damien Cooney, Traffic Officer.**
Tel: **086 815 1521.**
Email: damien.cooney@dublincity.ie

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

Q.13 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Manager to arrange for a substantial cleaning of the footpaths along the R139 and the removal of rubbish from the bushes along the footpath.”

Reply:

A clean up of the R139 has been arranged to be carried out next week and this will be followed up by fortnightly clean ups of this area on an ongoing basis for the rest of the year.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.14 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Manager to arrange for a substantial clearing of the edging along the footpath on Skelly's Lane between either side of Bus Stop No 245 - see attached map. Significant debris has built up under the over grown foliage. There is also lots of grass growing out of the footpath crevices along the roadside that need removing.”

Reply:

Road Maintenance Services will inspect the overgrown foliage and issue an advice notice to cut this back if required.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.15 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Manager to arrange for the detailed investigation of the source of the foul water coming from a pipe in the laneway behind Maryfield Drive - see attached photo”

Reply:

Thank you for bringing this to our attention. An Inspector from Water Pollution Control visited the laneway on 7th of April and discovered the pipe was an outlet for a washing machine on Kilmore Road.

The Inspector instructed the householder to stop discharging through the pipe into the laneway and have the pipe connected to the foul network instead.

An Engineer from Water Pollution Control wrote a letter to the householder informing them to discharge to the foul network rather than the laneway and gave six weeks for this to be carried out.

After six weeks, another site visit will take place to confirm the work has taken place.

If you have any other surface water pollution issues, please contact waterpollution@dublincity.ie

Coilin O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Andy Walsh, Executive Manager (Engineering).**
Email: waterpollution@dublincity.ie

Q.16 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Manager to consider putting a planter box along the barrier at the pedestrian entrance into Lidl on Maryfield Drive (see attached). This particular patch is very susceptible to serious littering and a planter might act as a deterrent.”

Reply:

There are no plans to place a planter at this location at present as the planter would not act as a litter deterrent and would block the small space at the back of the barrier.

I will request the litter warden to check this area over the coming weeks.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.17 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Manager to consider the installation of a disabled parking space along Maryfield Avenue, D5, to support disabled drivers more easily access the local shops.”

Reply:

This request (Enquiry Ref: 7019831) will be referred to the Area Engineer for assessment and report to the Transport Advisory Group for their consideration.

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

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

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

“To ask the Manager to to make provision to have the double yellow lines along the flower beds at the entrance to Aulden Grange, Dublin 17 repainted”

Reply:

The location will be inspected in the coming days. Provision for the repainted DYL's will be listed for renewal within 30 working days of the NCAC meeting of the 19/04/21.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Damien Cooney, Traffic Officer**
Phone: **086 815 1521**
Email: damien.cooney@dublincity.ie

Q.19 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole

"To ask the Manager can **(details supplied)** be allocated a place on the housing list and supplied with reference number as soon as possible."

Reply:

The above applicant submitted a housing application which was received on 02/02/2021, the application is currently suspended as the following documents are outstanding –

- Proof of income
- Photo identification
- Birth certificate

Upon receipt of the outstanding documents, the application can be fully assessed with a view to activating the application and a position will then be available to the applicant.

Coilin O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.20 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole

“To ask the Manager for update on **(details supplied)** housing situation as has been on the housing list for twelve years and is currently living in private rented accommodation with her four children.”

Reply:

The above applicant is on the Housing Transfer List and in receipt of HAP, with an application date of 05/03/2009, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

Area	Bedsizes	Position
Area B	3	190

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

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

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

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.21 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole

“To ask the Manager to give an up to date report on progress, if any, on the commercial illegal dump at Belcamp Lane”

Reply:

The Inter-Departmental group set up to deal with this issue involving the Housing Department, E&T Department and Area Office continue to work towards a resolution of the illegal dumping and development of lands in the area as per previous replies on this matter.

Contact: Brian White, Senior Executive Officer
Phone: 222 5458
Email: brian.white@dublincity.ie

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 to begin this summer and is expected to cost 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.

Contact: Mary Hayes, Executive Manager
Phone: 222 6611
Email: mary.hayes@dublincity.ie

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Q.22 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Manager to arrange for the examination of the tree, footpath and wall/pillar at **(details supplied)** and provide a recommendation with regard to its safety and damage caused.”

Reply:

Road Maintenance Services will inspect the footpath at this location and schedule any footpath repair works required. This will be completed when a works is available in the area.

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

The tree will be inspected in the coming weeks as soon as local schedules and current restrictions allow. Any works deemed necessary will be included in the tree care programme for the area.

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

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Director of Services
North City

Q.23 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

“To ask the Manager for an auditing of the safety of the cycling infrastructure and route coming from Santry and Beaumont via Shantalla Rd down the slip road and onto the N1, parallel to Whitehall Church and down towards Drumcondra (as one travels into the city centre) - in particular the intersection between the slip road and the N1 and the section between this intersection and Collins Avenue - see attached map”

Reply:

The above location is proposed to be upgraded in the Bus Connects project which proposes significant improvements for cyclists. In the meantime, a review of the current infrastructure will be carried out to determine the most appropriate way to make this route safer for cyclists.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Eoin Corrigan, Executive Engineer, Environment and Transportation
Department.**
Email: eoin.corrigan@dublincity.ie

Q.24 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones

“To ask the Manager for what grounds trees on St Lawrence Rd were being trimmed, cut and pruned during bird nesting season and why the work was not carried out in the appropriate season”

