

## NORTH WEST AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

### MINUTES

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2024

**Item 1** Minutes of the North West Area Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2023.

**Order: Agreed**

#### **Replies to questions for January 2024**

##### **Q.1 Councillor Anthony Connaghan**

To ask the Manager for a comprehensive update on the proposed Berryfield Drive Housing Project. This development has been raised consistently at Area Committee and the local Joint Policing Committees.

##### **Reply**

Novas Housing who had been working on a design and a plan to develop social housing at this location are not in a position to proceed with this project, DCC Housing Delivery Section are currently reviewing alternative options for this site.

**Contact:** Aisling Browne A/Senior Executive Officer  
**Tel:** 01222 6530  
**Email:** [aisling.browne@dublincity.ie](mailto:aisling.browne@dublincity.ie)

##### **Q.2 Councillor Anthony Connaghan**

To ask the Manager to arrange for the bags and other items dumped along Tolka Valley Road and the green edging from Cardiffsbridge Road to St. Helena's Road to be removed.

##### **Reply**

Waste Management Services had the dumped bags and rubbish removed from the above mentioned locations on the 4<sup>th</sup> January 2024.

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

##### **Q.3 Councillor Anthony Connaghan**

To ask the Manager for an update on previously submitted question (NWAC July 2023 Q4 ) regarding resurfacing of (details supplied)

##### **Reply**

Details supplied) is not included in our Draft 2024 North West Area Carriageway Resurfacing Programme but the carriageway will be kept under review and put forward for consideration in inclusion in future carriageway resurfacing programmes. Temporary pothole repairs are scheduled to be carried out in (details supplied) on 11.01.24.

**Contact:** Madeline McNamara Executive Engineer Road Maintenance Services  
**Tel:** 01 222 2722  
**Email:** [madeline.mcnamara@dublincity.ie](mailto:madeline.mcnamara@dublincity.ie)

**Q.4 Councillor Anthony Connaghan**

To ask the Manager to arrange for the paving stones along the kerb at green space on Mellows Avenue (opposite numbers 14/16). There are several stones loose and some have been moved onto the green for safety. This has been reported several times already and there are elderly residents who walk along this stretch of road regularly.

**Reply**

An inspection will be carried out at this location and any loose paving stones identified during the inspection will be scheduled for repair when a works crew is available in the area.

**Contact:** Madeline McNamara Executive Engineer Road Maintenance Services  
**Tel:** 01 222 2722  
**Email:** [madeline.mcnamara@dublincity.ie](mailto:madeline.mcnamara@dublincity.ie)

**Q.5 Councillor Anthony Connaghan**

To ask the Manager if any local projects have been investigated as part of the Finance SPCs crowd funding initiative.

**Reply**

A full report on phase 1 of the Dublin City Council Crowdfunding Initiative will be going to the Finance SPC at the meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> January.

Projects currently verified, active or fundraising under the Dublin City Council Crowdfunding can be viewed via the link below

<https://www.spacehive.com/movement/dublincity/projects>

**Contact:** Jackie O Reilly, Area Manager  
**Tel:** 08638018187  
**Email:** [jackie.oreilly@dublincity.ie](mailto:jackie.oreilly@dublincity.ie)

**Q.6 Councillor Anthony Connaghan**

To ask the Manager to liaise with the Library section to see if there would be a possibility in providing a satellite library service in the proposed Barry Road/Avenue development.

**Reply**

The Library in the Community Team will talk to the area office about the proposed development and how library services can best be provided for the residents.

**Contact:** Brendan Teeling, Deputy City Librarian  
**Tel:** 2224800  
**Email:** [brendan.teeling@dublincity.ie](mailto:brendan.teeling@dublincity.ie)

**Q.7 Councillor Anthony Connaghan**

To ask the Manager to arrange for a litter pick in Mellows Park the section adjacent to Mellows Road Fire Brigade Station as there is a lot of rubbish in this area of the park.

### **Reply**

Litter picking takes place daily in Mellows Park.

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

### **Q.8 Councillor Anthony Connaghan**

To ask the Manager to arrange for a meeting to discuss potential Sports Capital Projects for the 2024 programme.

### **Reply**

The Sports Capital & Equipment Programme tends to be bi-annually.

The 2023 programme commenced on the 25th August with prospective applicants required to have expressions of interest lodged by that date.

Groups should have had their applications completed and lodged by September 8<sup>th</sup> 2023.

