

**Q.1 Councillor Pat Dunne**

Can the Area Manager provide a report on the proposed Rathmines to Ballymount Cycleway? Can this report show the proposed route and give a timeline as regards to public consultations and commencement?

**Q.2 Councillor Dermot Lacey**

To ask the Manager if there is any update on the promised tree replacement in the vicinity of 3 Elmwood Park Avenue, Ranelagh as promised back in November 2021.

**Q.3 Councillor Dermot Lacey**

To ask the Manager if there is any update on the promised action by the Traffic Department in relation to the issues surrounding the various schools at this location as raised by this Councillor in September 2021 and detailed in the correspondence submitted with this question.

**Q.4 Councillor Tara Deacy**

I submitted a formal request that the footpath at 9 Greenmount Lawns, Terenure be repaired last October, it is in very poor condition and is getting more dangerous as time goes on. Can we prioritise this or even give a rough date as to when it will be sorted out?

**Q.5 Councillor Mannix Flynn**

Can the manager issue a full report as to how much money was taken in by Dublin City Council regarding development levies within the South East area in the past 5 years? Also, that these developments and the neighbourhoods that they were in be identified. Also, that this report identifies where such levies were spent in local areas where these developments took place and what benefit derived to the local communities.

**Q.6 Councillor Mannix Flynn**

Can the manager instruct the parks department to prune the trees and reduce their number at the DCC housing estate on Clanbrassil Street?

**Q.7 Councillor Mannix Flynn**

Can the manager inform the residents in the St Kevin's area not to block the fire exit laneways at the back of their homes? Many of these laneways and walkways have become extinct to public rights of way and are gated. None the less, they are the property of DCC and they are an essential emergency fire exit. However, many are now chic-o-bloc with wheelie bins, builders' rubble and rubbish. In effect they are blocking an essential fire exit. In some cases, home owners have erected extractor fans and air conditioning units on the outside walls which again impede anybody who is trying to make an emergency exit. It is time that DCC issued notices to all these households as to the general upkeep and the need to keep these passage ways clear in the event of an emergency.

**Q.8 Councillor Mannix Flynn**

Can the manager issue a full report as to what community groups north and south of the Liffey have been in receipt of the community grant scheme that comes off the Tom Clarke Bridge? Also, the amounts of money that these groups have received since the scheme began.

**Q.9 Councillor Mannix Flynn**

Can the manager give an update with regards the progress of works to pedestrianise Crane Lane? This beautiful ancient laneway and walkway is in a deplorable state. It is dangerous and in urgent need of repair.

**Q.10 Councillor Mannix Flynn**

Can the manager initiate a project for the improvement and upgrade of Stephen Street Upper and Lower? This street has been seriously impacted by recent development and construction, the student accommodation to the west of the street and the hotel development to the east side of the street at Georges Street. The footpaths are very narrow and the carriageway confusing in terms of the traffic lanes. It is now time that a proper traffic management plan be put in place and that we initiate precinct improvements now that the large development has completed.

**Q.11 Councillor Mannix Flynn**

Can the manager give an update as to the progress DCC is making in addressing the chronic parking and traffic problems that are occurring throughout the day in Leinster Square, Rathmines?

**Q.12 Councillor Mannix Flynn**

Can the manager issue a full report as to how many parking spaces have been handed over in the SEA to the likes of Go Car and other car rental companies operating in the city? Recently, public parking spaces were removed from Pembroke Street just outside of the Pat Henry gym. This gym also operates as a semi-medical centre with physiotherapists working here, and nutritionists. Many of the patients are elderly and have mobility issues and are finding it now impossible to park outside of this place because of the spaces being handed over to private hire companies. What investigation, if any, took place to ascertain what these premises were being used for before public parking was removed? This has a negative impact on the businesses in the area and also a great inconvenience for the many older and infirm people who attend clinics here.

**Q.13 Councillor Mannix Flynn**

Can the manager issue a full report as to when the much needed resurfacing of Herbert Lane will commence?

**Q.14 Councillor Mannix Flynn**

Can the manager issue a full report as to how many park coffee franchises/food outlets have been granted to the Tram Cafe in the South East Area?

