

MINUTES OF THE NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD ON MONDAY 19 JULY 2021

1 Election of Chairperson

Order: Cllr. Patricia Roe proposed by Cllr. Deirdre Heney seconded by Cllr. Naoise Ó Muirí. Agreed.

2 Election of Vice Chairperson

Order: Cllr. Daryl Barron proposed by Cllr. Deirdre Heney and seconded by Cllr. Catherine Stocker. Agreed.

3 Minutes of North Central Area Committee meeting held on Monday 21st June, 2021

Order: Agreed.

4 **Questions to the Area Manager**

Order: Noted.

5 Area Matters

a **Dublin Play Strategy - followed by questions and answers** Order: Presentation noted.

b Arts Office Update

Order: Ray Yeates updated the NCAC on current projects. Cllr. Larry O'Toole requested the Arts officer to make enquiries regarding "Woodville House" and it's suitability as an Arts Centre and report back to NCAC.

c Griffith Avenue Cycle Lane

Order: Chris Adamson to request programme for phasing from Irish Water to establish timelines for work / also he is to report back to NCAC in relation to the proposal of a leaflet drop to residents regarding clamping of cars in cycle lane and to point out timeframe for use of cycle lane on Griffith.

The Manager has committed to a standalone meeting for Councillors at which senior traffic officials will give a presentation on the proposed cycle way projects in the NCA in the coming months. This will be then followed up by consultation with local schools and interested stakeholders.

d Richmond Road

Order: Bernie Roe gave a verbal update on the status of the eight main issues regarding Richmond Road. She will continue to review the situation and report back to the NCAC with recommendations. Cllr. MacDonncha has requested a report on current position regarding 31, Richmond Ave home of Tom and Kathleen Clarke from an enforcement perspective.

- e **New Priory Disposals** Order: Agreed. Refer to City Council.
- f With reference to the proposed disposal of a plot to the rear of No. 24 Carleton Road, Marino, Dublin 3. Order: Agreed. Refer to City Council.
- g With reference to the proposed Extinguishment of Public Right of Way over the laneway at 4-26 Carndonagh Park & 73-91 Donaghmede Road, Donaghmede, Dublin 13. Order: Agreed. Refer to City Council.
- h Naming & Numbering 1-191 Burnell Place, Mayne River Avenue, Northern Cross, Malahide Road, Dublin 17 Order: Agreed. Refer to City Council.
- i Naming & Numbering Proposal for a new residential development beside Omni Park Shopping Centre, Swords Road, Santry, Dublin 9, An Bord Pleanala Planning Reference 307011-20 Order: Not agreed. Cllr. Larry O'Toole proposed that this be rejected and it was seconded by Cllr. John Lyons. The Manager will investigate next steps in this process.

j Housing Supply Report

Order: Cllr. Batten stated that the outline on Housing Report is outdated and requested that this be updated.
Slademore Development -Physical meeting to be arranged with small group of residents representing the wider group.
Whitehall Senior Citizens - The Manager to ask the AHB unit to circulate updated report to the NCAC members.
Millwood Development – Councillors state there is not enough consultation with local residents. The Manager to contact AHB team.

k Sports and Wellbeing Partnership Order: Noted.

6 Roads and Streets Matters

a **Minutes of the TAG Meeting held on 26th June, 2021** Order: Noted.

7 Items for following meeting

8 Motions

a Motion in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker and Councillor Deirdre Heney

In the names of Cllr Catherine Stocker and Cllr Deirdre Heney That the North Central Area Committee agrees to a programme of tree planting in the Clans, Donnycarney, D5. Walking through the roads in the clans what is notable is that, aside from trees in private gardens, there are no publicly planted trees which leaves the area looking sparse. We can all agree that trees are good for our welfare, health and planet and this committee agrees to target this area which has a dearth of same.

<u>Reply</u>

The area in the 'Clans' is unsuitable for tree planting due to the footpaths being too narrow to allow for a tree pit and allow for wheelchair accessibility. In addition there are number of underground and over ground services that make the area unsuitable for tree planting.

In order to increase the tree canopy in the short term in this area the Parks Service can carry out tree planting in May Park in compensation for this. This can be considered for the tree planting season during the winter of 2021 and early Spring of 2022 subject to budget.

In the longer term consultation could be held with interested residents for tree planting in the front gardens throughout the area.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Contact:Sara Brady, Executive Parks SuperintendentEmail:parks@dublincity.ie

Order: Cllr Catherine Stocker and Cllr Deirdre Heney request an environmental walk around with Parks to identify potential solutions. Motion referred to Sara Brady, Executive Parks Superintendent.

b Motion in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

That the North Central Area Committee agrees that the Artane/Harmonstown area is prioritised for provision of a playground in the 2022 parks budget. This area is identified in the play strategy as having a deficit and we need to ensure this vital community facility is made available to the community.

<u>Reply</u>

The priority for the available playground upgrades budgets in the short to medium term is to bring exiting playgrounds up to standard before addressing areas of deficit. The priority for 2021 is the refit of Darndale Playground, 2022 is to address the deficit in Harmonstown with a contribution from the discretionary fund.

Karl Mitchell Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Contact:Sara Brady, Executive Parks SuperintendentEmail:parks@dublincity.ie

Order: Agreed. Refer to Councillor.

c Motion in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

That the North Central Area Committee agrees that the 'Seomra Taes' licensed by the city council in the North Central area parks are mandated to use compostable cups and food packaging and to provide appropriate compostable bins. As an example, although it's a private business, Happy Out on Bull Island provides a range of bins for waste, recycling, compost which are well used. It is welcome that outlets such as Olive's Room use compostable cups but without corresponding appropriate bins it is a wasted measure.

<u>Reply</u>

The Seomra Tae for Parks Tearooms promotes the use of compostable cups and food packaging over single use plastics. One of the problems of collecting recyclables and compostables is that there is no corporate contract in place for the disposal of these separated materials to a compost or recyclables centre. We are in discussion with Waste Management on this as they manage the corporate contract.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

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

Order: Not agreed. Seconded by Cllr. Naoise Ó Muirí who suggested that this should be one of the conditions of the licence. Forward to Development Department.

d Motion in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

The North Central Area Committee recognises the essential need for all residents to separate and recycle their waste. Therefore the North Central Area Committee requests an audit of recycling facilities available to DCC tenants in our the flats and senior citizen complexes and on our Traveller Accommodation sites in the North Central Area

<u>Reply</u>

Dublin City Council is committed to ensuring waste is disposed of in the correct manner at all council owned housing complexes. In 2019, a joint Housing Maintenance / Waste Management Services project team was established to introduce segregated waste collections at all Dublin City Council housing complexes on a phased basis, dictated by the volume of complexes in each local area.

As the highest volume of housing complexes is located in the South East Area, this was chosen as the pilot area and was successfully completed in early 2020. Work then commenced in the South Central Area but unfortunately the project was paused due to the arrival of Covid 19 and the initial lockdown of society. Sporadic attempts were made to restart the project in the latter half of 2020, but it was again put on hold when Level 5 restrictions were introduced in January 2021. It is anticipated that work will commence on the project again in Q3 2021. As North Central Area contains the lowest number of council housing complexes, this will be the final phase of the project and it is unlikely that work in the North Central Area will begin before mid-2022 at the earliest.

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

The recycling facilities on Traveller Specific Accommodation sites is available through commercial waste management providers i.e. green bins, brown bins or black bins or the councils recycling centres. Accumulated waste on sites is removed twice weekly or as needed by the Traveller Accommodation Unit Caretaker staff.

Contact:Pat Teehan, A/Senion Executive OfficerTel:222 6345Email:pat.teehan@dublincity.ie

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Order: Agreed. Report to Councillor.

e Motion in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

That the DNC area committee request the Area Manager to set up proper ongoing consultation with Residents adjacent to the proposed Cluid/Clann development of Age Appropriate Housing on the Whitehall car-park site, that the Area Manager makes a statement on how he intends to improve and progress the lack of meaningful consultation to date and that this area committee recommends that the Park 8 process should not commence until after engagement and agreement with the adjacent residents.

<u>Reply</u>

Clann/Cluid engaged with local residents via an online meeting on the 25th of March. This meeting was an introductory meeting to provide the community with information on the service that Clann provide and to deliver a detailed presentation of the proposed plans for the site.

Residents were invited on the night to provide contact details to Clann/Cluid so that they can open direct communication channels with local residents via email, phone and printed material.

Residents were contacted by letter on the 4th of May and advised that their feedback was under review and there will be further communications to follow.

On the 5th of July Clann/Cluid circulated a further written communication to residents on the latest developments on the project. Having taken on board local residents concerns, the decision has been taken to lower the heights. Residents were also advised that further work will now begin on the redesign to take into account the lower heights.

Under normal circumstances, the local community would be invited to a series of face-to-face meetings but due to COVID-19 safety restrictions this has not been possible.

The intention is to continue to provide opportunities for local community engagement via virtual meetings, leaflet drops, and through online communication channels.

Part 8 has not yet commenced on this development. This project is still at Pre-Part 8 stage and consultation is currently ongoing with DCC technical departments. When the new design has been prepared this will be presented to local residents and Councillors.

Karl Mitchell

Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Contact;Michelle Robinson, Senior Executive OfficerTel:222 3517Email:michelle.robinson@dublincity.ie

Order: Manager to follow up with AHB team regarding present status and future consultations.

f Motion in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell

That this Area Committee calls on DCC Parks Dept to request the formal approval of the DCC Local Area Committee prior to submitting any finalised planning application to An Bord Pleanala (ABP) in respect of the proposed Discovery Centre on Bull Island. This Area Committee believes the prior approval of the local elected public representatives is warranted.