Reply:

The tree will be inspected in the coming weeks as soon as local schedules and current restrictions allow. Any works deemed necessary will be included in the tree care programme for the area. A light crown raising above the public footpath was carried out to ensure the safety of pedestrians passing beneath these trees. This is essential maintenance carried out on health and safety grounds. This is light pruning work carried out from ground level and even though it is highly unlikely that birds would nest so low down within reach of the footpath all trees are checked for nests before such pruning is carried out.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.25 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones

“To ask the Manager for what initiatives and actions are being taken to enforce dog fouling by-laws in the Clontarf LEA and how many enforcement actions have been taken”

Reply:

The environmental officer for North Central area Mr Robert Ingram will be carrying out enforcement and education patrols along Clontarf promenade when restrictions are lifted to make dog owners aware of their responsibility to clean up after their pets.

From 2020, to date no fixed penalties have been issued.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.26 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones

“To ask the Manager what action can be taken to improve provision and collection of bins on the sea front in Clontarf”

Reply:

Waste Management Services have added eight extra blue barrels on the Clontarf sea front. The target collection frequency for bins at this location is at least twice daily. We will keep the matter under continuous review.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.27 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones

“To ask the Manager what plans are being made and taken to improve provision of and access to Public Toilets in St Anne’s park and for visitors to Dollymount Strand for this summer”

Reply:

The formal part 8 process for the proposed additional toilet blocks will commence in the coming weeks. Construction works will also commence on a replacement sewer in St. Anne’s early next month when restrictions are lifted to allow for such construction works. Once this new connection is established incidences of the toilets in the park having to be taken out of commission due to blockages should be greatly reduced.

It is fully intended to have the toilets at the interpretative centre at Dollymount available to visitors to the beach. Providing this can be done safely within Covid guidelines and recommendations that will apply at that time.

Coilín O’Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.28 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones

“To ask the Manager what progress is being made on removing the filled skip bags being used for temporary flood defence on the coast at Clontarf and replacing them or having them used only on a temporary rather than a permanent basis”

Reply:

We are awaiting a permanent flood defence scheme in the area before these flood defences are removed. They have proved their worth on a significant number of occasions since their installation in preventing local building flooding and reducing local road flooding. The last major flood event which they alleviated was in August 2020 when there was significant road flooding in the early hours with these defences fully in place. If they are removed it may be impossible to re-install them before a flood event; leaving the Council open to possible significant flood damage claims.

Contact: **Gerard O’Connell, Senior Engineer, Flood Projects and Water Framework Division.**

Email: gerry.oconnell@dublincity.ie

The large yellow sand bags positioned though-out the Clontarf promenade are required to be in position all year round, and therefore immediately available in adverse weather conditions as a temporary flood prevention measure. Flood prevention in this case includes the protection of properties and transport routes/road network.

Notwithstanding the prohibitive cost, it would be totally impractical if not impossible from a Dublin City Council drainage maintenance (DCC DM) operational perspective to store such a large number of large yellow sand bags elsewhere and reinstate in advance of forecasted adverse weather conditions, sometimes at quite short notice.

Note all the large yellow sand bags were replaced in Autumn 2019 by DCC drainage maintenance, and their condition is monitored on a continual basis.

Regarding any potential permanent flood prevention measures that would allow long term removal of the large yellow sand bags, please contact Senior Engineer Mr Gerard O’Connell of the Flood Projects and Water Framework Directive Division (gerry.oconnell@dublincity.ie) .

Contact: **Cathal Kenny A/SEE Drainage Maintenance**

Email: cathal.kenny@dublincity.ie

Ph: **01 2226375**

Coilín O’Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Q.29 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones

“To ask the Manager what the procedure to facilitate a temporary coffee stand at the Sybill Hill entrance to St Anne's Park”

Reply:

The area referred to is not designated for casual trading in the current Casual trading bye-laws and therefore trading would not be permitted. Anyone who wishes to trade at a designated pitch must fill out an expression of interest form and will then go on a waiting list. The bye laws and expression of interest forms are available on the website.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Patricia Colfer**
Phone: **222 6710**
Email: patricia.colfer@dublincity.ie

Q.30 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones

“To ask the Manager to initiate the procedure to close the laneway to the rear of 2-88 Seapark Drive, 147-165 Kincora Road, 20-36 Kincora Court and 2-7 Parkview, all in Clontarf”

Reply:

Unfortunately, this laneway is **not** in charge of Dublin City Council. The Council is responsible for those laneways which are ‘in charge’ as there is a statutory public right of way over these laneways. The Council is not responsible for private laneways and can therefore not process applications for extinguishing private rights of way.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.31 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones

“To ask the Manager what plans are in place for traffic calming measures for Grace Park Terrace, Dublin 9 at the junction of Grace Park Road”

Reply:

There are no plans for specific traffic calming measures at this location.

The Grace Park Area is one of a number of different areas to be considered for a Neighbourhood Transport Scheme (NTS). However, since March 2020 the NTS programme has been temporarily suspended as our resources have been focused on implementing the Interim Mobility Programme for Dublin City developed due to Covid-19.

