

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
SOUTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
16th June 2021

Q1 Councillor Michael Watters

To ask the Director of Services if it would be possible to move the bus stop and road markings down the road and away from the front of Rialto Parish Church, Rialto, Dublin 8. The Church is experiencing issues with the no. 17 bus, which is blocking the gates to the Church, which is causing particular issue during funerals.

Reply

Bus shelters are managed and maintained by the NTA and any queries about their use should be sent directly to the NTA for them to look into.

Contact: Adam Kelly, Environment & Transportation Department

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Q2 Councillor Michael Watters

To ask the Director of Services if it would be possible to place double yellow lines on Rialto Drive, close to the junction with Herberton Road, Rialto, Dublin 8.

Reply

This matter has been referred to the Traffic Advisory Group (TAG) for attention. This issue will be examined by the traffic engineer who will report back to the Traffic Advisory Group (TAMs Ref 7020818). The councillor will be advised of the Traffic Advisory Groups findings in due course

Contact: Niall O'Neill, South Central Area Engineer.

Tel: 222 6393.

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Q3 Councillor Michael Watters

To ask the Director of Services to repaint the disabled space and reinstate the signage at Haven Chemist in Rialto Village, Dublin 8.

Reply

The location has been inspected and listed. It will be re-painted within 30 working days of the SCAC meeting of 16th June 2021. (*Priority will be afforded to this renewal*)

Contact: Damien Cooney, Traffic Officer.

Tel: 086 815 1521.

Email: damien.cooney@dublincity.ie

There is no requirement in the Traffic Sign Manual to install signage for Disable Bays (it's discretionary). The Bay itself is extra wide, marked, footpath dished for adjacent access/egress.

There is an ornamental pole in the vicinity of the Bay but we do not install (at the request of P/L) signage on same. To install a sign pole specifically for this Bay, would increase street clutter, something DCC have been repeatedly requested not to do.

Contact: Michael J O'Brien, Traffic Officer, Environment & Transportation Department.
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Q4 Councillor Michael Watters

To ask the Director of Services to implement uninterrupted double yellow lines along James Walk (on Luas track side), Dublin 8 from the junction with South Circular Road to Forbes Lane.

Reply

After a site visit the Area Engineer recommended to install Double Yellow Lines on the north side of James's Walk at the junctions of Rialto Street, St Anthony's Road and a section in between the two junctions to allow cars to pass each other. This was preferred to uninterrupted double yellow lines as it was felt that this would increase speeding and reduced pedestrian safety (TAMS Ref: 7020821)

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Q5 Councillor Michael Watters

To ask the Director of Services to implement double yellow lines on the corners of Basin View, Dublin 8.

Reply

Dublin City Council's current policy is to not introduce parking restrictions, such as double yellow lines, where restrictions are already covered under the law, as this would lead to a proliferation of same and additional expense due to maintenance, etc.

Under Section 36 paragraph (2) (c) of the Road Traffic (Traffic and Parking) Regulations, 1997: 'A vehicle shall not be parked within 5 metres of a road junction'. Infringements of the act should be reported to Dublin Street Parking Services tel. no. 01 6022500 or to the Gardaí as they occur.

TAG will also highlight this at our monthly meeting with An Garda Síochána and ask them to monitor the parking in this area

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Q6 Councillor Michael Watters

To ask the Director of Services to implement double yellow lines on the corners of New Ireland Road with South Circular Road, Dublin 8.

Reply

Dublin City Council's current policy is to not introduce parking restrictions, such as Double Yellow Lines, where restrictions are already covered under the law, as this would lead to a proliferation of same and additional expense due to maintenance, etc .Under Section 36 paragraph (2) (c) of the Road Traffic (Traffic And Parking) Regulations, 1997: 'A vehicle shall not be parked within 5 metres of a road junction (**TAMS Ref. No. 7020834**). Infringements of the act should be reported to Dublin Street Parking Services tel. no. 01 6022500 or to the Gardaí as they occur.

TAG will also highlight this at our monthly meeting with An Garda Síochána and ask them to monitor the parking in this area

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Q7 Councillor Michael Watters

To ask the Director of Services to reinstate double yellow lines on South Circular Road on the West side from the junction with New Ireland Road.

