# DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL SOUTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE 20<sup>TH</sup> April 2022

# Q1 Councillor Máire Devine

To ask the Director of Services to reinstate:

- **Double Yellow Lines** at the junction of Sarsfield Road and Woodfield Avenue to prevent illegal parking at this corner.
- Yellow Box at this junction to stop cars blocking sightlines for all road users exiting Woodfield Estate.

## Reply

Following the assessment carried out by the Traffic Advisory Group Area Engineer it was recommended to re-install and extend the Double Yellow Lines on either side of the entrance to Woodfield Avenue on Sarsfield Road. This will be required to go through the statutory process which can take up to 12 weeks.

An assessment was also carried out to establish the legitimacy of a yellow box at the junction of Sarsfield Road and Woodfield Avenue. A yellow box is used to prevent the blocking of junctions. The criteria for the provision of a yellow box are that the side road traffic flows should be significant and that the side road should serve a major traffic generating facility or a minimum of 50 residential units. A yellow box is not recommended at this location as it does not meet the criteria for the provision of same.

Contact: Niall O'Neill, South Central Area Engineer.

Email: niall.oneill@dublincity.ie

# **Q2** Councillor Michael Watters

To ask the Director of Services to arrange for a bin to be installed at each of the following locations; the canal end of Connolly Avenue, Inchicore, Dublin 8 and at bus stop no. 1990 on Emmet Road, Inchciore, Dublin 8.

## Reply

Waste Management Services are satisfied that there is more than a sufficient number of litter bins on Emmet Road. We will monitor litter levels at the canal end of Connolly Avenue to see if there is a requirement for a bin there.

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, waste Management Services,

Email: mick.boyle@dublincity.ie

# Q3 Councillor Michael Watters

To ask the Director of Services to confirm when the previously agreed road resurfacing works will take place in the area of 80-91 and 140-148 Rialto Cottages, Rialto, Dublin 8.

## Reply

Road Maintenance are currently awaiting tender offers from various contractors to select the lowest priced offer. The tender selection will be made in April with the 2022 resurfacing works commencing in May 2022. Road Maintenance will address the roads that are in a more hazardous condition and then proceed with the rest of the

program of works. I will have a more precise idea of the full program as we move into the summer of this year.

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

Email: roadmaintenanec@dublincity.ie

## Q4 <u>Councillor Máire Devine</u>

To ask the Director of Services that the badly damaged tactile paving at the pedestrian crossing at the junction of the SCR/Sally's Bridge be repaired and consideration be given to installing protective bollards to prevent damage reoccurrence..

## Reply

Thank you for your correspondence, I inspected this location today and could see no signs of distress in the tactile paving at the junction of the South Circular Road at Sally's Bridge. However there are some defects with pedestrian dishings at Lullymore Terrace and tree trips on Donore Avenue that have been added to our works list for repair.

Contact: Carl Ryan-Operations & South Central Area Engineer

Email: road.maintenance@dublincity.ie

## **Q5** Councillor Máire Devine

Question withdrawn

# Q6 Councillor Máire Devine

To ask the Director of Services that the traffic management and road layout at the Kilmainham/SCR junction be reviewed given the increase in significant traffic congestion. To include a report on emergency access from the Chief Fire Officer and the National Ambulance Service?

## Reply

Dublin Fire Brigade has noted an increase in traffic volumes in this area. Emergency access continues to be available through use of blue lights and sirens as required and when necessary.

Contact: Breeda Melvin

Email: <u>dfbfeedback@dublincity.ie</u>

The ITS section will carry out a review of the relevant junctions and will issue a detailed follow up response via TAMS.

Contact: Susanne Hickey, Executive ITS Officer

Email: susanne.hickey@dublincity.ie

## Q7 Councillor Máire Devine

To ask the Director of Services if the Coombe location is a first for APCOA Parking Holdings in the management of residential permit parking in Dublin South Central?

## Reply

I can confirm that APCOA manage the permit parking within a number of Dublin City Council housing complexes. The permit parking has not yet been implemented within Coombe Court and the area office is continuing to work with the residents regarding their request to implement permit parking.

Contact: Veronica Hand

Email: veronica.hand@dublincity.ie

## **Q8** Councillor Máire Devine

To ask the Director of Services if there were/are proposals to provide changing room facilities at the vacant site adjacent to the pitch and playground at Poole Street/Braithwaite Street?