The Neighbourhood Transport Scheme Process involves assessing and ranking residential areas in keeping with the formalised process as agreed at the Nov 2018 SPC. This involves assessing the areas against a number of set criteria (e.g. level of cut-through traffic at peak times) to determine the order of implementation for a Neighbourhood Transport Scheme. However, due to ongoing developments in the spread of Covid-19, it has been difficult to complete the assessment of these areas until travel / commuter patterns return to normal following the lifting of Covid-19 restrictions.

As restrictions ease, the recommencement of the NTS Programme is to be prioritised and the area selected for an NTS Scheme will be progressed further in the coming weeks.

In the meantime please feel free to submit any more specific local requests for immediate consideration from the TAG area engineer via the portal:

<https://consultation.dublincity.ie/tag/5e122f7d>

(Transport Service Request Form – Councillor

I trust this information is satisfactory but should you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Coilín O'Reilly

Director of Services

North City

**Contact: Andrew Geoghegan, Neighbourhood Transport Engineer
(North City)**

Tel: [2226347](tel:2226347)

Email andrew.geoghegan@dublincity.ie

Q.32 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones

“To ask the Manager to make arrangement to contact residents on Watermill Lawn Raheny to make arrangements to prune the three trees on Watermill Road early next pruning season as they are now towering into the gardens on Watermill Lawn, Raheny”

Reply:

The trees will be inspected over the coming weeks and any works deemed necessary will be included in the tree care programme for the area.

It should be noted that the adopted tree policy does not consider a tree being regarded as too big or too tall as a valid reason to prune an otherwise healthy tree. **Objective 3.7.10 ‘Tree considered too big/ too tall’** states ‘*The Council will not prune or fell a Council owned/managed tree because it is considered to be ‘too big’ or ‘too tall’.*

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.33 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones

“To ask the Manager if applications are to be made for The Outdoor Dining Enhancement Scheme in our area”

Reply:

Applications are now open for financial support from a new scheme aimed at tourism and hospitality businesses in Dublin City.

Under The Outdoor Dining Enhancement Scheme, businesses can request financial support to purchase or upgrade equipment to provide additional outdoor seating and, therefore, increase their outdoor dining capacity for summer 2021.

The scheme is open to attractions, hotels, restaurants, cafes, public houses or other tourism and hospitality business establishments where food is sold for consumption on the premises.

The following items are considered eligible for the scheme:

- Tables
- Chairs
- Umbrellas
- Electric heaters
- Screens/windbreaks
- Plant stands
- Wooden Platform
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The scheme will provide for up to 75% of the ex-VAT cost of equipment purchased/installed with a maximum allowable contribution of up to €4,000 per applicant.

The Outdoor Dining Enhancement Scheme is being delivered in partnership with Fáilte Ireland and Local Authorities across the country.

The scheme will be open for applications from 13/4/2021 and will close on 30/9/2021.

Funding under the scheme is only available to existing businesses and all applicants will be required to comply with planning codes, legislative requirements and other compliance requirements.

For more information and for details on how to apply for funding visit:

www.dublincity.ie/business/economic-development-and-enterprise/economic-development/outdoor-seating-accessories-tourism-hospitality-business-scheme

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Director of Services
North City

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

Q.34 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Manager to remove the waste construction material at **(details supplied)** as debris here is causing access issues and may obstruct emergency vehicles”

Reply:

Waste Management Services removed the waste construction material from the above mentioned location on the 7th April 2021.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.35 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Manager to install ‘30 km/h’ and ‘Children at Play’ signs on the Glenwood Road, Dublin 5”

Reply:

This request (Enquiry Ref: 7019859) will be referred to the Area Engineer for assessment and report to the Transport Advisory Group for their consideration.

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

Coilín O'Reilly

Director of Services

North City

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

Tel: 222 2528

Email: martina.halpin@dublincity.ie

Q.36 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

“To ask the Manager assess whether bollards can be placed at the entrances to the laneway behind **(details supplied)** to prevent car and motorbike traffic through the lane as residents complain that it is a danger to children at play and a source of noise pollution”

Reply:

The installation of bollards would have significant consequences for local residents wishing to access and egress from their properties (garages, sheds, etc) along this stretch; they can also result in operational difficulties for emergency services and waste disposal services and would shift the problem to the other two access points.

Bollards at the entrances to the laneway are therefore not recommended.

Contact: **Catalin Rosca, Area Traffic Engineer, Environment & Transportation Dept.**
Tel: **222 6145.**
Email: catalin.rosca@dublincity.ie

This lane is in charge by Road Maintenance Services. There are no plans to install bollards at this location. The lanes may be required for access by local residents.

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

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Q.37 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler

“To ask the Manager if there is any plans to tackle the dumping problems on the R139”

Reply:

The Inter-Departmental group set up to deal with this issue involving the Housing Department, E&T Department and Area Office continue to work towards a resolution of the illegal dumping and development of lands in the area as per previous replies on this matter.

Contact: **Brian White, Senior Executive Officer**
Phone: **222 5458**
Email: **brian.white@dublincity.ie**

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 to begin this summer and is expected to cost 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.

Contact: **Mary Hayes, Executive Manager**
Phone: **222 6611**
Email: **mary.hayes@dublincity.ie**

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Q.38 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler

“To ask the Manager to investigate the broken branches on the old trees in Rockfield Park to ensure that they are safe and will not fall down”

Reply:

The trees have been examined and are not considered to be a risk to park users. These trees do not shed such broken branches easily and arrangements will be made to have all such branches removed as soon as local schedules and current restrictions allow.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.39 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler

“To ask the Manager to provide recycling banks for the Clongriffin area”

Reply:

Dublin City Council aims to provide citizens with a comprehensive waste infrastructure that will enable them to dispose of and recycle their waste in a responsible manner. However, the reality is that finding sites for bottle banks in the city is very problematic. Publicly owned land is at a premium. The majority of Bottle Banks in the city are located on privately owned land such as supermarket car parks or sports grounds.