Reply

This matter has been referred to the Traffic Advisory Group (TAG) for attention. This issue will be examined by the traffic engineer who will report back to the Traffic Advisory Group. The councillor will be advised of the Traffic Advisory Groups findings in due course

Contact: Niall O'Neill, South Central Area Engineer, Traffic Advisory Group

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Q8 Councillor Michael Watters

To ask the Director of Services to extend the yellow traffic box at the junction of Basin View and Our Lady's Road.

Reply

Currently there is only a yellow School Warden box in place at the junction of Basin View and Our Lady's Road. The matter of introducing a yellow box at this junction will be sent to the Area Engineer for attention. This issue will be examined by the traffic engineer who will report back to the Traffic Advisory Group. The councillor will be advised of the Traffic Advisory Groups findings in due course

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Q9 Councillor Tina MacVeigh

To ask the Director of Service whether we could prioritise the transfer for (*details supplied*). The tenant reports deteriorating conditions in the flat and increasing physical and mental health challenges for him and his family.

Reply

The above applicants are on the Transfer Housing List with a Welfare Priority with an application date of 01/09/2020, and the applicants hold the following positions on this list:

Area	Bedsizes	Position
Area E	2	24
Area L	2	12
Area N	2	14

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

The applicants hold a Welfare Priority, if the applicants are experiencing maintenance issues within the property they should be advised to contact the maintenance department with a view to improving the deteriorating conditions referenced.

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

Contact: Cathal Daly, Allocations Officer, Housing Allocations & Transfers

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Q10 Councillor Máire Devine

To ask the Director of Services about plans to install seating and tables in suitable areas for leisurely use by local residents?

Reply

The Area Office actively pursues opportunities to introduce seating into the public realm, while trying to balance the often conflicting demands of the public, businesses and residents. Seating has been incorporated into all our recent public realm and parks projects. At present we are looking at how we might provide additional seating in Newmarket (as part of the development of a pop-up pedestrian space) and Inchicore at Patriots Path and Turvey Park. We also note the Parks & Landscaping Service is assessing locations in Dolphin's Barn and Rialto for 'Mayor's Benches'.

Contact: Anna McDermott, Public Domain Officer, South Central Area

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Q11 Councillor Máire Devine

To ask the Director of Services for an update on the number of litter bins in DSC, plans for provision of extra temporary ones and the extra resources required for more frequent emptying over the next few months?

Reply

Waste Management Services currently have 470 litter bins in the South Central area. From the 4th June 2021, 54 large Eurobins and 80 barrel bins will be in place across the city with a specific focus on high footfall areas in the city centre. We will also be putting additional direct labour human resources in place to service the additional waste collection

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

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Q12 Councillor Máire Devine

To ask the Director of to schedule overlay repairs at Conyngham Road/Islandbridge junction where the surface is in considerable disrepair.

Reply

This section of carriageway was put forward for possible inclusion in our 2021 resurfacing contract but was not selected. I will again be proposing this junction for our 2022 resurfacing contract, which is dependent on available funding. In the meantime, Road Maintenance will carry out temporary repairs at this location. I enclose a copy of our works program for your interest.

Contact: Carl Ryan, South Central Area Engineer.

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Q13 Councillor Máire Devine

To ask the Director of Services if there are any plans to provide public toilets in Dublin 8's locations of high footfall?

Reply

Public toilets are currently available at the following 28 locations:

Grafton Street	10am to 8pm Monday to Sunday
Wolfe Tone Square	10am to 8pm Monday to Sunday
Dollymount, Bull Wall	24 Hours
St. Annes Park Tearooms	9am to 6pm Monday to Sunday
Herbert Park Tearooms	9am to 5pm Monday to Sunday
St. Patricks Park Tearooms	10am to 6pm Monday to Sunday
City Hall, Dame Street, Dublin 2	10am to 5pm Monday to Sunday
Markievicz Leisure Centre, Townsend Street, Dublin 2	10am to 8pm Monday to Friday, 10am to 5pm Saturday and Sunday
St. Catherine's Sports Centre, Marrowbone Lane, Dublin 8	10am to 8pm Monday to Friday, 10am to 5pm Saturday and Sunday
Irishtown Stadium, Strand Street, Dublin 4	10am to 8pm Monday to Friday, 10am to 5pm Saturday and Sunday
Finglas Leisure Centre, Mellows Road, Finglas, Dublin 11	10am to 8pm Monday to Friday, 10am to 5pm Saturday and Sunday
Cabra Parkside Sports Centre, Ratoath Road, Cabra, Dublin 7	10am to 8pm Monday to Friday, 10am to 5pm Saturday and Sunday
Ballymun Leisure Centre, Ballymun Road, Ballymun, Dublin 9	10am to 8pm Monday to Friday, 10am to 5pm Saturday and Sunday
Ballyfermot Leisure Centre, Blackditch Road, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10	10am to 8pm Monday to Friday, 10am to 5pm Saturday and Sunday
Clontarf Rd. Sports Pitches, Clontarf Road, Dublin 3	10am to 8pm Monday to Friday, 10am to 5pm Saturday and Sunday
Ballymun Library, Ballymun Road, Ballymun, Dublin 9	Monday & Thursday 1pm to 8pm Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday 10am to 4pm
Cabra Library, Navan Road, Cabra, Dublin 7	Monday & Thursday 1pm to 8pm

	Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday 10am to 4pm
Coolock Library, Barryscourt Road, Kilmore, Dublin 17	Monday & Thursday 1pm to 8pm Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday 10am to 4pm
Raheny Library, Howth Road, Raheny, Dublin 5	Monday & Thursday 1pm to 8pm Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday 10am to 4pm
Ballyfermot Library, Ballyfermot Road, Kylemore, Dublin 10	Monday & Thursday 1pm to 8pm Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday 10am to 4pm
Pearse Street Library, Pearse Street, Dublin 2	Monday & Thursday 1pm to 8pm Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday 10am to 4pm
Rathmines Library, Rathmines, Dublin 6	Monday & Thursday 1pm to 8pm Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday 10am to 4pm
Drumcondra Library, Millmount Avenue, Drumcondra, Dublin 9	Monday 1pm to 8pm Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 10am to 4pm
Dolphins Barn Library, Parnell Road, Crumlin, Dublin 12	Monday 1pm to 8pm Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 10am to 4pm
Kevin Street Library, Lower Kevin Street, Dublin 8	Monday 1pm to 8pm Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 10am to 4pm
Pembroke Library, Anglesea Road, Dublin 4	Monday 1pm to 8pm Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 10am to 4pm
Terenure Library, Templeogue Road, Terenure, Dublin 6W	Monday 1pm to 8pm Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 10am to 4pm
Walkinstown Library, Percy French Road, Walkinstown, Dublin 12	Monday 1pm to 8pm Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 10am to 4pm

An additional 14 Portaloo sites are as follows:
Chatham Row
Coppinger Row
South King St.
Dame Ct.

Sycamore St.
Temple Bar
Merrion Sq.
Wolfe Tone Sq.
O'Connell St.
Smithfield
Royal Canal
Mountjoy Sq.
Diamond Park

The usage figures for the toilets in public buildings and the portaloos is very mixed with high usage in some areas and very low in others. There is no plans for additional toilets at this time.

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Q14 Councillor Máire Devine

To ask the Director of Services if discussion and liaison with businesses that serve take-away food and beverages will increase so that there is a focus on more frequent clean ups and litter management outside their premises?

Reply

Arrangements have been made to have a Litter Warden monitor Takeaway and Licensed premises in the South Central Area to ensure full compliance with the Bye-Laws for the Prevention and Control of Litter.

*Contact: Stephen Kavanagh – Litter Enforcement Manager
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Q15 Councillor Máire Devine

To ask the Director of Services can the yellow lines requested be installed at Basin View in tandem with the planned public realm works at Oisín Kelly Park?

Reply

The introduction of double yellow lines has to go through the statutory process before we can install them on the ground. This can take several months and would also involve our Line Marking team. The time and date of installation would be subject to our Line Marking team's schedule

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Q16 Councillor Máire Devine

To ask the Director of Services that I welcome the speedy and necessary response to the dangerous chaotic parking in the Rialto/St James's Walk area and to ask the Manager provide an update on the following please?

- The timeline for Pay and Display in Rialto Street.
- To deter frequent speeding, this street be zoned to 30km.

- It is understood that the double yellow lines along sections of James's Walk is an interim solution in attempting to control dangerous parking. Can the Manager advise when a "Master Plan" for this area will be planned, agreed and installed?

Reply

The recent Pay & Display Scheme for the Rialto Area is progressing through the statutory procedures and it is envisaged that the City Council will be writing to residents in due course. A definitive time line cannot be given at this time.

