

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
SOUTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
17th November 2021

Q1 Councillor Michael Watters

To ask the Director of Services to install double yellow lines outside 15 & 16 The Steps, Kilmainham Lane, Dublin 8. Cars regularly park at this location, blocking residents driveways. Residents are frustrated that they cannot access their driveways and with the lack of response from Parking Enforcement, when reported.

Reply

It is not current Dublin City Council policy to introduce parking restrictions where restrictions are already covered under the law. Under The Road Traffic (Traffic & Parking) Regulations, Section 36 paragraph (2) (g) "A vehicle shall not be parked - in any place, position or manner that will result in the vehicle obstructing an entrance or an exit for vehicles to or from a premises, save with the consent of the occupier of such premises;" Infringements of the Act should be reported to An Garda Síochána or Dublin Street Parking Services Ph.6022500 for enforcement under the law.

Ref. No. 7022670

*Contact: Niall O'Neill, South Central Area Engineer, Traffic Advisory Group
Email: niall.oneill@dublincity.ie*

Q2 Councillor Máire Devine

To ask the Director of Services to extend Double Yellow Lines by a margin that resolves the safety risk posed at this corner in Herberton Park. Please refer to map provided.

Reply

Ref. No. 7023476

This request (Enquiry Ref: 7023476) on Herberton Park will be referred to the Area Engineer for assessment and report to the Transport Advisory Group for their consideration. The assessment will take place within the next few weeks however if recommended it has to go through the TAG process which will take a minimum of eight weeks.

Contact: Niall O'Neill, South Central Area Engineer, Traffic Advisory Group
Email: niall.oneill@dublincity.ie

Q3 Councillor Máire Devine

To ask the Director of Services that Donore Rd be resurfaced due to its significant disrepair with only small areas previously repaired in a piecemeal fashion.

Reply

Road Maintenance has previously surveyed and carried out some temporary repairs to Donore Road. Donore Road will be considered for resurfacing as part of our 2022 resurfacing contract depending on available funding.

*Contact: Carl Ryan- Operations & South Central Area Engineer.
Email: road.maintennace@dublincity.ie*

Q4 Councillor Máire Devine

To ask the Director of Services that the trees in Donore Rd be given a hard prune to prevent damage to homes and allow visibility and light to this street.

Reply

Parks are seeking prices for the removal of one Carpinus on this street and the pruning of another.

Contact: Brid Brosnan, Executive Parks Superintendent

Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q5 Councillor Máire Devine

To ask the Director of Services - the front door Thomas Court Block D requires repair and reinforcement - it opens easily with a little force - residents feel insecure and have been subjected to this mindless ASB on several occasions

Reply

The door at Thomas Court was inspected on 3rd November 2021 and all necessary repairs were done. Under health and safety regulations chubb locks cannot be added to these doors.

Contact: Clive Ahern, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance.

Email: clive.ahern@dublincity.ie

Q6 Councillor Máire Devine

To ask the Director of Services to liaise with residents of (*details supplied*) to further discuss traffic issues in their area.

Reply

A partial residential parking permit and pay and display scheme was introduced on (*details supplied*) in 2004. The original signage for this Pay & Display/Permit Parking scheme had gone missing over time and in order to facilitate enforcement new poles have been installed. The signage for these poles will be completed shortly. There had been a request to extend the area of the scheme in 2011 but this request was refused at the Traffic Advisory Meeting. If the residents wish to extend the area of the scheme they would need to send a petition to the Traffic Advisory Group from 25% of the householders on the street requesting an extension to the scheme, further information on this can be found here:

<https://www.dublincity.ie/residential/parking-dublin-city-centre/start-parking-scheme>

The parking policy and enforcement section will arrange that DSPS monitor the parking in the area and enforce if there is illegal parking.

Contact: Dermot Stevenson, Parking Enforcement Officer.

Email: dermot.stevenson@dublincity.ie

Q7 Councillor Máire Devine

To ask the Director of Services to carry out a survey audit of the footpaths at (marked map supplied) as wheelchair users and others are having difficulty navigating this busy uneven stretch. Please refer to map provided.

