

NORTH WEST AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES

Tuesday 20th February 2024

Item 1 Minutes of the North West Area Committee Meeting held on 16th January 2024.

Order: Agreed

Replies to questions for February 2024

Q.1 Councillor Noeleen Reilly

To ask the Manager for an update on the sensory garden in (details supplied)

Reply

Parks Services have developed an initial outline for the sensory garden. A survey has been drafted which will be shared with local interested schools and park users for feedback in the coming weeks. This will inform the design process. It is anticipated construction will commence Q3 2024.

Contact: Stephen Groome, Executive Parks and Landscape Officer, NW Parks District.

Tel: 222 3395

Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.2 Councillor Noeleen Reilly

To ask the Manager for the cost of repair for the recent damage done to the green in front of the Plaza at the Axis Theatre, Ballymun.

Reply

The quote we received in relation to the cost of the repair to the recent damage at the above location is €3,400 (ex.vat). This does not include that cost to DCC for power washing the public footpaths at the location following the incident as they were deemed unsafe and unusable. The Axis Centre and the Ballymun Civic Centre also incurred costs for window washing and general clean-up of exterior of the buildings as they were destroyed in muck.

Contact: Jackie O'Reilly, Senior Executive Officer

Tel: 0863808187

Email: jackie.oreilly@dublincity.ie

Q.3 Councillor Noeleen Reilly

To ask the Manager to clear the gap between Coultry Avenue and Aldi as there is a lot of illegal dumping.

Reply

Waste Management Services had the above location cleared of dumped rubbish on the 9th February 2024.

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

Tel: 2224240

Email: mick.boyle@dublincity.ie

Q.4 Councillor Noeleen Reilly

To ask the Manager how many people are waiting for windows and doors to be replaced in Ballymun (area D)

Reply

There are 181 houses waiting for windows and/or doors replacement in Ballymun Area.

Contact: Ursula Donnellan, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance

Tel: 222 2095

Email: ursula.donnellan@dublincity.ie

Q.5 Councillor Noeleen Reilly

To ask the Manager to arrange spot checks around the Neighbourhood Centre in Ballymun by the Litter Wardens as there is a huge amount of littering due to the shops and people throwing their rubbish on the ground.

Reply

Waste Management Services will ensure that a Litter Warden includes the above mentioned location as part of his regular patrol.

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

Tel: 2224240

Email: mick.boyle@dublincity.ie

Q.6 Councillor Noeleen Reilly

To ask the Manager for an update on the Affordable Housing Scheme in Ballymun on site 12/14 and when people can expect the lists to open.

Reply

Site 12 & 14 Ballymun are currently in the design consultation phase with estimated delivery of units expected in 2027. As such, we would anticipate the application process to open to applicants in 2026, approximately 6 months from final completion to allow sufficient time for nominees to complete the required legal process, completion of snags, and draw down of funds.

Information on Affordable Purchase Schemes are available on our website where an interactive map can also be found with information on projects and their estimated delivery date:

<https://mapzone.dublincity.ie/MapzoneAffordableSchemes/MapZone.aspx?map=Affordable Schemes>

Contact: Michelle Robinson, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Development

Tel: 01 222 3517

Email: michelle.robinson@dublincity.ie

Q.7 Councillor Noeleen Reilly

To ask the Manager if there are any plans to deal with the level of dumping in Carton Road. There is a large scale of industrial dumping taking place there, this is having a really negative impact on residents

Reply

The Public Domain and Housing Teams continually monitor the location at Carton Road. Over the coming weeks information leaflets will be delivered to resident's highlighting the local recycling centre, and contact numbers to report illegal dumping.

Contact: Public Domain Officer Robert Ingram
Tel: 01222 5496
Email: robert.ingram@dublincity.ie

Q.8 Councillor Briega MacOscar

To ask the Manager to address parking problems on (details supplied) as there is frequently parking too close to the exits from Dean Swift Road leading to visibility issues. Can double yellow lines be considered at the corners as enforcement is not regular

Reply

It is not the policy of Dublin City Council to provide parking restrictions where restrictions are already covered under the law, as this would lead to a proliferation of same.

