

CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday 12th February, 2008 at 2.30 p.m.

AGENDA

- 3529 Minutes of the Central Area Committee meeting held on 8th January, 2008
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- 3530 Questions to the Area Manager
(attached) pages 91-94
- 3531 With reference to Register of Electors
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- 3532 With reference to the Dublin Region Watermain Rehabilitation Project

Planning and Development Matters

- 3533 With reference to 7-10 Gardiner Street Upper
- 3534 With reference to the Phibsboro Area Plan.
- 3535 With reference to the proposed grant of a 20-year lease of the premises at 19 Manor Street, Dublin 7 to N.W.I.C.D. P. Ltd. t/a An Síol.
(report and map attached) pages 32-34
- 3536 With reference to the proposed grant of a 3-year licence of the premises at Hill Street Playground, Hill Street, Dublin 1 to Hill Street Family Resource Centre
(report attached and map enclosed) pages 35-36
- 3537 With reference to a proposed exchange of lands at Sean McDermott Street and Rutland Street, Dublin 1 with St. Laurence O'Toole Diocesan Trust.
(report attached and map enclosed) page 37
- 3538 With reference to Proposed Variation of Dublin City Development Plan 2005-2011 - New Marlborough Street Bridge.
(report attached and map enclosed) pages 38-39
- 3539 With reference to the Proposed Variation of Dublin City Development Plan 2005-2011 - River Road Improvement Scheme, Pelletstown.
(report attached and map enclosed) pages 40-41

Community, Recreation and Amenity Department Matters

- 3540 With reference to Public Library Events for February, 2008 in the Central Area and Citywide
(report enclosed)

Housing, Social and Residential Services Matters

- 3541 With reference to progress report on Social & Affordable Housing in the Central Area
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- 3542 With reference to a Special Letting
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Roads & Traffic Department Matters

- 3543** With reference to the minutes of the Traffic Advisory Group held on 17th January, 2007.
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- 3544** With reference to a report on Collision Investigation Study on North Circular Road, Cabra Road, Old Cabra Road – Traffic Signals update
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- 3545** With reference to report on Grangegorman – Rathdown Traffic Management
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- 3546** With reference to a proposal to initiate the procedure for the Extinguishment of the Public Right of Way over a section of Chapel Lane, Dublin 1
(report and map attached) pages 67-68
- 3547** With reference to the proposed Extinguishment of the Public Right of Way over a section of Frederick Lane North, Dublin 1 to the rear of the Hugh Lane Gallery
(report and map attached) pages 69-70
- 3548** With reference to the Proposed Extinguishment of the Public Right of Way over laneway to the side of 47 Fairfield Avenue, East Wall, Dublin 3
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- 3549** Naming and Numbering Proposal for laneway to the rear of 10 - 13 Synnott Place, Dublin 7
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- 3550** Naming and Numbering Proposal for Mixed Use Development at No.s 19-21 Spring Garden Street & No. 2 Annesley Place, Dublin 3.
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- 3551** Updates on the following:
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North West Area (including HARP) **pages 83-84**
Housing Issues-North East Inner City **pages 85-88**
Housing Issues- North West Inner City **pages 89-90**

Motions

3552 **Motion in the name of Councillor Naoise O’Muirí**

That the Manager report back to me on any assessments being undertaken regarding the woeful congestion situation on O’Connell Street southbound at morning peak-times. Can the Manager:

- Elicit the QBN office’s views on the impact on buses at peak times
- Set out who was responsible for designating the traffic scheme
- Set out a timeframe for any action planned in this regard

3553 Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke

That this Area Committee agrees that any housing applicants on the list for more than ten years waiting on an offer, and have high points, be given a decent offer of accommodation.

3554 Motion in the name of Councillor Seamas McGrattan

This are committee agrees that all Dublin City Council leisure centres should have an adequate number of defibrillators on site and staff should be trained to use them in case of an emergency and that if funding is not available, that the manager makes provisions to provide finance for this life-saving equipment.

3555 Motion in the name of Councillor Mary O'Shea

That the Area Manager provide a report on the history of and any current plans for the laneway at the rear of Kinvara Park, Dublin 7.

3556 Motion in the name of Councillor Mary O'Shea

That the Area Manager provides a report on the number of planning enforcement prosecutions brought in the Central Area in respect of the unauthorised erection of satellite dishes on premises in the area.

3557 Motion in the name of Councillor Mary O'Shea

That this Committee calls on Dublin City Council to investigate the feasibility of providing plastic waste bins and plastic gloves for the use of the public to aid the collection of dog waste at certain designated areas in the city where there is a high instance of dog waste fouling pavements and roadways.

3558 Motion in the name of Councillor Seamas McGrattan

This Area Committee calls on The Manager to look at the major redevelopment in parts of Limerick City to see if any lessons can be learned with regard to the allocation of housing and in particular with tenants moving into a new area.

3559 Motion in the name of Councillor Seamas McGrattan

This Area Committee asks the manager to contact CIE to look at the possibility of moving the bus stop on Carnlough Road (junction with Broombridge Road) as the resident beside this stop is constantly removing rubbish from his garden and having to repaint his wall because of damaged caused by people waiting on the bus.

3560 Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello

That the Manager report on the increased incidents of bin labels being stolen from bags and if he has any proposals to prevent it and if collectors are asked to check the address provided on the bin labels when collecting the bags.

3561 Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello

That the Manager report on when the bye-laws will be presented to City Council on Residents Only parking for Croke Park.

3562 Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello

That the manager report on the number of RAS properties in the Central area, and on the current demand/supply levels for RAS properties in the area.

3563 Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the City Manager if he will establish regulations prohibiting leaflet drops by businesses and stickers and bags seeking donations by charities from being delivered to households during the nighttime as they cause fear and annoyance to residents.

3564 Motion in the name of Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

The Central Area Committee is disappointed with certain aspects of the level of service provided by CIE to the Ashtown, Cabra and Drumcondra area. The Central Area Committee requests CIE to meet with the Committee to address the following issues;

- Automation of level crossings on Maynooth Line
- Increased capacity on Maynooth Line
- Regeneration of Broombridge Station
- CIE support for Phibsborough draft local area plan and the specific proposal for a new train station as part of that plan

Use of Broadstone for extension of Luas service to Liffey Junction

3565 Motion in the name of Councillor Mary O'Shea

That the Manager have an audit carried out to ascertain the number of youth recreational facilities available in the Cabra, Glasnevin area.

3566 Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty

That a report be made indicating if all remaining necessary details for the PIP at Avondale House and Alfie Byrne House have been given to the Dept. of the Environment and when a final decision is expected on D Block Liberty House.

3567 Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty

That a report be made indicating the up to date position on the proposed development at the old football pitch at the rear of the North Strand Health Centre.

3568 Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty

That the Manager report on any remaining temporary works being carried out for the remaining residents of Lourdes House, Dublin 1.

3569 Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty

That the Manager arrange that a thorough investigation be carried out into the repeated subsidence of the cobble lock pavement outside the front railings of 43 Sean O'Casey Avenue, Dublin 1 which appears to be caused by a ruptured pipe underground which is also causing subsidence of the brickwork in the front garden itself and if measures will be taken to rectify this matter.

3570 Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty

That the Area Manager reports on the timescale for the facilities being provided for football clubs using Fairview Park, Dublin 3 and to give full details of same.

3571 Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello

That registration forms for the register of electors are provided to all new and transferring tenants of Dublin City Council on signing for their new home.

3572 Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr

That the Manager report on plans to roll out the introduction of the brown bin in the Central Area.

3573 Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr

That the Manager take action to deal with the increasing incidents of “skips in a bag” being left on the road for days and to clarify if these are covered by the current bye laws or if new bye-laws will be required.

3574 Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr

That the Manager state progress on establishing the Tolka River Amenity Area and in securing and tidying up the River Road at the city’s boundary.

3575 Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr

That the Manager to ensure that road signs are positioned in the right place and the direction cannot be altered by vandals / mischief makers.

3576 Motion in the name of Councillor Aodhán Ó Riordáin

That the Manager ensure that there is no illegal or unregulated bus service operating from Sean McDermott Street.

3577 Motion in the name of Councillor Aodhán Ó Riordáin

That the Manager conduct an audit/review of the work carried out by each of the three IAPs in the North Inner City so as to determine what remains to be done.

3578 Motion in the name of Councillor Aodhán Ó Riordáin

That the Manager ensure that the loose stones and gravel are removed from the roadway at Ashford Street.

3579 Motion in the name of Councillor Aodhán Ó Riordáin

To ask the Manager to ensure that the bushes at the rear of 14-17 Champions Avenue are cut back.

3580 Motion in the name of Councillor Aodhán Ó Riordáin

That the Manager ensure that the road is resurfaced on Summer Street in 2008.

Next Meeting Tuesday 11th March, 2008

CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF MOTIONS AND QUESTIONS

12 noon Thursday 28th February, 2008

CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday 8th January, 2008 at 2.30 p.m.

MINUTES

**Standing Orders were suspended in order that
The Members of the Central Area Committee could welcome Councillor Seamas McGrattan to his first meeting.**

3500 Minutes of the Central Area Committee meeting held on 11th December, 2007
ORDER: Agreed.

3501 Questions to the Area Manager
ORDER: Noted.

Planning and Development Matters

3502 With reference to 7-10 Gardiner Street Upper
ORDER: Report noted.

3503 With reference to the proposed disposal of the fee simple in a premises at No. 3 Ellis Quay, Dublin 1 to Noel Fanning and Dorothy Matthews c/o Brendan Walsh and Partners Solicitors, 34 Upper Baggot Street, Dublin 4.
ORDER: Agreed. Recommend to City Council.

3504 With reference to the proposed addition to Record of Protected Structures 11 Waterloo Avenue, North Strand, Dublin 3.
ORDER: Agreed. Recommend to City Council.

3505 With reference to the Derelict Sites Quarterly Report
ORDER: Report Noted

3506 Planning Application

Application No: 6469/07
Applicant: John Spain Associates
Location: Site at corner of North Wall Quay/Guild Street, Spencer Dock, Dublin 1

Proposal: The development of the Hotel element of the National Conference Centre on a site of 1,756sqm (0.1756 hectares). The proposed development will consist of the construction of a 35 storey building with a maximum parapet height of 152.4 metres and a gross floor area of 59, 220sqm. The proposed development will include the following elements: (i) The ground floor will provide for a cafe/bar, entrance foyer and ancillary uses and will link internally with the National Conference Centre; (ii) The first and second floors will accommodate kitchens, meeting rooms, function rooms and back of house uses. The hotel lobby and a bar and restaurant will be located at third floor level with back of house offices at fourth floor mezzanine level. The hotel will link internally with the National Conference Centre at second floor (meeting room) level and third floor (reception) level; (iii) Floors five to fourteen inclusive will accommodate 178no. hotel bedrooms while the fifteenth floor will accommodate 14 hotel suites; (iv) A 1,737sqm fitness/spa including swimming pool, cafe/meeting area and wintergarden deck area will be located at sixteenth floor level with 740 sqm of hotel storage and mechanical area at mezzanine level; (v) Floors seventeen to thirty two inclusive will accommodate 249 no. hotel suites while floors thirty three and thirty four will accommodate 6 no. standard hotel suites, 10 no. duplex hotel suites and a 450sqm mechanical area; (vi) The thirty fifth floor will accommodate services dedicated to the suites below including a function room, bar/lounge, fitness centre, meeting rooms and a wintergarden terrace; (vii) All site development works, landscaping and all other ancillary works. The facade treatment to typical hotel suites at fifteenth to thirty fourth floor level will

consist of double skin facade to form approximately 1.2 metre deep wintergarden zones as sheltered balconies. An Environmental Impact Statement has been submitted with this Planning Application.

Registered Date: 10th December, 2007

ORDER: Presentation noted. The member's queries/comments can be summarised as follows:

- A) No problem with height if it was in the right area – further towards the bay. In this area it is too high.**
- B) Concern for the residents in the area in one and two storey dwellings and the disruption with such a large build**

Community, Recreation and Amenity Department Matters

3507 With reference to Public Library Events for January, 2008 in the Central Area and Citywide

ORDER: Report noted.

Roads & Traffic Department Matters

3508 With reference to the minutes of the Traffic Advisory Group held on 13th December, 2007.

ORDER: Report noted.

3509 With reference to a report on Grangegorman Environmental Traffic Cell

ORDER: Public consultation is to be held locally on roads affected by the proposals. Design to be prepared for the junction of Rathdown Road and Grangegorman Road. A scheme for a one-way system to be prepared for Rathdown Road and Grangegorman Road for local public consultation.

3510 With reference to Central Area Traffic Management Capital Works Programme 2008

ORDER: Report noted

3511 With reference to the proposed introduction of a pay and display and residents' parking scheme on Home Farm Road, Drumcondra, Dublin 9.