## Reply

There are no proposals to provide changing room facilities at the vacant site adjacent the pitch and playground at Poole Street/Braithwaite Street.

Contact: Tony Smithers DCC Housing Manager

Email: tony.smithers@dublincity.ie

## **Q9** Councillor Máire Devine

To ask the Director of Services that the local community be involved in assisting in the compilation of a report regarding the effectiveness of the "bagbins" trial at Gray/Reginald Street Dublin 8?

## Reply

One of the items being explored as part of the City Challenge to address litter and illegal are 'BagBins'.

Residents and business in many areas use plastic bags to present their waste. Bags can be visually unattractive on a street, can cause litter problems when animals rip them to access food and can also obstruct people on the footpath when trying to get past. 'BagBins' are a container which folds flat when not in use, but can be unfolded to create a temporary 'bin' in which to store the bags.

The concept is currently being trialled at 7 locations across the city, including at Gray Street and Reginald Street, and we'd like to learn more about whether this solution is a good one for the specific users, the general public, and also for the streetscape.

At all of the locations we will be gathering learnings in the following 4 ways:

- Direct conversations with locals (for example we've already had direct conversations with 8 local residents)
- Indirect observations of users interacting with the service.
- Onstreet signage now in place seeking feedback
- Public feedback via social media (you can follow it using the hashtag #BagBinBETA).

This trial will be fully removed at the end of the trial in late April / early May, and we would warmly welcome all councillor feedback on this concept before then. You can read more at <a href="http://dccbeta.ie/project/article/bagbin">http://dccbeta.ie/project/article/bagbin</a> including finding a list of the trial locations.

The trial will then be reviewed and the results will be made public in a report on www.dccbeta.ie and on social media.

Contact Richard Whelan, Administrative Officer, Waste Management Services.

Email: <u>richard.whelan@dublincity.ie</u>

## **Q10** Councillor Darragh Moriarty

To ask the Director of Services to confirm a date when the long block will be demolished in Dolphin House. Further, can the Director confirm when the old Dolphin Park blocks will be demolished?

#### **Reply**

The tender documents for the Dolphin House long block demolitions were published on eTenders 10<sup>th</sup> March 2022. The RFT number is 206877 and the date for receipt of tender returns is 8<sup>th</sup> April 2022. Once received, the tenders will be evaluated and a tender report will be issued.

Once a contractor is selected DCC hope to have the works started in Q4 2022.

Dolphin Park. The tendering process for Dolphin Park will start in Q4 2022 and hope to have a contractor on-site Q1 2023.

Contact: Tony Smithers

Email: tony.smithers@dublincity.ie

# Q11 Councillor Darragh Moriarty

To ask the Director of Services for DCC to look at the overgrown shabby condition of decanted blocks in Dolphin House. The state the blocks are being left in by DCC are not good enough and show disregard for the residents and neighbours who continue to live in the complex. Can DCC confirm when its landscapers will be in to clear the overgrowth in the blocks?

#### Reply

DCC maintenance will inspect the area hoarded off around the demolition blocks and will revert back to you regarding the overgrowth.

Contact: Tony Smithers

Email: tony.smithers@dublincity.ie

# Q12 Councillor Darragh Moriarty

To ask the Director of Services to confirm what DCC's future plans are for 131/143, The Old Guardhouse, Griffith Barracks, South Circular Road, Dublin 8 (RPS no. 1846), which is currently in a state of disrepair.

# Reply

The property has recently come to the attention of the Derelict Sites Section. An inspection on 31<sup>st</sup> March showed that the building was roofless. This is a protected structure and its preservation is a priority. Where a protected structure site is considered derelict, as in this case, the Derelict Sites Section liaise closely with our colleagues in the Conservation Section to determine the best course of action to address the issues with the site. There are works needed to be carried out to

preserve the historic fabric of the property which require the specialist intervention of the Conservation Section whose remit is the protection of the architectural heritage of the city through the exercise of powers contained in planning legislation.

Contact: Nial Dully, Administrative Officer

Email: <u>nial.dully@dublincity.ie</u>

131/143 South Circular Road is a Protected Structure (RPS 1846), comprising a former brick guardhouse at South Circular Road. The building is in poor condition and has been on the City Council's Buildings-at-Risk register since 2011. The Council's Conservation and Planning Enforcement Sections have pursued the owner to complete maintenance, repair and weatherproofing of the building, with some essential repairs and weatherproofing accomplished over time. However, longer-term restoration works have not been undertaken by the owner.