Bottle banks are incredibly difficult to maintain and despite cleaning by our own staff and by service providers, dumping is often an issue for us – which makes them unpopular with those who live in close proximity. We are restricted as to where we can place them under planning regulations and the area must be free of overhead cables and overhanging trees, must not conflict with cycle or bus lanes and must be directly accessible by HGV to ensure safe access for service provider Glassco.

Glass-recycling facilities are currently available on Main Street, Clongriffin at Trinity Sports. I recently investigated the area for suitable locations for additional bottle banks but unfortunately due to its high density residential nature I was unsuccessful.

Other nearby glass recycling facilities are located at Donaghmede Shopping Centre and Tesco Clare Hall. A wider range of items can be recycled at Oscar Traynor Road Bring Centre.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.40 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler

“To ask the Manager to complete an audit that provides details of all sports facilities in the North Central Area. Also, for the audit report to produce a GAP analysis and identifies a needs analysis. Collating this information into one document would be useful for DCC planning but also to assist voluntary groups who wish to expand their services due to the increasing population.

Fingal County Council recently completed a similar audit, I have attached a link as a reference to show the level of detail.”

<https://www.fingal.ie/sports-and-recreation-facilities-audit>”

Reply:

We worked with Dublin City Council Culture Company as part of audit / gathering of information on facilities and services in Dublin City Council (based on one of STRIDE objectives)

You can view the website and the link to the search map below.

They have done their best to compile a comprehensive list, however as the environment changes some information may not be included or updated

<https://www.dublincity.ie/culturenearyou/#>”

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Aideen O'Connor- Centre Manager**
Phone: **087 9176989**
Email: aideen.oconnor@dublincity.ie

Q.41 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler

“To ask the Manager to review the bin situation in Kilbarrack playground again and come up with some solution that will help reduce the litter in the area”

Reply:

There is a bin in this playground which is regularly emptied there is also a large volume bin at the entrance to the open space which should be more than adequate for a small local playground such as this. The issue is unfortunately that some users of the playground simply will not use the bin. Indeed during inspections often the most littered area is around the 5 way swing which is approximately 3m from the bin. The situation is further exacerbated by some well-meaning member of the community who attaches a plastic bin bag to the railings of the all-weather pitch all of 10m from the bin which is then attacked by vermin, dogs and gulls scattering any litter put in this bag around the playground. Requests have been made that this practice should cease.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.42 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell

"To ask the Manager the following please:

- the cost of renovating Gate Lodge on James Larkin Road in St Anne's ?
- Use it has been put to since renovations?
- Purposes that it is intended to be put to?
- whether it can be made available to community groups for meetings, functions, exhibitions etc "

Reply:

This is a very small and historic gate lodge associated with the demesne at St. Anne's. The restoration and conservation of this protected structure cost in the order of €300,000. The space within is too small for the types of community uses listed. It is intended that the property will be rented to a member of staff on a care-taking and key holding arrangement.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.43 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell

“To ask the Manager if DCC will commit to maintaining the access road to the beach parking on Dollymount beach / Bull Wall end please”

Reply:

The area in question is not a road but an area of sand habitat between the end of the road and the beach. This area is subject to tidal influences and will occasionally be washed out by storms. The area is part of the statutory nature reserve and covered by many environmental designations and as with the recent occurrence ministerial consent is required through the National Parks and Wildlife Service to move sand from the beach to fill in any holes. Once ministerial consent was received the Parks Service moved immediately to restore access to parking on the beach. If required again the Parks Service will apply for consent to carry out and necessary repair works here.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.44 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell

“To ask the manager for a copy of the St Anne’s management report please “

Reply:

The area office intend to circulate the original St. Anne’s Management Plan in the coming week.

As advised by Parks this particular plan is now out of date & a new plan in being developed as there has been new thinking since previous plan.

It is likely that this copy will be made available in printed format as it is of huge volume.

Coilín O'Reilly

**Director of Services
North City**

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

Q.45 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell

"To ask the Manager the following please as regards removal of parking on Bull Island.

- How many and the location of parking spaces that have been removed from Dollymount since 2015 including but not limited to the beach parking via Causeway Road, on the Causeway Road itself, and as a result of the changes to the rock armour in front of The Royal Dublin Golf Club"

Reply:

Parking was removed from the beach on safety grounds in 2015. Numbers do not exist for how much 'parking' this equates to.

Approximately 150 spaces were removed from the causeway to allow for the creation of a safe segregated shared surface access for pedestrians and cyclists.

It is not considered that any parking spaces were removed through repositioning of the boulders to the front of the golf clubs. The boulders were position to prevent inappropriate incursions on the protected meadow and sand dune habitats on either side of the golf course.

Coilin O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.46 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí

“To ask the Manager to please organise for the tree pit containing a new sapling outside **(details supplied)** to be reinstated to the right standard; during wet weather the pit cuts up badly”

Reply:

This roadside verge will be examined in the coming weeks as local schedules and current restrictions allow. It is likely that once the area is not being parked upon that it will fully recover over the summer months.