Under the Road Traffic (Traffic and Parking) Regulations, Article 36, Paragraph (2), "a vehicle shall not be parked.....(c) within 5 meters of a road junction;

It is difficult to enforce penalties on parking on Double Yellow Lines, as loading and unloading is allowed on double yellow lines for up to 30 minutes.

Please note that 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 info@dsps.ie) or to 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

Q.9 Councillor Briega MacOscar

To ask the Manager to install a yellow box on (details supplied)

Reply

A Yellow Box is not recommended on (details supplied)

Yellow Boxes are intended to prevent blocking of major traffic generating junctions. Side road traffic flows should be significant and the side road should serve a minimum of fifty houses or a major traffic generating facility. The blocking of a road traffic junction should occur regularly, on a daily basis. This guideline is in place to avoid a proliferation of yellow boxes in the city, as they have substantial maintenance costs associated with their implementation.

Contact: Joao Brescia – North West Area Engineer.
Tel: 01 222 2523
Email: joao.brescia@dublincity.ie

Q.10 Councillor Briega MacOscar

To ask the Manager to inspect the tree outside (details supplied) as the roots are lifting at the wall of 1A

Reply

An inspection of this tree will be arranged in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised Tree Care Programme for the area.

Contact: Stephen Groome, Executive Parks and Landscape Officer, NW Parks District.
Tel: 222 3395
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.11 Councillor Briege MacOscar

To ask the Manager to arrange for the empty tree pit at (details supplied) to be filled in or replanted as it is a serious trip hazard, particularly in the dark.

Reply

Parks Services have added this request to our local work schedule to fill in the pit with soil until planting of a replacement tree can take place. It may be a number of seasons before the existing root system has decayed enough to allow safe removal and space for planting of a new tree.

Contact: Stephen Groome, Executive Parks and Landscape Officer, NW Parks District.
Tel: 222 3395
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.12 Councillor Briege MacOscar

To ask the Manager to address the problem of water pooling at the recently resurfaced road at (details supplied) as it may require drainage there.

Reply

Road Maintenance Services will request that the Contractor who carried out the works to inspect this location and propose a solution to any ponding water present.

Contact: Madeline McNamara, Executive Engineer - North West Area
Road Maintenance Services
Tel: 01 222 2722
Email: madeline.mcnamara@dublincity.ie

Q.13 Councillor Briege MacOscar

To ask the Manager to provide an update on the pruning of the tree at 185 Hillcrest Park.

Reply

Parks Services carried out crown raising of this tree recently. No other works are recommended at this time.

Contact: Stephen Groome, Executive Parks and Landscape Officer, NW Parks District.
Tel: 222 3395
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.14 Councillor Briege MacOscar

To ask the Manager to inspect the tree at (details supplied) as it is causing cracks in the road and pavement.

Reply

Parks Services have inspected this tree which was found in a healthy condition with no further work required at this time.

Contact: Stephen Groome, Executive Parks and Landscape Officer, NW Parks District.
Tel: 222 3395
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Road Maintenance Services will carry out an inspection of the footpath at 12 Dean Swift Road. 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 - North West Area
Road Maintenance Services
Tel: 01 222 2722
Email: madeline.mcnamara@dublincity.ie

Q.15 Councillor Briege MacOscar

To ask the Manager to inspect the trees near (details supplied) as they are a very odd canopy shape due to the way in which they have been cut to avoid overhead wires and residents are concerned that they are unstable.

Reply

An inspection of this tree will be arranged in the coming weeks as local schedules allow and any works deemed necessary will be listed for inclusion in the prioritised Tree Care Programme for the area.