ORDER: Report noted

3511(a) With reference to report on River Road

ORDER: Report noted

3511(b) The following items were raised under this heading

- (a) A resurvey to be carried out of permit parking scheme on Castle Terrace with Grove Mews included.**
- (b) Traffic congestion near Aughrim Street church, a request for a pedestrian crossing near St. Josephs Church and possible removal of buses on Aughrim Street to be referred to the QBN Project Office.**
- (c) Lack of distinction between road and footway on Avondale Avenue to be referred to Road Maintenance.**

Central Area Matters

3512 With reference to the 2008 Works Programme.

ORDER: Report noted. update of the works programme in May/June 08 to see what works have been done.

3513 With reference to Community Gain Major Grants approved by the O'Connell Street and HARP Integrated Area Plan Monitoring Committees.
ORDER: Report noted

3514 Updates on the following:
Environmental Services Unit
NEIC IAP **pages 80-81**
Housing Issues-North East Inner City
North West Area (including HARP)
Housing Issues- North West Inner City
ORDER: Reports noted

Motions

3515 **Motion in the name of Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick**

This Area Committee calls on Dublin City Council to provide a comprehensive response to the issues raised in the Iona Districts Residents Association below.

1. Provide a properly managed and monitored Street Sweeping service in the area including a system for clearing one side of the road for 1 morning every second week or even once per month. Every road in IDRA (especially where no off street parking exists) to be swept by hand once a week
2. Arrange for more frequent leaf collection in IDRA. Leaves should be collected at least twice a month during Autumn & Winter. Additional resources are required for leaf sweeping in late Autumn. Need a clean sweep street by street with all work finished by end of day. I.e. no piles of leaves swept up and then left for days/weeks on end.
3. Address illegal dumping on footpaths and in public lanes with a prompt removal (24 hours) of all illegally dumped items. We need DCC to erect more signs "No Dumping – Fine €3000".
4. Discourage residents from leaving Wheelie bins on footpaths & lanes for more than 24 hours after collection day. Door to door flier is required from DCC, which could be included along with the Refuse Bill.
5. Expedite introduction of the Brown Wheelie Bin. There should be no charge for lifting recyclable waste (brown bin), as this should be self-funding.
6. Expedite ability of Refuse collection to take plastics and glass in wheelie bins. This is currently available in other counties.
7. Address finally the issue of the cycle lane on the footpath on the Drumcondra Road (north side) between Quinn's and Permanent TSB. It is wholly in appropriate and extremely dangerous to have no clear marking for the cycle lane and expect pedestrians and cyclists to share a footpath with no indication of which part is for cyclists and which is for pedestrians.
8. Upgrade of lighting in all streets in IDRA carpet Refurbish existing heritage streetlights. Replace modern streetlights (which were introduced in the 1990s) with refurbished original heritage lights.
9. Arrange for adequate lighting & policing on the bridge at Claude Road
10. Resolve Bus lane issue at Botanic House before someone is killed.
11. DCC to reserve budget for residents only Croke Park event day parking when approved.
12. Review area covered by cleansing after Croke park events. Currently it is too small. Double the amount of cleansing activities on match days. All Streets in the IDRA are to be cleaned during and at the end of each match. All street bins to be emptied at least twice during each day
13. Enforce litter laws on Croke Park event days.
14. Arrange for Croke Park attend all community forum meetings
15. Arrange for Croke Park to be bound by all community forum meeting outcomes
16. Arrange for Croke Park to pay for park & ride schemes (last one promised by Peter McKenna for August 06 did not happen). Suggested budget of €200k for 2008

17. Arrange for independent scrutiny of ticket lottery scheme run by Croke Park. The cost of this to be born by Croke Park
18. Double the number of towing vehicles on match day
19. Double the number of traffic police on match days
20. Work with residents to oppose renewal of licences for licensed premises that allow/support drinking on the streets or are responsible for antisocial behaviour including noise disturbance.
21. Work with residents to oppose extended hours licences for licensed premises in close proximity to residential properties and that have a negative impact on the quality of life of the residents due to noise disturbance and/or antisocial behaviour.
22. Zero tolerance by Gardai of public drinking every day including Croke Park event days. Enforce the law.
23. Stop drinking on the street from blocking pedestrians from using footpaths e.g. Quinn's.
24. Work with Gardai to enforce laws regarding placing Cars/other items for sale on Public streets. Remove the parking of cars for sale on the end of Hollybank Road.
25. Provide legal solution to long-term parking by garages and dumping of cars (Particularly on Hollybank Road). If new legislation is required then please work to draft and implement. Current process where dumped cars will only be lifted if they have no number plates is not resident friendly & is not good enough.
26. Request that DCC Planning Enforcement do a survey of the area with a focus on obvious planning breaches, which impact the visual amenity of the area particularly focusing on satellite dishes to the front of properties. This should be extended to all areas of the Dublin Central constituency (e.g. Mountjoy Square & NCR).
27. Work with resident Groups Board Pleanala etc. to ensure that Developments like the Student Accommodation at 52 Botanic Avenue is never allowed to deface a historic area in this way.
28. Implement legislation and policy to prevent PACE/McVerry hostel type developments for persons who pose a threat to the community from being placed in residential areas.
29. Ensure low rise development on the Smurfit site - with large community facility
30. Arrange for Des Kelly (at Bins Bridge) to upgrade shop storefront (currently an major eyesore)
31. Work with Gardai to enforce zero tolerance policy on crime.
32. Work with Gardai to enforce zero tolerance policy on graffiti.
33. Get the junction of Botanic Avenue and Drumcondra Road (opposite St Luke's) widened so that there is a lane for traffic turning left.
34. Metro Alignment Issues
35. Get a Metro stop at St. Pats in Drumcondra
36. Arrange for Lindsay road school to receive the funding it has requested and desperately needs
37. Arrange for children in St Pats to be allowed to run in the yard.
38. Griffith Park – Introduce a permanent security presence and CCTV to discourage drinking, antisocial behavior graffiti and vandalism particularly in the children's playground.
39. Pilot CCTV on Hollybank Road to discourage vandalism, burglary and car crime in the Iona area.

Longer term:

1. Extend repaving of Dorset Street with Granite/ stone paving up Drumcondra Road and into the Iona area. I expect that the Iona area originally had some level of granite/stone paving in the early 1900s, which was removed.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3516 Motion in the name of Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

The Area Committee calls on Dublin City Council's traffic department to meet with the representatives on the Hollybank Road residents to agree the layout of the Pay & Display scheme before it is implemented.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3517 Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke

That this Committee review a report on the upgrade of the park at Fr. Mathew Square, Church Street, and when will this take place.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3518 Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke

That this Committee receive a report on how many trees will be planted in Church Street and what cost will it be to Dublin City Council.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3519 Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty

That an update report be made on the commitment to finance the refurbishment of the façade of the houses on Annesley Avenue, Dublin 3.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3520 Motion in the name of Councillor Mary O'Shea

That the Manager report on the review of the provision of cycle lanes in the city being undertaken by Dublin City Council in so far as it affects the Central Area. Such report to provide an indication of when the results of this review will be forthcoming.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3521 Motion in the name of Councillor Mary O'Shea

That this Committee calls on Dublin City Council to investigate the feasibility of providing prepaid refuse bag tags at different prices, the current €3 tag and a tag at a cheaper price in respect of a smaller bag. This would alleviate the problem of smaller untagged bags being left uncollected and the public health issue of householders accumulating refuse for longer than 7 days.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3522 Motion in the name of Councillor Mary O'Shea

That this Committee calls on Dublin City Council to address the issue of abandoned cars in the laneways off Cabra Park.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3523 Motion in the name of Councillor Mary O'Shea

That the Manager report on progress being made in respect of the recruitment of a Suitable person to act as a crossing attendant to assist children in crossing the road In the mornings and in the afternoons when entering and leaving Gaelscoil Barra in Cabra.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3524 Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello

That the Manager report on how many litter fines have been issues to public houses in relation to cigarette butt littering outside their premises in the Central Area.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3525 Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the Manager for an update on the Phibsborough Area Plan when it will be put on public display, to outline the process of public consultation and adoption, and when it is envisaged it will be finally adopted.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3526 Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello

That this Committee noting the importance of a proper traffic infrastructure in the vicinity of the new DIT campus at Grangegorman agrees to write to the Minister for Transport calling on him to give a commitment to developing the Luas BX and Luas D lines to Liffey Junction without further delay and stating our opposition to the Irish Rail proposal to bring trains to Broadstone.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3527 Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the Manager to state the number of complexes that have bed-sit accommodation and the number of such units in each complex and if he has any plans to convert them to one-bedroom units.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3528 Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello

That the Manager report on the number and location of social and affordable houses in the Central Area expected to become available in 2008.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

ATTENDANCE

Cllr. Christy Burke (Chairperson)

Cllr. Emer Costello

Cllr. Aodhán Ó' Ríordáin

Cllr. Mick Rafferty

Cllr. Maurice Ahern

Cllr. Tom Stafford

Cllr. Mary O'Shea

Cllr. Brendan Carr

Cllr. Mary Fitzpatrick

Cllr. Seamas McGrattan

Officials

Charlie Lowe, Area Manager, Central Area

Deirdre Ní Raghallaigh, Senior Executive Officer, Central Area

Mary McInerney, A/Administrative Officer, Cabra Office

Paul Kearns, Senior Planner, Planning Department

Chris Butler, Area Housing Manager, NEIC

Brian Kavanagh, Area Housing Manager, NEIC

John McPartlan, Public Domain Officer, Central Area

Gerry Flaherty, Senior Executive Engineer, Traffic Division

Alec Dundon, Executive Engineer, Traffic Division

Abigail Rooney, Graduate Engineer, Traffic Division

Bernie Mills, Senior Staff Officer, Derelict Sites Section

Cathy Cassidy, A/Senior Staff Officer, Central Area Office

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Liam Nolan, Acting Executive Technician, Planning Department

Councillor Christy Burke

Chairperson

8th January, 2008

Questions to the City Manager
Central Area Committee
January 2008

Q1 Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the City Manager what progress is being made to the two City Council houses and the eight private houses in relation to re-furbishment at the houses at **(details supplied)**.

Reply

In June 2004, Dublin City Council agreed to upgrade the front of nos. (details supplied), to blend in with the new housing development on the opposite side of the street some of these are private houses.

Work commenced in April 2006 when a sub-contractor specialising in conservation work was appointed to clean the brickwork. The cleaning operation involved the removal of one hundred years of grime and paint. It brought to light several defects including sand and cement pointing, damaged brickwork and water staining from leaking gutters. After consultation, it was agreed that the front elevation should be re-pointed and that the defective gutters should be replaced and a sealer applied later when the brickwork has dried out.

After repointing, in May 2006, some residents complained about the quality of the work but the specialist contractor advised that "flush pointing" with lime-mortar was appropriate for conservation reasons. In November 2006 new gutters were installed on half the terrace and in March 2007 the installation was completed. In June 2007, the contractor carried out snagging work on nos. 35 & 36 Annesley Avenue.

Some of the residents made a request that "tuck-pointing" be used on the properties. However, the advice that has been given to the Council is that "flush pointing" is more appropriate.

The Council now wishes to proceed with the rest of the snagging work and sealing of the brickwork subject to agreement with residents.

Q.2 Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the Manager would the road at **details supplied** at Ballybough, Dublin 3 be re-instated.

Reply

The Roads Maintenance Section inspected (details supplied) and no works are required.

Q.3. Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the Manager if Dublin City Council Registration Section would send registration forms to new tenants at **(details supplied)**.

Reply

The Register of Electors Section will ensure that registration forms will be delivered to **(details supplied)** before 8th January, 2008.

Q.4. Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the Manager to check all public lighting on **(details supplied)**.

Reply

The Public Lighting Section recently investigated the public lighting at **(details supplied (1) and (2))** and found the lighting levels to be of an acceptable standard. There are no plans at present for any further improvements to these two streets.

Details supplied (3) has been included in the preliminary 2008 Programme of Improvement Works for the Central Area.

Q.5. Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the City Manager if all shores would be cleaned and cleared in order to prevent flooding at **(details supplied)**.

Reply

Members of Drainage Division's gully cleaning crew have visited **(details supplied)** on four occasions over the past year. A total of 27 gullies were cleaned over this period, with 11 omissions due to parked cars. Upon receipt of the above request, our cleaning crew returned to **(details supplied)** on the 19th of December last and cleaned 17 gullies. Our crew were obstructed from cleaning 9 gullies on this occasion by parked cars. We will revisit this area in the New Year and attempt to clean the outstanding gullies along the road.

Q.6. Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the City Manager if funding will be available in relation to the refurbishment of **(details supplied)**.

Reply

Consideration is being given as to the extent and manner of regeneration required for this scheme (details supplied). Following this consideration, an appropriate finance option will be submitted for Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government approval.

Q.7. Councillor Mary O'Shea

Will the Manager provide a report on **(details supplied)**?

Reply

I can confirm that the applicant (details supplied) is currently on the Older Persons Transfer List with a total of 45 points for Area P (North King Street, Church Street, Ormond Quay, Chancery Street). These points are low. Unfortunately therefore it may be some time yet before the applicant (details supplied) is reached with an offer of accommodation in his areas of preference.

Q.8. Councillor Mary O'Shea

Will the Manager please arrange to have **(details supplied)**?