In October 2021, the owner arranged a site meeting with the area Planning Team and Conservation Section with a view to a potential redevelopment. The Conservation Section raised serious concern about the poor condition of the building and advised that it should be repaired and re-utilised as part of any proposed development.

Contact: Paraic Fallon, Senior Planner, Archaeology, Conservation & Heritage

Section

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Rhona Naughton, Senior Planner (Development Management Team)

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## Q13 Councillor Darragh Moriarty

To ask the Director of Services to confirm when DCC will commence community consultation with residents in Turvey Park regarding the renovation of the playing pitch in this area, which is due to be the replacement for pitch DCC is taking away from the regeneration of St. Michael's Estate. If the Turvey pitch is to be expanded and see an intensification of activity, the existing residents in its immediate surrounding must be engaged with in a timely manner. Can the Director confirm what the scope of the plans for expansion of the pitch are and when residents will be consulted?

#### Reply

Dublin City Council are committed to replacing the pitch as close as possible to the original location but obviously we can only do so with the support of the local community and local councillors. Emmet Road project team will work with the Area Staff in this regard.

Dublin City Council are currently examining several options with a view to locating the replacement pitch as close as possible to the sports centre. Until this process is completed it would be premature to engage with local communities.

Contact: Sandra McAleer, Emmet Road Project Manager

Email: Sandra.mcaleer@dublincity.ie

# Q14 Councillor Darragh Moriarty

To ask the Director of Services for an update on Iveagh Markets and to confirm what the current state of play with its ownership and future is.

## Reply

The Iveagh market is subject to a number of legal proceedings and the relevant parties are currently locked in a confidential Mediation process. However, as part of this process, the parties have agreed to allow a survey of the building to determine the essential works required to stabilise the building. This survey is ongoing.

Contact: Helen McNamara, Senior Executive Officer

Email: helen.mcnamara@dublincity.ie

# Q15 Councillor Darragh Moriarty

To ask the Director of Services to provide an update on the Dublin South Central Area's Community Response Forum for the Ukrainian refugee crisis.

#### Reply

The City Council does not have a Dublin South Central Area community response forum for the Ukrainian crisis, the Councils response is being coordinated on a City wide basis. At an early stage in the crisis the City Council reactivated the Community Forum that had been in place during Covid-19 to ensure good communication between the relevant state agencies and local community organisations so efforts are not being duplicated. This meeting is held weekly and includes officials from the HSE, Tusla, the Partnerships, Civil Defence and An Garda Síochána. The Forum is chaired by the Assistant Chief Executive for Housing & Community and is attended by the two Area Management Directors of Service.

Contact: Derek Kelly, Director of Services, South Central

Email: derek.kelly@dublincity.ie

## Q16 Councillor Máire Devine

To ask the Director of Services that the Traffic section meet on site with residents of Reuben Street to discuss difficulties experienced by them and collaborate on traffic management solution.

## **Reply**

Dublin City Council Traffic Department are still in the process of monitoring the area of Reuben Street in an effort to determine what sections need to attend any on-site meeting that may be arranged.

The Traffic Advisory Group Area Engineer will work with the line marking team to reinstall the distressed Double Yellow Lines at the planters to help keep the carriageway clear.

Furthermore, if the residents wish to apply for Pay, Display & Permit Parking they can do so through the following link - <a href="https://www.dublincity.ie/residential/parking-dublin-city-centre/start-parking-scheme">https://www.dublincity.ie/residential/parking-dublin-city-centre/start-parking-scheme</a>

Contact: Niall O'Neill, South Central Area Engineer.

Email: niall.oneill@dublincity.ie

## Q17 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services to do a comparative study of DCC capital investment between Drimnagh, Inchicore, SWIC and Ballyfermot.

## Reply

The information as requested is not readily available and will be issued to Councillor Doolan within the next few weeks when I have completed the review.

Contact: Fintan Moran; Head of Management Accounting

Email: fintan.moran@dublincity.ie

# Q18 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services to please install a yellow box outside Annamoe Court, Ballyfermot to allow residents and visitors easy access?

