

**Item No: 1** Minutes of the North West Area Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2023.

**Order: Agreed**

**Questions to the Area Manager**

**North West Area Committee  
Meeting Tuesday 17th October 2023**

**Q.1 Councillor Keith Connolly**

To ask the Manager to provide an update on the review of the bus terminus at (details supplied) as discussed at last month's area committee meeting.

**Reply**

The bus terminus described above is operated by Go Ahead Ireland who have issued the following reply on the matter:

*“Arising from the complaint raised, we undertook careful monitoring of the stop and the nature of the operations there. The operating protocol is that buses on route N6 wait their time at Drogheda Mall Stop 1514 (which is where 40D departs) and then move up to Stop 7838 where they depart from this first stop on route N6. If every bus operated to schedule the wait times would be 5/10mins or so (depending on the time of day).*

*The Operations team have now completed their surveys. Stop 7838 is not looking to be an issue – our buses wait their time at Drogheda Mall (1514) and then move up to 7838 to depart, as per the protocol. There is adequate room at this stopping and terminus for all operators and no particular congestion has been observed.*

*The surveys show, as expected, that Stop 1514 Drogheda Mall has a lot of layover. That is the stop's purpose for route N6. Between 10:05 and 16:05 30 vehicles stopped there, all for an average of about 15 mins (but they range quite a bit). There can be an issue when one bus moves off and the next does not move up, but this is something the inspectors are monitoring. At times there are 3 parked, however, if early running is an issue due to light traffic, a fourth can arrive. On average over the survey period 2 buses were parked here - well within the capacity of the stop. Once parked right in the area there should not be a congestion concern.*

*Go-Ahead will continue to monitor this terminus area and ensure that any bus congestion is kept to an absolute minimum. We are willing to engage further should the need arise here.”*

We will continue to liaise with Go-Ahead over the coming weeks to ensure that the terminus is operating safely.

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**Q.2 Councillor Keith Connolly**

To ask the Manager to examine a pedestrian crossing at (details supplied). There are two schools at this location along with an adult education centre, some of whom are special needs users.

**Reply**

This location will be assessed in due course and if warranted will be placed on a list of Controlled Pedestrian Crossings for funding. Ref: 7035234.

**Contact:** Joao Brescia – North West Area Engineer.

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**Q.3 Councillor Keith Connolly**

To ask the Manager to provide an update on the removal of the fencing and cleaning up of the area at (details supplied)

**Reply**

The Public Domain Team has engaged with a contractor to remove the railings and trees in (details supplied) A provisional start date has been set for mid November 2023.

**Contact:** Robert Ingram, Public Domain Officer

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**Q.4 Councillor Keith Connolly**

To ask the Manager to provide an update on the cutting back/removal of the high shrubbery at (details supplied)

**Reply**

Quotes have been sought for the removal of this shrubbery/bank of conifer tree and will be progressed in the coming weeks.

**Contact:** Stephen Groome, NW District Parks Superintendent

**Tel:** 01 222 3395

**Email:** [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)

**Q.5 Councillor Keith Connolly**

To ask the Manager to arrange for the repair/repaving of the tarmac area at (details supplied)



**Reply**

There are no planned resurfacing works for footpaths or carriageways on (details supplied) in 2023 as part of the Works Programme as the budget has been fully allocated.

An inspection will be carried out by the local inspector and any potholes identified during the inspection will be scheduled for repair when a works crew is available in the area (Enquiry Ref 11144975).

**Contact:** John Dalton, Roads Maintenance North.  
**Tel:** 01 2222222  
**Email:** john.dalton@dublincity.ie

**Q.6 Councillor Keith Connolly**

To ask the Manager to arrange for the repair of the broken light on the roundabout at (details supplied).

**Reply**

There is currently one light out in the middle of the roundabout on (details supplied). and because of the nature of the location, scaffolding is required to repair this light. It is planned to repair this light in the next 3 to 4 weeks.

**Contact:** Karen Leeson, Executive Engineer, Public Lighting Services  
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**Q. 7 Councillor Keith Connolly**

To ask the Manager to arrange for the inspection of the trees at (details supplied) with a view to being included on a pruning schedule.

**Reply**

These Hornbeam trees should not be pruned and do not need to be included in the pruning schedule. They are a dense tree with a tight crown.

**Contact:** Stephen Groome, NW District Parks Superintendent  
**Tel:** 01 222 3395  
**Email:** [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)

**Q.8 Councillor Keith Connolly**

To ask the Manager to arrange for the inspection of the trees at (details supplied) with a view to being included on a pruning schedule.

