

NORTH WEST AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES

TUESDAY 15th June 2021

- NWA/84/2021** Minutes of the North West Area Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 18th May 2021.
Order: Noted.
- NWA/85/2021** Questions to the Area Manager.
Order: Noted.
- NWA/86/2021** Finglas Area Office Report, Aidan Maher, Area Manager.
Order: Noted.
- NWA/87/2021** Proposed Disposal of multiple plots to the rear of properties 11-17 Gortmore Drive, Finglas, Dublin 11.
Order: Recommend to City Council.
- NWA/88/2021** **Motion in the name of Councillor Anthony Connaghan**
That this Area Committee calls on the Manager to arrange for a pump track to be installed in one of our Northwest Parks. This is a cheaper alternative to a facility similar to the Le Fanu skate/bike park.
Order: Report to Councillor.
- NWA/89/2021** Ballymun Area Office Report, Jackie O'Reilly, A/Area Manager.
Order: Noted.
- NWA/90/2021** Presentation on the Ballymun Rediscovery Centre, Dr Sarah Miller, Chief Executive Rediscovery Centre.
Order: Noted.
- NWA/91/2021** Ballymun Implementation Team – Update on HSE Ballymun Bid, John O'Hara, Dublin City Planning Officer.
Order: Noted.
- NWA/92/2021** Initiation of Part 8 for Ballymun Civic Plaza (for information purposes only); Siobhán O'Connor, Senior Executive Planner and Ronan Murphy, Executive Planner.
Order: Noted.
- NWA/93/2021** New Standing Orders - Implications for North West Area Statutory Meetings; Aidan Maher, Finglas Area Manager.

Order: Noted. Future NWAC Meetings will now commence at 2.30pm, starting with the July Meeting.

NWA/94/2021 Public Domain Report, Catherine Brophy Walsh, Public Domain Officer.

Order: Noted.

NWA/95/2021 Sports & Wellbeing Partnership Report.

Order: Noted.

NWA/96/2021 Traffic Service Requests, Status Report.

Order: Noted.

NWA/97/2021 Minutes of the Traffic Advisory Group (TAG) Meeting.

Order: Noted.

NWA/98/2021 Road Maintenance Report.

Order: Noted.

NWA/99/2021

Motion in the name of Councillor Caroline Conroy

In light of our Climate crisis and the fact that DCC have signed up to tackle this. Can we urgently look at lands that are not suitable for building and earmark these for planting Irish native trees. This will not cost DCC as I've been approached by a number of NGO's offering to provide the trees and to organise volunteers to plant these. This is an excellent opportunity and is a win win for biodiversity, flood prevention, improved air quality, water filtration, an amenity for the community and making the Northside greener. We have time now to get ready for the next tree planting season for this coming year.

Order: Report to Councillor.

NWA/100/2021

Motion in the name of Councillor Caroline Conroy

To ask the Manager can we trial a Water Fountain in each of our main Parks in NWA. This is urgently needed as the increase in numbers visiting our parks and the amount of outdoor exercise that is taking place. This will help reduce plastic waste, and provide park users with a cheaper and more environmentally sustainable source of fresh water.

Order: Report to Councillor.

NWA/101/2021

Motion in the name of Councillor Keith Connolly

That this committee seeks an improvement in the poor standard of grass cutting by private contractors throughout the Finglas-Ballymun LEA. I have had numerous reports of large chunks of grass and weeds being left behind after a cut, rubbish not being cleared in advance and a general level of carelessness when the work is being carried out.

Order: Report to Councillor.

NWA/102/2021

Motion in the name of Councillor Anthony Connaghan

That Dublin City Council provides a comprehensive report on the projected needs of sporting bodies in the area and agrees to work toward ensuring all clubs are catered for in terms of playing facilities.

Order: Report to Councillor.

NWA Councillors: **Caroline Conroy, Anthony Connaghan, Noeleen Reilly, Keith Connolly, Mary Callaghan and Briege MacOscar.**

Consultant: **Dr Sarah Miller, Chief Executive Rediscovery Centre, Ed Coleman, Director, Director Rediscovery Centre.**

Apologies: **Karl Mitchell (Acting Executive Manager), Jackie O'Reilly (A/Area Manager-Ballymun).**

Officials: **Aidan Maher (Area Manager-Finglas), Catherine Brophy Walsh (Public Domain Officer), Derek Healy (Housing Manager – Finglas), Martina Kelly (Administrative Officer – Ballymun), Bridget Gilbert (Senior Staff Officer), Mary Bellew (Staff Officer), Catalin Rosca (Assistant Engineer), Eoin Corrigan (A/Senior Executive Engineer), Leona Fynes (Housing Manager – Ballymun), Liam Barry (Economic Development Officer), Larry Dooley (Community and Social Development Officer), Stephen Groome (Parks Superintendent - Landscape Architect) and Eddie O’Gara (Executive Landscape Architect).**

Councillor Caroline Conroy
Chairperson

The meeting concluded at 5 pm.