Reply

Road Maintenance will survey all footpaths and crossings over the five roads that you have highlighted over the coming weeks and add any defects and dishings, if required, to our works list for repair or installation.

Contact: Carl Ryan- Operations & South Central Area Engineer.

Email: road.maintennace@dublincity.ie

Q8 Councillor Máire Devine

To ask the Director of Services to carry out a survey of the drain system at Gray Street where residents are continuously paying out for drain unblocking services.

Reply

DCC Drainage will carry out CCTV surveys of the public sewers on Gray Street which the section maintains under a service level agreement with Irish Water. This survey will look up all connecting private drains from inside the public sewer*. Where defects/problems are found on any drain by these surveys this will be reported.

**Note - the distance that can be seen from inside the public sewer up a connecting drain on CCTV surveys can be quite limited. A thorough survey of the private drains can only be done by entering and accessing chambers on private property. Responsibility for undertaking a drain survey on private property rests with the households served by that drain.*

Contact: Colm Fitzpatrick, Senior Engineer

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Q9 Councillor Máire Devine

To ask the Director of Services for details of proposed EV chargers in D8 locations including Emmet Rd/Inchicore services.

Reply

There are no known plans to install charge points in Dublin 8 at present, however work is continuing to finalise the plans referred to in reply to your question of last July which I now set out below with some additions for ease of reference.

Dublin City Council is aware of the transition to electric vehicles as set out in the Climate Action Plan as we prepare to respond to the needs of the citizens of the City by providing a sustainable urban mobility strategy. The Council is also aware that technology is changing rapidly and that a range of different solutions will be required to successfully address current and future mobility demand, not only in the City, but also across the wider Dublin Metropolitan Area.

This requires careful consideration and planning to ensure that the Council can play their part to facilitate the provision of a comprehensive, reliable and interoperable electric vehicle-charging infrastructure. This is so that members of the public and business community can be confident in making decisions to purchase electric vehicles and to use electric vehicles for personal, leisure and business use, for use on both short and long journeys.

In order to inform the four local authorities of the type and number of chargers required, the four Dublin Local Authorities, together with SMART Dublin and CARO, have commissioned a strategic study. This will allow us examine how the four Councils can best facilitate the provision of electric vehicle-charging infrastructure across the Dublin region and the scale of investment required.

The study sets out modelled EV uptake and consequent grid capacity requirements (ESBN are looking to pilot a number of new technical innovations). It also details numbers and recommended types of chargers required together with suitable business models, capital costs (including anticipated leveraged private sector capital), and areas more suited to Charge Points. However, there still remains some key items that require additional work and consequently the strategy has not as of yet been fully finalised and agreed.

Some of the remaining key items relate to collaboration across the four Dublin Authorities to ensure interoperability for the citizen and resourcing requirements. Input from charge point operators and other public bodies is currently in process with a view to helping detail implementation plans. Discussions are continuing as a pressing matter and are ongoing with ESNB, the Department, the 4 Dublin Local Authorities and internally in this fast evolving space, with a view to finalising and agreeing a way forward (to include presentation to Council) at the very earliest opportunity.

In addition, variations to the City Development Plan 2016-2022 introduced new objectives such that all new parking for new (or extensions to) housing, apartments and places of employment that provide car parking shall be electric charge enabled.

Dublin City Council shall work closely with the ESB and other stakeholders to increase the number of EV charge points across the city. All new (or upgraded) commercially operated car parking developments shall be required to provide a minimum of 50% of spaces with EV charging facilities.

The preparation of the new City Development Plan 2022-2028 will provide an opportunity to review the implementation of the revised objectives from the previous plan and also incorporate the relevant outcomes of the above mentioned study.

Contact: Cormac Healy, Energy Management Lead.
Email: cormac.healy@dublincity.ie

Q10 Councillor Máire Devine

To ask the Director of Services that the recent proposed rezoning by management be listed and explained to the members of the South Central Area Committee?

Reply

The land use rezonings proposed by the Chief Executive were for consideration by all the elected members only. The zonings were considered by the elected members at a special meeting of the City Council on the Draft Development Plan, held on the 8th – 10th November. The elected members decided to agree and amend a number of the CE's proposed changes and to remove others, prior to the draft plan going on public display from the end of November to February next. Following this public consultation, the elected members will consider any submissions and can submit further motions by July next.

