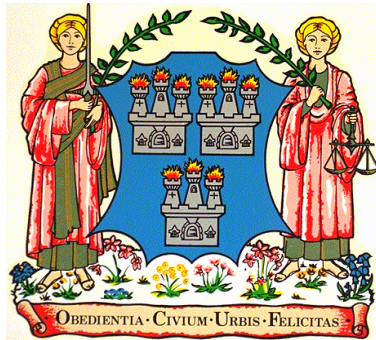


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Miontuairiscí Chruinniú Míósúil a tionóladh ar 14 Meitheamh 2021 ar físchomhdháil cianda ag 6.15 i.n.i láthair an tArdmheara Hazel Chu sa chathaoir

Comhairleoir:

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

Comhairleoir:

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

Comhairleoir:

Janice Boylan
Dearbháil Butler
Mary Callaghan
Keith Connolly
Donna Cooney
Hazel de Nortúin
Máire Devine
Pat Dunne
Anthony Flynn
James Geoghegan
Jane Horgan-Jones
Dermot Lacey
Micheál MacDonncha
Ray McAdam
Séamas McGrattan
Darragh Moriarty
Claire O'Connor
Colm O'Rourke
Michael Pidgeon
Patricia Roe

Oifigigh

Oliver Douglas
Michael Gallagher
Brendan Kenny
Coilin O'Reilly
Deirdre Ní Raghallaigh

Ruth Dowling
Owen P. Keegan
Brendan O'Brien
Eileen Quinlivan
Richard Shakespeare

Caroline Fallon
Yvonne Kelly
John O'Hara
Kathy Quinn

1 Lord Mayor's Business

In Memoriam:

The Lord Mayor extended her sympathies to the family and friends of the following:

Donal Barron, father of Cllr. Daryl Barron and a long serving employee of Dublin City Council who died on Thursday 27th May.

Mr. Paddy Cahill, a Cycling Advocate and Film maker who died on 9th April 2021.

Peter Kelly, a former Fine Gael Dublin City Councillor, who passed away on 6th June 2021.

The Lord Mayor also wished a speedy recovery to the young man in critical condition in Beaumont Hospital after his bicycle was hit by a car in Sheriff Street last night.

Pride:

The Lord Mayor reminded Members that June is Pride month. There are a number of activities and events planned to support and celebrate the LGBTQ community. People can participate in events hosted around the City such the Pop Up Shop in Duke Street or online.

Meetings with the Israeli and Palestinian Ambassadors:

The Lord Mayor informed Members that she, together with the Group Leaders, had met with the Israeli and Palestinian Ambassadors to discuss the violence in Gaza that has now temporarily ceased. They asked the Israeli Ambassador to search for a permanent solution to the ongoing issues in Palestine. Following these meetings it was suggested through Group Leaders to meet the permanent leaders of the UN Security Council. The Lord Mayor has already met with the Chinese Ambassador and is due to meet with the Russian, French and British Ambassadors with Group Leaders in the next week.

Mansion House Events:

During the last three weeks the Lord Mayor's Office has been facilitating outdoor events and meetings with various groups including volunteers, older persons who have been self-isolating and breastfeeding mothers and mothers who have been impacted by restrictions.

In the coming weeks the Lord Mayor will be welcoming residents of Direct Provision, victims of domestic violence and all the Lord Mayor Awards winners of 2020/2021.

Housing:

The Lord Mayor and Chairperson of the Housing SPC will meet with Minister Daragh O'Brien next week to discuss Housing Policy and in particular the progression of the Oscar Traynor Road redevelopment.

Staff:

The Lord Mayor thanked the Recovery Task Force and the Covid Mobility Team for all their hard work over the last few weeks, especially in the face very challenging circumstances.

The Lord Mayor payed tribute to staff member Elaine Mulvany in the North Central Area who was retiring. She thanked her for service and wished her well for the future.

2 Ceisteanna fé Bhuan Ordú Úimhir 18

It was moved by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council approves the Dublin Chief Executive answering the questions lodged. The motion having been put and carried, written answers to the 142 questions lodged for the City Council meeting were issued. The Questions and Answers are set out in **Appendix A** to these minutes.

- 3 Correspondence was received from the following Local Authorities; Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council; Fermanagh & Omagh District Council; Clare County Council; Meath County Council; Limerick County Council; Sligo County Council.

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

- 4 To confirm the minutes of the City Council Meeting held on the 10th May 2021.

The minutes of the monthly City Council Meeting held on the 10th May 2021 having been printed, certified by the Meetings Administrator, circulated to the Members and taken as read, were signed by the Lord Mayor.

Cllr. Ray McAdam asked the Lord Mayor if she had investigated the accusations made by Cllr. Anthony Flynn at the May City Council meeting, when he alleged that senior management of Dublin City Council had misled Council in relation to expenditure on Search and Rescue Training.

The Chief Executive responded that he had conducted a thorough investigation of the matter and that he was satisfied that there was no evidence that senior officials had told 'blatant lies' as alleged by Councillor Flynn. He conveyed his findings in a letter to the Lord Mayor on 17th May 2021. The Lord Mayor confirmed her acceptance of his conclusions.

The Members requested that the matter be referred to the Protocol Committee for consideration.

- 5 Report No. 162/2021 of the Assistant Chief Executive (R. Shakespeare) - With reference to the Chief Executives Report on the Consultation Programme carried out on Proposed Variation (No. 33) of Dublin City Development Plan 2016 - 2022 (Lands at Jamestown Road and St Margaret's Road/McKee Avenue, Finglas, Dublin 11).

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that the members of the authority having considered the proposed variation and the Chief Executive's Report No. 162/2021, and the issues raised, the proper planning and sustainable development of the City, the statutory obligations of the local authority and the relevant policies or objectives of the Government or of any Minister of the Government; the City Council resolves that Variation No. 33 of the Dublin City Development Plan 2016-2022 as amended is hereby made and that the necessary notices of the making of Variation No. 33 of the Dublin City Development Plan 2016-2022 be published. The motion was put and carried.

- 6 Report No. 163/2021 of the Assistant Chief Executive (R. Shakespeare) - With reference to the Chief Executives Report on the motions received from the Members concerning the consultation programme carried out on Proposed Variation (No. 33) of Dublin City Development Plan 2016 - 2022 (Lands at Jamestown Road and St Margaret's Road/McKee Avenue, Finglas, Dublin 11).

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that the members of the authority having considered the Proposed variation and the Chief Executive's Report No. 162/2021, together with the motion and the CE's recommendation in this reply No. 163/2021 and the issues raised, the proper planning and sustainable development of the City, the statutory obligations of the local authority and the relevant policies or objectives of the Government or any Minister of the

Government, the City Council resolves that Variation No. 33 of the Dublin City Development Plan 2016-2022 as amended is hereby made subject to the non-material changes listed above and that the necessary notices of the making of Variation No. 33 of the Dublin City Development Plan 2016-2022 be published. The motion was put to a vote and was carried. Full details of the vote can be seen in **Appendix B** to these minutes.

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

- (a) Report No. 166/2021 of the Chief Executive (O. Keegan) - Proposed demolition of the three existing Senior Citizen Blocks containing (Units 1-44) located to the north of the Dolphin House complex.

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 166/2021 and hereby approves the proposals set out therein. The motion was put and carried.

- (b) Report No. 167/2021 of the Chief Executive (O. Keegan) - Proposed demolition of the former health centre and St. Michael's Community Centre at Emmet Road, Inchicore, Dublin 8 and associated site clearance works which include the remains of a disused halting site together with internal site walls, fences, hard surfaces and utilities.

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 167/2021 and hereby approves the proposals set out therein. The motion was put and carried.

Assistant Chief Executive Brendan Kenny, confirmed that the demolition process would not be instigated until it was absolutely necessary. Once the buildings were demolished the site would be cleared, secured and grassed over if possible. In the meantime they would continue to seek short-term usage of the facilitates.

8 Report No. 175/2021 of the Assistant Chief Executive & City Engineer (J. Flanagan) - With reference to proposed changes to Parking Enforcement Policy - Footpath Parking.

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 175/2021 and hereby approves the proposals set out therein. The motion was put and carried.

9 Granting of Licenses and Leases:

- (a) Report No. 182/2021 of the Executive Manager (P. Clegg) - With reference to the proposed grant of a licence of a Creche facility, Rory O'Connor House, Hardwicke Street, Dublin 1.

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 182/2021 and assents to the proposal outlined therein. The motion was put and carried.

- (b) Report No. 183/2021 of the Executive Manager (P. Clegg) - With reference to the proposed grant of lease of lands at Donnybrook Road, Dublin 4.

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 183/2021 and assents to the proposal outlined therein. The motion was put and carried.

10 Disposal of Fee Simple and Freehold Interest:

- (a) Report No. 180/2021 of the Executive Manager (D. O'Connor) - With reference to the disposal of the Fee Simple Interest under the Landlord and Tenant (Ground Rents) (No. 2) Act, 1978 in 11 premises.

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 180/2021 and assents to the proposal outlined therein. The motion was put and carried.

- (b) Report No. 184/2021 of the Executive Manager (P. Clegg) - With reference to the proposed disposal of the Council's leasehold interest in Retail Unit No. 2 Coultry Neighbourhood Centre, Santry Way, Ballymun, Dublin 9.

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 184/2021 and assents to the proposal outlined therein. The motion was put and carried.

11 Disposal of Property:

- (a) Report No. 186/2021 of the Executive Manager (P. Clegg) - With reference to the proposed disposal of a plot of land to the front of 212 Malahide Road, Clontarf, Dublin 3.

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 186/2021 and assents to the proposal outlined therein. The motion was put and carried.

- (b) Report No. 185/2021 of the Executive Manager (P. Clegg) - With reference to a proposed disposal of a substation site, wayleave and right of way at Chamber Street, Dublin 8.

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 185/2021 and assents to the proposal outlined therein. The motion was put and carried.

12 Report No. 181/2021 of the Assistant Chief Executive (B. Kenny) - Social Housing Supply and Delivery Monthly Update Report.

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

- 13 Report No. 164/2021 of the Head of Finance (K. Quinn) - Monthly Local Fund Statement and reports as submitted under The EU/IMF Framework.

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

- 14 Report No. 165/2021 of the Chief Executive (O. Keegan) - Annual Report and Accounts 2020.

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

- 15 Report No. 176/2021 of the Assistant Chief Executive (R. Shakespeare) - Dublin City Play Strategy 2021- 2025.

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

- 16 Report No. 177/2021 of the Dublin City Local Community Development Committee - A Framework towards an Integration and Intercultural Strategy for Dublin City Council 2021-2025.

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 177/2021 and hereby approves the contents therein. The motion was put and carried.

- 17 Report No. 168/2021 of the Assistant Chief Executive & City Engineer (J. Flanagan) - Covid Mobility Measures and Major Walking and Cycling Projects.

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

- 18 Report No.179/2021 of the Chief Executive (O. Keegan) - Monthly Management Report.

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 179/2021. The motion was put and carried.

- 19 Report No. 160/2021 of the Area Committees - Breviates of Area Committee meetings held in the month of May 2021.

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 160/2021. The motion was put and carried.

- 20 Report No. 170/2020 of Housing Strategic Policy Committee - Breviate of the meeting held on 12th May 2021, Councillor Alison Gilliland, Chairperson.

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 170/2021. The motion was put and carried.

- 21 Report No. 169/2021 of the Arts, Culture, Leisure and Recreation Strategic Policy Committee - Breviate of the meeting held on the 17th May 2021, Councillor Cat O'Driscoll, Chairperson.

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 169/2021. The motion was put and carried.

- 22 Report No. 178/2021 of the Finance Strategic Policy Committee - Breviate of the meeting held on the 20th May 2021, Councillor Séamas McGrattan, Chairperson.

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 178/2021. The motion was put and carried.

- 23 Report No. 173/2021 of the Traffic & Transport Strategic Policy Committee - Breviate of the meeting held on the 25th May 2021, Councillors Larry O'Toole and Janet Horner, Deputy Chairpersons.

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 173/2021. The motion was put and carried.

- 24 Report No. 171/2021 of the Dublin City Joint Policing Committee - Breviate of the meeting held on the 18th May 2021, Councillor Daithí De Róiste, Chairperson.

It was proposed by Lord Mayor Hazel Chu and seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan that Dublin City Council notes the contents of Report No. 171/2021. The motion was put and carried.

- 25 Topical Issues

The following Topical Issues were proposed:

- 1.) Dublin and the Outdoor Summer
- 2.) Public Order in the City

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

- 26 Emergency Motion(s)

The following Emergency Motions were taken without debate:

Emergency Motion No. 1:

That this City Council, in relation to the Hammerson application for the development of the Dublin Central site that includes the demolition of 1916 buildings, structures and fabric on Moore Street, calls for the completion of the stalled process to add five buildings on the site to the record of protected structures as agreed by this Council; we further call for the terrace 10-25 Moore Street to be added to the record of protected structures as a matter of urgency so that a full assessment of all 1916 buildings, carried out by suitably qualified independent experts, can be made available.

Submitted by Councillors Micheál Mac Donncha, Máire Devine, Janice Boylan, John Lyons, Cieran Perry, Christy Burke, Daithí Doolan, Seamus McGrattan, Larry O'Toole, Daniel Céitinn, Anthony Connaghan.

Emergency Motion No. 2:

That this Council rejects the creeping use of anti-homeless infrastructure - namely benches recently installed in the city which - whether intentionally or otherwise - prevent people who are sleeping rough from lying down (see image below). These are hostile to our more vulnerable city residents but also discriminatory against larger people and less comfortable due to the lack of a back rest. We call on the city management to desist in their use and replace those which have been put in place with standard benches.

Submitted by Councillors Catherine Stocker, Mary Callaghan, Tara Deacy, Cat O' Driscoll, Patricia Roe.

27 Motions on Notice

1.) Motion in the name of Cllr. Mannix Flynn:

“That this meeting of DCC calls on the Lord Mayor of Dublin to withdraw and desist from being patron of the Artane School of Music/Artane Band.”

Following a respectful and considerate debate on the motion the Lord Mayor asked Cllr. Flynn if he would be willing to engage in dialogue with the Artane School of Music with a view to finding a resolution to this painful issue. The Lord Mayor and Councillor Nial Ring, in his role as a director on the board of the Artane School of Music offered to support Councillor Flynn and facilitate this process of engagement and resolution.

Cllr. Flynn thanked the Lord Mayor and all the Members for their support and compassionate contributions and agreed to set aside his motion to allow for a process of dialogue and resolution.

It was also agreed that if, following the conclusion of this process, Cllr. Flynn was not satisfied with the outcome, he would be permitted to re-table his motion which would receive priority consideration.

The meeting concluded at 9.35pm and in accordance with Standing Orders all other items remaining on the Agenda were deferred to the next meeting of the City Council to be held on the 5th July 2021.

Correct.

LORD MAYOR

MEETINGS ADMINISTRATOR

QUESTIONS LODGED PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER NO.18 FOR REPLY AT THE MONTHLY MEETING OF DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, 14TH JUNE 2021

Q.1 COUNCILLOR DERMOT LACEY

To ask the Chief Executive when will the pedestrianisation work of Liffey Street begin?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The pedestrianisation work of Liffey St. should begin in Q4 2021 or Q1 2022.

Q.2 COUNCILLOR DERMOT LACEY

To ask the Chief Executive when the additional pedestrianisation works in the Grafton Street area begin?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The making of four streets in the Grafton Street area traffic free or partly traffic free, namely (Dame Court, Drury Street, South William Street and South Anne Street) began on the 24th of May.

Q.3 COUNCILLOR DERMOT LACEY

To ask the Chief Executive what is the timeline for public toilets and fountains to be made available for Dubliners?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The current public convenience tender has a closing date of 14th May 2021. Within the specification criteria, DCC have asked that all units must be in place and fully operational by 30th June 2021.

Q.4 COUNCILLOR DECLAN MEENAGH

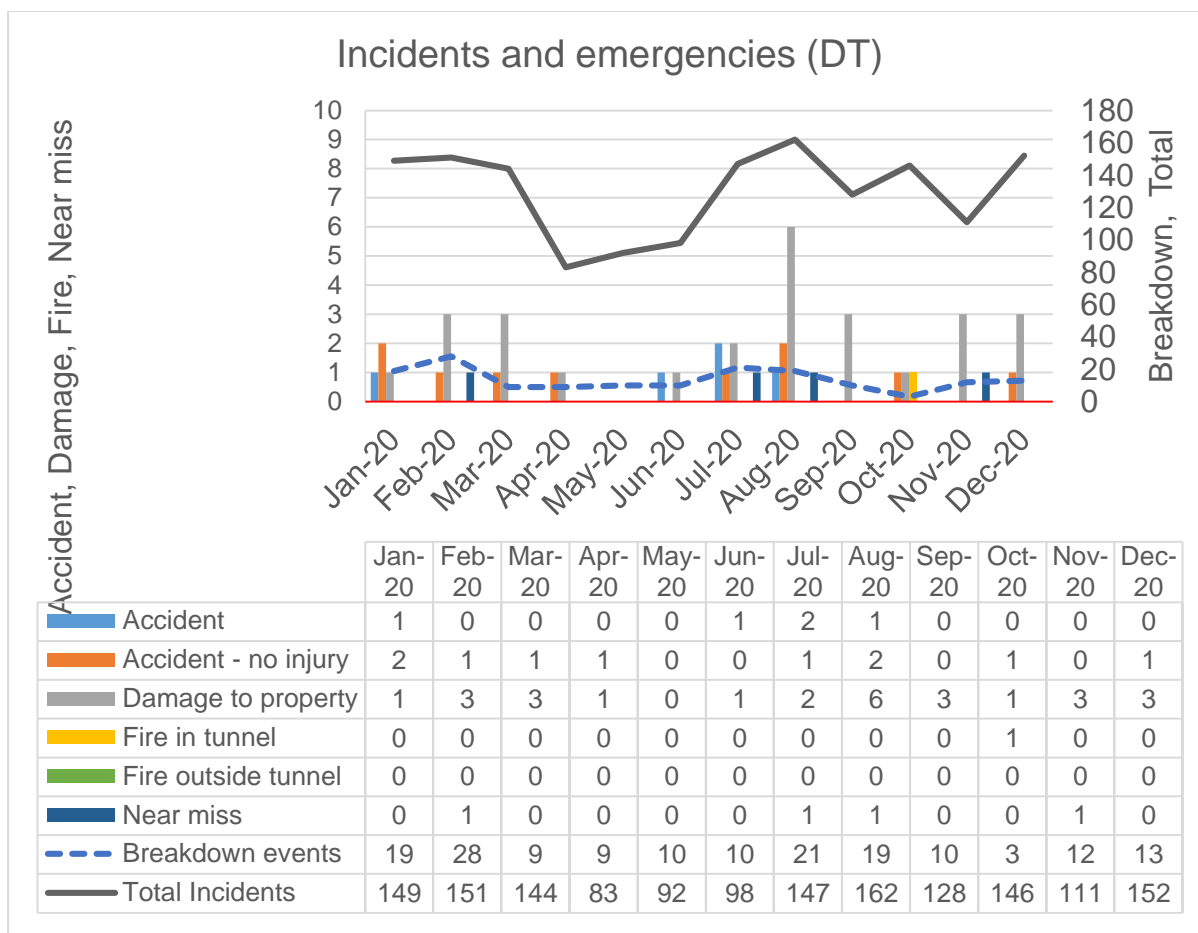
To ask the Chief Executive for a breakdown of incidents in the port tunnel. How frequently does the tunnel close for these reasons? What type of incidents can cause the tunnel to close?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A breakdown of incidents in the port tunnel.

2020

In 2020 there were 1563 total incidents including 15 collisions/road accidents in the Dublin Tunnel, 5 of these did not result in injury. 27 incidents resulted in damage to property. The tunnel control team dealt with 1 fire in October of 2020. 4 near miss incidents which could have resulted in a more serious incident. The team handled 163 broken down vehicles both inside the tunnel and on the affected property. These breakdowns are made up of light vehicles, HGV's and DGV's.

