# Q.1 <u>Councillor Dermot Lacey</u>

To ask the Manager to make contact with the ESB to seek an update on when they intend to paint the Poolbeg Chimneys.

### Q.2 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to deal with the following issue from a constituent in Seabury Apartments Sandymount.

She writes.

I want to raise a concern about the newly built Circle K Carwash adjacent to the apartment. The contracted hours are 9am- 9pm according to the granted planning permission (below DCC RFI contracted hours) but the carwash is in full function 24 hours, 7 days. The carwash is a source of noise pollution, wastes huge amounts of water, cars queuing with engines running adjacent to the apartment and it is visually unattractive. There were previously four mature trees (removed during construction) in place which acted as a visual and sound buffer between the end gable of our apartments and the petrol station. In a climate crisis I am disappointed that the DCC would freely allow planning for such a service when it is just not a necessity given that there are 5 car washes 1km away on the Merrion Road and at Booterstown.

I would be very grateful if you were in a position to address the opening hours and enforce Circle K to honour what was granted (9am-9pm Mon-Sun) please as I am not sure what to do and it is quite upsetting".

#### Q.3 Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the manager to have two street lights fixed on Ringsend Park Road on the right hand side of the road as you come off Cambridge Road.

### Q.4 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager issue a full report regarding the legalities of parking in loading bays that have been built out as part of the outdoor dining initiative. Many delivery trucks in the city with very little space to park as loading bays have been commandeered are now simply parking up on the built out areas. Can the manager issue a statement as to the legalities of this bearing in mind that the loading bays have not been rescinded or stood down in law?

#### Q.5 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager issue a full update as to the amount Dublin City Council and Dublin Regional Homeless Executive paid for the two buildings it acquisitioned – 99/100 Baggot Street that are to be formed into a hotel to be managed and run by the Peter McVerry Trust for housing services?

### Q.6 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager issue a full report with regards to how many businesses in the SEA and the city centre area are subject to the BIDs levy? Also, outline how DCC will carry out this election process and the counting process?

# Q.7 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager invite the Little Museum of Dublin to make a presentation to the SEAC on their future plans for the Museum on St. Stephen's Green?

### Q.8 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager inquire as to whether the Post Office in Rathmines which is an Art Deco building of extraordinary merit is to be closed? If so, could DCC acquire this

building as a community youth facility for the large community in and around the Rathmines area.

## Q.9 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager issue a full report as to what supports DCC give to Tradfest one of the largest traditional festivals in the country? Also what way does DCC publicise the Tradfest event?

### Q.10 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager issue a full report with regards the Sunday cleaning services that are supplied by DCC for the Camden Street/Harcourt Street area? Many complaints have come in about this area being left absolutely filthy from the Saturday night crowds who frequent the pubs, restaurants and food outlets.

#### Q.11 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager issue a full report with regards the installation of heat pump systems on the backs of houses which are now turning up as a noise nuisance? Are these heat pumps which are a substantial construction subject to planning regulations?

## Q.12 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager issue a full report as to the progress of reopening the George Bernard Shaw Museum in Portobello?

### Q.13 Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager arrange a meeting for all the residents of Glovers Court to address the serious issues of unhealthy living conditions and dilapidation of the blocks, the possibility of de-tenanting these blocks and where people are to go? Also, the future rejuvenation and regeneration of new social housing builds on this site. Many residents here have chronic health issues as a result of the appalling conditions of the block. People are at their wits end and no longer want to be even in their homes. Notwithstanding the fact that on top of these appalling living conditions they have to face threats and anti-social criminal behaviour on a regular basis.

#### Q.14 Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the Manager if he could respond positively to this request for outdoor sports equipment for Palmerston Park as outlined below:

Could I enquire about getting a couple of basic fitness stations in Palmerston Park, something very similar to Herbert Park, just a couple of pull up bars of varying heights, dip bars, and basic exercise equipment stations for outdoor workouts? Nothing too crazy.

The park is a great amenity in the local area, we have a really good kids' playground, so why not add a small one for adults? There is loads of space, and many areas of the park are really just muck / muddy and are not suitable for walking or sitting on the ground. So a little fitness area would fit in great. The council have done great work over the last 12 months clearing brush and trees and this would be an excellent addition.