Contact: Stephen Groome, Executive Parks and Landscape Officer, NW Parks District.
Tel: 222 3395
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.16 Councillor Briege MacOscar

To ask the Manager to inspect the new lights on (details supplied) to see if a guard could be fitted as the lights which are very close to the houses are very bright.

Reply

A blocking louvre will be installed on the side of the street light at H12 Wadelai Green at the end of the cul de sac in the coming weeks.

Contact: Seamus MacSweeney, Senior Engineer, Roads & Traffic - Public Lighting and Electrical Services
Tel: 086 8343154
Email: seamus.macsweeney@dublincity.ie

Q.17 Councillor Briege MacOscar

To ask the Manager to review the public lighting on (details supplied) as it is quite a dark stretch of pavement.

Reply

The first three street lights from houses (details supplied) will be upgraded to LED street lights over the next few months.

Contact: Seamus MacSweeney, Senior Engineer, Roads & Traffic - Public Lighting and Electrical Services
Tel: 086 8343154
Email: seamus.macsweeney@dublincity.ie

Q.18 Councillor Briege MacOscar

To ask the Manager to review the traffic situation on (details supplied) particularly at school time as there is a lot of double parking and fast traffic which poses significant risks for pedestrians.

Reply

The Area Engineer has carried out a site visit at this location last year, and it was noted that measures were installed near the entrances to the school (school road marking, Single and Double Yellow Lines, 'Slow' road markings, 'Children Crossing' signs and speed ramps).

Illegal parking is a matter of enforcement and Dublin Street Parking Services was requested to do periodical visits during school times and to enforce penalties on illegal parking (double parking, parking on the footpath etc.).

Additionally, (details supplied) was added to the list of Future Works Programme for the construction of buildouts, in order to provide a safer crossing for pedestrians.

Contact: Joao Brescia – North West Area Engineer.
Tel: 01 222 2523
Email: joao.brescia@dublincity.ie

Q.19 Councillor Keith Connolly

To ask the Manager to arrange for a review of the junction at (details supplied)



Reply

A Service Request was raised, and will be assessed by the Area Engineer in due course. (Ref: 7037497)

Contact: Joao Brescia – North West Area Engineer.
Tel: 01 222 2523
Email: joao.brescia@dublincity.ie

Q.20 Councillor Keith Connolly

To ask the Manager to examine options to stop cars parking on the grass verges at (details supplied)



Reply

In accordance with S.I. No. 182/1997 - Road Traffic (Traffic and Parking) Regulations, 1997, Article 36, Prohibitions on Parking (2) a vehicle shall not be parked –

(c) within 5 metres of a road junction.

(i) on a footway, a grass margin or a median strip.

Please note that instances of illegal parking should be reported to Dublin Street Parking Services, the City Council's parking enforcement Contractor (Ph: 01-602 2500 or e-mail info@dspis.ie) or to the local An Garda Síochána, for enforcement under the Road Traffic Regulations.

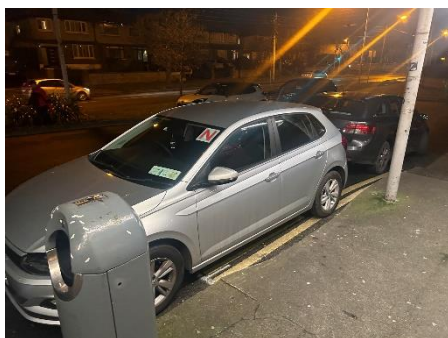
Contact: Joao Brescia – North West Area Engineer.

Tel: 01 222 2523

Email: joao.brescia@dublincity.ie

Q.21 Councillor Keith Connolly

To ask the Manager if bollards could be installed at (details supplied) to stop car parking at a ramp.



Reply

The Area Engineer does not recommend bollards to prevent illegal parking, as measures are already in place. It is not the policy of Dublin City Council to provide parking restrictions where restrictions are already provided for under the law. Installing bollards on the public footpath would block the way for pedestrians. Generally bollards are only provided in pedestrian and other areas where there is little or no vertical separation between carriageway and footpath.