**Q.15 Councillor Mannix Flynn**

Can the manager have the environmental section of DCC Noise Unit and Air Quality Unit investigate the noise emissions and the air pollutants emerging from the fans of Mario's Restaurant on Sandymount Green? This restaurant extends to the back of housing and a small community. Many residents here have complained to me about the ongoing noise issue and air quality that impacts on their homes on a daily basis.

**Q.16 Councillor James Geoghegan**

To ask the South East Area Manager if he can consider the content of this email and attached photograph (details supplied) and furnish a reply and if he could also detail when it is expected the park (Chocolate Park) shall be completed.

**Q.17 Councillor James Geoghegan**

To ask the Area Manager if he could detail what precisely the €300 thousand euro allocation for Clonskeagh to City Centre will be spent on in 2022 and what the €4.5 million will be spent on the Dodder Greenway in 2022 and equally provide graphic or imagery associated with where those routes will be installed.

**Q.18 Councillor James Geoghegan**

To ask the Area Manager if he will repair the footpath at details supplied and reply to the reporter.

**Q.19 Councillor James Geoghegan**

To ask the Area Manager if he would consider the installation of a pedestrian crossing at Mespil Road and Leeson Street for the reasons proposed in the attached document details supplied.

**Q.20 Councillor James Geoghegan**

To ask the Area Manager if he can consider the content of the email below and furnish a reply.

"I was speaking to DCC about the opening time of Dartmouth Square and it appears that it would require a by-law change so I thought I would check with you.

As you can see the park opens at 10am regardless of time of year. I appreciate it's dark in Nov/December but it's (just about) bright by 8 now in the morning and it's crazy it isn't open until 10. DCC do open it earlier sometimes but it's inconsistent.

Ranelagh Park is open early but I understand a local resident does that. A local resident had been doing it on the Square but DCC took over doing it during the summer.

Is there anything to be done to change the opening time? Or graduated times to reflect the time of the year as with closing times?"

**Q.21 Councillor James Geoghegan**

To ask the Area Manager if he can consider the content of the email below and furnish a reply:

"I wish to highlight an ongoing problem with you that has gone unattended by Dublin City Council for over 2 years now. We own a property on Garville Road, Rathgar to which there is an entrance to a rear car park down a laneway that runs to the left of number 14A Garville Road. There are numerous other rear entrances that open onto this laneway. We have owned this property for over 30 years and the laneway was always maintained very well by Dublin City Council. However, about 5 years ago we have had to contact Dublin City Council directly to get them to come out to clear the lane of massive weeds, rubbish and overgrown bushes that hang down and scrape passing cars. Sometimes we've had to contact them several times before the work was carried out. We contacted them under 2 years ago to get it cleared but due to Covid etc. they said there would be delays which is completely understandable. We contacted them again last July and also filled out the online request forms and again a few months later, but still nothing has been done.

Please could you arrange for the laneway to be cleared of all weeds and overhanging bushes? If you could also arrange for it to be done every year like it

used to be, that would be greatly appreciated by all residents who require access to their properties via this laneway.”

**Q.22 Councillor Dermot Lacey**

To ask the Manager what was the process that led to the granting of permission for a construction company to use Dublin City Council property, part of car park at the junction of The Crescent and Donnybrook Road, and what are the terms of that grant of permission.

**Q.23 Councillor James Geoghegan**

To ask the Area Manager further to question 23 on the 11<sup>th</sup> of October 2021 whether a speed survey was carried out on Brighton Road, the outcome of that survey and what decision has been made following the carrying out of the survey.

**Q.24 Councillor James Geoghegan**

To ask the Area Manager if a survey could be undertaken on Orchard Road South, Dublin 6 and the semi-circle portion of Palmerston Park (road) in respect of its suitability for road resurfacing, traffic calming, ramps, warning signage in respect of children at play adjacent to the park entrance.

**Q.25 Councillor Pat Dunne**

The Minister recently announced an allocation of almost €300 million in [National Transport Authority](#) (NTA) funding for cycling and walking projects, nearly half of which has been designated for the greater Dublin area. How much of this is allotted to the Kimmage/Rathmines Lea and what projects will it be spent on?