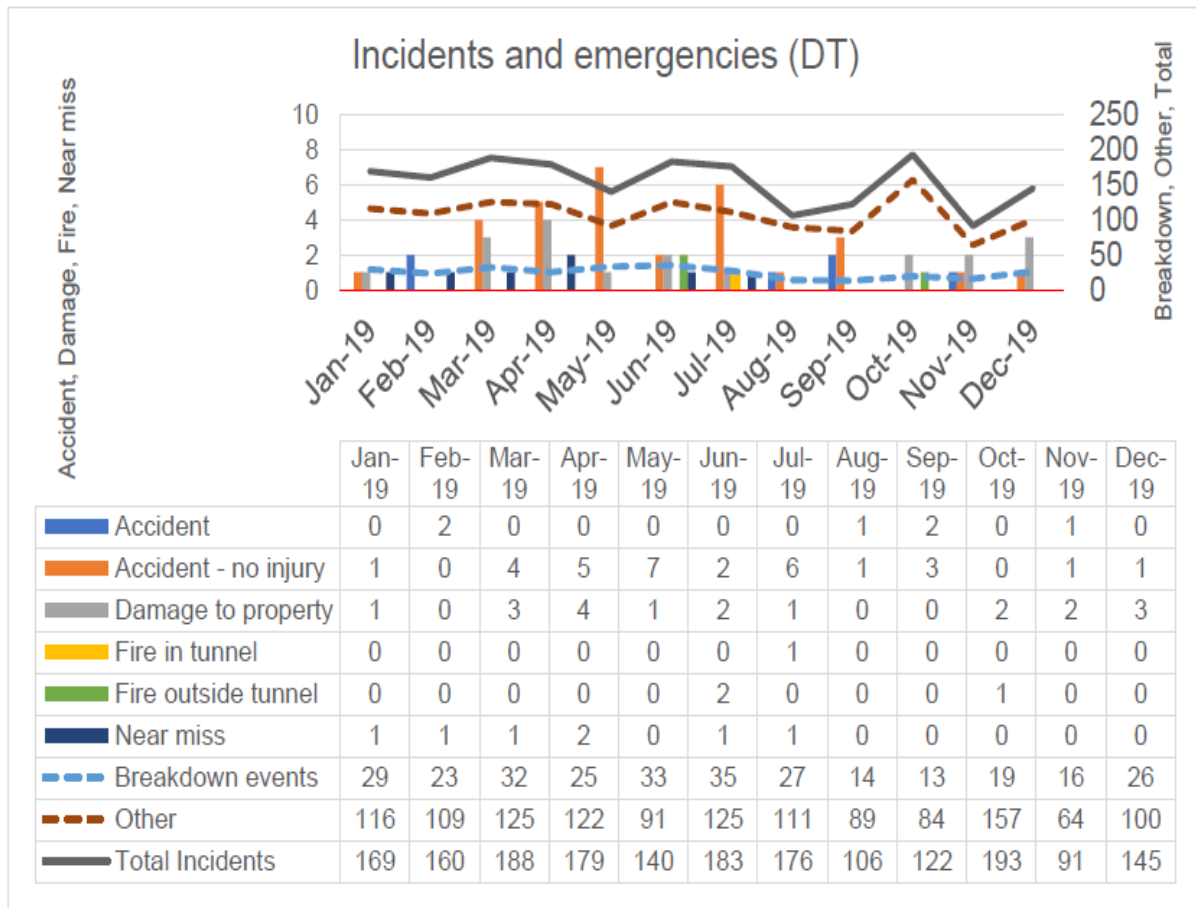


Note: Accident in the table refers to Collisions.

2019

In 2019 there were 1852 total incidents including 36 collisions/accidents in the Dublin Tunnel. Ensuring maximum tunnel availability remained the greatest challenge in 2019 with over height vehicles, abnormal loads and breakdowns being an ongoing source of disruption requiring constant vigilance from the control room. During the year 292 breakdowns with an average recovery time of 49 minutes.

In 2019 with traffic volumes increased, so too has the volume of over height vehicles approaching the tunnel. In 2019, 5,816 over height activations were recorded, an increase from the 2018 total of 5,404 (7.6%). Over height vehicles still pose a significant risk to the tunnel if not diligently and professionally managed. 447 abnormal loads, increasing from 430 in 2018, required intervention by the Operations Staff to provide safe transit through the tunnel whilst ensuring the safety of all other tunnel users.

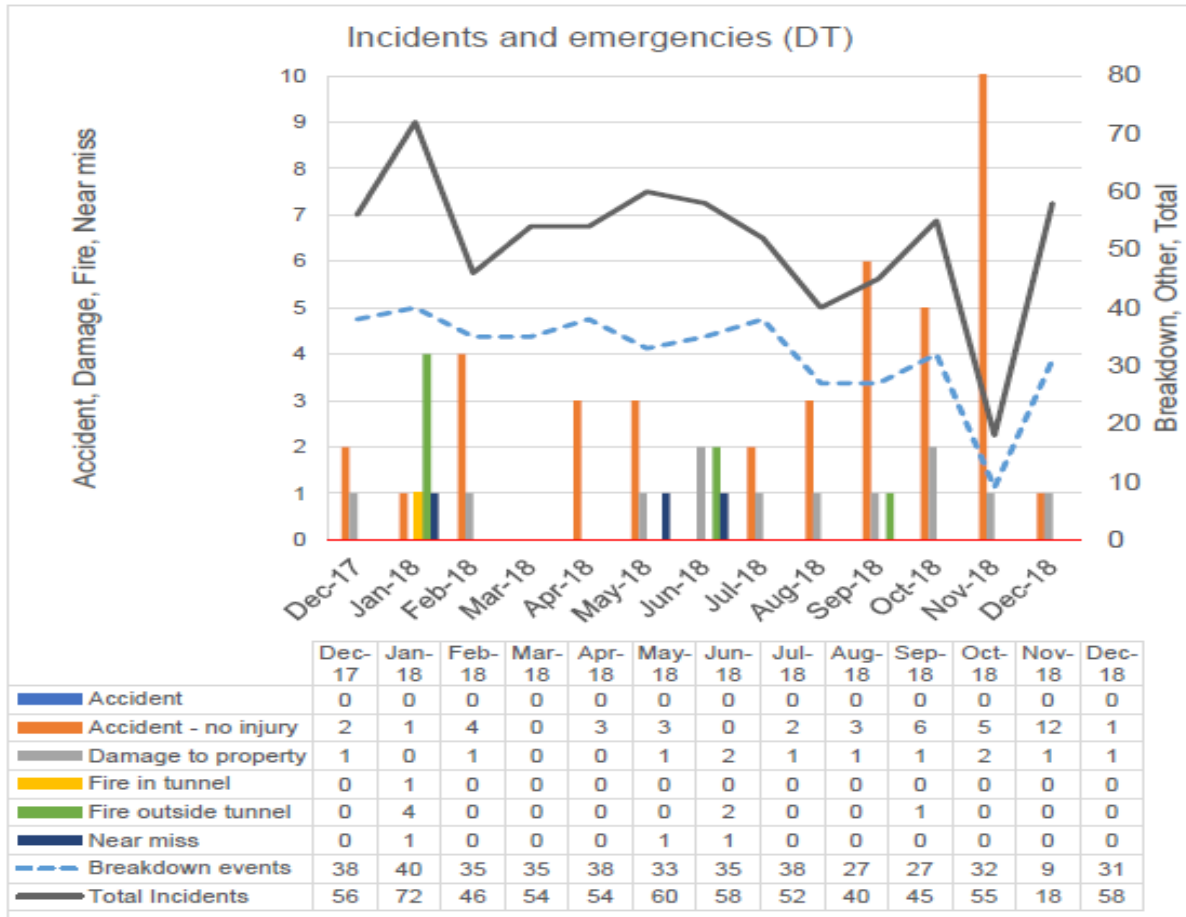


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2018

In 2018 there were 42 collisions/accidents in the Dublin Tunnel. During the year 282 breakdowns with an average recovery time of 39 minutes. The figures for 2017 were 235 breakdowns and 43 minutes respectively. HGV's, Buses, DGV's and LV required an average of 51 minutes in 2018 to affect a safe recovery once all breakdowns of less than 15min are removed. As traffic volumes have increased so to have the volume of overheight vehicles approaching the tunnel. In 2018, 5,404 overheight activations were recorded and while a decrease from the 2017 total of 5,685 (4.9%), overheight vehicles still pose a significant risk to the tunnel if not diligently and professionally managed.

430 abnormal loads, down from 445 in 2017, required intervention by the Operations Staff to provide safe transit through the tunnel while also ensuring the safety of all other tunnel users.



Note: Accident in the table refers to Collisions.

How frequently does the tunnel close for these reasons?

Depending on the incident and its location will determine if a lane, bore or full tunnel closes. The team will assess the incident and if it is deemed unsafe, they may close the affected area.

Excluding 2020 due to Covid-19 reduced volumes, 2019 and 2018 had an average tunnel bore closures of approximately 30hours each year due to incidents and overheight vehicle activations. This equates to approximately 35minutes average per week.

Dublin Tunnel closes generally 3 nights each month to allow safe access for our maintenance team and contractors to carry out maintenance works on equipment inside the tunnel and effected property.

What type of incidents can cause the tunnel to close?

The Dublin Tunnel team work very hard to keep the tunnel open and traffic flowing. From time to time, they may need to close one lane, the north or south bore or a full tunnel closure. The team have safety procedures which they follow in order to ensure the safety of all road users and employees. The different types of incidents can range from, breakdown, fire, spillage, debris, accident, technical faults, person walking in the tunnel, over height vehicle, gritting during winter maintenance, animal in the tunnel etc. The team work very hard to keep traffic flowing both in the tunnel and the surrounding areas. They regularly communicate with Dublin City Council, Dublin Port Company and

the Motorway Traffic Control Centre. When making an assessment on these incidents the team will factor in the location, the traffic volumes, the type of vehicle, the number of passengers, if the driver or passenger has additional needs, if the vehicle is carrying any hazardous chemicals, if the vehicle is automatic or manual, the weight of the load being carried etc. There is a lot of factors that can affect the way the team handle each incident with safety at the forefront of their decision making.

Q.5 COUNCILLOR MÍCHEÁL MACDONNCHA

To ask the Chief Executive if he will supply a copy of the lease for Kilbarrack Community Hall, Greendale Road, Kilbarrack, Dublin 5.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Law Agent has advised that it is not permissible to provide a copy of a lease to any third party.

Ordinarily, the Property Management Section would facilitate a Councillor to view a lease in the office but unfortunately this is not currently possible due to ongoing restrictions. However, should the Councillor require specific information on any clauses contained in the lease in question the Property Management Section will endeavour to provide such information.

Q.6 COUNCILLOR JANE HORGAN-JONES

To ask the Chief Executive to confirm how many residential units (whether houses or apartments) currently leased by Dublin City Council from the private sector for the purposes of social housing are vacant and to confirm the reasons why such residential units are vacant.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Currently there are 31 properties vacant while the allocation process is underway e.g. estate management vetting, viewing, interviewing etc. There are 17 apartments and 14 houses.

The average void times prior to letting is 3 weeks.

Q.7 COUNCILLOR MICHAEL PIDGEON

To ask the Chief Executive how many staff (whole time equivalent or headcount) are employed in each area office, and, if possible, with a breakdown by sector (community, traffic, housing etc.).

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

North Central Area

Darndale Area Housing Office	12 staff
Kilbarrack Area Housing Office	10 staff
Bunratty Area Office - Admin	12 staff
Community Section	7 staff
Public Domain	3 staff

North West Area

Ballymun Area Office	
Public Domain	2 staff
Community Section	4 staff
Economic Development	1 staff
Admin staff	5 staff
Housing staff	20 staff

Finglas Area Office	
Public Domain	6 staff
Admin Staff	5 staff
Housing staff	14 staff
Community Section	6 staff

Central Area

Central Area inc Projects	7 staff
Housing - Sean McDermott Street	9 staff
Housing Parnell Street	4 staff
Public Domain Office	15 staff
Community Office	4 staff
NEIC Programme Office	5 staff
Cabra – Glasnevin office	11 staff

The number of staff based in **Ballyfermot** is as follows:

Management and Administration: 9

Housing: 5

Community: 4

The number of staff based in the **South West Inner City** is as follows:

Management and Administration: 8

Housing: 13

Community: 3

Area wide: 3

(The Director of Services is responsible for both areas, and also for the remainder of the South City. In addition there are 2 public domain staff who cover both the SWIC and Ballyfermot / Drimnagh).

Q.8 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive if an intellectual disability or autism is classed as a medical condition which might be considered as grounds for a medical priority for the purposes of housing applications, transfers and extensions for tenants. Noting that many applications for a medical priority when the applicant claims grounds of an intellectual disability are usually refused. Furthermore these applicants then try to apply for priority on welfare grounds only to be refused and advised to apply for medical grounds.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council do award and have awarded Medical Priority in cases within these disability categories (Autism, Asperger's, etc...) providing the relevant criteria is met.

Priority status for housing/transfer applicants may be given in cases of exceptional medical circumstances. This is only if it relates to the applicant's housing conditions and the accommodation is unsuitable by reason of the condition. This priority may cover a particular type of accommodation and/or accommodation in a particular area.

Should an applicant who submits an application for medical priority with regard to special needs such as Autism, Asperger's etc... sufficiently meet the relevant criteria, they may be approved for a Medical Priority. Each case is reviewed based on the supporting documentation provided.

Priority status may be awarded for conditions, which cause major problems where the management of the course of the illness will be helped by a change in housing. These cases will be considered a priority and included in Band 1 of the appropriate list.

Anyone on the social housing support application or transfer lists, including those with a disability or a medical condition, who considers that their social circumstances are exceptional, can apply to have their application for priority considered under the Exceptional Social Grounds Scheme. A priority will only be recommended in cases where the social circumstances relating to an applicant's housing need are deemed to be of an extremely serious nature. The Exceptional Social Grounds Scheme does not adjudicate or make decisions on matters of a medical nature.

Q.9 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for ramps and new lighting on **(details supplied)**. There has been a number of break ins along this road.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Area Engineer has reported that a site inspection will be carried out along with a possible speed survey in relation to the request for speed ramps. A request for this currently exists under Ref: 7019906.

The existing high pressure sodium (yellow colour) lighting here, will be replaced with LED lights as part of a future upgrade project.

Q.10 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive if serious consideration be given to this housing applicant's recently submitted application and supporting documentation for medical priority **(details supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The above applicant is on the Housing List with an application date of 12/03/2013, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

Area	Bedsizes	Position
Area B	2	97
Area E	2	124
Area P	2	29

With regard to the applicant's application for a medical priority, I can confirm it was received on 07/05/2021, the application is currently under review, upon a decision being made, the applicant will be informed. The applicant will be considered for offer when accommodation to meet her household need becomes available and according to her position on the list.

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

The applicant may be eligible for HAP which will provide her with financial assistance towards the cost of renting another property. Should the applicant wish to apply for the HAP scheme, she should make contact with the Allocations Section with current

income details where a Housing Advisor can provide information and advice on the scheme.

Q.11 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY CONNAGHAN

To ask the Chief Executive to arrange for a litter bin at **(details supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Waste Management Services will install a litter bin at the above mentioned location when our next consignment of new litter bins arrive at the end of May 2021.

Q.12 COUNCILLOR JOHN LYONS

To ask the Chief Executive to roll out the introduction of wheelchair accessible picnic tables in public places across the city.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A model for this type of picnic table has been introduced recently by another local authority. We will assess this to see how well it is performing and if the local feedback is positive they can be provided in city parks. However existing picnic tables do facilitate access for wheelchair users.

Q.13 COUNCILLOR CHRISTY BURKE

To ask the Chief Executive if DCC will allocate extra litter wardens in the North Inner City Ward Dublin.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council has no plans to increase the number of litter wardens in Dublin City.

The Litter Enforcement Manager who is due to take up duty in the next few weeks will liaise with local area management to define priority areas for action and implement enforcement activities in conjunction with the local public domain teams.

Q.14 COUNCILLOR CHRISTY BURKE

To ask the Chief Executive that the floor at **(details supplied)** is repaired, as the new resident cannot move in due to the floor being in need of repair.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

All works and repairs to the floor at the above address have been carried out and the new tenant has moved in.

Q.15 COUNCILLOR CHRISTY BURKE

To ask the Chief Executive if DFB's Chief can carry out an inspection at **(details supplied)**, as it would appear there is overcrowding in the complex.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin Fire Brigade (DFB) does not have the authority to inspect individual flats in order to ascertain if there is overcrowding present. DFB's power under the Fire Services Act 1981-2003 is limited to the common areas of apartment blocks. "Dwellings occupied as a single dwelling" are not seen as subject to the inspection and enforcement provisions of the Fire Services Act 1981-2003.

DFB continue to offer advice and monitor the Fire Safety Management at **(details supplied)**. Fire Safety Officers recently delivered a letter to the premises which outlined the responsibilities of the "Person having Control" as per Section 18(2) of the

Fire Services Act. Dublin Fire Brigade did not enter the premises on that day in line with the current Covid-19 restrictions and the strict Health & Safety requirements and procedure associated with Covid-19.

Q.16 COUNCILLOR CHRISTY BURKE

To ask the Chief Executive once and for all that all promised repairs be carried out without delay, that the CEO give this Councillor a date and time as to when all works will start and complete at **(details supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Under level 5 restrictions, Housing Maintenance could only carry out emergency and urgent repairs. After the restrictions being lifted, Housing Maintenance will make arrangements with the tenant to assess works on his shower. An order has been sent to the workshop for a new front door.

Q.17 COUNCILLOR MICHAEL PIDGEON

To ask the Chief Executive for a list of implemented COVID mobility interventions, broken down by local electoral area or administrative area.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Chief Executive issued a report on Covid Mobility Measures to all Councillors on a weekly basis from May 18, 2020 to year end 2020. Since then, reports have been issued on a bi-weekly or monthly basis. All reports are available on our webpage: <https://www.dublincity.ie/main-menu-services-roads-and-traffic-dublin-city-covid-mobility-programme/covid-mobility-webpage>

In regards to School Zones, a total of 44 have been installed across the city to date. The breakdown of the School Zones completed per administrative area of Dublin City are, 14 in the South Central Area, 9 in the South East Area, 9 in the Central Area, 7 for the North West Area and 5 in the North Central Area.

Q.18 COUNCILLOR DECLAN MEENAGH

To ask the Chief Executive to make a statement on delivering electric car charges for the city. Could he address the following in this statement:

- Does he think it's good enough for us to hand over a charger to the ESB in the docklands instead of running it ourselves?
- Why did all 4 local authorities feel the need to commission a report on this. It seems really simple to me, there are clear demands for car chargers.
- What can DCC do to make it easier for people who live in apartment blocks and rely on on-street parking to deliver car chargers?
- What can DCC do to resolve this quickly and actually provide much needed infrastructure for our city?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council is aware of the transition to electric vehicles as set out in the Climate Action Plan as we prepare to respond to the needs of the citizens of the City by providing a sustainable urban mobility strategy. The Council is also aware that technology is changing rapidly and that a range of different solutions will be required to successfully address current and future mobility demand, not only in the City, but also across the wider Dublin Metropolitan Area.

This requires careful consideration and planning to ensure that the Council can play their part to facilitate the provision of a comprehensive, reliable and interoperable

electric vehicle-charging infrastructure. This is so that members of the public and business community can be confident in making decisions to purchase electric vehicles and to use electric vehicles for personal, leisure and business use, for use on both short and long journeys.

In order to inform the four local authorities of the type and number of chargers required, the four Dublin Local Authorities, together with SMART Dublin and CARO, have commissioned a strategic study. This will allow us examine how the four Councils can best facilitate the provision of electric vehicle-charging infrastructure across the Dublin region and the scale of investment required.

The strategic study sets out modelled EV uptake and consequent grid capacity requirements (ESBN are looking to pilot a number of new technical innovations). It also details numbers and recommended types of chargers required together with suitable business models, capital costs (including anticipated leveraged private sector capital), and areas more suited to Charge Points. However, there remains some key items that require additional work and consequently the strategy has not as of yet been fully finalised and agreed.

Nonetheless, discussions are continuing as a pressing matter and are ongoing with ESBN, the Department, the 4 Dublin Local Authorities and internally in this fast evolving space, with a view to finalising and agreeing a way forward (to include presentation to Council) at the very earliest opportunity.

In relation to the docklands chargers, there are/were some pilot schemes across the city, the operations, management and back office administration of which is currently not possible given current Council resources. It makes sense that these continue to provide a service to the City, managed by a specialist Charge Point provider, in any interim period.

Variation 7 of the City Development Plan 2016-2022, which made changes to the text to incorporate the RSES and the Climate Change Action Plan, introduced increased requirements for developments with regard to electric charging. These are set out below:

Amended Objective CC015:

Deleted text:

Objective CC015: To facilitate the provision of electricity charging infrastructure for electric vehicles.

Replaced with:

Objective CC015: To facilitate the provision of electricity charging infrastructure for electric vehicles in all new development and in the public realm.

New Objective added CC016:

Objective CCO16: All new parking for new (or extensions to) housing, apartments and places of employment that provide car parking shall be electric charge enabled.

Dublin City Council shall work closely with the ESB and other stakeholders to increase the number of EV charge points across the city. All new (or upgraded) commercially operated car parking developments shall be required to provide a minimum of 50% of spaces with EV charging facilities.

The preparation of the new City Development Plan 2022-2028 will provide an opportunity to review the implementation of the revised objectives and also incorporate the relevant outcomes of the above mentioned study.

Q.19 COUNCILLOR DECLAN MEENAGH

To ask the Chief Executive if the new air quality partnership with Google will result in a data set with a fully open source licence which will allow anyone to use it freely.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

On 10 May 2021 the Lord Mayor of Dublin, Hazel Chu, launched "Project Air View Dublin". This initiative is a collaboration between Dublin City Council and Google that will see Google's Street View car take to the streets of Dublin to measure air quality across the city.

The data generated from the project will be made public and openly available at the end of the campaign in approximately 12-18 months' time. An example can be seen in Copenhagen who just released their AirView mapping and data. <https://insights.sustainability.google/labs/airquality>

Access to the data from project will encourage more people and policy makers to join the conversation around air quality and interventions that can contribute to its improvement.

During the 12-month timeline, the data will undergo a validation process, data quality assurance, scientific validation and analysis that will be carried out prior to publication.

Q.20 COUNCILLOR JANE HORGAN-JONES

To ask the Chief Executive if the Housing Department can outline what measures have been taken to deal with complaints from other residents in the estate about the anti-social behaviour emanating from this residence (**details Supplied**) and its general upkeep and condition?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Project Estate officer for the area called to this dwelling a number of times as a result of complaints received. He also arranged the assistance of DCC Welfare Service to call to this dwelling and engage with the tenants.

In December 2020 he called and he also arranged for the welfare officer for the area to call. They arranged for a complete clear out of the house by housing maintenance to be carried out this also included the front and rear gardens of the dwelling.