Both Rialto Street and St James's Walk are currently 30km/hr and have traffic calming measures in place such as ramps and staggered parking. TAG will conduct a speed survey in the coming weeks to establish the extent of the speeding problem here.

Double Yellow Lines were installed along sections of James's Walk to help with the movement of traffic. They were installed in a manner to allow easier movements and to keep speed low. There are currently no plans from TAG to make any new changes on this road but a possible permanent solution to the traffic issues on this road would be Pay, Display & Permit parking.

Contact: Dermot Stevenson, Parking Enforcement Officer.

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Contact: Niall O'Neill, South Central Area Engineer.

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Q17 Councillor Máire Devine

To ask the Director of Services to remove the tree stump outside (*details supplied*) so that the uneven footpath can be repaired?

Reply

Parks will organise for the tree stump at the above location to be removed in the coming weeks (a number of stumps in the general area will be removed at the same time) and will liaise with our colleagues in Roads and Traffic for the footpath to be repaired at this time.

Contact: Brid Brosnan, Executive Parks Superintendent

Tel: 222 3144

Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q18 Councillor Máire Devine

To ask the Director of Services for an update from the "Sustainable Mobility and Projects" section on the progress of extending and connecting the cycle lane at St James's Hospital/ Mary Aikenhead House?

Reply

Sustainable Mobility & Projects currently have no plans for the cycle lane at St. James' Hospital/Mary Aikenhead House. Works in this area are proposed as part of the BusConnects Liffey Valley to City Centre core bus corridor.

The Kilmainham to Thomas Street cycle route is proposed to run to the rear of St. James' Hospital, parallel to this route. Topographical surveying of the route is

complete, parking surveys are ongoing and traffic and pedestrian counts are due to take place in the coming weeks.

Contact: *Padraig O'Brien, A/Senior Executive Engineer.*

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Q19 Councillor Sophie Nicoulaud

To ask the Director of Services to set up temporary cameras at the entrance of Labre Park to tackle illegal commercial dumping. Under s57 and s58 of the Waste Management Act allows a person to seek order to the high court where it is alleged that waste is being held and/or disposed in a manner that is likely to cause environmental pollution.

Reply

Cameras have been in place at the entrance to Labre Park including a number plate recognition camera.

These cameras have been used to provide evidence to the Waste Enforcement Division regarding dumping in Labre Park.

Contact: *Pat Teehan, Housing & Community Services.*

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Email: pat.teehan@dublincity.ie

Q20 Councillor Sophie Nicoulaud

To ask the Director of Services what is planned to prevent vehicles overtaking other vehicles on Knockmarron Hill in Chapelizod and to stop vehicles to crash into houses? What traffic calming measures can be put in place to replace the ineffective measures in place now? Can a solid white line be painted to stop vehicles overtaking.

Reply

Driving behaviour in Chapelizod has been brought to the attention of An Garda Síochána on the 25th May and they have been asked to monitor the area by the Traffic Advisory Group.

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

DCC 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.

This area is 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.

The road is not wide enough in parts to allow for the installation of a solid white centre line and in turn two separate designated lanes. The average road width is on average approx. 5.4m in the area and each lane would require a width of 3.25m each to be viable.

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Q21 Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud

To ask the Director of Services that pedestrian safety measures be put in place as a matter of urgency during construction work on Lucan Road, to install extra footpath space at the junction with Anna Livia Bridge. With heavy vehicles and already narrow footpaths, this area represents a real danger to pedestrian safety.

Reply

On 08/06/2021, a Roadworks Control Inspector visited Chapelizod and confirmed that footpath work outside development site 3-9 Lucan Road is completed and that the new footpath is now in operation.

Contact: *Bernard Lester, A/Senior Engineer, Traffic Section.*

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Q22 Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud

To ask the Director of Services to install benches at the Chapelizod village plaza on the main street.

Reply

There are a number of street furniture options available to Dublin City Council and the Ballyfermot Regional Office are happy to have a community meeting regards this furniture as a priority and come to a satisfactory conclusion for all concerned.

Contact: Dave O'Donovan A/Area Manager, Ballyfermot Area Office
Tel: 0868151293
Email: dave.odonovan@dublincity.ie

Q23 Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud

To ask the Director of Services to remove the strap that are tied and remove the poles that are too close to all the trees on Errigal Gardens, Benmadigan Road, Bunting Park, Percy French Road Park, green area outside the allotments in Chapelizod, Ballyfermot Road across from area civic offices, Orchard Meadow in Cherry Orchard.