Reply

This Division shall arrange to undertake a survey of the clock tower with a view to getting a costing for its repair. Subject to funding being made available and if the

costs involved are considered reasonable we will arrange to undertake the necessary repairs early 2008.

Q.9. Councillor Mary O'Shea

Will the Manager please arrange to have **(details supplied)**?

Reply

This Parks Division shall arrange to install signage requesting no parking on the grass.

Q.10. Councillor Mary O'Shea

Will the Manager arrange to have **(details supplied)** cleaned on a regular basis.

Reply

Waste Management Services have **(details supplied)** and surrounding area scheduled to be cleaned every Monday after the refuse collection has taken place there. We will continue to do all we can to keep this area as clean as possible.

Q.11. Councillor Mary O'Shea

Will the Manager arrange to have the truncated tree at **details supplied** removed

Reply

The Parks Division will arrange to remove the tree over the coming weeks.

Q.12. Councillor Mick Rafferty

To ask the Manager to arrange to have **(details supplied)** repainted after recent repairs.

Reply

All repairs have been carried out to this flat. The panel on the outside of the balcony will be painted in the new year.

Q.13. Councillor Brendan Carr

To ask the Manager to install security gates at **(details supplied)** to protect residents against anti-social behaviour.

Reply

The Area Housing Manager reports that there are already vehicular and pedestrian gates at the entrance to the above complex. We have no plans to convert them to electronic use capability as our experience of such systems is that they are expensive to convert and uneconomic to maintain having regard to the potential for interference.

Q.14. Councillor Brendan Carr

To ask the Manager when new windows will be installed at **(details supplied)**.

Reply

The windows of this dwelling will be inspected, and if required will be replaced with wooden windows.

Q.15. Councillor Brendan Carr

To ask the Manager to have new windows installed at **(details supplied)**.

Reply

New PVC double glazed windows have been ordered for this dwelling, and will be fitted when manufactured in the new year.

Q.17. Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the Manager to ensure that repairs are carried out at **(details supplied)** without further delay and to replace the furniture damaged as a result of the delay in rectifying the problem.

Reply

The repairs to the roof of this dwelling have been carried out. A new mattress and light fitting will be provided for the tenant.

Q.18. Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the Manager what traffic calming will be implemented at **(details supplied)** in 200 and when this work will be carried out.

Reply

Part of the proposed traffic calming on **(details supplied)** will be included in the Traffic Department Works programme for 2008. It is hoped to complete the work in the first quarter of the year.

Q.19. Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the Manager to report on the legal procedure and process for transferring the housing units at **(details supplied)** to a housing association as part of the redevelopment of the complex.

Reply

In order for the housing units to be transferred to a housing association, a report would be prepared for the Area Committee and the City Council in accordance with Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001. In the report it would state the terms and conditions of the disposal. If and when the disposal is approved by the City Council, the Law Department would carry out the necessary legal work. However, in the case of a redevelopment, after receiving approval from the City Council to dispose of a site it is usual that a building licence is issued to allow the developer to go on site and the site is not transferred over to the housing association until the redevelopment is completed to a satisfactory standard.

Q.20. Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the Manager to engage in public consultation process in relation to an area plan/environmental improvements for **(details supplied)**.

Reply

As the Councillor will be aware the (details supplied) Flats Complex is the subject of a major Regeneration Project. The (details supplied) has been established to monitor and oversee this Project and there is representation on the Board from communities neighbouring the complex.

In his report to the Board in April 2007 the Area Manager confirmed the City Council's commitment to improving the streetscape in the vicinity of (details supplied) and invited representatives from neighbouring communities to make proposals in this regard to the City Council. The objectives of such proposals should be to: -

- a) Facilitate and create a defined and complementary streetscape/retail environment through the improvement of storefronts, facades, signage, landscaping, roads, footpaths lighting etc
- b) Create an aesthetically pleasing environment for residents
- c) Provide effective cleaning of the streets through powerhosing, litter collection, graffiti removal all in an efficient manner
- d) Create a friendly and welcoming area
- e) Target blackspots
- f) Engage the local community to work together to enhance the area
Provision of CCTV, in conjunction with the Gardai

Any proposals emerging from an examination of the surrounding area will be put through a public consultation process.

Q.21. Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the Manager to provide assistance to **details supplied** with the repair of the roof of protected structure at **details supplied**

Reply

There is no record at this office of an application received under the Essential Repairs Grant Scheme for (details supplied). An information brochure and application form for the new revised Housing Aid for Older People Scheme has been posted to (details supplied) and on its receipt it will be dealt with promptly.

Motions to the City Manager
Central Area Committee
January, 2008

Item 3515

Motion in the name of Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

This Area Committee calls on Dublin City Council to provide a comprehensive response to the issues raised in the Iona Districts Residents Association below.

1. Provide a properly managed and monitored Street Sweeping service in the area including a system for clearing one side of the road for 1 morning every second week or even once per month. Every road in IDRA (especially where no off street parking exists) to be swept by hand once a week
2. Arrange for more frequent leaf collection in IDRA. Leaves should be collected at least twice a month during Autumn & Winter. Additional resources are required for leaf sweeping in late Autumn. Need a clean sweep street by street with all work finished by end of day. I.e. no piles of leaves swept up and then left for days/weeks on end.
3. Address illegal dumping on footpaths and in public lanes with a prompt removal (24 hours) of all illegally dumped items. We need DCC to erect more signs "No Dumping – Fine €3000".
4. Discourage residents from leaving Wheelie bins on footpaths & lanes for more than 24 hours after collection day. Door to door flier is required from DCC, which could be included along with the Refuse Bill.
5. Expedite introduction of the Brown Wheelie Bin. There should be no charge for lifting recyclable waste (brown bin), as this should be self funding.
6. Expedite ability of Refuse collection to take plastics and glass in wheelie bins. This is currently available in other counties.
7. Address finally the issue of the cycle lane on the footpath on the Drumcondra Road (north side) between Quinn's and Permanent TSB. It is wholly inappropriate and extremely dangerous to have no clear marking for the cycle lane and expect pedestrians and cyclists to share a footpath with no indication of which part is for cyclists and which is for pedestrians.
8. Upgrade of lighting in all streets in IDRA carpet Refurbish existing heritage street lights. Replace modern street lights (which were introduced in the 1990s) with refurbished original heritage lights.
9. Arrange for adequate lighting & policing on the bridge at Claude Road
10. Resolve Bus lane issue at Botanic House before someone is killed.
11. DCC to reserve budget for residents only Croke Park event day parking when approved.
12. Review area covered by cleansing after Croke park events. Currently it is too small. Double the amount of cleansing activities on match days. All Streets in the IDRA are to be cleaned during and at the end of each match. All street bins to be emptied at least twice during each day
13. Enforce litter laws on Croke Park event days.
14. Arrange for Croke Park attend all community forum meetings
15. Arrange for Croke Park to be bound by all community forum meeting outcomes
16. Arrange for Croke Park to pay for park & ride schemes (last one promised by Peter McKenna for August 06 did not happen). Suggested budget of €200k for 2008
17. Arrange for independent scrutiny of ticket lottery scheme run by Croke Park. The cost of this to be born by Croke Park
18. Double the number of towing vehicles on match day
19. Double the number of traffic police on match days
20. Work with residents to oppose renewal of licences for licensed premises that allow/support drinking on the streets or are responsible for antisocial behaviour including noise disturbance.
21. Work with residents to oppose extended hours licences for licensed premises in close proximity to residential properties and that have a negative impact on the quality of life of the residents due to noise disturbance and/or antisocial behaviour.

22. Zero tolerance by Gardai of public drinking every day including Croke Park event days. Enforce the law.
23. Stop drinking on the street from blocking pedestrians from using footpaths e.g. Quinns.
24. Work with Gardai to enforce laws regarding placing Cars/other items for sale on Public streets. Remove the parking of cars for sale on the end of Hollybank Road.
25. Provide legal solution to long-term parking by garages and dumping of cars (Particularly on Hollybank Road). If new legislation is required then please work to draft and implement. Current process where dumped cars will only be lifted if they have no number plates is not resident friendly & is not good enough.
26. Request that DCC Planning Enforcement do a survey of the area with a focus on obvious planning breaches, which impact the visual amenity of the area particularly focusing on satellite dishes to the front of properties. This should be extended to all areas of the Dublin Central constituency (e.g. Mountjoy Square & NCR).
27. Work with resident Groups Board Pleanala etc. to ensure that Developments like the Student Accommodation at 52 Botanic Avenue is never allowed to deface a historic area in this way.
28. Implement legislation and policy to prevent PACE/McVerry hostel type developments for persons who pose a threat to the community from being placed in residential areas.
29. Ensure low rise development on the Smurfit site - with large community facility
30. Arrange for Des Kelly (at Bins Bridge) to upgrade shop storefront (currently an major eyesore)
31. Work with Gardai to enforce zero tolerance policy on crime.
32. Work with Gardai to enforce zero tolerance policy on graffiti.
33. Get the junction of Botanic Avenue and Drumcondra Road (opposite St Lukes) widened so that there is a lane for traffic turning left.
34. Metro Alignment Issues
35. Get a Metro stop at St Pats in Drumcondra
36. Arrange for Lindsay road school to receive the funding it has requested and desperately needs
37. Arrange for children in St Pats to be allowed to run in the yard.
38. Griffith Park – Introduce a permanent security presence and CCTV to discourage drinking, antisocial behavior graffiti and vandalism particularly in the children's play ground.
39. Pilot CCTV on Hollybank Road to discourage vandalism, burglary and car crime in the Iona area.

Longer term:

40. Extend repaving of Dorset Street with Granite/ stone paving up Drumcondra Road and into the Iona area. I expect that the Iona area originally had some level of granite/stone paving in the early 1900s which was removed.

Report

1. The concept of "clearways" has been piloted in the past by Waste Management Services. It relied on a voluntary non-statutory code of practice and was not successful. Unless such an arrangement is introduced on a statutory basis with "clearways" being created and adequate enforcement (including towing/clamping) is put in place, it will be extremely difficult to make it work. Such an arrangement may be very unpopular with some residents and finding alternative parking spaces could be difficult. We are, however, considering the proposal in the preparation of the new Litter Management Plan for the city. In the meantime, the cleaning schedule for the residential areas in the Iona District Residents Association area is scheduled to be once a week after the refuse collection. We certainly would appreciate the resident's co-operation in keeping their roads as free of cars as possible on their bin day in order to facilitate better cleaning. The cleaning of this area is monitored on a regular basis.

2. Waste Management Services operate a programme for the removal of leaves during the Autumn and Winter months. Priority is given to the tree lined streets and areas which are particularly prone to flooding. We will ensure that the Iona District is cleared of leaves as often as we can during the course of this schedule resources permitting. It should be noted that some residents sweep the leaves into piles on the road before our staff are working in their particular area. Also residents, who gather up leaves off their road into bags, can contact our Grangegorman Waste Management Depot, Telephone (01) 6715415 and we can remove these leaves for them.
3. The Public Domain Unit for the Central Area, Telephone (01) 2225302, operates a prompt removal service for illegally dumped items on the footpaths and public lanes in this area. Mr James Bergin, Collins Avenue Waste Management Depot, Telephone (01) 8369225, can be contacted by this Residents Association and he will provide “No Dumping” signs at agreed locations.
4. The Dublin City Council Household Waste Bye-Laws 2006 came into effect on the 15th January 2007. In relation to this issue, it states that a holder in areas other than the Central Commercial District shall remove all waste containers and any uncollected waste from a public place not later than 8.00pm on the designated collection day, unless otherwise authorised in writing by the Council. We will certainly consider every option in our attempts to make the public aware of their responsibility under these Waste Bye-Laws.
5. The rollout of brown bins is being stepped up in 2008 with 30,000 due to be distributed. The designated routes will be in the North East of the city. Collection and disposal of organic waste incurs considerable cost for Dublin City Council, which is passed on to the consumer. They are significantly less than the domestic bin charges.
6. The dry recyclable collection, which is now fortnightly in most areas, takes plastic bottles. Because of the specialist handling requirements, there are no plans to introduce a glass collection by means of wheelie bins at this time.
7. These matters have been referred to the QBN Project Office for direct reply to the Councillor but it is understood that a new cycleway is being constructed at this location.
8. We will investigate the lighting here and will consider any necessary improvements for inclusion in a future lighting improvements programme, subject to finance.
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10. These matters have been referred to the QBN Project Office for direct reply to the Councillor.
11. An amount will be included in the Traffic Works Programme for 2008 to cater for this should a residents parking scheme be introduced next year.
12. Waste Management Services clean areas within a 1.5km radius of Croke Park following events there. This arrangement has worked well and there are no plans to double the cleansing activities on match days although it is intended to pay attention to particular areas specified by the Croke Park Community Liaison Committee going forward in 2008. All street bins are emptied at least twice during each day. The following is a typical example of the resources involved in the cleaning of the area around Croke Park on match days.