<u>Reply</u>

DCC Parks, Biodiversity and Landscape Services have actively sought the input and views of the Elected Representatives both locally and more widely, through presentations and updates to the Area Committee, SPCs and directly to the Councillors both individually and as a group over the past few years. At the most recent Area Committee Meeting a further presentation was provided and feedback given by Councillors. To date the feedback from the Elected Representatives and the wider community has been broadly positive with some concerns raised which have been addressed as appropriate. We have presented to a range of SPC's in the past month with positive response.

As required under legislation and previously advised, as the project is a Local Authority own development, a screening examination was carried out in accordance with the provisions of Article 120 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001. The screening examination considered the nature, size and location of the project in the context of the criteria set out in Schedule 7 and Schedule 7A of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 and it concluded that the project would require the preparation of an EIAR.

As recently requested the project team are happy to install additional information panels in the coming weeks and report the feedback received to the Area Committee.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Contact:	Donncha O'Dúlaing, Senior Executive Officer
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Email:	parks@dublincity.ie

Order: That the NCAC want all collated feedback brought before the NCA for their approval before Part 8 application. Refer to Les Moore, Parks Department and Donncha O'Dualaing

g Motion in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell

That this Area Committee calls on DCC Parks Dept to instigate a widespread public information campaign / consultation including the use of onsite billboards in respect of the proposed Discovery Centre on Bull Island and certainly prior to submitting any finalised planning application to An Bord Pleanala (ABP). This

public information campaign / consultation to include an opportunity for members of the public to provide feedback to DCC Parks and that DCC should accommodate both written and online feedback. This Area Committee believes that public awareness / public buy-in is warranted for such a project in so important a location

<u>Reply</u>

The project team have made every effort to raise awareness and gain feedback to the Discovery Centre Project. Throughout the design process we have engaged with the elected representatives, community groups, NGOs, volunteer groups and other stakeholders which has informed the scale and design of the proposed centre which will replace the existing Interpretive and Education Centre which is no longer fit for purpose. While we have recently installed information posters with a QR code to more detailed information at various locations on Bull Island and in St. Anne's Park we are happy to install larger signs, with opportunities for feedback in the coming weeks as suggested.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

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h Motion in the name of Councillor Naoise O'Muiri

That this Area Committee supports the establishment of a Ranger/Warden service to assist with the management of the public domain on Bull Island.

Reply

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With the range of activities and numbers of people using both St Annes Park and the North Bull Island there is certainly a case to be made for a ranger/warden system to be put in place. This would also support conservation management objectives for the nature reserve. The setting up and provision for a ranger/warden service will be considered in the context of the 2022 estimates.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Contact: Services	Leslie Moore, Head of Parks, Biodiversity and Landscape
	Culture, Recreation and Economic Services Department
Email:	<u>leslie.moore@dublincity.ie</u>

Order: Agreed. Refer to Parks Department.

Motion in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

That the manager, in relation to the park situated next to Pinebrook estate Artane, which was handed over to Dublin Corporation in 1982 by Powers Supermarket, and which is home to an historical burial ground and church ruin, begin the

process of naming this much loved and historical place and if a detailed report can be made on the plans for same.

<u>Reply</u>

If adopted, this motion should be referred to the Arts, Culture, Leisure & Recreation SPC for consideration. Having considered the motion the SPC may refer the matter to the Commemorations & Naming Committee, who will consider the proposal under the Council's *Policy for Commemorative Naming of Infrastructure and the Provision of Monuments, Memorials and Plaques*.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Contact:	Brendan Teeling, Deputy City Librarian
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Order: Agreed. Report to Councillor. Refer to Arts SPC.

j Motion in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

That the Manager, in relation to continuing and ongoing problems of speeding traffic and narrow footpaths coupled with tight road space on St. Brigid's Road, Abbeyfield, Middle Third, The Demesne, Clanhugh Road, Killester Avenue and surrounds, that a special meeting be held with Area Management and the Roads and Traffic Dept. to see what solutions can be identified to deal with (a) speeding traffic (b) lack of parking space and (c) vulnerable pedestrian safety.

<u>Reply</u>

As you may be aware, a presentation on the subject of Neighbourhood Transport Schemes was delivered at the North Central Area Committee Meeting on Monday 20th January 2020. As highlighted during this presentation, the goal of a Neighbourhood Transport Scheme is to provide more walkable and calmer streets where the priority is given to pedestrians, cyclists and public transport. These schemes are particularly aimed at residential areas which suffer from transport issues in relation to:

- <u>Rat Running</u> (the practice by motorists of using residential side streets instead of the intended main road in urban or suburban areas)
- Speeding
- Heaving traffic volumes
- Congestion
- HGV's through residential areas
- Other dangerous issues

As outlined at the time, a list of residential areas that may qualify for a Neighbourhood Transport Scheme was being finalised (i.e. **Phase 1**). Following this meeting, an email was also sent (on 17th February) to all Councillors with a request to submit any areas for consideration by the 13th March 2020. Subsequently, the following areas proceeded to Phase 2:

- Haverty Road
- Grange Park Avenue
- Millbrook Avenue

- Coolgreena Road
- Mayne River Avenue
- Grace Park Terrace
- Briarsfield Road
- Windsor Avenue
 - Riverside Park
- Killester

Please note that the above list also includes the surrounding streets and areas. The focus of Neighbourhood Transport Schemes are on local streets in residential areas which are bounded by the main thoroughfares and arterial roads.

Phase 2 involves assessing and ranking these areas in keeping with the formalised process as agreed at the Nov 2018 SPC. This involves assessing the areas against a number of set criteria (e.g. level of cut-through traffic at peak times) to determine the order of implementation for a Neighbourhood Transport Scheme. The initial forecast period for completion of this phase was Q2 2020 however this was delayed due to Covid 19.

Phase 3 involves working with councillors and various internal and external stakeholders in developing a Neighbourhood Transport Scheme for the top ranked area(s).

Notwithstanding this, any specific requests for traffic measures at specific locations in the North Central Area are welcome and can be submitted to the website: <u>https://www.dublincity.ie/traffic-service-request-councillor</u> where they will be dealt with by the Area Engineer.

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

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Contact:Andrew Geoghegan, Neighbourhood Transport Engineer(North City)7el:Tel:222 6347Emailandrew.geoghegan@dublincity.ie

Order: Councillor Heney to forward results of local survey/questionnaire for the Bernie Roe, North Central Area Office.

k Motion in the name of Councillor Donna Conney

That Dublin North Central Area organise safe outdoor family events this summer and autumn, including outdoor cinema, music in the parks, yoga on the beach, plays on the promenade and parks, roller disco in the car park etc. Bring your own blanket seats and separate family/group pod areas marked out, roller disco would be distanced anyway.

<u>Reply</u>

Dublin City Council's Events Section are currently involved with Dublin City Council's City recovery strategy which involves animation of the public domain along with the possibility of facilitating suitable events in the City Centre. Currently, the events section along with Dublin City Council's arts office are involved in rolling out the Live Performance Support Scheme initiated by the Department of Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media. This scheme aims to support live performances particularly where capacity is restricted due to Covid 19. In addition, Dublin City Council's Events Section are currently assessing public tenders to develop a multi-party framework of event management companies to facilitate outdoor events in the public domain and parks. Once completed, this framework will be available to all departments within Dublin City Council.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Contact:Tom Doyle, A/Senior Staff OfficerTel:222 3360Email:events@dublincity.ie

Order: Cllr Cooney wants lists of family/child outdoor events circulated. The Manager stated this was more relevant to individual areas and after Covid, Community and Libraries will get back to doing this.

Motion in the name of Councillor Donna Conney

That this Area Committee agrees that road skills bicycle training be provided for 10 to 13 years olds this summer in advance of schools reopening.

<u>Reply</u>

Dublin City Council's Road Safety Section provides funding and support to the Cycle Right Training programme which is available to all primary schools. The Road Safety Section is reviewing this requested. Councillors will be informed in due course.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

 Contact:
 Rossana
 Camargo,
 Executive
 Engineer,
 Transportation.

 Road Safety.
 Policy,
 Strategy and Innovation Section.
 Email:
 rossana.camargo@dublincity.ie

Order: Agreed. Report to Councillor.

m Motion in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney

That this Area Committee agrees that zebra crossings be put in place on residential roads to aid crossing in 30km zones, especially on school routes and routes to parks and amenities.

<u>Reply</u>

Safe access to schools is being addressed as part of the School Zone and Safe Routes to School projects.

Contact: Antonia Martin, Active Travel Communication, Engagement & Promotion Officer Email: Antonia.martin@dublincity.ie

As a result of observations and representations to the Environment and Transportation Department, Zebra Crossings have been phased out over the years in favour of signalised crossings.

Zebra crossings rely on drivers to give way to pedestrians stepping onto a crossing which results in faster crossing times for pedestrians and less delay for traffic. However, drivers tend not to take as much notice of zebra crossings as they should, as there is no red light signalling them to stop, and pedestrians do not feel as safe as they do with a signal telling them when to cross. Zebra crossings give priority to pedestrians but do not actively slow down vehicles; thus they may induce unsafe behaviour from both driver and pedestrian. The issue of safety is more critical for the visually impaired and the NCBI have found Zebra crossings undesirable for the visually impaired. In addition, compliance with the law regarding this type of crossing is very difficult to enforce unless offending motorists are caught in the act.

In cases where it is felt a recommendation should be made we would look at other more suitable traffic calming measures if needed, on a case by case basis, considering the criteria for approval for such measures.

