

**DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL  
SOUTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE  
11<sup>th</sup> December 2023**

**Motion 1 from Councillor Fiona Connelly**

Could the trees on Leinster Road West be inspected as they are causing damage to the footpaths which are very narrow. They are also blocking light and garden growth from adjacent houses. As Rathmines has recently lost 3 mature trees to council pruning and is due to have 5 more removed from Leinster Road could we have a proposal from DCC on how to reinstate the green canopy that is very much needed in Rathmines. Would Parks agree to audit Leinster Road, Leinster Road West and Effra Road and see what solution would maintain or improve the biodiversity in the area?

**Motion 2 from Councillor Dermot Lacey**

In view of the extraordinary litany of delays in relation to the absolutely necessary Sandymount Flood works this Committee requests:

1. The immediate convening of the agreed Task Force.
2. A meeting to be held with the four Local TD's, Councillors and the Minister for the Officer of Public Works.
3. That the Sandymount Flood Protection Works remain as a permanent feature on the agenda of the South East Area Committee until sufficient progress is made.

**Motion 3 from Councillor Dermot Lacey**

To ask the Manager, in relation to the area bordered on one side by Mountpleasant Avenue, the Grand Canal, Prices Lane and to the East by Ranelagh Road

- An update on the measures that will be taken on foot of the “on site “meeting held nearly a year ago.
- an update on any progress in respect of planned interventions to reduce the incidents of speeding;
- a timeline for when we can expect the relevant officials to begin work on addressing this issue;
- a timeline on when repairs to footpaths will happen;
- The Planning considerations of the potential impact of Bus Connects on the small side roads leading from Mount Pleasant Ave - Ranelagh Road, including Bannaville, Mount Pleasant Terrace, Price's Lane.
- What steps have and will be taken to reinstate the Archway at Prices Lane.

**Motion 4 from Councillor Dermot Lacey and Fiona Connelly**

This Committee requests the Chief Executive of Dublin City Council to engage with the Chief Executive of CDETB, the relevant Ministers, Councillors and the four Dublin Bay South TDs and interested Senators to explore how we can collectively advance the restoration of the former Concert Hall within the Rathmines Town Hall.

**Motion 5 from Councillor Mannix Flynn**

That this SEAC of DCC agree to put forward Dr Noel Brown for considerations as the new name for the Trinity College, former Berkeley library.

**Motion 6 from Councillor Mannix Flynn**

That this meeting of the SEAC call on the area management to extend the railings at Diggs Street flats to include the grass area on the western side of the flats at Redmond Hill in order to contain continuous anti-social behaviour and trespass in and around the flats and in the best interest of the residents safety and privacy and also to enhance the playground for the children and amenity area within the flats community.

**Motion 7 from Councillor Carolyn Moore**

That this committee notes the urgent need to implement flood alleviation works along the river Poddle, notes the constraints on using nature-based solutions in a highly urbanised landscape, but notes too that the FAS works approved by An Bord Pleanála are comprised of seven times the amount of hard defences over earth embankments or softer, nature-based solutions. This committee agrees that Dublin City Council's proposal to replace healthy mature trees lost from parks with individual street trees in unspecified locations is not in line with the objectives of the Dublin City Development Plan to ensure net biodiversity gain, and agrees that Dublin City Council should seek to identify opportunities to enhance biodiversity in the environs of the Poddle, including the development of a community biodiversity initiative in the Poddle Close park.

**Motion 8 from Councillor Pat Dunne**

This Area Committee is opposed to the removal of the 7 mature trees between the boundary of Brickfield Park and the adjacent Apartment development. We note that there was no permission sought or granted for the removal of these trees when the developer sought and was granted planning permission. We further note the concern of local residents and park users when they learned that our Parks Section had given permission to the developer to engage a contractor to remove these trees and salute the protest they engaged in which successfully paused the removal of the trees.

Noting that Parks have stated that they will now engage their own contractor this area committee calls for this action to also be paused and that a full report be initiated to determine the health of the trees which should only be removed if they are diseased or a danger to the public

**Motion 9 from Councillor Claire Byrne**

That this Area Committee calls on the Area Manager to address the following issues on South Lott's Road and surround area:

- 1) Articulated trucks delivering to the Tesco store many times a day which are causing dangerous obstructions and are in breach of the planning conditions.
- 2) Parking in the area by Tesco customers who are parking on the footpaths causing dangerous obstructions, Can the manager increase parking enforcement in the area.

- 3) Engage with the local residents on the public realm upgrade that Tesco are obliged to carry out under their planning conditions.
- 4) Work with the residents to explore the possibility of amending parking times.
- 5) Resurfacing the footpaths and roads.
- 6) Reinstall the Dublin Bikes on Barrow Street or a neighbouring street.
- 7) Provide more bike parking in the area.
- 8) Provide funding for an upgrade to the playground in the park on South Lott's Road.
- 9) Find a solution to the bin storage issues in the area.
- 10) Increase the street cleaning schedule of the street.
- 11) Accelerate the redevelopment of Barrow Street.
- 12) Take action on the two vacant houses on South Lotts Road beside the Gas Works

**Motion 10 from Councillor Claire Byrne**

That this Area Committee agrees to write to ESB to ask for an update on the proposals for the Pigeon House chimneys and can the manager confirm when they will be put on the register of protected structures as previously agreed.

**Motion 11 from Councillor Claire Byrne**

That this Area Committee calls on the Area Manager to include Landsdowne Park in the road resurfacing for 2024.

**Motion 12 from Councillor Claire Byrne**

That this Area Committee calls on the Area Manager to request that the Parks department urgently moves forward with the following schemes:

1. The Cabbage Parch Gardens.
2. Portobello Harbour redesign.

**Motion 13 from Councillor Danny Byrne**

That this area committee agree to implement a refurbishment of Cambridge Court senior citizens complex in Ringsend. It is in very run down and in very poor condition.