

**DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL**  
**NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE**  
**15<sup>th</sup> November 2021**

**Q1. Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons**

“To ask the Area Manager to urgently address the outstanding maintenance issues at **(details supplied)** who has provided all relevant documentation in relation to her medical conditions which detail that she is in medical need of an accessible shower with seat to replace her inaccessible bath, as well as requiring the lowering of the front door step.

I visited the home and was struck by the poor insulation of the house and wonder how much money she is losing trying to adequately heat her home: I am hoping this can be addressed too.

Her bathroom toilet and sink are also in need of replacement?”

**Q2. Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten**

“To ask the Area Manager to arrange for an inspection of the trees and the pathways at **(details supplied)**?”

**Q3. Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten**

“To ask the Area Manager to arrange for the repair of the public waste bins at **(details supplied)**?”

**Q4. Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten**

“To ask the Area Manager to arrange that the parking team go out during the college term day to **(details supplied)** to assess the illegal parking?”

**Q5. Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten**

“To ask the Area Manager to provide an update on last year’s area question regarding **(details supplied)** when the work will be done in this area?”

**Q6. Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten**

“To ask the Area Manager to provide an update to Council question in 2019 and 2020 of the upgrade to the junction at **(details supplied)**?”

**Q7. Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten**

“To ask the Area Manager to investigate the area at **(details supplied)** as being used as a rat run and what measure can be taken to stop this?”

**Q8. Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten**

“To ask the Area Manager to request that the owners at **(details supplied)** cut their trees that are overgrowing into the gardens of the residents?”

**Q9. Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten**

“To ask the Area Manager to investigate the speed at which drivers are using **(details supplied)** at and see if there is any measure that can be used to tackle this?”

**Q10. Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten**

“To ask the Area Manager to investigate if **(details supplied)** could obtain car access to their home given their needs and if there is an option of moving the trees to allow this?”

**Q11. Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten**

“To ask the Area Manager to provide an update on the repair work that is due to take place at **(details supplied)** as the Minister for Sport has advised there should be funding available for the same?”

**Q12. Question in the name of Councillor Racheal Batten**

“To ask the Area Manager if he will assist a soccer club **(details supplied)** by resurfacing a facility at **(details supplied)** and allowing their members to undertake winter training on it. In addition, will he provide toilet facilities for this club?”

**Q13. Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons**

“To ask the manager for an update on the works to be carried out at the home ground of St. John Vianney FC on Kilmore Drive?”

**Q14. Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons**

“To ask the manager to instruct FOLD to engage directly with the residents who have issues outstanding with the proposed new senior citizen complex at Millwood Court. I can provide contact details?”

**Q15. Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons**

“To ask the manager for a report on the proposed regeneration of the Cromcastle Court flat complex?”

**Q16. Question in the name of Councillor John Lyons**

“To ask the manager to convene a meeting of all football clubs in the Artane/Whitehall area to discuss the recent motion passed by the NCAC councillors seeking to secure a full-size all-weather football facility for the area?”

**Q17. Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon**

“Can the Area Manager arrange for the footpaths at **(details supplied)** to be repaired and resurfaced?”

**Q18. Question in the name of Councillor Tom Brabazon**

“Can the trees at **(details supplied)** be pruned and cut back?”

**Q19. Question in the name of Lord Mayor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Director of Services to urgently arrange for double yellow lines to be marked and clear space marking outside the emergency services gate at the apartment complex on (**details supplied**) - a request was previously made but while it has to go through the various stages residents are extremely concerned that given the high level of vehicular parking at this gate, that should a fire occur at the complex and emergency services require entry through this gate, they will be unable to access the complex a fire safety incident may occur - see attached photo?”

**Q20. Question in the name of Lord Mayor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Director of Services to arrange for the following road markings and tree issue dealt with (**details supplied**)?”

**Q21. Question in the name of Lord Mayor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Director of Services to consider installing lighting along the pathway between (**details supplied**)?”