Contact: Joao Brescia – North West Area Engineer.

Tel: 01 222 2523

Email: joao.brescia@dublincity.ie

Q.22 Councillor Keith Connolly

To ask the Manager to arrange for the inspection of the trees in (details supplied)



Reply

Tree stumps cannot be safely removed until they have degraded sufficiently to minimise the risk of damage to surrounding pavement, underground services or other infrastructure. This can take a number of seasons. Once the stumps has been removed replanting can take place in the following tree planting season. Stumps are left at a height that can be easily seen by pedestrians and drivers.

The tree outside (details supplied) will be inspected to determine if there is any necessary work required.

Contact: Stephen Groome, Executive Parks and Landscape Officer, NW Parks District.

Tel: 222 3395

Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.23 Councillor Keith Connolly

To ask the Manager to arrange for an inspection of the carriageway at (details supplied) as they all have potholes, this is a very busy road.

Reply

Arrangements will be made to carry out repairs to these potholes.

Contact: Madeline McNamara, Executive Engineer - North West Area Road Maintenance Services

Tel: 01 222 2722

Email: madeline.mcnamara@dublincity.ie

Q.24 Councillor Keith Connolly

To ask the Manager to arrange for a review of the traffic calming and speeding signage at (details supplied)

Reply

(details supplied) is part of a Bus Connects project that will support integrated sustainable transport usage through infrastructure improvements for active travel (walking and cycling), and the provision of enhanced bus priority measures for existing and all future services that will use the corridor.

(details supplied) is also part of an Active Travel Network.

Contact: Joao Brescia – North West Area Engineer.

Tel: 01 222 2523
Email: joao.brescia@dublincity.ie

Q.25 Councillor Keith Connolly

To ask the Manager if Dublin City Council is considering building an all weather pitch at (details supplied).

Reply

Parks Services have no plans to install an all-weather pitch at (details supplied)

Contact: Stephen Groome, Executive Parks and Landscape Officer, NW Parks District.

Tel: 222 3395

Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.26 Councillor Keith Connolly

To ask the Manager to provide an update on the implementation of the F Spine and E Spine of the bus connects programme.

Reply

The NTA currently expect to introduce new routes E1, E2, N2 and 19 in Q2 of this year. Routes 4, 11, 13, 145 and 155 would be replaced by the new services.

During Q2 of 2025 we would introduce new routes F1, F2, F3, L89 23 and 24. Routes 9, 40, 40b, 83, 83a and 140 would be replaced.

All dates are subject to detailed review of operational readiness prior to introduction and to the overall level of funding available.

Contact: Niall Bolger, Acting Senior Executive ITS Officer, Transportation

Tel: 01 222 5271

Email: niall.bolger@dublincity.ie

Q.27 Councillor Keith Connolly

To ask the Manager to provide an update on the proposed Neighbourhood Scheme for (details supplied)

Reply

There are currently three areas included on the list of areas to be considered for a Neighbourhood Scheme. These are (details supplied) The neighbourhood engineer will liaise with the North West Area Office and Councillors to select which area Councillors would like to be prioritised and receive a Neighbourhood Transport Scheme first.

Contact: Andrew Geoghegan Neighbourhood Transport Engineer (North City)

Tel: 012226347

Email: andrew.geoghegan@dublincity.ie

Q.28 Councillor Keith Connolly

To ask the Manager to make arrangements to have the grass verge outside (details supplied) repaired or made look more presentable



Reply

Road Maintenance Services will schedule repair works to be carried out here when a crew is available in the area.

Contact: Madeline McNamara, Executive Engineer - North West Area
Road Maintenance Services
Tel: 01 222 2722
Email: madeline.mcnamara@dublincity.ie

Q.29 Councillor Keith Connolly

To ask the Manager to arrange for an inspection of the footpath on (details supplied) with a view to being added to the Works Programme.