A call to the property was made by estate management staff in early May 2021 as a result of further complaints received by the area office from public reps. An inspection of the front and rear gardens were carried out at this time and the gardens were found to be in reasonable condition as a result of assistance from a neighbour in their maintenance. At this meeting options for living assistance from other agencies were discussed with the tenants.

As a result of this meeting a follow up consultation with DCC's Welfare Service and Estate Management was arranged with the tenants for 28th May 2021 to explore all options available including supported living. This meeting was cancelled due to medical issues with the tenant. It is intended to reschedule this meeting with the tenant shortly.

Q.21 COUNCILLOR NOELEEN REILLY

To ask the Chief Executive to engage in expressions of Interest in a Food Preparation Hub in Ballymun following on from the Feasibility Study in 2018.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A feasibility study report was commissioned by Economic Development Officer Liam Barry to assess the viability of a food enterprise hub on site 26 of the Ballymun Local Area Plan. The outcome of the study was positive citing significant demand for space in the small food manufacturing sector and Ballymun as an ideal location for such a facility. However it was felt that due to its size it would be very challenging to get the critical mass needed to sustain a food-hub on site 26. The Ballymun LAP Implementation team will consider other sites for a hub and/or incorporate it into other economic development plans for the area.

Q.22 COUNCILLOR NOELEEN REILLY

To ask the Chief Executive when will the marketing plan for the Ballymun Shopping centre be formalised.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Council is currently finalising a Feasibility study and Retail Report for this site, the findings of which will be brought to the NWAC at the earliest opportunity.

Q.23 COUNCILLOR NOELEEN REILLY

To ask the Chief Executive if consultation can be done with Ballymun residents around some of upcoming housing projects.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

There will be consultation with all our proposed schemes in the Ballymun Area and we will discuss with the Area Manager and the elected representatives in how best to conduct the consultation process.

Q.24 COUNCILLOR NOELEEN REILLY

To ask the Chief Executive when will the Abigail Centre in Finglas West be closed?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The proposed replacement facility for the Abigail Centre is expected to be ready at the end of Q4, 2021.

Currently there are ongoing consultations with the planning authority on the final details of the proposed project. Please be advised that all the outstanding documents, in relation to these requests for further information, have now been submitted to the planning authority and we are awaiting final approval before completion of outstanding works.

The Dublin Region Homeless Executive (DRHE) will set out a revised time-frame when all the planning queries are completed and construction works are completed on site of the proposed replacement facility.

Q.25 COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE

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

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

This application is being medically assessed at present. A letter will be posted to the tenant by 25th June 2021 informing her of the outcome.

Q.26 COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE

To ask the Chief Executive to have the traffic signals at junction of **(details supplied 1)** adjusted to reflect on the heavy traffic flow at this point. The quick and constant changing of the lights at this location results in serious traffic congestion. Perhaps if these lights and the lights at **(details supplied 2)** were changed at the same time for a short period of time it might relieve the pressure on traffic flow.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The ITS Section has evaluated the operation of the traffic / pedestrian signals at junctions at **(details supplied)**.

The high traffic volumes at these locations, along with the necessary prioritisation of the high volumes of pedestrians, many of whom are schoolchildren attending the adjacent school, inevitably result in some traffic movement delays.

However, following evaluation, the timings of the signals has been amended to better co-ordinate the operation of both sets of signals which will assist with traffic movements through these junctions.

The ITS section will continue to monitor and review the traffic signal operation at these junctions and undertake further changes as required where there is scope to do so.

Q.27 COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE

To ask the Chief Executive if the waste bin, which was recently removed at **(details supplied)**, can be replaced.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Waste Management Services installed a litter bin at the above mentioned location on the 26th May 2021.

Q.28 COUNCILLOR LARRY O'TOOLE

To ask the Chief Executive to have the surface of the pathway at the entrance to the public park at **(details supplied)** repaired. It appears that there are the remnants of a structure there – perhaps an old gate. (See photo's attached).

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Parks Service will arrange to have the location inspected and any necessary works will be carried out.

Q.29 COUNCILLOR DERMOT LACEY

To ask the Chief Executive how much the Council spent on the type of mobile signs currently used on Merrion Road and Strand Road vicinity, to issue temporary traffic instructions in 2020 and to end of May 2021 across the City separating out as a distinct figure, that spend in relation to the Strand Road proposals.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The VMS signs that were in place for the Strand Road trial were installed on the 8th of February 2021. There were no signs used in 2020. The cost to date has been €28,000. The original cost was estimated at €11,000 but due to the High Court legal challenge and the stay subsequently granted forcing the City Council to stop work. There has been a necessity for the signage to remain for longer than originally planned due to the unfinished nature of the roadworks on Strand Road, the council has incurred an additional cost.

Q.30 COUNCILLOR DAMIAN O'FARRELL

To ask the Chief Executive to report on the following planning matter **(details supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

This matter is being investigated by Planning Enforcement under enforcement file reference no. E0510/20. This case will be reviewed again once there is a decision on Planning register reference WEB1441/21 and it will be determined whether further enforcement action is required at that time.

A retention planning application for revisions to a permitted scheme known as **(details supplied 1)** to include emergency vehicular access gates in the estate railing at the end of **(details supplied 2)** to facilitate emergency vehicle access to the adjacent playing pitches has been submitted under plan ref. WEB1441/21. Any submitted observations and relevant enforcement will be taken into account in the assessment of this application and a decision is due by 17th June 2021.

Q.31 COUNCILLOR RACHEAL BATTEN

To ask the Chief Executive can he look at the images attached, and as you can see the rubbish is constantly thrown on the ground at both bus stops at **(details supplied)**. Since the rubbish bins were removed litter is a constant issue on the road. Can you please reinstate these bins as the litter problem is getting serious?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

There was a bin at the bus terminus here that was used as a urinal, so it was removed as this was causing a problem. There is no plan to reinstate at this time but we will keep the matter under review.

We have a bin at the shops on **(details supplied)** that can be used.

Q.32 COUNCILLOR RACHEAL BATTEN

To ask the Chief Executive to come back with a reply in relation to a traffic questions with **(details supplied)** that has submitted some months ago but no reply has been seen to date.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

During a site visit no adverse issues regarding parking were observed at the entrance to **(details supplied 1)**. Implementation of parking restrictions at the above location could create parking difficulties for the residents and may also result in an increase in speed in this residential area. Alterations to the current parking arrangements are not recommended at this time for the reasons given here.

It is recommended to install a cul de sac sign on **(details supplied 2)** as requested to reduce the instances of motorists entering the area in error due to lack of signage.

Q.33 COUNCILLOR RACHEAL BATTEN

To ask the Chief Executive to come back with feedback on why work requested in **(details supplied)** has not been done by the roads department.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Repair works are undertaken on a priority basis and also in the context of crew availability. There is currently a large backlog of repair works to be undertaken, the completion of which has been impacted by Covid restrictions. We are currently unable to give an undertaking as to when this particular repair will be completed.

Q.34 COUNCILLOR RACHEAL BATTEN

To ask the Chief Executive to review the north city recycling banks as they are full and required to be emptied more often. We are encouraging please to recycle however if bins are constantly full this is a deterrent.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Glass recycling service provider Glassco endeavour to service and clean all bottle bank locations on a daily basis. However, this is not always possible due to the sheer volume of glass that is currently being recycled.

Textile service provider Textile Recycling Limited T/A Clothes Pod are in the process of replacing on-street textile banks with newer models that allow for vastly reduced service times. This process began in November 2020 and has produced a noticeable improvement at the majority of textile banks across the city. There are however still a small number of problematic sites, such as Whitehall Car Park where textile banks have been identified for removal. In order to facilitate the removal of banks from these sites, additional capacity for textile recycling has been introduced at alternative locations close by.

Despite regular servicing bottle and textile banks often refill within hours and unfortunately people continue to dispose of items illegally as a result. Waste Management Services personnel also regularly clean around recycling facilities and continue to attend to reports of illegal dumping.

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 identifying new sites for bottle and textile banks in the city is very problematic. 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 providers.

Waste Management Services are happy to investigate any locations suggested by Councillors and members of the public.

Q.35 COUNCILLOR DARRAGH MORIARTY

To ask the Chief Executive to outline Dublin City Council's view on the withdrawing of HSE/Tusla funding for Hesed House, a vital and much-needed psychotherapy service in the Inchicore-Kilmainham area. Youth workers in the area say the withdrawing of this mental health service from this community will have adverse consequences for local vulnerable people who are routinely refused help from mainstream providers due to their conditions being 'too severe'. Can the Chief Executive make a comment on the matter and outline how Dublin City Council will work with relevant actors to ensure, that while this funding is being pulled from Hesed House, it will remain in the Inchicore/Kilmainham community?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council will contact the HSE/ Tusla in relation to this matter and will revert to the Councillor thereafter

Q.36 COUNCILLOR DARRAGH MORIARTY

To ask the Chief Executive to engage with Fingal County Council regarding the introduction of long overdue traffic calming measures at Knockmaroon Hill. Local residents have engaged with the Dublin South Central Area Office on this and Area Engineers have offered their view that traffic calming measures are required, such as:

“series of ramps or hatched line markings” and “high skid resistance material on top of the ramp to brighten up the appearance” (**details supplied**). Can the Chief Executive make a comment on the matter and confirm such traffic calming measures will be progressed?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE’S REPLY:

DCC are in-charge of the carriageway on Martins Row up to the Chapel Hill apartment complex and has been closely monitored over the past few years with several improvements made to increase safety and decrease speed.

Martins Row is a narrow road in nature with narrow footpaths, it’s also an arterial road with a speed limit of 50km/hr. Dublin City Council have installed traffic calming ramps x8, and a speed table at the apartments at Chapel Hill Apartment complex in accordance with best practise. It would not be recommended to install any addition ramps. Dublin City Council have also installed traffic lights and several sections of bollards to protect pedestrians. This road also has numerous signage in addition to these hard traffic calming techniques including –

- Height Restriction Signs x2, (<3.6m)
- 50km/hr speed limit sign,
- School ahead sign x2,
- School Children Crossing x2,
- One Periodic School Speed Limit sign,
- Two way traffic sign x2,
- Road Narrows on Both Sides x7,
- Slow Road Markings x6,
- Pedestrian Route,
- Traffic Signal ahead x2,

Martins Row has 3 pinch points which have road markings and signage at all 3 locations in both directions to warn motorists of the danger ahead.

With all these improvements in place and being closely monitored it was felt that there isn’t a speeding problem but to verify this a speed survey was carried out. The speed survey has found that the 85th percentile speed on Martins Row is only 29km/hr which is well below the speed limit of 50km/hr. During the survey which took place on Wednesday September 23, 2020, 7:00 AM - Thursday, September 24, 2020, 7:00 AM it was noted that there was only 0.01% speeding violations during the 24 hr period.

Dublin City Council has agreed to add an additional “Slow” road markings in between the last ramp and the Chapel Hill apartment complex to bring the total number of “Slow” Road Markings signs to 7 within this 1km stretch of road.

Driver Behaviour has also been highlight to An Garda Siochana on the 25th May. They have been asked to monitor the area by the Traffic Advisory Group

DCC are currently making efforts to engage with Fingal County Council on this matter

Q.37 COUNCILLOR DARRAGH MORIARTY

To ask the Chief Executive to update members on the provision of public toilets and to confirm whether additional toilet facilities will be delivered by this summer. Can the Chief Executive provide a detailed breakdown of where additional public toilets will be provided and a timeline for achieving the same?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council will be installing 150 Portaloo toilets across the City from the 4th of June with a specific focus on high footfall areas in the City Centre.

This is in addition to the existing 28 public toilet locations across the City. Contracted services will be in place for toilet management including cleaning and queue management. The additional toilets will be open from 10am to 11pm daily.

The locations for toilets will be as follows:

North Side

- ☐ Wolfetone Sq. – additional provision
- ☐ Central median on O'Connell Street
- ☐ Smithfield – South end
- ☐ Royal Canal
- ☐ Mountjoy Sq.
- ☐ Diamond Park

South Side

- ☐ Sycamore St
- ☐ Temple Bar Square
- ☐ Chatham Row
- ☐ Sth King Street
- ☐ Coppinger Row
- ☐ Dame Court
- ☐ Dame Lane
- ☐ Merrion Square

All of these measures will be operationally assessed on an ongoing basis.

Q.38 COUNCILLOR DARRAGH MORIARTY

To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on Dublin City Council's consideration of COVID mobility improvements to widen footpaths on Parliament Street, Dublin 2. The measures, which would provide much-needed space for outside dining for local cafes, bars and restaurants, has the full support of 19/19 premises on the street and, as I understand it, would not affect local bus routes on the street or hinder emergency service access. Can the Chief Executive make a comment on the matter and update members on the progress of this proposal? This initiative comes on the back of a decision to widen footpaths on Capel St and part-pedestrianisation in the Grafton St area. It is clear that given the concentration of people and Dublin's limited outside space, the Executive needs to be doing all it can to redistribute the public space on offer.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

From Friday the 11th of June 2021, Parliament St. will be made traffic-free on a Friday, Saturday and Sunday evening from 630pm to 1130pm for a period of 6 weeks on a trial basis. This traffic-free trial will also effectively make the following streets traffic-free at these times:

- Essex Gate from Exchange St. to Parliament St.
- Essex St. East from Sycamore St. to Parliament St.

Local bus diversions will be in place for buses that usually serve Parliament St.

Q.39 COUNCILLOR DECLAN MEENAGH

To ask the Chief Executive for a breakdown of reasons HAP tenancy ends. Is it because the person is moving to a DCC house? Is it because the land lord is selling the property? What other reasons are you aware of and do you have a breakdown of these? Do you keep records when a HAP Tenant changes landlords? When a landlord is selling a property and evicting HAP tenants, what supports are available. Has the manager been made aware of an uptick in HAP tenancies ending because the property owner wants to sell and does he have a strategy to deal with this?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Since the commencement of HAP in Dublin City Council's administrative area, Homeless HAP have set up 11,368 tenancies and mainstream HAP have set up 6,276 tenancies. At 2nd June 2021 3,052 Homeless HAP tenancies and 1,021 mainstream HAP tenancies have ended.

There are a number of reasons that a landlord or tenant may have ended a HAP tenancy. The main reasons are outlined below:

No. of HAP Tenancies Ceased from 2016 to 2nd June 2021		
Tenant led Exits	Mainstream HAP	Homeless HAP
Tenant voluntarily left HAP	299	456
Tenant requested to move property (after 2 years in HAP tenancy)	170	31
Tenant received offer of Social Housing	136	515
Exceptional Circumstances – Change in Family Composition, Medical, Work in Different Area	65	93
Tenant gave Notice to Landlord	30	215
Tenant in Differential Rent Arrears	16	138
Anti-Social Behaviour	4	76
Tenant Deceased	4	34
Total	724	1,558
Landlord led Exits	Mainstream HAP	Homeless HAP
Landlord gave Notice to Tenant	177	1,153
Landlord Selling Property	86	258
Total	263	1,411

Other reasons include non-payment of personal contribution to landlord, landlord in receivership etc.

When a landlord is selling a property a Notice of Termination must be served on the tenant. The amount of notice required to end a tenancy depends on how long the tenant has lived in the property. The minimum requirement is 28 days' notice.

Depending on the individual circumstances of the tenant they may be advised to contact Threshold who provide independent advice and support. Tenants may source alternative accommodation and apply for HAP. If a tenant has to access emergency accommodation they will be contacted by a Housing Support Worker who will offer supports and assist in seeking alternative accommodation.

The number of tenancies ending because the owner wants to sell has decreased significantly in 2020 and 2021 in comparison to the previous 2 years.

Q.40 COUNCILLOR JAMES GEOGHEGAN

To ask the Chief Executive how many cycle locker facilities are located in the city; if he can identify in tabular form the locations of the lockers.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

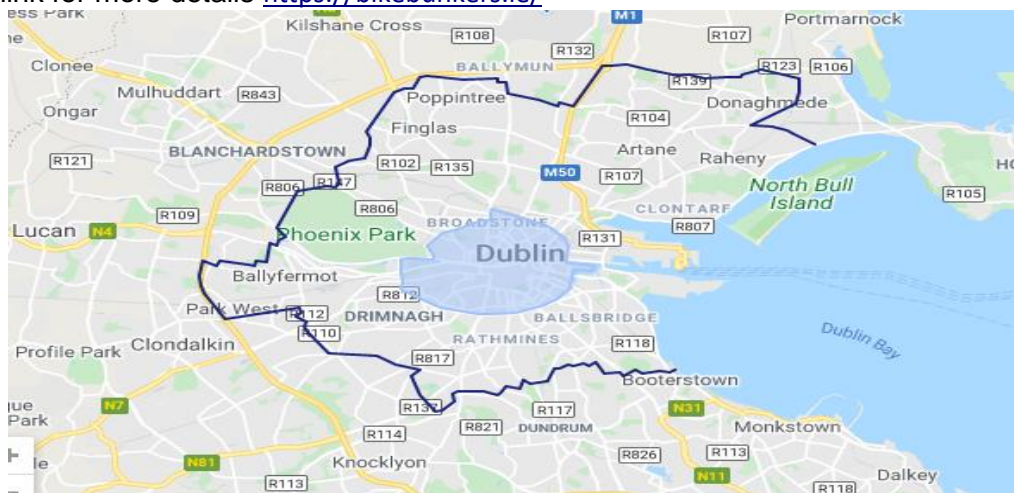
At present we have 12 bike bunkers located throughout the trail area in Dublin city.

BikeBunkers are secure hangars for city residents to securely stow their bicycles close to their home and under cover, saving space and worry. The BikeBunker service is for local residents only, and provides households with alternatives to storing them in hallways or in tiny back yards.

BikeBunkers originated from a Dublin City Council BETA Project in 2015 (please see the link <http://dccbeta.ie/project/article/residential-bike-hangars>)

This project has now moved into the scaling BETA stage. This means that Dublin City Council now seeking to learn more about the delivery model for this service (eg funding, legals, branding, pricing, locations, etc). We are beginning with a “minimal viable service” and will aim to iterate and improve it as it goes.

Phase 1 of this service will be limited to the city centre of Dublin “inside the canals” as per the below map. Dublin City Council currently only considering registrations of interest “inside the canals” whilst this new service establishes itself. Once the service is running well, we’ll then look at how we can expand it to other areas. Please see this link for more details <https://bikebunkers.ie/>



At present there are bike bunkers located in the locations listed below.

South side

Reginald Street
Donore Road

St Albans Road
Emor Street
Lennon Place
Bloomfield Ave
North Side
Kirwan Street
Halliday Road
Ross Street
Black Street
Primrose Ave

The next proposed location for bike bunker is Rialto - Southside. We are currently working on a tender for the bike bunkers which will be advertised on e – tenders website.

Q.41 COUNCILLOR JAMES GEOGHEGAN

To ask the Chief Executive how much money was spent on graffiti removal each year from 2015 to 2020; if he can outline how many instances of graffiti were identified in the city and required removal each year from 2015 to 2020.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

From Waste Management expenditure on Graffiti removal is:

E&T-Graffiti Removal

- 2015: €289,444
- 2016: €294,797
- 2017: €148,513
- 2018: €251,190
- 2019: €149,569
- 2020: €206,308

It is not possible to accurately supply or quantify the number of instances of graffiti removal over the past five years as requested. Graffiti removal services are provided by both external contractors and by the City Council's own waste management staff. Local area offices liaise with our external contractors and send them requests based on estate management inspections or requests to remove graffiti from various sources such as members of the public, An Garda Síochána etc. In addition Waste Management have their own Graffiti removal crew who will carry out work as directed by their local inspector following a local area inspections or based on CRM reports.

The North central area office has spent a total of €316,508.92 between the periods 2015-2020 with a total of 1410 incidents of graffiti being dealt with which included complaints from racist, obscene and offensive graffiti.

Q.42 COUNCILLOR JAMES GEOGHEGAN

To ask the Chief Executive if he could detail what resources, if any, would be required to deliver an outdoor economy if behaviours remained the same in terms of outdoor eating, drinking from a waste management and public space management perspective; whether additional resources could satisfy the issues of waste in the city over the past number of weeks and also toilet facilities; whether he agrees that the pandemic has changed behaviours towards the need for more public benches and enhanced public realm space.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council will be installing 150 Portaloo toilets, 54 large Eurobins and 80 Barrel Bins (13 additional) across the City from this weekend with a specific focus on high footfall areas in the City Centre.

This is in addition to the existing 3,310 bins and our 28 public toilet locations across the City. We will also be putting additional direct labour human resources in place to service the additional waste collection and contracted services for toilet management, including cleaning and queue management. The additional toilets will be open from 10am to 11pm daily. Measures will be operationally assessed on an ongoing basis in line with demand and public behaviour.

Q.43 COUNCILLOR JAMES GEOGHEGAN

To ask the Chief Executive he can confirm the total number of homes delivered on the newly submitted O'Devaney Gardens planning application that are affordable, their estimated purchase price including any government scheme such as help-to-buy per unit and the total number of units that are allocated for cost rental and the estimated average rent.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

A Planning Application seeking approval for the development of 1047 units was submitted to An Bord Pleanala on 24th May last. An Bord Pleanala validated the application this week; as such a decision is due by 21st September.

The total number of homes to be delivered on the site is subject to the outcome of the Bord's decision. As per DCC's development agreement with Bartra Capital the tenure mix to be provided was agreed at 30% social and 20% affordable.

The eligibility criteria in qualifying for affordable and cost rental units is being defined at present and will be published following notification of An Bord Pleanala's decision.