## <u>Reply</u>

This request (Enquiry Ref: 7026044) 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

## Q19 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services to please ensure that emergency services have access to Le Fanu Road Park.

#### Reply

There are arrangements in place with the emergency services for access to parks across the city in the event of an emergency.

Contact: Brid Brosnan, Executive Parks Superintendent

Email: <u>parks@dublincity.ie</u>

## **Q20** Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services for a detailed list of maintenance works carried out in Lissadel Road Maisonettes and a timeframe for completion of outstanding works.

## **Reply**

The Housing team have carried out door to door surveys of the properties to establish the extent of remedial works that need to be carried out. Small scale repairs are being undertaken immediately while larger scale works are being planned with a view to them being progressed as soon as possible.

In the meantime, the Council has carried out substantial maintenance works on the sewer system including a CCTV survey, cleaning of lines including gullies, main line repairs, installation of rat flaps and replacement of damaged manhole covers. Improvement works are currently being carried out to the gardens of the properties.

Contact: Alan Sherry Senior Executive Officer, Ballyfermot Area Office

Email: alan.sherry@dublincity.ie

## Q21 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services, noting the great work done by Liberty's Recycling a social enterprise providing an essential service and rehabilitation programme, will DCC ring-fence 10% of recycling sites for Liberty's Recycling containers?

## Reply

The collection and processing of textiles for reuse and recycling is operated under contract and is subject to EU procurement legislation. As such, Dublin City Council is not in a position to ring-fence part of this service. This contract will go to tender in late Q2 of this year. Should Liberty Recycling wish to tender for this contract they should register on www.etenders.gov.ie

Contact: Sid Daly, Public Domain Enforcement Officer, Waste Management

Services.

Email: sid.daly@dublincity.ie

## Q22 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services to outline the tendering process for companies to get the contract to provide recycling on DCC sites?

#### Reply

All tender competitions for recycling services are processed via the Office of Government Procurement's etenders website, <a href="www.etenders.gov.ie">www.etenders.gov.ie</a>. Any company wishing to tender for services must register on this website and respond to requests for tender as they are published.

The current contract for the provision of glass recycling in the Dublin Region will remain in place until 2023. The tender for the collection and processing of textiles for reuse and recycling in the city is due to be published in late Q2 2022.

Contact: Sid Daly, Public Domain Enforcement Officer, Waste Management

Services.

Email: <u>sid.daly@dublincity.ie</u>

## **Q23** Councillor Máire Devine

Can DCC liaise with Tuath Housing regarding the alterations needed at a newly leased unit which had been offered to (details supplied), a wheelchair user, and is suitable in all manner except for the provision of a bath instead of essential showering facility. The stipulation of the 25 year lease requires that it be returned in its original condition which, in this and other instances, further discriminates those requiring suitable accessible accommodation.

#### Reply

Housing Allocations have been and are continuing to liaise with Tuath Housing and other relevant parties regarding (details supplied). As soon as we have any updates, we will make contact with the applicant directly.

Contact: Sandra Barry, Allocations Officer, Housing Allocations & Transfers

Email: sandra.barry@dublincity.ie

# Q24 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services for an update on the implementation of the Cherry Orchard LAP, please include update on establishment of implementation team and how residents and community services are included in the process.

## Reply

The local area office has led an interdepartmental team working towards the implementation of the objectives of the Park-West Cherry Orchard Local Area Plan and it is anticipated that the area office will continue to take a lead role throughout the lifetime of the plan, which will include engagement with stakeholders in specific aspects of the plan.

With regard to progress on the plan itself, the Housing Department have held an information briefing with the local representatives in relation to the proposed development of 172 affordable housing units and the Land Development Agency have appointed a design team in relation to 2 sites that have been identified for housing development in the plan. This is very much in the early stages.

In the meantime a strategic housing development application was lodged with An Bord Pleanala in December 2021 which is currently under consideration, this application includes the provision of retail units and a crèche at ground level.

The Parks Department are planning to develop a design for the redevelopment of Cherry Orchard Park which will be presented at a future area committee meeting.

Contact: Alan Sherry, Senior Executive Officer, Ballyfermot Area Office Email <u>alan.sherry@dublincity.ie</u>

# Q25 Councillor Daithí Doolan

To ask the Director of Services for an update on Labre Park redevelopment, please include finalised plans and timeframe.