Some areas that could do with consideration are:

- Protected cycle lane from Harold's Cross Bridge going south
- Protected cycle lane and footpath around Centra on Harold's Cross Road, cars parking and blocking the footpaths being a persistent problem here.
- Protected cycle lane on Larkfield Park/Clareville Road, especially with 2 schools in the area

Additionally, the Dublin 12 area has very little cycle infrastructure can this area also be considered.

**Q.26 Councillor Dermot Lacey**

To ask the Manager if he will arrange for the reinstallation of the basketball board and net in Beech Hill Park and a clean-up of the court area to enable young people use it as the Spring and Summer seasons beckon.

**Q.27 Councillor Dermot Lacey**

To ask the Manager if (details supplied)\* has been examined with a view to putting it on the Derelict sites register, if so how much in levies has been collected in relation to same and if any other action is being taken to ensure that the site does not remain undeveloped and an eyesore to the community.

**Q.28 Councillor Paddy McCartan**

To ask the manager to deal with the following issue from a constituent.

“I note there are new speed ramps being laid on Strand Road. Although it is a regional road and speed bumps are a little unusual, reducing speed on it will be a good thing. However, it is questionable why it is being done now given DCC is appealing the Court's decision against it in June / July of this year. If the Court finds in favour of DCC, I expect some or all of these works would need to be reversed. This would only add to the already significant cost incurred by DCC on what is a

2 / 3 km stretch of road. Since mid-2020, if you factor in the legal costs, electronic signage cost, preparatory works (some of which has been reversed) and now the speed bumps (which may also have to be reversed), it must be heading towards €0.5 million (if not more). This does not include the salaries of the DCC staff involved in the project.

I just want to flag the above and again question the approach by DCC in this matter, particularly given the very significant and ever increasing associated cost."

**Q.29 Councillor Paddy McCartan**

Could the manager to give an update on the issue raised in May 2021?

The East Link Bridge is in dire need of resurfacing, there is an accident waiting to happen on that bridge between bike users, pedestrians and articulated lorries navigating huge pot holes. Perhaps the operators could invest some of the toll fares in the upkeep of the road."

**Q.30 Councillor Paddy McCartan**

A: In relation to the ramps been installed on Strand Road, Sandymount how many ramps are involved on the stretch of Strand Road and Beach Road?

B: What is the approximate cost of the operation?

C: Who is funding the project?

**Q.31 Councillor Paddy McCartan**

To ask the manager to deal with the following issue from a constituent:

"There is a large portion of the footpath missing, (3.5m x 1.5m) directly outside number 6 Pembroke Gardens, Ballsbridge

Dublin City Council removed an old rotten tree that was in danger of falling, about six years ago and promised to return to restore the path but never did...

I've e-mailed them on numerous occasions but I'm having no luck with them.

Maybe you could try on our behalf?

It is 100% a health and safety hazard and sooner or later some old person will trip and fall, possibly onto the road".

**Q.32 Councillor Tara Deacy**

Can the piece of the road near the 83 bus terminus on Stannaway Avenue be repaired a.s.a.p.? It is very dangerous for cyclists and other road users.

**Q.33 Councillor Tara Deacy**

Could a bin be installed on Bangor Road? Residents have noticed an increase in general litter and dog fouling, the installation of a bin would alleviate this issue.

**Q.34 Councillor Tara Deacy**

Could the speed ramps on Bangor Road be repainted? Cars continue to drive at speed on this road and this has led to a number of incidents involving parked cars and dangerous driving.

**Q.35 Councillor Tara Deacy**

Can a filter light be installed at the traffic lights on Lower Kimmage Road as you turn right coming from Harold's Cross at the crossroads? This is a very dangerous junction for all road users and it would promote a safer crossing for all.

**Q.36 Councillor Deirdre Conroy**

To ask the Manager about allocation of funding information on improvements in the Harold's Cross area.

Enquirer lists some areas for consideration:

1. Protected cycle lane from Harold's Cross Bridge going south.
2. Protected cycle lane and footpath around Centra store on Harold's Cross Road, due to cars parking and blocking the footpaths being a persistent problem on that route.
3. Protected cycle lane on Larkfield Park /Clareville Road, especially with 2 schools in the area.