#### Q.15 Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the Manager if he will arrange for a positive response to this issue of public lighting on Creighton Street:

"When Hibernia Reit finished their development along the east side of Creighton St. DCC removed 3 DCC lamps on the west (residents) side of the street. Four lamp were

erected on the East (Hibernia-Reit) side of the street. We are not sure if these new lamps were erected by DCC or Hibernia-Reit.

In any case the new lighting is completely inadequate. There are now no lamps on the residents' side of the street. The new lamp stands on the East side are shorter than the old DCC lamp stands and the light cones are smaller. The result is that the resident's side of the street is in pools of darkness.

Attached are 3 photographs: 2 day time photos showing the old DCC lampstands, one on the east side, 2 along the west (residents) side of the street and one at the Hanover St. junction. A night time photo looking south along the street.

One of the old DCC lamp stands was left in position, however DCC Lighting Dept. refuse to replace the lamp in their own lampstand! There are 2 ESB poles along the residents' side of the street.

I forward my correspondence with the DCC Lighting Dept. on this issue.

We understand that DCC has a program called "Crime prevention through Environmental Design".

Can we ask your office as a matter of urgency to look into this environmental problem?"

## Q.16 Councillor Deirdre Conroy

To ask the Manager and relevant City Council Department to provide more public toilets in the South East Area of Dublin. In particular to provide a toilet near Merrion Square/Mount Street/Holles Street.

I am advised by the enquirer that currently homeless and others are defecating and urinating in the arches in Mount Street regularly.

#### Q.17 <u>Councillor Deirdre Conroy</u>

To ask the Manager and relevant City Council Department to renew the sewers in Fortfield Terrace, Rathmines. The enquirer notifies that the resident houses have troubles with blocked sewers regularly. The sewers are too old and are not fit for purpose.

#### Q.18 Councillor Deirdre Conroy

To ask the Manager and the Parks Department to provide some relevant trees in Fortfield Terrace, Rathmines.

## Q.19 Councillor Tara Deacy

Can we get an up-date in relation to the citywide review of kissing gates, in particular the South East area? Where are we in terms of looking at alternatives in parks like Eamonn Ceannt?

## Q.20 Councillor Tara Deacy

Can the dog waste bin at the gates of the Sundrive entrance of Eamonn Ceannt Park be replaced with a more suitable larger bin? It's unsuitable for the number of dog walkers and park users accessing the park at present and is often overflowing.

#### Q.21 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the Manager when will we receive an update and implementation of a traffic management strategy for Rathdown in Terenure. This is now over a year overdue and the delay is unacceptable given the many promises made by the Traffic Department. The level of activity in Bushy Park is increasing post Covid and as we go into the spring and summer and this is to be welcomed but an effective traffic management and parking solution is required for safety of all.

### Q.22 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the Manager for consideration to be given to moving the bottle bank in Terenure Car Park to a less visible position in the village where the noise and litter would be less of an issue for local residents and keeping Terenure village tidy and attractive looking. The painting of the bottle banks has been an improvement in how they look, but a longer term location needs to be found.

## Q.23 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the Manager to review the sequencing of lights at the junction of Fortfield Road and Wainsfort Road as there are concerns in relation to potential danger for vehicles exiting The Orchard, i.e. sometimes there is a green light for them and sometimes the green light skips a sequence.

### Q.24 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the Manager to paint the railings around the raised green area in Rathmines Close.

### Q.25 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the Manager to provide an update as to when the final phase of the Rathgar Improvement Plan will be completed I.e. around Herzog Park. This work is long overdue, funds are committed and if internal DCC resources are not available to complete it, then other options should be considered.

### Q.26 Councillor Anne Feeney

To ask the Manager to replace the small dog poo bins at the entrances to Eamon Ceannt Park as they are regularly overflowing which is unsightly and nasty for Council staff to have to clean up. Could they be replaced with larger bins please?

# Q.27 <u>Councillor Claire Byrne</u>

To ask the Area Manager can he please investigate complaints about raw sewage smells at the following premises details supplied: This is an ongoing issue. Could the Manager please work to find a solution?

### Q.28 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the Area Manager for an update on the plans for Baggot Street Hospital.

# Q.29 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the Area Manager can he please inspect and fix the road surface on Longford Street Lower / Noel Purcell Walk. This road surface on the entire street is completely due to poor workmanship of what appears to be the laying of utilities. This is a serious hazard to cyclists.