Successful applicants should receive payments in 2024.

The challenge for those wishing to make an application under the Sports Capital & Equipment Programme is to have the necessary documents and funding in place, ie quotation, proof of own funding, evidence of planning permission/application, licence agreement between groups sharing the facility, evidence of ownership of site and evidence of access to the site.

The Area Manager will contact the Councillors directly to arrange a meeting to discuss potential for the next round of Sports Capital Projects

**Contact:** Pat Teehan, Finglas Area Manager  
**Tel:** 01 222 5133  
**Email:** [pat.teehan@dublincity.ie](mailto:pat.teehan@dublincity.ie)

### **Q.9 Councillor Noeleen Reilly**

To ask the Manager to arrange a clean-up for (details supplied)

### **Reply**

Waste Management Services remove dumped rubbish from the above mentioned location 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.10 Councillor Noeleen Reilly**

To ask the Manager to arrange a clean-up (details supplied) there has been items there since Halloween

### **Reply**

The area at (detail supplied) is litter picked and rubbish removed on a weekly basis..

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

**Q.11 Councillor Noeleen Reilly**

To ask the Manager to arrange for the front door to be replaced at (details supplied) it was first measured 8 years ago.

**Reply**

A new front door was installed at this property in December 2023.

**Contact:** Ursula Donnellan, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance  
**Tel:** 222 2095  
**Email:** [ursula.donnellan@dublincity.ie](mailto:ursula.donnellan@dublincity.ie)

**Q.12 Councillor Noeleen Reilly**

To ask the Manager for the status on the Ballymun Shopping Centre site

**Reply**

The City Council's Active Land Management group are currently considering options for the entire former Shopping Centre site (which is just under 8 acres), in conjunction with the Council's Housing Department. A more detailed update will be made available when this work has reached conclusion.

**Contact:** Aileen Maloney, Senior Executive Valuer  
**Tel:** 222 6117  
**Email:** [aileen.moloney@dublincity.ie](mailto:aileen.moloney@dublincity.ie)

**Q.13 Councillor Noeleen Reilly**

To ask the Manager for the status of the planning application from O'Cualann Cohousing Alliance at Parkview

**Reply**

Planning reference 5252/22 was granted planning permission by Dublin City Council on 24<sup>th</sup> July 2023. This decision was appealed to An Bord Pleanala on 17<sup>th</sup> August 2023. An Bord Pleanala advised Dublin City Council on the 19<sup>th</sup> December 2023 that they intend to determine the appeal before 21<sup>st</sup> March 2024.

Ref 5252/22:

Permission is for development at this site at Parkview, Ballymun, Dublin 11, bounded by Parkview Road and Poppintree Park to the North, Cedarwood Green to the east, Cedarwood Road and Oakwood Close to the south and residential development (house no.'s 60 to 69) on Parkview Road to the west. The development will consist of (1) single storey creche (gross floor area 518sqm) with car set down area for 4no. cars, off street car parking spaces and 8no. bicycle parking spaces on the western section of the development.

(2) 32no. two storey, terraced, affordable residential units in 4no. blocks (2no. 2 bed houses and 30no. 3 bed houses), 32no. curtilage car parking spaces and 37no. on street parking spaces with 10no. bicycle parking spaces all on Parkview Road.

(3) 2no. single storey 4 bed sheltered housing with 6no. ancillary parking spaces, 2no. 9-seater bus parking bays including the extension of Parkview Road to the east of the development and a pedestrian and bicycle linkage between Parkview Road and Cedarwood Green.

(4) all ancillary site works including hard and soft landscaping and individual refuse storage areas, all on land totalling 1.2912 hectares.

**Contact:** Sheila Hennessy, Senior Executive Officer Planning Decisions, Planning & Property Development Dept.

**Tel:** 01 222 3310

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

#### **Q.14 Councillor Noeleen Reilly**

To ask the Manager to review the sequence of the traffic lights at Santry Cross and ensure the yellow box has been repainted as previously requested

#### **Reply**

We have made changes to the operation of the traffic signals at the junction of Ballymun Road / Santry Avenue / Balbutcher Lane. Please note that these signals have 5 phases of movement so there is limited scope to give additional time to any one phase. Currently Santry Avenue receives 16 – 26 % of the available cycle time, and Balbutcher Lane receives 14 – 24 %. Bus priority measures are also in operation at this junction which affects the allocation of green time to the various approaches. The aim is to reduce delays for buses getting through the junction and at this particular junction there are bus routes on different approaches. We will continue to monitor the operation of the traffic signals and make further changes if required and there is scope to do so.