**Q.37 Councillor Deirdre Conroy**

To ask the Manager if the Conservation Officer and Deputy Chief Executive Richard Shakespeare will address the enquiries for historic property to be protected from one individual in Rathmines.

There is an issue in terms of protected structures being left derelict because owners cannot be provided planning permission to adapt for accommodation 200 years after it was built.

There are historic buildings which are not on the record of protected structures, which have ability for reuse for accommodation, rather than left derelict as well.

The letter enquiry to Planning Development from \*details supplied lists various property in the Rathmines, Donnybrook area and I request a response to the enquirer. The letter is attached (details supplied).

**Q.38 Councillor Deirdre Conroy**

To ask the Manager and Councillors to request Dublin City Council to resolve the dangerous driving issue at Greenlea Grove, entrance to Terenure Rugby Club.

Local resident notifies that Terenure Rugby Club decided to close the entrance to their rugby club and car park - they have placed unmanned cones outside the resident's house (details supplied).

I am notified that this has resulted in traffic chaos on the Grove and danger of serious health and safety issues, because cars are driving to the end of the Grove, finding the blockade and attempting U-turns in the Grove which is extremely narrow.

I am advised that this unauthorized action is caused as a direct result of the unauthorized removal of over 100 parking spaces in the rugby club car park to make way for hospitality bar and coffee shop.

The enquirer states that this action is in breach of the planning permission granted to the rugby club.

Greenlea Grove is a very small cul-de-sac and traffic congestion is significant. It requires traffic calming and speed cameras.

The reduction of the car parking spaces and the increase of commercial unit selling beer, coffee and other foods has resulted in Greenlea Grove now acting as the overflow car park for Terenure Rugby Club.

This blockage also makes it impossible for an emergency vehicle to gain access to the Grove.

The blockages are considered a direct result of breaches by the resident, in the planning permission granted to the club, reducing the car park by over 50% to accommodate food / coffee stalls.

Whilst the provision of hospitality food / coffee stalls may be welcome for the participants and players, who can walk and cycle to the rugby club, I would consider significant signage and clarity information is required to avoid drivers going straight to Greenlea Grove and discovering no access to the club, to avoid any danger to pedestrians or local residents.

**Q.39 Councillor Claire Byrne**

To ask the Area Manager can he please take steps to address the serious issue of dog waste on Macken Street.

**Q.40 Councillor Claire Byrne**

To ask the area manager what can be done to address the ongoing issue of litter gathering in the disused gateway in Cathedral Court (see image attached) local residents are left to clean this out which often has used needles etc. in there. Can the manager please explore a solution to this?

**Q.41 Councillor Claire Byrne**

To ask the Area Manager how much has been spent on the installation of the bike bunkers in the South East Area in the last 3 years, can he outline the exact locations of these bunkers, can he provide a list of proposed locations for future bike bunkers in the area and when they will be in place and can the Area Manager include Lennox Street and Oakfield Place in Portobello in this list?

**Q.42 Councillor Claire Byrne**

To ask the Area Manager what can be done to address the issues of anti-social behaviour and drug use and dealing and late night drinking in the laneway and park/green area between Christchurch and the Civic Offices. The situation has deteriorated in recent times. Are there any plans in place to make this and the park more user friendly for local residents, tourists, dog owners etc. to reduce the anti-social behaviour and if not could this be examined?

**Q.43 Councillor Claire Byrne**

To ask the Area Manager for an update on the trial for shared bin storage in Portobello which was agreed some years ago but has not progressed.

**Q.44 Councillor Claire Byrne**

To ask the Area Manager can he please write to Dublin Express on behalf of the committee and ask them to reinstate the bus stop outside the 3Arena for their new route serving Dublin Airport. Residents from Irishtown were previously able to walk across the Tom Clarke Bridge to access this service, now they have to go all the way to Custom House. This has had a negative impact on bus connections for those living in Ringsend and Irishtown.

**Q.45 Councillor Anne Feeney**

To ask the Manager for an indicative date for resurfacing and repairing Orwell Road, Rathgar.