### Q.30 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the Area Manager what are the plans for Hatch Hall which still lies vacant after moving its Direct Provision residents almost 3 years ago.

### Q.31 Councillor Claire Byrne

To ask the Area Manager can he please inspect and repair the tarmac that was laid down on Leinster Road recently on behalf of Irish Water. The tarmac that was laid down was of very poor quality and has already broken down and lifted causing a serious trip hazard.

# Q.32 <u>Councillor Claire Byrne</u>

To ask the Area Manager to please address the ongoing litter issue on Ropewalk Place. Can the Manager increase the frequency of cleaning, install a bin and place further signage about littering and dog waste?

### Q.33 Councillor Pat Dunne

Can the Public Domain Unit initiate a programme to deal with increased incidents of discarded dog dirt along Sundrive Road? The dog dirt disposal bin at the gates in Eamonn Ceannt Park are too small and overload quickly. Signage and other deterrents are needed on this road.

#### Q.34 Councillor Pat Dunne

Can our Road Maintenance Section inspect the roadway on Bangor Road (heading towards Poddle Park)? There are wide cracks and deep fissures on the surface and is very hazardous for cycling. I reported this to the council 18+ months ago and nothing has been changed.

### Q.35 Councillor Pat Dunne

Can we install a Safe School zone including "pencil bollards" around the Marist primary school on Clogher Road to prevent illegal parking and dangerous turning manoeuvres by parents dropping children to school? The area is unsafe for children and parents on foot and on bike, and for those simply trying to make their way down this road. Could the church car park could be used by those who insist on driving kids to school?

## Q.36 Councillor Pat Dunne

Can our Public Domain Section renew its efforts to deal with the ongoing issue of people from outside of the area (and some residents) feeding seagulls? Food (including animal bones and certain vegetables) can be extremely dangerous for pets and are dropped by the birds into local gardens, into gutters and down chimneys. Requesting signed and information campaign (leaflets) asking people not to feed the birds. The problem is particularly bad around Clonmacnoise Circle (& triangle), and around Durrow and Kells Greens.

# Q.37 Councillor Pat Dunne

Can illegal dumping be tackled at the lane that connects Windmill Park and Crumlin Village (St Agnes Rd)? Apart from the obvious illegal dumpling, it is also a dark at night-time. As it is literally beside the Garda station, can the Gardaí be asked to patrol it more regularly?

### Q.38 Councillor Pat Dunne

Can contact be made with bike sharing schemes (Moby, Bleeper, Dublin Bikes) to assess the cost of these providers operating in areas that do not currently operate like Crumlin and Drimnagh?

### Q.39 Councillor Pat Dunne

Can it be determined who owns the carpark at Crumlin Bowling Club that fronts onto St. Mary's Road? This car park tends to be used for all day parking by hospital staff and visitors. Are there any measures that can be adapted to ensure that there are car parking spaces available for users of the Bowling Club?

### Q.40 Councillor Pat Dunne

Given improvements to local greens in recent years the residents of Kells/Leighlin Green feel that they have been left out. Can improvements to this green be prioritised? The footpaths across the green need to be reinstated and more planting is needed.

#### Q.41 Councillor Pat Dunne

Can the Public Domain Unit initiate a programme to deal with increased incidents of discarded dog dirt along Cashel Road leading onto Stannaway Road? Signage and other deterrents are needed on this road also there continues to be reports of dogs running off leases in Stannaway Park where the discarding of dog dirt is also an issue.

#### Q.42 <u>Councillor Carolyn Moore</u>

The railing mounted dog poo bins at the Sundrive Road gates to Eamonn Ceannt Park are frequently full to overflowing (as identified by Parks this style of bin is not fit for purpose). Can the area manger agree to put signage on the bins directing park users to the nearest general litter bins: one at the bus stop near the junction with Stannaway Road and one directly opposite the park entrance opposite Clonmacnoise Road?

#### Q.43 Councillor Carolyn Moore

Can the area manager ensure that the damaged Sheffield bike stands outside Spar at 334 Harold's Cross Road, which look to have been impacted by a vehicle collision, are replaced?