Shift	Resources	Duties
6am-2pm	1 Bin Truck & Driver 3 Small Vans & Drivers 1 Sweeping Machine & driver 1 Supervisor 3 General Operatives	Sweeping/cleaning in vicinity of Croke Park. Putting out litter drums. Empty litter bins around Croke Park, in particular Drumcondra Rd at Quinn's Pub.
2pm-10pm	1 Compact Sweeper & Driver 3 Bin Trucks & Drivers 6 Small Vans & Drivers 3 Sweeping Machines & Drivers 1 Inspector 2 Supervisors 15 General Operatives	Sweeping/cleaning, servicing litter bins, removing drums in 1.5 kilometre radius of Croke Park.

13. It is the policy of the Waste Management Services that the Litter Prevention Officer together with two Litter Wardens patrol the immediate Croke Park area during all events. They have spoken to the owners of all mobile food outlets, publicans and marketing companies and to all persons distributing fliers to inform them of their responsibilities under the Litter Pollution Acts. The Litter Prevention Officer will extend their patrol to the Iona District for all future events to be held in Croke Park.
14. & 15 These are matters for Parc an Chrocaigh Teoranta. It should be noted however that the stadium management is represented on the Croke Park Community Liaison Committee which has now been established. A representative from Iona District Residents Association forms part of the Croke Park Area Residents Association delegation that is represented on the Committee.
- 16 & 17 These are matters for Parc an Chrocaigh Teoranta and the Councillor should take the matter up with them.
18. The City Council operates a clamping and tow-away service in order to enforce parking regulations in the city.
- During match days in Croke Park an operation is undertaken by the Council's parking enforcement contractor, in conjunction with An Garda Síochána, to re-locate and clamp illegally parked vehicles which are parked in a dangerous manner or found to be causing obstruction. The present level of enforcement is considered adequate by both the Garda and the Council.
19. This is a matter for An Garda Síochána.
20. & 21 Dublin City Councils executive have no role in relation to this matter.
- 22 – 24 This is a matter for an Gardaí Síochána.
25. This is a matter for Government.
26. The Planning Enforcement Section has dealt with many complaints regarding alleged unauthorised development in the Iona District Area. Enforcement action has been taken in many cases in respect of satellite dishes erected to the front of properties in the Dublin Central Area. If the Councillor or the Iona District Residents Association has any specific

addresses that warrant investigation the Planning Enforcement Section will investigate any allegations regarding alleged unauthorised at such locations.

27. The Planning Department will endeavour to represent the concerns of all local community groups through existing and proper channels of communication as laid down in the planning acts and/or community participation structures. The zoning objective of Z2 lands is to "protect and or improve the amenities of residential conservation areas". The Planning Authority is committed to upholding this objective. Specific planning applications for specific land uses will be treated on their merits. The premises in question did receive planning permission.
28. Any properties that involve a change of use from the original use require planning permission. It is not a matter for Dublin City Council to involve itself in policy matters relating to the approach by the relevant government department to the siting of facilities for former prisoners in residential areas.
29. The details of any planning application, including height will be assessed rigorously in terms of the overall impact and/or contribution to the area including impact on adjoining properties. The provision of communities facilities in any large scale mixed use development would be welcomed by Dublin City Council.
30. It is unclear to us which property this relates to but it is assumed to be former post office. We will write to former operator and ask him what his plans for the property are.
- 31/32 This is a matter for An Garda Síochána.
33. This will be investigated early in 2008 and a reply issued to the Councillor.
- 34 & 35 This is a matter for the RPA
36. This has nothing to do with Dublin City Council.
37. This has nothing to do with Dublin City Council.
38. The Parks Division recognises that there can be a problem with weekend drinking in the park during the hours of closure and in this regard we will arrange to provide keys of the park gates to the local Garda Station. This Division proposes to enlarge the existing playground in the park and as part of this work we will examine the provision of CCTV and controlled lighting subject to availability of funding.
39. Dublin City Council does not provide CCTV systems in public areas other than to combat dumping or as an aid to traffic management.

Longer term:

The Dorset Street programme is being financed under the EU Urban And Village Renewal Programme (€13 million). This programme was closed off in 2006 with the ending of Ireland's Objective One Status which means that Dublin City Council is not eligible to apply for further funding under either the Urban And Village Urban Renewal Programme or any other programme under the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF). There are therefore no plans to repave other areas in Drumcondra as the existing paving is considered to be in good condition.

Item 3516

Motion in the name of Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

The Area Committee calls on Dublin City Council's traffic department to meet with the representatives on the Hollybank Road residents to agree the layout of the Pay & Display scheme before it is implemented.

Report

A report on the outcome of the survey of residents was brought to the December 2007 Central Area Committee for noting and following discussions it was agreed that Dublin City Council would hold a meeting for information purposes only to discuss the parking scheme prior to implementation.

Item 3517

Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke

That this Committee review a report on the upgrade of the park at Fr. Mathew Square, Church Street, and when will this take place.

Report

The railed in circular public space at Fr. Matthew Square is currently landscaped and is in a satisfactory condition. Due to the existence of the mature trees on the space and the shade that they cast during the summer months there is little additional planting that can be done to enhance the space.

Item 3518

Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke

That this Committee receive a report on how many trees will be planted in Church Street and what cost will it be to Dublin City Council.

Report

This Division undertook a survey for replacement planting of the residents on Church Street, who were effected by the removal of the mature London Plane. A total of 5 replacement trees were requested. It is proposed to plant the trees 'fastigate hornbeam' early 2008. The cost of replacement planting is approx 800 euro.

Item 3519

Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty

That an update report be made on the commitment to finance the refurbishment of the façade of the houses on Annesley Avenue, Dublin 3.

Report

In June 2004, Dublin City Council agreed to upgrade the front of nos. 31 to 43 Annesley Avenue, to blend in with the new housing development on the opposite side of the street some of these are private houses.

Work commenced in April 2006 when a sub-contractor specialising in conservation work was appointed to clean the brickwork. The cleaning operation involved the removal of one hundred years of grime and paint. It brought to light several defects including sand and cement pointing, damaged brickwork and water staining from leaking gutters. After consultation, it was agreed that the front elevation should be re-pointed and that the defective gutters should be replaced and a sealer applied later when the brickwork has dried out.

After repointing, in May 2006, some residents complained about the quality of the work but the specialist contractor advised that "flush pointing" with lime-mortar was appropriate for conservation reasons. In November 2006 new gutters were installed on half the terrace and in March 2007 the installation was completed. In June 2007, the contractor carried out snagging work on no.s 35 & 36 Annesley Avenue.

Some of the residents made a request that "tuck-pointing" be used on the properties. However, the advice that has been given to the Council is that "flush pointing" is more appropriate.

The Council now wishes to proceed with the rest of the snagging work and sealing of the brickwork, subject to agreement with residents.

Item 3520

Motion in the name of Councillor Mary O'Shea

That the Manager report on the review of the provision of cycle lanes in the city being undertaken by Dublin City Council in so far as it affects the Central Area. Such report to provide an indication of when the results of this review will be forthcoming.

Report

The survey of cycle lanes in the city is being carried out to quantify the extent of the existing network, to identify problems on all existing routes and to suggest solutions to these problems. The results will be presented to the city cycle forum in early 2008.

Item 3521

Motion in the name of Councillor Mary O'Shea

That this Committee calls on Dublin City Council to investigate the feasibility of providing prepaid refuse bag tags at different prices, the current €3 tag and a tag at a cheaper price in respect of a smaller bag. This would alleviate the problem of smaller untagged bags being left uncollected and the public health issue of householders accumulating refuse for longer than 7 days.

Report

Bag labels for the household waste collection cost €2.90 in 2008 and represents possibly the lowest waste collection charge in the country. Bearing in mind printing, packaging, distribution and retailer costs, it would be uneconomic to provide a cheaper collection label. Such a system may also cause operational and enforcement difficulties for collection staff and probably have little effect on the amount of unlabelled/incorrectly labelled waste on the streets.

Item 3522

Motion in the name of Councillor Mary O'Shea

That this Committee calls on Dublin City Council to address the issue of abandoned cars in the laneways off Cabra Park.

Report

The area at the back of houses on Cabra Park is private property and we have no legal rights to remove cars from this lane.

Item 3523

Motion in the name of Councillor Mary O'Shea

That the Manager report on progress being made in respect of the recruitment of a Suitable person to act as a crossing attendant to assist children in crossing the road In the mornings and in the afternoons when entering and leaving Gaelscoil Barra in Cabra

Report

A School Warden will be transferred from the panel of reserve School Wardens to facilitate school crossing at the traffic signals outside Gaelscoil Bharra when the schools resumes after the Christmas break.

Item 3524

Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello

That the Manager report on how many litter fines have been issues to public houses in relation to cigarette butt littering outside their premises in the Central Area.

Report

A total of 18 fines were issued to owner/occupiers of public houses under Section 6 of the Litter Pollution Acts in the Central Area from 01/01/2007 to 21/12/2007.

Item 3525

Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the Manager for an update on the Phibsborough Area Plan when it will be put on public display, to outline the process of public consultation and adoption, and when it is envisaged it will be finally adopted.

Report

It is intended to complete and put on public display, the draft Phibsborough Local Area Plan by the end of January. Prior to completion of the draft plan and the commencement of the public display, it is proposed to arrange a meeting with the Area Councillors to facilitate a full discussion on the main issues emerging from the draft plan.

Item 3526

Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello

That this Committee noting the importance of a proper traffic infrastructure in the vicinity of the new DIT campus at Grangegorman aggress to write to the Minister for Transport calling on him to give a commitment to developing the Luas BX and Luas D lines to Liffey Junction without further delay and stating our opposition to the Irish Rail proposal to bring trains to Broadstone.

Report

The Central Area office will forward the comments to the Department of Transport.

Item 3527

Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the Manager to state the number of complexes that have bedsit accommodation and the number of such units in each complex and if he has any plans to convert them to one bedroom units.

Report

Dublin City Council has a stock of 3,400 Older Persons dwellings in 108 complexes throughout the city. 68 of these complexes consist of bed-sit accommodation in which there are 2008 dwellings. Bed-sit accommodation is not now regarded as a suitable form of accommodation for older persons.

The Central Area has 18 Older Persons Schemes with bedsit accommodation and are outlined below. The figures in brackets indicate number of one-bedroom units in the complex.

Central Area	
Ballybough Court	39 (2)
Brendan Behan Court	51 (16)
Broombridge Road	10
Cannon Burke Flats	10
Convent View Crescent	37
Drumalee Court	44 (11)
Clareville Court	43 (14)
Dunard Court	75 (34)
Eccles Court	11 (4)
Friary Court	10
Botanic Court	36
St. Finbar's Court	29
St. Mary's Court	12
St. Mary's Terrace	25
St. Bricin's Park	69
St. Peter's Court	39 (14)
Summerhill Court	39 (19)
Tom Clarke House	34 (4)
Total	613

The City Council is implementing a long-term strategy on accommodation for older people in the city "A Strategy for Accommodation for Elderly Persons in Dublin City". This strategy has two elements:

- Redevelopment of existing complexes replacing bed-sits with one/two bedroom apartments
- Maintaining strong focus on enhancing support and services.

A Project Team has been established to prepare a report for the Housing, Social and Community Strategic Policy Committee on the development of a plan to progress this Strategy and it is anticipated that it would be presented in March 2008 to the Committee.

Item 3528

Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello

That the Manager report on the number and location of social and affordable houses in the Central Area expected to become available in 2008.

Report

26 social housing units will be completed in Lourdes House by Autumn 2008.

The table below shows the current status of Social & Affordable Housing under Part V of the Planning & Development Act 2000 – 2002.

**PART V AFFORDABLE HOUSING
PLANNED / IN PROGRESS**

DEVELOPMENT	NO. OF UNITS	PROPERTY TYPE	CURRENT STATUS
RATHBOURNE AVENUE, (PHASE 11B) PELLETSTOWN	18	APARTMENT	PROPOSAL RECEIVED AND BEING EVALUATED, UNITS READY OCTOBER 2008
PARK LODGE HOTEL, NORTH CIRCULAR ROAD	POSSIBLE 5	APARTMENT	VALUATION AND BUILD COSTS BEING EVALUATED.
RUSSELL ST/ NORTH CIRCULAR ROAD	11 4 X 1 BED 7 X 2 BED	APARTMENT	AGREEMENT IN PLACE
4-11 RAILWAY STREET, 36-48 JAMES JOYCE STREET	6 5 X 1 BED 1 X 2 BED	APARTMENT	AGREEMENT IN PLACE
21-25 SHERRARD STREET UPPER (SFX CENTRE)	POSSIBLE 3	APARTMENT	AGREEMENT BEING NEGOTIATED, TO BE IN PLACE END OF JANUARY 08
149, 149A-149C NORTH STRAND ROAD	7	APARTMENT	AGREEMENT BEING NEGOTIATED, TO BE IN PLACE END OF JANUARY 08
SHERIFF STREET UPPER, EAST ROAD, CHURCH ROAD	POSSIBLE 4	APARTMENT	AGREEMENT BEING NEGOTIATED, TO BE IN PLACE END OF JANUARY 2008
MOORE STREET / SAMPSONS LANE / ILAC CENTRE	11	APARTMENT	AGREEMENT BEING NEGOTIATED, UNITS OFFERED OFFSITE
THE LIGHTHOUSE, JUNCTION OF EAST WALL ROAD, CHURCH ROAD, PHASE II	POSSIBLE 6	APARTMENT	AGREEMENT BEING NEGOTIATED
105-115 DORSET STREET UPPER	14	APARTMENT	PROPOSAL RECEIVED AND BEING EVALUATED
4-4A EAST ROAD, EAST WALL	23	APARTMENT / DUPLEX	PROPOSAL RECEIVED AND BEING EVALUATED
26A PORTLAND STREET NORTH	12	APARTMENT	PROPOSAL RECEIVED AND BEING EVALUATED

DEVELOPMENT	NO. OF UNITS	PROPERTY TYPE	CURRENT STATUS
177-126 SHERIFF STREET UPPER		APARTMENT	PROPOSAL AGREED BY DDDA
CROSBIE'S YARD OSSARY ROAD	OFF SITE CASTLEFORBES ROAD	APARTMENT	DEVELOPMENT NOT ANTICIPATED TO START IN 2008
QURRY ROAD, CABRA	45	APARTMENT	TURNKEY DEVELOPMENT.PROVISIONAL SPLIT OF UNITS AFFORDBALE 45 / SOCIAL 25 UNITS (RAS).