**Reply**

The trees at (details supplied) will be inspected and if require pruning they will be included on the pruning schedule for 2024

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**Tel:** 01 222 3395  
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**Q.9 Councillor Keith Connolly**

To ask the Manager to provide an update on the cleaning schedule/ staffing on Waste Management staff in Finglas Village.

**Reply**

Waste Management Services have a Compact 50 sweeper and van driver cleaning the village every morning. It is also cleaned every afternoon by the 7/7 Suburban Northside Crew. We are also planning to have a hand vac sweeper operating in there for the footpaths in the coming weeks.

**Contact:** Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services,  
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**Q.10 Councillor Keith Connolly**

To ask the Manager to provide an update on the tarmacking/ repaving on the tarmac area at (details supplied) This is a high footfall area with two schools and an adult education service. It is also on a main bus route.



**Reply**

There are no planned resurfacing works for footpaths, carriageways or off-street parking on (details supplied) in 2023 as part of the Works Programme as the budget has been fully allocated.

An inspection will be carried out by the local inspector and any potholes identified during the inspection will be scheduled for repair when a works crew is available in the area (Enquiry Ref 11144976).

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**Tel:** 01 2222222  
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**Q.11 Councillor Noeleen Reilly**

To ask the Manager to arrange a storage facility where nets, flags, portable goals and other equipment may be stored in (details supplied)

**Reply**

Park and Landscape Services will meet with the clubs to discuss the feasibility of a storage facility in (details supplied)

**Contact:** Stephen Groome, NW District Parks Superintendent  
**Tel:** 01 222 3395  
**Email:** [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)

**Q.12 Councillor Noeleen Reilly**

To ask the Manager to arrange for regular litter picks at the front and back of (details supplied) There is constant litter from the shops and if a conversation can be had with the shop owners about keeping the place in a better condition.

**Reply**

Waste Management Services clean and service the litter bins at the (details supplied) on a daily basis. Arrangements will be made to have a Litter Warden call to the shop owners and remind them of their responsibilities regarding litter.

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**Email:** [mick.boyle@dublincity.ie](mailto:mick.boyle@dublincity.ie)

**Q.13 Councillor Noeleen Reilly**

To ask the Manager for an update on the Pedestrian Crossing at the (details supplied) roundabout.

**Reply**

The Preliminary Design for the roundabout is complete and NTA approval is expected shortly for the scheme to progress to the Detailed Design phase.

The programme for detailed design is 10 weeks, with a 12 week period for preparation of tender documents and completion of the tender process, followed by a 16 week construction period.

Funding availability is to be confirmed for this scheme to progress to construction.

**Contact:** Rhona White, Senior Engineer, Active Travel Programme Office.  
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**Q.14 Councillor Noeleen Reilly**

To ask the Manager to carry out waste management checks at (details supplied) junction due to the constant littering there.

**Reply**

The Public Domain Team will add the location (details supplied) to the waste enforcement schedule of checks.

**Contact:** Robert Ingram Public Domain Officer

**Tel:** 01 222 5496  
**Email:** [Robert.ingram@dublincity.ie](mailto:Robert.ingram@dublincity.ie)

**Q.15 Councillor Noeleen Reilly**

To ask the Manager what the progress is on the Sensory Garden at (details supplied)

**Reply**

Plans are being currently made for the sensory garden in (details supplied) It is likely that works won't start until first quarter of 2024. We will revert with a more definitive programme end of October.

**Contact:** Stephen Groome, NW District Parks Superintendent  
**Tel:** 01 222 3395  
**Email:** [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)

**Q.16 Councillor Noeleen Reilly**

To ask the Manager for an update on the redevelopment of (details supplied)

**Reply**

Construction of the all-weather pitch has started and should be completed by first quarter 2024. Upon completion subsequent works can commence later in 2024.

**Contact:** Eddie O' Gara Executive Landscape Architect  
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**Email:** [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)

**Q.17 Councillor Noeleen Reilly**

To ask the Manager to clear the vast illegal dumping on (details supplied) and if cameras can be put up there to identify who is dumping the rubbish.

**Reply**

Waste Management Services are working in conjunction with the North West Area Public Domain Team in clearing the dumped rubbish from (details supplied)

The Circular Economy & Miscellaneous Provisions Act 2022 requires Codes of Practice in respect of the use of CCTV cameras for the purpose of prosecutions. These have to be agreed on behalf of the local authority sector under the auspices of the LGMA.

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**Q.18 Councillor Noeleen Reilly**

To ask the Manager to carry out a waste management check in (details supplied)

**Reply**

The Public Domain Team will add (details supplied) to the waste enforcement schedule of checks.