Reply

The trees listed in above locations have been checked for ties and stakes and where found to be tight have been loosened. A number of the trees listed above are newly planted trees and so have stakes close to the tree for support but are not constricting their growth.

Contact: Brid Brosnan, Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 3244
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Q24 Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud

To ask the Director of Services to plant appropriate trees or bushes on Killeen Road <https://goo.gl/maps/UNrukdbEPKbsGZKK7>

Reply

Parks will plant trees on this open space in the coming planting season Autumn/Winter 21/22.

Contact: Brid Brosnan, Executive Parks Superintendent
Tel: 222 3144
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q25 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services will Dublin City Council agree to improve the walking access to the local school in Chapelizod at the junction of Anna Living Bridge and the Old Lucan Road, in front of the Bridge Inn as the footpath narrows at it approaches the school?

Reply

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.

Contact: Padraig O'Brien, A/Senior Executive Engineer.
Tel: 222 4225
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The Area Traffic Engineer will investigate potential for footpath widening in Chapelizod to improve walking access to local school. The footpath width outside the Bridge Inn is limited due to the alignment of the building with the Anna Livia Bridge.

Contact: Bernard Lester, A/Senior Engineer, Traffic Section.
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Q26 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services will Dublin City Council consider installing seating in the Chapelizod village square?

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.

Contact: Dave O'Donovan Acting Area Manager, Ballyfermot/Drimnagh
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Q27 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services will Dublin City Council put down double yellow lines along Davitt House, Galtymore Road to ensure easy access for residents and visitors?

Reply

This matter has been referred to the Traffic Advisory Group (TAG) for attention. This issue will be examined by the traffic engineer who will report back to the Traffic Advisory Group. The councillor will be advised of the Traffic Advisory Groups findings in due course

Contact: Niall O'Neill, South Central Area Engineer.
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Q28 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services can Dublin City Council please give an update on (details supplied)

Reply

A letter was sent to the tenant on 1st June 2021 informing her of the decision in respect of this application.

Contact: Michelle Robinson, Senior Executive Officer, Housing & Community Services
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Tel: 2223517

Q29 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services can Dublin City Council please give a detailed outline for the Phase 2 insulation programme for the SCA?

Reply

Dublin City Council has planned works under the Energy Efficiency Retrofitting Programme for 2021 in the South Central Area for the following roads:

- Ballyneety Road

- Muskerry Road
- Ramillies Road
- O'Moore Road
- Galtymore Road
- Ballyfermot Avenue
- Thomond Road
- Cherry Orchard Crescent
- Cherry Orchard Avenue
- Croftwood Park
- Croftwood Gardens
- Raheen Drive
- Barneville Park

Contact: Michelle Robinson, Senior Executive Officer, Housing & Community Services

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Tel: 2223517

Q30 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services to please outline if we have any measures available to compel residents within our housing estates to clean up their gardens and perimeter walls etc. All too often we are contacted by neighbours in relation to properties both owned by DCC and privately owned about the poor visual impact of badly maintained properties.

Reply

Public Domain can address littering in public spaces or any space that is visible from a public spaces if there is a Litter Pollution offence or a breach of the Waste Management (Storage, presentation and segregation of household and commercial waste) bye-laws 2018. There are no measures to address untidy properties unless there is sanitation /structural issue which poses a Health & Safety risk to the public. Dublin City Council owned properties are a matter for housing and the subject of the tenancy agreement.

Contact: Anna McDermott, Public Domain Officer, South Central Area

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Q31 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services to please indicate how a resident in a private owned house, without means, could have their heating / windows upgraded to ensure she and her child who has some health issues, could heat their home in the coming winter. The current old single glaze windows are over 30 years old and the heating was installed over 35 years ago and have well passed their sell by date. What do they need to get as financial support to repair / replace, or to be included for retro fitting of their home?

The occupants of this property maybe eligible for a Grant under the Housing Adaptation and Housing Aid for Older People schemes, if they are over 66 or in receipt of disability allowance.

The Applicant should contact the Home Grants section at 222 2195 to discuss their circumstances and every assistance will be provided to them.

The person should in the first instance contact the SEAI (Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland) on Lo-call 1850 927 000 to apply for the Better Energy Warmer Homes Scheme.