**Contact:** Emma Gallagher, Executive ITS Officer

**Tel:** 01 222 2032

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

We will have a crew to check yellow box within 30 days of email

**Contact:** Anthony Dalton, Assistant Traffic Officer

**Tel:** 01 222 2222

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

#### **Q.15 Councillor Noeleen Reilly**

To ask the Manager if the ramp at the side of the Sillogue Neighbourhood Centre in Sandyhill Gardens can be repaired. This has been requested for almost 2 years now as it is damaging a lot of cars

#### **Reply**

This ramp will be included in our 2024 North West Area Ramp Resurfacing Programme.

**Contact:** Madeline McNamara Executive Engineer Road Maintenance Services

**Tel:** 01 222 2722

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

**Q.16 Councillor Noeleen Reilly**

To ask the Manager to look at carrying out a waste management inspection in (details supplied) There is a few residents there without bins who are dumping their rubbish on the green area.

**Reply**

The Litter Enforcement Manager will write to each household located in (details supplied) and request proof of their waste arrangements under the Bye-Laws for the Storage, Presentation and Segregation of Household and Commercial Waste 2018. A fixed penalty notice will be issued to each household who fails to provide proof of participation in a waste collection service.

**Contact:** Stephen Kavanagh – Litter Enforcement Manager

**Tel:** 01 2222222

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

**Q.17 Councillor Noeleen Reilly**

To ask the Manager how many fines were issued in Ballymun and Finglas for illegal dumping in 2023 and how many are outstanding

**Reply**

A total of eight (8) litter fines were issued in relation to alleged offences in Ballymun and Finglas. Four (4) of the fines were in relation to illegal dumping and four (4) of the fines were in relation to dog fouling offences.

Two fines were paid, legal proceedings were taken in relation to the four unpaid fines that were issued for dog fouling offences but the witness is not prepared to give evidence in a court of law. One fine has lapsed and one fine is still within time to pay.

**Contact:** Bernie Lillis, Litter Prevention Officer.

**Tel:** 01 222 4243

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

**Q.18 Councillor Noeleen Reilly**

To ask the Manager how many housing allocations were made in Ballymun and Finglas in 2023 and to give a breakdown per housing size

**Reply**

The Finglas Area Office processed the following allocations:

**Senior Citizens in 2023**

18 x 1 Bedroom

7 x Bedsit

**Total 25**

**Houses / Maisonettes and Apartments in 2023**

9 Maisonettes  
1 X 2 Apartments  
8 X 2 Bed Houses  
39 X 3 Bed Houses  
5 X 4 Bed Houses

**Total 62**

Out of this 52 were Voids and 10 were Acquisition

**Contact:** Derek Healy, Finglas Housing Manager  
**Tel:** 01-222 5410  
**Email:** derek.healy@dublincity.ie

**Reply**

There were 100 new Dublin City Council Tenancies for Ballymun in 2023. The breakdown is as follows:-

12 One Bedroom (12 Apartments)  
38 Two Bedroom (2 Bungalows, 4 Houses, 32 Apartments)  
36 Three Bedroom (34 Houses, 2 Apartments)  
3 Four Bedroom (2 Houses, 1 Apartment)  
11 Senior Citizens (4 Bedsits, 5 Bungalows, 2 Apartments)

**Contact:** Margaret McGrane, Ballymun Housing Manager  
**Tel:** 01-222-5731  
**Email:** margaret.mcgrane@dublincity.ie

**Q.19 Councillor Noeleen Reilly**

To ask the Manager how many tenancy warnings were issued in Ballymun and Finglas in 2023

**Reply**

The Finglas Area served no tenancy warnings in 2023

**Contact:** Derek Healy, Finglas Housing Manager  
**Tel:** 01-222 5410  
**Email:** derek.healy@dublincity.ie

**Reply**

The Ballymun Area served no tenancy warnings in 2023

**Contact:** Margaret McGrane, Ballymun Housing Manager  
**Tel:** 01-222-5731  
**Email:** Margaret.mcgrane@dublincity.ie

**Q.20 Councillor Briega MacOscar**

To ask the Manager to inspect the trees on (details supplied) as several appear to be dead.

**Reply**

The trees at (details supplied) will be inspected in spring when they are coming into leaf to determine which if any are dead .