Part V Social Housing
PLANNED / IN PROGRESS

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149, 149A-149C NORTH STRAND ROAD	5	APARTMENT	AGREEMENT BEING NEGOTIATED, TO BE IN PLACE END OF JANUARY 08
SHERIFF STREET UPPER, EAST ROAD, CHURCH ROAD	POSSIBLE 5	APARTMENT	AGREEMENT BEING NEGOTIATED, TO BE IN PLACE END OF JANUARY 2008
THE LIGHTHOUSE, JUNCTION OF EAST WALL ROAD, CHURCH ROAD, PHASE II	POSSIBLE 6	APARTMENT	AGREEMENT BEING NEGOTIATED, NUMBER OF UNITS NOT DETERMINED
105-115 DORSET STREET UPPER	13	APARTMENT	PROPOSAL RECEIVED AND BEING EVALUATED
4-4A EAST ROAD, EAST WALL	23	APARTMENT / DUPLEX	PROPOSAL RECEIVED AND BEING EVALUATED
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DEVELOPMENT	NO. OF UNITS	PROPERTY TYPE	CURRENT STATUS
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QURRY ROAD, CABRA	25	APARTMENT	TURNKEY DEVELOPMENT.PROVISIONAL SPLIT OF UNITS AFFORDBALE 45 / SOCIAL 25 UNITS (RAS).

1st February, 2008

**To the Chairman and Members of
the Central Area Committee**

With reference to Register of Electors

Electoral law requires that registration authorities undertake house-to-house inquiries or other sufficient inquiry in the preparation of the Register of Electors.

The Franchise Section of the City Manager's Department is solely responsible for the preparation and publication of the Register of Electors for Dublin City each year. The Section has a full time staff of 15 enumerators employed to carry out the door to door inquiries and distribute the registration forms to every household. Appropriate targeted training and support is provided to these field workers. An indoor administrative staff of 8 are involved in keying in of the data, updating the postal lists, issuing 'unable to establish' letters, identifying citizenship, processing death lists, claims, checking and distribution of the Register.

For the purposes of compiling the Register, house to house inquiries are the key means of data collection as they yield the most accurate and comprehensive results. The task of getting people to register is difficult as there is no legal obligation to do so. Therefore every effort is made in conveying to the public the importance of registration and media advertising campaigns are launched by the Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government to assist in the registration process. All registration forms and information leaflets are produced by the D.o.E.H.L.G., and issued to the Registration authorities each year.

The Register comprises four categories of electors: Presidential, Dáil, European and Local. A person's citizenship determines their category and the type of elections at which they may vote. The letters D,E, L are used to distinguish the different types of elector and these appear opposite the person's name in the Register of Electors (See attached table). The letter S is placed against those electorate with a postal vote. There are 6 categories of Postal Voter – Army, Garda, Diplomats and their Spouses, Disability, Terms of Occupation and Prisoners. Electors on the special voters' list vote at their hospital, nursing home etc.,

Elections and Referenda are organised on the basis of polling districts which are set out in arrangements made by registration authorities and known as polling schemes. A polling scheme divides a county or city into polling districts and appoints a polling place for each district - the polling place must be an area and not a building. Polling stations, which may be located in a single building or number of buildings, are provided at a polling place. The adoption of a polling scheme is a reserved function of the Council and the provision of polling stations are the responsibility of the Returning Officer at election time.

Dublin City has 183 polling districts at present and they make up the 13 Local Electoral Areas. The current 1999 Scheme of Polling Districts and Polling Places will be due for review prior to the Local Elections in 2009. The taking of a poll for all Referenda and Elections (excluding Dáil) are conducted in accordance with this Scheme in Local Electoral Area format. Dáil elections are conducted under this scheme also, but, in Constituencies format. Dublin City is made up of 6 constituencies – North East pt., North West pt., South Central pt., North Central, Central and South East. The other parts of North East and North West are in the Fingal Co. Council area and the other part of Sth. Central is in South Dublin Co. Council.

The main statute applicable to registration and elections is the Electoral Act, 1992 and two of the key milestones are statute deadlines:

Publication of the Draft Register on the 1st November

Publication of the Final Register on the 1st February

The register comes into force on the 15th February and remains in force for 1 year to the 14th February.

Should someone become eligible in the lifetime of it being in force – they can apply to have their name entered in the Supplement to that Register.

Seán De Brún

Administrative Officer

Eligibility for Registration

- Irish Person = or > 18 years of age @ 15/02/2008 may vote at Presidential, Dail, Euro, Local and Referenda.
- D = British Person - may vote at Dail, Euro & Local.
- E = Other European - may vote at Euro & Local.
- L = All other Nationals - may vote at Local only.

1st February, 2008

**To the Chairman and Members of
the Central Area Committee**

With reference to the proposed grant of a 20-year lease of the premises at 19 Manor Street, Dublin 7 to N.W.I.C.D. P. Ltd. t/a An Síol.

The Central Area Office has requested that a 20-year lease be granted to An Síol, North West Inner City Development Project Ltd., which delivers a wide range of community services in the Stoneybatter and North West Inner City area.

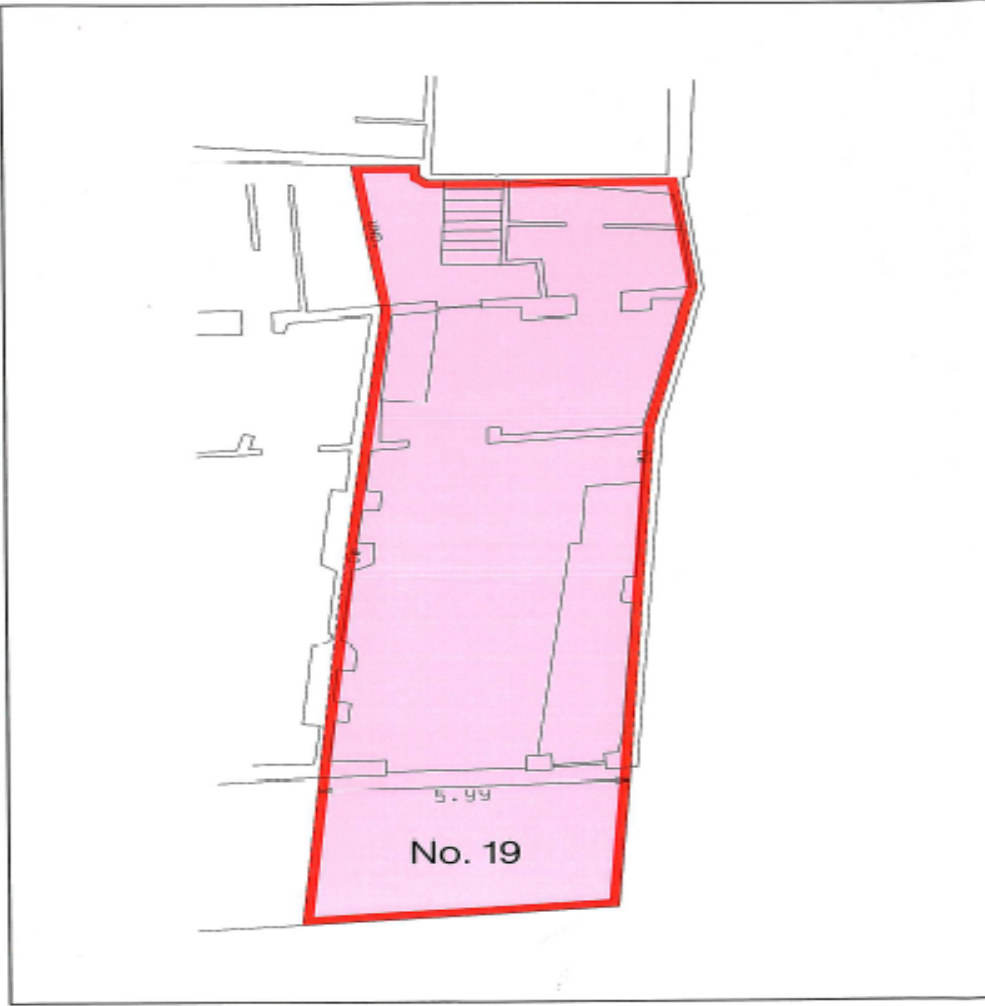
It is proposed to grant a lease of 19, Manor Street to N.W.I.C.D.P. Ltd t/a An Síol, subject to the following terms and conditions: -

1. That the lease shall be for a term of 20-years with 5 yearly rent reviews subject to a yearly rent of €33,500 (thirty three thousand five hundred euro) p.a. exclusive of rates commencing from 1st December 2007 on full repairing and insuring basis. Notwithstanding the rent so reserved the rent payable as long as the property is used for community purposes and no other purpose, shall be abated to €9,000 p.a. exclusive of all other outgoings, with a provision of 5 yearly rent reviews as determined by the Chief Valuer.
2. The rent review clause shall state that rent will be reviewed to the full open market rental value and in default of an agreement; the rent shall be determined by arbitration in accordance with the standard rent review clause drafted by the Incorporated Law Society of Ireland and the Society of Chartered Surveyors.
3. That the rent shall be paid half yearly in advance.
4. That premises shall not be assigned or sub-let without the lessee first obtaining City Council written consent.
5. That the premises shall be used solely for the purposes of providing community development services.
6. That the applicant shall indemnify the City Council in the sum of €6.4 million of Public Liability and €13 million of Employers Liability or such other sum as may be stipulated by the Council from time to time in respect of any claims for injury or damage to any person or property through the use of the premises or through the activities carried out thereon.
7. That the applicant shall insure and keep insured the property and every part thereof in a sum equivalent to the full replacement value, at all times in the joint names of the City Council and the Lessee against loss or damage by fire or other cause in an established insurance office to be approved by the City Council and to pay all premiums or such sum of money necessary for that purpose and within 7 days after the same has become payable to produce to the City Council the policy or policies of such insurance and the receipt for every such payment. In the event of loss of damage by fire or other cause, the Lessee is obliged to reinstate the property and every part thereof to its original state.
8. That the lease shall be prepared by Dublin City Council's Law Agent and shall contain all the usual terms and conditions that are considered necessary by the Law Agent.


9. Each party shall be responsible for their respective costs incurred in this transaction.

Declan Wallace

Executive Manager



MANOR STREET
Dublin City
 Grant

 **Dublin City**
 Baile Átha Cliath

M. PHILLIPS CITY ENGINEER	Date	By
DESIGNED BY C.B.	DATE 29-10-2002	G.S.M.P.

6th February 2008

**To the Chairman and Members of
The Central Area Committee**

Proposed grant of a licence to use a premises at Hill Street, Dublin 1 to the Hill Street Family Resource Centre.

Hill Street Family Resource Centre has been in occupation of a premises at Hill Street for some time now. It is proposed to regularise the situation by granting them a licence to use the premises. The premises is indicated on the attached map.

It is proposed to grant a licence to the Hill Street Family Resource Centre subject to the following terms and conditions:-

1. The term of the licence shall be three years from a date to be agreed.
2. The licence fee shall be two hundred euro per annum for as long as the premises is used for community purposes as a Family Resource Centre.
3. The licence can be terminated by either party on giving the other one months notice in writing.
4. The licence is to operate between the hours of 8 am and 10 pm.
5. The licensee shall be responsible for all rates, taxes and other outgoings save for ESB, fire alarm contract charges and for maintenance of the exterior of the building and the gates.
6. The licensee shall keep the premises in good condition and repair during the term of the licence.
7. Hill Street Family Resource Centre shall indemnify the City Council against any and all claims for compensation, which may arise from its use of the property.
8. The licensee shall not part with possession of any part of the premises. The licensee is granted possession of the premises on a non-exclusive basis and shall permit occasional use by other groups subject to production of appropriate insurance cover to the Council.
9. On termination of the licence, the licensee shall be responsible for the removal of all their materials from the premises.
10. The licence will be subject to any terms and conditions deemed appropriate by the Law Agent.