## Q.44 Councillor Carolyn Moore

Can the area manager consider an urgent traffic or infrastructural intervention to slow down cars turning left off Sundrive Road at Sundrive green, towards Clonmacnoise Road? The wide, rounded corner at Perfect Pizza encourages drivers to take this turn at speed which makes it dangerous for pedestrians accessing the shops and for those attempting to exit Ferns Road. Visibility for drivers taking a fast left here is often impeded by cars and vans parked illegally on the footpath and this heightens the dangers for anyone using this junction, and building out the corner on each side of the green would lessen the distance for pedestrians to cross and create an opportunity for seating, greening or other urban realm enhancement.

### Q.45 Councillor Carolyn Moore

Can the area manager via the parking team please provide an update on the status of the EV charge point on Church Avenue? This charge point has been in place for several years but was never operational as the ESB required ground markings in place to switch it on.

#### Q.46 Councillor Carolyn Moore

Can the area manager outline what plans are in place to bring additional EV charge points to the Kimmage Rathmines area in 2022?

### Q.47 Councillor Danny Byrne

To ask the manager to fix the street light at details provided,

## Q.48 <u>Councillor Daniel Céitinn</u>

It has been raised by a number of parents that on occasion upon entering playgrounds (especially Eamonn Ceannt) with children early in the mornings, drink bottles & cans, drug paraphernalia, faeces and used condoms have been strewn across the playgrounds. Could council staff be asked and reminded to properly check every morning whether playgrounds are safe for children to use and complete any necessary cleaning before opening the playgrounds to children?

### Q.49 Councillor Daniel Céitinn

Could the manager request that Hazelbrook Road and Hazelbrook Drive receive some cleaning from a street-cleaning vehicle, that gutters be checked and cleared of leaves and other debris, and if trees on both could be added to the list for pruning?

#### Q.50 Councillor Daniel Céitinn

To ask the Manager to arrange for the cleaning and repair of all housing lanes, including small side lanes, in the new houses estate in Ringsend particularly around Bremen Road; the unit responsible for this work and the unit responsible for approving/organising the resurfacing which occurred in November on Bremen Road.

### Q.51 Councillor Daniel Céitinn

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

#### Q.52 Councillor Daniel Céitinn

To ask the Manager for a status and progress report on the Glover's Court regeneration and Pearse House regeneration applications.

#### Q.53 Councillor Daniel Céitinn

To ask the Manager the total spend which the council, including Parks, is considering proceeding with on a statue in Dartmouth Square; the council's assessment of the proposal and the historical merit and relevancy of the proposal; whether the council regards the proposal as one of historical importance; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

#### Q.54 Councillor Daniel Céitinn

To ask the Manager for an update and report on engagement with stakeholders and other bodies and planning within the council since the beginning of 2021 regarding the pedestrianisation of College Green.

# Q.55 Councillor Daniel Céitinn

To ask the Manager the number of void and vacant residential and commercial units held by the council across each area by ED, detailing size and bed numbers and energy ratings as appropriate; the date on which the property became vacant and the planned date for returning to active use; and to provide an estimate of vacant residential and commercial property across each area which are not held by the council.

#### Q.56 Councillor Daniel Céitinn

To ask the Manager when the Sean Moore Road roundabout will be resurfaced and plans for same; if Sean Moore Road will be resurfaced; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

#### Q.57 Councillor Daniel Céitinn

To ask the Manager to list the DCC estates in the South East Area for which the Housing Department have identified significant maintenance and repair challenges which are outside the scope of their budget and a list of same, with associated costs/estimates.

### Q.58 Councillor Daniel Céitinn

To ask the Manager to list the DCC estates in the SE Area which Housing have identified as in need of enhanced bin storage and waste management systems and a list of same, with associated costs/estimates.

### Q.59 Councillor Carolyn Moore

Can the area manager ensure the graffiti is removed from building hoarding at Captain's Place, Armagh Road, near the new health centre?

#### Q.60 Councillor James Geoghegan

To ask the Area Manager whether it has been possible to add these works set out in the email below to the public domain improvements.

#### Area 1

Further to our discussion and meeting the other day about bespoke public domain improvements.

The photographs below are at the corner of Ashfield Road, Dublin 6 and Ashfield Avenue, Dublin 6.

Both of these roads were recently resurfaced but there is an ongoing issue that has not been fixed where bin trucks and delivery vehicles reverse or drive onto this small spot of pavement crumbling it. A resident requested planters to try and stop the trucks/lorries going onto the pavement and they were given put placed on the footpath and as you can see they are not maintained and haven't served the intended purpose.