## **Reply**

- The Redevelopment is currently at the pre-planning stage. It is expected that a
  Planning Application will be lodged by the end of April, <u>subject to a successful</u>
  CAS 2 application to the Department. This date can alter depending on feedback
  on consultation of the plans by internal DCC departments and/or the DHLGH.
- Six families have been moved from Labre Park as part of the rehoming project.
   There are currently 16 families to be rehomed as part of the redevelopment.
- A comprehensive programme of works has been put together that will address
  the issue with sanitation units including new safer connections to services. All
  sanitation units are to be refurbished or replaced with new units as appropriate.
  The implementation of the works programme began on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> February
  2022 and should be completed within sixteen weeks.

Contact: Declan Ronan

Email Declan.ronan @dublincity.ie

## **Q26** Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Service to please address the serious traffic congestion issues facing residents of Kilmainham Lane, Old Kimainham & South Circular Roads. I am enclosing correspondence from (details supplied) he has a photo of emergency ambulance stuck in traffic with no possibility of moving.

## Reply

Thank you for your detailed query. The ITS section will carry out a review of the relevant junctions and will issue a detailed follow up response via TAMS.

Contact: Susanne Hickey, Executive ITS Officer.

Email: susanne.hickey@dublincity.ie

## **Q27** Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Service please ensure that the pocket park known as Drumfinn Park, Drumfinn Road, Ballyfermot Dublin 10 has a complete make-over with overgrown bushes cut back, paths cleared of weeds, Park cleaned and a proper maintenance plan going forward. This fine Park is I feel totally forgotten about and is located in a pivotal location.

## Reply

The park mentioned above has the grass cut and is cleaned in the same way as other open spaces in the area. An inspection of the area will be carried out and works to address weeds and shrub cutting will be scheduled accordingly.

Contact: Brid Brosnan, Executive Parks Superintendent

Email: <u>parks@dublincity.ie</u>

## **Q28** Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Service to please look at the serious issue of street litter in the following locations Ballyfermot Avenue, Ballyfermot Parade, Crescent, Drive, Colepark Area and Kylemore Road Church Roundabout up to the Landen Road Junction. I would be very grateful if these locations can be looked at with a view to addressing the same.

#### Reply

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned locations cleaned on the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> April 2022.

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services.

Email: mick.boyle@dublincity.ie

## **Q29** Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Service to look at the Dromard Field in Drimnagh, Dublin 12 with a view to checking if trees are all in good condition. Some residents feel some may be dead. Can dog poo signs be erected to encourage responsible dog ownership?

#### Reply

Arrangements have been made to put in place dog fouling signs at the Dromard Field in Drimnagh.

Contact: Bernie Lillis, Litter Prevention Officer.

Email: <u>bernie.lillis@dublincity.ie</u>

The trees at the above location were checked and were found to be coming into bud. Parks can arrange for a dog poo sign to be placed.

Contact: Brid Brosnan, Executive Parks Superintendent

Email: parks@dublincity.ie

## Q30 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Service to please give me an update on the long awaited Drimnagh Library on the site on the Scoile Enna site on Drimnagh Road, Dublin 12. Drimnagh is a very large estate sandwiched between Inchicore and Crumlin hence it suffered from basic community infrastructure.

## Reply

The Ard Scoil Eanna site on Crumlin Road is in the ownership of Dublin City Libraries. City Architects have produced a report outlining the various options for developing the buildings on site for a new public library. The next step is to get costings for the most suitable option, with a view to appointing a design team and taking the project to part 8.

Contact: Brendan Teeling, Deputy City Librarian

Email: <u>brendan.teeling@dublincity.ie</u>

## **Q31** Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Service to look at installing the Pencil Type bollards along Drumfinn Road, Ballyfermot outside St Louise's National School. Both An Garda Síochána and the School Board of management are anxious we erect the bollards to deter parking on the footpath, similar bollards on Gurteen Road have improved safety for all children no end.

#### Reply

St Louise's National School Drumfinn Rd School Zone has been partially completed, with Pencil Bollards installed outside three school gate entrances on Drumfinn Road. The National Transport Authority design objectives for the School Zones recommended that the bollarding be confined to the area outside the school entrance. When additional bollards are recommended and installed, additional consultation with local residents is required. Any additional bollards at St. Louise's National School can only be installed as part of an upgraded design of the existing School Zone. We are currently finalising a tender to contract a consultant to undertake additional School Zone works required. At present, we do not have timeline for the finalisation of this appointment. In the meantime the School have completed an online survey on their School Zone which will inform any upgrade.