Coilín O’Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.47 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí

“To ask the Manager to please organise for the repair of the public seating to front of **(details supplied)** as committed to at previous Area Committee meetings”

Reply:

Road Maintenance Services provided a reply on this issue where we asked for clarification on whether the bench at this location was to be replaced.

This will be added to our works list. The bench will be installed when a works crew is available in the area.

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

The Environmental Liaison Officer will engage with a contractor to get a quotation for repair and re-instatement of the public seating. The contractor has to ascertain if the bench structure can be upgraded to contain new timbers for health and safety reasons. I will revert back to Councillor in due course.

Contact: **Robert Ingram, Environmental Liaison Officer**
Phone: **222 8843**
Email: rob.ingram@dublincity.ie

As Parks Staff are still working in pods, bubbles etc. with staggered start times due to Covid it has not been possible to deliver many such non-essential commitments. As restrictions ease there will be a considerable backlog of such works and commitments which the parks Service will work through over the summer months.

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

Coilín O’Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Q.48 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O'Muirí

"To ask the Manager to please urgently expedite the case of **(details supplied)** who requires support for the installation of downstairs bathroom & bedroom facilities - see attached correspondence"

Reply:

Dublin City Council has acknowledged the medical needs at this address.
Assessment is been completed and the tenant will be notified of the outcome shortly.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Michelle Robinson, Senior Executive Officer**
Phone: **222 3517**
Email: michelle.robinson@dublincity.ie

Q.49 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí

“To ask the Manager to:

1. Confirm that the Ice-cream Van operating out of Fairview Park (see exact location on attached graphic) has a permit from DCC
2. Confirm what COVID19-related procedures (masks, sanitisation etc) are applicable to this permit and remind the operator of their responsibility to adhere to same

Reply:

Parks investigated a complaint recently about the operation for a time of an unlicensed ice-cream van at the park. This person is no longer operating here.

A permit has been issued to an ice-cream van to operate in Fairview Park.

Conditions are attached to the permit to ensure that the operator observes government Covid-19 related guidelines. The operator has undertaken to keep the adherence of his staff to these guidelines under constant review.

Coilín O’Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.50 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O'Muirí

“To ask the Manager to please provide an outline schedule for the redevelopment of St Annes Court to include consultation with current residents”

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 4 stage approval process.

In recent days, Dublin City Council has received Stage 1 approval from the DHLGH for the regeneration of Saint Anne's Court. This allows us to commence the procurement of an integrated design team.

Upon the appointment of the design team, it is envisaged that the local area housing staff will facilitate a collaborative consultation and information sharing process (compliant with government Covid 19 guidelines) with residents and local elected members.

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

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Darach O'Connor, Executive Manager**
Tel: **086 8150528**
Email: Darach.oconnor@dublincity.ie

Q.51 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Manager to provide help to **(details supplied)** who runs a crèche from her home & has been told that she needs new planning permission as she now caters for 22 children and if he will make a statement on the matter. What help is available for her to regularise her situation”

Reply:

The owner of the crèche concerned should contact an architect to seek independent advice as to her requirements in respect of relevant permissions required to operate such a large scale commercial development. These would include both planning and fire safety and any other requirements that are required to legally run a crèche.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.52 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Manager to provide an update regarding the empty retail units in Clongriffin town centre and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply:

There has been a positive upturn in interest from prospective tenants looking to locate their businesses in Clongriffin. Listed below are the units and potential uses which are currently in the early stages of negotiations between the landlord and prospective tenants. Agreement needs to be reached before the tenancies can be confirmed, and some may require change of use planning permissions/landlord consent.

- 21 Main Street – Furniture retailer/Showroom
- 35 Main Street – After school club
- 39 Main Street - Restaurant
- 53A Main Street – Dog Groomers
- 56 Main Street – Shoe Shop/ Sunbed/Tanning Salon

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Deirdre Murphy, Administrative Officer.**
Phone: **222 8845**
Email: deirdre_a.murphy@dublincity.ie

Q.53 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Manager to provide an update regarding housing to be acquired by DCC from other voluntary bodies in the NCAC over the coming 3 years and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply:

Dublin City Council does not purchase housing units from Approved/Voluntary Housing Bodies. The Acquisition Section purchase units on the open market from private vendors.

Currently the Acquisitions Section are actively pursuing 78 individual properties in the North Central Area.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.54 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Manager to update regarding the playground at St Anne's Park & whether there are plans to improve it ; and if he will make a statement on the matter“

Reply:

The Playground in St. Anne's was recently upgraded, repainted with new inclusive play equipment installed. There are no current plans for further improvements at this time.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.55 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Manager to provide details of his plan to deal with vehicles speeding in the North Central Area and if he will make a statement on the matter “

Reply:

Dublin City Council has progressively introduced a 30km/h speed limit to many areas of the city. The implementation of special speed limits is being undertaken by the ‘Guidelines for Setting & Managing Speed Limits in Ireland’ (March 2015), published by the Department of Transport Tourism & Sport.

Dublin City Council is constantly working for and with the people of Dublin to improve road safety on all streets of the City. Therefore, traffic speed reduction for all vehicles plays a crucial role in improving road safety on City streets.

Dublin City Council has undertaken a review of speed limits within its’ administrative area and has engaged through consultation attending each Area Committee Meeting and receiving councillors feedback on the proposal regard to the extension of the 30km/hr speed limit across most of the city.