Q.44 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE CONROY

To ask the Chief Executive if the local traders on Sandymount Green can have essential Parking spaces that already exist, as 18 no. traders have advised that some of their business will have to close and other business will not be accessible, if parking is removed.

Having met the traders at 6pm on 1st June 2021, they have also explained about the elderly and disabled needing to park for access to pharmacy on the section of road proposed for pedestrianization. I am also advised that dining outdoors can be set up in the park with picnic benches for the summer, safer than out on footpaths. The traders and local residents are concerned about the lack of consultation from City Council Departments.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council received requests from a number of local businesses and the Sandymount and Merrion Residents Association (SAMRA) residents association, regarding facilitating outdoor dining on Sandymount Green by making an area traffic free on one side of the Green. Dublin City Council undertook a consultation to obtain people's views on this proposal as a number of local residents have made their concerns known. The consultation ran from the 30th April to the 14th May 2021.

A report on the consultation for the Sandymount Village has been prepared and a meeting organized by the area office with Councillors.

Q.45 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE CONROY

To ask the Chief Executive if more bins and new public toilets can be provided in areas where hundreds of people are outdoors all evening and after midnight, due to the issue of massive litter, urination etc. These areas include Portobello and Grand Canal Dock.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

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This is in addition to the existing 3,310 bins and our 28 public toilet locations across the City. We will also be putting additional direct labour human resources in place to service the additional waste collection and contracted services for toilet management, including cleaning and queue management. The additional toilets will be open from 10am to 11pm daily.

The locations for toilets will be as follows:

North Side

- ☐ Wolfetone Sq. – additional provision
- ☐ Central median on O'Connell Street
- ☐ Smithfield – South end
- ☐ Royal Canal
- ☐ Mountjoy Sq.
- ☐ Diamond Park

South Side

- ☐ Sycamore St
- ☐ Temple Bar Square
- ☐ Chatham Row
- ☐ Sth King Street
- ☐ Coppinger Row
- ☐ Dame Court
- ☐ Dame Lane
- ☐ Merrion Square

Measures will be operationally assessed on an ongoing basis in line with demand and public behaviour. Areas around Portobello and Grand Canal Dock being serviced needs further review in line with residential and location considerations,

Temporary toilets and additional bins are being provided at Portobello from Thursday 10th June from 10am to 11pm daily. Grand Canal Dock is not in the charge of Dublin City Council.

Q.46 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE CONROY

To ask the Chief Executive - though I have asked already at Transport SPC and Public Transport Sub-Committee [April] and have had no response – what is the submission being made by the NTA in collaboration with DCC Transport Department on the Bus Corridors 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Regarding the planning process, the NTA is currently engaged in a Pre-Application Consultation process with An Bord Pleanála. It is the intention of the NTA to submit to An Bord Pleanála, and publish for a statutory public consultation, the planning applications in respect of corridors 9, 10, 11 and 12 concurrently. Each of the individual

planning applications to be submitted to An Bord Pleanála will deal with, as part of the submitted documentation, the cumulative impacts arising from the other Core Bus Corridors. Accordingly, both the general public and An Bord Pleanála will have available the relevant information to assess the interactions between adjacent schemes.

As the BusConnects project is a National Transport Authority project, it is a matter with the NTA regarding process and procedure on submission of the application to An Bord Pleanála. Thus for this project questions should be directed to the Authority. This can be done via their web site, email, calls and digital media, via the cbc@busconnects.ie or also to their postal address.

Q.47 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN

To ask the Chief Executive to issue a full report with regards drone use and the intended future of drone roll out within Dublin City Council area? This report to include a full breakdown of all drone flights, usage and reason for drone flights within the last two years. What legislation is governing DCC's use of drones such as privacy, data, noise nuisance etc.? How many staff in DCC are authorised or being trained to use such drones or associated technology? What is the future intended use of this technology and these drones within Dublin City Council and Dublin City Council administrative area? What areas of DCC are designated 'no fly zones' for drones and other such aircraft. What licences have been obtained and consents have been obtained for the local authority to use such drones and is all of this in compliance with data protection.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Current and future use of drone technology

The use of drones has, to date, enabled the capture of increased volumes of survey data in a shorter space of time and allowed surveys of areas that cannot be accessed using regular survey instruments such as inaccessible sites and sites that could be classed as dangerous from a Health and Safety perspective (e.g. roof sites, riverbanks, parts of Dublin Bay). The use of drones for inspecting roof structures has, for instance, been a major help in assessing potentially dangerous structures.

During the Covid 19 restrictions, survey work across a number of service areas could still be carried out facilitate by use of drones, once a safe take off/landing zone was identified away from members of the public.

The following service areas are exploring the use of drones:

- Event Management for large events
- Parks and Landscape – Biodiversity, monitoring of habitats
- Waste Management – other Councils are exploring use for illegal dumping
- Water services enforcement – Visual inspection of rivers and streams

Dublin City Council, through its Smart City programme was recently awarded funding through the Department of Expenditure and Public Reform's Innovation Fund, which will help to accelerate the potential use of drones for local government and position Ireland as a pioneer worldwide.

Through this project proposal, DCC aim to ensure compliance, health and safety and trust in our use of drone technology while also preparing for the future.

The following work packages have been identified and will be explored throughout the project:

- WP1: Best and Emerging Practise
- WP2a: Compliance
- WP2b: Health and Safety
- WP2c: Public Trust
- WP3: Strategic Future & Innovation
- WP4: Knowledge Sharing

It is intended that after the conclusion of this project, the City Council will have a more consolidated view of all drone activities within the council, producing best practise guidelines and becoming an exemplar for other public bodies both nationally and internationally.

Drone fights

As part of the IAA requirements the City Council is obliged to keep flight logs. Last year 54 flights were logged.

The flights were for a number of different sections/departments within DCC – Development Dept., Road Design, Parks, Housing and City Architects (Structural Engineering). The job requirements included topographical survey information, boundary surveys, video footage, imagery of inaccessible areas and photo imagery.

Legislation governing use of drones

1. Before 2021: IAA (Irish Aviation Authority) regulated for drones in Ireland

<https://www.iaa.ie/publications?taxonomy=categories&propertyName=category&taxon=%2fpublication-categories%2flegislation>

2. From the 1st of January 2021: EU Regulations will apply to all Member states.

Easy Access Rules for Unmanned Aircraft Systems (Regulation (EU) 2019/947 and Regulation (EU) 2019/945)

- DCC will need to register as an Operator (EASA)
- DCC will need to appoint an Accountable Manager
- It's recommended to have a Chief Pilot

<https://www.easa.europa.eu/document-library/easy-access-rules/easy-access-rules-unmanned-aircraft-systems-regulation-eu>

General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) EU 2016/679

Dublin City Council is aware of its obligations under GDPR and is committed to ensuring compliance. All departments are now required to complete a Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA) before any new project, which includes the use of drone technology.

Authorised/trained staff

At the end of 2020, 13 members of staff were authorised or being trained in drone use from departments including Building Control, Survey and Mapping and Dublin Fire Brigade.

Designated 'no fly zones'

The IAA has just published the report on responses for their call on "[UAS Geographical Zones Stakeholder Consultation](#)". The report including maps is available on the IAA website.

Key points from the report:

- A new UAS prohibited zone with a radius of 5km from the centre point of Dublin Airport is established.
- From 5km to 12.1km from the centre point of Dublin Airport, remote pilots operating UAS can operate to the greater of 30m AGL or the height of the tallest obstacle within 50m. The maximum height may be increased up to 15m above the height of the obstacle at the request of the entity responsible for the obstacle.
- From 12.1km, from the centre of Dublin Airport, to the EIDW CTR extents, remote pilots operating UAS can operate to a height of 90m (300ft), excluding UAS Geographical Zones with further restrictions.
- The centre point of Dublin Airport, for the purpose of this consultation is defined as: 53° 25' 44.1249" N 006° 15' 56.7619" W.
- Additional UAS prohibited zones around Ward Upper, Cloghran, & Dunsink are added due to high terrain in those areas.

Licences and consents

The IAA issue a special operating permission. To my knowledge there are 3 SOPs operating in Dublin City Council, Survey & Mapping, Dublin Fire Brigade and the National Building Control Office.

Q.48 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN

To ask the Chief Executive to outline how much money was spent by DCC on the film called 'Orchestra of Light'? Further, what grants, if any, did DCC provide to any of the production companies who were involved in the making of this film?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The "Orchestra of Light" film was produced on behalf of the St. Patricks Festival organisers for 2021. All companies involved in the "Orchestra of Lights" production and filming were engaged by St. Patricks Festival. Dublin City Council made a financial contribution of €275,000 towards St. Patricks Festival 2021.

Q.49 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN

To ask the Chief Executive, given the fact that we are coming out of the pandemic and there is more traffic on the road, to readjust the traffic lights to their former settings.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

DCC plans to keep the traffic signal operation at the new lower cycle time setting in order to maintain the increased level of pedestrian priority throughout the city and to try to prevent the build-up of pedestrians at crossing points. Although, the city and the country is starting to return to normal, public transport is currently capped at 50% of capacity, the reduced cycle times along with other Covid Traffic measures introduced by the council are designed to encourage where possible residents and visitors to the city to use sustainable modes of transport.

This is in accordance with the NTA strategy, which states that the needs of pedestrians must be considered first in transport provision and Policy MT2 in the Dublin City Development Plan 2016-2022 which states that DCC will "...continue to promote modal shift from private car use towards increased use of more sustainable forms of transport such as cycling, walking and public transport..."

At a number of key locations where the reduce cycle time has caused delays to public transport the cycle time has been increase during peak hours, we will continue to monitor the operation of the traffic signals and make changes where necessary.

Q.50 COUNCILLOR MANNIX FLYNN

To ask the Chief Executive to investigate possible encroachment on lands owned by DCC and others at Ellis Quay on the Hicken Lighting site. See land portfolio.

This request to also include, who owns these lands if not Dublin City Council? And whether planning permission was obtained for the extended wall and railings.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

It will be necessary to consult with Survey & Mapping Section in relation to the possible encroachment. The matter will be investigated and a report will be provided directly to the Councillor.

Following a review of APAS (planning system) there is no record of a current application for a development on Ellis Quay or the Hicken Lighting site.

Q.51 COUNCILLOR COLM O'ROURKE

To ask the Chief Executive to introduce measures at **(details supplied)** to deal with the vehicles that are illegally parking here, and cars that are parking both sides of a narrow road.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Parking Enforcement Inspector will visit the area and request the necessary enforcement. Permanent measures, if required should be recommended by the local Traffic Engineer.

Q.52 COUNCILLOR COLM O'ROURKE

To ask the Chief Executive that the redundant electric power point near the Cabra Road shops be removed. The power point was initially in place to power a mobile library that used to visit the area, but this is no longer the case due to the proximity of the Cabra library.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Libraries will liaise with electrical services to have the power point removed.

Q.53 COUNCILLOR COLM O'ROURKE

To ask the Chief Executive that a range of measures be put in place by Dublin City Council to prevent members of the public from feeding feral pigeons and other birds at **(details supplied)** due to the increase of rats it is bringing to the general area, the excessive amounts of bird foul on the footpaths and the general nuisance caused. Bags of seeds and bags of waste food are being emptied daily in the public area. Measures that residents of the area would like to see implemented, but not limited to, include:

1. Signage to be erected in this location asks the public to do not feed pigeons or other birds by order.
2. Dublin City Council to work with Waterways Ireland, as this issue is furthermore a problem at Lock 9 of the Royal Canal and further impacting on DCC public domain.
3. The Litter Warden to visit relevant parties **(details supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

1. The Area office will arrange for 'do not feed birds' signage to be erected on the lampposts on **(details supplied 1)**.
2. A survey of the area around **(details supplied 2)** will be carried out to identify a suitable location for 'do not feed the birds' signage.
3. A Litter Warden will be asked to investigate the details given by the residents.

Q.54 COUNCILLOR COLM O'ROURKE

To ask the Chief Executive that a number of measures are considered that have been requested by residents in the area to create safe outdoor spaces for the public. Measures requested but not limited to:

1. Additional seating to be made available **(details supplied 1)**.
2. The footpath to be extended **(details supplied 2)**.
3. Permanent waste infrastructure to be put in place.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Toilets and additional bins have been provided at **(details supplied 1)**.

Parks, Biodiversity and Landscape services have made provision to trial 2 no. picnic benches in **(details supplied 2)**. Benches should be arriving in stock and in place in the coming weeks.

The footpath to be extended **(details supplied 3)**. These works appear to be included in the proposed Bus Connects project

Waste Management have temporary barrel bins in place and have recently installed permanent solar compactors at the entrances to the canal at both ends. Waterways Ireland are in charge of the canal.

Q.55 Question Withdrawn

Q.56 Question Withdrawn

Q.57 COUNCILLOR DAMIAN O'FARRELL

To ask the Chief Executive to report on the issue of speed limit enforcement vis a vis DCC's current review of our default speed limit (proposal is 30kph).

The CEO in an email to Cllr Damian O Farrell dated 20th April 2021 mentioned that *it can also be argued that the City Council is misrepresenting the benefits of a 30kph default speed limit*

Furthermore, the CEO in a statement dated 21st April to the Lord Mayor and elected members in respect of DCC's default speed limit review public consultation wrote the following;

"There is also concern regarding the information presented as part of the public consultation process. For example, it is alleged that the information confuses the imposition of a 30kph speed limit with vehicles actually travelling at up to 30kph. A 30kph speed limit will only deliver the benefits that are being claimed if the vast majority of vehicles comply with it. However, the available evidence suggests that compliance may be unduly low for a number of reasons (incl. lack of Garda enforcement) and that the claimed road safety benefits may not be realised."

I note DCC's support of all Garda enforcement measures including speed cameras to enforce the 30kph default limit. However I also note An Garda Síochána haven't responded to DCC's last two invitations to make a submission in respect of a proposed 30kph default limit in DCC's functional area.

Furthermore, does the CEO feel that a submission from an Garda Síochána is important and / or necessary to enable members to make a more informed decision on this matter which is a reserved function.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

An Garda Síochána were contacted as per the normal procedures but to date nothing has been received from them by way of a submission. There is no requirement to have a submission from An Garda Síochána in any speed limit process, though any views that the Gardaí may wish to make are always treated with due care and diligence.

Enforcement of speed limits is a matter for An Garda Síochána, and Dublin City Council road safety staff assist with any queries regarding enforcement and to ensure that the correct signage and byelaws are in place to enable enforcement to be carried out.

In a memo to the Lord Mayor and Elected Member on 4 June 2021, the Chief Executive indicated that John Flanagan Assistant Chief Executive and City Engineer would submit a further report to the SPC on the proposed 30kph speed limits, which will address the issues of concern raised by Councillor O'Farrell and other Elected Members.

Q.58 COUNCILLOR RAY MCADAM

To ask the Chief Executive to detail by administrative area, where the funding provided by Government recently to refurbish existing vacant housing will be spent; the number of properties per administrative area and to list each property; and if he will make a statement on the matter?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage notified Local Authorities of its Voids Programme under Circular 17/21, dated 21st May.

Dublin City Council has submitted an application for 330 properties. In addition, funding has already been provided for 50 units which were approved in 2020 but not paid for until 2021.

Refurbishment works on 182 properties are complete and 109 of these properties are already let. A list of these properties cannot be provided due to security considerations for the vacant properties.

The number of properties per administrative Area is as follows:

Area	Central	North Central	North West	South Central	South East	Total
No. of Vacant Properties	92	38	65	113	72	380

922 properties (including newly acquired properties) were refurbished in 2020, with the average time taken by Framework Contractors now down to 11 weeks. A new Term Maintenance Contract with a value of €48 million was also introduced in 2020. Over 3,500 Council properties have now benefitted from part funding through the Department's Voids Refurbishment Programme

Completions in 2020

House	289
Apartment	334
Senior Citizens	299
Totals	922

Q.59 COUNCILLOR RAY MCADAM

To ask the Chief Executive for the cleaning schedule for cycle lanes across the city; what he deems to be a sufficient level of cleanliness; is he aware of the problems cyclists who regularly use lanes such as **(details supplied 1)** and **(details supplied 2)** they have had as a result of these lanes not be frequently cleaned with punctures and flat wheels and does he think the current un-kept condition of **(details supplied 1)** to be acceptable and if he will make a statement on the matter?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Waste Management Services have cycle lanes cleaned at least twice a week across the city. We have asked the relevant staff to particularly monitor the cleaning of the above mentioned cycle lanes to see if improvements can be made to their cleaning. We have recently trialled two sub compact sweepers as a dedicated means of servicing the new protected cycle lanes. The trial proved successful and we are now in the process of procuring six sub compact sweepers which will greatly enhance our cycle lane cleaning.

Q.60 COUNCILLOR RAY MCADAM

To ask the Chief Executive to make arrangements for the back gate of **(details supplied)** to be replaced as it is currently barely hanging on it hinges; and if he will make a statement on the matter?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council Steel works Section has visited this site and made it safe, new posts are being made and will be installed by the week ending 11th June 2021.

Q.61 COUNCILLOR RAY MCADAM

To ask the Chief Executive how many applications the Housing Department have received this year to date in respect of Housing Adaptation Grants; to specify the numbers by grant; the numbers that have been approved; the number of applications not approved; the number of applications still pending; the average wait time for processing of an application; and to outline the number of applications received per administrative area; and if he will make a statement on the matter?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

	Housing Adaptation Grant	Mobility Aids Grant	Housing Aid for Older People
Applications received from January to May	365	151	47
Total number of applications approved and paid to end May 2021	344	30	96
Total number of applications approved but not drawn down yet	496	36	135
Total number of applications awaiting approval (awaiting technical reports/quotations)	311	33	130

Applicants have six months from approval to complete all works. Due to the pandemic applications were extended for all applicants who could not proceed with approved works.

Currently on receipt of a fully completed application form the application is processed and assigned to a building inspector within approximately 4 weeks.

The Home Grants Unit report on all applications received, approved and paid by Dublin City Council on a city wide basis and not by geographic area.

The Home Grants Unit is up to date on all applications received.

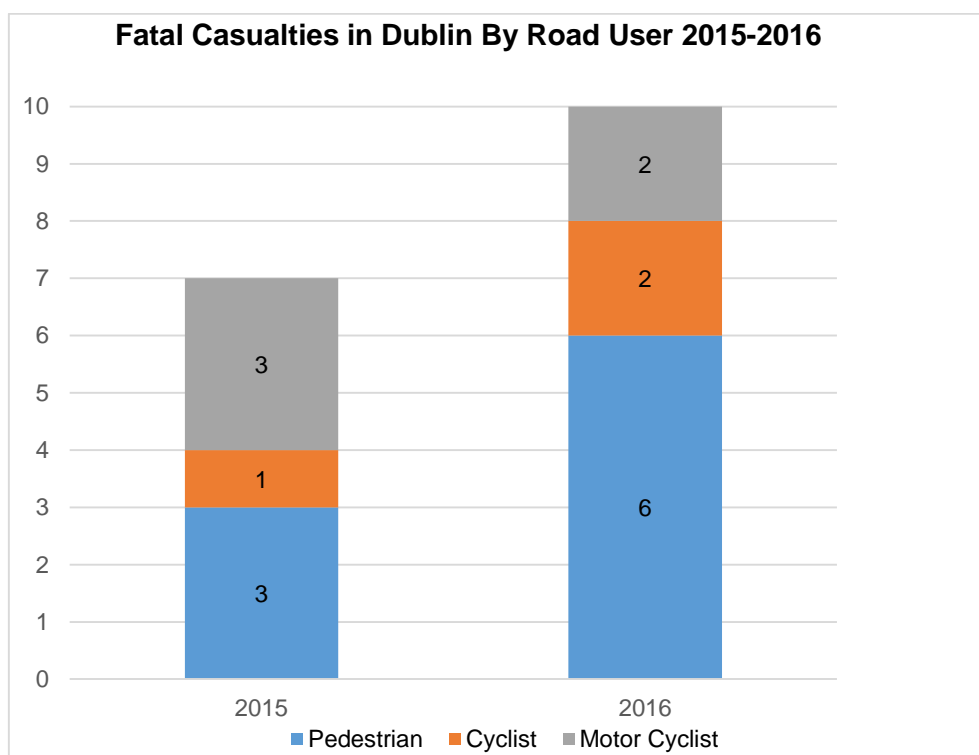
Q.62 COUNCILLOR MICHAEL PIDGEON

To ask the Chief Executive to provide me with the overall number of road deaths, and the number of pedestrian deaths and cyclist deaths within the Local Authority boundary in each of the last five most recent years for which final or preliminary figures are available?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The collision data in Dublin City Council's TAMS (Confirm) system at present only includes data up to 2016. An update is in progress to add more data from the RSA and once this is complete the additional years requested will be sent.

Road User	2015	2016
Pedestrian	3	6
Cyclist	1	2
Motor Cyclist	3	2



Q.63 COUNCILLOR JANET HORNER

To ask the Chief Executive to provide an annual report for SMART Dublin for the past three years and financial statements?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

An annual update on the activities of Smart Dublin is provided each year in the City Council's Annual Report. Below are the relevant extracts for the past 3 years.

Smart Dublin Annual Reports

2020

2020 saw an expansion in the roll out of Smart Districts which aim to position Dublin as one of the best places in the world to pilot new technologies. Smart Docklands, providing a platform for start-ups, big tech, the City Council, and academia to come together to accelerate innovation, was ranked No.1 globally for FDI strategy for Smart Locations of the Future by the FDI magazine. The partnership with CONNECT for Smart Docklands has been extended to cover 2020-2022 and build on the success to date.

Following on from the success of the Smart Docklands, another 2 districts have been established by Dublin City Council including Smart DCU and Smart D8.