The painted circles and School Zone road surface gateway signs will be installed in the coming weeks once the weather conditions are warmer so that the treatment effectively adheres to the road surface. These road markings will provide a further visual signal for parents of the presence of the School. As part of applying for a School Zone, the school is required to encourage parents not to drop up or collect in the area designated by the School Zone road markings and pencil bollards. The School Mobility

Officer will support the school to do this with up to date information on the design elements of the School Zone once the final road markings are installed.

The School Mobility Officer did an observation visit on 04 02 22 at school drop off times as part of an assessment of the School Zone. She observed that parents were parking illegally on the path on the side of the road opposite to the school entrances and on the corners of Lough conn Road and Drumfinn Road. She consulted with the School Warden who advised of dangerous and illegal parking and driving by the parents which had necessitated the local Gardaí being called. The School Mobility Officer referred these observations to parking enforcement who advised that this type of parking can only be effectively managed by the local Gardaí in terms of issuing on the spot fines as a deterrence.

The School Mobility Officer will continue to gather information from the school. The information on these illegal and dangerous parking issues are being used as a case study for strategy between school communities, parking enforcement and community policing to educate and inform parents on sensible, respectful parking and driving around school journeys. School communities will be encouraged to utilise their Green School resources to promote active travel using Park and Strides, walking buses and cycling buses.

Contact: Niamh Ni Cholmain, School Mobility Officer.

Email: <u>niamh.nicholmain@dublincity.ie</u>

## Q32 <u>Councillor Vincent Jackson</u>

To ask the Director of Service to please look at why the tarmac surface along Kilnainham Road, Dublin 8 was not resurfaced as promised over 2 years ago. Finance was provided at the time but the work was never done. The surface is in a very bad state at these locations.

#### Reply

Road Maintenance had initially postponed the resurfacing works due to the mass excavation of spoil from the New Children's Hospital and the large quantity of HGV's using the road during this phase of construction. Upon rescheduling the works we were notified by the ESB that essential upgrade works were required on the Old Kilmainham Road so we have been forced to delay the program until these works finish in Late May. I envisage these works will commence in June 2022 and in the meantime, Road Maintenance will carry out temporary repairs to the road surface until this scheme commences.

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

Email: <u>road.maintenance@dublincity.ie</u>

#### Q33 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Service to have the following looked at (details supplied).

#### Reply

There is no record of an applicant with the (details supplied) on our housing list. If you can provide more information (Date of birth or PPSN) we can look and advise further.

Contact: Sandra Barry, Allocations Officer, Housing Allocations & Transfers

Email: <u>sandra.barry@dublincity.ie</u>

## Q34 Councillor Vincent Jackson

To ask the Director of Service to position Cycle Stands outside the three Ballyfermot Prominent Ballyfermot / Cherry Orchard Church's. -The Church of the Assumption Ballyfermot Road, St Matthews Ballyfermot / Blackditch Drive and the Church of the Blessed Sacrament Cherry Orchard Avenue Dublin 10. In order to promote sustainable travel and the capacity to lock your bicycle in a prominent location. Indeed I would ask any Church or School in the South Central Area be considered as they tend to be in prominent locations with good passive security.

## Reply

The three proposed locations will be examined by the Environment & Transportation Department and if there is a suitable location, cycle parking will be included as part of the next batch of the On-Street Cycle Paring Project.

Contact: Chris Adamson, Executive Engineer.

Email: chris.adamson@dublincity.ie

## Q35 Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud

To ask the Director of Services what is the plan, street by street, and timeframe for the commencement and completion of Phase 2 of the insulation programme in Dublin 12? The same information was provided to Councillors in February from a monthly question for the Dublin 10 area and a list of all streets was provided.

