



MINUTES OF THE CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD ON TUESDAY 12 OCTOBER 2021

- 1 **With reference to the minutes of the Central Area Committee held on 14th September 2021.**

ORDER: Agreed.

- 2 **With reference to the Questions to the Area Managers.**

ORDER: Noted. See Appendix 1.

- 3 **With reference to the proposed grant of a further licence of Unit 2, Killarney Court, Buckingham Street Upper, Dublin 1 to Akina Dada Wa Africa CLG.**

ORDER: Agreed. Recommend to City Council.

- 4 **With reference to the proposed grant of a further licence of Kiosks 1 & 2, Liffey Boardwalk, Dublin 1 to Cruises Coffee Kiosks (Dublin) Limited.**

ORDER: Agreed. Recommend to City Council.

- 5 **With reference to the proposed grant of a further lease of part of Bridgewater Hall, 19/24 Summerhill Parade, Dublin 1 to Tusla for the provision of community facilities by Neighbourhood Youth Project 2 (N.Y.P.2).**

ORDER: Agreed. Recommend to City Council.

- 6 **With reference to reference to the proposed disposal of a plot of land to the rear of 20 Saint Eithne Road, Cabra, Dublin 7.**

ORDER: Agreed. Recommend to City Council.

- 7 **With reference to a Naming proposal for a development at a site at St. Mary's Place North and between no.s 13 & 16 Mountjoy Street, Dublin 7.**

ORDER: Agreed.

- 8 **With reference to a Naming proposal for a development at a site at the junction of East Wall Road and Alfie Byrne Road, Dublin 3.**

ORDER: Amended proposal to be submitted to next meeting.

9 **With reference to update on the Discretionary Fund 2021.**

ORDER: Report noted.

10 **With reference to Halloween 2021 Preparations.**

ORDER: Report noted.

11 **With reference to an update report on Martin Savage Park Improvements.**

ORDER: Report noted.

12 **With reference to the Traffic Advisory Group minutes.**

ORDER: Report noted.

13 **With reference to Public Domain.**

ORDER: Report noted.

14 **With reference to the Cabra/Glasnevin Area Report.**

ORDER: Report noted.

15 **With reference to Housing Matters in the Central Area.**

ORDER: Report noted.

16 **With reference to Community Development Matters in the Central Area.**

ORDER: Report noted.

17 **With reference to Sports in the Central Area.**

ORDER: Report noted.

18 **With reference to the North East Inner City Initiative.**

ORDER: Report noted.

19 **With reference to Motions to the Area Managers.**

Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke

That this Central Area Committee calls on the Minister for Education to provide an update on the progress of the development of Gaelscoil Colaiste Mhuire, Parnell Square, which is to be sited on Dominick Street, Dublin.

ORDER: Agreed. A letter will be forwarded to the Minister for Education.

Motion in the names of Councillors Declan Meenagh and Joe Costello

That this Central Area Committee:

- thanks the staff and volunteers in the vaccination program across the country,
- recognises that there are still a number of people who need to be vaccinated,
- notes that if someone has not been vaccinated at this point, that they may have difficulties in accepting a vaccine or other difficulties,

- condemns the decision by the HSE to shut down the Croke Park Community Vaccination Centre,
- notes the Swords centre is too far from most people in the Central Area
- and calls for the Croke Park vaccination centre to be re-opened or a vaccination centre to be added close by.

ORDER: Agreed. A letter will be forwarded to the Health Service Executive.

Motion in the name of Councillor Colm O'Rourke

That this Central Area Committee calls on the Traffic Management Department of Dublin City Council to immediately conduct a review of Cabra Cross (junction at Cabra Road, Navan Road, Ratoath Road and the Old Cabra Road) and introduce a number of measures to improve the safety of pedestrians, cyclists and all road users in the area.

ORDER: Agreed. Report to Councillor.

20 **With reference to Dorset Street Together Group presentation.**

ORDER: Presentation noted.