The disposal shall be subject to such conditions as to title to be furnished as the Law Agent in his discretion shall stipulate.

The dates for the performance of any of the requirements of the proposed agreement may be amended at the absolute discretion of the Executive Manager.

No agreement enforceable at law is created or intended to be created until an exchange of contracts has taken place.

Declan Wallace

Executive Manager

**Development Department
Civic Offices**

7th February 2008

**To the Chairman and Members of
The Central Area Committee**

**Proposed exchange of lands at Sean McDermott Street and Rutland Street, Dublin 1
with St. Laurence O'Toole Diocesan Trust.**

The Central Area intend to redevelop lands at Sean McDermott Street and Rutland Street to provide for a mixed use development. To facilitate this redevelopment Dublin City Council proposes to exchange lands at this location with St. Laurence O'Toole Diocesan Trust. A map showing the lands subject to exchange will be available at the Committee meeting – Map 3 – Index No. PD2007-0183.

It is proposed to exchange lands at Sean McDermott St and Rutland Street with St Laurence O'Toole Diocesan Trust subject to terms and conditions. Part of this proposal seeks to vary a number of the terms and conditions of a previous disposal proposal that was approved by the City Council at its meeting on 4th March 2002 (Report No. 80/2002 refers).

The disposal shall be subject to such conditions as to title to be furnished as the Law Agent in his discretion shall stipulate.

The dates for the performance of any of the requirements of the proposed agreement may be amended at the absolute discretion of the Executive Manager.

No agreement enforceable at law is created or intended to be created until an exchange of contracts has taken place.

**Declan Wallace
Executive Manager**

To the Chairperson and Members of
The Central Area Committee

February 6th 2008

**Proposed Variation of Dublin City Development Plan 2005-2011.
New Marlborough Street Bridge**

Proposal:

The Roads and Traffic Department of Dublin City Council has requested that a variation be made to the Dublin City Development Plan 2005-2011 to enable the provision of a bridge across the River Liffey to link Marlborough Street and Eden Quay with Hawkins Street and Burgh Quay. This bridge will be constructed in lieu of a currently proposed pedestrian bridge, which is included as an objective of the Plan under Section 7.8.0.

Accordingly, the Planning Department is proposing to vary the Dublin City Development Plan 2005-2011 to include the provision of the Marlborough Street Bridge as a specific objective of the Plan. A new text entry is proposed in Chapter 7 of the Plan as follows:

7.8.0 Provision of Additional Road Capacity

Bridges

New Liffey bridge from Marlborough Street / Eden Quay to Hawkins Street / Burgh Quay

The location of the bridge is defined on the map (enclosed in folders).

This new objective will replace the current objective to provide a pedestrian bridge from Marlborough Street to Hawkins Street as identified under Section 7.8.0. The reference to the pedestrian bridge at Section 7.8.0 will be deleted from the Plan.

Background:

Dublin City Council has determined that there is a need for the proposed bridge, which will enable better cross city public transport and cycling connections, to fulfil its commitment to providing efficient access to the city core to create a connected city with improved linkages and accessibility at peak and off-peak times for work, shopping and leisure purposes in accordance with the objectives of the current City Development Plan.

Location and Description:

The bridge will be located between O'Connell Bridge and Butt Bridge, linking Marlborough Street and Eden Quay to Hawkins Street and Burgh Quay.

The bridge will be designed to accommodate two bus lanes, one southbound light rail (Luas) track, two footpaths and two cycle tracks.

Initially the bridge will be utilised to carry diverted traffic which will use the bridge in a northbound direction during the proposed Metro construction works in the vicinity of O'Connell Bridge.

It is envisaged that the bridge will have a low key design which will complement the local architectural context, namely, Marlborough Street, Eden Quay, Hawkins Street, Burgh Quay, Wide Street Commissions buildings, quay retaining walls and parapets, O'Connell Bridge, Butt Bridge, The Boardwalk and other ancillary streetscapes and features.

Planning Context – Dublin City Development Plan:

Dublin City Council is committed to providing efficient access to the city core and maintaining and consolidating this core as the primary economic, cultural and social heart of the wider metropolitan area.

The Development Plan sets out a number of development objectives and policies to enable the implementation of a broad range of transport infrastructure projects and traffic management initiatives to respond to the demand posed by the significant growth in the population and the economy in recent years.

Specifically, Section 7.8.0 of the Development Plan identifies the requirement for additional road capacity which will be facilitated by future provision of road improvement schemes and bridges. Under this section there is an objective to provide a future pedestrian bridge located between O'Connell Bridge and Butt Bridge. The location of the proposed bridge is indicated on Map E of the Plan.

Policy T2 of the Plan states that “It is the policy of Dublin City Council to encourage modal change from private car use towards increased use of more sustainable forms of transport such as public transport, cycling and walking...”

Policy T8 of the Plan states that “It is the policy/objective of Dublin City Council to provide additional road capacity, subject to environmental and conservation considerations, in order to allow the removal of heavy volumes of extraneous through traffic from city streets. Additional road capacity will also include, as an objective, better provision for public transportation, pedestrian and cyclists”.

It should be noted that the road and bridge improvement schemes outlined under Section 7.8.0 of the Plan will, subject to availability of funding, be initiated and/or implemented within the six year period of the Plan.

Purpose of the Proposed Variation:

The purpose of this variation is to allow the construction of a Bridge between O'Connell Bridge and Butt Bridge designed to accommodate two bus lanes, one light rail (Luas) track, two footpaths and two cycle tracks. This bridge will be developed in lieu of a pedestrian only bridge.

The future bridge forms an essential element of the preferred route option for Luas Line BX., which it is proposed will link the existing Luas Red Line and Luas Green Line in Dublin City Centre and allow proposed onward extension to Grangegorman, Broadstone and Liffey Junction. It is proposed that the line will serve major shopping and business districts in Dublin City Centre. Luas Line BX is part of the Government's Transport 21 investment programme.

Recommendation:

Taking cognisance of the above, it is recommended that the variation procedure be initiated to include the provision of the new Marlborough Street Bridge as an objective under Section 7.8.0 of the written statement of the Development Plan and on Map E.

Jim Keogan
A/Executive Manager

Development Department

Civic Offices.

1st February, 2008

To the Chairman and Members of
the Central Area Committee

**Proposed Variation of Dublin City Development Plan 2005-2011.
River Road Improvement Scheme, Pelletstown.**

Proposal:

It is proposed to vary the Dublin City Development Plan 2005-2011 to include a road improvement scheme along River Road, Pelletstown from Ratoath Road to Ashtown Road.

A new text entry is proposed in Chapter 7 of the Dublin City Development Plan as follows;

7.8.0 Provision of Additional Road Capacity

Road Schemes and Bridges

Roads

- N3/ Pelletstown Area
 - River Road from Ratoath Road to Ashtown Road

The Route is defined on the attached map.

Location and Description:

River Road (R102) is designated as a regional road to the northwest of the city centre that was a connector road between Castleknock and Finglas until it was truncated during the construction of the M50. The road runs from its junction with the Ratoath Road westwards for approximately 1.6 kilometres to its junction with the Ashtown Road.

The Tolka River, Tolka River flood plain and the proposed redevelopment of Cardiffsbridge Park lies to the north of the road. The road skirts the north side of the Pelletstown Development Area, which is currently under construction. There are three accesses from these developments onto River Road which also provides a connection between Ashtown and Finglas. As a result of these developments there has been a considerable increase in the volume of traffic using River Road. Pelletstown is a designated Framework Development Area in the current City Development Plan, wherein one of the principles is to facilitate good access to public transport and to the amenity of the Tolka Valley (para. 14.9.0).

The proposed improvement scheme comprises the redesign of the poorest region of the horizontal alignment of the route and the widening of the carriageway to a standard width of 7.3 metres. A 3 metre, two-way cycle-track on the northside of the road and 2 metre wide footpaths on both sides are also proposed for the route. Improvements to sightlines and capacities will be made to the Ratoath Road and Ashtown Junctions. The scheme will provide for a continuity of road cross section along River Road east of Ashtown Road and west of Ratoath Road. The design standard for the road will be to an urban non-national standard and designed to National Roads Authority Standards.

Background:

River Road (R102) connects Ashtown Road and Ratoath Road. The Dublin City Development Plan 1999 had, as one of its objectives that River Road would be restricted to pedestrian/cycle uses by the creation of a cul-de-sac (Reference Policy OC5 11.13.i(B)). This proposal was not implemented. Fingal County Council, the adjoining Local Authority closed Dunsink Lane to through traffic, resulting in increased traffic volumes to River Road.

The existing River Road from the Ratoath Road is of a rural nature with limited pedestrian footpaths and little frontage development for approximately 800 metres. The remainder of the road is quite different in character, being wider with new development being located to the south of the road.

The existing road to the east is generally 6 metres in width with hedgerows and mature trees on either side of the road. The horizontal alignment is substandard and due to the hedgerows, the forward visibility is substandard in places. The road surface in this area is in bad condition, being badly affected by the volume of traffic now using the road.

The existing road to the west is generally in good condition with a number of speed control ramps. A 2.5 metre footpath is located adjacent the front boundaries of new developments in this area.

While positive drainage is provided along most of the existing road, ponding is known to occur at several locations.

The existing road is inadequate with regard to its alignment, its drainage and the provision of facilities for pedestrians and cyclists. Having regard to the quantum of residential and other development that has taken place in the area and to the volume of traffic now using the road, it has now become imperative to improve River Road to a standard suitable for motor vehicles and for pedestrians and cyclists who are vulnerable road users, in the interests of pedestrian and traffic safety.

Purpose of the Proposed Variation:

The purpose of the proposed variation is to allow the construction of the River Road Improvement Scheme at Pelletstown. The current City Development Plan does not list River Road for improvement. The current carriageway width, alignment and poor forward visibility on the road results in hazardous scenarios for all non-vehicular traffic. The proposed scheme will result in fully segregated pedestrian and cycleways along its length. The scheme will also provide designated crossing points for pedestrians along its length. The scheme will upgrade River Road to a standard suitable for pedestrians, cyclists and motor vehicles thereby increasing safety for all users.

Recommendation:

Taking cognisance of the above, it is recommended that the variation procedure be initiated to include the provision of the River Road Improvement Scheme, as an objective under Section 7.8.0 of the written statement and on Map A of the Development Plan, such Road Improvement Scheme to have regards to the principles outlined in the Development Plan for the Pelletstown Framework Development Area (para. 14.9.0) to include, inter alia connectivity to the Tolka Valley.

Jim Keogan
A/Executive Manager

PROGRESS REPORT ON SOCIAL AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN DUBLIN CENTRAL AREA

**Part A – Affordable
Part B – Social**

SEPT-DEC 2007

PART A

AFFORDABLE HOUSING INITIATIVE PLANNED / IN PROGRESS

DEVELOPMENT	NO. OF UNITS	PROPERTY TYPE	CURRENT STATUS
INFIRMARY ROAD	130 26 x 1 BED 78 x 2 BED 26 x 3 BED	APARTMENT	PLANNING PERMISSION GRANTED BY AN BORD PLEANALA

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PART A

**PART V AFFORDABLE HOUSING
PLANNED / IN PROGRESS**

DEVELOPMENT	NO. OF UNITS	PROPERTY TYPE	CURRENT STATUS
MOUNTJOY STREET / WELLINGTON STREET / BLESSINGTON STREET	11	APARTMENT	UNITS ACQUIRED AND BEING ALLOCATED
ROYAL CANAL BANK PELLETSTOWN	46 11 x 1 BED 31 x 2 BED 4 x 3 BED	APARTMENT	UNITS ACQUIRED AND BEING ALLOCATED
FORMER EIRCOM SITE DISTILLERY ROAD	10 2 x 1 BED 8 x 2 BED	APARTMENT	UNITS ACQUIRED AND BEING ALLOCATED
RATHBOURNE AVENUE, PELLETSTOWN PHASE 11B	18	APARTMENT	PROPOSAL RECEIVED AND BEING EVALUATED, UNITS READY OCTOBER 2008
PARK LODGE HOTEL NORTH CIRCULAR ROAD	POSSIBLE 5	APARTMENT	VALUATION AND BUILD COSTS BEING EVALUATED
RUSSELL STREET / NORTH CIRCULAR ROAD	11 4 x 1 BED 7 x 2 BED	APARTMENT	AGREEMENT IN PLACE
4 – 11 RAILWAY STREET / 36 – 38 JAMES JOYCE STREET	6 5 x 1 BED 1 x 2 BED	APARTMENT	AGREEMENT IN PLACE

DEVELOPMENT	NO. OF UNITS	PROPERTY TYPE	CURRENT STATUS
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21 – 25 SHERRARD STREET UPPER (SFX CENTRE)	POSSIBLE 3	APARTMENT	AGREEMENT BEING NEGOTIATED, TO BE IN PLACE END OF JANUARY 2008
149, 149A – 149C NORTH STRAND ROAD	7	APARTMENT	AGREEMENT BEING NEGOTIATED, TO BE IN PLACE END OF JANUARY 2008
SHERIFF STREET UPPER / EAST ROAD / CHURCH ROAD	POSSIBLE 4	APARTMENT	AGREEMENT BEING NEGOTIATED, TO BE IN PLACE END OF JANUARY 2008
MOORE STREET / SAMPSONS LANE / ILAC CENTRE	11	APARTMENT	AGREEMENT BEING NEGOTIATED, UNITS OFFERED OFFSITE