*Contact: Teresa Conlon, Administrative Officer, Loans, Sales and Grants Section
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Q32 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services to please look into the following. (*details supplied*). I regret the living conditions are very poor. Is there any support available to replace windows etc in their home?

Reply

The occupants of this property (details supplied) may be eligible for a Grant under the Housing Adaptation and Housing Aid for Older People schemes. This is subject to the Applicant meeting the criteria as laid down under the Scheme Guidelines.

The Applicant (details supplied) should contact the Home Grants section at 222 2195 where every assistance will be provided to them.

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Q33 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services to look at printing a generic leaflet in relation to seeking the assistance of residents of stopping the practice of putting food waste out on the public road, footpath, in parks etc. All too often, I am asked by concerned neighbours if anything can be done to stop this practice of emptying food waste onto the public domain. It is not practical for neighbours to get involved.

Reply

Depositing Food waste is considered an offence under Section 3 of The Litter Pollution Act 1997. Public Domain has arranged for a flyer disseminating this information to be included in the Ballyfermot/Drimnagh Community Development "Friends of South Central" Newsletter a monthly e-newsletter that will commence shortly. The flyer has been circulated on social media also. The flyer can be distributed in any area experiencing this issue or included in any community or environmental group newsletter upon request.

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Q34 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services to ask the Traffic Department, to please look at the possibility of getting a speed survey carried out at the Lucan Road, Chapelizod, Dublin 20. There is currently a huge issue with speeding of cars in the vicinity of The Moorings residential complex. (*details supplied*) Eastbound traffic appears to be the main offender of speeding. Residents along this busy road are extremely anxious we do something before someone is seriously hurt or killed here.

Reply

This matter has been referred to the Traffic Advisory Group (TAG) for attention

(Ref. No. 7020892). This issue will be examined by the traffic engineer who will report back to the Traffic Advisory Group. The Traffic Engineer will arrange a speed survey. The councillor will be advised of the Traffic Advisory Groups findings in due course.

Contact: Niall O'Neill, South Central Area Engineer.

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Q35 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services to look at ensuring the lamp standards in the Ballyfermot area are painted. I am aware of lamp standards along Drumfinn Avenue etc which have not been painted in over 15 years. Is there a certain amount of time when they should be done?

Reply

If the councillor provides details of specific roads or columns of particular concern for painting in the Ballyfermot area, we will then examine those specific roads or columns, and any if poles on these roads are suitable and painting is required, they will be added to the list for inclusion on future painting programmes subject to available finances.

With regards to Drumfinn Avenue, the majority of the poles on Drumfinn Avenue are ESB Network poles and only seven poles are DCC poles.

We will examine these seven poles and if they are suitable and painting is required, they will be added to the list for future painting programmes subject to available finances.

The painting of the ESB Network poles is a matter for ESB Networks.

There is no timeframe for when the public lighting poles should be repainted. They are painted based on the requests received along with examinations carried out to determine if painting is required, when they are added to the painting programme, and all painting is subject to available finances.

All poles that are added to the list for the painting programme are painted in turn, following the order they are added to the painting list.

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Q36 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services that consideration of the positioning of toilet facilities for the various parks in the South Central Area ie Brickfields, the Lawns Park, Markievicz, Cherry Orchard Park, Walkinstown Park etc. All too often the lack of basic facilities results in many people with various health issues unable to use our public parks.

Reply

There are no public toilets in the parks in question other than in changing room pavilions which are available to local sports clubs. These parks are local parks used by local people who are not far from home or from civic buildings such as the Civic Centre, Ballyfermot and Ballyfermot Leisure Centre. There is no proposal or funding

to install public toilets at these locations which would require full time supervision and maintenance.

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Q37 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services to ask the Housing Department to please furnish me the following:

- Number of housing units allocated during 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020.
- The average time people allocated those units were waiting to be housed.
- Why some people with similar housing needs are forgotten in the system. They never move. I have people waiting many many years and indeed go down the list instead of moving up. I am a firm believer we must start to have a simple unified approach to housing lists i.e. allocations, transfers and medical / welfare. We have now created serious difficulties for many who feel powerless to move into housing.

Reply

Please find attached figures as requested set out below –

Years	Total Lettings
2017	1586
2018	1461
2019	2131
2020	1735
Total	6913

The table above are the figures for the Total Number of Lettings for each year combined for the Housing and Transfer List (excluding Mortgage to Rent and RAS)

Dublin City Council do not generate a report on the average time of how long applicants have waited prior to an offer of accommodation. I have attached tables below that show the waiting time for housing/transfer list applicants by Area of Preference.