At the moment the Road Safety Section of Dublin City Council is inviting members of the public to provide feedback on the proposal to have a default 30km per hour speed limit across most areas of the city. The Non-Statutory public consultation is from **Friday, 9th April until Friday, 23rd April 2021.**

Please send us your submission to <https://www.dublincity.ie/loving30>

Or Speed Review email: speedreview@dublincity.ie

Or Representations in relation to these proposals may be made in writing and marked to “Speed Limit Review” Senior Engineer, Transport Operations, Environment & Transportation Department, Dublin City Council, Civic Offices, Wood Quay, D08 RF3F.

Coilín O’Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Rossana Camargo, Executive Engineer, Transportation. Road Safety. Policy, Strategy and Innovation Section.**

Email: rossana.camargo@dublincity.ie

Q.56 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Manager to provide details regarding library improvements in the nca and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply:

A report into access improvement works at Marino Library was one of four requested of City Architect's division by the City Librarian. Work is, has been completed or is underway on two of those reports, Coolock Library and Inchicore Library, with Marino and Terenure to follow. The budget provided is based on a previous proposal for access improvement works to the library, which did not go ahead.

Design work on the library and public domain has been completed and it is our intention to proceed in partnership with the North Central Area Office to improve accessibility for the library and the surrounding footpaths.

RAHENY LIBRARY

With grant aid funding through Dept. of Rural & Community Development we will replace original single glazed windows with new double-glazed units. The objective is to put in place materials that will achieve a level of performance that is in excess of the required standard of the most recent update of Part L of the Building Regulations. The objective for the replacement of these windows is to achieve a U-value of 1.4 W/m²k.

This will significantly increase comfort levels for library staff and users, while reducing heat loss and energy consumption. Similar works at Ballymun Library saw the value of Gas bills fall from €7,500 in 2018 to €6,000 in 2019 and an estimated €5,500 in 2020. Natural ventilation will also be improved (conditions permitting) through increased opening size.

We intend to replace the suspended ceiling, floor covering and shelving later in the year.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Paul Fusco, Divisional Librarian, Finance, Capital Projects & Facilities**
 Management, Dublin City Libraries
Phone: **087 919 4140**
Email: paul.fusco@dublincity.ie

Q.57 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Manager to provide an update regarding plans to locate a new skatepark in the nca and if he will make a statement on the matter ”

Reply:

Following on from the success of the destination skate park on the Southside it is intended that a similar facility be developed on the Northside if a suitable location can be identified. Ideally the facility would be co-located with a sports or community centre with good transportation links. This proposal is at the very earliest stages and any suggestions as to sites that might be considered suitable would be included in a feasibility assessment.

An application for Sports Capital funding was made earlier this year to provide a local skate facility in Darndale which if successful will be delivered later this year.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.58 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Manager to provide feedback re; street cleaning in the nca and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply:

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

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.59 Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan

“To ask the Manager to provide a report regarding plans to roll out public toilets in nca and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Reply:

Dublin City Council are currently working through options for the provision of public conveniences. The emerging preferred option is the provision of temporary toilet facilities in conjunction with temporary retail outlets for an initial period of 18 months. The locations will be dictated by the market as identified by the potential operators. It is envisaged that this will be mostly happening at high profile and high footfall areas such as parks and village centres. It is hoped that this will be in place by June 2021. Other options are also being pursued and if appropriate will be implemented immediately.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: John O'Hara, Dublin City Planning Officer
Tel: 222 3813
Email: john.ohara@dublincity.ie

Q.60 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Manager if the Parks Division will examine the installation of a second bin to be installed in **(details supplied)** as this will assist with rubbish in the Park. Could additional works be carried out to put down for grass seed and new gravel at the entrance to Park”

Reply:

There are currently no plans to install a second bin at the playground as it is felt that 1 bin is more than adequate to serve a small local playground such as this if users would avail of same. There is a Big Belly bin opposite the football club on the corner of Greendale Road and Thorndale Road and there are two further bins on the street just outside the shopping precinct boundary as well as bins further along the street at the takeaways.

The area at the entrance will be inspected as soon as staff schedules allow.

Coilin O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.61 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Manager to examine the traffic calming measures at **(details supplied)** with additional signage and other measures as required should be looked into and examine the need for double yellow lines for the entrance of the Playground”

Reply:

This request (Enquiry Ref: 7019882) will be referred to the Area Engineer for assessment and report to the Transport Advisory Group for their consideration.

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

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.62 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Manager if the Roundabout at **(details supplied)** be examined and cleaned with the view of planting of flowers”

Reply:

The Darndale Roundabout along with other areas along the Malahide Road and Clare Hall were sown in 2020 as a wildflower / annual display. This type of planting attracts and encourages pollinators. These pollinators also need to hibernate and over-winter. The dead foliage provides this habitat and it is also a source of food for birds. Once temperatures rise it allows the pollinators to emerge from hibernation it is then that the foliage can be cleared away.

This work was carried out towards the end of March and re-sown for flowering in Summer/Autumn 2021.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.63 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Manager if the Road Sweeper can be deployed to **(details supplied)** as there is excess debris on the road”

Reply:

Waste Management Services had the Road Sweeper cleaning Blunden Drive on the 9th April 2021.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.64 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Manager if an additional light could be installed at **(details supplied)** as Anti-Social behaviour occurring at night times and potential change to LED lighting for this road”.