THE LIGHTHOUSE, JUNCTION OF EAST WALL ROAD / CHURCH ROAD, (PHASE II)	POSSIBLE 6	APARTMENT	AGREEMENT BEING NEGOTIATED
105 – 115 DORSET STREET UPPER	14	APARTMENT	PROPOSAL RECEIVED AND BEING EVALUATED
4 – 4A EAST ROAD / EAST WALL	23	APARTMENT / DUPLEX	PROPOSAL RECEIVED AND BEING EVALUATED
26A PORTLAND STREET NORTH	12	APARTMENT	PROPOSAL RECEIVED AND BEING EVALUATED
177-126 SHERIFF STREET UPPER	25	APARTMENT	PROPOSAL AGREED BY DDDA
CROSBIE'S YARD OSSARY ROAD	OFF SITE CASTLEFORBES ROAD	APARTMENT	DEVELOPMENT NOT ANTICIPATED TO START IN 2008

DEVELOPMENT	NO. OF UNITS	PROPERTY TYPE	CURRENT STATUS
QURRY ROAD, CABRA	45	APARTMENT	TUIRNKAY DEVELOPMENT. PROVISIONAL SPLIT OF UNITS AFFORDABLE 45 / SOCIAL 25 UNITS (RAS)

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PART B

**SOCIAL HOUSING PROGRAMMES
PLANNED / IN PROGRESS**

DEVELOPMENT	NO. OF UNITS	PROPERTY TYPE	CURRENT STATUS
McKEE PARK	37 S/C UNITS & 1 SOCIAL UNIT 36 x 1 BED APTS 2 x 2 BED HOUSE	APARTMENT / HOUSE	DETAILED TENDER DRAWINGS BEING PREPARED
NORTH KING STREET	27 3 x 1 BED 20 x 2 BED 1 x 3 BED 3 x 2 BED DUPLEX	APARTMENT	DETAILED TENDER DRAWINGS BEING PREPARED.
SEAN TREACY HOUSE	53 12 x 1 BED 25 x 2 BED 14 x 3 BED 2 x 4 BED	APARTMENT	PART 8 APPROVED. DETAILED TENDER DRAWINGS BEING PREPARED.
DUNMANUS	40 S/C UNITS MOSTLY 1 BED, SOME 2 BED	APARTMENT	CURRENT PROPOSAL WITH THE DOE,H&LG FOR APPROVAL
DEVELOPMENT	NO. OF UNITS	PROPERTY TYPE	CURRENT STATUS
LIBERTY HOUSE, (PHASE II)	44 12 x 1 BED 25 x 2 BED 7 x 3 BED	APARTMENT	ONGOING DISCUSSIONS WITH THE DoEHLG
LOURDES HOUSE	63 15 x 1 BED 36 x 2 BED 11 x 3 BED 1 x 4 BED	APARTMENT	IN PROGRESS. TARGET COMPLETION DATE AUGUST 2009.

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PART B

**VOLUNTARY AND CO-OPERATIVE HOUSING
PLANNED / IN PROGRESS**

DEVELOPMENT	NO. OF UNITS	PROPERTY TYPE	CURRENT STATUS
ALONE – 17 DOYLES COTTAGE, BLACKHORSE AVENUE, DUBLIN 7	1 1 x 1 BED	APARTMENT	ON HOLD – ALONE APPLYING FOR PLANNING PERMISSION
ALONE – 32 BELVEDERE ROAD, DUBLIN 1	3	APARTMENT	APPROVAL FROM DOE,H&LG RECEIVED 29 JUNE 2007
CATHOLIC HOUSING AID – FR. SCULLY HOUSE, GARDINER STREET, DUBLIN 1	100 88 x 1 BED 12 x 2 BED	APARTMENT	PLANNING PERMISSION RECEIVED. FUNDING APPLICATION WITH DOE,H&LG
CATHOLIC HOUSING AID – ST. AGATHAS COURT, NORTH WILLIAM STREET, DUBLIN 1	37 33 x 1 BED 4 x 2 BED	APARTMENT	AT DESIGN STAGE
CIRCLE – BRICIN'S PARK	86 73 x 1 BED 15 x 2 BED 1 x 4 BED	APARTMENT	PLANNING PERMISSION GRANTED NOVEMBER 2007
DEVELOPMENT	NO. OF UNITS	PROPERTY TYPE	CURRENT STATUS
FOCUS – 494 NORTH CIRCULAR ROAD	13 13 x 1 BED	APARTMENT	APPROVAL OF DOE,H&LG ON 15 DECEMBER 2006
NABCO – EAST ROAD	46 9 x 1 BED 19 x 2 BED 18 x 3 BED	APARTMENT	PLANNING PERMISSION RECEIVED
NABCO – 84 NORTH KING STREET, DUBLIN 7	36	APARTMENT	PLANNING PERMISSION REDUCED UNITS FROM 54 TO 40. DESIGN BEING REVIEWED
THE AIDS FUND – GRANBY LANE, DUBLIN 1	15 15 x 1 BED	APARTMENT	APPROVAL FOR FUNDING RECEIVED 2 OCTOBER 2007. ON SITE
PACE – 16 BELVEDERE PLACE	7 7 x 1 BED	APARTMENT	APPROVAL OF DOE,H&LG RECEIVED ON 1 JUNE 2007. ON SITE
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL – 8 PRIMROSE STREET	4 4 x 1 BED	APARTMENT	APPROVAL OF DOE,H&LG ON 27 APRIL

			2007
HAIL – 14 EVERTON AVENUE	2 2 x 1 BED	APARTMENT	APPLICATION FOR FUNDING TO DOE,H&LG 3 OCTOBER 2007
THE LINE PROJECT – 558 NORTH CIRCULAR ROAD	4 4 x 1 BED	APARTMENT	APPLICATION FOR FUNDING TO DOE,H&LG 23 OCTOBER 2007

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PART B**Part V Social Housing
PLANNED / IN PROGRESS**

DEVELOPMENT	NO. OF UNITS	PROPERTY TYPE	CURRENT STATUS
ROYAL CANAL BANK, PELLETSTOWN	40 15 x 1 BED 10 x 2 BED 15 x 3 BED	APARTMENT	UNITS ACQUIRED AND BEING ALLOCATED
FORMER EIRCOM SITE, DISTILLERY ROAD	12	APARTMENT	UNITS ACQUIRED AND BEING ALLOCATED
RATHBOURNE AVENUE, PELLETSTOWN (PHASE 11B)	18	APARTMENT	PROPOSAL RECEIVED AND BEING EVALUATED. UNITS READY OCTOBER 2008
PARK LODGE HOTEL, NORTH CIRCULAR ROAD	POSSIBLE 4	APARTMENT	VALUATION AND BUILD COSTS BEING EVALUATED
RUSSELL STREET / NORTH CIRCULAR ROAD	11 4 x 1 BED 7 x 2 BED	APARTMENT	AGREEMENT IN PLACE
4 – 11 RAILWAY STREET / 36 – 48 JAMES JOYCE STREET	5 1 x 1 BED 4 x 2 BED	APARTMENT	AGREEMENT IN PLACE
DEVELOPMENT	NO. OF UNITS	PROPERTY TYPE	CURRENT STATUS
21 – 25 SHERRARD STREET UPPER (SFX CENTRE)	POSSIBLE 3	APARTMENT	AGREEMENT BEING NEGOTIATED, TO BE IN PLACE END OF JANUARY 2008
149, 149A-149C NORTH STRAND ROAD	5	APARTMENT	AGREEMENT BEING NEGOTIATED, TO BE IN PLACE END OF JANUARY 2008
SHERIFF STREET UPPER / EAST ROAD / CHURCH ROAD	POSSIBLE 5	APARTMENT	AGREEMENT BEING NEGOTIATED, TO BE IN PLACE END OF JANUARY 2008
THE LIGHTHOUSE, JUNCTION OF EAST WALL ROAD / CHURCH ROAD, (PHASE II)	POSSIBLE 6	APARTMENT	AGREEMENT BEING NEGOTIATED, NUMBER OF UNITS NOT DETERMINED
105-115 DORSET STREET UPPER	13	APARTMENT	PROPOSAL RECEIVED AND BEING EVALUATED

4 - 4A EAST ROAD, EAST WALL	23	APARTMENT / DUPLEX	PROPOSAL RECEIVED AND BEING EVALUATED
26A PORTLAND STREET NORTH	11	APARTMENT	PROPOSAL RECEIVED AND BEING EVALUATED
177 – 126 SHERIFF STREE UPPER		APARTMENT	PROPOSAL AGREED BY DDDA
CROSBIE'S YARD, OSSARY ROAD	OFF SITE CASTLEFORBES ROAD	APARTMENT	DEVELOPMENT NOT ANTICIPATED TO START IN 2008
QURRY ROAD, CABRA	70	APARTMENT	TURNKEY DEVELOPMENT. PROVISIONAL SPLIT OF UNITS AFFORDABLE 45 / SOCIAL 25 UNITS (RAS).

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**MAJOR REGENERATION PROJECTS
PLANNED / IN PROGRESS**

DEVELOPMENT	NO. OF UNITS	PROPERTY TYPE	CURRENT STATUS
O'DEVANEY GARDENS, DUBLIN 7	SOCIAL 281 AFFORDABLE 250 PRIVATE 292		NEGOTIATIONS WITH DEVELOPER ONGOING RE NEW PLANNING GUIDELINES
DOMINICK STREET, DUBLIN 1	SOCIAL 120 PRIVATE 240		NEGOTIATIONS WITH PREFERRED BIDDER ONGOING
MOUNTAINVIEW COURT, DUBLIN 1	SOCIAL 10 AFFORDABLE 40 PRIVATE 40 (Plus primary care centre and Daycare Centre)		CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF FINAL TENDERS 28/2/08
CROKE VILLAS, DUBLIN 3	SOCIAL 38 PRIVATE 100		PREFERRED BIDDER CHOSEN BUT NEEDS TO BE RATIFIED BY PROJECT BOARD (DoEHLG, DCC AND NDFA)
ST. MICHANS HOUSE			REGENERATION OPTIONS BEING CONSIDERED
DORSET STREET FLATS			CONSULTATION ONGOING

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1st February, 2008

**To the Chairman and Members of
the Central Area Committee**

Special Letting to Afterschools Education and Support Programme

The City Council works closely with groups involved in providing services in disadvantaged areas. One of these groups, the Afterschools Education and Support Programme, provides an after schools service to children from the North Wall area. They are currently using No. 25 Spencer Dock as a base for their project but have identified a need for larger accommodation in order to provide better services.

Accordingly, the Afterschools Education and Support Programme, has approached Dublin City Council with a request that two, vacant, one-bedroom units in Crinan Strand be made available for their use. As part of this request they will return No. 25 Spencer Dock to Dublin City Council. No.1 Crinan Strand and No. 4 Crinan Strand have been refurbished and have had extra works carried out to make them suitable for Community use. These units also have access to a garden area that would be of great benefit to the group.

It is proposed to allocate these properties as a "Special Letting". A licence agreement will be drawn up with the Afterschools Education and Support Programme for the property. In order to facilitate this agreement it will be necessary to suspend the use of the Scheme of Letting Priorities.

Therefore, the agreement of the Committee is sought in making the allocation of these properties, without reference to the Scheme of Letting Priorities.

**Teresa Conlon
Allocations Officer**

MINUTES OF THE TRAFFIC ADVISORY GROUP HELD ON 17TH JANUARY, 2008

Pay & Display/Permit Parking has been recommended at the following locations subject to the agreement of residents:

1) Ben Edair Road, Stoneybatter, Dublin 7:

- Westside from a point 5m north of Halliday Road north for 69m (approx 14 spaces).
- Westside from a point 5m north of Moira Road, north for 84m (approx 17 spaces).
- Eastside from a point 5m north of Halliday Road, north for 182m (approx 36 spaces).

Double Yellow Lines

- 5m each side of the junction of Ben Edair and Halliday Road.
- 5m each side of the junction of Ben Edair and Moira Road.
- 5m each side of the southern corner of the junction of Ben Edair and Godfrey Place.

2) Richmond Cottages, Dublin 1:

- South-east side from a point 5m north-east of Richmond Cottages North, north-east for 82 m.
- North-west side from a point 5m north-east of Richmond Cottages North, north-east for 78m.

Double Yellow Lines

- 5m each side of the junction of Richmond Cottages and Richmond Cottages North.
- 5m each side of the southern corner of the junction of Richmond Cottages and Richmond Crescent.
- 5m each side of the junction of Richmond Cottages and Richmond Parade.

3) Richmond Crescent, Dublin 1:

- North-east side from the south-eastern boundary of No 6 Richmond Crescent, northwest for 33m.
- South-east side from a point 5m south-east of Richmond Cottages, south-east for 20m.