## Reply

Phase Two of the Energy Efficiency Retrofitting programme commenced in 2018 with 95 properties retrofitted to date in the Dublin 10 area under this phase of the programme. The following are the remaining areas/streets scheduled for upgrade in the Dublin 10 area totalling 684 properties:

- GALTYMORE DRIVE
- KILDARE ROAD
- CLONARD ROAD
- GALTYMORE ROAD
- MOURNE ROAD
- KEEPER ROAD
- DERRAVARAGH ROAD
- WINDMILL AVENUE
- WINDMILL PARK
- GALTYMORE CLOSE
- WINDMILL ROAD
- SLIEVEMORE ROAD
- CASHEL AVENUE
- SPERRIN ROAD
- CLOGHER ROAD
- STANNAWAY AVENUE
- SLIEVENAMON ROAD
- STANNAWAY ROAD
- DOLPHIN ROAD
- LEIGHLIN ROAD
- LISMORE ROAD
- CAPTAINS ROAD
- CASHEL ROAD

- BANGOR ROAD
- CLONMACNOISE ROAD
- DERRY DRIVE
- DERRY PARK
- DERRY ROAD
- MONASTERBOICE ROAD
- CANAL TERRACE
- MORACRETE COTTAGES
- DOWNPATRICK ROAD
- THE LAURELS
- ARMAGH ROAD
- AUGHAVANNAGH ROAD
- CLONFERT ROAD
- CLOYNE ROAD
- KILWORTH ROAD
- DEVENISH ROAD
- BLUEBELL AVENUE
- BLUEBELL ROAD
- DURROW ROAD
- HUBAND ROAD
- FAUGHART ROAD
- LA TOUCHE DRIVE
- FERNS ROAD
- GLENEALY ROAD
- LA TOUCHE ROAD
- INISHMORE
- KELLS ROAD
- CARROW ROAD
- KILFENORA ROAD
- LORCAN O TOOLE PARK
- PARNELL ROAD
- RAPHOE ROAD
- RATHDRUM ROAD
- RAVENSDALE CLOSE
- RUTLAND AVENUE
- LISSADEL AVENUE
- SAUL ROAD
- LISSADEL DRIVE
- SLANE ROAD
- COMERAGH ROAD
- COOLEY ROAD
- WALKINSTOWN AVENUE
- WALKINSTOWN CRESCENT
- WALKINSTOWN DRIVE
- WALKINSTOWN PARADE
- WALKINSTOWN PARK
- BENBULBIN AVENUE
- BENBULBIN ROAD
- BENMADIGAN ROAD
- RAFTERS LANE
- RAFTERS AVENUE
- RAFTERS ROAD

- BRANDON ROAD
- CURLEW ROAD
- DONARD ROAD
- DROMARD ROAD
- DROMORE ROAD
- ERRIGAL ROAD
- KNOCKNAREA AVENUE
- KNOCKNAREA ROAD
- LONG MILE ROAD
- MILLROSE ESTATE
- SLIEVEBLOOM ROAD
- SOMERVILLE AVENUE
- SOMERVILLE PARK
- STANFORD GREEN
- THOMAS MOORE ROAD

The timeframe for the completion of the programme will be dependent on the continuation and level of funding support for the programme from the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage in addition to other variable factors in the marketplace which can impact the roll out of the programme.

Contact: Clive Ahern, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance

Email: <u>clive.ahern@dublincity.ie</u>

## Q36 Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud

To ask the Director of Services to investigate on a camera that was set up in a tree on Somerville Avenue. This poses serious questions to people's privacy, on who owns the data who put it there and for what purpose. That DCC works alongside AGS to solve this issue.

## Reply

An inspection was carried out at the location provided and no evidence was found of a camera positioned in any tree.

Contact: Gabrielle Malone, Senior Staff Officer, South Central

Email: gabrielle.malone@dublincity.ie

# Q37 <u>Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud</u>

To ask the Director of Services to urgently complete the plastering in the entire room at (details supplied) DCC indicate there is only one wall in need of work but the whole room needs work. Could the tenant be given a date when the plasterer will be in to do the work?

#### Reply

The plasterer is due to call to the tenant within the next two weeks and the entire room will be plastered.

Contact: Clive Ahern, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance

Email: <u>clive.ahern@dublincity.ie</u>

## Q38 Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud

To ask the Director of Services to investigate illegal work activity at the back of (details supplied). Mechanical work is taking place at night, outside working hours. Is there a planning permit for such activity at that address? Is there such activity registered at that address? Could the environmental department in DCC investigate car oil dumping at that address?