Academy of the Near Future is a Smart City Education Programme aimed at Transition Year secondary school students and the local government sector. Over 2020 a number of workshops targeting local schools and City Council employees were delivered while moving the programme and content to online web-based delivery www.nearfuture.ie. A 2-year partnership with Dublin City Council Culture Company and Failte Ireland was established to identify future trends relevant to the tourism industry and understand how these might inform current and future projects in all local authority areas. The aim is to position Dublin as a world leader in the development of new technology led solutions for tourism.

In 2020 Dublin City Council launched a Public Procurement of Innovative Solutions process to address the challenge of Life Buoy theft/vandalism. The four Dublin local authorities and Water Safety Ireland are currently working with four companies to trial their solutions with an opportunity for the successful solutions to enter a framework with 19 other Local Authorities.

The focus on smart technology for mobility continued in 2020 with a number of initiatives including;

- The Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) programme (in partnership with Enterprise Ireland) supported roll out of the Smart Mobility Hub shared e-bikes and e-car services across the City Council in partnership with Bleeper Bikes, Nissan, Sixt and UCD and the launch of an innovative sustainable logistics cargo bike and walker solution in Dublin's city centre with UPS
- Delivery of a roadmap focused on ways to introduce mobility as a service across the Dublin region in partnership with the National Transport Agency and Urban Foresight
- Participation on a European Funded H2020 project "Senator" which will promote sustainable last mile delivery and development of living labs in Dublin and Zaragoza. Local partners include An Post, UCD and Dublin City Council.

2019

Dublin City Council's adoption of smart technologies expanded over 2019 particularly in the areas of sustainable mobility, energy, waste services and environmental monitoring. A dedicated Smart City unit within Dublin City Council works alongside City Council departments and also through the Smart Dublin regional team to take advantage of emerging technology trends in a way that creates better outcomes for residents as well as new economic opportunities.

Development of Smart Districts - Smart Docklands is Dublin City Council's flagship fast track Smart District programme was created to provide a platform for start-ups, big tech, the city, and academia to come together. This initiative was ranked No.1 globally for Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) strategy for Smart Locations of the future by the FDI magazine (Financial Times. 2019). This initiative is supported by partners such as Science Foundation Ireland (SFI) research centres Enable, Connect, corporate partners such as Google, Dense Air Ireland, Vodafone, MasterCard, Big Belly Bins, Softbank and Dogpatch Labs.

Wifi4EU - Dublin City Council was successful in achieving a maximum allocation of four Wifi4EU vouchers worth €15,000 each as part of the recent EU wide funding call. This funding is matched by the Department of Rural and Community Development. Following a public consultation in 2019 over 40 locations will see Wi-Fi installed during 2020 supporting communities and digital engagement programmes.

5G testbeds - Deployment of Ireland's first 5G 'neutral host' network across the 'Smart Docklands' District with Dense Air Ireland working in partnership with the CONNECT research centre for future networks. This project received an award from the Global Small Cell Forum awards for economic and social impact. In November, Dublin City Council hosted a global '5G accelerator' with the Technology and Entrepreneurship Centre at Harvard to bring together global experts on 5G and over 20 international cities to plan for the future of 5G in cities.

Future of Planning (3D VR/AR) - Commissioning the development of a full 3D virtual model of docklands (5Km²) to support future 3D VR/AR applications in areas such as planning, digital construction, safety, smart tourism and gaming applications. In May, we hosted Dublin's First 3D City Data Hackathon over 3 days where over 100 participants and 20 partners came together to innovate and build out new applications and innovations. This dataset is now available open source for developers and researchers on the dublinked open data platform.

Velo City - Global Smart Pedal Pitch. Delivery of a dragons den style competition to source new technology innovations to help support cycling across cities. This was delivered in partnership with the velo city global cycling conference held in Dublin in June 2019. The 3 winning companies will test their solutions in Dublin over 2020 and include Wing Lights, Cyclers Cycling app and Nuweil e-cargo bikes.

Cycling Insights - Over ten weeks from mid-June to August 2019, 200 cyclists in Dublin contributed their collected cycling data using see.sense smart bike lights as part of an EU funded Internet of things initiative Synchronicity. The results highlighted the roads with the most challenging road surface quality for cyclists to ride through while also allowing our engineers to adjust plans for new cycle corridors based on the insights.

Google Environmental Insights Explorer - Dublin City Council has been working with Google and University College Dublin (UCD) to pilot a tool that provides information on emissions for cities.

The tool, called Environmental Insights Explorer, uses Google Data to estimate greenhouse gas emissions from buildings and transport and also to assess the potential for harnessing solar energy in the city. The tool has been rolled out across all 4 Dublin Local Authorities and is now available in over 100 global cities. <https://insights.sustainability.google/places/>

MasterCard City Possible - Dublin City Council continued to participate on the MasterCard's global 'City Possible' programme and piloted a new economic development platform to develop better insights into local economic performance which supported the Dublin Economic Monitor.

Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) programme - The Smart City unit is continuing to support entrepreneurs through the Smart Dublin and Enterprise Ireland Small Business Innovation Research programme (SBIR). This includes 3 projects in the areas of Last Mile Logistics, Smart Mobility Hubs and Gully Monitoring.

Internal Engagement - An extensive programme of internal engagement was carried out to train internal staff of the benefits of emerging technology and how it can benefit city services. This included the launch of an internal Staff Ideas Programme, as well as Smart City Innovation Network with a dedicated Smart City Innovation Fund to support innovation and internal pilots.

External Engagement - The Smart City programme was featured extensively on international, national and local media including a documentary feature as part of the global thought leader series – with over 10,000 youtube views. www.globalthoughtleaders.org/shaping-the-smart-city-a-dublin-perspective/. The Smart City team was also active in the delivery of keynote presentations and panels at leading events such as Barcelona Smart City Expo, Mastercard City Possible and the Harvard Innovators Forum. Local events supported included Futurescope, HackAccess Dublin and the All Ireland Smart City Forum.

The City Council signed innovation partnerships with Barcelona City Council in November 2019 to deliver collaborative smart city projects as well as the HSE digital academy in Dec 2019 to pilot new technologies to support assisted living.

2018

Dublin City Council's adoption of Smart technologies continued to expand over 2018 particularly in the areas of traffic management, sustainable mobility, energy, waste services and environmental monitoring. A dedicated Smart City unit within Dublin City Council work alongside city departments and also the wider Smart Dublin regional team to ensure that Dublin City Council takes advantage of emerging technology trends in a way that creates better outcomes for residents as well as new economic opportunities.

Smart Docklands - Dublin City Council's flagship fast track Smart District programme officially launched in February 2018 as part of a global gathering of city technology leads from over 20 cities which was convened by the Harvard TECH innovators forum. The Smart Docklands project, a partnership with the CONNECT centre for future networks based in Trinity College Dublin (TCD), was shortlisted for Innovative project of the year at the global Smart City Expo in Barcelona in November 2018. The Smart Docklands district was created to provide a platform for start-ups, big tech, the city, and academia to come together. This initiative is supported by corporate partners such as Google, Deloitte, IBM, Accenture, Dense Air Ireland, Microsoft, Vodafone, Autodesk, Mastercard, Intel, IBM and Softbank.

In November 2018, as part of a 'Future of Mobility' festival, the Smart City unit ran Ireland's first demonstration of a driverless shuttle along a 2km stretch on Dublin's North Quays. This generated significant interest and debate on international, national and local media.

In February 2018 Smart City unit announced a flagship partnership with Dense Air Ireland at Mobile World Congress in Barcelona to build out Ireland's first next generation 5G pervasive connectivity zone across the 'Smart Docklands' District. This is a partnership with CONNECT centre for future networks and will explore the future potential of 5G as well as the challenges in deploying these networks.

In July 2018 Smart City unit announced a unique partnership with Softbank, Japan to pilot and test innovative smart city technologies in Dublin. Dublin is the first location outside of Japan that Softbank have selected for this collaboration.

Dublin City Council was also a founding member city for MasterCard's global 'City Possible' programme which launched in November 2018. This partnership will pilot and experiment on how cities can better deploy technology and data to enhance economic competitiveness and will feed into the Dublin Economic Monitor initiative.

Smart City unit is continuing to support entrepreneurs through the Smart Dublin and Enterprise Ireland Small Business Innovation Research programme (SBIR). To date 42 companies received funding support totalling over 1.5 million euro, as well as mentoring and access to city testbed facilities. The first challenges addressed cycling, illegal dumping, wayfinding and flooding risk. Five new challenges were launched in 2018 with DCC leading on topics including Last Mile Logistics (Dublin City Council partnered with Belfast City Council) and Smart Mobility Hubs. Participating companies have benefitted from access to expert advice and support allowing the prototyping of their solutions across Dublin in a way that will help them scale internationally.

The Smart City programme was featured extensively on international, national and local media including a documentary feature on national Swiss TV on the 'future of cities', as well as being covered on RTE's 6 One News, Virgin News and Radio stations such as Q102 and Morning Ireland.

In December, Dublin City Council hosted an international urban innovation workshop with Cities Today magazine where over 20 cities and their technology leads were represented and focusing on the delivery of Smart Districts.

The Smart City team was also active in the delivery of international keynote presentations and panels at leading events such as Barcelona Smart City Expo, Digital DNA in Belfast and Connected Cities in Liverpool.

The following table outlines income and expenditure for Capital and Revenue for Smart Dublin:

Year	Pay Expenditure	Non Pay Expenditure	Income External	DCC Funding
2018	161,093	869,827	385,688	593,292
2019	314,729	795,225	234,373	927,521
2020	351,133	690,991	212,005	830,120

Q.64 COUNCILLOR ALISON GILLILAND

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a detailed report outlining the reasons i) why the tennis courts in Ellenfield Park have not been re-opened and ii) what actions is DCC taking to ensure their timely re-opening for the current summer season?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The tennis courts at Ellenfield were closed due to the condition of the surfacing which had degraded to the point where it was no longer fit for purpose or safe. While various options were explored regarding replacing the surfacing and management of the facility during the restrictions imposed due to Covid it was not possible to affect same as works were limited to emergency work only for many months. An interim solution to extend the safe useful life of the surface whereby the carpet would be deep cleaned and the infill replaced has been ordered and will be carried out as soon as contractors are available.

Q.65 COUNCILLOR ALISON GILLILAND

To ask the Chief Executive to i) identify the number and location of all disabled parking spaces that have been removed due to the installation of Covid Mobility measures and to ii) identify to where these spaces have been reallocated, if they have been allocated, in particular spaces removed from the vicinity of hospitals and other building providing a public service or amenity.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The information requested is currently being finalised. A response will be issued to the Councillor directly as soon as it is available.

Q.66 COUNCILLOR JOE COSTELLO

To ask the Chief Executive if he will state if any loans or grants have been approved for Phase 1 of Parnell Square Cultural Quarter which costs in the region of €55 million.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Department of Housing, Local Government & Heritage announced on 5th March that the City Library at Parnell Square would be part-funded under 'Call 2' of the Urban Regeneration and Development Fund (URDF). Dublin City Council awaits further details on the exact amount of funding allocated to the project.

Q.67 COUNCILLOR JOE COSTELLO

To ask the Chief Executive how much funding from a) development levies and b) grants have been secured for phase 1 of the Dalymount Park redevelopment from 2021 - 2023.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The capital budget for 2021-2023 for the funding of Dalymount is as follows:-

Grants - €6,541,678

Development Levies - €5,638,408

Dublin City Council were allocated a maximum of €918,750 from the Large Scale Sports Infrastructure Fund (LSSIF) towards the development stage (design and planning) of the project. The terms of the fund state that this represents a grant of 37.5 percent of the total estimated cost of the development stages of the project. The Council will fund 62.5% of this section of the Project. Separately Dublin City Council will fund and complete a number of enabling works on the site including the demolition of Connaught Street Stand by way of Part 8 and the demolition of Des Kelly Stand Roof. Both should be complete within the next 12 months.

Further funding will be applied for when stream 2 of the LSSIF reopens which will go towards the construction stage of the project.

Q.68 COUNCILLOR JOE COSTELLO

To ask the Chief Executive if he is aware of the findings of a survey carried out by the Association of Irish Local Government (AILG) in partnership with the Crime Management Group (CRMG) which revealed that 72% of Councillors who responded had experienced threats, harassment and intimidation in the past three years and that an alarming 48% are considering leaving their position as councillors because of it; and, if together with the other local authorities, he will consider putting in place measures to protect councillors from such anti-social behaviour in carrying out their work which is essential for the operation of a good functioning democracy.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The survey was sent to the Chief Executive's Office for information as we had engaged the Crime Management Group to provide Health and Safety Training to the elected members of Dublin City Council in January this year. The training programme delivered was very comprehensive covering a range of topics including:

- International & Irish case studies
- Importance of Security & safety awareness
- Location specific risks (at home, at clinics, in meetings – both public and private, demonstrations)
- Non location specific risks (when mobile and by phone and via email)
- Stalking
- Personal Security
- Ensuring a Safe Environment
- Anticipating and Responding to hostile activity
- Security implication of social media use

There were two sessions organised and 12 Councillors attended.

Q.69 COUNCILLOR JOE COSTELLO

To ask the Chief Executive if he will outline what steps are being taken to protect and conserve No 31 Richmond Avenue, Fairview, Dublin 3 the former home of Thomas Clarke, Easter Proclamation signatory, and his wife Kathleen, a former Lord Mayor of Dublin.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

No. 31 Richmond Avenue, Fairview, Dublin 3 is a protected structure, Ref. No. 7348 on the City Council's Record of Protected Structures.

The building is in private ownership and it is the duty of each owner and each occupier of the structure to ensure the structure or any element of it of special interest is not endangered (Section 58 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended)).

The owner has been issued with a notice to prevent the protected structure becoming endangered in accordance with Section 59 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended). The matter is ongoing and progress has been delayed by complexities in this instance, including title and legal issues.

The building is being monitored regularly by the Buildings-at-Risk Officer in consultation with the Council's Conservation and Planning Enforcement Sections.

Q.70 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON

To ask the Chief Executive to give consideration to the placing of a couple of public seats / benches in the plaza in Chapelizod Village, the past few months has seen the real value of having a nice area for people to come together with social distancing the provision of a few seats would aid this and continue to re-enforce the value of community.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

We are happy to look at options for seating in Chapelizod subject to finding a suitable location. I will arrange a meeting locally to progress this.

Q.71 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON

To ask the Chief Executive to please look at the provision of proper footpaths in Chapelizod Dublin 20. The current construction of new housing at the Old Lucan Road beside Anna Livia Bridge / Mayfield House has shown at first hand the need to include proper safe footpaths and look upon a specific area for cyclists at this very busy junction. I have seen people with children, prams and the disabled trying to negotiate travelling down to St Patricks School in the village in dangerous situations the current works allow us make this area safer for the future.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Area Traffic Engineer will investigate potential for footpath widening in Chapelizod to improve walking access to St Patrick's School. The construction of a new footpath outside development site 3-9 Lucan Road was recently completed and is now in operation.

Under the 5 Year Cycling & Walking plan announced earlier this year, one of the routes that has secured NTA funding for delivery is the Chapelizod Road to Chapelizod Bypass route. The existing road and footpath widths in Chapelizod village will be taken into consideration when a design for the cycling and walking facilities is being developed.

Q.72 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON

To ask the Chief Executive to please give an indication when the €100,000 ring-fenced for improvements along Ballyfermot Road will commence, what areas will be looked at and if we can include a shop-front improvement scheme in order to encourage upgrades etc. There is a longer-term plan to upgrade the area however this seems to be going nowhere whilst we await the Bus Connects programme.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Due to Covid-19 we have not have been able to engage as we would have liked, however we will begin community consultation as soon as permitted with a view to improving the shop fronts and surrounds. We will also take into consideration the Bus Connects Programme pending.

Q.73 COUNCILLOR VINCENT JACKSON

To ask the Chief Executive to consider allowing the use of the cycling track in Eamonn Ceannt Park Crumlin for occasions per week to a group of adults who play ultimate Frisbee. The group play at the moment in the public park however due to the huge increase in the public using the Park it is becoming impossible to find an area which doesn't impact on the enjoyment of others using the facility. The Cycle track is used very little and would add to the ability of the group to attract others.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Parks have responded to the Frisbee group already to inform them that while the velodrome appeared unused during the early part of the year, this was due to the ongoing Covid Restrictions. Cycling resumed on the 10th May. Cycling Ireland operate a booking system which is available to view online. The track is booked heavily for the next number of weeks. As this is the only outdoor velodrome in the country this is not unusual. For obvious health and safety reasons, the inner field is not used while the track is being used for cycling.

Q.74 COUNCILLOR DARCY LONERGAN

To ask the Chief Executive for an update on the roll out of the bike bunkers, including a time frame.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Thank you for your interest in the bike bunker scheme. At present we had 12 bike bunkers located throughout the trail area in Dublin city.

There are bike bunkers located.

South side

Reginald Street
Donore Road
St Albans Road
Emor Street
Lennon Place
Bloomfield Ave

North Side

Kirwan Street
Halliday Road
Ross Street
Black Street
Primrose Ave

At present the bike bunker team are working on the production of a tender for the bike bunker – bicycle storage units.

The tender is currently in draft phase and we will launch the tender European on the e – tenders website wide in due course.

Q.75 COUNCILLOR DARCY LONERGAN

To ask the Chief Executive give an update & timelines for the regeneration of the Dublin City fruit, Vegetable and flowers market off Capel Street.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Property Development Department is liaising with the Members Representative Group on the Redevelopment of the Market to bring forward the agreed approach to the tender process. The next meeting is scheduled for June 10th and the Councillor will be updated after that meeting.

Q.76 COUNCILLOR DARCY LONERGAN

To ask the Chief Executive to give full details on the Dublin City Council land ownership and legal/ financial interest in the ILAC centre.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

By Deed of Exchange dated 14/2/1997 made between Dublin City Council and Irish Life Assurance PLC, Dublin City Council disposed of its Fee Simple interest in the Ilac Centre (excluding the car park) in exchange for Irish Life surrendering their lease in the car park. The current freehold owner of the Centre (excluding the car park) is Hammerson Group.

The car park is currently leased by Dublin City Council to an operator Park Rite with the Council receiving 75% of the gross annual turnover as rent.

Unit 55 on the First Floor of the shopping centre, occupied by the Central Library, is held by Dublin City Council under lease from Hammerson Group for a ten year term from 1st November 2019.

Q.77 COUNCILLOR DARCY LONERGAN

To ask the Chief Executive the plans to prevent anti-social behaviour on laneway between Ormond Rd and Clonturk Park. It is currently being used as a toilet.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

On 26th May I visited this location overall the laneway is in good condition. There was two locations of human detritus. The location leading to the laneway "Clonturk park" particularly smelt of urine. I have requested the local waste management depot to be notified of the two close locations and added to a list on power washing schedule going forward.

I have also contacted Santry Garda Station regarding anti-social behaviour and requested a patrol car checks this area.

Q.78 COUNCILLOR PATRICIA ROE

To ask the Chief Executive would it be possible for Scoil Rince Ní Anglais, Finglas Branch, to have access to one of the two pavilions in Kildonan Park, Finglas for five - six hours per week? Currently football teams, which cater for boys only, have access to two pavilions. There is a dearth of facilities in the area available for public use by sports/dancing clubs. There is a dance studio in the leisure centre but they want €40 per hour for hire. The club has dancers who cannot pay anything towards costs. They don't want to exclude those children because of money.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The changing room pavilion in Kildonan Park is used by the clubs that are allocated the adjacent football pitches. The clubs pay an additional charge for these changing facilities. The rooms in the pavilion are not large enough and the floor is not sprung for dance classes. The Leisure centre is the appropriate location for dance classes to take place.

This dance school are currently using Finglas all-weather pitches. Two pods of 15 Children from 6 to 8pm at a cost of €30 special concession.

The school has enquired regarding the return of classes indoor, under current restrictions the return of group lessons are not permitted. We will update customers when the restrictions change.

The studio's facilities within Finglas Leisure Centre are modern, new state of the art design with spinning and dance /aerobic studio combined.

The booking fee is €40.

Q.79 COUNCILLOR SOPHIE NICOULLAUD

To ask the Chief Executive to organise a much needed presentation for Chapelizod residents detailing future traffic improvements and plans in the near, medium and long term. The village is going through a lot of major changes: Phoenix Park plans, Springvale with 71 units, Bus Connects and other housing constructions.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council Mobility Team will commission a report on traffic in Chapelizod village. The report will take cognisance of the many developments in the area including but not limited to the Phoenix Park, Bus Connects and other private developments. We will include speed surveys and traffic flow analysis in the report and will make recommendations for further discussion with councillors on how to proceed.

It is envisaged that the findings of this report will be presented to Councillors at the September Local Area Committee Meeting.

Q.80 COUNCILLOR SOPHIE NICOULLAUD

To ask the Chief Executive to look into damages done to roots of trees by lawnmowers on DCC land. Tree roots are damaged and this cause's tree decay as diseases gets into the tree that way. To ask what actions DCC will take to prevent such damages happening again.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

If the councillor has a specific area of concern she can contact the undersigned and we will arrange to investigate the matter.