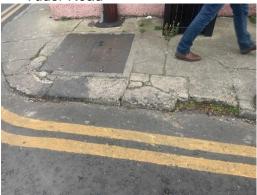
The request is to have this corner resurfaced but also some form of bollard or something installed to prevent lorries/trucks reversing or driving onto the pavement at this corner.

I would really appreciate if this area could be allocated funding.

#### Area 2

The second issue in terms of public domain improvements concern improvement of footpath surfacing along the following small roads:

- Cowper Gardens,
- Cowper Drive
- Park Drive
- Tudor Road









### Q.61 Councillor James Geoghegan

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

### Q.62 Councillor James Geoghegan

To Ask the Area Manager if he will consider the issues raised in the email below and furnish a reply.

"I would like to enlist your help in trying to get Double Yellow lines across the entrance to The Willows and Mill Close there are 3 houses in the Willows and 5 in the Close our houses are directly opposite the Kiosk on Orwell Road (owned by Dublin City Council) there are Bus Stops on both sides of the Road and we are at the bottom of a hill. The High School playing fields back entrance is on the same side of the road as the kiosk. The High School rents their Playing Fields to Rathgar Hockey Club and training and matches take place there both in the day time-i.e. Thursday afternoon a big number of children are training there and also Seniors in the evenings. I have been in touch with both the club and the school to ask them to ask motorists to refrain from parking at our exits but to no avail and I have had on running correspondence with Dublin Traffic about this problem. I would be the last person in the world to try and stop people engaging in Sport but I also need access to my home. The problem is that when one is trying to leave our homes we have to watch carefully the traffic coming down the hill and getting out (especially) if one is trying to go left and one of these large cars is parked on the left - try to see around this and the problem is not made any easier by there being Bus Stops on either side of the road. On 30th January last p.m. my son could not get into pick me up and my neighbour in the Close couldn't leave. While this is very annoying it is also extremely dangerous as I have seen people with small children having to resort to going on to this busy road to gain access to the steps that lead down to the Dodder Walk. Recently the Council placed an embargo on Parking on Orwell Bridge and as this is not policed it seems to have made the trouble worse. I

know in the greater scheme of things this may seem very petty but it is not so when one has to live with it. "

#### Q.63 Councillor James Geoghegan

To ask the Area Manager if the traffic light signalling gaps in Rathgar village could be reviewed as some residents on Highfield Road have expressed concern about how it impacts on traffic.

#### Q.64 Councillor James Geoghegan

To ask the Area Manager if he will consider the issues raised by the residents' association in Grosvenor Park as detailed below and furnish a reply in respect of each. Management of Bins

## Repairing Paths

For Management of Bins & Parking Issues, we would be interested to see if DCC have any feedback/best practices on ways for dealing with these types of issues, presumably we're not unique in dealing with them and with repeat offenders? One example would be some residents leaving their bins out in public spaces blocking footpaths 5 days after collection day. A second example would be residents continuing to park on footpaths

Irish Water works on Leinster Road; Irish Water and GMC began work in Oct, I appreciate these are essential works to prevent leakages etc. but they are still ongoing. The footpaths and roads were never great, but they have been badly impacted by these works. Will the roads department be resurfacing Leinster Road and the footpaths once these jobs are completed? Have you walked, pushed a pram, cycled or drove on Leinster Road recently? Would be happy to meet and walk or cycle the road, so you can see how bad it's become

Bike Bunkers; is it possible to get a bike bunker on Leinster Road in a parking spot close to the entrance of Grosvenor Park? There are up to 20+ interested cyclists in the Park.

Car Parking; There are not enough car parking spaces for those who need one in the Park. People are consistently parking on the footpaths and double yellow lines. Is it possible for residents of Grosvenor Park to apply for parking permits on Leinster Road or Grosvenor Place where there are always an abundance of free spots?

#### Q.65 Councillor Mary Freehill

On several occasions I proposed that the tree at 64 Mount Drummond Square be cut down because it interferes with the wires running through the branches and as a result many residents cannot get phone service during the summer.

While the tree was pruned. You will see from the attached photo that by summer the tree branches will have grown again and residents will have the same problem but Parks will say they cannot do any work until the winter. Could you please deal with the matter in a constructive manner?