Reply

(details supplied) is included in our NWA 2024 Footpath Reconstruction Programme.

Contact: Madeline McNamara, Executive Engineer - North West Area
Road Maintenance Services
Tel: 01 222 2722
Email: madeline.mcnamara@dublincity.ie

Q.30 Councillor Mary Callaghan

To ask the Manager for an update on the water leak at [details supplied] which has been ongoing for years and reported numerous times. In the current cold weather, it causes a serious hazard to pedestrians including school children, as the water ices over and is very slippery.

Reply

In response to the question in November 2023, EU Networks carried an inspection of the chamber and the ducting upstream of it on 12th December 2023. The results of this inspection are as follows:

‘No water present in the chamber uphill from this one so looks like water is getting into the ducts between these two chambers somehow. It’s like car wash or washing machine water soapy water.



Spoke to Nigel the civil crew who built the chamber and he said nothing was coming down the ducts when he built the chamber after the track was laid. We investigated this again, looks like washing machine water.... It's not coming down the ducts but between the outside of the duct and the concrete.'

Therefore, EU Networks do not appear to be responsible for the ingress of water into their chamber, the soapy water must be entering the chamber along the outside from private property.

This matter has been referred to DCC Drainage for further investigation.

Contact: Deri Flood, SEE, IMU, RMS

Tel: 086 388 3986/222 2558

Email: deri.flood@dublincity.ie

Q.31 Councillor Mary Callaghan

To ask the Manager if he will set out, as a matter of urgency, the steps the Council will take to address illegal dumping and the overgrowth of weeds on kerbs on Glasanaon Road and surrounding areas, Dublin 11 (details supplied).

Reply

The Litter Enforcement Manager will get the litter wardens to include the above mentioned area as part of their regular patrol.

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

Tel: 01 2224240,

Email mick.boyle@dublincity.ie

Parks Services have highlighted this location with our local contracted landscape maintenance supervisor, for priority servicing and strimming of overgrowth on open space.

Contact: Stephen Groome, Executive Parks and Landscape Officer, NW Parks District.

Tel: 222 3395

Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.32 Councillor Caroline Conroy

To ask the Manager why is there two utility boxes on Ballygall Road East across from Johnstown Park, was there planning permission received for these.

Reply

Signal Infrastructure LTD were granted a licence under Section 254 of The Planning Development Act 2000 in October 2022, to place aboveground telecommunications equipment at the above location. The licenced equipment consists of a telecommunications cabinet and associated 18m high signal pole.

Contact: Deri Flood, SEE, IMU, RMS
Tel: 222 2558/ 086 388 3986
Email: deri.flood@dublincity.ie

Q.33 Councillor Caroline Conroy

To ask the Manager can the following paths be repaired/replaced, they are causing trip hazards to the residents in the area.

Reply

Road Maintenance Services will carry out inspections of the footpath at these locations. Any defects identified during the inspections will be scheduled for repair when a works crew is available in the area.

Contact: Madeline McNamara, Executive Engineer - North West Area
Road Maintenance Services
Tel: 01 222 2722
Email: madeline.mcnamara@dublincity.ie

Q.34 Councillor Caroline Conroy

To ask the Manager can a street sweep of Wadelai Estate, Pinewood and Willow Park Estates take place with notice given in advance so cars parked on the streets can be moved.

Reply

The next area based cleaning of the above mentioned estates will take place during the week 8th to 12th April 2024. Unfortunately we are not in a position to commit to a specific day or time within that schedule.

Contact: Mick Boyle, Senior Staff Officer, Waste Management Services,
Tel: 01 2224240,
Email: mick.boyle@dublincity.ie

Q.35 Councillor Caroline Conroy

To ask the Manager are there plans for an upgrade of street lights in the Willow Park and Pinewood areas. If so, do you have a time scale when this is due to take place.