Q.81 COUNCILLOR SOPHIE NICOULLAUD

To ask the Chief Executive to provide me with the number of 4 bed housing units total occupied, non-occupied on the Voids list and being built in Dublin City Council. That the numbers are given specifying what area they are in. How many families are on the list for a 4 bed house or more in Dublin and per area. What is the most time a family is waiting for a 4 bed in Dublin and per area and what is the least time?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Please find attached figures as requested, set out below –

April 2021 COMBINED Waiting List figures by Bedsize Req												
Bedsize Required	Area B	Area D	Area E	Area H	Area J	Area K	Area L	Area M	Area N	Area P	Grand Total	
4 Bed	108	23	83	40	49	80	35	26	28	10	482	
April 2021 Housing List Figures by Bedsize requirement and Time on List												
Size	Years	Area B	Area D	Area E	Area H	Area J	Area K	Area L	Area M	Area N	Area P	Grand Total
Four Bed	0 to 1 year	4	1	1		2	2			2		12
	1 to 5 years	9	2	5	7	1	3	8	5	4	2	46
	5 to 10 years	10	1	9	3	1	9	2		3	1	39
	over 10 years	8	4	12	3	7	13	4	2	5	1	59
Four bed Total		31	8	27	13	11	27	14	7	14	4	156

There are currently twelve 4 bedroom houses with the frameworks contractors.

There are a number of schemes currently at design development stage where the unit mix has yet to be determined

Q.82 COUNCILLOR DECLAN FLANAGAN

To ask the Chief Executive to confirm if extra bins and extra seating will be setup at various points throughout the city centre.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Waste Management will be installing 54 large Eurobins and 80 Barrel Bins (13 additional) across the City from this weekend with a specific focus on high footfall areas in the City Centre.

This is in addition to the existing 3,310 bins across the City. There will also be resources in place to service the additional waste collection.

Measures will be operationally assessed on an ongoing basis in line with demand and public behaviour.

Q.83 COUNCILLOR DECLAN FLANAGAN

To ask the Chief Executive to confirm what supports Dublin City Council is giving to the business community in the city centre and environs.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Supports provided to Dublin City Businesses in 2020 by LEO Dublin City

LEO Dublin city staff have witnessed immense levels of adaptation, innovation and resilience in our client companies in Dublin city since the beginning of the Covid 19 pandemic and the impact on businesses. We have provided a wide range of supports to these businesses to assist them as they plan, start, and grow their businesses in the city and as they re-open in line with government guidelines.

Since the start of the Covid-19 pandemic, LEO Dublin City swiftly moved all of its supports on line, not only providing the full range of existing soft and hard supports but also delivering new supports designed to assist businesses to respond to the Covid 19 pandemic such as the **Business Continuity Voucher** and the LEO Client Stimulus supports. In 2020 we supported **868 businesses** with a **Business Continuity Voucher**, worth up to €2,500 in third party consultancy costs to each successful applicant. The Business Continuity Voucher was introduced in response to the pandemic and it was well availed of by companies and sole traders, as it helped them to develop short-term and long-term strategies, to respond to the Covid-19 pandemic.

A further 17 enterprises were supported through the Micro Enterprise Assistance Fund Grant, a minimum of €500 to a maximum €1,000, which was developed specifically for those not liable for commercial rates.

The LEO has also adapted to growing demand for guidance on navigating the challenge by providing targeted training programmes, networking 'Lunch & Learn' events and increased mentoring support. Participation in Mentoring and Training programmes increased in 2020 with the targets set for each of these areas exceeded. 4,774 participants engaged in a wide range of training supports (compared to 2,792 in 2019) and 1,570 participants engaged in Mentoring (compared to 934 in 2019).

LEO Dublin City – Key Statistics 2019 and 2020

	2019	2020
No of M1 clients who received feasibility, priming or business expansion funding in recent years	451	462
Measure 1 Payments paid out to successful businesses	€750,734	€973,740
No. of Projects Paid	108	98
No. of Projects Approved	115	78
Value of Projects Approved	€1,128,639	€1,289,376
Total Training Participants	2,792	4,774
Total Mentoring Participants	934	1,570
Trading on Line Vouchers Approved for payment	123	1,097
Micro Finance Ireland loan applications prepared and submitted on behalf of clients with support from LEO Dublin city	12	50

The Trading Online Voucher Scheme (TOV) designed to get small firms trading online, opening up markets at home and abroad, saw an unprecedented increase in demand in 2020, as trading on line became an essential way for businesses to maintain customers and attract new ones. The initiative involves training, advice and financial assistance. Designed under the National Digital Strategy to assist small businesses to increase their online trade, the scheme is delivered by the Local Enterprise Offices. LEO Dublin City supported **1,097 businesses** who successfully applied for a vouchers in 2020, **collectively worth €2,698,572.00**, almost 10 times the number of companies supported in 2019, to start selling online in Dublin city. In the seven years since the LEO's were created a total of **1,705** vouchers were approved between 2014 – 2020 to the value **€4.1M** (of this **1,097** were approved in **2020** to the value of **€2.6M**).

Grants 2020

74 businesses were supported in 2020 to a total value of €1.2 M in Feasibility/Innovation, Priming and Business Expansion Grants, see breakdown below.

Row Labels	Count of Grant Type	Sum of Approved Amount
Business Expansion	27	712,500.00
Feasibility/Innovation	34	285,671.88
Priming	13	292,500.00
Grand Total	74	1,290,671.88

Brexit Ready

In addition to the challenges created by the Covid 19 pandemic in 2020 businesses were also working to become Brexit ready. As hubs of expert advice, information and practical supports, dedicated Local Enterprise Office staff helped businesses to manage a Brexit response and take simple steps to prepare for Brexit. LEO supports – such as the ‘Prepare Your Business for Customs’ workshops – proved crucial to small businesses as the UK exited the Single Market and Customs Union. Brexit specific one-to-one mentoring sessions provided by the Local Enterprise Office were also availed of by Dublin city business owners.

Networks

Local Enterprise Office networks are key to provide an opportunity for entrepreneurs to come together and support each other as they grow, learn and develop their businesses

Dublin Food Chain is an innovative marketing and networking platform representing many of the outstanding food and drink producers based throughout Dublin city and county. LEO Dublin City collaborate with the other Dublin LEOs to offer this network which delivers 8 events per year. The network has over 2,000 members in the Dublin region.

The Women in Business Network is a Local Enterprise Office Dublin City initiative for women running their own business. Being an entrepreneur can be challenging and the group provides opportunities to share experiences, learn from other women and expand the business network. 2020 saw an increase in demand from network members for more regular events, due to the isolation created by Covid 19, which were planned and delivered. The numbers of network members also expanded in 2020 to 154 female entrepreneurs.

Inner City Enterprise **ICE** is a ‘not for profit’ charity set up to help unemployed people in Dublin’s inner city establish their own businesses or to create their own self - employment. Since 2015, the annual **Dublin City Social Enterprise Awards** have been managed by ICE and co-funded through the Department of Rural and Community Development and Dublin City Council. The competition includes a development programme for the awardee social enterprises, including mentoring, training and funding. Almost **€240,000** in prize funds has been won by social enterprise in Dublin City since the inception of this award programme and used to further drive their work. LEO has also supported the **ICE Young Entrepreneur Training** programme, a four week programme that offers an opportunity for young people aged between 18 -30 to learn more about entrepreneurship. Approximately **100** participants attend the programme each year.

Over the next seven year period, LEO Dublin City will continue to strive to provide first class support to the enterprise ecosystem in Dublin City. A key focus will be to maximise opportunities for job creation and retention, attained through:

1. Creating and raising local enterprise awareness and developing an enterprise culture and community-based enterprise activity
2. Providing a single/first point of contact service to the business community – providing business advice, direction and signposting , funding, training and mentoring
3. Providing support to private sector and community initiatives to secure the establishment and/or expansion of commercially viable micro-enterprise projects
4. Providing comprehensive pre and post-start-up support to new and expanding micro enterprises

5. Influencing the allocation of resources for microenterprise from EU, private and public funding sources
6. Promoting the general economic development of Dublin City

Despite the very high level of supports provided in 2020, already in 2021, we are seeing an increased demand for a range of LEO supports. The staff in LEO Dublin city continue to work hard to support Dublin city businesses.

Q.84 COUNCILLOR DECLAN FLANAGAN

To ask the Chief Executive to confirm what strategy he is employing in order to encourage more footfall into the city centre.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Covid Mobility Team are providing considerable resources to assist the City Recovery Programme entice people into the City through the re-allocation of road space to facilitate on-street dining across the City. A number of measures including footpath buildouts, "Zebra" interventions and traffic management changes are currently underway.

Footpath Buildouts

Footpath buildouts have recently been completed on Drury Street, Suffolk Street and Baggot Street and are currently underway on Capel Street and Merrion Row.

Grafton Street Area Pedestrian Zones

Following the strong public support and the successful pedestrianisation trials last summer, the following streets or part of, were made traffic free on the 24th May:

- South Anne Street
- Dame Court
- South William Street (Exchequer St to Brown Thomas carpark)
- Drury Street

Pedestrianisation trials will also be undertaken on Capel St. and Parliament St. on a Friday, Saturday and Sunday evening from 6.30pm to 11.30pm for a 6 week period from the 11th June.

Pedestrian Priority at Traffic Lights

DCC intends to keep the traffic signal operation at the new lower cycle time setting in order to maintain the increased level of pedestrian priority throughout the city and to try to prevent the build-up of pedestrians at crossing points.

Q.85 COUNCILLOR DECLAN FLANAGAN

To ask the Chief Executive to confirm how many electric charger points are setup throughout the city centre?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Overall, there is circa 170 public EVCPs already installed in the Dublin region.

The majority (ca. 65%) of EVCPs in the region are fast 22kW devices, while around 10% of chargers are rapid 50kW devices. A number of chargers are in en-route locations and there is a clustering of infrastructure in Dublin city centre, and other urban centres, based on historical patterns of EVCP deployment.

Q.86 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY FLYNN

To ask the Chief Executive for a full breakdown of street trading licence costs, what cost were charged to street traders through 2020.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The full breakdown of street trading licence costs can be found on the DCC website under the Casual Trading Fees By Laws 2013 for each location in the City.

<https://www.dublincity.ie/business/business-licences/casual-and-event-trading-licenses>

All Designated Traders who have renewed their licences in 2020 received a 50% reduction in fees and a further 50% reduction in fees in 2021.

Q.87 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY FLYNN

To ask the Chief Executive to issue a report and costings on the St. Laurence O' Toole's Community Centre a recent costing was undertaken on the centre. Will the manager commit to the reopening of the in line with a motion passed by the central area committee regarding its usage.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Former St Laurence O'Toole Community Training Centre ceased operating in February 2020 and the premises reverted back to Dublin City Council. The building was visually assessed by Roughan O'Donovan Consulting Engineers at this time to establish its general condition post occupancy by the Community Training Centre.

On initial inspection it was considered that this building would require substantial works to make it fit for use. Issues were identified at roof level as well as structural cracking in precast floor slabs. The building would also not comply with modern standards in terms of disability access, lift services fire safety etc.

The Consulting Engineers were unable to carry out a more detailed exercise at that time due to Covid 19 restrictions but following the easing of restrictions Dublin City Council engaged Austin Reddy & Company, Quantity Surveyors to carry a more thorough investigation and provide magnitude of costings.

The order of magnitude costings that were provided in July 2020 were of the order of three million euro to bring the building back to general usage, this would not factor in costs for any specific requirements to cater for specialised uses or inflation and fit out etc.

Further assessment works in the building will be carried out in the coming months, the outcome of which will inform our intentions into the future.

Q.88 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY FLYNN

To ask the Chief Executive to commit to resurfacing the roads & footpaths in the Cannon Lillis Avenue which have fallen to severe disrepair.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Canon Lillis does not feature in the 2021 Works Programme. The resurfacing of the carriageway will be considered in subsequent annual works programmes. In the interim, any potholes or defects arising shall be patched.

RMS will assign a crew to carry out local repairs on the footpaths when a crew is next in the location.

Q.89 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY FLYNN

To ask the Chief Executive for a full breakdown of costs in relation to the White Water Rafting project since its inception.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Below is a breakdown of the costs incurred to date to develop the White Water Rafting proposal for Georges Dock.

€89,223.31	Professional Services
€1,155,793.87	Consultancy
€170,911.12	Site Investigations / Surveys
€13,764.27	DCC Quantity Surveyor Charge
€2,121.46	Advertising
€1,431,814.03	Total

Q.90 COUNCILLOR MÁIRE DEVINE

To ask the Chief Executive to immediately withdraw the updated letter of consent to the Chartered Land application for the development of the Dublin Central site until the results of a full assessment of all 1916 buildings, carried out by suitably qualified independent experts, are made available for consideration by the members.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

An updated letter of consent was issued in respect of the properties 24-25 Moore Street, 1-3 O'Rahilly Parade and 14-15 Moore Lane by the Executive Manager of the Property Development Department at the request of Dublin Central General Partnership Ltd. on the 20th April 2021. The letter allows the DCC property to be included in a planning application but does not confer any rights on the applicant in respect of same. The letter of consent does not confer rights to build on the property should planning permission be granted. The assessment of any identified pre-1916 buildings is being managed by the Planning Department and is not related to the issuing of the letter of consent.

Q.91 COUNCILLOR MÍCHÉAL MACDONNCHA

To ask the Chief Executive what discussions he or any of the Executives have had with Hammerson regarding 24/25 Moore Street, Dublin City Council property, both in relation to the letter of consent to the submission of their planning applications and in relation to any proposed disposal of the property pursuant to their planning applications; how such proposal is being or will be assessed in light of the fact that this is a new application, substantially different to the Chartered Land application, the context of the previous proposed disposal; when any disposal will be brought before the City Council and if he will make a statement on the matter.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

At the request of Hammerson's, an updated letter of consent to include DCC property at 24-25 Moore Street, 1-3 O'Rahilly Parade and 14-15 Moore Lane, Dublin 1 in a planning application was issued. If Hammersons obtain planning permission for a scheme that is materially different to that of Chartered Land then the City Valuer would have to agree new terms and conditions with Hammersons and if agreed by both parties a Sect 183 report would be brought before the elected members for approval.

Q.92 COUNCILLOR JANET HORNER

To ask the Chief Executive the details of the partnership with Jaguar and Google for Air View Dublin - whether there was an open competition for this service and what the nature of the partnership is?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

On 10 May 2021 the Lord Mayor of Dublin, Hazel Chu, launched "Project Air View Dublin". This initiative is a collaboration between Dublin City Council and Google that will see Google's Street View car take to the streets of Dublin to measure air quality across the city.

Project Air View is an initiative of Google Earth Outreach and Google Street View and will be rolled out in Dublin in collaboration with Dublin City Council as part of its Smart Dublin programme.

The initiative will see Google's first electric Street View car, a Jaguar i-Pace, deployed around the city measuring air quality for one year.

The data generated from the project will be made public and openly available at the end of the campaign in approximately 12-18 months' time. An example can be seen in Copenhagen who just released their AirView mapping and data.
<https://insights.sustainability.google/labs/airquality>

Access to the data from project will encourage more people and policy makers to join the conversation around air quality and interventions that can contribute to its improvement.

During the 12-month timeline, the data will undergo a validation process, data quality assurance, scientific validation and analysis that will be carried out prior to publication.

This collaboration with Goggle does not involve a financial cost to Dublin City Council. The supply of the Street View car and the air monitoring equipment are managed by Google and there is no contractual obligation on the part of Dublin City Council in respect of either these.

Q.93 COUNCILLOR JANET HORNER

To ask the Chief Executive whether consideration was given to a Council-run shared E-scooter scheme similar to that of the Dublin Bikes as opposed to the privately operated shared e-scooter scheme (similar to Moby or Bleeper bikes) which is being pursued - and what the merits of a Council run and operated scheme would be?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council is at the initial phase of market engagement on a Proposed Dublin City Council Public E-Scooter Sharing Scheme(s), where we will hopefully gain useful feedback from potential e-scooter operators that can inform our next steps.

The promised legislation removing the legal prohibition on the use of e-scooters on public roads in Ireland has not yet been published or signed into law.

It would be important to first have clarity on these two items, and so we will revert to the Elected Members for discussion and agreement on the best approach to proceed with at that point.

Q.94 COUNCILLOR JANET HORNER

To ask the Chief Executive what actions and campaigns are being planned by the Council for Make Way Day in September to raise awareness of the need to keep footpaths unobstructed and in line with the Council's responsibility to promote the rights of persons with disabilities?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Active Travel Communication & Promotion Unit have met with the Disability Federation of Ireland (DFI) in regards to Make Way Day 2021. The 3 top priorities highlighted in a survey by the DFI to tackle in order to improve accessibility are:

1. Cars parked on footpaths
2. Bicycles illegally parked and
3. Bins left on footpaths.

We are engaging with relevant departments and sections internally to plan our Make Way Day campaign. Additionally, we have arranged to meet with the Disability Thematic Group of the PPN to ensure a collaborative approach.

The Parking Enforcement Division will be contacting the Disability Federation of Ireland to offer our support to the Make Way Day campaign and provide suitable resources on the day in line with the requirements.

Q.95 COUNCILLOR TINA MACVEIGH

To ask the Chief Executive whether supports will be provided to address the trauma experienced by our residents in our senior citizen complex Robinsons Court on Cork Street following the very violent murder that recently took place there and that was witnessed by some residents, and to ask the Manager whether he would consider a transfer for residents who are particularly traumatised by what they witnessed.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council have engaged with An Garda Síochána's crime prevention officer to do a safety report within the complex. I have asked for our Senior Engineer in Housing Maintenance to look at the feasibility of a gated entrance. Dublin City Council have eight Housing CC-TV cameras within the complex that are operational 24/7. All units in Robinsons Court have an internal alarm system monitored 24/7 linked to a call centre in case of any emergency. Dublin City Council has a Housing Liaison Officer who visits all tenants and calls daily as part of his duties.

Our SWIC housing team contacted all tenants in Robinson's Court that same day of the discovery of the murdered man to offer assurances and support if they wished to avail of social workers in our Housing Welfare section. Again on the day after SWIC Housing Staff called to all tenants in Robinson's Court and spoke with most and again provided contact details for our Housing Welfare Section. Any tenant of Robinsons Court impacted can apply to be considered for a priority under Exceptional Social Grounds. The tenants should contact Housing Welfare on 01-2222233 to avail of this service.

Q.96 COUNCILLOR TINA MACVEIGH

To ask the Chief Executive what is the status of the housing application of **(details supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The above applicant is on the Housing Waiting List with a Homeless priority, with an application date of 20/06/2017, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

Area	Bedsizes	Position
Area B	1	131
Area D	1	75
Area E	1	141

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

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

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

Q.97 COUNCILLOR TINA MACVEIGH

To ask the Chief Executive what is the status of **(details supplied)** on our housing list and whether he will consider her for allocation to a unit on Claddagh Road in Ballyfermot which we will be allocating in the near future.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The above applicant is on the Housing Transfer Waiting List, with an application date of 03/07/2018, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

Area	Bedsizes	Position
Area H	2	101
Area H	3	228
Area J	2	34
Area J	3	199
Area L	2	64
Area L	3	210

The applicant's interest in Claddagh Road, Dominic Street, Wolfe Tone Close and Bonham Street have been noted on her file, however, based on her current positions it is unlikely she will be reached for an offer in the near future. The applicant will be considered for offer when accommodation to meet her household need becomes available and according to her position on the list.

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

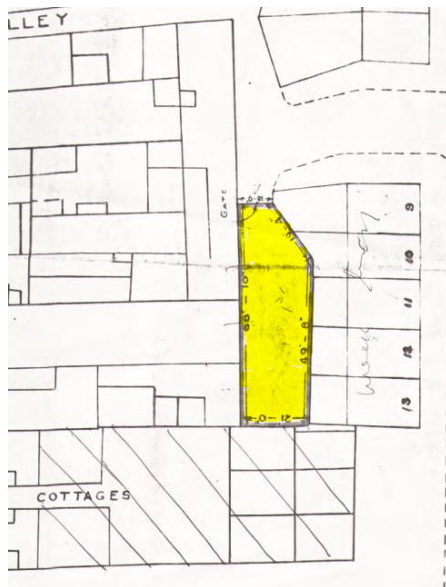
The applicant may wish to register her interest in Homeswapper.ie and create an account with a view to liaising with other applicants seeking transfers. Should the applicant be successful in finding a match, and all criteria is satisfied, it may decrease their waiting time.

Q.98 COUNCILLOR TINA MACVEIGH

To ask the Chief Executive whether the Council ever owned the land to the rear of 11 Ash Street in Dublin 8 and if so, when was it disposed of and to whom?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council was at one time the owner of a portion of the land behind nos. 9-13 Ash Street as shown in yellow on the old map extract on the left below. The physical landscape has changed greatly but an approximation of the area is shown on the modern Google aerial image on the right.



The land originally formed a laneway to a community hall which no longer exists. In the early 2000's Dublin City Council agreed to dispose of portions of the laneway to the owners of Nos. 10-13 Ash Street and Nos. 61-63 Meath Street for no monetary consideration.

This proposal did not proceed due to a dispute between the parties over the way the land would be apportioned with some claiming adverse possession and it resulted in a Circuit Court case. In 2007 the President of the Circuit Court made an Order in respect of the individual claims to the property and in order to allow the matter to conclude Dublin City Council raised no objection.

Unfortunately, there is no record on the Property Register of the manner in which the land was apportioned on foot of the Court Order but the Council is no longer the owner of it.

The vacant plot of land which now exists to the west side of the former laneway was never in the ownership of the Council and as it is not registered in the PRAI is it not possible to provide any indication as to who the owner may be.

Q.99 COUNCILLOR KEITH CONNOLLY

To ask the Chief Executive to install double yellow lines at **(detailed supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Parking on a section of a road where there is a continuous white line is illegal and Dublin Street Parking Services will be asked to enforce against any such parking on the bend of **(detailed supplied)**.