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

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Order: Not agreed. Refer to Transport SPC.

n Motion in the name of Councillor Donna Conney

That this Area Committee asks that progress be made on pavements replacement, installing and repair in the Killester Area after my motion placed in 2020 and in light of residents audit of pavements needed, also that speeding is addressed in Killester which is a 30km safe zone, some drivers are regularly exceeding 30kmph.

Reply:

Road Maintenance Services included localised carriageway repairs in Killester Park in the 2021 Major Works Program. In addition to this extensive localised repairs were completed on Killester Avenue, Collins Avenue East and Clanranald/ Clanree estate in the past number of years.

Please supply a list of specific locations which require attention with reference to a local house number or lamp post number. Road Maintenance Services can then arrange an inspection and where necessary schedule repairs when a works crew is available in the area.

Contact: Services.	Shane	Satell,	Executive	Engineer,	Road	Maintenance
Tel: Email:	222 229 shane.s		Iblincity.ie			

All the residential roads around Killester area are 30 km/h. If there is a problem with excessive speeding or non-compliance with the speed limit in the area, it should be referred to An Garda Síochána as this is an enforcement issue. The Road Safety Section will raise this enforcement issue on the next Working Group Together with the An Garda Síochána

Contact: Rossana Camargo, Executive Engineer, Transportation. Road Safety. Policy, Strategy and Innovation Section. Email: rossana.camargo@dublincity.ie

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Order: Councillor Cooney to forward results of local survey/questionnaire to Bernie Roe, North Central Area Office.

<u>Cllr. Patricia Roe</u> Chairperson Monday 19 July 2021

Attendance:

Members:

Dearbháil Butler Donna Cooney Tom Brabazon John Lyons Damian O'Farrell Alison Gilliland

<u>Officers</u>

Fergus O'Carroll Deirdre Murphy Bernie Roe Chris Adamson

Apologies:

Non-Members:

Members:

Daryl Barron Catherine Stocker Deirdre Heney Micheál MacDonncha Larry O'Toole Terence Flanagan

Sara Brady Derek Farrell Dave Windram Ray Yeates

Members:

Patricia Roe Racheal Batten Jane Horgan-Jones Naoise Ó Muirí Declan Flanagan

Dara McLoughlin Karl Mitchell Neil O'Donoghue Debbie Clarke

NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE 19th July 2021

Q.1 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones

"To ask the Area Manager to provide an update on whether additional lighting can be provided for the skatepark in Fairview Park. I'm aware that the park closes early however it is still used after dark as there is no actual locked gates on the park entrance.

Parks like Albert college on the Ballymun road have tennis facilities open long after the parks opening time. This shows that something similar could be done with the skatepark. It's a shame that a sport that has exploded in popularity over the last year and also been made an Olympic sport recently is almost impossible to be practiced during dark Irish winters for anyone in school or working a job with normal hours"

Reply:

Fairview Park, as with all of our parks, are officially closed at night time. Flood lights in this area would not be appropriate.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

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

Q.2 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones

"To ask the Area Manager for an update on the Part 8 process relating to the proposed overflow car park near the Red Stables in St. Anne's Park"

Reply:

The project has currently not progressed past Pre-Part 8 stage.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Q.3 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones

"To ask the Area Manager to make a statement in relation to the metal railing that has been put in place at the access point to St. Anne's Park at the right of way outside the ESB Substation at the South West End.

The erection of the metal barrier meant that the old, infirm, very young and seriously challenged citizens were obliged to walk to the main entrance to the park and were effectively denied access to the Park via the right of way. This should be removed and the former access point restored in a safe and secure way.

In the last few days, a lot of road markings have appeared on the right of way by the ESB Substation. Can the Area Manager confirm if Dublin City Council is authorising these developments?

Overall, what is needed is a new safe, and user-friendly entrance to be created at the Right of way that would respect the right of citizens"

Reply:

This is not an official entrance to the park but rather a gap in the hedge accessed through the entrance to the adjoining ESB site. The railing in question is a gate across the access to the ESB site. As there is no receiving path inside the park at this gap it is unclear how it could be considered suitable for the vulnerable parks users listed above. Nor is it clear how providing an access gate and path here would contribute towards biodiversity objectives. There are no proposals to formalise an entrance here as there is a full entrance with accessible path some 150m to the north.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Q.4 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones

"To ask the Area Manager to arrange for weeding to take place on Annadale Drive along the kerbs and in the lane behind Annadale Drive"

Reply:

The Annadale Drive area is not included in the weed spray program for 2021 and Laneways are also not included as main thoroughfares as roads are a priority for weeding.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

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

Q.5 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones

"To ask the Area Manager why the '*No Left Turn*' sign from the Malahide Road on to Killester Avenue (Coordinates: 53.378426, -6.213172) seems to have been removed"

Reply:

I am unable to confirm that the No LHT Sign was removed from Malahide Road at Killester Ave. Signage is in situ. Photo attached taken on the 11/06/21.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Contact:Michael O'Brien, Traffic OfficerEmail:<u>Michael.obrien@dublincity.ie</u>

Q.6 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones

"To ask the Area Manager to install 30KPH signs on the existing poles on Killester Avenue in order to highlight the new speed limit to road users"

Reply:

The slow zone signs are installed at the entry points to housing estates where a 30 km/h speed limit is being implemented and a 'Slow Zone' is being created.30 km/h speed sign Signs are only placed at the point of change from one speed limit to another. In the case of Killester Avenue, the signage are installed at the following junctions: Clanhugh Rd/ Collins Avenue, Clanawley Rd/ Collins Avenue and Killester Ave/ Collins Avenue

It is Dublin City Councils policy not to erect repeater signs as this will lead to a proliferation of signage throughout the city.

The Road Safety Engineers have been requested to install painted 30km/h roundels speed markings at Killester Avenue to complement the existing 30Km/h signage.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Contact:Rossana Camargo, Executive Engineer, Transportation. Road Safety. Policy,
Strategy and Innovation Section.Email:rossana.camargo@dublincity.ie

Q.7 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones

"To ask the Area Manager the following question regarding pedestrian safety at the Wooden Bridge, Clontarf:

It seems both cyclists and pedestrians get the green light at the same time for crossing at the Bull Bridge and it can be quite chaotic. Even if this was rectified and pedestrians were given priority I think more needs to be done to make this (and all) access points safe for pedestrians. Calming measures need to be installed/introduced - cyclists should have to slow down to a crawl at these junctions or dismount. I'm sure some cyclists do (myself included) but many don't and cycle through at speed - it's lethal and I'm surprised there haven't been any accidents to date.

Can the Manager advise of any additional measures that can be taken at this junction to ensure the safety of pedestrians, particularly those that are older and more vulnerable"

Reply:

The Sustainable Mobility Project section is aware of the cyclists' behaviour when it comes to shared spaces. We are seeking advice from a number of consultants if they have any recommendations on how to slow down cyclists at such locations. Can you please bear with us as we continue with our research.

Contact:Perry Chitombo . A/Senior Executive EngineerEmail:perry.chitombo@dublincity.ie

Response from ITS (Traffic Signals)

The pedestrian signals crossing the roadway at the entrance to the Bull Wall Bridge are known as 'Toucan' signals. A Toucan Crossing is designed for both pedestrians AND cyclists to cross at the same time, hence "Two-can" crossing, or "toucan" crossing. Toucan crossings are commonly used across the city and many other cities and towns throughout Ireland. In areas where Toucan crossings are used the width of the crossing is increased from a standard to 2.4m to 4m to allow sufficient space for pedestrians and cyclist to cross at the same time.

In order to reduce the wait time for pedestrians the junction in question currently operates with a maximum cycle length of 80s (the cycle length is the time required for all movements in the junction to operate, if demanded e.g all pedestrian/cycles and vehicles movements). In order to allow sufficient time for the green and amber man for the pedestrian to operate the Toucan phase is allocated 25s each cycle. To allocate a further a separate time to a unique cycle phase would not leave sufficient timings to service all the required movements in the junction.

Contact:Seán Fallon, Assistant ITS Officer, TransportationEmail:sean.fallon@dublincity.ie

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Q.8 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones

"To ask the Area Manager could some work be done at the swimming spots on Dollymount/North Bull Wall? The last few times I've been there someone has slipped and fallen getting in because there is a significant build-up of algae/seaweed on the lower steps.

This is at the mixed shelter and steps (the grey ones on the right hand side). I think someone could get badly hurt, so it would be brilliant if this could be worked on before it gets very busy again for the summer season"

Reply:

Parks have an ongoing programme of algae treatment. The algae has recently been treated and is under control. However, it must be noted that this is a sea swimming area and will therefore be subject to seaweed and algae deposits therefore appropriate care must be taken when using this facility.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

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

Q.9 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones

"To ask the Area Manager for an update on the proposal (application lodged for discretionary funding) to develop and improve the green space adjacent to Casino Park for the benefit of the community"

Reply:

The Local Area Manager met with residents from Casino Park on the 5th of July to conduct an informal needs assessment and to establish what their hopes were for the strip of land adjacent to their estate.

This was followed up with a meeting between Dublin City Council and the OPW (who are currently in the final stages of acquiring the land) on the 14th of July to get an update on the current status of their proposed plans for the development of the site and also to give them feedback on the residents' concerns and requests that had been put forward at the meeting on the 5th.

It is envisaged that once the legal arrangements are finalised in relation to the land ownership, the OPW will proceed with planning for a Visitor Centre on the site.

In the interim they have agreed to a clean-up of the area and to get their landscape crew to assess the site with a view to cutting the grass and making it somewhat user friendly. There was acknowledgement on both sides that the land could be a really valuable resource for the local community and any design development process in relation to the visitor centre will factor that in. DCC will stay actively engaged in the process to maximise the return for residents both in the short and long term.

