
**Breviate of the meeting of the Traffic and Transport Strategic Policy Committee held
on 8th September 2021**

- 1) Minutes of Traffic & Transport SPC 25th May 2021
Order: Agreed

- 2) Minutes of Public Transport Sub-Committee 15th April 2021.
Order: Agreed.

- 3) Minutes of Walking and Cycling Sub-Committee 22nd March 2021.
Order: Agreed.

- 4) Standing Orders Managing SPC Meeting- duration of meetings etc. - Chairperson Cllr.
Christy Burke

The aim of the changes to Standing Orders is to improve the efficacy and efficiency of both the full City Council meeting and Area, JPC and SPC Committee meetings. Standing Order 48 deals with the General Provisions relating to Committees and is relevant to all Area, JPC and SPC Committees. Under the new guidelines Committees will be asked to agree the following:

- Each SPC, shall agree a standard length of time for their meetings, to be approved by a majority of Members.
- An option to extend the meeting by a maximum of 30 minutes is available with the agreement of a majority of Members present.
- The decision to extend the meeting should be taken no later than 15 minutes before the scheduled conclusion of the meeting.
- Consideration can be given to allocating a maximum time for each item on the Agenda.
- Limiting the number of presentation per meeting and limiting the time allocated for each presentation.

Order: Noted.

- 5) Agree Dates for SPC Meeting 2022

Proposed Dates for 2022 – Meeting time at 15:00

Wednesday 09th February

Wednesday 08th June

Wednesday 07th September

Wednesday 09th November

Order: Agreed.

- 6) Report on Bike Bunkers - Will Mangan, Executive Engineer Transportation Operations.
Order: Noted.
- 7) Presentation Cargo Bike Scheme - Jennifer McGrath Senior Executive Engineer, City Centre Transport Projects.
Order: Noted.
- 8) Report of South Quays contra-flow proposal Motion submitted by Cllr. Jane Horgan Jones at last SPC meeting - Maggie O'Donnell Senior Executive Engineer
Order: Deferred to next SPC at request of Cllr. Horgan-Jones.
- 9) Report on public consultation on the Eastlink Toll Road revision of Bye-Laws – Brendan O'Brien
Order: Noted – Further reports from Manager requested for discussion with group leaders.
- 10) **Motion in the name of Cllr. Deirdre Conroy**

To ask the Transport and Traffic Department to address the National Transport Authority and ensure that the historic boundaries and gardens and trees of Terenure Road East and Rathfarnham Road are not demolished. Dublin Bay South and Dublin South Central Bus Corridor 8,9,10,11,12 and 14 Proposals have to be redressed since COVID-19.

Order: Motion deferred.

- 11) Motion in the name of Cllr. Donna Cooney

Regarding item not agreed at North Central Area Committee Meeting held on 19th July, 2021 and referred to Traffic & Transport SPC for discussion.

Motion 8M 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.

Reply:

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

Order: Not agreed. Refer to Transport SPC for discussion.

Order: Noted. Informal working group to be set-up to look at various options and consider a trial at a location to be agreed.

Cllr. Christy Burke

Chairperson

8th September 2021

Attendance:

SPC Members:

Cllr. Christy Burke
Cllr Deirdre Conroy
Cllr Mannix Flynn
Cllr. Anne Feeney
Cllr Keith Connolly

Cllr Caroline Conroy
Cllr Janet Horner
Cllr Larry O'Toole
Cllr Daniel Céitinn
Cllr. Carolyn Moore.

Martin Hoey
Colm Ryder
Keith Gavin

Gary Kearney
Richard Guiney
Fergus Sharpe

Dublin City Council Staff:

Brendan O'Brien
Maggie O'Donnell
John Flanagan
Patricia Reidy
Will Mangan
Jennifer McGrath
Dermot Stevenson

Bernard Lester
Antonia Martin
Deirdre Kelly
Martina Halpin
Mary Boyle
Michael Mann
Fergal McKay

Non-Members:

Lord Mayor Alison Gilliland
Cllr. Donna Cooney

Apologies:

Cllr. Jane Horgan-Jones
Cllr. Paddy McCartan