The amendments to the CE's proposed rezonings agreed by the elected members are now being collated for incorporation into the draft plan for public consultation. In effect, the CE's rezonings have been superseded and it would be inappropriate and misleading to list them for the Area Committee at this particular stage, now that the draft development plan is going out on public consultation on 25th November.

However, once the draft plan goes on public display at the end of November the information can be made available to elected members.

Contact: *John O'Hara, Dublin City Planning Officer*
Email: john.ohara@dublincity.ie

Q11 Councillor Máire Devine

To ask the Director of Services to consider purchasing (details supplied) as a much needed addition to our housing stock.

Reply

Any vendor wishing to sell their property to DCC for use as social housing can contact the Acquisitions directly at acquisitions@dublincity.ie / Ph: 01 222 6676. The team will advise the vendor of the process and determine whether the unit is suitable for purchase by DCC.

Contact: *Michelle Robinson, Senior Executive Officer*
Email: michelle.robinson@dublincity.ie

Q12 Councillor Máire Devine

To ask the Director of Services for a detailed breakdown and copy of the contract agreed between SIAC and DCC for footpath repairs at Meath place. To list the exact work, costs and agreed date of "snag list" survey and further costs if applicable and date that all works will be completed and signed off?

Reply

Road Maintenance are carrying out footpath works at Meath Place as part of the 2021 Annual Footpaths Contract for the South Central Area. The contract includes several locations listed below involving a total reconstruction area of 4,872 square metres.

Basin Street Lower
Basin View
Bridgefoot Street
Clonmacnoise Road
Ewington Lane
Kimmage Road West
Meath Place
Pimlico
St. James's Avenue
Temploegue Road
The Coombe

It is not possible to provide details of itemised contract costs as this is deemed to be commercially sensitive information.

All items on a snag list have been marked on site at Meath Place and will be completed in November. There are no additional costs to DCC for snagging works as the liability is borne by the contractor. The snagging works will be monitored as they progress and all items will be signed off when the work has been completed to the required standard.

Contact: Carl Ryan-Operations & South Central Area Engineer
Email: road.maintenance@dublincity.ie

Q13 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services to look into the ongoing problems of footpaths cracking / lifting along Ballyfermot Road from 425 up to 469. Many of the footpaths are lifting because of tree root structures resulting in serious trip hazards indeed one neighbour has shown me how the garden wall / pier is now coming apart due to roots.

Reply

Road Maintenance inspected this stretch of the Ballyfermot Road and logged a good number of defects in the footpaths due to the growth and uplift of the tree roots. The solution to this is asphalt surrounds to the trees which are flexible and porous and assist in the growth of the tree and its root system.

If there is damage being caused to a boundary wall due to the presence of a tree then this would be a matter for the Parks Department to comment on.

Contact: Carl Ryan, South Central Area Engineer.
Email: carl.ryan@dublincity.ie

Roads Maintenance are aware of the area and have issued a reply in relation to carrying out repairs to the path. Parks have inspected the walls and found no evidence of damage to garden walls. If the resident wishes to pursue a claim for damages to private property against the council, claim forms can be forwarded to initiate the claims and investigation process.

Contact: Brid Brosnan, Executive Parks Superintendent
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q14 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services to look at starting a process of replacing trees within the Ballyfermot Area on the kerbsides. Over many years when a tree is removed the tree pit is just concreted in to the loss of the environment. Blackditch Road from St. Matthews up to Cherry Orchard Ave is a prime example. There are just a few trees left due to non-replacement of trees.

Reply

There are a number of considerations when planting trees along kerbsides e.g. presence of overhead/underground services, sufficient footpath width, recurring vandalism which can make tree planting difficult. Very often the tree has been planted into a pit that is too small to support the long-term health of a tree. Having said that there are a number of grass verges/open spaces along the road mentioned that could facilitate tree planting which parks will consider for the next tree planting season.