It is unlikely that the €20k associated with this project in the discretionary fund can be spent on this particular stretch of land as it is in the final stages of the land transfer exercise and the OPW have already committed to tidying the site up through their own resources. There are however a number of other local initiatives and estate management projects in Casino Park that the residents are keen to see realised so the Area Manager will engage with Councillor Horgan Jones in relation to facilitating some of these.

Karl Mitchell Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Contact:Bernie Roe, Local Area Manager for Clontarf – Donaghmede LEATel:222 8846Email:Bernie.roe@dublincity.ie

Q.10 Question in the name of Councillor Jane Horgan Jones

"To ask the Area Manager to arrange for the street light at **(details supplied)** to be replaced as it has been out of order for some time now. The lamp post is now basically semi-incorporated into the trunk of a large tree. This means that Public Lighting cannot solve the issue on their own but I am asking that DCC arrange for whatever necessary works to be done to restore the lighting in this area as elderly residents require it in order to feel safe"

Reply:

Light no. 31 at 137 Kincora Road is mounted on an ESB Networks pole. There is an ESB cable fault to the light, and ESB Networks are unable to repair this fault due to the proximity of the tree to the ESB Network pole and the size of the tree canopy.

In 2020, the Parks Department informed Public Lighting Services that the removal of this tree will be on their 2020/2021 tree care programme.

The Parks Department have been contacted again regarding an update on when this tree will be removed. When the Parks Department notifies Public Lighting Services that the tree has been removed, we will arrange with ESB Networks for the necessary repairs to be carried out.

Contact:Karen Leeson, Executive Engineer, Public Lighting ServicesEmail:karen.leeson@dublincity.ie

The tree will be inspected and any works deemed necessary will be included in the tree care programme for 2021/22.

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

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Q.11 <u>Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons</u>

"To ask the Area Manager for a report on the proposed community centre for Kilbarrack"

Reply:

Due to the significant increase in the cost of this Project beyond budget it was proposed to carry out a Cost Benefit Analysis and a further Needs Analysis of the project in 2020.

Unfortunately, with the onset of Covid 19 this was temporarily put on hold in 2020 and it was hoped to commence this analysis in early 2021, unfortunately with Level 5 implementation it was further put on hold, however I am now currently in the process of arranging for this analysis to be carried out.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Contact:Deirdre Murphy, Administrative Officer.Tel:222 8845Email:deirdre a.murphy@dublincity.ie

Q.12 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole

"To ask the Area Manager to make provision for a Zebra pedestrian crossing and/or 'children at play/reduce speed' signs **at (details supplied)**"

Reply:

This request (Enquiry Ref: 7021389) will be referred to the Area Engineer for assessment and report to the Transport Advisory Group for their consideration.

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

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

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

Q.13 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole

"To ask the Area Manager to give reason why the tennis court at St. Anne's Park is not available to the general public. To access the facility at present players must be members of 'St. Anne's Tennis Club' who currently are not accepting new members"

Reply:

Previous arrangements at the tennis courts in St. Anne's Park were 'Pay and Play' with money being collected at the door. This left staff members in a vulnerable position. This combined with Covid restrictions was no longer deemed appropriate. The current arrangements have been put in place on a temporary basis with the management being devolved to the local club. Negotiations are underway regarding a new agreement which will include an element of 'Pay and Play' in the future.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

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

Q.14 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell

"To ask the Area Manager to organise the repair / reinstatement of a very large / dangerous pothole located on Seaview Ave North carriageway just at the stop line / junction with Clontarf Road. I would appreciate your early attention to this issue please"

Reply:

Road Maintenance Services has inspected this location. A repair has been scheduled in the coming days.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Contact:Shane Satell, Senior Executive EngineerEmail:shane.satell@dublincity.ie

Q.15 <u>Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole</u>

"To ask the Area Manager to respond to the following questions from concerned residents of (details supplied)"

<u>Reply:</u>

Permission was given to cross the public open space following an onsite inspection by local management. Health and safety was agreed on site. A bond was provided to ensure that no damage was done to the area. On completion no significant damage had occurred and the bond was returned.

All other matters should be referred to the Planning Department.

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

<u>4)</u> It seems that this network of lanes was 'closed' by one of the multiple orders RT 413: 02/08/1995 by Dublin Corporation Roads, Streets & Traffic Department in 1995. The North Central Area Office had no involvement in this extinguishment of public right of way. Residents should contact Roads & Traffic Department with any queries relating to this. Email roadmaintenance@dublincity.ie

Contact:	Joanne O'Sullivan
Tel:	222 8541
Email:	joanne.osullivan@dublincity.ie

The rear boundary wall has been opened to allow for a pedestrian gate onto the public green, neighbouring properties also have a rear pedestrian gate from their properties out on to this green. There is no further development taking place at this property and the owner confirmed the wall is not being taken down for any kind of future works or as an access for materials to be delivered. The only work undertaken was the 800mm opening for the pedestrian gate, the height of the gate is 1.9meters in line with the existing boundary wall.

The access opening is exempted development and I am fully satisfied there is no further works taking place at this property.

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

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Q.16 <u>Question in the name of Councillor Rachael Batten</u>

"To ask the Area Manager if the problem of knotweed in an estate (details supplied) can be treated now and on a regular basis"

Reply:

The Contracts Manager is aware of the Japanese Knotweed at this site and is monitoring the area.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

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

Q.17 Question in the name of Councillor Rachael Batten

"To ask the Area Manager if the flowerbeds in a cul de sac (details supplied) can be tidied up and maintained on an ongoing basis"

Reply:

This planting scheme was not installed by the Parks Service. Further investigations will be undertaken to ascertain who installed the scheme and what, if any, maintenance provision was made. Such schemes are often adopted by local residents to maintain.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Q.18 Question in the name of Councillor Rachael Batten

"To ask the Area Manager to outline the management arrangements currently in place for the tennis courts at **(details supplied)**? Are these courts open to all members of the public? Do people wishing to use these courts have to be a member of the local tennis club? Is this club accepting new members? Will Dublin City Council continue to own and manage these facilities in the future"

Reply:

Previous arrangements at the tennis courts in St. Anne's Park were 'Pay and Play' with money being collected at the door. This left staff members in a vulnerable position. This combined with Covid restrictions was no longer deemed appropriate. The current arrangements have been put in place on a temporary basis with the management being devolved to the local club. Negotiations are underway regarding a new agreement which will include an element of 'Pay and Play' in the future.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Q.19 Question in the name of Councillor Rachael Batten

"To ask the Area Manager to discuss with the park ranger (details supplied) about the clean up that is taking place in the mornings as there appears to be a lot of littler and broken Glass and cans left in the park. I would ask that there is an open discuss and assess if there needs to be additional services"

Reply:

The park is litter picked every morning and the bins are emptied every morning.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Q.20 <u>Question in the name of Councillor Rachael Batten</u>

"To ask the Area Manager to raise with the community Gardai that there is ongoing anti-social Behaviour taking place in the Park (details supplied) this is causing considerable damage in the park and causing substantial cost"

Reply:

Local management based in the park are not aware of any such complaints or damage.

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

The area manager will bring this information to the attention of Community Gardai in the Santry/Whitehall area.

Contact:Derek Farrell, Acting Local Area Manager for Artane - Whitehall LEAPhone:222 8546Email:derek.farrell@dublincity.ie

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Q.21 Question in the name of Councillor Rachael Batten

"To ask the Area Manager to increase the bins and the poo bins in **(details supplied)** as we want it to enjoy the park and to use it but there is a lack of basic facilities"

Reply:

There are two bins located within the park and four bins on the perimeter of the park. This is more than adequate to service a park of this size.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

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

Q.22 Question in the name of Councillor Rachael Batten

"To ask the Area Manager to inquire as to what was the cost of the toilets installed in Santry woods from FINGAL and explore if this can be done in parks large parks across the North Central Area"

Reply:

This matter will be investigated and Parks will revert to Councillor.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Q.23 Question in the name of Councillor Rachael Batten

"To ask the Area Manager on what roads in the Artane/Whitehall LEA are scheduled to be repaired or tarmacked"

<u>Reply:</u>

The following are a list of roads in the Artane/ Whitehall LEA on the 2021 Major works program for resurfacing

	<u>Carriageway</u>	
	Newtown Cottages	Planned
	Magenta Crescent	Completed
<u>Karl</u> Mitche	Larkhill Road	Planned
<u> </u>	Kilbarron Road Localised Repairs and Joint Sealing	Completed
Acting	St Brendans Terrace Localised Repairs	Planned
Execut ive	Brookville Road	Planned
Manag	Malahide Road (Killester Ave-Kilmore Road)	Completed
er	Coolock Lane (between Woodville ave and M50)	Completed
/Direct or of Services North City		

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

Q.24 Question in the name of Councillor Rachael Batten

"To ask the Area Manager to provide an answer why the residence at **(details supplied)** have been refused services by the council to remove clean up from tidy up days"

Reply:

Public Domain unit have provided cleanup materials to the residents to do a litterpick in the estate. The litterpick guide was given to a representative on delivery. Waste management do not remove green waste such as soil/grass sods/trees or bushes. Waste management only remove blue bags containing general litter/leave fall (September November)

On two occasions a grab lorry was called in from priority work to remove grass sods dumped outside an elderly complex that became a trip hazard to the public. I informed the community representative that parks department needs prior authorisation if any green materials under their control is being removed. Parks department maintain public green spaces including trees and grass verges. Attached is an image of the large pile of grass sods dumped outside the elderly complex.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