JANUARY 2018 COMBINED Waiting List Figures by Waiting Time											TABLE 2 (c)
Years	Area B	Area D	Area E	Area H	Area J	Area K	Area L	Area M	Area N	Area P	Grand Total
0 to 1 Years	1078	172	530	261	350	248	207	180	144	25	3195
1 to 5 Years	2732	457	1682	1085	943	916	770	556	642	129	9912
5 to 10 Years	2595	489	1641	1025	1017	883	732	605	634	152	9773
Over 10 Years	940	164	796	532	485	497	440	314	367	187	4722
Combined List Total	7345	1282	4649	2903	2795	2544	2149	1655	1787	493	27602

January 2019 COMBINED Waiting List figures by Waiting Time											TABLE 2 (c)
Time on List	Area B	Area D	Area E	Area H	Area J	Area K	Area L	Area M	Area N	Area P	Grand Total
0 to 1 year	1164	220	606	352	374	356	260	186	170	54	3742
1 to 5 years	2957	495	1585	1004	982	814	691	524	520	87	9659
5 to 10 years	2350	468	1571	961	898	851	720	549	556	152	9076
over 10 years	1151	213	905	577	531	500	483	355	387	183	5285
COMBINED TOTAL	7622	1396	4667	2894	2785	2521	2154	1614	1633	476	27762

January 2020 COMBINED Waiting List figures by Waiting Time										TABLE 2 (c)	
Time on List	Area B	Area D	Area E	Area H	Area J	Area K	Area L	Area M	Area N	Area P	Grand Total
0 to 1 year	1089	211	625	405	383	345	381	214	303	115	4071
1 to 5 years	3441	632	1764	1142	1124	967	807	592	540	139	11148
5 to 10 years	2185	425	1451	858	819	783	608	506	545	133	8313
over 10 years	1328	246	981	653	565	564	531	391	417	181	5857
Grand Total	8043	1514	4821	3058	2891	2659	2327	1703	1805	568	29389

January 2021 COMBINED Waiting List figures by Waiting Time										TABLE 2 (c)	
Time on List	Area B	Area D	Area E	Area H	Area J	Area K	Area L	Area M	Area N	Area P	Grand Total
0 to 1 year	833	141	464	285	263	242	200	192	177	62	2859
1 to 5 years	3705	698	1968	1247	1209	1014	922	636	687	225	12311
5 to 10 years	2014	372	1323	821	722	715	549	457	486	116	7575
over 10 years	1483	287	1057	644	622	612	552	440	398	167	6262
Grand Total	8035	1498	4812	2997	2816	2583	2223	1725	1748	570	29007

Dublin City Council houses applicants according to their housing need at the time of letting. The level of housing need is reflected by bands contained within the lists. Applications are assessed and placed into the appropriate band of Housing or Transfer Lists. Once placed into a band as below applicants are offered housing in date order.

- >Band 1 –Medical and Welfare Priority and other specified Priority cases
- >Band 2 – All overcrowded cases and those with previously awarded medical or welfare points
- >Band3 – All remaining qualified households

Allocations are made in line with the Housing Allocations Scheme (Scheme of letting priorities 2018). The length of time any applicant waits is determined both by their position in the band, the number of properties directed towards that band, and by their choice of area and the type of accommodation the applicant requires.

The reason applicants position fluctuates is owing to the fact that an applicant can change their areas of preference, in doing so if they hold more time on the list than applicants already on the list for that area, they will have a more favourable position to other applicants as they hold longer time on the list.

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Q38 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services. I have recently being contacted by a family (*details supplied*) They are asking if DCC could consider buying it and allocating it to them. They love the area but cannot afford the high rents that they are currently paying the landlord.

Reply

The above applicants are on the Housing Waiting List, with an application date of 03/10/2007, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

Area	Bedsize	Position
Area K	2	20
Area N	2	22

The applicants will be considered for an offer when accommodation to meet their household need becomes available and according to their 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 applicants may be eligible for HAP which will provide them with financial assistance towards the cost of renting another property. Should the applicant wish to apply for the HAP scheme, they should make contact with the Allocations Section with current income details where a Housing Advisor can provide information and advice on the scheme.

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