Councillor Ray McAdam
Chairperson
Tuesday 12 October 2021

Attendance:

Members:

Ray McAdam (Chairperson)
 Christy Burke
 Darcy Lonergan
 Declan Meenagh
 Cieran Perry

Members:

Joe Costello
 Eimer McCormack
 Cat O'Driscoll
 Nial Ring

Members:

Janet Horner
 Séamas McGrattan
 Colm O'Rourke
 Janice Boylan

Officers

Sean Callaghan
 Eoin Corrigan
 Mairead Jonsson
 Brian Mongey
 Brendan Doggett

Cathy Cassidy
 Claire-Marie Dempsey
 John McPartlan
 Les Moore

Blathnaid Conlon
 Ursula Donnellan
 Karl Mitchell
 Stephen Wearen

Non-Members:

Tom McKeon, Tony Kelly, Katherine Kelliher.

Appendix 1.

Questions to the Area Manager
Central Area Committee Meeting
12th October 2021

- Q1** **Councillor Christy Burke**
To ask the Area Manager to clean and cut the garden for the (details supplied)
- Q2** **Councillor Christy Burke**
To ask the Area Manager when renovation works will start and complete at (details supplied)
- Q3** **Councillor Christy Burke**
To ask the Area Manager that (details supplied) be cleaned of dog dirt and the complex including stairs be power washed as it is in a poor state at the moment.
- Q4** **Councillor Christy Burke**
To ask the Area Manager that a disabled parking bay be installed at (details supplied)
- Q5** **Councillor Christy Burke**
To ask the Area Manager to upgrade the public lighting at (details supplied)
- Q6** **Councillor Christy Burke**
To ask the Area Manager when (details supplied) will be housed.
- Q7** **Councillor Christy Burke**
To ask the Area Manager when will a net be placed over the (details supplied)
- Q8** **Councillor Christy Burke**
To ask the Area Manager to power wash stairs and landings in (details supplied)
- Q9** **Councillor Christy Burke**
To ask the Area Manager that all shores on (details supplied) be cleaned out.
- Q10** **Councillor Declan Meenagh**
To ask the Area Manager for a full breakdown of this years Winter Tree Planting Program in the Central Area
- Q11** **Councillor Declan Meenagh**
To ask the Area Manager for an explanation of why tree pits were paved over on (details supplied) and if the Council is still committed to re-instating the trees as was mentioned in previous answer to my questions
- Q12** **Councillor Declan Meenagh**
To ask the Area Manager for an update on (details supplied)
- Q13** **Councillor Declan Meenagh**
To ask the Area Manager for an update on the commitment to reinstate semi mature native trees in (details supplied) after these were removed to facilitate the station. When will these trees be planted?
- Q14** **Councillor Declan Meenagh**
To ask the Area Manager for an update on plans for parking around (details supplied) and for information on where proposed Disability parking will be provided.
- Q15** **Councillor Declan Meenagh**
To ask the Area Manager to arrange for regular cleaning of the lane at (details supplied)
- Q16** **Councillor Declan Meenagh**
To ask the Area Manager for a detailed response of the permitted uses of the piece of land described in (details supplied)