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

Q.25 Question in the name of Councillor Rachael Batten

"To ask the Area Manager if he could investigate the drains in the street outside (details supplied) as it is fully blocked & has grass growing from it. There is a bad smell of heavy rain, the place will be flooded"

Reply:

The gully at 41 this address was cleaned by members of the Gully Cleaning Crew in the *Surface Water & Flood Incident Management Division* on 12/07/2021. They found that this gully was in need of further high pressure jetting and this will be carried out by the jetting crew in the coming weeks.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Contact:	Richard Sheehy, Senior Executive Engineer, Surface Water and Flood Incident
	Management Division.
Tel:	086 0106363.
Email:	richard.sheehy@dublincity.ie

Q.26 <u>Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons</u>

"To ask the Area Manager with reference to recommendation three of the Darndale - A Long View of an Enduring Challenge report can the manager address the ongoing anti-social behaviour that regularly occurs at **(details supplied)** and to detail what actions and measures have been taken to date to ensure that the majority of families in the area can live their lives in peace, free from fear and intimidation"

Reply:

Dublin City Council deal with complaints of anti-social behaviour in a number of ways. Following receipt of a complaint, they carry out an investigation, liaise with the Gardai where necessary, interview the respondents, issue verbal warnings, serve tenancy warnings and after all other avenues have failed they can seek an exclusion order or a repossession order through the courts. The Darndale housing office are investigating a number of cases in this area at present.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Contact:Connell McGlynn, Area Housing ManagerTel:222 6942Email:Connell.mcglynn@dublincity.ie

Q.27 <u>Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons</u>

"To ask the Area Manager for an update on the proposal to remove the illegal commercial dump that operates on lands fronting onto Belcamp Gardens and to supply this councillor with every report written in relation to this site, including all environmental reports, as well as detailing all potential plans for these lands"

Reply:

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

The removal of the waste material is to begin this summer and is expected to cost between \in 5m - \in 6.5m.

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

There are tentative plans for the redevelopment of the decommissioned site at St Dominic's Park, Tara Lawns and to redevelop Northern Close which may include new Traveller Specific housing. These plans are not fully developed as yet and will be the subject of intensive consultation with all stakeholders.

The City Council is also investigating new opportunities to develop any sites identified to us by Councillors/ Travellers/ Advocates that are either are owned by DCC or could potentially be acquired for new developments for Traveller Specific Accommodation in the North Central Area.

Contact:	Pat Teehan, A/Senior Executive Officer
Tel:	222 6345
Email:	pat.teehan@dublincity.ie

Report issued to Councillor.

Contact:Padraic Lalor, Senior Staff OfficerTel:222 4344Email:Padraic.lalor@dublincity.ie

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North

Q.28 <u>Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons</u>

"To ask the Area Manager noting recommendation three of the Darndale - A Long View of an Enduring Challenge report and the very poor state of the physical environment around Moatview and Belcamp and Darndale to provide a report on the proposed works to be carried out, the timelines involved and the funding required to address this issue. Also, will the manager install bollards on the green space at Belcamp Crescent - The Link Road - Tulip Court beside Darndale Park as stolen cars are regularly driven through the trees on this patch of grass"

<u>Reply:</u>

The works carried out by public Domain in the Darndale area involve removal of Graffiti as it appears in the area which is funded through the Discretionary budget. This area is checked on a daily basis and Graffiti removed within 24 hours of it been found.

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

Dublin City Council are beginning the process of setting up a community consultative forum for the Darndale area. At present we are looking at installing pocket parks in Tulip Court and at the green space beside Darndale FC's clubhouse to try to stop anti-social behaviour and illegal dumping. It is our hope that we can encourage local residents to maintain these parks within their own roads etc. We are liaising with waste management and parks re the collection of waste in the area regularly. We are also liaising with the Housing Department in relation to the possibility of providing housing on some of the larger open spaces. We are working with waste management in relation to the illegal dump and regular dumping of litter in Darndale Park. We are looking to either provide a playground in a new area or to upgrade the one in Darndale Park. The footpaths and roads are being examined in consideration of repair or replacement in next year's works programme. We are examining the possibility of installing two raised roundabouts on Moatview Avenue to help tackle joyriding. We will investigate the possibility of installing bollards on Tulip Court and we are extending the CCTV into Belcamp and Moatview.

Contact:Derek Farrell, Acting Local Area Manager for Artane - Whitehall LEAPhone:222 8546Email:derek.farrell@dublincity.ie

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Q.29 <u>Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons</u>

"To ask the Area Manager to treat the transfer request of **(details supplied)** with the utmost urgency as he and his sizable young family are currently being subjected to severe anti-social behaviour and intimidation"

Reply:

The Darndale Estate Management team are currently dealing with a number of transfer applications which are the subject of intimidation. All applications are treated with urgency that reflects the level of threat being experienced, these levels rang from nuisance noise and disruption to threat to life notification from An Garda Siochana.

The Darndale office use a wide range of interventions from mediation, intervention of tenancy support services and tenancy warnings, it would be an extreme last resort for a family to be relocated and would normally involve a Garda Information Message (GIM letter). All instances of intimidation should be reported the Garda in the first instance and the Darndale Housing office also.

Contact:Connell McGlynn, Area Housing ManagerTel:222 6930Email:connell.mcglynn@dublincity.ie

The above applicant is on the Housing Transfer List, with an application date of 26/03/2014, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

Area	Bedsize	Position	
Area B	3	384	

The applicant should in the first instance report all incidents of anti-social behaviour to his local Garda station who in turn can liaise with the local Housing Office regarding addressing issues of anti-social behaviour being experienced by the tenant. Please advise the applicant to forward on any supporting documentation in respect of these incidents to the local Housing Office who will investigate the matter.

The applicant will be considered for an offer when accommodation to meet his household need 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 wish to increase his areas of choice as it may increase his chance of being housed in a shorter timeframe. Housing Advisors are available (Monday to Friday 2pm - 5pm) to discuss options with the applicant should he wish to amend his application to include additional areas of choice.

The applicant may also wish to register his 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.

Contact:Cathal Daly, Allocations Officer, Housing Allocations & TransfersTel:222639Email:cathal.daly@dublincity.ie

Karl Mitchell Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Q.30 Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons

"To ask the Area Manager to request a full maintenance assessment of **(details supplied)** hall door and windows are in bad repair, there is damp throughout the house and requires a new bathroom, the reasons for which have been submitted in reports from GP, O.T. and hospital"

Reply:

Dublin City Council will arrange with the tenant to carry out an inspection of her home and carry out any necessary repairs if required. Our adaptation section received an application for a walk in shower. The tenant will receive a response through the post in the next three weeks.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Contact:Clive Ahern, Administrative OfficerTel:222 3517Email:clive.ahern@dublincity.ie

Q.31 <u>Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons</u>

"To ask the Area Manager to explain the bye laws related to open spaces and amenity areas with regard to (details supplied) and whether it is permissible for any resident whose property backs onto a park or play area to open a gate to gain access to the area"

<u>Reply:</u>

Permission was given to cross the public open space following an onsite inspection by local management. Health and safety was agreed on site. A bond was provided to ensure that no damage was done to the area. On completion no significant damage had occurred and the bond was returned.

All other matters should be referred to the Planning Department.

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

The rear boundary wall of has been opened to allow for a pedestrian gate onto the public green, neighbouring properties also have a rear pedestrian gate from their properties out on to this green. There is no further development taking place at this property and the owner confirmed the wall is not being taken down for any kind of future works or as an access for materials to be delivered. The only work undertaken was the 800mm opening for the pedestrian gate, the height of the gate is 1.9meters in line with the existing boundary wall.

The access opening is exempted development and I am fully satisfied there is no further works taking place at this property.

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

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Q.32 <u>Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons</u>

"To ask the Area Manager for a report on why public access to the parking area around the boat ramp opposite Clontarf Boat Club has been blocked entirely to vehicle access"

Reply:

The access has not been closed off at this area it is being controlled to prevent unauthorised car parking. The area is for launching boats and is not a public car park. There is a car park adjacent to this site. Access can be gained by arrangement with Clontarf Yacht Club or the Parks Department.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

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

Q.33 <u>Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons</u>

"To ask the Area Manager to explain to me what the city council's policy regarding the **(details supplied)** is and what options are available for this family to secure more suitable and appropriate housing from the council"

Reply:

The above applicant is on the Housing Transfer List, with an application date of 26/03/2014, and the applicant holds the following positions on this list:

Area	Bedsize	Position	
Area B	3	237	

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

I note that the applicant has been previously advised regarding Homeswapper.ie, should she be successful in finding a match, and all criteria is satisfied, it may decrease her waiting time.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

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

Q.34 Question in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole

"To ask the Area Manager to have a dished out facility onto to the green area opposite (details **supplied**) installed. The resident is wheelchair bound and wishes to access the green area"

Reply:

The Area Manager will investigate this matter and report back to Cllr O'Toole.