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**Email:** [Robert.ingram@dublincity.ie](mailto:Robert.ingram@dublincity.ie)

**Q.19 Councillor Noeleen Reilly**

To ask the Manager to prune the tree at (details supplied). It is blocking the view of the tenant inside.

**Reply**

Parks and Landscape Service will remove young trees that are growing into the balcony of apartments at (details supplied).

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**Tel:** 01 222 3395

**Email:** [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)

**Q.20 Councillor Noeleen Reilly**

To ask the Manager for the current planning application for the (details supplied) and if the derelict fees have been paid

**Reply**

A planning application for this site (Planning Ref: 3594/23) was lodged on 19<sup>th</sup> April 2023. The proposal details were as follows:

*The proposed development will consist of the demolition of the existing two-storey over part basement (three storey), terraced, commercial building and the construction of a six-storey over full basement (seven storey) terraced mixed-use building consisting of 1 no. retail unit and 1 no. gastropub/restaurant at ground floor level, and a total of 25 no. apartments over five floors (8 no. one beds, 11 no. two beds and 6 no. three beds) with balconies to the south, east and west elevations, and communal roof terraces, all over a basement comprising 74 no. bicycle parking spaces, bin stores, plant room, and stores and ancillary service areas for the commercial unit, 10 no. bicycle parking spaces at ground floor level for staff, and 6 no. external bicycle parking spaces for visitors (adjoining Jamestown Road), and all associated site and engineering works necessary to facilitate the development.*

A preliminary decision issued on 12<sup>th</sup> June 2023 and the final grant of permission issued on 20<sup>th</sup> July 2023. Full details of the plans, drawings and planning permission conditions are available online as follows: [Citizen Portal Planning \(agileapplications.ie\)](http://Citizen Portal Planning (agileapplications.ie))

A previous planning application for this site (Planning Ref: 3596/22) was refused permission on 21<sup>st</sup> March 2023.

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**(details supplied)** (VS0976) was entered on the Vacant Sites Register on 16th April 2019 as it met the criteria, as set out in the Urban Regeneration and Housing Act, 2015.

Demands for Payment of a Vacant Sites Levies based on 7% of the market value of the site were served on the owners in February 2021 in respect of 2020 and February 2022 in respect of 2021. Dublin City Council has received full payment for both the 2020 and 2021 Vacant Site Levies.

On 7<sup>th</sup> November 2022, the market value of the site was revised by the City Valuers Office to €550,000. In accordance with Section 13(1) of the Urban Regeneration and Housing Act, 2015, the site owners appealed the revision to the Valuation Tribunal who will adjudicate on the matter. The outcome will determine whether demands for payment of the Vacant Sites Levy in respect of 2022 will be raised.

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**Q.21 Councillor Caroline Conroy**

To ask the Manager can a sign requesting drivers to slow down as approaching children at play be put at the entrance of (details supplied)

**Reply**

All of the above areas are located within residential 30km/h speed zones the areas are Slow Zones, which warns drivers to expect children. This signage has been installed at the entry points to self-contained housing estates where a 30 km/h speed limit is being implemented and a 'Slow Zone' is being created in the city.

It is Dublin City Councils policy not to erect repeater signs as this will lead to a proliferation of signage throughout the city.

(details supplied) is a small cul-de-sac, not conducive with speed. A Slow Zone Sign (F 403) was provided at the junction with (details supplied) which has a posted 50km/h road.

Around (details supplied) a Slow Zone Sign (F403) was provided on Glasnevin Drive, at the junction with Glasnevin Avenue and on (details supplied) at the junction with (details supplied) The area engineer will assess the provision of a Children Crossing Sign (W142) on (details supplied) in due course.

A Slow Zone Sign (F403) was provided on (details supplied) at the junction with (details supplied) and 2 No. Children Crossing Signs were provided between houses Nos. 69/76. Additionally, there are currently 6 No. speed ramps on (details supplied) no additional signage is recommended.

(details supplied) is a cul-de-sac short in length, not conducive to speed. Traffic volumes are low a cul-de-sac sign was provided at the junction with (details supplied) No additional signage is recommended.

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**Q.22 Councillor Caroline Conroy**

To ask the Manager can a pothole on the laneway between (details supplied).

**Reply**

Road Maintenance Services has inspected this location. Job number 41178592 has been scheduled when a works crew is available in the area. At present there is a large backlog of repairs outstanding which we are working through.