**Q.46 Councillor Anne Feeney**

To ask the Manager for an update in relation to the Rathdown traffic congestion public consultation, project plan and implementation date. As spring and summer

approach there will be greater activity in Bushy Park and an increase in the number of cars parking in the area.

**Q.47 Councillor Anne Feeney**

To ask the Manager to arrange for clearing of leaves and Autumn/Winter debris from the footpath alongside Bushy Park. The paths are still covered in leaves and muck and a slip hazard for older people. Also, could I once again ask for the boundary bushes to be cut back as they are considerably overgrown onto the pavement leaving in some cases approx. 12-18 inches of width for walking?

**Q.48 Councillor Danny Byrne**

To ask the manager if the gates of Ringsend Park can be painted, they haven't been painted apparently in 16 years.

**Q.49 Councillor Danny Byrne**

To ask the manager if some flood lights can be erected in Ringsend Park, it would be welcomed if there was consultation with local users of the park as to the positioning of such floodlights.

**Q.50 Councillor Danny Byrne**

To ask the manager if a site visit can be arranged to St Matthews School, Cranfield Place, Dublin 4 to ascertain safety for school going children, their parents and guardians and the general public.

**Q.51 Councillor Danny Byrne**

To ask the manager for a response to the following please and to immediately commit to the commitments given.

Requesting that the parking proposals as agreed with traffic enforcement as part of the Parking Survey for the Fitzwilliam Cycle Route (Feb. 2019), in the attached report be immediately implemented. These proposals would allow all parking permit holders to park in any pay and display parking space along the route (which includes all perpendicular streets along that route).

We are requested that this be immediately implemented as it is next to impossible for residents to get parking within their permit areas at peak times.

BTW: Please note below communication from Adrienne Houghton on May 23rd, 2019 which should be read in conjunction with the Parking Survey attached.

She wrote:

"As outlined in the Parking Survey Report,"The scheme proposes to permit all parking permit holders to park in any pay and display parking space along the route. This is a change to the current arrangement whereby permit holders can only park within 'Pay and Display and Permit Parking' zones along their designated preference streets. Thus, permit holders will have a pool of 649 spaces compared with the existing 151 'Pay and Display and Permit Parking' spaces." This proposal has been agreed with the Parking Enforcement Officer."

**Q.52 Councillor Danny Byrne**

To ask the manager if the below can be rectified please.

Accessible Pedestrian Signals at the junction of Sean Moore Road and Stand Road. The lack of audible crossing signals at the above intersection has been brought to the attention of the Traffic Office in DCC over the past year by local resident, whose freedom of independent movement has been significantly impacted due to him being unable to cross the road safely with a vision impairment.



The lack of audible pedestrian signals at any set of traffic lights restricts the independent movement of people who are blind or vision impaired, and thereby fails the public sector duty obligation.

**Q.53 Councillor Daniel Céitinn**

To ask the Manager the status of the Glovers Court regeneration stage 1 funding application and if the South East Area Office and DCC housing management will meet with residents of Glovers Court to discuss the regeneration project and timelines for same.

**Q.54 Councillor Daniel Céitinn**

To ask the Manager the status of the Pearse House regeneration and when a design team will be appointed.

**Q.55 Councillor Daniel Céitinn**

To ask the Manager if he will liaise with the George Reynold's House Residents' Association and residents of Oliver Plunkett Avenue to review traffic calming measures on Oliver Plunkett Avenue and to install an additional speed ramp and speed limit signs to reduce dangerous driving on the avenue.

**Q.56 Councillor Daniel Céitinn**

To ask the Manager the number of vacant / void DCC housing units by bed number across the South East Area by ED.

**Q.57 Councillor Daniel Céitinn**

To ask the Manager the number of vacant or derelict sites across Dublin City by area and the number of these which are a council possession.

**Q.58 Councillor Daniel Céitinn**

To ask the Manager when a lighted junction will be installed at Pine Road / Sean Moore Road junction.

**Q.59 Councillor Daniel Céitinn**

To ask the Manager when the Sean Moore Road will be repaired.