**Q22. Question in the name of Lord Mayor Alison Gilliland**

“To ask the Director of Services to increase the frequency of cleaning and collection at (**details supplied**)?”

**Q23. Question in the name of Councillor Damian O’Farrell**

“To ask the area manager to report on the following please. As I recall previously DCC councillors attempted to remove ‘*residential*’ from ‘*open for consideration*’ uses in respect of Z15 zonings. I believe an order of nuns (owners of Z15 lands) successfully challenged our decision on the grounds that their property would devalue. Keeping in mind that DCC planner’s recently proposed to amend part of the Z15 St Paul’s / Merlot site to Z9 (balance Z1), surely devaluing that Z9 section of the land? Can I have a report on this matter please, including the reasons / rationale behind this amendment and considering the court challenge I referenced above, did DCC need the owner’s permission and was there inaction between the developer/ owner or their representatives and DCC please?”

**Q24. Question in the name of Councillor Damian O’Farrell**

“To ask the area manager for a report giving all the realistic and legal options for councillors as regards rezoning the St Paul’s / Merlot lands in the development plan please?”

**Q25. Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

“Can the manager advise how many new trees have been planted in the North central area over the past two years and how many existing trees have been removed, are we planting more than we are removing?”

**Q26. Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

“Can the manager advise how the existing allotments are performing in the north central area and if there are any plans to increase the amount of allotments in our parks?”

**Q27. Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

“Can the manager advise what services are provided for senior citizens in the North Central area currently?”

**Q28. Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

“Can the manager advise if any of the local property tax funds collected by central government have been used for new projects in the North Central area?”

**Q29. Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

“Can the manager advise when the Bunratty new apartment build is due to be finished, can a cleansing truck clean the Oscar Traynor road each day as the road is always in a mucky dirty condition from the trucks, is there going to be no footpath for pedestrians to walk on their way to Northside shopping centre, the existing footpath was removed by the builders?”

**Q30. Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

“Can the manager advise what targets the North central area office have been given in terms of reducing carbon emissions and how will they achieve these targets?”

**Q31. Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

“Can the manager advise if new bins are going to be installed in the North Central area to help reduce the amount of rubbish thrown on the ground?”

**Q32. Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

“Can the manager advise if the Clontarf Baths are going to be made accessible to the public?”

**Q33. Question in the name of Councillor Declan Flanagan**

“Can the manager advise what the update is on the proposed development for Slademoor?”

**Q34. Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager to inspect tree at (**details attached**) as residents feel it is about to collapse and say he will remove same if it is hazardous and give a report on the matter?”

**Q35. Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“Can the manager please refer to road surface at location as per (**details attached**), which has developed into a sunken 'groove' (posing a hazard to cyclists) and say if he can arrange to repair/reinstate same?”

**Q36. Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“Can the manager please refer to yellow box at location as (**per details supplied**) and say when he can arrange to repaint and possible expand same as there is constant

breaching of the box, causing difficulty for traffic movement, particularly at peak hours?”

**Q37. Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“Can the manager please refer to vacant house at location as (**per details attached**) and say if he can be of assistance to blind couple whose home backs onto details attached where there is serious overgrowth coming into their property leading to serious distress for them and if he can do all in his power to get the owners of details attached to deal with the matter or be of any other assistance possible?”

**Q38. Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“Can the Manager please, in relation to trees at location as (**per details attached**) and in attached picture, carry out pruning of same?”

**Q39. Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“Can the manager, in relation to overgrowing hedging, vegetation etc. growing out into the public footpath at (**details supplied**), please arrange to have private residences cut back same as the overgrowth and intrusion onto the narrow public footpath is a cause of concern for pedestrians, particularly our valued elders, as well as vulnerable pedestrians?”

**Q40. Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager to give a detailed leaf removal schedule for Griffith Avenue, with particular emphasis on the leaf removal from that part of the Avenue in the Clontarf Ward that includes cycle way infrastructure and if he will make a detailed statement on the matter?”