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**Q.23 Councillor Caroline Conroy**

To ask the Manager can a solution be put in place to curb people from using the end of a terraced house's boundary wall as a way of entering land behind the resident at (details supplied)

**Reply**

The Public Domain Unit will engage with the Parks Department to see if suitable shrubbery boundary treatments are available to enhance the location side of (details supplied)

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**Tel:** 01 222 5496  
**Email:** [Robert.ingram@dublincity.ie](mailto:Robert.ingram@dublincity.ie)

**Q.24 Councillor Caroline Conroy**

To ask the Manager can a yellow box be put at the entrance of (details supplied)

**Reply**

The Area Engineer does not recommend a yellow box at the entrance of (details supplied) Yellow boxes are intended to prevent blocking of junctions/intersections. Side road traffic flows should be significant and the side road should serve a minimum of fifty houses or a major traffic generating facility. This guideline is in place to avoid a proliferation of yellow boxes in the city which are expensive to maintain.

**Contact:** Joao Brescia – North West Area Engineer.  
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**Q.25 Councillor Caroline Conroy**

To ask the Manager can the grass be cut on the big greens in the Wadelai & Hillcrest areas

**Reply**

These greens are being cut regularly as the grass is still growing in this mild weather, however, grass cutting will soon stop as the ground conditions are becoming too soft.

**Contact:** Stephen Groome, NW District Parks Superintendent  
**Tel:** 01 222 3395  
**Email:** [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)

**Q.26 Councillor Caroline Conroy**

To ask the Manager can the graffiti on the box outside St. Kevin's School, Barry Avenue be removed

**Reply**

The Public Domain Unit will organise the removal of the graffiti on the box St. Kevin's School.

**Contact:** Robert Ingram Public Domain Officer  
**Tel:** 01 222 5496  
**Email:** [Robert.ingram@dublincity.ie](mailto:Robert.ingram@dublincity.ie)

**Q.27 Councillor Caroline Conroy**

To ask the Manager can bins & dog poo bins please be emptied more often there seems to be issues with reporting full bins on the Citizen Hub. There is a particular issue with a bin outside Sacred Heart Boys National School.

**Reply**

Waste Management Services have the dog poo bins emptied daily and we will pay particular attention to the bin outside the Sacred Heart Boys National School

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**Q.28 Councillor Caroline Conroy**

To ask the Manager can the drains be cleaned out around the Glasanaon and Griffith Drive Parade areas in particular there was local flooding at this sites during the last rainfall.

**Reply**

The gullies have been cleaned as follows:

- During a recent road resurfacing overlay on Glasanaon Road, some gullies have been obstructed by tarmacadam. The Roads Maintenance have been advised.
- Griffith Parade: 11 of 13 gullies cleaned and inspected on 05/10/2023.No defects found. Parked cars on Griffith Parade unable to access the 2 gullies.

**Contact:** Kevin Vallely, Senior Executive Engineer, Surface Water & Flood Incident Management Division  
**Tel:** 01 222 7504  
**Email:** [Kevin.Vallely@dublincity.ie](mailto:Kevin.Vallely@dublincity.ie)

**Q.29 Councillor Caroline Conroy**

To ask the Manager can yellow lines be put on the corner of Deanswift Road and St. Pappins Road nearer to the green area.

**Reply**

The Area Engineer does not recommend double yellow lines on the corner of Deanswift Road and St. Pappins Road. It is not the policy of Dublin City Council to provide parking restrictions where illegal parking is covered under legislation.

Under The Road Traffic (Traffic & Parking) Regulations, Section 36 paragraph "(2) A vehicle shall not be parked - (c) within 5 metres of a road junction;  
(k) In a manner in which it will interfere with the normal flow of traffic or which obstructs or endangers other traffic;

Instances of illegal parking should be reported to Dublin Street Parking Services, the City Council's parking enforcement contractor Tel: 01-602 2500 or Email [parkingenforcement@dublincity.ie](mailto:parkingenforcement@dublincity.ie), or inform the local Gardaí, as a matter for enforcement under the Road Traffic Regulations.

**Contact:** John Dalton, Roads Maintenance North.  
**Tel:** 01 2222222  
**Email:** [john.dalton@dublincity.ie](mailto:john.dalton@dublincity.ie)

**Q.30 Councillor Caroline Conroy**

To ask the Manager can the bowling pitches in Albert College Park be repaired

**Reply**

Parks and Landscape Services will seek quotes in the first quarter of 2024 to repair the bowling pitches in Albert College Park with the intention of undertaking the works during favourable weather conditions in the summer.