Q.100 COUNCILLOR KEITH CONNOLLY

To ask the Chief Executive following the changes in property tax announced on the 2nd of June 2021 can the following information be provided:

1. An estimate as to how much additional income the Council may take in as a result of the changes
2. The quantity of properties built since 2013 in the Dublin City area that were currently exempt from property tax.
3. How much additional income the City Council will receive based on the removal of LPT equalisation.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The City Council is not in apposition to estimate the additional income which will accrue from the changes as proposed by the LPT bill 2021. The scheme is administered by the Revenue Commissioners and the allocation advised to each local authority by the Department of Housing, Local Government & Heritage.

The CSO statistics for the period Q3 2013 to Q1 2021 indicated approx. 9900 house completions.

The value in 2021 of the transfer to equalisation was €16.3M. It is not clear at this point what the financial impact will be on the Self-Funding allocation to Housing and Roads programmes. The Self-Funding allocation replaces Central Government funding for these specific services.

Q.101 COUNCILLOR KEITH CONNOLLY

To ask the Chief Executive to assist in the housing case of **(details supplied)** who was recently awarded medical priority.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The above applicant is on the Transfer Housing List with a Medical Priority with an application date of 14/04/2021, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

Area	Bedsizes	Position
Area E	2	16
Area L	2	18
Area M	2	15

Housing Allocations are aware of the current medical needs of the applicant and a medical priority was recently awarded to the applicant. The applicant's interest in Willow Park and Griffith Road have been noted on her file.

Housing Allocations are actively trying to source suitable accommodation to the applicant's needs and are in contact with the applicant regarding same.

The applicant was recently offered a 2 bed apartment accommodation in the Scribblestown development, however, she refused the offer citing that it was not suitable as she would like a house.

Q.102 COUNCILLOR KEITH CONNOLLY

To ask the Chief Executive to provide in tabular form the amount of public bins removed from the Dublin City Council area for the years 2010-2020.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

No records exist of the amount of bins removed, a bin that has been removed permanently is notified to the various stakeholders in the area. Bin removal is only done as a last resort and would be for a valid reason, being regularly exploited for household waste, illegal dumping and consistent arson or damage.

Exchanging a traditional bin for a solar compactor can also occur.

Currently there are 3310 bins in DCC plus whatever temporary bins there are.

- End of 2020 there was 3180 bins.
- End of 2019 there was 3158 bins.
- End of 2018 there was 3114 bins.

Prior to this Waste Management do not have the quantity figures as the mapping and tagging of bins was only completed in 2018.

Q.103 COUNCILLOR CATHERINE STOCKER

To ask the Chief Executive for a breakdown of the number of 4 bed housing units acquired or built by DCC under Part V or other means of acquisition in areas B and E over the past 5 years.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The following number of 4 beds have been brought into social housing stock in Areas B & E over the past 5 years.

	No of units
Part V	19
DCC Acquisitions	41
AHB	63
Leasing	7
DCC Construction	0
Total	130

Q.104 COUNCILLOR CATHERINE STOCKER

To ask the Chief Executive for a breakdown of the numbers of council properties sold through the tenant purchase scheme each year for the past five years and the percentage of these relative to overall housing units owned by the council.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Tenant Incremental Purchase Scheme was introduced in 2016 and allows eligible tenants who wish to do so, the opportunity to purchase their house from the Local Authority at a discounted price. The Scheme excludes the sale of several categories of local authority properties including apartments, flats, maisonettes and duplexes.

Dublin City Council currently has a stock of 13,305 eligible units (houses) and the following numbers of houses have been sold under this scheme over the last 5 years

YEAR	HOUSES SOLD
2016	1
2017	56
2018	45
2019	34
2020	25
2021 TO DATE	5

This total of 166 houses represents 1.2% of eligible housing units having been sold under the scheme in the last 5 years.

Q.105 COUNCILLOR CATHERINE STOCKER

To ask the Chief Executive, in light of the proposed changes to Local Property Tax (LPT) and specifically the proposed amendment of Part 3 (liable person) of Principal Act, what LPT does DCC forecast that will be payable by DCC for long term leases in 2022 (including standard leases of 20 years and enhanced leases of 25 years)? And what would have been payable if the LPT legislation was enacted without this proposed amendment?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Currently the owner (Lessor) is liable for LPT for lease terms up to 20 years.

Under current legislation (Finance Act 2012 (as amended)) the Local Authority is the liable person for LPT on properties leased by the local authority for a period of twenty years or more. Leases of up to 25 years can be entered into under both standard leasing arrangements and enhanced leasing arrangements.

The LPT on properties leased using the current template lease is chargeable at the rate currently applied to the Council's owed rented stock. The liability is currently **€76** annually (the lowest band rate with a 15% reduction)

However, the lease agreement provides for recovery of the LPT liability from the Owner/Lessor and stipulates that the Lessor upon notification by the Council will pay the amount equivalent to the LPT liability. Refer to extract from a template lease below:

Clause 6.11 The Lessor shall be responsible for all taxes (including VAT), Local Property Tax, assessments, charges, impositions and outgoings other than utilities bills in respect of the property. Where the Lessee is the liable person under the Finance (Local Property Tax) Act 2012 (as amended) **the Lessor shall upon notification of the liability from the Lessee promptly pay and discharge to the Lessee an amount equivalent to the Local Property Tax levied on the Property,**

The proposed amendment to Part 3 of the Act in the Heads of Bill published by the Department of Finance provides that, in the case of such long leases to a local authority or a social housing body, the lessor remains the liable person. If enacted, the

amendment will mean that the Council will not be chargeable and will not be required to recoup LPT payments from Lessors.

The heads of the bill for the Finance (Local Property Tax) (Amendment) Bill 2021 have been proposed by the Minister for Finance and will be considered by both Houses of the Oireachtas. DCC looks forward to examining the Act, when passed, and will evaluate the impacts for the City then, financial and otherwise.

Q.106 COUNCILLOR CAROLINE CONROY

To ask the Chief Executive can the cycle lane on Griffith Ave Ext near Tolka Rovers Club house be cleared of overgrown grass and over hanging branches. The cycle lane on this stretch is poorly maintained and means cyclist have to veer into the pedestrian lane.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Parks, Biodiversity and Landscape services have inspected this stretch of cycle lane and have scheduled to prune back any overhanging branches and any impeding grass areas will be strimmed.

Q.107 COUNCILLOR CAROLINE CONROY

To ask the Chief Executive in light of the increase of litter around the City can all hand bin trucks be segregated into different sections for the collection of different recyclable materials in order to prevent all this valuable recyclable material ending up in landfill or incinerated.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council hand trucks/carts are designed for the collection and disposal of roadside litter gathered by means of a shovel and brush by individual staff members who sweep roads and laneways, which are otherwise inaccessible to our road sweeping vehicles. It is neither practical nor feasible for that staff member to sort or separate roadside refuse before or as he deposits it into his hand truck.

DCC reliant vehicles are used for the collection and emptying of litterbins and again it is neither practical nor feasible to segregate waste prior to depositing it into the back of a vehicle. Only refuse which has been separated at source can be collected in segregated vehicles and when waste is presented in segregated containers or bins the City Council collects such waste in the appropriate vehicle to match the waste.

Q.108 COUNCILLOR TERENCE FLANAGAN

To ask the Chief Executive to ensure that the footpath is repaired outside **(details supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Road Maintenance Services will have this section of path repaired within the next four weeks.

Q.109 COUNCILLOR TERENCE FLANAGAN

To ask the Chief Executive to deal with the following **(details supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Property Management Section will arrange for pest control to attend and deal with rat and mice infestation. Arrangements will be made to have the sites cleared of waste material, overgrown greenery and a general tidy-up.

Q.110 COUNCILLOR TERENCE FLANAGAN

To ask the Chief Executive to ensure that sufficient bins and toilets are available for usage by the public as they return to frequenting the city centre and that the cleaning schedule increases especially in black spot areas where large crowds have congregated in recent weeks at weekends.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council will be installing 150 Portaloo toilets, 54 large Eurobins and 80 Barrel Bins (13 additional) across the City from this weekend with a specific focus on high footfall areas in the City Centre.

This is in addition to the existing 3,310 bins and our 28 public toilet locations across the City. We will also be putting additional direct labour human resources in place to service the additional waste collection and contracted services for toilet management, including cleaning and queue management. The additional toilets will be open from 10am to 11pm daily.

The locations for toilets will be as follows:

North Side

- ☐ Wolfetone Sq. – additional provision
- ☐ Central median on O'Connell Street
- ☐ Smithfield – South end
- ☐ Royal Canal
- ☐ Mountjoy Sq.
- ☐ Diamond Park

South Side

- ☐ Sycamore St
- ☐ Temple Bar Square
- ☐ Chatham Row
- ☐ Sth King Street
- ☐ Coppinger Row
- ☐ Dame Court
- ☐ Dame Lane
- ☐ Merrion Square

Measures will be operationally assessed on an ongoing basis in line with demand and public behaviour.

Q.111 COUNCILLOR TERENCE FLANAGAN

To ask the Chief Executive for an update re: Santry greenway and ask that the Santry river be cleaned as soon as possible of all large debris and waste that has been dumped into it in recent times.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

In relation to the Santry River;

The Santry Greenway is part of the Santry River Rehabilitation and Greenway Project. Following Expressions of Interest to appoint a consultant to bring this project to Planning Stage eight interested parties were reduced to five. Tender Documents are currently being prepared and these are programmed to go to tender in July next.

The Steering Group for this project includes, Flood Projects & Water Framework Directive Division, Parks, Biodiversity & Landscape Services Division and Sustainable

Mobility Division. A number of environmental surveys are ongoing to determine the current river status. We are also liaising with Fingal County Council on this project. This project is updated monthly as the Santry River Rehabilitation Project in the monthly Councillors Projects updates. Further information can be acquired from wfd@dublincity.ie.

The Water Pollution Control Section of Dublin City Council regularly remove debris and waste that has been dumped into our rivers, including the Santry River.

We receive correspondence from members of the public through our dedicated email address waterpollution@dublincity.ie and from colleagues within Dublin City Council regarding pollution complaints.

Engineers within Water Pollution Control liaise with outdoor operational staff to resolve the complaint and removing any reported debris in a river. Additionally, locations of debris are noted during routine inspections and water sampling on rivers and subsequently removed by Water Pollution Control.

Removing debris from the Santry River is an ongoing and active task that we carry out. We also liaise with Waste Management Services as part of our role.

For further information regarding Water Pollution Control, please visit our website: <https://www.dublincity.ie/residential/environment/water-and-wastewater/water-pollution-control/about-water-pollution-control>

Please report any surface water pollution incident to waterpollution@dublincity.ie with a location and description of the incident. We deal with pollution complaints with urgency.

Q.112 COUNCILLOR NIAL RING

To ask the Chief Executive to detail how many on street car parking spaces have been removed to accommodate Covid 19 Mobility related measures/projects and to give an estimate of the income foregone (annually) due to the loss of these spaces.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The information requested is currently being finalised. A response will be issued to the Councillor directly as soon as it is available.

Q.113 COUNCILLOR NIAL RING

To ask the Chief Executive to detail DCC's inspection and enforcement process/procedures in relation to private rented accommodation and to detail the statistics relating to the programme for 2019 and 2020.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Inspections are undertaken to enforce quality standards in private rented properties under the Housing (Standards for Rented Houses) Regulation 2019. These Regulations require landlords of rented properties, to ensure that the property meets certain minimum standards.

The inspection on the property is carried out by an Environmental Health Officer to see if the property is compliant with the required standards. If the property is found to be non-compliant the process below is initiated. A property that is found to be non-compliant indicates that some aspect of the property does not comply with the Regulations which may range from a lack of fire blanket to structural defects.

As a first step an Improvement Letter is sent. This letter requests the landlord to complete a list of works within a specified time to bring the property into compliance with the legislation. This letter is only used in cases where the contraventions are considered minor by the Environmental Health Officer or where the landlord readily agrees to complete any remedial work required. The property is again inspected on expiry of the specified time to ensure that the remedial works are completed

Where there are serious contraventions of the standards or where works were not completed of foot of the Improvement Letter an Improvement Notice is served. This is a statutory notice requiring the landlord to remedy the works listed in the Notice within a specified time period. The landlord has a right to appeal this notice. Again on expiry of the specified time the property is again inspected by the Environmental Health Officer to ensure the remedial works are completed.

Where the Improvement Notice has not been complied with, further enforcement action may be taken. This can include a time extension, the service of a Prohibition Notice and /or initiation of legal proceedings.

A Prohibition Notice prohibits the landlord from re-letting the property on expiry of the tenancy that was in place when the Notice was served, until it is brought up to standard .It does not require the existing tenant to vacate the property nor can it be used by the landlord as a reason to terminate the tenancy. A Prohibition Notice can only be served where a landlord fails to comply an Improvement Notice and the landlord has a right of appeal to this notice.

Legal Proceedings may be initiated where an Environmental Officer is obstructed or where a landlord fails to comply with an Improvement Notice or where the property is let in breach of a Prohibition Notice. At Court the landlord may be convicted and or fined.

The process outlined above takes some time and at the end of it there is no guarantee that the property will be brought into compliance with the required standards. This process is laid down in statute under the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1992 and this Department has sought enhanced powers under this legislation to allow the Court to direct a landlord to comply with the requirements of an Improvement Notice or Prohibition Notice within a specified time and to allow the Council to apply to the Circuit or High Court for an order requiring the immediate repair, restriction and or prohibition of use of a rented property in any situation where there is a risk to the persons because of the condition of the house or overcrowding. Further amendments to current legislation have also been sought in relation to overcrowding.

The Covid-19 pandemic resulted in the Environmental Health Section taking the innovative approach of developing a system to allow for virtual inspections of private rented properties which commenced in May 2020 and is ongoing. The following are the statistics for 2019 and 2020.

Dublin City Council - Enforcement of Minimum Standards in Rented Accommodation in 2019							
Dwellings Inspected	Inspections Carried Out	Dwellings inspected not meeting regulatory requirements	Improvement Letters issued to landlords for improvements to be carried out	Improvement Notices served on landlords for improvements to be carried out	Prohibition Notices Served	Legal action initiated	COMPLIANT (i.e. Total number of Dwellings inspected that were deemed COMPLIANT in 2019, including those where initial inspection was carried out in the previous year but compliance was achieved in the current year).
5,606	9,099	4,973	4,562	1,118	61	55	4,189

Dublin City Council - Enforcement of Minimum Standards in Rented Accommodation in 2020									
Dwellings Inspected	Total Inspections Carried Out	Physical on-site Inspections Carried Out	Virtual Inspections Carried Out	Dwellings inspected not meeting regulatory requirements	Improvement Letters issued to landlords for improvements to be carried out	Improvement Notices served on landlords for improvements to be carried out	Prohibition Notices Served	Legal action initiated	COMPLIANT (i.e. Total number of Dwellings inspected that were deemed COMPLIANT in 2020, including those where initial inspection was carried out in the previous year but compliance was achieved in the current year).
2,224	3,020	1,794	1,226	1,737	1,761	465	10	0	3,446

Q.114 COUNCILLOR NIAL RING

To ask the Chief Executive if any preliminary figures are available regarding visits to/usage of public parks under DCC control as it is clear that during the Covid 19 crisis usage of parks has increased significantly and a whole new cohort of the public has discovered the wonderful amenities that are our public parks.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

While definitive statistics on the numbers of persons visiting Dublin City Parks is not available it is evident that there have been substantial increases in both the number of people and the frequency of visits with some international research suggesting an increase of up to 100% for cities such as Dublin.

Q.115 COUNCILLOR NIAL RING

To ask the Chief Executive to detail the legal responsibilities of Dublin City Council vis a vis crowds assembling and drinking/partying on public streets, as it would seem from media coverage and business owners calls/demands that DCC is fully responsible for all anti-social behaviour and breaches of Covid 19 regulations which take place on our streets.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Dublin City Council has a specific role to manage the public realm. It has no general role in the management of crowds in the public realm or the enforcement of COVID 19 regulations. This is a matter for the Gardai. Dublin City Council has put Intoxicating Liquor Bye-laws in place which prohibit the consumption of alcohol in public places. An Garda Síochána enforce these bye-laws.

There has been some confusion in recent days between "events" and what has been happening on City streets. To be clear, events are very specific, highly planned gatherings of people for a specific reason. They take many months and in some cases up to a year to organise. The planning includes elements such as site specific risk

assessment, transport plan, crowd management plans, security plans, medical plans, ticketing and much more. What has been happening on City streets over the last number of weekends are not “events”.

The size and nature of some gatherings on City streets recently are also against the current COVID 19 regulations. From the 7th June outdoor “events” have been allowed with crowds of 100 people. This will increase to 200 people on the 5th July.

Q.116 COUNCILLOR JOHN LYONS

To ask the Chief Executive for a report on the number, size and location of all-weather football facilities in the Dublin City area, broken down into each of the local electoral areas that comprised the city’s administrative area and to provide details as to how each is operated and maintained.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE’S REPLY:

To my knowledge there are 3 main types of DCC managed all-weather football pitches across the city. These can be categorised as follows:

1. Single or multiple pitches located in our Sport & Fitness and Community Recreation Centres that are available for groups to formally book. These tend to be standard 7-a-side or 5-a-side pitches.
2. Single pitches located in urban spaces (e.g. flats complexes) that are primarily free and open access for local residents & young people to utilise. There is often a loose management system in place with these pitches whereby a DCC staff member from the local area office or even one or more local residents may act as key-holders and ensure the pitch is well maintained and looked after. These pitches tend to be Multi Use Games Areas (MUGA’s) and cater for several activities, not just football. Also, they tend to be smaller than your standard 7-a-side or 5-a-side pitch.
3. All-weather pitches located in our parks & green spaces. Again, some of these may be free and open access for anyone to use while others may incorporate a booking system (often in conjunction with the local football club who will act as an anchor tenant and have priority access for team training etc...). Sizes may vary.

As you can see, there is a huge variation when it comes to the type, size & location of DCC’s all-weather pitches. I’m not sure if any exercise was previously carried out to map all of the all-weather pitches in the city. It would be my opinion that staff from each of the 5 main Area Offices would be best placed to pull together the information for each of their respective areas.

Central Area:

Housing Complexes:

- Saint Michins House- 5 a side pitch.
- Hardwick St Complex - 7 a side pitch.
- Kevin Barry House- 5 a side pitch
- Blackhall / Queen St- 5 a side pitch.
- Constitution Hill. – 3 a side pitch.
- Dunne Street
- North Clarence Street
- Ballybough House
- James Larkin House
- Hill Stree/Alfie Byrne

MUGA Pitches.

- Muga-Pitch off Marys Lane Smithfield Dublin 7. -7 a side pitch (at Present managed by P.E.O in Parnell Street).
- MUGA-Pitch in Drumalee Estate N.C.R Dublin 7. -7 a side pitch (at present playing-surface defective, and Fencing Vandalised, pitch is locked at all-times).
- Aughrim Street - tarmac pitch with no management
- Grenville Street – tarmac football/basketball volunteer managed.
- Hill Street Playground – Tarmac MUGA
- Aldborough Place – Tarmac Pitch with Local Area Office input
- Portland Place Park – small MUGA managed by Residents with play surface
- Matt Talbot Court – tarmac MUGA
- North William Street – tarmac MUGA
- Larkin House – tarmac MUGA

Parks Service manages the following locations. They are cleaned and maintained on contract.

Name	Location	Surface Type
<u>North Central Area</u>		
St Anne's Park	St. Anne's Park, off All Saints Rd	3G
Maypark MUGA	Mayfield, off Malahide Rd	
Kilbarrack	Off Foxfield Green	3G
Father Collins	Hole In the Wall Rd, Donaghmede	3G
Stardust MUGA	Stardust Memorial Park, Kilmore, D5	
Donaghmede	Donaghmede Park	3G
Ellenfield soccer	Ellenfield Park, D9	Tiger Turf (sand bound)
Rockfield Soccer	Rockfield Park, Beaumont D9	Artificial turf
<u>Central Area</u>		
Sheriff St. Cammon	Off Cammon St. Dublin 1	3G
Sheriff St Mariner's Pt	Off Mariner's Port	3G
<u>South Central Area</u>		
Cherry Orchard 1	Off Cherry Orchard Street,	2G
Kylemore Avenue 1	Off Kylemore Avenue Dublin 10	2G
Kylemore Avenue 2	Off Kylemore Avenue Dublin 10	2G
Markiewicz Park	Markiewicz Park off Ballyfermot Rd	2G
Willie Pearce	Crumlin	3G
Eamonn Ceannt	Sundrive Rd	3G
Brickfield Park 1	Brickfield Park off Slievenamon Rd	3G
Brickfield Park 2	Brickfield Park off Slievenamon Rd	2G
Bluebell	Bernard Curtis Park	3G
<u>South East Area</u>		
Ringsend Park 2	Ringsend Park Football Pitch	3G
South Docks Street	South Docks Street	Artificial Turf - flat pile
Herbert Park Football	Herbert Park, beside coffee shop	2G sand filled
Herzog Rathgar	Herzog Rathgar	2G sand filled
Cabbage Gardens	Off Kevin's St. Upper Dublin 8	2G sand filled

Q.117 COUNCILLOR JOHN LYONS

To ask the Chief Executive to provide a report on the number of football clubs across the city that the city council provides facilities for, the location of each club, a description of the facilities provided in each instance and details on the ongoing operation and maintenance of said facilities.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Parks Service currently has letting agreements for 214 grass pitches with approximately 128 sporting clubs spanning the entire city, many of whom have several teams at both adult and schools level . Pitches are cut weekly at the height of the growing season, less frequently during dormant periods. In addition Parks Service provides all weather pitches in some park locations in the city.