- Q17 Councillor Eimer McCormack**
To ask the Area Manager to provide a report on the progress made to date on the proposed redesign of the (details supplied). Residents are waiting a number of years for this proposal to come to fruition and continue to wait.
- Q18 Councillor Eimer McCormack**
To ask the Area Manager can she shed some light on why DCC have decided to go with this type of housing in (details supplied) and what are the perceived benefits of this type of housing?
- Q19 Councillor Eimer McCormack**
To ask the Area Manager to provide a report on when the pathways will be repaved in (details supplied)
- Q20 Councillor Seamas McGrattan**
To ask the Area Manager to place flower planters on (details supplied)
- Q21 Councillor Seamas McGrattan**
To ask the Area Manager to address ongoing concerns from residents on (details supplied)
- Q22 Councillor Seamas McGrattan**
To ask the Area Manager to replace the damaged road carriageway outside (details supplied1) and the pathway at (details supplied 2).
- Q23 Councillor Seamas McGrattan**
To ask the Area Manager to inspect the sewerage drain for the tenant at (details supplied).
- Q24 Councillor Seamas McGrattan**
To ask the Area Manager to extend the yellow box at the (details supplied)
- Q25 Councillor Seamas McGratta**
To ask the Area Manager to arrange to have (details supplied) swept on a more regular basis.
- Q26 Councillor Seamas McGrattan**
To ask the Area Manager for an update to the plans for (details supplied)
- Q27 Councillor Seamas McGrattan**
To ask the Area Manager what works are to be carried out in the Central Area in the remaining months of the year as part of the 2021 works programme.
- Q28 Councillor Seamas McGrattan**
To ask the Area Manager what upgrade works will be carried out to (details supplied)
- Q29 Councillor Seamas McGrattan**
To ask the Area Manager how many overcrowding extensions have been carried out in the (details supplied) this year and how many people are on the waiting list for same.
- Q30 Councillor Seamas McGrattan**
To ask the Area Manager to have the trees pruned on (details supplied)
- Q31 Councillor Nial Ring**
To ask the Area Manager for an update on Discretionary Fund spending for the year to date.
- Q32 Councillor Nial Ring**
To ask the Area Manager to detail the process and steps involved in the (details supplied)
- Q33 Councillor Nial Ring**
To ask the Area Manager for an update on the (details supplied)
- Q34 Councillor Nial Ring**
To ask the Area Manager for an update on the purchase of (details supplied)
- Q35 Councillor Nial Ring**

To ask the Area Manager to detail the number and location of all units being provided by AHBs in the Central Area (North Inner City) and to detail the number of vacant units currently in these complexes.

Q36 Councillor Nial Ring

To ask the Area Manager if an undertaken can be given that traffic calming measures specific to school buildings the same as those put in place outside Star of the Sea BNS, Sandymount will be installed at (details supplied)

Q37 Councillor Nial Ring

To ask the Area Manager if the review of all belly bins in the area has taken place as per the reply to my question 17 (CAC February 2021) and to further ask when Irish Language signage will be put on the bins as promised.

Q38 Councillor Nial Ring

To ask the Area Manager for details of a proposed (details supplied). Also to ask the Area Manager to confirm that it is the policy of DCC and the DRHE to address the over concentration of such facilities in Dublin 1 and 7 areas and that this proposal will not be progressed.

Q39 Councillor Nial Ring

To ask the Area Manager to detail the amount and location of all Part V units acquired by DCC under the Docklands SDZ scheme and to indicate the amount to be obtained under current permissions and applications.

Q40 Councillor Nial Ring

To ask the Area Manager to write to the Chief Superintendent in Store Street Garda Station and request a detailed breakdown of Garda staffing levels in the Central Area covering Store Street, Mountjoy and the Bridewell. In addition the Chief should be asked to state what manpower level he would need in order to provide an optimal and full policing service in the area.

Q41 Councillor Nial Ring

To ask the Area Manager to detail and provide me with the site survey report on the (details supplied)

Q42 Councillor Darcy Lonergan

To ask the Area Manager for a brief written update on the progress of the refurbishment of (details supplied)

Q43 Councillor Darcy Lonergan

To ask the Area Manager to reconsider and place double yellow lines from (details supplied)

Q44 Councillor Darcy Lonergan

To ask the Area Manager when the Roads and Traffic department expect to be in a position to widen and reopen the walkway between (details supplied)

Q45 Councillor Darcy Lonergan

To ask the Area Manager when the Derelict houses at (details supplied) which DCC plans to renovate will be ready for housing stock.

Q46 Councillor Darcy Lonergan

To ask the Area Manager to consider placing a speed bump in (details supplied). There is local support for safety measures

Q47 Councillor Joe Costello

To ask the Area Manager if she will identify suitable locations for new allotments and community Gardens in the Dublin Central Area.