**Contact:** Stephen Groome, NW District Parks Superintendent  
**Tel:** 01 222 3395  
**Email:** [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)

**Q.31 Councillor Caroline Conroy**

To ask the Manager can a general sweep up be arranged for Wadelai, Hillcrest, Glasnevin Avenue and Ballygall Road this will help with the local clean ups.

**Reply**

Waste Management Services have the above locations cleaned on a weekly basis which assists with the local clean ups in keeping this area clean.

**Contact:** Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services,  
**Tel:** 01 2224240,  
**Email:** [mick.boyle@dublincity.ie](mailto:mick.boyle@dublincity.ie)

**Q.32 Councillor Mary Callaghan**

To ask the Manager if attention can be paid to (details supplied)

**Reply**

Waste Management Services clean the area outside and in the vicinity of the schools on a regular basis to ensure that it is kept as clean as possible. The best time for cleaning there is when the schools are in session.

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**Q.33 Councillor Mary Callaghan**

To ask the Manager for an update on the proposed new junctions at the roundabouts on Jamestown Road and Saint Margaret's Road in Finglas

**Reply**

**St Margaret's Road/McKee Avenue**

The design for the toucan crossing at St Margaret's Road./McKee Avenue. has been revised and submitted to the NTA for review and approval to commence the tender process.

The tender process would typically take 12 weeks to complete, followed by a 4 week construction period.

**Jamestown Road**

The Preliminary Design for the roundabout is complete and NTA approval is expected shortly for the scheme to progress to the Detailed Design phase.

The programme for detailed design is 10 weeks, with a 12 week period for preparation of tender documents and completion of the tender process, followed by a 16 week construction period.

Funding availability is to be confirmed for both schemes to progress to construction.

**Contact:** Rhona White, Senior Engineer, Active Travel Programme Office.  
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**Q.34 Councillor Mary Callaghan**

To ask the Manager for an update on the water leak at (details supplied) which has been ongoing for years.

**Reply**

EU Networks have examined the footway chamber in question and the ducting leading into it. Water is entering the chamber via the ducting upstream of the chamber. As yet the source of this water has not yet been determined, EU Networks are carrying our further investigations with the aim of identifying the water source. EU Networks will revert to Dublin City Council with the outcome of their investigations.

**Contact:** Deri Flood, Senior Executive Officer, Road Maintenance Services  
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**Q.35 Councillor Mary Callaghan**

To ask the Manager to give his plan for addressing the issue of fallen leaves on footpaths this autumn as they create a danger for pedestrians when they get wet.

**Reply**

Waste Management Services operate a leaves clearing programme throughout the city over the autumn and winter months. Priority is given to tree-lined streets, footpaths with heavy pedestrian use and areas particularly prone to flooding. In addition we assist resident groups in clearing leaves from their areas and remove the collected leaves.

**Contact:** Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services,  
**Tel:** 01 2224240,  
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**Q.36 Councillor Mary Callaghan**

To ask the Manager if, further to representations made by a constituent (details supplied), double yellow lines can be installed at the location as a matter of urgency.

**Reply**

The Area Engineer has recommended provision of a yield sign/road markings with solid white continuous line at the junction of (details supplied) to prevent vehicles obstructing sight lines and blocking the junction.

Under S.I. No. 182/1997 - Road Traffic (Traffic and Parking) Regulations, 1997, section 36 Prohibitions on Parking (2) a vehicle shall not be parked – ( d ) on a section of roadway with less than 3 traffic lanes and where traffic sign number RRM 001 [continuous white line] has been provided;

This road traffic measure will be in place once all the statutory processes are finalised this process will take a number of weeks to complete.

**Contact:** Gerry McEntagart – North City Executive Engineer.  
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**Q.37 Councillor Briege MacOscar**

To ask the Manager to arrange for the pruning of the trees beside (details supplied) as they are quite large and the branches knock against the resident's house during stormy weather.

**Reply**

(details supplied) is on the tree pruning schedule for 2023/2024. This work will be done over the winter

**Contact:** Stephen Groome, NW District Parks Superintendent  
**Tel:** 01 222 3395  
**Email:** [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)

**Q.38 Councillor Briege MacOscar**

To ask the Manager to arrange for repair of the following locations in (details supplied)

**Reply**

Road Maintenance Services have inspected the pothole at this location. Job number 41178593 has been scheduled when a works crew is available in the area. At present there is a large backlog of repairs outstanding which we are working through.

The footpath at (details supplied) has been identified and included as part of upcoming Contract Works repairs on Glasnevin Park.