Reply:

We will arrange for the bracket on P4 opposite this location to be straightened to project more light towards the affected area.

However, there may be a possible issue with a tree blocking the light outside this house, and the Parks Department will be asked to examine this tree and prune if required.

The lights on this road will be included on a future lighting upgrade project subject to available finances.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: Dale Donnelly, Assistant Engineer, Public Lighting Services.
Tel: 2224682.
Email: dale.donnelly@dublincity.ie

Q.65 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Manager if a leak outside **(details supplied)** on the path and road can be examined and the path fixed and repaired”

Reply:

Any leak is an issue for Irish Water. If Irish Water have carried out a repair at this location previously and reinstated the footpath with asphalt, they will follow up with a concrete footpath repair as part of their works.

Road Maintenance Services will inspect the footpath at this location and schedule a repair is required IF THIS IS OUTSIDE THE REMIT OF Irish Water.

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

As per letter dated 2nd May 2014 from the Chief Executive which was sent to all Councillors, water queries should be forwarded directly to Irish Water.

The following are the correct contact details for Irish Water;

Telephone **1890 278 278**
Postal Address; **Irish Water. PO Box 860, South City Delivery Office, Cork City.**

There is a specific email address at Irish Water for Councillors; localrepsupport@water.ie

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Q.66 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Manager if Roads Dept/ TAG could examine the installation of Traffic lights and or traffic calming measures at **(details supplied)** as approx. 1.5 KM of now crossing on the road. Could we also please request an on-site visit in the coming week when restrictions permit”

Reply:

Funding for Capital Works for 2021 has been fully allocated; however this request could be re-assessed later this year with a view to inclusion on the 2022 Capital Works Programme. The request (Enquiry Ref: 7019883) will be referred to the Area Engineer for assessment and report to the Transport Advisory Group for their consideration.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.67 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Manager if will request a clean-up crew to remove the Moss outside **(details supplied)** as the path is very unsafe for users”

Reply:

The moss at the above mentioned location is engrained in the tarmacadam there. In the absence of weed spraying by the Road Maintenance Division, Waste Management Services will attempt to remove this moss as best we can between scraping and power washing.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.68 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Manager if the installation of maximum speed limits/Caution signs to be installed for Cyclists on the Cycle path at **(details supplied)**”

Reply:

There is no provision of cycle signs in current Traffic Signs Manual. We have installed rumble strips on the S2S cycle track but based on a speed survey carried out, this has not deterred cyclists from speeding.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.69 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Manager if the works to examine a potential walkway at **(details supplied)** and has been reviewed with the view that have DCC applied for access to the location”

Reply:

The North Central Area Office will be in touch with the relevant Department /Section and update the Councillor accordingly, and /or as soon as possible

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.70 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

“To ask the Manager if Parks Dept. would outline the long term plan for the park at **(details supplied)** and to examine the installation of Playground and perimeter path of the Park for potential Running and walking”

Reply:

Since 2019 350m of perimeter footpath has been installed in Streamville Park with a further 300m planned for 2021. It is further proposed to install adult exercise equipment in the park this summer. Tree planting took place here last month with further tree planting scheduled for the next planting season Nov 21 – Mar 22. Significant areas have also been planted with spring flowering bulbs and sown with ‘wildflower’ mixes. The feasibility of installing an all-weather pitch here is also currently being investigated at the request of local football clubs.

As part of Dublin City Councils Open Space Strategy an audit of the distribution and access to playgrounds within residential areas was carried out. This audit identified the areas with the greatest play facility deficit. The Streamville / Millbrook area is serviced by two playgrounds in Fr. Collins Park and the playground in Edenmore Park and was therefore not considered to have a deficit.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.71 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Manager for an update on the proposed Mayne River Greenway”

Reply:

The policy of a greenway along the Mayne River is included in the City Parks Strategy and Section 10.4 of the Clongriffin Belmayne Local Area Plan refers to the completion of the River Mayne linear park. Parks Services and the Planning Department are currently advising and assessing new proposals along the River Mayne corridor in association with Fingal County Council to seek the completion of the River Mayne linear park with the inclusion of a greenway for recreation as well as habitat conservation and enhancement for biodiversity value as appropriate.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

Contact: **Kieran O'Neill, Senior Executive Landscape Architect**
Phone: **222 3400**
Email: kieran.oneill@dublincity.ie>

Q.72 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Manager can the Council take action in relation to the large amount of litter in the Stockhole Lane, Darndale area”

Reply:

Waste Management Services looks after the cleaning of the above mentioned area. Arrangements will be made to have a deep clean carried out there in the coming weeks.

Colin O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.73 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Manager what measures, if any, can be taken to prevent cyclists from using the footpath along Griffith Avenue between Mobhi Road and Courtlands, where a new cycleway on the road has been installed (photo attached)”

Reply:

It is illegal to cycle on a footpath. However, Dublin City Council has no role in prevention and enforcement is a matter for the Gardaí.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.74 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Manager if the road heavily caked in mud and muck, and associated construction debris, near the pedestrian entrance to Burnside estate on Schoolhouse Lane, Santry, Dublin 9 can be fully removed” - see photos attached

Reply:

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned location cleaned on the 9th April 2021.

