



**MINUTES OF THE SOUTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 17TH JANUARY, 2024 VIA HYBRID MEETING
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, DAME STREET, DUBLIN 2.**

1. **Minutes of Meeting held on 13th December, 2023.**
Order: Agreed.
2. **Questions to the Director of Services South Central Area.**
Order: Replies to Questions and the Director of Services report circulated.
3. **Environment and Transportation Matters**
 1. Minutes of the Traffic Advisory Group held on the 19/12/23 in relation to Traffic Matters in the South Central Area.
 2. Traffic Service Requests Status Reports at 11/12/23.
Order: 1. Report Noted.
2. Reports Noted.
4. **South Central Area Matters**
 1. Director of Services Report.
Order: Report Noted.
5. **Culture, Recreation & Economic Matters**
 1. Sports and Recreation Report for January 2024 South Central Area.
Order: Report Noted.
6. **Planning & Property Development Matters**
 1. With reference to the Lease of ground floor Crèche at Thornton Heights, Inchicore, Dublin 8 to the Family Resource Centre CLG.
 2. With reference to the Lease of the Muriel Boothman Centre, Ballyowen House, Fonthill Road, Clondalkin, D22.
 3. With reference to the proposed disposal of plot of land adjoining 26 Eugene Street, Dublin 8.
Order: 1. Agreed. Recommend to Council.
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3. Agreed. Recommend to Council.
7. **Emergency Motions.**
8. **January 2024 Motions.**

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
SOUTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE
17th January, 2024

M296 Councillor Mannix Flynn

That this meeting of the South Central area call on Dublin City Council to take in charge the historical Tailors Hall building, which is now being used as a public house and make it available for community use within the area which is in great need of community facilities. The disposal of this building and the change of this building to public house is an absolute outrage. It was done in a non-transparent way without the knowledge of Councillors who have a reserve function in all aspects of property disposals and subleases of such properties. Further, that all documentation in relation to subleasing of this building and the change of use and what involvement Dublin City Council officials had in these decisions be made available for inspection.

Order: Following a vote, the motion was agreed.

M297 Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud

For this Committee to be updated on a monthly basis on the progress on the City Edge Project and the creation of the statutory plan. That this update be added as an agenda item on the SCAC meeting. A vague and broad update was given in the Dec 23 monthly manager's report at a time planning applications are popping up within the City Edge perimeter. It is worrying to be told there could be years of delays for a statutory plan while the plan was to have a statutory plan in place in 2024.

Order: Agreed.

M298 Councillor Vincent Jackson

That the Traffic Division look at a comprehensive traffic management plan for the Drimnagh area of Dublin. The area is currently experiencing a rapid growth in population with the construction of hundreds of apartments in addition the increased volumes of traffic using the area as a rat run to avoid traffic due to DCC restrictions along certain routes in and out of the City is causing no end of difficulties for current residents and is reducing the quality of life for residents etc. The development of a major traffic management plan will assist in addressing this issue.

Order: Report Noted.

M299 Councillor Vincent Jackson

That this Committee writes to the HSE regarding the retention of older persons services at Cherry Orchard Hospital, Ballyfermot. The Sycamore and Willow units are the best care facilities in the country. Families of residents are shocked that they are to be closed without proper alternatives on site. This Committee calls for proper face to face meeting to provide for their loved ones on site with the same care staff.

Order: Agreed to write to HSE.

M300 Councillor Máire Devine

That this Committee seeks an update and further discussion on the agreed removal of the bottle bank, ill-positioned, on the footpath of Inchicore National School, D8

Order: Report Noted.

M301 Councillor Máire Devine

This Committee agrees to urgently recommence discussions regarding the potential development of the Marrowbone Lane Depot site at D8. The agenda will focus on providing much needed recreational amenities, open space and green networks as per Z9 and the current CDP.

Order: Report Noted.

M302 Councillor Máire Devine

This Committee urges that the refurbishment of the “40 Steps” at Mount Brown be added to the 2024 work schedule and recognises the urgent need to front-load installation of illumination along this dark route for security, visibility and safety.

Order: Report Noted.

Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud

Chairperson

17th January, 2024

Attendance

Members:

Sophie Nicoullaud (Chairperson)

Vincent Jackson (Vice Chair)

Lord Mayor Daithí De Róiste

Michael Pidgeon

Darragh Moriarty

Máire Devine

Daithí Doolan

Michael Watters

Hazel De Nortúin

Kelsey May Daly

Cllr Mannix Flynn, South East Area was also in attendance

Officers:

Bruce Phillips, A/Executive Manager, South Central;

Alan Sherry, Local Area Manager, Ballyfermot Area Office;

Liam Hendrick, Public Domain Officer, Ballyfermot Drimnagh;

Al Madjid, Assistant Engineer, Environment & Transportation;

Neil O'Donoghue, Executive Engineer, Environment & Transportation;

Nicola O'Kelly, Staff Officer, South Central Area;

David Quearney, Environmental Liaison Officer, South Central;

Gabrielle Malone, Senior Staff Officer, South Central Area;