Q48 Councillor Joe Costello

To ask the Area Manager to report on progress in dealing with the (details supplied)

Q49 Councillor Joe Costello

To ask the Area Manager to state (details supplied) and that a report be made of facilities for people with a disability to access and enjoy that wonderful amenity.

Q50 Councillor Joe Costello

To ask the Area Manager to clear the weeds and deep growth at (details supplied) so that it can be properly viewed and presented.

Q51 Councillor Joe Costello

To ask the Area Manager if she will indicate when the road will be resurfaced and lighting upgraded at (details supplied) and if she will liaise with local Gardaí on security for the residents who have experienced recent incidents of anti-social behaviour

Q52 Councillor Joe Costello

To ask the Area Manager if there is a staffing shortage in the (details supplied)

Q53 Councillor Joe Costello

To ask the Area Manager if she will arrange to a) have litter bins installed on (details supplied) as they are now needed with the arrival of 10.000 students to the Grangegorman campus; and b) if the (details supplied) could be cleaned regularly.

Q54 Councillor Joe Costello

To ask the Area Manager if she will address the issues raised in the (details supplied)

Q55 Councillor Joe Costello

To ask the Area Manager if she can give an update on (details supplied), if it is listed on the derelict sites register, if a report has been carried out by Dublin City Council on the extent of damage to the protected structure that has taken place over the past 10 years; if the current owner has informed the Council of plans to bring it back into use; and if the Council has considered placing a CPO on it.

Q56 Councillor Joe Costello

To ask the Area Manager when the trees at (details supplied) will be pruned as residents are complaining about being in darkness during daytime

Q57 Councillor Colm O'Rourke

To ask the Area Manager to request that the parking metre at (details supplied) be repositioned as it currently makes the footpath inaccessible to many, including those in wheelchairs, those with disabilities and those with buggies/prams etc.

Q58 Councillor Colm O'Rourke

To ask the Area Manager to request that Dublin City Council take the appropriate action regarding a vacant house at (details supplied) as residents of the area are concerned that the derelict house may cause danger due to the condition it is in, there is a number of gas cylinders and electrical items in the back garden, and there is a number of rodents coming from the house causing a problem on the wider public domain.

Q59 Councillor Colm O'Rourke

To ask the Area Manager to please arrange for the trees at the pathway to be pruned (details supplied) if resources are available. Park Services had the trees on the 2020/21 Winter Tree care programme subject to available resources.

Q60 Councillor Colm O'Rourke

To ask the Area Manager to request that Planning Enforcement take the appropriate action and move the case forward, as per the request of residents in the area, regarding the unauthorised development at (details supplied)

Q61 Councillor Colm O'Rourke

To ask the Area Manager to request that a protected cycle lane be put in place at the two sides of the road at (details supplied) due to the volume of vehicles that use this road.

Q62 Councillor Colm O'Rourke

To ask the Area Manager to request that improved provisions to protect cyclists be put in place at (details supplied) to prevent further serious incidents and furthermore to ensure that vehicles don't park on the footpath and/or in cycle lanes.

Q63 Councillor Colm O'Rourke

To ask the Area Manager to request that contactless water bottle filling stations be installed across the Cabra-Glasnevin Electoral Area (Ashtown/Navan Road/Pelletstown, Cabra, Drumcondra, Glasnevin, Phibsborough/Broadstone), including in Dublin City Council parks in the area.

Q64 Councillor Colm O'Rourke

To ask the Area Manager to request that it be examined if free outdoor Wi-Fi hotspots could be installed in various locations across the the Cabra-Glasnevin Electoral Area (Ashtown/Navan Road/Pelletstown, Cabra, Drumcondra, Glasnevin, Phibsborough/Broadstone).