**Q41. Question in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney**

“To ask the Manager to refer to details attached and say if he can again arrange to have Iarnród Éireann and or ESB clear away the overgrowth impacting the public footpath and generally tidy up the area?”

**Q42. Question in the name of Councillor Damian O’Farrell**

“To ask the area manager for an update on the proposed coffee kiosk on Clontarf Promenade please and if DCC considered providing toilets such as has been done in Fingal and DLR?”

**Q43. Question in the name of Councillor Damian O’Farrell**

“To ask the area manager to report on the following please; given Judge Humphrey’s ruling of 7<sup>th</sup> May 2021, specifically Paragraph 31 “*The first and most obvious problem is that change in ownership does not in itself alter the interest to be protected by the zoning: ... Rather, it remains until such time as planning permission is granted for an alternative use, ...*”, will the manager please indicate what measures are open to DCC to ensure that these lands (St. Paul’s playing fields/Marlet site) are maintained as suitable for use as playing fields and accordingly as suitable feeding site for Brent Geese?”

**Q44. Question in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell**

"To ask the area manager to report on the following please. In the absence of measures to ensure the grass on the St Paul's playing field / Marlet site is cut and maintained at a suitable length for use as playing fields, what options are open to DCC in relation to derelict sites to ensure that the pitches are maintained?"

**Q45. Question in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell**

"To ask the area manager to please provide an up-to-date position on the Brent Geese feeding sites identified in the 2017 Scott Cawley Natura Impact Statement – Information for Stage 2 Appropriate Assessment, Proposed Residential Development, St Paul's College, Sybil Hill, Raheny, Dublin 5 - indicating which of the feeding sites are still available for feeding, which have been built on, which have a planning permission for building and which are the subject of a current application?"

**Q46. Question in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell**

"To ask the area manager please whether DCC have any powers to ensure that Brent Geese feeding sites in private ownership are maintained in a favourable condition and what actions can DCC take if these sites are allowed to become overgrown and therefore no longer suitable as a feeding site?"

**Q47. Question in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell**

"To ask the area manager for a report on the changing facilities complex in Fairview Park please. The report to include what the usage of the property presently including whether or not the changing rooms are in frequent use / high demand etc. and what are the plans for the future of the facility please?"

**Q48. Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

"To ask the Area Manager what is the current status of plans with regard to **(details supplied)?**"

**Q49. Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

"To ask the Area Manager for an update and timelines regarding the re-development of **(details supplied)?**"

**Q50. Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

"To ask the Area Manager, further, to Question 40, February 2020 area committee **(details supplied)** if he will set out the outcomes of the parking policy and enforcement unit's inspector's investigation for this location and their suggested solutions?"

**Q51. Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

"To ask the Area Manager to provide a litter bin at bus stop 7112 on Oscar Traynor Road opposite the Centra shop?"

**Q52. Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

“To ask the Area Manger to advise on the current situation, with regard to a group of parents, whose children were formally able to swim in the CRC pool, not being able to hire Clontarf Baths unless they are members of a swimming club? Can the Area Manager outline the legal situation vis a vis the control of the baths by a private entity and their availability to the general public under whatever agreement was signed at the time of the provision of the franchise to the company to run restaurant in tandem with the, formally public, baths?”

**Q53. Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

“To ask the Area Manager to have the sewage manhole cover at **(details supplied)** replaced. The householder states that the broken manhole cover has been reported on several occasions; the latest of which resulted in DCC staff covering the drain with timber and a sandbag, which, although being meant as a temporary measure has remained in situ for some time?”

**Q54. Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

“To ask the Area Manager to arrange for lighting to be installed at the green area in Larkhill, Whitehall, in light of concerns from residents about safety, particularly during the coming winter months and dark evenings?”

**Q55. Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

“To ask the Area Manager to arrange for a review of the traffic light sequencing at the Swords Road/Griffith Avenue junction for traffic going south on the Swords Road as there are currently exceptionally long delays at this junction due to the fact that a very small number of cars get through on a green light. This contributes to serious tailbacks on the Swords Road?”