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

**Q.21 Councillor Briege MacOscar**

To ask the Manager if the road at (details supplied) can be swept as fallen leaves and litter have become compacted on several parts.

**Reply**

Waste Management Services had (details supplied) swept on the 4<sup>th</sup> January 2024.

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

**Q.22 Councillor Briege MacOscar**

To ask the Manager if Ballygall Road East is swept regularly for leaves as the pavements are regularly covered and difficult to pass for elderly people.

**Reply**

Waste Management Services have and will continue include Ballygall Road East regularly in our Leaves Removal Programme over the autumn and winter months.

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

**Q.23 Councillor Mary Callaghan**

To ask the Manager to attend to the trees at [details supplied] as they are overhanging into a private garden and they need to be trimmed as some branches are causing concern to the home owner.

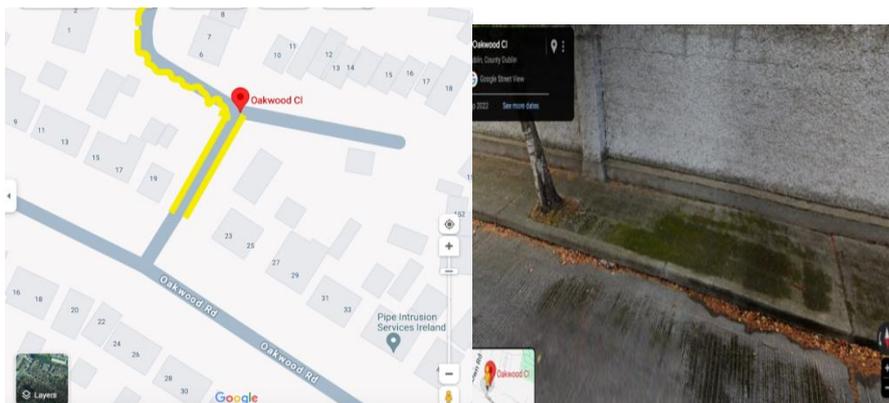
**Reply**

The Local Area Office will contact the resident with a view to achieving a mutually agreeable solution to the issue as outlined.

**Contact:** Pat Teehan< Finglas Area Manager  
**Tel:** 01 222 5133  
**Email:** [pat.teehan@dublincity.ie](mailto:pat.teehan@dublincity.ie)

**Q.24 Councillor Mary Callaghan**

To ask the Manager to clean the paths at [details supplied] as they have moss growing on them and are slippery



### **Reply**

Waste Management Services will have this work carried out by the middle of January 2024.

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

### **Q.25 Councillor Mary Callaghan**

To ask the Manager if steps can be taken to address the constant dumping at the bottle bank on Seamus Ennis Road, as fly tipping and dumping is rife at this spot which is right outside the new library, for example the deployment of CCTV to monitor the bottle banks

### **Reply**

Waste Management Services remove dumped rubbish from the above mentioned location on a daily basis. This location will be considered for the deployment of CCTV when approval for a CCTV scheme is acquired.

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

The use of CCTV is currently unavailable to the City Council for monitoring of the bottle banks and other areas around Dublin. The Code of Practice for the operation CCTV cameras for the purposes of Prevention, Detection and Prosecution of litter offences has been agreed by the relevant Departments and agencies. The offices of WERLA will now arrange to prepare a suite of documents to assist Local Authorities in preparing DPIA's and CCTV schemes. An Oversight Body must be set up and all of the above will ensure that Dublin City Council will have undertaken a "privacy by design and default" process prior to the deployment of CCTV.

Dublin City Council will then proceed to tender for a contractor to provide the service. It is envisaged that all of the above will take some time.

The Litter Wardens have been visiting the bottle bank on the Seamus Ennis Road regularly and removing a sample of the dumping for investigation to try and find out who is responsible. Until CCTV becomes available, the wardens will continue to visit the bank on a regular basis.

**Contact:** Stephen Kavanagh – Litter Enforcement Manager

**Tel:** 01 2222222  
**Email:** [stephen.kavanagh@dublincity.ie](mailto:stephen.kavanagh@dublincity.ie)

**Q.26 Councillor Mary Callaghan**

To ask the Area Manager to take steps to address ongoing issues with speeding at [details supplied].

**Reply**

Speeding on all roads is a matter for An Garda Síochána and therefore contacting the local Garda Station is recommended for these matters.