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**Q.39 Councillor Briege MacOscar**

To ask the Manager to outline if pruning is due to take place of the trees on the green at (details supplied)

**Reply**

There are no specific plans to prune all the trees on the green at Fairways Estate. However, if residents have a specific concern about a tree located here please make contact with Parks and Landscape Services and an inspection will be arranged.

**Contact:** Stephen Groome, NW District Parks Superintendent

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**Q.40 Councillor Briege MacOscar**

To ask the Manager to arrange for repair of the pavement outside (details supplied)

**Reply**

Road Maintenance Services have inspected the pothole at this location. Job number 41178594 has been scheduled when a works crew is available in the area. At present there is a large backlog of repairs outstanding which we are working through.

**Contact:** John Dalton, Roads Maintenance North.

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**Q.41 Councillor Briege MacOscar**

To ask the Manager to provide an update on the trees between (details supplied) which were on a works list as per q. 25 February NWAC as they obscure street lighting and illegal dumping.

**Reply**

Parks Services have listed 2no. trees for pruning away from street lights at the above location. This will be carried out during the next batch of local contracted tree work in the area.

Quotes have been sought for the removal of this shrubbery/bank of conifer tree and these trees will be included in the quote for works.

**Contact:** Stephen Groome, NW District Parks Superintendent

**Tel:** 01 222 3395

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**Q.42 Councillor Briege MacOscar**

To ask the Manager to outline if the tree at (details supplied) is due to receive pruning as it has become very tall and the roots are causing issues with the pavement

**Reply**

The tree will be inspected in the coming weeks. The issues with the pavement will be referred to Roads Maintenance Section.

**Contact:** Stephen Groome, NW District Parks Superintendent

**Tel:** 01 222 3395

**Email:** [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)

In relation to the defects on (details supplied) an enquiry (Confirm reference 11144985) has been passed to the local engineer who will inspect this issue.

A significant number of repairs have been carried out in the area, associated to the 2020, 2022 & 2023 Works Programmes, to reduce the number of defects. This area will be considered as part of the 2024 Works Programme.

**Contact:** John Dalton, Roads Maintenance North.

**Tel:** 01 2222222

**Email:** [john.dalton@dublincity.ie](mailto:john.dalton@dublincity.ie)

**Q.43 Councillor Briege MacOscar**

To ask the Manager to investigate potential safety concerns for traffic turning from (details supplied)

**Reply**

Currently it is not the policy of Dublin City Council to provide parking restrictions where it is already covered under legislation.

Under The Road Traffic (Traffic & Parking) Regulations, Section 36 paragraph "(2) A vehicle shall not be parked - (c) within 5 metres of a road junction;

(g) In any place, position or manner that will result in the vehicle obstructing an entrance or an exit for vehicles to or from a premises, save with the consent of the occupier of such premises;

(k) In a manner in which it will interfere with the normal flow of traffic or which obstructs or endangers other traffic;

Instances of illegal parking should be reported to Dublin Street Parking Services, the City Council's parking enforcement contractor (Ph: 01-602 2500 or Email [parkingenforcement@dublincity.ie](mailto:parkingenforcement@dublincity.ie)), or the local Gardaí, as a matter for enforcement under the Road Traffic Regulations.

**Contact:** Joao Brescia – North West Area Engineer.

**Tel:** 01 222 2523

**Email:** [joao.brescia@dublincity.ie](mailto:joao.brescia@dublincity.ie)

**Q.44 Councillor Briege MacOscar**

To ask the Manager to confirm if the pavement and kerb at (details supplied) is on a list for repair

**Reply**

An enquiry (Confirm reference 11144984) has been passed to the local Inspector who will inspect this issues.

A significant number of repairs have been carried out in the area associated to the 2023 Works Programmes, to reduce the number of defects. This area will be considered as part of the 2024 Works Programme.

**Contact:** John Dalton, Roads Maintenance North.

**Tel:** 01 2222222

**Email:** john.dalton@dublincity.ie

**Q.45 Councillor Briege MacOscar**

To ask the Manager to arrange for the paths in (details supplied) to be inspected for potential inclusion in the works programme

**Reply**

An enquiry (Confirm reference 11144985) has been passed to the local engineer who will inspect this issues.

A significant number of repairs have been carried out in the area associated to the 2020, 2022 & 2023 Works Programmes, to reduce the number of defects. This area will be considered as part of the 2024 Works Programme.

**Contact:** John Dalton, Roads Maintenance North.

**Tel:** 01 2222222

**Email:** john.dalton@dublincity.ie

**Q.46 Councillor Briege MacOscar**

To ask the Manager to investigate the possible removal of the apple tree at (details supplied) as several neighbours have unfortunately reported several incidents of the apples being thrown at the houses facing the park.