**Q56. Question in the name of Councillor Patricia Roe**

“To ask the City Manager to arrange for the repair of the serious pothole at **(details supplied)**?”

**Q57. Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler**

“To ask the Area Manager to remove the concrete from the middle of the roundabout and replace with flowers to enhance bio diversity. The Roundabout between Kilmore Road and Skelly’s Lane and Artane Castle. (See yellow highlight for location)?”

**Q58. Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler**

“To ask the area manager to review the green space on St. Donagh’s Road. Constituents have advised that there is continuous dumping in that area for many years. Can DCC look at some new solutions on how to improve this situation?”

**Q59. Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler**

“To ask the area manager to complete a safety review on the trees around the Elm Mount Estate. In particular on Elm Mount Close as 2 trees have fallen down in due to bad weather in the last few months. There is a lot of elderly in the area who are naturally nervous?”

**Q60. Question in the name of Councillor Dearbhail Butler**

“To ask the area manager if there is any plans or consideration to have a coffee shop in Father Collins Park?”

**Q61. Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

“To ask the manager to respond to the following: Can the council please cut the large overgrown trees which are next to (**details**) house and which are a hazard and blocking his sunlight (**details supplied**)? Can the council also please take away the 20 or so council blue bags which are full of leaves and ready for collection at (**details supplied**)?”

**Q62. Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

“To ask the manager to respond to the following for a constituent - The council trees next to his house at (**details supplied**) are destroying his gutters and blocking his light. They need to be cut back immediately. He wants them topped to the height of the houses.

**Q63. Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

“To ask the manager if there are any Dublin Fire brigade manning issues at Kilbarrack station and to advise what plan is in place to rectify same; and whether there are any plans for new fire appliances for the station?”

**Q64. Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

“To ask the manager to respond to the following - This lady is a DCC tenant and has no proper heating in her apartment for well over a year. She is pregnant and due in the coming days and having no heating is adding to her stress. Can the local housing manager please phone me about this case?”

**Q65. Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

“To ask the manager to provide a timeline around the capital plan to improve the swimming pool and dressing rooms at Northside Shopping Centre which are in a terrible condition?”

**Q66. Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

“To ask the manager to respond to the following - Can a planning enforcement officer please contact and call to the following person as a matter of urgency. (**Details supplied**)?”



**Q67. Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

“To ask the manager to respond to the following-Can blue bags please be provided to the following civic minded person who wishes to collect the leaves from DCC planted trees outside her home (**Details supplied**)?”

**Q68. Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

“To ask the manager to respond to the following in relation to concerns regarding a proposed local development (**Details supplied**)?”

**Q69. Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

“To ask the manager to respond to the following- Can the manager provide this councillor with a copy of the traffic report & recent communications to help improve the safety of schoolchildren & citizens at (**Details supplied**)?”

**Q70. Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

“To ask the manager to provide an update on programme works to be completed in the NCA for the remainder of the year and provide a breakdown of the discretionary budget for 2021 and how that money was spent in the NCA?”

**Q71. Question in the name of Councillor Terence Flanagan**

“To ask the manager can I be provided with a breakdown of the housing list for area B and a list of all the housing projects that are to be built in the NCA in the coming years?”

**Q72. Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron**

“To ask the Director of Services when a tree at (**details supplied**) will be substantially pruned or cut back as part of the multi-annual and prioritised programme of tree replacement and works in this estate?”

**Q73. Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron**

“To ask the Director of Services when a tree at (**details supplied**) will be substantially pruned or removed altogether as part of the multi-annual and prioritised programme of tree replacement and works in this estate?”

**Q74. Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron**

“To ask the Director of Services that (**details supplied**) will be cleaned up urgently as the bonfire material caused major damage to greenspace. Could we seek to remediate the damage as soon as possible?”