**Contact:** Jennifer McGrath, Senior Executive Engineer  
**Tel:** 0868033633  
**Email:** [jennifer.mcgrath@dublincity.ie](mailto:jennifer.mcgrath@dublincity.ie)

Clune Road is short in length, with 3 No. raised tables located in each junction on the road, to encourage drivers to reduce their speeds. As per the traffic management guidelines it is poor design to have traffic calming features that are spaced too close as it encourages harsh braking and consequent heavy acceleration in between.

In addition Clune Road has 30km/h Slow Zone signage indicating the lower speed limit and the area is a Home Zone/Slow Zone. This warns drivers they are driving in a residential area and to expect children. These 30km/h Slow Zone signs are clearly marked on Clune Road at the entrances from Jamestown Road and Ballygall Road West respectively.

On street parking act as traffic calming, reducing available carriageway width, reducing the speed. The trees lining Clune Road creates an enclosed environment which further enhances traffic calming. Therefore, additional traffic calming is not recommended on Clune Road.

**Contact:** Joao Brescia – North West Area Engineer.  
**Tel:** 01 222 2523  
**Email:** [joao.brescia@dublincity.ie](mailto:joao.brescia@dublincity.ie)

**Q.27 Councillor Mary Callaghan**

To ask the Manager if an urgent inspection can be carried out of the footpaths and kerbs along [details supplied] with a view to including improvement works in the 2024 Programme of Works.

**Reply**

The footpaths on (details supplied) are included in our 2024 North West Area Footpath Reconstruction Programme.

**Contact:** Madeline McNamara Executive Engineer Road Maintenance Services  
**Tel:** 01 222 2722  
**Email:** [madeline.mcnamara@dublincity.ie](mailto:madeline.mcnamara@dublincity.ie)

**Q.28 Councillor Caroline Conroy**

To ask the Manager can large amounts of rubbish throughout the Balbutcher Lane/Hampton Wood Drive area (one of which is in front of the crèche) be cleared. Can a solution be found to reduce/stop this happening.

**Reply**

Waste Management Services remove dumped rubbish from Balbutcher Lane on a regular basis. The Hampton Wood Drive area is looked after by Fingal County Council.

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

**Q.29 Councillor Caroline Conroy**

To ask the Manager can a new bin be put in place near where the dog waste bin was removed from Stormanstown Green, not on the green but on the nearest path on Drapier Road

**Reply**

The dog waste bin should never have been put here as it was in the middle of the green and no walkway to easily service it. There is no requirement for a new bin here as there are standard bins at the start of the nearby roads here which dog walkers use to dispose of their dog waste.

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

**Q.30 Councillor Caroline Conroy**

To ask the Manager can the huge lamp post at the top of St. Pappins Road/Ballymun Road be painted, it is very badly rusted.

**Reply**

The huge pole at the top of St. Pappins Road/Ballymun Road that carries a street light is an ESB Network pole and the painting of it is a matter for ESB. Public Lighting Services will forward this request for painting of the pole onto ESB.

**Contact:** Seamus MacSweeney, Senior Engineer, Roads and Traffic  
**Tel:** 086 8343154  
**Email:** [seamus.macsweeney@dublincity.ie](mailto:seamus.macsweeney@dublincity.ie)

**Q.31 Councillor Caroline Conroy**

To ask the Manager can Road/Path repairs please be carried out on the paths around Stormanstown Green especially the section on Drapier Road nearest St Pappins Green/Road and can the paths on this part of St. Pappins Road nearest Hillcrest on both sides be repaired

**Reply**

An inspection will be carried out at these locations and any defects identified during the inspection will be scheduled for repair when a works crew is available in the area.

**Contact:** Madeline McNamara Executive Engineer Road Maintenance Services  
**Tel:** 01 222 2722  
**Email:** [madeline.mcnamara@dublincity.ie](mailto:madeline.mcnamara@dublincity.ie)

**Q.32 Councillor Caroline Conroy**

To ask the Manager to carry out a mechanical sweep along the edges of the road where the drains are along Glasnevin Avenue, Ballygall Road, Wadelai Estate, Hillcrest Estate and St. Canice's Road. This will help all resident groups who are doing fantastic clean ups. Can a notice go out to these groups of the date of this clean up so cars are not parked on the road in order to make this clean up worthwhile

**Reply**

Waste Management Services have Glasnevin Avenue and Ballygall Road mechanically swept on a daily basis as they are main arterial routes. The other mentioned residential areas are on a six week cleaning schedule. We assist the residents groups here in their clean ups. They contact the Area Inspector or staff on the ground when there is an opportunity to clean specific roads when car free and we assist when possible to do so.