**Reply**

This issue will be investigated by Park and Landscape Service

**Contact:** Stephen Groome, NW District Parks Superintendent

**Tel:** 01 222 3395

**Email:** [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)

**Q.47 Councillor Briege MacOscar**

To ask the Manager to outline if it would be possible to install a basketball court at (details supplied) by including extra equipment/lines at the tennis courts to allow both sports use of the space

**Reply**

There is currently no plans for basketball court in (details supplied) We will consider this in the context of redesign to improve layout of the tennis courts area in 2024 and potential as an application for a Sports Capital grant.

**Contact:** Stephen Groome, NW District Parks Superintendent

**Tel:** 01 222 3395  
**Email:** [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)

**Q.48 Councillor Anthony Connaghan**

To ask the Manager to arrange for the footpaths to the rear of (details supplied) in Ballymun to be repaired/re-instated.

**Reply**

A significant number of repairs have been carried out in Ard Na Meala by Dublin City Council with a number of additional items identified upon completion. These items are being addressed currently including at the above address and will be completed in the coming weeks.

**Contact:** John Dalton, Roads Maintenance North.  
**Tel:** 01 2222222  
**Email:** [john.dalton@dublincity.ie](mailto:john.dalton@dublincity.ie)

**Q.49 Councillor Anthony Connaghan**

To ask the Manager to arrange for the railed green areas at Finglas Place/Ballygall to be upgraded and investigate the possibility of natural play activities to be placed within

**Reply**

Parks and Landscape Services will examine the feasibility of upgrading the railed green areas at Finglas Place/Ballygall and the provision of natural play activities

**Contact:** Stephen Groome, NW District Parks Superintendent  
**Tel:** 01 222 3395  
**Email:** [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)

**Q.50 Councillor Anthony Connaghan**

To ask the Manager to arrange for an inspection of the street lighting at Kildonan Road. Some residents have been reporting that the lights are very dim.

**Reply**

The existing public lighting on Kildonan Road is planned to be upgraded to LED this year under the Public Lighting Upgrade Project. These works are expected to be completed by the end of 2023. Until the upgrade works are completed routine maintenance work on the existing street lighting will continue to be carried out.

**Contact:** Karen Leeson, Executive Engineer, Public Lighting Services  
**Tel:** 01 2224539  
**Email:** [karen.leeson@dublincity.ie](mailto:karen.leeson@dublincity.ie)

**Q.51 Councillor Anthony Connaghan**

To ask the Manager to arrange for the handle on the inner door at (details supplied) to be replaced

**Reply**

Housing Maintenance will arrange to have this handle replaced for the tenant.

**Contact:** Clive Ahern, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance.  
**Tel:** 2223517

**Email:** clive.ahern@dublincity.ie

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023 Q1/Q2
<b>Tonnes of Illegally dumped waste removed by the City Council</b>	4430.19	3215.52	3298.37	3214.70	1658.28
<b>Cost of removal including labour fleet and disposal</b>	€ 1,158,636.23	€ 984,939.51	€ 904,620.22	€ 997,784.62	€ 483,519.95

**Q.52 Councillor Anthony Connaghan**

To ask the Manager to arrange for railings at cul de sac in (details supplied).

**Reply**

The Housing Maintenance local area depot will carry out an inspection and assessment of this request. If works are required, the order will go to the Metal Workshop for fabrication.

**Contact:** Clive Ahern, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance.  
**Tel:** 2223517  
**Email:** clive.ahern@dublincity.ie

The Public Domain Team can arrange to meet with residents of (details supplied).or alternatively if Councillor Connaghan can forward the residents information requesting closure to the Public Domain Officer.

**Contact:** Robert Ingram, Public Domain Officer  
**Tel:** 01 2225496  
**Email:** [Robert.ingram@dublincity.ie](mailto:Robert.ingram@dublincity.ie)

**Q.53 Councillor Anthony Connaghan**

To ask the Manager to provide a report on the amount of illegal dumping in the North West Area accompanied with pictures and costs for removing so we can show what additional services could be provided if the level of dumping wasn't currently occurring.

**Reply**

It is not possible to breakdown illegal dumping costs on an area-by-area basis as vehicles, manpower and other equipment are used across all areas and not specific to any area. The directly attributable costs of illegal dumping for Dublin City Council areas are in the table below.

**Contact:** Richard Whelan, Administrative Officer, Waste Management Services  
**Tel:** 01 2224237  
**Email:** richard.whelan@dublincity.ie

**Q.54 Councillor Anthony Connaghan**

To ask the Manager to arrange for the replacement of dog fouling bins with larger general use litter bins at the entrances to Mellows Park along Casement Road. Many people walk their dogs here and the bins are usually overflowing.