## Reply

The Planning Enforcement Section will open an enforcement file and initiate an investigation into the matters raised by the Councillor. Once an inspection has taken place and the facts relating to the works have been clarified the Councillor will be updated as to whether or not enforcement action is warranted.

Contact: John Downey, A/Planning Enforcement Manager

Email: john.downey@dublincity.ie

Upon receipt of Question 38, a prompt investigation into the alleged dumping of oil at the address provided, was conducted by the Water Pollution Control section. A visual inspection of the storm water network to the front and rear of address provided was conducted. No evidence of unauthorised discharge of oil nor oil contamination was found in the vicinity of the address. Future reports of surface water contamination can be made to the dedicated email address <u>waterpollution@dublincity.ie</u>.

Contact: Emma Finlay, A/Senior Executive Engineer.

Email: <u>emma.finlay@dublincity.ie</u>

Public Domain Officer visited the location and spoke with some local residents regarding ownership of site and any noise pollution complaints associated with commercial activity. Investigation is ongoing. There is no obvious sign of waste oil however there is some illegal dumping in the lane which will be removed shortly.

Contact: Anna McDermott, Public Domain Officer, South Central Area

Email: anna.mcdermott@dublincity.ie

# Q39 Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud

To ask the Director of Services to look at the possibility of making the laneway between Walkinstown Road and Hardebeck Avenue that links Supervalu to Thomas Moore Road a one way lane from Thomas Moore to Supervalu and to close traffic coming from Supervalu to Thomas Moore? Cars have to drive on the footpath to be able to enter on Thomas Moore which is very unsafe.

#### Reply

Dublin City Council would not recommend turning the laneway between Walkinstown Road and Hardebeck Avenue into a one way route due to the fact that it leads into a private landing (Supervalu). As a result, Dublin City Council would have no control over health and safety or further traffic developments on this land.

However, after inspection the Traffic Advisory Group Area Engineer would recommend installing a yield sign at the junction with Thomas Moore Road to improve safety at this location

Contact: Niall O'Neill, South Central Area Engineer.

Email: niall.oneill@dublincity.ie

## Q40 Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud

To ask the Director of Services to fix all the cracks at 50, 39 and 33 on Sperrin Road caused by trees. They are a big hazard to pedestrians.

## Reply

Parks will arrange for an inspection of the trees at the above locations and liaise with our colleagues in Roads Maintenance for the footpaths to be repaired.

Contact: Brid Brosnan, Executive Parks Superintendent

Email: <u>parks@dublincity.ie</u>

In response to your query these three defects have been added to our works list for repair.

Contact: Carl Ryan-Operations & South Central Area Engineer

Email: road.maintenance@dublincity.ie

# Q41 Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud

To ask the Director of Services to work with residents on Benbulbin Road to find a solution to protect the soil for plants at the base of trees. Residents are taking it upon themselves to flower the area and to look after it and should be encouraged not discouraged. DCC needs to encourage local actions to green our communities.

## Reply

Parks can support the efforts of local environmental groups to make improvements to the area. If the group want to make contact directly Parks can look at this can be achieved.

Contact: Brid Brosnan, Executive Parks Superintendent

Email: parks@dublincitv.ie

## Q42 Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud

To ask the Director of Services for an update on the provision of cycle parking on Benbulbin Road and to consult with residents group there to find a solution.

#### Reply

The Environment & Transportation Department currently has no plans to install any additional cycle parking on Benbulbin Road. If the Councillor could provide details on the particular issue raised by the residents group, the matter can be investigated further.

Contact: Chris Adamson, Executive Engineer.

Email: chris.adamson@dublincity.ie

# **Q43** Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud

To ask the Director of Services to get Waterways Ireland to put up a sign on bird feeding advice at the Drimnagh Luas stop. Bread is being left for the birds which is not recommended and the place needs to be looking tidy.

## Reply

A copy of this request has been forwarded to Waterways Ireland as the Canal falls within the remit of this organisation.

Contact: Gabrielle Malone, Senior Staff Officer, South Central

Email: gabrielle.malone@dublincity.ie

# **Q44** Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud

To ask the Director of Services to clean up the bed of the canal between Suir Road and Bluebell.

## Reply

A copy of this request has been forwarded to Waterways Ireland as the maintenance of the canal falls within the remit of this organisation.

Contact: Gabrielle Malone, Senior Staff Officer, South Central

Email: gabrielle.malone@dublincity.ie