**Q.60 Councillor Daniel Céitinn**

To ask the Manager what additional actions he proposes to take in 2022 to cooperate with the Gardaí to clamp down on HGV traffic through Ringsend / Irishtown.

**Q.61 Councillor Daniel Céitinn**

To ask the Manager to arrange for the cleaning of Lombard Court public space, removal of dead trees and vines, and cleaning of drains which are causing road flooding.

**Q.62 Councillor Daniel Céitinn**

To ask the Manager to arrange for the installation of lighting along the paths around Ringsend Park as the darkness in the evening makes the environment unsafe due to poor visibility which has led to multiple injuries over the winter period, and if he will look at lighting up the walkways throughout the park generally with a view to improving safety and the feeling of security.

**Q.63 Councillor Daniel Céitinn**

To ask the Manager if he will arrange for the replacement of the bench in St Andrew's Court as the wood was removed but not replaced leaving a concrete

structure; and if he will otherwise arrange for repairs to the precinct as the amenities are dilapidated and in a state of disrepair akin to a derelict site.

**Q.64 Councillor Carolyn Moore**

Will DCC consider a land swap between John Bosco's youth centre and the current waste management depot site on Davitt Road? This swap would allow social housing to be built on the Bosco site while a multi-purpose community centre could be built on the depot site.

**Q.65 Councillor Carolyn Moore**

Can the manager indicate if there are any plans to put safe segregated cycle lanes on Clogher Road to link the proposed Harold's Cross to Ballymount route to the canal and provide safe access via sustainable transport to local schools and playing pitches?

**Q.66 Councillor Carolyn Moore**

Can the Area Manager look into the ongoing issue of illegal parking on Greenlea Grove? Access to Terenure Rugby Club is regularly being blocked with the use of traffic cones on Greenlea Grove, causing significant issues for the residents from a health & safety perspective and leading to Greenlea Grove being used as an overflow car park for Terenure Rugby Club. Cars parking on Greenlea Grove or having to do U-turns in a narrow Cul de sac is creating access issues for residents and emergency services, and is a risk to pedestrians.

**Q.67 Councillor Carolyn Moore**

To ask the area manager if the footpath widening on Mount Drummond Square can be accompanied by a planting plan using tree pits or similar to add greenery and improve drainage and biodiversity. Permanent planting has significantly more benefits than planters and should be incorporated into public realm upgrades wherever possible.

**Q.68 Councillor Carolyn Moore**

Can the area manager look at the urgent provision of targeted cycle lane segregation at the junction of Sundrive Road, Larkfield Ave and Lower Kimmage Road where illegal parking is rife and chaotic. In particular, there is an abrupt narrowing of the road adjacent to 159 Lower Kimmage Road, which - in combination with frequent illegal parking in the cycle lane - is a dangerous pinch point for cyclists, who may need to move out into traffic.

**Q.69 Councillor Carolyn Moore**

Can the area manager undertake a review of safety issues in the laneway to Pearse Park with a view to making this point of access to the park safer?

**Q.70 Councillor Carolyn Moore**

Can the lamppost at the entrance to Clonmacnoise Grove be repaired? The lamppost itself is bent and leaning over and has not been upgraded to LED lighting like the rest of the road.

**Q.71 Councillor Carolyn Moore**

Could the tree on Lismore / Durrow Road Green (opposite no. 140 Lismore Road) be reviewed for damage and replaced, if necessary?

**Q.72 Councillor Pat Dunne**

As you are aware the bottle bank at this Supervalu Carpark Sundrive Road was "temporarily" removed in the back end of last year to facilitate the resurfacing of the car park. This was understood and accepted by local people.

However, it has not been reinstated. This is particularly frustrating for regular users as the work on the car park is now long finished.

I would be very much obliged if you could give me an update on this issue.

**Q.73 Councillor Pat Dunne**

Can our Derelict Site Section inspect the long since abandoned corner site at the junction of Crumlin Road and Clonard Road, Dublin 12? This eyesore is overgrown and the hoarding around the site is covered in graffiti.

**Q.74 Councillor Paddy McCartan**

To ask the manager to have the street name plate re-painted on Wicklow Street at the junction of Grafton Street.