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

**Q.33 Councillor Caroline Conroy**

To ask the Manager can children at play signs be put at the entrance of St. Pappins Green

**Reply**

Children crossing signs are only erected at the entrances to residential estates from main traffic routes and not generally provided on cul-de-sac roads, as they are shown to be ineffective at reducing speeds.

Slow Zone signs have 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. Around St. Pappins Green, there are Slow Zone Signs installed on St. Pappins Road at the junction with Ballymun Road, on Glasnevin Drive at the junction with Glasnevin Avenue and on St. Canices Road at the junction with Ballygall Road East.

The area engineer will add a service request to provide a cul-de-sac sign on St Pappins Green junction with St Pappins Road as currently there is no such sign to warn drivers. Ref: 7037031.

**Contact:** Joao Brescia – North West Area Engineer.  
**Tel:** 01 222 2523  
**Email:** [joao.brescia@dublincity.ie](mailto:joao.brescia@dublincity.ie)

**Q.34 Councillor Caroline Conroy**

To ask the Manager can a report be issued on the bus number 83 there has been ongoing issues with this bus service

**Reply**

Councillor Conroy has been put in contact with Dublin Bus regarding this issue.

**Contact:** Niall Bolger, Acting Senior Executive ITS Officer  
**Tel:** 2225271  
**Email:** [niall.bolger@dublincity.ie](mailto:niall.bolger@dublincity.ie)

**Q.35 Councillor Caroline Conroy**

To ask the Manager can more monitoring of illegal parking around Dean Swift Road/St Pappins Road near the shops be carried out.

**Reply**

The Parking Enforcement Inspector has visited this location previously and no illegal parking was observed. He will visit again to assess the situation and request appropriate action where required.

**Contact:** Linda McDonald, Acting Parking Enforcement Officer  
**Tel:** 01 222 2238  
**Email :** [linda.mcdonald@dublincity.ie](mailto:linda.mcdonald@dublincity.ie)

**Q.36 Councillor Caroline Conroy**

To ask the Manager can the issue of continuous illegal dumping on the site beside Carton please be tackled with fencing to stop this happening

**Reply**

The Public Domain Team will inspect the location site beside Carton to assess the viability of additional fencing.

**Contact:** Robert Ingram Public Domain Officer  
**Tel:** 012225496  
**Email:** [Robert.ingram@dublincity.ie](mailto:Robert.ingram@dublincity.ie)

**Q.37 Councillor Caroline Conroy**

To ask the Manager can a sign be put at main drains to remind people not to block/sweep rubbish or debris into the drains as it's causing a lot of problems in the area with flooding. See example below



**Reply**

Our Environmental Liaison Officer in the North Central Area Office commenced an initiative in 2023 called 'Shore to Sea'. The project aims to install suitable signage adjacent to surface water gullies along the road side that may highlight to the public that the gully (shore) connects,

or outfalls, to a river or other waterbody directly. The signage would be similar to the 'Drains to Bay' symbol provided. Our Protection of Water Bodies Office is supporting this initiative.

The trial will endeavour to better understand how effective such signage may be as well as the associated cost of installations and ongoing maintenance requirements that includes understanding the durability of any such signage.

Raising awareness that many gullies directly connect to a waterbody is the aim of the Shore to Sea project, specifically aimed at informing the public of that infrastructure pathway and preventing potential polluting matter from being intentionally and/or unintentionally disposed of in surface water gullies, which we are aware happens from time to time.

Furthermore, we are keenly aware of the need to raise awareness amongst the public of the critical role of gullies have in addressing and reducing flood risk. Should the public notice gullies covered by debris or any inappropriate disposal of effluent into a gully, it is important they relay such information or any maintenance requirements to our gully management team in the Environmental Department ([cqsurfacewater@dublincity.ie](mailto:cqsurfacewater@dublincity.ie)).

The Shore to Sea project is nearing implementation stage and our North Central Area Office will be initiating a complimentary social media campaign to promote awareness and understanding.

**Contact:** Roy O'Connor, Senior Engineer, Protection of Water Bodies Office  
Joanne O'Sullivan, Environmental Liaison Officer, North Central Area Office.