Reply

The street lights in Willow Park Estate and Pinewood are due to be upgraded to LED street lights under the Lighting Upgrade Project. It is expected that this upgrade work will be completed within the next 6 months.

Contact: Seamus MacSweeney, Senior Engineer, Roads & Traffic - Public
Lighting and Electrical Services
Tel: 086 8343154
Email: seamus.macsweeney@dublincity.ie

Q.36 Councillor Caroline Conroy

To ask the Manager can the graffiti be removed from the boxes outside St Kevin's School on Ballygall Road East.

Reply

The Public Domain Team will inspect the location at St Kevin's School on Ballygall Road East and will refer the locations to get the graffiti removal organised.

Contact: Public Domain Officer Robert Ingram
Tel: 012225496
Email: robert.ingram@dublincity.ie

Q.37 Councillor Caroline Conroy

To ask the Manager can the sewage smell outside 91 Pinewood Crescent be investigated.

Reply

Since 2014 the foul and combined sewers are now in the charge of Uisce Eireann. DCC is only responsible for the surface water drainage network since that date.

On 13th September 2023 Uisce Eireann (previously known as Irish Water) took over the direct control of all foul and combined sewage matters in accordance with the Government's '*Framework for Future Delivery of Water Services*'.

DCC Drainage crews still working in the SLA now operate under the control and direction of Uisce Eireann Engineers and management.

Accordingly, questions/requests relating to foul sewerage should now be made directly to Uisce Eireann. Questions/requests relating to surface water drainage and sewerage only should continue to be made to DCC.

Uisce Eireann provides a dedicated service for Local and Elected Representatives nationwide to ensure efficient and effective triage and resolution to any queries that they may have. Uisce Eireann's Local Representative Support Desk (LRSD) is open Monday to Friday (excluding Bank Holidays), between the hours of 09:00 to 17:30. The LRSD can be contacted either by telephone (0818 178 178) or by email at localrepsupport@water.ie. Uisce Eireann's LRSD team receive prioritised support from across the Uisce Eireann business and have direct relationships with the Regional Engineers so that information from the ground can be gathered and fed back where necessary.

Uisce Eireann Contact details for Oireachtas Members

- Dedicated Direct Line 0818 578 578
- Email: oireachtasmembers@water.ie
- Lines are open from 9am-5.30pm, Mon-Fri

Uisce Eireann Contact details for Councillors

- Dedicated Direct Line for Councillors 0818 178 178
- Email: localrepsupport@water.ie
- Lines are open from 9am-5.30pm, Mon-Fri

However, DCC are aware of works by UE on the foul sewer network at Pinewood Avenue in recent weeks. This is the likely cause of local odours which have since dissipated.

Contact: Jack Mills, Executive Engineer, Drainage
Tel: 222-2842
Email: jack.mills@dublincity.ie

Q.38 Councillor Caroline Conroy

To ask the Manager can the paths around Hillcrest Park Green be repaired/replaced these paths are used for the older residents for their daily exercise.

Reply

Hillcrest Park is included in our NWA 2024 Footpath Reconstruction Programme.

Contact: Madeline McNamara, Executive Engineer - North West Area
Road Maintenance Services

Tel: 01 222 2722

Email: madeline.mcnamara@dublincity.ie

Q.39 Councillor Caroline Conroy

To ask the Manager when the grass cutting season starts can the grass verge on the corner of (details supplied) please be cut, it is too large for the resident to cut.

Reply

An inspection of this verge will be carried out in the coming weeks.

Contact: Stephen Groome, Executive Parks and Landscape Officer, NW Parks District.

Tel: 222 3395

Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.40 Councillor Caroline Conroy

To ask the Manager can dishing be put in front of (details supplied) as her son is in a wheelchair.

Reply

Further details are required to examine this request. Is the footpath dishing required as a crossing point or to access a vehicle.