**Reply**

Waste Management Services will assess these entrances to this park and see if they are suitable locations for standard litter bins. In the meantime I have asked staff to ensure these existing dog foul bins are emptied on a regular basis.

**Contact:** Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services,  
**Tel:** 01 2224240,  
**Email:** [mick.boyle@dublincity.ie](mailto:mick.boyle@dublincity.ie)

**Q.55 Councillor Anthony Connaghan**

To ask the Manager to arrange for regular dog warden patrols in Tolka Valley Park. Residents regularly report seeing larger dogs and possibly banned breeds off their leads in the park at various times and is deterring some residents from using the park. They have also reported that trees are being damaged by the larger dogs biting thinner sapling trees.

**Reply**

The Animal Welfare Unit will schedule additional patrols for Tolka Valley Park over the coming weeks to engage with the dog owners and to issue fines under the Control of Dogs Act 1986 if necessary. Recruitment for additional Animal Welfare Wardens is scheduled for November and the Unit hopes to increase patrols for all parks and public spaces once the on-boarding is complete.

**Contact:** Richard Herlihy, Administrative Officer, Animal Welfare Unit  
**Tel:** 2222 6553  
**Email:** Richard.herlihy@dublincity.ie

**Q.56 Councillor Anthony Connaghan**

To ask the Manager to investigate the possibility of providing low temperature recovery baths in the local Leisure Centres.

**Reply**

The Councillors request will be given due consideration during the development of the Dublin City Sports Plan giving due regard for the investment cost, public demand and any Health & Safety issues which may be identified.

**Contact:** Donncha Ó Dúlaing Senior Executive Officer, Sports & Recreation  
**Tel:** 012223877  
**Email:** [Donncha.odulaing@dublincity.ie](mailto:Donncha.odulaing@dublincity.ie)

**Order: Noted**

**Item 4 Motion in the name of Councillor Anthony Connaghan**

That the Manager agrees to investigate the possibility of placing a Basket Ball court adjacent to the Johnstown Park and considers putting forward a Sports Capital Grant funding application at the next opportunity.

**Order: Report to Councillor**

**Item 5 Motion in the name of Councillor Anthony Connaghan**

That this Area Committee agrees that the delay in providing an all-weather training facility at Tolka Valley Park has been unnecessary. We further call on the Management to engage with all stakeholders and investigate the potential for an all-weather playing facility at Farnham Park.

**Order: Report to Councillor**

**Item 6 Notification of proposed variation no.4 to the Dublin City Development Plan 2022-2023 relating to SDRA 3 – Finglas Village Environs and Jamestown Lands to incorporate the approved Jamestown Master Plan 2023**

**Order: Recommended to City Council**

**Fiona Cooper to report back to Councillors on the Judicial Review proceedings for Jamestown Village Limited**

**Item 7 Ballymun Area Office Report, Jackie O'Reilly, Area Manager**

**Order: Noted**

**Item 8 With reference to the proposed grant of a Short Term Business Letting of two amalgamated office units at ground floor level, Ballymun Civic Centre, Ballymun Dublin 11.**

**Order: Recommended to City Council**

**Item 9 Community Grants Scheme and Informal Adult Education Scheme 2023**

**Order: Noted**

**Item 10 Public Domain Report, Robert Ingram Public Domain Officer**

**Order: Noted - Robert to go back to Councillor Reilly with an operations report on the new depot.**

**Item 11** Dublin City Sport & Wellbeing Partnership Report

**Order: Noted**

**Item12** Traffic Service Request, Status Report

**Order: Noted**

**Item13** Minutes of the Traffic Advisory Group (TAG) Meeting

**Order: Noted**

**NWA Councillors:** Caroline Conroy, Noeleen Reilly, Keith Connolly, Mary Callaghan, Anthony Connaghan, and Briege MacOscar.

**Apologises:** Pat Teehan (Senior Executive Officer)

**Officials:** Bruce Philips (A/Executive Manager), Jackie O'Reilly (Area Manager Ballymun), Robert Ingram (Public Domain Officer), Fiona Farrell (Staff Officer) Olive Warnock (Staff Officer), Derek Healy (Housing Manager), Larry Dooley (Community & Development Officer), (Senior Executive Engineer)Joao Brescia (Assistant Engineer)  
Bernard Brady (Senior Executive Landscape Architect),

**Councillor Mary Callaghan**  
Chairperson

**The meeting concluded at 4.05pm**