**Email:** water [pollution@DublinCity.ie](mailto:pollution@DublinCity.ie) or [cqsurfacewater@dublincity.ie](mailto:cqsurfacewater@dublincity.ie)

**Q.38 Councillor Caroline Conroy**

To ask the Manager can parking space be provided at 12 Termon Court.

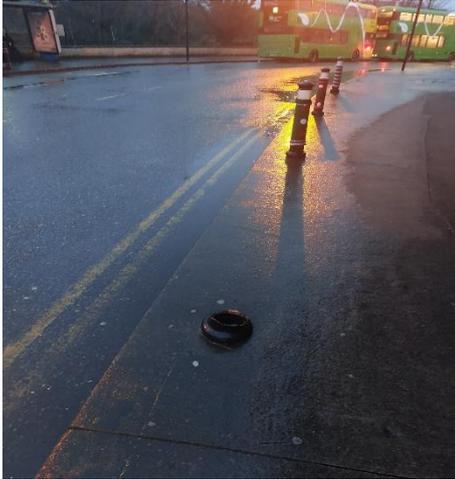
**Reply**

There is a car parking space provided for this tenant at the back of this property. There are also a number of car spaces to the front of this house that are available for all residents to use.

**Contact:** Ursula Donnellan, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance  
**Tel:** 222 2095  
**Email:** ursula.donnellan@dublincity.ie

**Q.39 Councillor Keith Connolly**

To ask the Manager to arrange for the bollard to be replaced at (details supplied)



**Reply**

Works to replace this bollard will be scheduled when a works crew is available in the area.

**Contact:** Madeline McNamara Executive Engineer Road Maintenance Services

**Tel:** 01 222 2722

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

**Q.40 Councillor Keith Connolly**

To ask the Manager if he has had any engagement with (details supplied) following damage to a DCC bin and bollard at (details supplied) in the past month.

**Reply**

Waste Management Services had the above mentioned litter bin replaced. There was no evidence or report of who had knocked this bin down.

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

**Tel:** 01 2224240,

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

Road Maintenance Services will make contact with GoAhead Ireland on this matter if we receive any evidence confirming that one of their buses caused the damage.

**Contact:** Madeline McNamara Executive Engineer Road Maintenance Services

**Tel:** 01 222 2722

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

**Q.41 Councillor Keith Connolly**

To ask the Manager to provide an update on the changing pavilion for (details supplied) following an allocation in DCC's capital budget.

**Reply**

Following a tendering process a contractor has been recently appointed for the development of modular changing room at Barry Avenue. The contractor has commenced detailed design

on layout of the changing rooms and is currently making the necessary utility applications. Once draft drawings are received the intention is to meet with Valley Park United in the coming weeks to discuss.

**Contact:** Stephen Groome, Executive Parks and Landscape Officer, NW Parks District.  
**Tel:** 222 3395  
**Email:** [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)

**Q.42 Councillor Keith Connolly**

To ask the Manager to provide an update on plans to remove the telephone boxes at (details supplied)

**Reply**

Eir were contacted in response to this question and their response is as follows:

*Eir has taken the decision to remove all the remaining payphones from the streets of Ireland. The project is progressing extremely well. All ESB disconnections have been submitted. All Road Opening Licences (ROL) have been submitted to the councils.*

*Once ROLs and ESB Networks terminations are complete, then jobs will be scheduled and the kiosks removed and Dublin will be first priority.*

**Contact:** Deri Flood, SEE, IMU, RMS  
**Tel:** 012222558 & 086 388 3986  
**Email:** [deri.flood@dublincity.ie](mailto:deri.flood@dublincity.ie)

**Q.43 Councillor Keith Connolly**

To ask the Manager to provide an update on the Local Area Office's meetings with the Finglas Luas Team and when they plan to go to planning.

**Reply**

It is proposed that the Luas team will deliver a presentation at the March Area Committee meeting to provide an update on the project

**Contact:** Pat Teehan, Finglas Area Manager  
**Tel:** 01 222 5133  
**Email:** [pat.teehan@dublincity.ie](mailto:pat.teehan@dublincity.ie)

**Q.44 Councillor Keith Connolly**

To ask the Manager to provide an update as to when the lighting will be repaired at (details supplied) Following on from a previous area committee meeting question in October 2023 (question 6)

**Reply**

The bushes located around the column door have impeded us from getting this light repaired. We have asked for assistance from our Parks colleagues and will arrange for the repairs to be carried out as soon as the bushes have been pruned and cut back. This will allow us to get a scaffold in to do the repairs.