Contact: Brid Brosnan, Executive Parks Superintendent
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q15 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services to look at ensuring that Ballyfermot Road has a safe Cycle Lane in and out of the city. The current cycleway is stop / start and is more of a danger than a support to cyclists. In addition, can a proper cycling promotion plan be done for the Ballyfermot, Chapelizod / Cherry Orchard area which could include additional cycling parking stands outside St Matthews Church, Church of the Assumption, Church of the Nativity Chapelizod etc.

Reply

The Covid Mobility team will assess this area for some rapid deployment safety measures and determine what can be achieved along this route to provide safe protected cycling.

The suggested locations outside the three Churches will be investigated and if deemed suitable, cycle parking will be included in the next batch of the On-Street Cycle Parking Project.

In the medium term, the BusConnects Liffey Valley to City Centre Core Bus Corridor is proposed to run along Ballyfermot Road and it proposes segregated cycle lanes on both sides of the road. A planning application for this scheme is expected to be lodged by the National Transport Authority in 2022. More information on the details of the BusConnects proposal can be found on the NTA's BusConnects website www.busconnects.ie and any queries can be directed to their website, email, calls and digital media or the cbc@busconnects.ie.

A new promotional plan for cycling and walking in the city is currently being developed, and will include provisions for engaging with local communities about improvements for walking and cycling in their area.

Contact: Claire French, Senior Executive Engineer,
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Contact: Chris Adamson, Executive Engineer.
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Contact: Niall Bolger, A/Senior Executive ITS Officer
Email: niall.bolger@dublincity.ie

Contact: Antonia Martin/Deirdre Kelly, Covid Mobility Measures.
Email: covidmobility@dublincity.ie/deirdre.kelly@dublincity.ie

Q16 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services to please ensure the two dead trees along the lower section of Le Fanu Road, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10 next to the St Johns College School entrance and the open section facing Californian Hills Park be replaced in the coming tree planting season.

Reply

Parks have scheduled the removal of these two dead trees in the next few weeks. The planters positioned at the base of trees, along this stretch of road, are causing damage to the trees. Parks welcome the efforts of the environmental group that tend the planters, which look great. However, parks would request that the base of trees be kept clear of accumulations of soil as it causes the trunks to rot and ultimately leads to the tree dying.

Contact: Brid Brosnan, Executive Parks Superintendent
Email: brid.brosnan@dublincity.ie

Q17 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services that the traffic directional arrow at Grattan Crescent Inchicore outside the Black Lion public bar be looked at. Over the past few weeks the left turning arrow which used to go green to allow traffic turn left onto Emmet Road no longer works resulting in serious back-ups of Traffic. The filter used to work when traffic from Emmet Road was moving onto Tyrconnell Road hence the current situation creates unnecessary tail backs of traffic.

Reply

Following on from a number of queries from local vulnerable road users in relation to near misses with traffic, the signal operation of this site was changed in February 2021 to remove the left turning filter from operating at the same time as traffic is exiting from Emmet Road, as a large number of vehicles were still trying to pass through the junction when the pedestrian crossing was operating even with a delay on the pedestrian crossing.

In order to help traffic after this change the time allocated to the left turn and straight movement from Grattan Crescent was increased. There are currently no plans to change the operation of this site.

Contact: Karen Hosie, Senior Executive ITS Officer
Email: Karen.hosie@dublincity.ie

Q18 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services to please supply me (*details supplied*).

Reply

All allocations are made in accordance with the Allocations Scheme as approved by Dublin City Council Elected Members.

Within the Housing and Transfer lists, priority is determined by two factors; the applicant's broad level of housing need and length of time on the list. The broad levels of housing need are reflected by bands contained within the lists. Applications are assessed and placed in the appropriate band of the Housing or Transfer lists. Once in a band, applicants are offered available housing in date order.

The list of qualified households are categorised into three bands reflecting broad levels of housing need.

Band 1 – Medical and Welfare Priority and other specified Priority Cases

Band 2 – All overcrowded cases

Band 3 – All remaining qualified household

Contact: Mary Hayes, Director DRHE
Email: mary.hayes@dublincity.ie

Q19 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services please outline what real supports are available to vulnerable tenants when allocated housing from Dublin City Council. It appears people can be forgotten about. From time to time some people have complex issues which need wrap around supports and I am anxious to know what we offer these tenants.

Reply

Applicants that are coming from a Homeless background are offered Support to Live Independently (SLI). This is support to help tenants integrate into their local community, help set up utilities and inform them where to find local services and additional supports in their area.

If a tenant is having difficulty sustaining their tenancy, they can link in with the Tenancy Sustainment Service through Dublin Simon.

The Allocations Section regularly liaise with Social Workers, medical professionals and support workers of applicants prior to Housing to ensure that correct supports are in place for tenants that have additional needs.

Contact: Mary Hayes, Director DRHE
Email: mary.hayes@dublincity.ie

Q20 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services to please explain the following (*details supplied*).

Reply

It is the policy of Dublin City Council to not purchase multiple units along a single terrace of houses. This policy has not changed. However the Housing Department can use discretion in certain circumstances. In this specific case discretion was used based on a number of factors, including value for money, homeless prevention and DCC's acquisition history on this road. The parking matter referred to has been forwarded on to parking enforcement for investigation.

Ballyfermot Acquisitions				
2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
9	21	33	10	7
Total				80

Contact: Michelle Robinson, Senior Executive Officer
Email: michelle.robinson@dublincity.ie

The Parking Policy and Enforcement section will ensure that DPSP patrols the area and enforces any illegal parking.

Contact: Dermot Stevenson, Parking Enforcement Officer.

Email: dermot.stevenson@dublincity.ie

Q21 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Services – I have already asked that the public footpath along Californian Hills Park / Kylemore Road Ballyfermot travelling towards Chapelizod be cleared off of vegetation however the area is still overgrown resulting in people with prams having to walk on the edge of a very busy Road i.e. Kylemore Road before the slipway onto the Chapelizod By-Pass.

Reply

Road Maintenance will develop a site specific Traffic management Plan and meet with our tree surgeon contractor to see if we can organise work at these locations before the commencement of Operation Open City which is nearly upon us.

Contact: Carl Ryan, South Central Area Engineer.

Email: carl.ryan@dublincity.ie

Q22 Councillor Darragh Moriarty

To ask the Director of Services if a signposting directing road-users to St. James's Hospital and the City Centre could be erected near Rialto Village roundabout. Local residents say they are constantly being stopped and asked for directions at this roundabout.

Reply

There is a limited geographical scope to the existing Wayfinding Signage Network, which is primarily concentrated on the city centre and adjoining high footfall tourist areas like The Liberties, and there hasn't been any significant expansion of the scheme since it was installed in 2013. Nevertheless with the coming NCH and changing footfall in and around Rialto and Dolphin's Barn, additional wayfinding may well be merited in this area. The Area Office will undertake a review of wayfinding and directional signage in the area and raise the matter with the Planning Section, which delivered the original wayfinding scheme. Any new additions would need to link effectively with the existing scheme.

Contact: Stephen Coyne, Public Realm Projects Coordination

Email: stephen.coyne@dublincity.ie

Q23 Councillor Darragh Moriarty

To ask the Director of Services to clearly outline Dublin City Council's plans to engage with local residents, community leaders and local youth projects to bring Basin Lane's Oisín Kelly pitch back into use by the local community. It is currently disused and dilapidated and in dire need of urgent attention. Repeated questions by me at this Area Committee appear to have fallen on deaf ears (document with questions and responses attached):

- September 2020 – “Housing Maintenance will arrange for the football pitch to be cleaned up and will make sure it is in good condition for use by the local community”
- April 2021 – it “is rarely used and has suffered from anti-social behaviour, mainly broken glass and fires.”
- October 2021 – “Our Housing Maintenance Engineer to inspect the pitch and report back to Councillor.”

Can DCC’s plans to make this space safe, welcoming and a source of recreation for locals please be outlined with a clear timeline for delivery?

Reply

The pitch currently attracts high levels of anti-social behaviour and was the location of the bonfire on Halloween night. Dublin City Council are currently in discussion in relation to improvement works for the Basin Street Flat complex. These proposed works will include the removal of the boundary railings and the football pitch and the addition of a seated courtyard which would incorporate a new playground area. Additional planting and greening of the complex has also been proposed, along with improved lighting throughout.

Contact: *Veronica Hand, A/ Area Housing Manager, SWIC*
 Email: veronica.hand@dublincity.ie

Q24 Councillor Darragh Moriarty

To ask the Director of Services to update members on the current state of play of restoring Iveagh Markets and bringing it back into use for the public.

Reply

As the matter is still the subject of legal proceedings, it is sub judice and therefore, cannot be discussed. However, DCC is currently in mediation with the relevant parties and is actively seeking to rectify all issues.

Contact: *Helen McNamara, Senior Executive Officer*
 Email: helen.mcnamara@dublincity.ie

Q25 Councillor Darragh Moriarty

To ask the Director of Services if DCC could cut back tree branches at (*details supplied*) which are causing damage to the roof of resident’s home.

Reply

Parks have reduced the trees at the above location in the recent past and do not feel it is required again yet. Parks will continue to monitor the situation and will carry out further pruning when required.

Contact: *Brid Brosnan, Executive Parks Superintendent*
 Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q26 Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud

To ask the Director of Services to install cycle parking along Benmadigan Green in Drimnagh. The green is used for football matches and has no cycle parking.

Reply

The location at Benmadigan Green will be investigated and if deemed suitable, cycle parking will be included in the next batch of the On-Street Cycle Parking Project.

Contact: Chris Adamson, Sustainable Mobility & Projects.

Email: chris.adamson@dublincity.ie

Q27 Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud

To ask the Director of Services when will the metal frames to protect the trees on Benmadigan Green be delivered?

Reply

The trees in Benmadigan Green are staked, they will not be receiving the metal frames.

Contact: Brid Brosnan, Executive Parks Superintendent

Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q28 Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud

To ask the Director of Services if there has been new regulations on public right of ways. Could you provide me with the most recent regulations on public right of ways please.

Reply

The new proposal to register all 'rights of way' (Prescriptive Easements) is being dealt with by PRAI (Property Registration Authority). Please refer to link below for full details:

<https://www.prai.ie/prescriptive-easements/>

Contact: Gabrielle Malone, Senior Staff Officer, South Central

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Q29 Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud

To ask the Director of Services to give an update on what is planned and what has been done to date for each LEIP: Bluebell. A Framework for Renewal 2019, Environmental Improvement Scheme for Crumlin Village 2017, Kilmainham Inchicore Development Strategy 2021.

Reply

Kilmainham Inchicore Development Strategy 2021

Dublin City Council's Kilmainham-Inchicore Development Strategy (KIDS) is a non-statutory high level study funded as a Category "B" Study under Call 1 of the (then) Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government's (DHPLG) Urban Regeneration Development Fund (URDF) to address opportunities for urban regeneration and placemaking in the Kilmainham-Inchicore area. KIDS is completed and identified 5 projects:

- Enhancement of Kilmainham Village.
- Enhancement of Inchicore Village.
- Camac River Greenway.
- Military Quarter.
- Greening Strategy.

KIDS will be submitted for Category "A" Projects funding (planning/detailed design/construction) under URDF Call 3 when announced by the Minister for Housing, Local Government & Heritage.

Contact: *Brian Keaney, Senior Planner*
Email: brian.keaney@dublincity.ie

Environmental Improvement Scheme for Crumlin Village 2017

To date €628, 000 has been spent since 2017 on the improvements to Crumlin Village.

Works included the upgrading of footpaths with granite kerbs and concrete flags, provision of new public lighting, street furniture in the form of bollards and bins and the replacement of all utility covers and frames within the site extents.

The proposed extension of the scheme is a further improvement scheme which will greatly enhance the general appearance of the Area but it is also intended to improve safety for all road users in particular pedestrians and cyclists. It is intended to extend the works running westward as far as Crumlin Garda Station. The Crumlin Village Environmental Improvement final phase will involve the repaving of remaining part of the main street but also wrapping around the Garda Station at the start of St Agnes Park. €100,000 has been set aside in the Capital budget to achieve this.

Contact: *John MacEvilly, Area Manager, Kimmage-Rathmines*
Email: john.macevilly@dublincity.ie

Bluebell: A Framework for Renewal 2019

The Bluebell study was carried out by Urban Agency and Avison Young and DCC paid for the report – report attached.