Coilin O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.75 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

“To ask the Manager if he will confirm whether there are any specific actions planned under the Dublin Agglomeration Environmental Noise Action Plan to deal with noise pollution from the M1 motorway in the Santry/ Whitehall area, and if so, the projected timeline for the commencement of these works”

Reply:

The EU Environmental Noise Directive requires that noise maps are produced every five years and based on these, a noise action plan is prepared to address matters identified. The next round of noise mapping (Round 4 in the lifetime to date of the Directive) will take place towards the latter end of 2021 and following this the next iteration of the Dublin Agglomeration Noise Action Plan will be produced by the Dublin local authorities during 2022. The preparation of this plan will include a period of public consultation and it is at this point that any issues relating to specific areas such as the M1 motorway in the Santry/ Whitehall area can be considered and addressed, based on the outcome of the noise mapping data.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

**Contact: Martin Fitzpatrick, Principal Environmental Health Officer, Air Quality
Monitoring and Noise Control Unit, Environment & Transportation Department**

Phone: 222 3742

Email: martin.fitzpatrick@dublincity.ie

Q.76 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Manager in relation to **(details supplied)** please say if he can provide additional bins as there is a problem with lack of bins, particularly for dog poo at this location”

Reply:

Waste Management Services will assess the need for additional litter bins at these areas and provide a report.

Coilín O'Reilly
Director of Services
North City

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

Q.77 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Manager to please re-consider request from 88 year old woman to prune the outside **(details supplied)** in order to facilitate the installation of a broadband cable to link with a pole across from this address”

Reply:

The request was examined and as the tree is directly between the property and the pole a significant proportion of the crown would have to be removed to affect this connection which would not be appropriate and not in keeping with the objectives of the adopted tree strategy. The cable would then end up within the crown of this publicly owned amenity tree. This would inevitably lead to unsustainable demands to keep this tree inappropriately pruned around this cable as the rapid flush of regrowth would no doubt threaten this 'service'. There are workable solutions for the service provider to go around this tree either by a new pole directly across from this property or via a neighbouring property.

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Contact: Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
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Q.78 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Manager to please refer to **(details supplied)** regarding housing application and let me know if he can assist”- See Correspondance attached

Reply:

Having reviewed the applicant's file and application and taking all factors into consideration, the applicant's application date has been amended, the applicant is on the Housing List with an application date of 14/11/2005, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

Area	Bedsizes	Position
Area B	2	2
Area D	2	1
Area H	2	1

Based on these positions the applicant should maintain contact with the Coolock area Office, Ballymun area office and with Housing Allocations, as the prospect of an offer is forthcoming as the applicant's positions are very favourable.

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Q.79 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Manager manager to please refer to **(details supplied)** and let me know if he can assist regarding downstairs bathroom and facilities being installed” – see attached correspondence.

Reply:

Dublin City Council acknowledged the medical needs at this address. Assessment is been completed and the tenant will be notified of the outcome shortly.

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Contact: **Michelle Robinson, Senior Executive Officer**
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Q.80 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Manager to refer to (**details supplied**) and let me know what he can do to assist this situation in our community”

Reply:

Marino and District Community Centre Limited holds the premises known as Carleton Hall under an Indenture of Lease dated 1st June 2006 for a term of 99 years from that date at an annual rent of €34,000 abated to €1.27 provided the premises is used for community purposes.

The request made by the lessee for additional financial support is currently being examined and a report on the outcome will be provided to the Councillor.

Contact: **Oliver Hickey, Administrative Officer**
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The group are very welcome to apply for the Dublin City Community 2021 Grant Scheme.

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Q.81 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Manager please refer to my numerous requests to have problem with flooding at **(details supplied)** dealt with for senior citizen and say what suggestion he can make to bring the matter to a satisfactory solution” – previous replies attached

Reply:

Road Maintenance Services inspected this location during rain and found that the lane is draining via a central channel towards a gully at number 43.

The water ingress is due to the fact that the shed is constructed below the level of the laneway. This is a private matter and as such, unfortunately I am not in a position to offer a solution to this issue.

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Contact: Shane Satell, Executive Engineer, Road Maintenance Services
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Q.82 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Manager please agree to install a disabled parking space at **(details supplied)** as per details attached as resident's disabled son visits her every weekend and during the summer holidays”

Reply:

Link below details how to apply for a residential Disabled Parking Bay, the criteria for the installation of a Disabled Park Bay and the documentation that must be submitted for a request to be considered. The applicant/ resident can then complete the on-line form and submit the relevant documentation. The area engineer can then assess the application once all the information has been received. Please note the person who holds the blue badge must be the applicant/resident of the property where the disabled parking bay is required.

<https://www.dublincity.ie/residential/parking-dublin-city-centre/disabled-parking>

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Contact: **Martina Halpin, Senior Staff Officer**
 Environment and Transportation Department.
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Q.83 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

“To ask the Manager in relation to petrol station as per **(details supplied)**, say if he can take the necessary steps to have the exit from same made safe as constituent is concerned that pedestrians on footpath are in danger of being hit by exiting vehicles”

Reply:

The above location which is in private ownership is clearly marked for entering and exiting and this specific location is not considered to be conducive to speed. Visibility for cars exiting the premises was observed to be good.

The rules of the road state that a person shall not drive in a public place without due care and attention, or without reasonable consideration for other persons using the space. Upon exiting the premises, vehicles should be travelling at slow speeds which are appropriate and be conscious of pedestrians in an urban environment.

As a result, TAG have no further recommendations to be made at this location.

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