Please email madeline.mcnamara@dublincity.ie with this information so a safety assessment can be made in relation to this request.

Contact: Madeline McNamara, Executive Engineer - North West Area
Road Maintenance Services

Tel: 01 222 2722

Email: madeline.mcnamara@dublincity.ie

Q.41 Councillor Caroline Conroy

To ask the Manager can the street lights on Balbutcher Lane be assessed as they appear to be very dim.

Councillor Conroy withdrew the question.

Q.42 Councillor Caroline Conroy

To ask the Manager can a mechanical digger be used on a small section of St. Pappins Green to assist the residents group to plant bulbs.

Reply

This location will be added to our list for consideration ahead of our Autumn Bulb Planting Programme 2024.

Contact: Stephen Groome, Executive Parks and Landscape Officer, NW Parks District.
Tel: 222 3395
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.43 Councillor Anthony Connaghan

To ask the Manager to come up with a way to protect grass verges, margins from cars parking on them and destroying the grass.

Reply

It is illegal to park on grass verges and margins. Therefore this is a matter of enforcement.

In accordance with the Road Traffic (Traffic & Parking) Regulations 1997, Article 36, Paragraph "(2) A vehicle shall not be parked:

(i) on a footway, a grass margin or a median strip.

Please note that instances of illegal parking should be reported to Dublin Street Parking Services, the City Council's parking enforcement Contractor (01-602 2500 or Email info@dsps.ie) or to the local An Garda Síochána for enforcement.

Contact: Joao Brescia – North West Area Engineer.
Tel: 01 222 2523
Email: joao.brescia@dublincity.ie

Q.44 Councillor Anthony Connaghan

To ask the Manager to investigate the possibility of installing a layby for parking along the green at (details supplied) as there is increased parking demands in the estate when using the neighbouring facilities (crèche, pigeon club, Johnstown Park) and blocking the road.

Reply

Dublin City Council promotes greening and active travel; it is not therefore Dublin City Council's policy to provide parking bays on green areas.

Contact: Joao Brescia – North West Area Engineer.
Tel: 01 222 2523
Email: joao.brescia@dublincity.ie

Parks Department have no plans to provide parking at this location.

Contact: Stephen Groome, Executive Parks and Landscape Officer, NW Parks District.
Tel: 222 3395
Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.45 Councillor Anthony Connaghan

To ask the Manager to investigate the traffic situation along Glasanaon Road adjacent to Johnstown Park where cars are regularly parking along the footpath and causing an obstruction for public transport and emergency vehicles.

Reply

In accordance with S.I. No. 182/1997 - Road Traffic (Traffic and Parking) Regulations, 1997, Article 36 Prohibitions on Parking (2) a vehicle shall not be parked –

(i) on a footway, a grass margin or a median strip;

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

Please note that instances of illegal parking should be reported to Dublin Street Parking Services, the City Council's parking enforcement Contractor (01-602 2500 or e-mail info@dps.ie) or to the local Garda Síochána, for enforcement under the Road Traffic Regulations.

However, this request will be referred to the Area Engineer to investigate possible intervention in the area due to health and safety issues. The councillor will be contacted once a decision is made. Ref: 7037669

Contact: Joao Brescia – North West Area Engineer.

Tel: 01 222 2523

Email: joao.brescia@dublincity.ie

Q.46 Councillor Anthony Connaghan

To ask the Manager to arrange for disability parking space for the resident in (details supplied) to allow for 24 hour access.

Reply

The location is not in charge of Dublin City Council. The Traffic Advisory Group cannot consider requests or make recommendations in relation to areas that are not part of the public road.

Contact: Joao Brescia – North West Area Engineer.

Tel: 01 222 2523

Email: joao.brescia@dublincity.ie

Q.47 Councillor Anthony Connaghan

To ask the Manager to provide an update for the promised works adjacent to Scribblestown Estate, footpath and railing along Ratoath Road and Pedestrian Crossing.