Q.118 COUNCILLOR JOHN LYONS

To ask the Chief Executive for a detailed update on the alternative plan for the Oscar Traynor Road site, details of all communication between the city council and the department of housing and a detailed report on the Strategic Assessment Report (SAR) requested by the department.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Please see Update on Oscar Traynor Road development plan attached.

Q.119 COUNCILLOR CATHERINE STOCKER

To ask the Chief Executive, can the Department of Housing decide not to pay the cost of long term leases entered into by DCC. And if so what would be monetary amount payable on long term leases by DCC in 2022, 2023 and so on?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Funding approval is sought from the Department of Housing in advance of long term lease agreements being exchanged.

Q.120 COUNCILLOR BRIEGE MACOSCAR

To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the progress of **(details supplied)**.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Planning permission was granted for a development including the demolition of the existing Church **(details supplied)** and construction of a new church/parish pastoral centre building under plan ref. 3023/19. The permitted development will create a 0.72 ha residual site area, however, no further planning application or Part 8 application has been submitted in relation to this area to date.

DCC is currently finalising the legal agreement regarding the acquisition of this site. Pending the completion of these legal matters, the City Council is progressing to the design stage for the development of a senior citizens scheme on the site.

Q.121 COUNCILLOR BRIEGE MACOSCAR

To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the rent to buy properties at **(details supplied)** and whether the outstanding remedial works have been resolved.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The City Council have recently contacted the applicants for the Rent to Buy Scheme at this development to progress their applications. The necessary Remedial Works are complete.

Q.122 COUNCILLOR DAITHÍ DOOLAN

To ask the Chief Executive to outline in tabular form, area by area the phase 2 insulation plan?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The 2021 phase 2 works programme is as follows:

Area	No. of properties
North West	69
North Central	20
Central	28
South Central	60
South East	27

The future works programme is dependent upon the continued funding support from the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage.

Q.123 COUNCILLOR SÉAMAS MCGRATTAN

To ask the Chief Executive what are the financial implications to DCC with the new housing bill announced by the Government, i.e. will any transfer of land to state ownership have an affect financially.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The Affordable Housing Bill has been published on 11th May 2021 and will be considered by both Houses of the Oireachtas. DCC looks forward to examining the Act, when passed and will evaluate the impacts for the City then, financial and otherwise.

Q.124 COUNCILLOR SÉAMAS MCGRATTAN

To ask the Chief Executive to engage with **(details supplied 1)** with a proposal they have around changing a playing pitch in **(details supplied 2)** into a multi-use pitch.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Parks, Biodiversity and Landscape services currently have no plans to change pitches at **(details supplied)**.

Q.125 COUNCILLOR SÉAMAS MCGRATTAN

To ask the Chief Executive how many people are currently on the housing waiting lists in Area E and P and how many people are in receipt of HAP with addresses in these areas.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Please find below the table for the number of people on the waiting list for Social Housing in Area E and Area P from the latest Housing Allocations Report –

WAITING LIST	Area E	Area P	Grand Total
HOUSING LIST TOTAL	2240	293	2533
TRANSFER LIST TOTAL	2626	279	2905
COMBINED GRAND TOTAL	4866	572	5438

There are a total of 1250 mainstream HAP and 1,460 Homeless HAP tenancies in the Cabra-Finglas and North Inner City municipal areas.

Q.126 COUNCILLOR SÉAMAS MCGRATTAN

To ask the Chief Executive has dcc been in contact with the owners of the site of **(details supplied)** with a view to developing social housing here.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

We have had no contact with the current owner of the site in recent months. Nevertheless, the owners are welcome to contact Dublin City Council's Planning department should they wish to approach us with ideas for possible development.

Q.127 COUNCILLOR NAOISE Ó MUIRÍ

To ask the Chief Executive to please address the following matters **(details supplied)** in relation to noise pollution.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

- Dublin City Council is the enforcement authority for the purposes of Sections 107 and 108 of the Environmental Protection Agency Act 1992 in relation to noise and nuisance. The management of noise from rail activities including railway traffic is the legal responsibility of Irish Rail.
- The Noise Action Plan is developed in accordance with the EU Environmental Noise Directive and there are no mandatory noise limits for residential areas under this Directive.
- Dublin City Council does not monitor noise levels on the railway line between **(details supplied)**.
- The Noise Maps are based on data collated in 2017 during Round 3 noise mapping under EU Environmental Noise Directive and do not necessarily reflect current 2021 conditions. Round 4 noise mapping will commence during the latter half of 2021 in order to prepare the next iteration of the Strategic Noise Plan in 2022. It should be noted that the preparation of the strategic noise plan will include a public consultation process where specific concerns may be raised.
- Train speeds on various sections of the rail line and maintenance and upgrading works are an operational matter for Irish Rail. This will be queried with Irish Rail and a response will be sent directly to the Councillor on that matter.
- The matter of noise abatement plans is a matter for Irish Rail and as above this will be raised with them and a response will be sent directly to the Councillor on this matter.

Q.128 COUNCILLOR NAOISE Ó MUIRÍ

To ask the Chief Executive, in relation to the laneway that runs to the rear of the houses on the southern side of Seapark Drive (entrance to laneway beside No. 76 Seapark Drive) can the CEO:

- Confirm if it is currently in charge or if it carries a right-of-way
- If it is partially in charge confirm which part is in charge and why
- Organise for any waste currently dumped in the laneway to be removed and the laneway cleaned.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The above mentioned laneway is not in charge and as such is not part of Dublin City Council's cleaning remit.

The laneway that abuts the rear of properties Nos. 2 to 86 Seapark Drive is not in-charge.

- The laneway at the rear of houses 2-88 Seapark Drive, Clontarf, Dublin 3 is **not** in charge of Dublin City Council.

- There is only a statutory public right of way over laneways that are “in charge”.
- The full length of this laneway is showing up on the DCC internal GIS Mapping system as not “in charge”
- The Council is only responsible for laneways that are ‘in charge’.

Q.129 COUNCILLOR NAOISE Ó MUIRÍ

To ask the Chief Executive to confirm if the laneway that connects Vernon Avenue to Vernon Wood/St Joseph’s Square is in the charge of Dublin City Council? If so can a concave mirror be erected on either the electricity pole (DP 021008) or the lighting standard (No. 2) at this location to assist with driver visibility please.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE’S REPLY:

Saint Joseph’s Square and Vernon Wood are in-charge of Road Maintenance Services.

It has been confirmed that this laneway is in charge, however Dublin City Council do not provide concave traffic mirrors as they give a distorted view of approaching traffic which is potentially hazardous and such mirrors attract a high degree of vandalism.

Q.130 COUNCILLOR NAOISE Ó MUIRÍ

To ask the Chief Executive in relation to the following: A local senior citizen had a serious fall on Philipsburgh Avenue between Brian Avenue and Fairview Church as per the details below **(details supplied)**. Can the CEO organise for an urgent examination of this stretch of footpath so that this and any further trip hazards identified are resolved urgently for safety reasons.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE’S REPLY:

Road Maintenance Services received a report regarding this incident. First of all I would like to wish the member of your club well and I hope she recovers soon.

Following the report of defective footpath which included a number of photos, road maintenance services inspected the footpath between St Joseph’s Square and the Spar shop on Philipsburgh Avenue. A number of temporary repairs have been completed at this location. A further inspection will be carried out between Fairview Church and Brian road as per this request. Temporary repairs will be carried out where required.

Road Maintenance will include the footpath between St Joseph’s Terrace and Bombay Pantry for permanent repair in 2022 or sooner if funding is available. Other localised repairs will also be included.

Q.131 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE HENEY

To ask the Chief Executive if in relation to **(details supplied)**, he can arrange to fill in deep groove and resurface as it poses a serious danger to cyclists.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE’S REPLY:

Road Maintenance Services will inspect this location and will schedule a repair if required. This repair will be completed when a crew is available in the area.

Q.132 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE HENEY

To ask the Chief Executive if in relation to **(details supplied)**, he can arrange the erection of as 'caution cyclists approaching'.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

All of this area (**details supplied 1**) is Private Property. DCC would have to engage with the owner of same, for them to erect something suitable.

In that regard, the following condition was attached to the most recent planning permission granted on the site (**details supplied 2**) regarding signage to be submitted prior to the completion of the project. There is no record on file as yet of a formal submission in this regard.

5. The requirements of DCC's Transport Planning Division shall be undertaken as follows:

c) The following shall be agreed in writing with the Traffic Management & Control and Roads Maintenance Divisions of Dublin City Council:

- i. The area of the site to be taken in charge and maintained by Dublin City Council shall be delineated on a drawing and submitted for the written agreement of Environment & Transportation Department prior to commencement of development. All areas to be taken in charge shall be constructed in accordance with DCC requirements.*
- ii. The entry and exit junction arrangements shall be designed in accordance with the Design Manual for Urban Roads and Streets (DMURS). Revised proposals for the access points shall be agreed prior to commencement of development.*

iii. Details of all signage and markings along the cycle route prior to completion of the development;

d) All costs incurred by Dublin City Council, including any repairs to the public road and services necessary as a result of the development, shall be at the expense of the developer.

e) The developer shall be obliged to comply with the requirements set out in the Code of Practice.

Reason: In the interests of traffic safety

Q.133 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE HENNEY

To ask the Chief Executive if in relation to (**details supplied**), he can examine the possibility of erecting a stop sign (as opposed to a yield sign) as motorists approaching this junction from details attached only look right and never left where motorists are (a) exiting domestic driveways on the left or (b) temporarily stopped on main road indicating to turn right towards business on the right.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The appropriateness of a Stop sign versus a Yield sign is defined in the Traffic Signs Manual. Stop signs are provided to identify priority at junctions where priority is unclear or at crossroads. The provision of a Yield Sign in preference to a Stop Sign requires that drivers have sufficient visibility of conflicting traffic to judge that it is safe to continue to join or cross that traffic without stopping. The existing Yield sign is appropriate in indicating priority at the junction concerned. Under the Road Traffic Regulations, traffic on a road ending at a T junction must give way to traffic from either direction on the other road and a driver of a vehicle entering a public road from a place which is not a public road shall yield the right of way to all vehicles and pedestrians proceeding in either direction along the public road.

Q.134 COUNCILLOR DEIRDRE HENEY

To ask the Chief Executive if in relation to **(details supplied)**, he can outline the type of improvements/enhancements planned for same.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Road Maintenance Services has included **(details supplied 1)** in our annual works program for localised footpath repairs.

I have attached a sketch of the locations which will be repaired as part of these works. As the kerbs are classed as "antique granite", these will be kept and reset as is the DCC policy throughout the city.

Due to budget constraints, the section of **(details supplied 2)** was not included in this year's program (except for the shaded portion on the attached sketch).

By carrying out localised repairs, the Road Maintenance section can stretch the works budget, improving the condition and safety of footpaths for as many citizens as possible.

The dates for these works have not been finalised however all affected residents will be notified by letter drop prior to the works.

Q.135 COUNCILLOR EIMER MCCORMACK

To ask the Chief Executive to investigate and report on the current condition of Quarry Road in Cabra, Dublin 7. In particular investigate whether the installation of speed bumps should be delayed any longer. Also, the need for tree pruning along the entire road, the repair of the footpaths damaged and lifted by tree growth, the parking of construction traffic working at the Cabra Hills site.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

With regards to speed ramps on Quarry Road, Cabra, the location has been added for traffic calming as part of the Transport Advisory Groups Package 7 works. These works include an uncontrolled pedestrian crossing with pedestrian refuge island, footpath build outs reducing carriageway widths at particular points, more formalised parking areas, and cycle stands. The design has being finalised and it is envisaged the Pedestrian Crossing will be installed in Q3 of 2021.

Road Maintenance Services will arrange to have the tree trips repaired.

The Parking Enforcement Inspector will investigate the issue of construction traffic parking around the Quarry Road area. Parks, Biodiversity and Landscape services have inspected the trees along Quarry road and trees were found in a healthy condition with no further works recommended at this time.

Q.136 COUNCILLOR EIMER MCCORMACK

To ask the Chief Executive to report on the current plans to ensure safety of open water swimmers and sea swimmers in Clontarf after numerous near misses by jet-skiers from the yacht club on swimmers recently. Can these skiers be reminded of their responsibilities to other water users? Can a safety audit of the water be conducted by council?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

We are aware of issues and are examining bye laws and liaising with the Coast Guard and Dublin Port. A detailed response will issue to the Councillor shortly.

Q.137 COUNCILLOR EIMER MCCORMACK

To ask the Chief Executive to report on its plans for the upgrade of the hardware at Ashington Park. Recent works by the Irish Rail contractor to repair playing area's for football and basketball courts require the replacement of backboards and nets for the basketball and the painting of goalposts and net installation also. Can the introduction of exercise equipment throughout the park be investigated also?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

Parks, Biodiversity and Landscape services have recently placed an order to replace any necessary basketball and tennis equipment at Ashington Park. Also, line painting of the tarmac areas and painting of the goalposts will be carried out during reinstatement works. Park services have listed this area for consideration for exercise equipment during future Parks improvement program.

Q.138 COUNCILLOR EIMER MCCORMACK

To ask the Chief Executive to report on the progress to date with getting Lyndsey Road resurfaced? The road is in poor and unsafe condition, has been recorded as being placed on the works programme but nothing of any substance has occurred to date.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The resurfacing of Lindsay Road is not included in the 2021 Works Programme. It will be considered when drafting subsequent works programmes. In the interim, any defects shall be patched.

Q.139 COUNCILLOR DANIEL CÉITINN

To ask the Chief Executive if a price has been agreed for social & affordable units in the Glass Bottle site development and if he will provide an update on the matter.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

No planning application has yet been lodged for this site. Once lodged, the Housing Department will commence detailed discussions with the developer. Costs and valuations will be assessed post planning approval with the objective of a Part V agreement being in place within 8 weeks of commencing on site.

Q.140 COUNCILLOR PATRICIA ROE

To ask the Chief Executive if DCC has an input into plans for the redevelopment of the National Theatre and surrounding area, and if so, for a report on any plans submitted by the Abbey Theatre to DCC or any plans which DCC may have for the immediate area. Secondly, in light of the proposed plans to extend the footprint of the theatre into surrounding building and the ensuing increase in footfall for cultural pursuits to this area-Middle/Lower Abbey St., Marlborough St., Eden Quay, - that DCC would consider, rather than disposing of the former Plough Pub building, developing apartments from first floor level up by direct build or through an AHB and developing the ground floor space as a commercial art gallery / other cultural use space? Having attended the Dublin Central local area committee meeting, it is clear that a majority feel it would be wrong for DCC to dispose of this building to be developed privately.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The City Arts Office has advised by request the Development Department on the suitability of this premises for Artists Workspaces, including cost per square foot, design and co-design approaches and funding options.

The Government has approved an indicative investment for the redevelopment of the National Theatre on the basis that the facilities it provides are no longer fit for purpose. The Abbey Theatre is now charged with the preparation of a detailed appraisal of how

to modernise the facilities and to draw up plans to redevelop. These plans will require to be the subject of a planning process during which it would be expected that the applicants would engage with the Planning Department. As off today's date, Dublin City Council has not received a planning application in relation to the proposed redevelopment.

At its meeting on the 8th June the Central Area Committee agreed to recommend the disposal of 28 Abbey Street and 109 Marlborough Street subject to the removal of the option by the City Council to lease the residential units on completion of the development.

Q.141 COUNCILLOR PATRICIA ROE

To ask the Chief Executive for an up-to-date report on the proposed cultural quarter for Parnell Square?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

The proposed Parnell Square Cultural project was successful in its bid for Urban Regeneration and Development Fund (URDF) Call 2.

As previously advised to the Councillors, the project was suspended in March 2020 in accordance with the Consultancy contract following stage 2(ii) b Design to Planning.

Dublin City Council appointed a project manager in January 2021. She is currently engaged in a detailed examination of the project and is working closely with the Architects and Design Team to determine design fees, scope of works and timelines before progressing with Stage 2(ii) c Detailed Design.

A full report to the Councillors will be given in September 2021.

Q.142 COUNCILLOR PATRICIA ROE

To ask the Chief Executive to advise if funding has been approved for the re-surfacing of tennis courts in Ellenfield Park, Whitehall, D.9. Can the CE advise on when these works are scheduled to be undertaken and how long they are expected to take?

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPLY:

An interim solution to extend the safe useful life of the surface whereby the carpet would be deep cleaned and the infill replaced has been ordered and will be carried out as soon as contractors are available. Once the contractors arrive on site it is not expected that the works will take more than a few days to complete.

Appendix B: City Council Meeting 14th June 2021

Report No. 162/2021 & 163/2021- Variation No.33 to the Dublin City Development Plan 2016-2022 (Ad-Hoc)	
Councillor Hazel de Nortúin	Abstain
Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud	Abstain
Councillor Briege MacOscar	Against
Councillor Caroline Conroy	Against
Councillor Carolyn Moore	Against
Councillor Cat O' Driscoll	Against
Councillor Catherine Stocker	Against
Councillor Darcy Lonergan	Against
Councillor Dearbháil Butler	Against
Councillor Donna Cooney	Against
Councillor Janet Horner	Against
Councillor Keith Connolly	Against
Councillor Michael Pidgeon	Against
Councillor Patricia Roe	Against
Councillor Racheal Batten	Against
Councillor Tara Deacy	Against
Councillor Tina MacVeigh	Against
Deputy Lord Mayor Mary Callaghan	Against
Lord Mayor Hazel Chu	Against
Councillor Alison Gilliland	For
Councillor Anthony Connaghan	For
Councillor Anthony Flynn	For
Councillor Christy Burke	For
Councillor Cieran Perry	For
Councillor Claire O'Connor	For
Councillor Colm O'Rourke	For
Councillor Daithí de Róiste	For
Councillor Daithí Doolan	For
Councillor Damian O'Farrell	For
Councillor Daniel Céitinn	For
Councillor Danny Byrne	For
Councillor Darragh Moriarty	For
Councillor Daryl Barron	For
Councillor Declan Flanagan	For
Councillor Declan Meenagh	For
Councillor Deirdre Conroy	For
Councillor Deirdre Heney	For
Councillor Dermot Lacey	For
Councillor Eimer McCormack	For
Councillor James Geoghegan	For
Councillor Jane Horgan-Jones	For
Councillor Janice Boylan	For
Councillor Joe Costello	For
Councillor John Lyons	For
Councillor Kevin Donoghue	For
Councillor Larry O'Toole	For
Councillor Máire Devine	For
Councillor Mannix Flynn	For
Councillor Mary Freehill	For
Councillor Michael Watters	For
Councillor Micheál MacDonncha	For
Councillor Naoise Ó Muirí	For
Councillor Nial Ring	For
Councillor Noeleen Reilly	For
Councillor Paddy McCartan	For
Councillor Pat Dunne	For
Councillor Ray McAdam	For
Councillor Séamas McGrattan	For
Councillor Terence Flanagan	For
Councillor Tom Brabazon	For
Councillor Vincent Jackson	For
For	42
Against	17
Abstain	2

Vote 1 - Topical Issue 1 : Dublin and the Outdoor Summer (Ad-Hoc)	
Councillor Anthony Connaghan	Against
Councillor Anthony Flynn	Against
Councillor Carolyn Moore	Against
Councillor Cat O' Driscoll	Against
Councillor Catherine Stocker	Against
Councillor Cieran Perry	Against
Councillor Daithí de Róiste	Against
Councillor Daithí Doolan	Against
Councillor Damian O'Farrell	Against
Councillor Daniel Céitinn	Against
Councillor Daryl Barron	Against
Councillor Dearbháil Butler	Against
Councillor Deirdre Conroy	Against
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Councillor Séamas McGrattan	Against
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Councillor Christy Burke	For
Councillor Claire Byrne	For
Councillor Claire O'Connor	For
Councillor Colm O'Rourke	For
Councillor Danny Byrne	For
Councillor Darcy Loneragan	For
Councillor Darragh Moriarty	For
Councillor Declan Flanagan	For
Councillor Declan Meenagh	For
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Councillor John Lyons	For
Councillor Kevin Donoghue	For
Councillor Mary Freehill	For
Councillor Michael Watters	For
Councillor Naoise Ó Muirí	For
Councillor Nial Ring	For
Councillor Patricia Roe	For
Councillor Racheal Batten	For
Councillor Ray McAdam	For
Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud	For
Councillor Tara Deacy	For
Councillor Terence Flanagan	For
Councillor Tina MacVeigh	For
Councillor Tom Brabazon	For
Lord Mayor Hazel Chu	For
For	35
Against	26

Topical Issue No. 2 - Public Order in the City (Ad-Hoc)	
Councillor Alison Gilliland	Against
Councillor Anthony Connaghan	Against
Councillor Carolyn Moore	Against
Councillor Cat O' Driscoll	Against
Councillor Catherine Stocker	Against
Councillor Cieran Perry	Against
Councillor Daithí Doolan	Against
Councillor Damian O'Farrell	Against
Councillor Daniel Céitinn	Against
Councillor Darcy Lonergan	Against
Councillor Declan Meenagh	Against
Councillor Donna Cooney	Against
Councillor Janice Boylan	Against
Councillor Joe Costello	Against
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Councillor Tara Deacy	For
Councillor Terence Flanagan	For
Councillor Tina MacVeigh	For
Councillor Tom Brabazon	For
Lord Mayor Hazel Chu	For
For	35
Against	23