Q65 Councillor Colm O'Rourke

To ask the Area Manager to request if it could be explored if some public lighting poles across the Cabra-Glasnevin Electoral Area (Ashtown/Navan Road/Pelletstown, Cabra, Drumcondra, Glasnevin, Phibsborough/Broadstone) could also be used as electric chargers for electric vehicles and the lighting poles could be painted a lighter shade of green to indicate that the lighting pole is an electric charging point. This would help the City achieve in its climate action goals and it would also prevent clutter from excessive standalone charging poles/points being put on footpaths.

Q66 Councillor Colm O'Rourke

To ask the Area Manager to request that trees and greenery be provided at (details supplied) and the green area be landscaped in consultation with local residents.

Q67 Councillor Darcy Lonergan

To ask the Area Manager to open dialogue with (details supplied)

Q68 Councillor Janet Horner

To ask the Area Manager for a list of which streets will be upgraded to LED street lighting in the Central Area and the schedule for doing so?

Q69 Councillor Janet Horner

To ask the Area Manager what the current management arrangement is for the emergency accommodation facility on (details supplied)

Q70 Councillor Janet Horner

To ask the Area Manager the details of the arrangement with the (details supplied)

Q71 Councillor Janet Horner

To ask the Area Manager how many 4 bedroom properties have been acquired in the Central Area over the past five years?

Q72 Councillor Janet Horner

To ask the Area Manager what plans exist for the relocation of the (details supplied)

Q73 Councillor Janet Horner

To ask the Area Manager to engage with the residents around the (details supplied)

Q74 Councillor Cat O'Driscoll

To ask the Area Manager if the Housing Adaptation Grant can be used to insulate walls of a pensioners private home (details supplied)

Q75 Councillor Cat O'Driscoll

To ask the Area Manager to address the cars regularly blocking the disabled parking spot outside (details supplied)

Q76 Councillor Cat O'Driscoll

To ask the Area Manager to place temporary cyclist protections at (details supplied) until the BusConnects plans are ready, the junction is very dangerous and is a route to many schools.

Q77 Councillor Ray McAdam

To ask the Area Manager to provide a further update in respect of the replacement of a (Details supplied); the next steps to be undertaken by Dublin City Council; what consideration has been given to the preparation of a greening project in that particular area for consideration as part of the 2022 NEIC Greening Strategy; and if she will make a statement on the matter?

Q78 Councillor Ray McAdam

To ask the Area Manager to arrange for thorough cleaning of the shores and gullies along (Details supplied); the last time they were cleaned and how many were cleaned; and if she will make a statement on the matter?

Q79 Councillor Ray McAdam

To ask the Area Manager to indicate when she expects new windows to be installed at (Details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter?

Q80 Councillor Ray McAdam

To ask the Area Manager to ensure that a Level Access Shower is installed as quickly as possible in (Details supplied); and to provide the latest update on the status of the application; and if she will make a statement on the matter?

Q81 Councillor Ray McAdam

To ask the Area Manager to provide a comprehensive report into the approvals process and how the costings for the works to dish the footpath at (Details supplied) was arrived at; how she can justify the costs involved and if she will make a statement on the matter?

Q82 Councillor Ray McAdam

To ask the Area Manager to provide a further progress report into the repairs of the existing public space and playground at (Details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter?

Q83 Councillor Ray McAdam

To ask the Area Manager to provide an update on the status of a housing application submitted by (Details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter?

Q84 Councillor Ray McAdam

To ask the Area Manager to arrange for new litter bins to be installed in the (Details supplied) area; and if she will make a statement on the matter?

Q85 Councillor Ray McAdam

To ask the Area Manager to investigate (Details supplied a and b) and to provide a full report; and if she will make a statement on the matter?

Q86 Councillor Ray McAdam

To ask the Area Manager to respond to the issues highlighted relating to (Details supplied); the options open to the Council to address and if she will make a statement on the matter?

Q87 Councillor Ray McAdam

To ask the Area Manager to liaise with the Housing Development Section to ensure a feasibility study for the possible redevelopment and upgrade of (Details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter?