



**MINUTES OF THE CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING**

**HELD ON TUESDAY 11 JANUARY 2022**

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

ORDER: Agreed

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

ORDER: Noted (See Appendix 1)

- 3      **With reference to the North East Inner City Initiative 2021 Progress Update.**

ORDER: Presentation Noted.

- 4      **With reference to the proposed grant of a further licence of 16-18 Seán McDermott Street, Dublin 1 to City of Dublin Education & Training Board.**

ORDER: Agreed. Recommend to City Council.

- 5      **With reference to the proposed grant of a three year licence of No. 15 Bachelor's Walk, Dublin 1 to the Irish Architecture Foundation.**

ORDER: Agreed. Recommend to City Council.

- 6      **With reference to a proposal to initiate the procedure for the Extinguishment of the Public Right of Way over a laneway to the rear of O'Connell Avenue, Geraldine Street and Berkeley Road, Dublin 7.**

ORDER: Agreed to initiate the procedure.

- 7      **With reference to the Traffic Advisory Group minutes.**

ORDER: Report noted.

- 8      **With reference to Public Domain.**

ORDER: Report noted.

- 9      **With reference to the Cabra/Glasnevin Area Report.**

ORDER: Report noted.

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

ORDER: Report noted.

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

ORDER: Report noted.

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

ORDER: Report noted.

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

**The following Emergency Motion to the Area Manager was tabled:**

**Emergency motion in the name of Councillor Janice Boylan:**

That this area committee calls on the Area Manager, the CEO and the planning department to immediately stop the wilful destruction through sub division to No. 10 Moore Street. This building has been sub divided into three parts to accommodate yet another phone shop on Moore Street. The street is saturated with phone shops and does not need another phone shop. Planning regulations are not been met by the occupiers in doing this horrific sub division. We will not continue to allow Moore Street to decline further into a street with over 20 phone shops, this is ruining the heritage and culture of the whole street. Number 10 is a historic part of the battlefield site and this wilful destruction of such heritage has to be stopped immediately.

Reason behind my emergency motion.

Dublin City Council has a duty of care to rate paying business owners as well as having a duty of care to businesses. This duty of care has been breached on numerous occasions for the past few years, by Dublin City Council.

The Department of Heritage also has a duty of care towards heritage buildings, such as No. 10 Moore Street in which both Hammerson and Chartered Land agree is pre-1916, many historians even claim that no.10 is the most important building historically, even more so than no. 16 Moore Street. It is in this building that the volunteers started their journey within the terrace, while the leaders of the rising spent their last night's sleep and ate their last meal. It is also this building where Elizabeth O'Farrell set up a treatment area for the wounded.

Recently and not for the first time but hopefully the last, Hammerson and DCC have allowed another hideous subdivision of a shop within the iconic Moore Street Terrace. No. 10 Moore Street is the shop in question. Over the last few days Builders have been working within this pre 1916 building, possibly damaging the pre 1916 elements to the building but also illegally subdividing the unit without the relevant planning permission or change of usage notices from Dublin City Council.

ORDER: Agreed. Report to Councillor.

**The following motions to the Area Managers were tabled:**

**Item 1**

### **Motion in the name of Councillor Colm O'Rourke**

That this Central Area Committee calls on Dublin City Council to work with the relevant stakeholders to identify a space in the Ashtown/Rathborne/Royal Canal Park area to acquire land for a community garden due to the high interest from residents for such a facility here, which could also be used as a community facility and location to host community events and initiatives. A community garden to be placed here where there is currently unused lands could help in mitigating some of the issues in this urban area, help with sustainable environmental needs, help with the community development of this new area and provide an amenity in an area that is lacking in a wide range of community resources.

ORDER: Agreed. Report to Councillor.

### **Item 2**

### **Motion in the name of Councillor Joe Costello**

That the Central Area Committee calls on the leaders of the three political parties in Government, Fianna Fáil, Fine Gael and Green Party, to publicly drop Ireland's opposition to the Trade Related Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS) Covid Vaccine Waiver at the World Trade Organisation so that Covid-related medical products can become available in low-income countries and thus help prevent the spread of deadly global diseases.

ORDER: Agreed. Letter to the Tánaiste.

### **14 With reference to TII update on Bannow Road Site vis a vis delivery of Luas Finglas.**

ORDER: Presentation Noted.

### **15 With reference to Liffey Street Public Realm Works.**

ORDER: Presentation noted.

### **16 With reference to Social Housing PPP Bundle 3 Project - former Readymix site, East Wall.**

ORDER: Presentation noted.

### **Councillor Ray McAdam**

### **Chairperson**

**Tuesday 11 January 2022**

### **Attendance:**

#### **Members:**

Ray McAdam (Chairperson)  
Janice Boylan  
Janet Horner  
Séamas McGrattan  
Colm O'Rourke

#### **Members:**

Christy Burke  
Darcy Lonergan  
Declan Meenagh  
Cieran Perry

#### **Members:**

Joe Costello  
Eimer McCormack  
Cat O'Driscoll  
Nial Ring

**Officers**

Seán Callaghan  
Brendan Doggett  
Mairead Jonsson  
Richard Shakespeare  
Joe Kelly  
Rhona White

Cathy Cassidy  
Ursula Donnellan  
John McPartlan  
Stephen Wearen  
Aine Behan  
Glen Murray

Claire-Marie Dempsey  
Marion Foran  
Brian Mongey  
James Nolan  
Paul White  
Mary Davis

**Others:**

Michael Stone, Chairperson  
NEIC Implementation Board

Michael O’Riordan, NEIC  
Programme Office

Marcello Corsi, Transport  
Infrastructure Ireland

Ryan Gillespie (Seán  
Harrington Architects)

**Questions to the Area Manager**  
**Central Area Committee Meeting**  
**11<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

- Q1** **Councillor Declan Meenagh**  
To ask the Area Manager for an update on the removal of trees on (details supplied) and when they are likely to be replaced.
- Q2** **Councillor Christy Burke**  
To ask the Area Manager for a date as to when works will take place at (details supplied)
- Q3** **Councillor Christy Burke**  
To ask the Area Manager for a date as to when works will start at (details supplied)
- Q4** **Councillor Christy Burke**  
To ask the Area Manager if the Housing Department will address the issues at (details supplied)
- Q5** **Councillor Christy Burke**  
To ask the Area Manager if she would consider a new unit to be allocated to (details supplied) at Sean Foster Place.
- Q6** **Councillor Christy Burke**  
To ask the Area Manager what is the process for a Dublin City Council resident when their house gets flooded. The process can take a long period of time for works to be carried out.
- Q7** **Councillor Christy Burke**  
To ask the Area Manager that the Traffic Section in Dublin City Council engage in talks with the (details supplied)
- Q8** **Councillor Christy Burke**  
To ask the Area Manager if a date can be given as to when (details supplied) will be open.
- Q9** **Councillor Christy Burke**  
To ask the Area Manager that she address the (details supplied)
- Q10** **Councillor Seamas McGrattan**  
To ask the Area Manager what position is (details supplied)
- Q11** **Councillor Seamas McGrattan**  
To ask the Area Manager for a map of the sewerage lines for the houses on (details supplied)
- Q12** **Councillor Seamas McGrattan**  
To ask the Area Manager to have the trees pruned on (details supplied)
- Q13** **Councillor Seamas McGrattan**  
To ask the Area Manager what is the schedule for new pathways in the (details supplied)
- Q14** **Councillor Seamas McGrattan**  
To ask the Area Manager to provide additional lighting in (details supplied)
- Q15** **Councillor Seamas McGrattan**  
To ask the Area Manager to repair the damaged footpaths in (details supplied)
- Q16** **Councillor Seamas McGrattan**  
To ask the Area Manager to provide additional street lighting between (details supplied)
- Q17** **Councillor Seamas McGrattan**  
To ask the Area Manager to clear the leaves on a regular basis around (details supplied) and to ensure the gullies are kept clear.
- Q18** **Councillor Seamas McGrattan**  
To ask the Area Manager to repair the footpath at (details supplied)
- Q19** **Councillor Seamas McGrattan**  
To ask the Area Manager to prune the trees around (details supplied)
- Q20** **Councillor Seamas McGrattan**  
To ask the Area Manager to repair the damaged bollard in the school zone outside (details supplied)
- Q21** **Councillor Nial Ring**  
To ask the Area Manager for an updated answer to my (details supplied)
- Q22** **Councillor Nial Ring**  
To ask the Area Manager for an update on the provision of a (details supplied)
- Q23** **Councillor Nial Ring**  
To ask the Area Manager how many tenants (by complex/development) are in possession of (details supplied)
- Q24** **Councillor Nial Ring**

- To ask the Area Manager to detail DCC's inspection and enforcement statistics for (details supplied)
- Q25** **Councillor Nial Ring**
- To ask the Area Manager if an answer to the letter (details supplied)
- Q26** **Councillor Nial Ring**
- To ask the Area Manager to detail the terms of the agreement with (details supplied)
- Q27** **Councillor Nial Ring**
- To ask the Area Manager if a letter can be sent to An Bord Pleanála informing them of the content of and decision on the Motion tabled by me at December's CAC (Item 2)
- Q28** **Councillor Nial Ring**
- To ask the Area Manager if DCC will replace the part of the (details supplied) which blew over during storm Barra, as the gap is unsightly and locals would like the blown away part replaced as the overall (details supplied) was much liked and appreciated by locals and visitors alike.
- Q29** **Councillor Nial Ring**
- To ask the Area Manager to detail the works carried out on the (details supplied) and to further detail the cost of the upgrade, including the source/s of the funds needed to complete the work.
- Q30** **Councillor Nial Ring**
- To ask the Area Manager if she is aware that, to date, and notwithstanding a commitment give to me at the City Council meeting of November 2020, there has been no information give to or consultation with any business or residents of Ballybough Road and surrounding streets, in relation to the proposed (details supplied), notwithstanding the potential major impact on the area if the project goes ahead.
- Q31** **Councillor Nial Ring**
- To ask the Area Manager if licencees of DCC premises in the area are required to provide Financial Accounts (Audited, Management, Club etc) to DCC or otherwise are required to confirm their compliance with any legal, statutory, corporate governance or regulatory requirements attaching to the entity (licencee). If not, would the Area Manager consider it good practice to request same on an annual basis.
- Q32** **Councillor Janet Horner**
- To ask the Area Manager if the potholes along (details supplied), particularly in the shared bus and cycle lane can be repaired.
- Q33** **Councillor Janet Horner**
- To ask the Area Manager to investigate and install traffic calming measures outside and around (details supplied)
- Q34** **Councillor Janet Horner**
- To ask the Area Manager to install signage to direct people towards the available bike parking in (details supplied) currently it is being underused so it would help to advertise it more
- Q35** **Councillor Janet Horner**
- To ask the Area Manager to include a mural in (details supplied) to make it a more friendly and inviting atmosphere.
- Q36** **Councillor Janet Horner**
- To ask the Area Manager for an update regarding the timeline for going to tender for the (details supplied)
- Q37** **Councillor Janet Horner**
- To ask the Area Manager to provide permanent greening at the junction of (details supplied)
- Q38** **Councillor Janet Horner**
- To ask the Area Manager to provide an update on plans for greening the railway side walls along (details supplied)
- Q39** **Councillor Janet Horner**

To ask the Area Manager to remove the bollards on (details supplied)? There are now bike stands there to prevent cars parking on the footpath so the bollards are no longer needed

**Q40     Councillor Colm O'Rourke**

To ask the Manager for the Dublin City Council Public Domain section to assist with an issue at the rear of houses at (details supplied). There is illegally dumped materials/household waste in a laneway to the rear of the houses and in addition to this, residents of the area are requesting if CCTV could be placed at this location or near this location to stop those who are illegally dumping.

**Q41     Councillor Colm O'Rourke**

To ask the Area Manager if Dublin City Council could mark the road at (details supplied) to reserve two spaces for vehicles that are using the EV charge point. There is a considerable number of residents who have electric vehicles in this area but the houses do not have off-street parking and the area in front of the EV charge point is used for non-electric vehicles general parking or the parking here is often in a way that only one electric vehicle will fit. This is a daily occurrence and unfortunately patrolling is not working with the issue.

**Q42     Councillor Colm O'Rourke**

To ask the Area Manager to request that a survey be conducted at (details supplied)

**Q43     Councillor Colm O'Rourke**

To ask the Area Manager for the public lighting to be inspected at (details supplied) with a view to improving the lighting where it needs to be improved in the interest of public safety.

**Q44     Councillor Colm O'Rourke**

To ask the Area Manager to introduce measures to tackle the litter issue and illegal dumping at (details supplied) and to ask the Litter Warden to patrol this area.

**Q45     Councillor Colm O'Rourke**

To ask the Area Manager if additional lighting could be installed at (details supplied) due to safety concerns.

**Q46     Councillor Colm O'Rourke**

To ask the Area Manager for Dublin City Council to work with the ESB to install an EV charging point at (details supplied) due to the amount of electric vehicles in this area.

**Q47     Councillor Colm O'Rourke**

To ask the Area Manager for an update regarding the housing application of (details supplied) and to ask that application be expedited due to the circumstances that the applicant finds themselves in.

**Q48     Councillor Colm O'Rourke**

To ask the Area Manager to work with the developer in control of the road at (details supplied) to introduce a ramp and also a suite of other traffic calming measures to allow residents to cross the road safely here as residents have been knocked down by vehicles here and also considering that many children reside in the area.

**Q49     Councillor Colm O'Rourke**

To ask the Area Manager to introduce bollards at the edge of the footpath outside the set of retail units at (details supplied) as delivery drivers and others associated with these units are driving off the footpath and not using the designated dishing at the footpaths. An Garda Síochána are continually dealing with the matter but bollards are needed to prevent further serious accident from happening here.

**Q50     Councillor Joe Costello**

To ask the Area Manager to have (details supplied) resurfaced in 2022

**Q51 Councillor Joe Costello**

To ask the Area Manager to state the number of Christmas trees sponsored by DCC in the Central Area, the location of each, the number that are harvested trees and if she will endeavour to use planted trees for village Xmas tree lights in future years.

**Q52 Councillor Joe Costello**

To ask the Area Manager if DCC can accommodate (details supplied)

**Q53 Councillor Joe Costello**

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

**Q54 Councillor Joe Costello**

To ask the Area Manager to address the safety considerations in the (details supplied)

**Q55 Councillor Joe Costello**

To ask the area Manager if a plan can be put in place to replace/repair street signs in the Central Area perhaps by using discretionary funds

**Q56 Councillor Joe Costello**

To ask the Area Manager if she can arrange for some road signage to be installed to alert motorists of the existence of a pre-school crèche at (details supplied) using existing poles infrastructure

**Q57 Councillor Joe Costello**

To ask the Area Manager if she can find a new location for the (details supplied)

**Q58 Councillor Joe Costello**

To ask the Area Manager to compile a report on the land at (details supplied) and indicate potential future uses.

**Q59 Councillor Joe Costello**

To ask the Area Manager to clarify what responsibility Dublin City Council has for (details supplied) and whether the public road running through the site will remain open for the duration of the construction.

**Q60 Councillor Eimer McCormack**

To ask the Area Manager is she aware the resident of (details supplied) has requested the tree outside their property be removed, and will they advise on the council's intentions to remove the tree?

**Q61 Councillor Eimer McCormack**

To ask the Area Manager to report on when a segregated cycle route will be provided on the (details supplied)

**Q62 Councillor Eimer McCormack**

To ask the Area Manager for a report on plans for (details supplied). In particular the play areas and the need for extra seating and bins and the local residents strongly requested playground for the younger members of our society to enjoy.

**Q63 Councillor Eimer McCormack**

To ask the Area Manager to investigate why no lighting is currently provided on the throughway from (details supplied)