Reply

Road Maintenance Services has no planned works at this location.

DCC Traffic Division has advised that a pedestrian crossing has been recommended by TAG at the junction of Ratoath Road and Tolka Valley Road. However the NTA allocations for pedestrian crossing were only confirmed last Wednesday the 7th of February 2024 and no decision has been made yet as to which junctions will be prioritised with the funding available in 2024.

Contact: Madeline McNamara, Executive Engineer - North West Area
Road Maintenance Services

Tel: 01 222 2722

Email: madeline.mcnamara@dublincity.ie

Q.48 Councillor Anthony Connaghan

To ask the Manager to arrange for the potholes along the North Road N2 between Circle K garage and Lidl roundabout to be repaired.

Reply

Arrangements will be made to carry out repairs to these potholes.

Contact: Madeline McNamara, Executive Engineer - North West Area
Road Maintenance Services

Tel: 01 222 2722

Email: madeline.mcnamara@dublincity.ie

Q.49 Councillor Anthony Connaghan

To ask the Manager to consider a reprinting of the popular History On Your Doorstep series.

Reply

Volumes 1-4 of History on Your Doorstep were reprinted in 2022. Volume 5 was published in 2022, and volume 6 in October 2023.

Officials will review the availability of the volumes with a view to reprinting them if necessary.

Contact: Brendan Teeling, Deputy City Librarian

Tel: 01 2228400

Email: brendan.teeling@dublincity.ie

Q.50 Councillor Anthony Connaghan

To ask the Manager for a progress report on the proposed all weather facility for Tolka Valley Park or an alternate site.

Reply

Parks Services are currently assessing various site options in the context of ongoing and proposed development in the area. Once a preferred location for this pitch is identified then a design will commence for the Part 8 planning process.

Contact: Stephen Groome, Executive Parks and Landscape Officer, NW Parks District.

Tel: 222 3395

Email: parks@dublincity.ie

Q.51 Councillor Anthony Connaghan

To ask the Manager for an update on the proposed resurfacing of Ratoath Road between Ratoath Avenue and Westwood Road.

Reply

Ratoath Road is not part of our 2024 NWA Carriageway Resurfacing Programme. It will be inspected and put forward for consideration for inclusion in future programmes.

Contact: Madeline McNamara, Executive Engineer - North West Area
Road Maintenance Services

Tel: 01 222 2722

Email: madeline.mcnamara@dublincity.ie

Item 3 Draft North West Area Works Programme Report 2024

Order: Noted

Item 4 Draft North West Area Discretionary Report 2024

Order: Agreed

Item 5 Finglas Area Office Report Pat Teehan Area Manager

Order: Noted

Item 6 Proposed Extinguishment of the Public Right of Way between numbers 233-235 Glasnevin Avenue and numbers 10-11 Beneavin Park, Dublin 11.

Order: Report to Council

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

Order: Noted

Item 8 Report on Sillogue Neighbourhood Centre Funding

Order: Noted

Item 9 Report on Axis Funding to North West Area Committee

Order: Noted

Item10 With reference to the proposed grant of a Short Term Business Letting Agreement in Unit 1A Shangan Neighbourhood Centre, Ballymun, Dublin 11.

Order: Report to Council

Item11 Public Domain Report Robert Ingram Public Domain Officer

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.

Officials: Bruce Philips (A/Executive Manager), Jackie O'Reilly (Area Manager Ballymun), Pat Teehan (Finglas Area Manager) Derek Healy (Finglas Housing Manager) Robert Ingram (Public Domain Officer), Fiona Farrell (Staff Officer) Larry Dooley (Community & Social Development Officer) Stephen Groome (Executive Parks and Landscape Officer) Maire Nic Reamoinn (Assistant Engineer) Joao Brescia (Assistant Engineer)

Councillor Mary Callaghan
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