**Q75. Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron**

“To ask the Director of Services at (**details supplied**) to arrange for a road sweeper in the coming weeks for the following areas?”

**Q76. Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron**

“To ask the Director of Services at **(details supplied)** to inspect and report back on rodents at above mentioned location. I requested before in relation to this location and would like an update?”

**Q77. Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron**

“To ask the Director of Services at **(details supplied)** to arrange for a vent be installed in the bathroom and fix broken window in house. Consistent issues of mould and damp on wall?”

**Q78. Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron**

“To ask the Director of Services at **(details supplied)** that an inspection outside on the path and road as litter and waste dumped outside?”

**Q79. Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron**

“To ask the Director of Services at **(details supplied)** that DCC arrange an inspection of drainage at front of house as serious blockage happens throughout the area and property owner need DCC to rectify.

**Q80. Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron**

“To ask the Director of Services where **(details supplied)** housing application is on the housing list and confirm when it will be likely she will be given a place?”

**Q81. Question in the name of Councillor Daryl Barron**

“To ask the Director of Services to organise a transfer urgently for **(details supplied)**?”

**Q82. Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí**

“Can the Manager please organise for a pedestrian crossing phase to be installed within the traffic lights at the junction of Collins Avenue and Collinswood to enable safe pedestrian crossing of Collins Avenue at this point?”

**Q83. Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí**

“Can the Manager organise for the weeds on the footpath & roadway around Croydon Green in Marino to be removed as they have not been done in a long time and are overgrown?”

**Q84. Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí**

“Can the Manager organise for the sagging utility access point outside **(details supplied)** to be reinstated for pedestrian safety reasons (picture attached)?”

**Q85. Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O'Muirí**

“Can the Manager organise for the damaged shore cover outside **(details supplied)** to be replaced for pedestrian safety reasons?”(picture attached).

**Q86. Question in the name of Councillor Naoise O'Muirí**

“In relation to my recent question regarding the erection of railings at an access point to St Anne’s Park off Vernon Avenue can the Manager:

1. Confirm that it was Dublin City Council who installed the railings (see letter below from ESB)

***Re: your email of 14<sup>th</sup> October in relation to railings at St Anne’s Park***

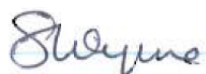
Dear

I refer to your email of October 14<sup>th</sup> in relation to the erection of railings at St Anne’s Park.

I can confirm that ESB Networks did not erect or commission the erection of the railings in question. We have contacted the Dublin City Council (DCC) and the Parks Superintendent has confirmed that it was in fact local management of the park who had arranged same.

I understand that at the time of responding to your original query some personnel were on leave in the DCC and this may have led to the confusion. In relation to the cosmetic appearance of the boundary walls of the ESB Compound, I can confirm that we plan to improve their appearance in the near future.

Regards,



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Siobhan Wynne  
Regional Manager, Project Delivery –Dublin, ESB Networks

2. Explain why the railings were installed in the first place
3. Explain why a pedestrian right-of-way cannot be registered and maintained at this location given its proximity to residential areas nearby?”

**Q87. Question in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney**

“When will we get an update on proposed permanent solutions for safe active transport on Bull Island causeway after the plastic barriers were yet again strewn about during the yellow weather warning early morning 30-31st October?”

**Q88. Question in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney**

“Could we get an update on the completion date for upgraded playground at Fairview after it would appear that there may be a delay with no construction on site for the last week and a half, families and especially children are waiting anxiously and longing to use the new playground? Could we also have an update on providing a wheelchair accessible swing, that can be inclusive and not a separate part of the playground?”

**Q89. Question in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney**

“Could traffic calming measures be put in place that are effective for reducing speed on Kincora Avenue safe zone as the issue of speeding and dangerous driving has not improved with just the painted road signage?”

**Q90. Question in the name of Councillor Donna Cooney**

“Could some cycle lane protection be put in place on Fairview Strand as it’s used by children and parents regularly and it is not safe at present?”