Karl Mitchell Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services

Contact:Derek Farrell, Acting Local Area Manager for Artane - Whitehall LEAPhone:222 8546Email:derek.farrell@dublincity.ie

Q.35 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

"To ask the Area Manager to engage with Irish water and/or take any necessary action within the council to ensure that the carriageway on Celtic Park Avenue, Dublin 9 is reinstated following works by Irish water and to give a timeframe for same. The roadway is now in very poor condition"

Reply:

The temporary reinstatement on Celtic Park Avenue will be replaced by a permanent reinstatement by the end of July 2021. This work will be carried out by Irish Water's contractor.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Contact:Deri Flood, A/Senior Engineer, RMSTel:086 388 3986Email:deri.flood@dublincity.ie

Q.36 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

"To ask the Area Manager when works on the footpaths on Belton Park Road and Donnycarney Rd, D9, as committed to in the 2021 programme of works, will take place"

Reply:

The works in question have been sent to tender along with a package of other localised repairs in the North Central Area. At this time no program can be provided for the works. In addition to localised footpath repairs on Belton Park Road, localised footpath and carriageway repairs will be completed on Belton Park Gardens. Works are planned for completion in 2021. All residents affected by the works will be contacted by the appointed contractor prior to works advising them of any disruption.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

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

 Email:
 shane.satell@dublincity.ie

Q.37 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

"To ask the Area Manager to arrange for repairs to the wall at the middle green on the Grace Park Meadows side of the Grace Park estate, D9 which has cracks to same. I was given a commitment by the previous area manager that this would happen by October 2020 but it still has not been rectified. This was originally flagged by the resident's association for the area in 2019"

Reply:

The Parks Service is currently working through an enormous back log of high priority work that was suspended due to Covid restrictions. This work will be attended to in due course

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

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

Q.38 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

"To ask the Area Manager to include Holly Rd, Oak Rd and Elm Rd, Dublin 9 in the programme of works for 2022 for footpath repair. The footpaths here are in very poor repair and need maintenance work to ensure accessibility and safety"

Reply:

Road Maintenance Services will consider these locations along with others in the North Central for inclusion in the 2022 major works program.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Contact:Shane Satell, Senior Executive EngineerEmail:shane.satell@dublincity.ie

Q.39 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

"To ask the Area Manager when will the Council carry out works at **(details supplied)** which the residents have been waiting for 20 years in relation to black mould on the walls and replacing doors and windows that do not meet European safety standards"

Reply:

Dublin City Council has appointed a contractor to carry out works at the above address. The contractor will make arrangements with the tenants to commence the works.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Contact:Clive Ahern, Administrative OfficerTel:222 3517Email:clive.ahern@dublincity.ie

Q.40 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

"To ask the Area Manager will the Council plant more trees at Briarfield Grove, Kilbarrack, as requested by local residents"

Reply:

The area will be inspected for its suitability for tree planting. If suitable tree planting will be carried out during the tree planting season of 2021/22.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

 Contact:
 Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent

 Email:
 parks@dublincity.ie

Q.41 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

"To ask the Area Manager will the Council install a gate at the location of the attached photo at the Playground in Kilbarrack near the junction of Thornville Road/ Briarfield Road at the fence by providing a way in and out through the desire line see (details supplied)"

Reply:

An inspection will be carried out at this area to ascertain suitability for a wider entrance.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

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

Q.42 Question in the name of Councillor Catherine Stocker

"To ask the Area Manager to install Sheffield cycle stands at the Goblet pub, Malahide Rd, Dublin 5"

Reply:

The location on Malahide Road in the vicinity of the Goblet Pub will be examined and if deemed suitable cycle parking will be included in a future batch of the On-Street Cycle Parking Project.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Contact:Chris Adamson, Executive EngineerEmail:Chris.adamson@dublincity.ie

Q.43 Question in the name of Councillor Alison Gilliland

"To ask the Area Manager to provide an update on the provision of a right turn filter light into the Clonshough Industrial Estate from the Oscar Traynor Rd travelling east west ie up towards Santry"

Reply:

The ITS section has reviewed the operation of the traffic signals at this junction and site visits have been undertaken to review traffic movements on site.

There is a right turn filter signal onsite however there is no available road width to accommodate a dedicated right turn filter signal on traffic detector. Therefore the right turn filter signal runs each cycle of the traffic signals during the morning peak 7am to 10am to assist traffic entering the Industrial Estate at commencement of normal working hours. East bound traffic is halted at a red signal whilst this filter signal is displayed. This filter signal does not run for the remainder of the day. Onsite visits have indicated that there are no specific issues with right turning traffic into the industrial estate post morning peak or afternoon.

There are, therefore, currently no plans to amend the traffic signals timings or sequences at this location and the junction will be monitored.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Contact:Seán Fallon, Assistant ITS Officer, TransportationEmail:sean.fallon@dublincity.ie

Q.44 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

"To ask the Area Manager if trees along south side of Collins Avenue, between Swords Road and Albert College, could be pruned? They have grown downwards and are proving to be a hazard for people walking and running along the footpath"

Reply:

The trees in this area will be inspected and any works deemed necessary will be included in the tree care programme for 2021/22.

Karl Mitchell Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

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

Q.45 <u>Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe</u>

"To ask the Area Manager if speed ramps could be installed along Shanliss Drive. This road is a connecting road between Shanliss Road and Avenue, both of which are ramped and is used as a rat-run for traffic from Santry Avenue to Swords Road"

Reply:

This request (Enquiry Ref: 7021591) will be referred to the Area Engineer for assessment and report to the Transport Advisory Group for their consideration. The Councillor will then be informed of the final recommendations of the Transport Advisory Group.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

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

Q.46 <u>Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe</u>

"To ask the Area Manager if a yellow box could be installed at the junction of Swords Road, Shanrath Road and Shantalla Road bridge in order that traffic can exit safely from Shanrath Road"

Reply:

This request (Enquiry Ref: 7021575) will be referred to the Area Engineer for assessment and report to the Transport Advisory Group for their consideration.

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

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

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

Q.47 <u>Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe</u>

"To ask the Area Manager if he could supply a children at play signage at **(details supplied)** and if consideration would be given to placing a zebra crossing at (details supplied)"

Reply:

This request (Enquiry Ref: 7021389) will be referred to the Area Engineer for assessment and report to the Transport Advisory Group for their consideration.

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

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

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

Q.48 Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe

"To ask the Area Manager if he could follow up with Traffic Management department to provide a traffic management plan for **(details supplied).** As per granting of planning permission from ABP, condition No 16 provides that "a detailed construction traffic management plan shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development." It appears that work is about to start on the site and yet residents have had no notice of a traffic management plan having been put in place"

Reply:

A submission for compliance in accordance with condition 16 SHD0002/20 has been received and reviewed by Roadworks Control Section. The Planning Department has been advised that the submission is considered to be acceptable to Environment & Transportation Department subject to ongoing reviews of construction traffic management and liaison by the contractor/applicant with DCC's Roadworks Control Section throughout the period of construction.

Contact:	Edel Kelly, Transportation Planning Division
Tel:	222 2132
Email:	edel.kelly@dublincity.ie

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Q.49 <u>Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe</u>

"To ask the Area Manager will the Council complete the dishing of the footpath in Lein Gardens, Artane, Enq. Ref. No. <u>11058022</u>, which was first reported as needing work close to 4 years ago"

Reply:

A final review and assessment of this location should have been carried out earlier this year, but was postponed due to Covid restrictions that were in place for a number of months. This will take place in the coming weeks and should result in this dishing request being added to a works schedule.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

 Contact:
 Pat O'Halloran, Senior Executive Engineer Road Maintenance Services Division

 Email:
 pat.ohalloran@dublincity.ie

Q.50 <u>Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe</u>

"To ask the Area Manager will the Council install an ability swing in Fr Collins Park, Clongriffin, Dublin 13 similar to that in Cabinteely Park and install designated parking spaces for people with disabilities at Fr Collins Park as currently the park does not meet the required 5% of car spaces being accessible car parking spaces which is outlined under Part M 2010 Building Regulations Access and Use"

Reply:

The playground in Fr. Collin's Park is approximately 10 years old and is due to be up-graded and renewed. Improving accessibility and inclusivity will be one of the main design criteria for the upgrade.

The Parks Service has looked at the provision of the wheelchair swings of the type installed in Cabinteely, however it was found that these items were expensive relative to the limited play value offered and not all that inclusive. The recommendation from at least one supplier was that were not really suitable for a public park. In addition, our Play Development Officer doesn't feel that this swing meets with the 7 principles of universal design the swing children the swing is fenced in, segregated from the rest of the playground and requires a special key for access.

There are much more inclusive play items available, for example a wheelchair roundabout which allows both wheelchair users and friends to play together on the same item. There are examples of these roundabouts recently installed in Kilbarrack, Edenmore and St. Anne's. The bouncy bridge in Kilbarrack is also wheelchair accessible and inclusive. The Parks Service has replied to the Community Association and advised of the above and will consider introducing accessible items to these playgrounds in the context of future budget provisions.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

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

Q.51 <u>Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe</u>

"To ask the Area Manager provide a report on the standard of recent road resurfacing contracts in the NCA and will he address the gaps in this surface which have appeared recently in many areas and specifically at **(details supplied)** and the recourse which DCC has in this regard"

Reply:

Road Maintenance Services will inspect this location and schedule any repair when a works crew is available in the area.

No resurfacing works were completed at this location in the past 10 years. Please refer to specific locations which you think have failed following recent resurfacing works and we can assess the reasons that this may have occurred.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Contact:Shane Satell, Senior Executive EngineerEmail:shane.satell@dublincity.ie

Q.52 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell

"To ask the Area Manager to investigate and implement increased traffic calming in the Killester Middle Third / Abbeyfield / Killester Ave area please to include the eliminating of rat runs as per the current Dublin City Council Development Plan 2016-2022 paragraph MT044 to restrict rat-runs. Also to ensure this area adheres to the 2019 updated Design Manual for Urban Streets and Roads to place pedestrians and cyclists at the top of the user hierarchy that promotes and prioritises sustainable forms of transportation"

Reply:

As you may be aware, a presentation on the subject of Neighbourhood Transport Schemes was delivered at the North Central Area Committee Meeting on Monday 20th January 2020. As highlighted during this presentation, the goal of a Neighbourhood Transport Scheme is to provide more walkable and calmer streets where the priority is given to pedestrians, cyclists and public transport. These schemes are particularly aimed at residential areas which suffer from transport issues in relation to:

- <u>Rat Running</u> (the practice by motorists of using residential side streets instead of the intended main road in urban or suburban areas)
- Speeding
- Heaving traffic volumes
- Congestion
- HGV's through residential areas
- Other dangerous issues

As outlined at the time, a list of residential areas that may qualify for a Neighbourhood Transport Scheme was being finalised (i.e. **Phase 1**). Following this meeting, an email was also sent (on 17th February) to all Councillors with a request to submit any areas for consideration by the 13th March 2020. Subsequently, the following areas proceeded to Phase 2:

- Haverty Road
- Grange Park Avenue
- Millbrook Avenue
- Coolgreena Road
- Mayne River Avenue
- Grace Park Terrace
- Briarsfield Road
- Windsor Avenue
- Riverside Park
- Killester

Please note that the above list also includes the surrounding streets and areas. The focus of Neighbourhood Transport Schemes are on local streets in residential areas which are bounded by the main thoroughfares and arterial roads.

Phase 2 involves assessing and ranking these areas in keeping with the formalised process as agreed at the Nov 2018 SPC. This involves assessing the areas against a number of set criteria (e.g. level of cut-through traffic at peak times) to determine the order of implementation for a Neighbourhood Transport Scheme. The initial forecast period for completion of this phase was Q2 2020 however this was delayed due to Covid 19.

Phase 3 involves working with councillors and various internal and external stakeholders in developing a Neighbourhood Transport Scheme for the top ranked area(s).

Notwithstanding this, any specific requests for traffic measures at specific locations in the North Central Area are welcome and can be submitted to the website: <u>https://www.dublincity.ie/traffic-service-request-councillor</u> where they will be dealt with by the Area Engineer.

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

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Contact:Andrew Geoghegan, Neighbourhood Transport Engineer (North City)Tel:222 6347Emailandrew.geoghegan@dublincity.ie

Q.53 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler

"To ask the Area Manager have licences been issued for Rockfield Tennis Court and St. Annes Tennis Courts? And if not can you advise when you expect these to be in place"

Reply:

To date licences have not yet been issued.

However, consultations are in place with a view to getting licences in place.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

 Contact:
 Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent

 Email:
 parks@dublincity.ie

Q.54 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler

"To ask the Area Manager for an update on supporting John Vianney FC with toilet facilities on Kilmore Drive"

Reply:

We have been looking into wet and dry facilities at this location. There is a possibility of installing a dryloo at this location but we would still require a water and power supply. We will be meeting a contractor on site in the next fortnight to explain our requirements and to get a quotation. We will then need to liaise with Irish Water for details on a water supply and a connection to the main drainage system. When we have more detail on pricing and timelines from Irish Water we will come back to the Councillor.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Contact:Derek Farrell, Acting Local Area Manager for Artane - Whitehall LEAPhone:222 8546Email:derek.farrell@dublincity.ie

Q.55 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler

"To ask the Area Manager for an update on finding and securing suitable locations for John Vianney's FC to train in the winter months"

Reply:

We have been working on identifying and securing locations for training for St John Vianney's winter training schedule. I have advised the club of the availability of training times in Parnell's. I advised them to contact Parks Pitches to check into availability at Donaghmede Park. They have use of the Astro pitch in the Stardust Park for their smaller kids. I am meeting with the board of Dean Swift next week to discuss shared usage of the astro pitch in Belcamp and the Parks Department are looking into the availability of funding to possibly cover the tennis courts in Dean Swift in an artificial surface. We will come back to the councillor when we have further information.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

 Contact:
 Derek Farrell, Acting Local Area Manager for Artane - Whitehall LEA

 Phone:
 222 8546

 Email:
 derek.farrell@dublincity.ie

Q.56 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler

"To ask the Area Manager provide a bin on Kilmore Drive, as there is a high footfall of people using the green space there due to football"

Reply:

Waste Management Services will monitor litter levels at this location to see if it merits having a litter bin installed there.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

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

Q.57 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler

"To ask the Area Manager for an update on suitable locations for Community Gardens/Allotments that can be used in the North Central Area"

Reply:

Parks have given a commitment to examine areas that are considered backland and/or poorly accessed sites city wide to ascertain their suitability for allotments, community gardens or other biodiversity interventions. This investigation is currently underway and it is hoped that a report on same will be available at the end of 2021.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

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

Q.58 Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler

"To ask the Area Manager to survey the area indicated on the attached map, as there are still people driving at hazardous speeds along the road once they pass the new speed bumps. Can the speed limit be changed to 30Kmp/h and add more effective traffic calming and meet with residents who are using this route on Watermill Road, Raheny on a regular basis"

Reply:

Watermill Road is an arerial route, the current speed limit is 50 km/h. Watermill Road is included in the proposal 2021 for reduction of the speed limit which at The moment is under review by the Road Safety Section.

Contact:Rossana Camargo, Executive Engineer, Transportation. Road Safety. Policy,
Strategy and Innovation Section.Email:rossana.camargo@dublincity.ie

In relation to traffic calming, Watermill Road is a strategic arterial route. As a part of the new Bus Route 6 from Howth to the City Centre, a number of traffic calming measures were introduced.

These included parking restrictions at strategic points to ensure a free flow of traffic, two new bus bays on the north side and two bus bays with build-outs on the south side and parallel parking bays on the south side to facilitate access to Saint Anne's Park.

To further enhance traffic calming along this section of the road speed cushions were replaced with bus ramps. These are installed at appropriate intervals to achieve optimum traffic calming.

Thereforeno further measures are recommended to be implemented at Watermill Road at this time.Contact:Catalin Rosca, Area Traffic Engineer, Environment & Transportation Dept.Tel:222 6145.Email:catalin.rosca@dublincity.ie

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Q.59 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O Muiri

"To ask the Area Manager to please provide an update report on progress in relation to the Clontarf Flood Defence project including:

- 1. Ground work investigations
- 2. Formulation of design options.

Can the Manager confirm the date of the next Clontarf Promenade Development and Flood Defence Project Joint Working Group Meeting"

Reply:

To date no ground work investigations have been done as a number of items need to be clarified before this work can commence. In May this year the project team had a site meeting regarding wall alignment which is still under discussion. Once the project team have made a decision on the wall alignments this information will be brought back to the Working Group for discussion, we envisage date for working group meeting will be October.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Contact:Gerard O Connell, Project ManagerTel:222 4302Email:Gerard.oconnell@dublincity.ie

Q.60 <u>Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O Muiri</u>

"To ask the Area Manager to confirm if **(details supplied)** have been assessed and are on the DCC housing list"

Reply:

The above applicant's housing application has been assessed and the applicant has been approved for HAP only.

The applicant is currently a Homeowner, Dublin City Council cannot accept an applicant that is a Homeowner on the Social Housing List. Dublin City Council recognise that the applicant does have a need for some assistance and the applicant has been approved for social housing support in the form of HAP (Housing Assistance Payment scheme).

Dublin City Council will not be in a position to consider the applicant for accommodation until the property ownership is resolved fully. Upon the property ownership being resolved the applicant should advise Dublin City Council.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

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

Q.61 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O Muiri

"To ask the Area Manager to organise for the overgrown hedging/shrubbery obstructing the pedestrian footpath at the DART bridge in Killester to be cut back"

Reply:

Maintenance Services has scheduled an inspection at this location. Hedge cutting advice notices will be issued to residences where shrubbery is obstructing the footpath.

Contact:Shane Satell, Senior Executive EngineerEmail:shane.satell@dublincity.ie

This area will be inspected and any work deemed necessary will be carried out after the nesting season in September.

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

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Q.62 <u>Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O Muiri</u>

"To ask the Area Manager to provide a report on the following query (details supplied)"

Reply:

The temporary reinstatement on Celtic Park Avenue will be replaced by a permanent reinstatement by the end of July 2021. This work will be carried out by Irish Water's contractor. Irish Water have been reminded by DCC of their obligations in relation to carrying out permanent reinstatements in a timely fashion.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Contact:Deri Flood, A/ Senior Engineer, RMSTel:086 388 3986Email:deri.flood@dublincity.ie

Q.63 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O Farrell

"To ask the Area Manager to report on the Griffith Ave Cycleway Road Safety Audit Stage 3 including the expected timeframe for completion and for a copy when completed to be sent to local area Councillors please"

Reply:

The Environment and Transportation Department has requested the services of an independent auditor to carry out a Road Safety Audit on Griffith Avenue between Walnut Rise and Charlemont.

The audit will be conducted and a copy of the Road Safety Audit will be issued to Councillors upon completion.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

ContactBernard Lester, A/Senior Engineer, E&T.Tel:222 5871Email:bernard.lester@dublincity.ie

Q.64 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O Farrell

"To ask the Area Manager for traffic to investigate a possible traffic accident anomaly / situation on Griffith Ave please. In respect of cars travelling west on Griffith Ave between Dominican College and the right hand turn onto Drumcondra Road (towards airport). Due to the new lay out / small width (single lane at Dominican) of the carriageway cars turning right onto Drumcondra Road often cross over the broken white line and travel a distance at speed up to the junction. In turn, cars egressing from the northern side Griffith Ave now travel further out onto the the carriageway raising the possibility of a collision between the two"

Reply:

The recent changes to the layout on Griffith Avenue, including the area referred to above, will be the subject of a Road Safety Audit due to be conducted in the coming weeks. Any safety issues identified will be promptly addressed following the audit.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

 Contact:
 Alec Dundon, A/Senior Executive Engineer

 Email:
 <u>Alec.Dundon@dublincity.ie</u>

Q.65 <u>Question in the name of Councillor Damian O Farrell</u>

"To ask the Area Manager to report on the ownership and also the pay for parking situation in respect of the area in front of Clontarf Baths. The report also to include whether or not the parking hut needs planning planning permission and if yes what steps are DCC taking to remove this eyesore"

Reply:

This area is apparently not owned by DCC / 'Dublin Corporation'

This reply only covers the ownership part of the question. A response is also required from Planning and Development

Contact:Ronnie Hamilton, Senior Executive TechnicianTel:222 2546Email:Ronnie.hamilton@dublincity.ie

Dublin City Council is not the owner of the land concerned. The issue of paid parking and any ancillary structures is currently under investigation by the Planning Enforcement Section.

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

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Q.66 Question in the name of Councillor Damian O Farrell

"To ask the Area Manager to report on the boat ramp / access facility at Clontarf Promenade near the Bus Garage"

Reply:

The area is for launching boats and is not a public car park. The access has not been closed off at this area it is being controlled to prevent unauthorised car parking. Access can be gained by arrangement with Clontarf Yacht Club or the Parks Department.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

 Contact:
 Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent

 Email:
 parks@dublincity.ie

Q.67 Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O'Muiri

"To ask the Area Manager to please provide an update on the boules installation planned for Rockfield Park"

Reply:

Boules piste has been installed at this location since the 19th June 2021.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Q.68 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

"To ask the Area Manager in relation to (**details supplied**) please carry out the necessary repairs as local users say its currently hazardous and in windy conditions is in danger of causing a serious injury to someone"

Reply:

Work has commenced week beginning 12th July 2021.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Q.69 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

"To ask the Area Manager to refer to tenancy as per **(details supplied)** and arrange to carry out necessary/outstanding works for which 3 visits from City Council operatives have occurred, on each occasion photographs were taken, but no works followed and can he provide a reason for the delay"

Reply:

Dublin City Council has carried out an inspection of the internal doors at this property. The doors are deemed to be in good working order and not in need of replacement as this time.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Contact:Clive Ahern, Administrative OfficerTel:222 3517Email:clive.ahern@dublincity.ie

Q.70 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

"To ask the Area Manager to refer to tenancy as per **(details supplied)** and arrange to replace front door as is happening with other flats in this complex; elderly residents are unable to close their front door as its in such poor condition and they fear someone will enter their home while they sleep"

Reply:

Dublin City Council has commenced a programme of works at this Senior Citizens Complex to replace the front doors and they are on the list to have their door Re-placed and will be contacted in due course.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Contact:Clive Ahern, Administrative OfficerTel:222 3517Email:clive.ahern@dublincity.ie

Q.71 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

"To ask the Area Manager to please refer to tree at **(details supplied)** and say if he can prune same as its completely covering up/blocking the public light and vulnerable pedestrians/residents are fearful of lack of public light at this point"

Reply:

The tree will be inspected in the coming weeks and any works deemed necessary will be carried out in the tree care programme 2021/22.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Q.72 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

"To ask the Area Manager to refer to trees at (details supplied) and let me have a response please"

Reply:

The tree will be inspected in the coming weeks and any works deemed necessary will be carried out in the tree care programme 2021/22.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Q.73 <u>Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney</u>

"To ask the Area Manager to refer to **(details supplied)** and say if he will agree to erect a 30kph traffic sign as some motorists tear through this space at alarming speed and let me have a detailed response please"

Reply:

The slow zone signs are installed at the entry points to housing estates where a 30 km/h speed limit is being implemented and a 'Slow Zone' is being created.30 km/h speed sign Signs are only placed at the point of change from one speed limit to another. In the case of Killester Avenue, the signage are installed at the following junctions: Clanhugh Rd/ Collins Avenue, Clanawley Rd/ Collins Avenue and Killester Ave/ Collins Avenue

It is Dublin City Councils policy not to erect repeater signs as this will lead to a proliferation of signage throughout the city.

The Road Safety Engineers have been requested to install painted 30km/h roundels speed markings at Killester Avenue to complement the existing 30Km/h signage.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

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

 Email:
 rossana.camargo@dublincity.ie

Q.74 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

"To ask the Area Manager to refer to request from local residents for "Slow: Children at Play" signs x at least 4 for the stretch of road at (details supplied)"

Reply:

This request (Enquiry Ref: 7021389) will be referred to the Area Engineer for assessment and report to the Transport Advisory Group for their consideration.

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

Karl Mitchell Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

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

Q.75 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

"To ask the Area Manager to refer to request from local residents for the installation of a pedestrian crossing **at (details supplied)**"

Reply:

This request (Enquiry Ref: 7021389) will be referred to the Area Engineer for assessment and report to the Transport Advisory Group for their consideration.

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

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

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

Q.76 Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

"To ask the Area Manager to agree to install a pathway at (details supplied) to enable wheelchair/disabled access to this amenity"

Reply:

Further detail is required to allow this request to be assessed.

Karl Mitchell Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Q.77 <u>Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron</u>

"To ask the Area Manager if he will arrange for a dead tree at (details supplied) to be removed and replaced"

Reply:

The tree will be inspected in the coming weeks and any works deemed necessary will be included in the tree care programme 2021/22

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Q.78 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

"To ask the Area Manager if he will attend to a tree at (details supplied) which is in a dangerous condition"

Reply:

The tree has been removed.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Q.79 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

"To ask the Area Manager if the road and footpath at **(details supplied**) can be altered to facilitate on-street parking for the residents on this road. Can this query be referred to both the Traffic Department and the Roads Department"

Reply:

The location will be examined jointly by Roads and Traffic to evaluate all possibilities.

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Contact:Derek Dixon, Project Engineer Roads and TrafficTel:222 8601Email:Derek.dixon@dublincity.ie

Q.80 <u>Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron</u>

"To ask the Area Manager to inspect (details supplied) as DCC household have defacing property. More information can be provided"

Reply:

The Project Estate Officer is investigating this issue. But it not illegal to put anti climbing paint on walls, once you put a sign up to let the People know.

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Contact:Patrick Smith, Area Housing ManagerTel:222 8852Email:Patrickp.Smith@dublincity.ie

Q.81 <u>Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron</u>

"To ask the Area Manager to inspect the below location for Rodent issues in area. Have sent details to area Parks Supt. (details supplied) as resident have complaints of several sighting in recent weeks"

Reply:

The area has been inspected and appropriate arrangements will be made to have the area baited.

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

Environmental Health Section in Dublin City Council has no statutory powers in relation to pest control and do not investigate complaints in relation to rodents. The investigation of complains and subsequent enforcement action and the provision of advice in relation to rodents is a matter for the Health Service Executive.

Contact:Bernie Doherty, Senior Executive OfficerEmail:Bernie.doherty@dublincity.ie

The Rats and Mice (Destruction) Act 1919 is enforced by the Health Service Executive, Environmental Health, Pest Control Section, Unit 13F, Blanchardstown Corporate Park, Blanchardstown, Dublin 15. Tel: 01 809 8300.

Advice is provided on the HSE web site at http://www.hse.ie/eng/services/Publications/Environmentalhealth/Rodent Control for Householders.pdf and at http://www.hse.ie/eng/services/Publications/Environmentalhealth/Rodent Control for Householders.pdf and at http://www.hse.ie/eng/services/Publications/Environmentalhealth/Rodent Control for the Construction_nindustry.pdf

 Contact:
 Colm Smyth, Principal Environmental Health Officer

 Email:
 colm.smyth@dublincity.ie

Dublin City Council has no houses in Grange Rise.

Contact:Clive Ahern, Administrative OfficerTel:222 3515Email:clive.ahern@dublincity.ie

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Q.82 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

"To ask the Area Manager to examine (details supplied) as house vacant and rodents are attracted to rubbish in backgarden. DCC Household"

Reply:

This is not a vacant property there is a family living here. Pest Control has been out here on 7th July 2021 and are carrying out all necessary works.

Contact:	Clive Ahern, Administrative Officer
Tel:	222 3517
Email:	<u>clive.ahern@dublincity.ie</u>

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 Contact:
 Colm Smyth, Principal Environmental Health Officer

 Email:
 colm.smyth@dublincity.ie

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Q.83 Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron

"To ask the Area Manager to repair and replace the tarmac fully caused by burst pipe on (details supplied) as repair work is not good standard"

Reply:

The temporary reinstatement on Grange Road has been referred to Irish Water for permanent reinstatement. Irish Water have been reminded of their obligation in relation to carrying out this permanent reinstatement in a timely manner.

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Contact:Deri Flood, A/Senior Engineer, RMSTel:086 388 3986Email:deri.flood@dublincity.ie

Q.84 Question in the name of Lord Mayor Councillor Alison Gilliland

"To ask the Area Manager to arrange for the removal of (details supplied)"

Reply:

Public Domain have requested waste management to remove kerbside weeds when resources become available.

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

The trees will be inspected in the coming weeks and any work deemed necessary will be carried out in the tree care programme for 2021/22.

 Contact:
 Fergus O'Carroll, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent

 Email:
 parks@dublincity.ie

<u>Karl Mitchell</u> Acting Executive Manager /Director of Services North City

Q.85 <u>Question in the name of Lord Mayor Councillor Alison Gilliland</u>

"To ask the Area Manager to arrange for the installation of (details supplied)

Reply:

Following an investigation a "Children At Play" sign is not recommended at the requested location as it does not meet the criteria for locating such signs. A sign has been provided at the entrance to Newbrook Road which is sufficient for Newbrook Avenue.

However, a 30 km/h road marking will be recommended at the entrance on Newbrook Avenue from Newbrook Road to enhance the current 30 km/h speed limit signage for the area (Enquiry Ref: 7021593).

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