As part of our involvement in the redevelopment of the DCC Bluebell lands, the area office shall be working with local residents and groups with a view of gaining local buy in on the lead to the Bluebell Regeneration Plan that the LEIP will also be strategically involved in.

Contact: *Dave O'Donovan, A/Area Manager, Ballyfermot/Drimnagh*
Email: dave.odonovan@dublincity.ie

Q30 Councillor Sophie Nicoulaud

To ask the Director of Services to work with Ballyfermot Area office and the Cherry Orchard Development Group to get bicycles for the local Gardaí. Money is secured but there is a delay in the delivery.

Reply

The monies allocated from Cherry Orchard Development Group (CODG) have enabled the Gardaí from Ballyfermot Station to train and acquire the necessary safety equipment to use whilst on duty using the approved bicycles. Unfortunately due to supply issues there is a delay on the actual bikes themselves. I shall pursue directly with An Garda Síochána and revert with updates.

Contact: *Dave O'Donovan, A/Area Manager, Ballyfermot/Drimnagh*
Email: dave.odonovan@dublincity.ie

Q31 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services to ensure DCC address the ongoing flooding at the pedestrian crossing at the Drimnagh Luas stop.

Reply

The gullies at this location are in the Luas Swept Path and are maintained by Trans Dev.

The Drainage Division have contacted Trans Dev and made them aware of this and they have advised that the gullies were cleared in late October.

Contact: Colm Fitzpatrick, Senior Engineer, Drainage Services

Email: colm.fitzpatrick@dublincity.ie

2 of the 2 gullies at the Drimnagh Luas Stop were cleaned on 07/11/2021 by members of the Gully Cleaning Crew and no defects were found.

Contact: Richard Sheehy

Email: Richard.sheehy@dublincity.ie

Q32 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services to give the councillor an update on what progress has been made on tackling the flooding on Mourne Road. The issue was raised in a motion and question at the September meeting.

Reply

Dublin City Council is still looking at possible solutions to the flooding during very heavy rainfall events.

Pipe geometry, namely some very flat sections of pipework, appear to be one of the main causes here. As I mentioned previously, simply removing the flat section of pipe is a larger job than you would imagine.

As soon as I have a detailed update, I'll revert to the councillor.

Contact: Colm Fitzpatrick, Senior Engineer

Email: colm.fitzpatrick@dublincity.ie

Q33 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services to please carry out repairs, *(details supplied)*.

Reply

Dublin City Council has carried out an inspection of the wall, this will be made safe. As per the Tenant's Handbook walls and gates are the responsibility of the tenant.

Contact: Clive Ahern, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance.

Email: clive.ahern@dublincity.ie

Q34 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services to contact Dublin Bus requesting a bus shelter for the bus stop at St. Laurences National School, Chapelizod.

Reply

I think there is an error here. St Laurence's National School on Martins Row would not have any bus services going by it. I think you may be referring to St. Patrick's National School, on the Chapelizod Road.

Regardless, the NTA would need to be contacted by yourself to initiate this request.

Contact: Adam Kelly

Email: adam.kelly@dublincity.ie

Q35 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services to install a red filter light at the entrance to Main Street, Chapelizod.

Reply

I review of the traffic signals will talk place with the view of determining if it is possible to improve the operation of the traffic signals at the junction of Martin Row/ Chapelizod. I update will be issued once this review is completed.

Contact: Liam O'Brien

Email: Liam.obrien@dublincity.ie

Q36 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services what actions have DCC's estate management taken, and what action will they take to tackle, *(details supplied)*.

Reply

Dublin City Council served a Tenancy Warning on this address on 29th April 2021. There have been no further reports of Anti-Social Behaviour since then. Dublin City Council are monitoring the situation. This may lead to further action being taken against this address.

Contact: Pat Smith, Ballyfermot/Drimnagh Area Housing Manager

Email: pat.smith@dublincity.ie

Q37 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services to investigate and take action on this complaint. *(details supplied)*.

Reply

This matter has not previously been reported to the Ballyfermot Area Office. This matter will be investigated and reported to An Garda Síochána.

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