**Contact:** Seamus MacSweeney, Senior Engineer, Roads and Traffic  
**Tel:** 086 8343154  
**Email:** [seamus.macsweeney@dublincity.ie](mailto:seamus.macsweeney@dublincity.ie)

**Q.45 Councillor Keith Connolly**

To ask the Manager to provide an update on an all-weather pitch for (details supplied)

**Reply**

There is a budget in the capital programme for delivery of a number of all-weather pitches including one in Finglas. Parks and Landscape Service are presently assessing various site options. Once a preferred location for this pitch is identified then design will commence for Part 8 planning

**Contact:** Stephen Groome, Executive Parks and Landscape Officer, NW Parks District.  
**Tel:** 222 3395  
**Email:** [parks@dublincity.ie](mailto:parks@dublincity.ie)

**Q.46 Councillor Keith Connolly**

To ask the Manager to provide an update on talks between DCC and (details supplied) in relation to (details supplied)

**Reply**

Discussions are still ongoing between the City Valuer's Office and (details supplied) in respect of the grant of a lease of a site north of Balbutcher Lane (Southern part of site No. 31 in Ballymun LAP). Upon agreement of terms with the club a report will be brought to the North West Area Committee for approval.

**Contact:** Bláthnaid Conlon, Senior Staff Officer, Property Disposals.  
**Tel:** 01- 222 3408  
**Email:** [blathnaid.conlon@dublincity.ie](mailto:blathnaid.conlon@dublincity.ie)

**Q.47 Councillor Keith Connolly**

To ask the Manager when will the wall be repaired at (details supplied)

**Reply**

The wall at (details supplied) has been inspected and made safe. Quotations are being sought for the repairs.

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

**Q.48 Councillor Keith Connolly**

To ask the Manager when will the wall be repaired at (details supplied)

**Reply**

The wall at (details supplied) has been inspected by the Parks Department who will arrange for the wall to be repaired.

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

**Item 3** Finglas Area Office Report, Pat Teehan, Area Manager.

**Order: Noted**

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

That the Manager arranges for CCTV along Tolka Valley Road to be utilised to combat the constant dumping along this stretch of road.

**Order: Report to Councillor**

**Item 5. Motion in the name of Councillor Keith Connolly**

That this Area Committee supports a Basketball Court in Johnstown Park

**Order: Report to Councillor**

**Item 6.** With reference to the proposed disposal of the Council's freehold interest in the property known as Site at Seamus Ennis Road, Finglas, Dublin 11.

**Order: Agreed - Report to Council**

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

**Order: Noted**

**Item 8** Disposal of Site 1, Parkview, Parkview Road, Ballymun, Dublin 11 to Ó Cualann Cohousing Alliance CLG.

**Order: Provisional approved depending on report from Planning Department before February's City Council meeting**

**Item 9 Motion in the name of Councillor Anthony Connaghan**

That the Manager assesses the suitability of upcoming Dublin City Council Housing Projects for use by local community groups who are in need of space and a plan be put in place to assist interested groups.

**Order: Report to Councillor**

**Item 10 Motion in the name of Councillor Anthony Connaghan**

That the Manager arranges for an anti-dumping initiative to be undertaken by showing pictures of dumped items, approximate costs of removals and showing what could be provided elsewhere using these funds.

**Order: Report to Councillor**

**Item 11** Public Domain Report, Robert Ingram Public Domain Officer

**Order: Noted**

**Item 12** Traffic Service Request, Status Report

**Order: Noted**

**Item 13** 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.**

**Officials:** Bruce Philips (A/Executive Manager), Jackie O'Reilly (Area Manager Ballymun), Pat Teehan (Finglas Area Manager ) Robert Ingram (Public Domain Officer), Fiona Farrell (Staff Officer) Olive Warnock (Staff Officer), Larry Dooley (Community & Social Development Officer ) Margaret McGrane (Ballymun Housing Manager) Caroline Dillon (Area Community Officer Ballymun) Stephen Groome (Executive Parks and Landscape Officer)  
Will Mangan (A/Senior Executive Engineer) Michelle Robinson (Senior Executive Officer) Julie Mason (Project Manager) Maire Nic Reamoinn (Assistant Engineer) Joao Brescia (Assistant Engineer)

**Councillor Mary Callaghan**  
**Chairperson**

**The meeting concluded at 4.25 pm**