4) Susanville Road, Dublin 3:

- Northside from a point 5m west of Distillery Road, west for 102m (approx 20 spaces).
- Southside from a point 5m west of Distillery Road, west for 91m (approx 18 spaces).
- Eastside from a point 5m south of Susanville Road, south for 11m (approx 2 spaces).
- Eastside from a point 5m north of Clonliffe Road, north for 15m (approx 3 spaces).

- Westside from a point 6m north of Clonliffe Road, north for 29m (approx 6 spaces).

Double Yellow Lines

- 5m each side of the junction of Susanville Road and Distillery Road.
- 5m each side of the south-west corner of Susanville Road (at No. 37 Susanville Road).
- Eastside from a point 20m north of Clonliffe Road, north for 5m.
- Westside from a point 35m north of Clonliffe Road, north for 8m.

5) Botanic Road, Glasnevin, Dublin 9:

- Eastside from a point 5m south of LP 20 , north for 74m.
- Eastside from a point at the boundary of house no's 182/183, south for 5m.

A Loading Bay is recommended as follows:

- East Side from a point at the boundary of house no.s 182/183 north for 27m.

A bus stop is recommended as follows:

- East side from a point 5m south of the boundary of house no.s 182/183 south for 12m.

***e Pedestrian
Facilities***

1 Old Cabra Road/Glenbeigh Road, Dublin 7.

Reps for Pedestrian Crossing on Old Cabra Road at junction with Glenbeigh Road.

Public Rep

DocID:185374

Not Recommended

Request to be referred to the QBN for consideration as part of the Blanchardstown QBC upgrade.

2 Beresford Place, Dublin 1.

Reps for Pedestrian Crossing on Beresford Place, to the rear of Custom House, west of the junction with Gardiner Street.

Resident

DocID:170774

Recommended

***c Parking
Prohibitions***

3 Belvedere Place, Dublin 1.

Reps for Pay & Display/Permit Parking on Belvedere Place, Drumcondra.

Resident

DocID:173661

Recommended

Accepted at survey, Hours Mon-Sun 7am-12pm. 11 votes returned, 7 for, 0 against, 4 spoiled for.

4 Beaver Street, Dublin 1.

Reps to Extend Double Yellow Lines on Beaver Street.

Dublin City Council

DocID:178894

Recommended

West side, from a point 37m north from Foley Street to Railway Street (all of west side).

5 Rathborne, Dublin 7.

Reps for Double Yellow Lines at Superquinn in Rathborne.

Public Rep

DocID:187074

Not Recommended

This recent development has not yet been taken in charge by Dublin City Council.

6 Orchard Terrace, Dublin 7.

'No Parking at any time' sign on west side of Orchard Terrace.

Dublin City Council

DocID:176393

Recommended

7 Arran Street East, Dublin 7.

Reps to change Pay & Display to Pay & Display/ Permit Parking on Arran Street East at the quays end (south end).

Dublin City Council

DocID:187761

Recommended

West side from a point 10m north from the junction with Ormond Quay north for 20m. West side from a point 43m north from the junction with Ormond Quay north for 5m.

8 Montpelier Drive, Dublin 7.

Reps for Extension of Double Yellow Lines on Montpelier Drive.

Public Rep

DocID:189244

Recommended

East side from a point 13m north of Montpelier Hill, north for 13m. West side from a point 13m north of Montpelier Hill, north for 8m. South side from lamp standard no. 4 east and then south to the northern boundary of house no.4.

9 Stanley Street, Dublin 7.

Reps for 'No Parking at any time' sign on Stanley Street, off North Brunswick Street.

Business

DocID:188071

Recommended

West side from a point 5m north opposite LS no.2, south for 10m.

10 Botanic Avenue, Dublin 9.

Reps for Loading Bay on Botanic Avenue.

Dublin City Council

DocID:11111

Recommended

Southside from a point 5m west of Drumcondra Road Lower west for 18m.

11 St. Patrick's Parade, Dublin 9.

Reps for Parking Restrictions on St. Patrick's Parade, Drumcondra.

Public Rep

DocID:181308

Recommended

Double Yellow Lines: North side from the junction with St. Columba's Road east for 10m. North side from a point 2m west of the eastern boundary of no.1 east for 9m. Single Yellow Line: North side from a point 10m east of the junction with St. Columba's Road to a point 2m west of the eastern boundary of no.1 (37m SYL).

12 Martin Savage Park, Dublin 15.

Reps for Additional Parking Restrictions on Martin Savage Park, Ashtown.

Resident

DocID:187835

Recommended

Double Yellow Lines: North side from a point at LS no. 9 east and then south to a point 20m south of LS no.7. East side from a point at the boundary of house no.s 28/30, north for 10m. East side from a point at the boundary of house no.s 28/30 south for 11m. Single Yellow Line east side from a point 20m south of LS no.9 south for 117m (7am to 10am

13 Sherrard Avenue, Dublin 1.

Reps for Pay and Display and Permit Parking on Sherrard Avenue.

Dublin City Council

DocID:179776

Recommended

Accepted at survey, Hours Mon-Fri 7am to 7pm. 41 on register, 12 votes returned, 8 for (+ 1 n.o.r) and 3 against.

14 Munster Street, Dublin 7.

Reps to replace free parking spaces on Munster Street with Pay and Display and Permit Parking bays.

Dublin City Council

DocID:180177

Recommended

Pay & Display southside from a point 5m west of Phibsborough Road west for 27m and Double Yellow Lines southside from a point 33m west of Phibsborough Road west for 5m.

15 Store Street, Dublin 1.

Reps for Double Yellow Lines at Store Street Plaza, Store Street.

Dublin City Council

DocID:187620

Recommended

From the northern corner of no.20 Store Street extending northeastwards along the northern kerb of Store Street Plaza to a point 5m north of lamp standard no.10.

16 Fitzwilliam Place North, Dublin 7.

Reps for Pay and Display and Permit Parking on Fitzwilliam Place North, Grangegorman Road Lower.

Resident

DocID:184099

Recommended

No survey required as there are no residents on the register of electors.

17 Clare Road/Griffith Avenue, Dublin 9.

Reps for extension of Double Yellow Lines at the junction of Clare Road and Griffith Avenue.

Resident

DocID:186111

Recommended

Griffith Avenue southside from the junction with Clare Road to a point 15m east of Clare Road (currently 8m east of Clare Road).

b Traffic Conditions

18 North Strand Road, Dublin 1.

Reps for Cycle Lane on North Strand Road.

Public Rep

DocID:189239

Recommended

East side (inbound side), from the junction with Gulford Place to the junction with Shamrock Terrace (7am to 7pm Monday to Saturday). Signage to be changed from 'Bus Lane Only' to 'Bus/Cycle Shared Use'.

19 Merchant's Road, Dublin 3.

Reps for Traffic Calming on Merchant's Road.

Public Rep

DocID:179289

Recommended

2 ramps as follows: Outside house no.44 at LS no.4. At boundary of house no.s 87/89 at LS no.2.

20 North Circular Road/Rathdown Road, Dublin 7.

Reps for Yellow Box on North Circular Road at junction with Rathdown Road.

Public Rep

DocID:184213

Not Recommended

Blocking of the junction only occurs at peak hour with little problems observed non-peak.

21 Ratoath Road/ Convent View Cottages, Dublin 7.

Reps for Yellow Box on Ratoath Road at junction with Convent View Cottages.

Public Rep

DocID:180542

Not Recommended

Yellow boxes are intended to prevent blocking of 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.

A yellow box is not recommended on Ratoath Road at the junction Convent View Cottages as blocking of the junction only occurs at peak hour with little problems observed outside of peak hours and low traffic flows observed on the road due to limited parking in Convent View Cottages.

22 Ballyboggan Road, Dublin 11.

Reps for Traffic Calming on Ballyboggan Road, Glasnevin Woods.

Public Rep

DocID:184204

Not Recommended

Ballyboggan Road is not suitable for traffic calming as it is a bus route and is a main strategic east-west road linking Finglas Road and Ratoath Road.

a Traffic Signs

23 **Blackhall Place/Ellis Quay, Dublin 7.**

'No Left Turn except Buses/Taxis and Cycles'
from Blackhall Place to Ellis Quay.

Dublin City Council

DocID:187753

Recommended

Report to the Chairman and Members of the
Central Area Committee

**Collision Investigation Study on
North Circular Road, Cabra Road, Old Cabra Road
Traffic Signals Update**

**Gerry Flaherty
Senior Executive Engineer**

**Roads and Traffic Department
Dublin City Council
Floor 5 Block 2
Civic Offices
Fishamble Street**

February 2007

Introduction

TMS Road Safety Consultancy from the UK was commissioned to carry out collision investigation along the North Circular Road, Cabra Road and Old Cabra Road early in 2007 and a report on their findings was presented to the Central Area Committee on September 11, 2007. In recent months, the Traffic Signal Section carried out an assessment of the recommendations concerning pedestrian crossings and traffic signals in the report and have made the following proposals:

1. Pedestrian crossing at North Circular Road and Oxmantown Road
Recommended north-east of the junction at No. 97 Oxmantown Road
Funding has been sought from the DOEHLG under the Low Cost Safety Improvement Works Programme for non-national roads for 2008.
2. Pedestrian crossing at Cabra Road and St. Peters Road
Recommended east of the junction at No. 16 Cabra Road
Funding will be sought from the NRA under the Low Cost Safety Improvement Works Programme for national roads for 2008.
3. Traffic Signals at Cabra Road and Dowth Avenue
Not recommended at this time due to low traffic volumes on Dowth Avenue at the junction. Reversal of the one-way traffic flow outside the row of shops west of Dowth Avenue is currently being examined to reduce conflict at the junction of Cabra Road and Dowth Avenue
4. Review of traffic signal timings
 - a. North Circular Road / Phibsborough Road
 - b. Phibsborough Road / Connaught Road
 - c. North Circular Road / Russell Street / Fitzgibbon Street / Emmet Street
 - d. Cabra Road New / Imaal Road / Annamoe Terrace

These junctions are monitored 24 hours a day via Dublin City Council SCATS Traffic System and additional time is given to the various traffic movements automatically depending on traffic demand. The cycle time at these junctions vary depending on time of day and traffic volumes. A check on the green and amber timings at each junction indicated that sufficient time has been provided for pedestrians for the width at each particular leg of the junction.

5. Review of right turning movements at the following junctions:
 - a. North Circular Road / Blackhorse Avenue / Aughrim Street
 - b. North Circular Road / Old Cabra Road / Prussia Street
 - c. North Circular Road / Berkeley Road
 - d. North Circular Road / Belvedere Road
 - e. Portland Row / Amiens Street / Seville Place

a & b These will be examined as part of the review of the Blanchardstown QBC.

c & d No changes are recommended for these junctions as they are operating satisfactorily. Provision of a filter light would affect the capacity of the junction

e A right turn filter already exists at this junction with a further pedestrian phase added at the end of 2007 across Seville Place

**Report to the Chairman and Members of the
Central Area Committee**

**Report to Area Committee
Grangegorman - Rathdown Traffic Management**

**Gerry Flaherty
Senior Executive Engineer**

**Roads and Traffic Department
Dublin City Council
Floor 5 Block 2
Civic Offices
Fishamble Street**

February 2008

Introduction

A report on the Grangegorman Traffic Cell was presented to the Central Area Committee in January 2008 and a request was made at the meeting to examine the possibility of introducing a one-way system from the junction of Rathdown Road and Grangegorman Road Upper to North Circular Road.

Having examined traffic movements on the road, it is felt that a one-way system on Rathdown Road or Grangegorman Road in either direction would have the following negative effects:

1. It would result in inconvenience for residents and businesses in properties on or off Rathdown Road and Grangegorman Road Upper due to the extra distance to be travelled and further congestion at the junction with North Circular Road, especially at peak periods
2. It would be likely to increase traffic speeds and traffic volumes on both roads
3. It would be very difficult to enforce such a one-way system.

In addition, both roads are wide enough to accommodate two-way traffic. For this reason a one-way system is not recommended at this time. As an initial step, a 'no entry' could be recommended at the junction of Grangegorman Road Upper and North Circular Road to help reduce traffic conflict at the north end. The views of councillors are sought on the matter.

A preliminary design is currently being proposed for the junction of Rathdown Road and Grangegorman Road in the form of additional footways defining the road layout and the provisions of parking bays. This will be subject to road safety audit and the identification of funding to carry out the works.

Gerry Flaherty
Senior Executive Engineer

Central Area Office
51/53 Sean McDermott Street Lower
Dublin 1

1st February 2008

**The Chairman and Members of
Central Area Committee**

**With reference to a proposal to initiate the procedure for the Extinguishment of the
Public Right of Way over a section of Chapel Lane, Dublin 1**

Proposal

A request to have the public right of way extinguished over a section of Chapel Lane, Dublin 1 has been made. The reason for this extinguishment is to eliminate anti-social behaviour in the laneway. The extent of this proposed extinguishment is shown on the attached Drawing RM 24942.

Service Checks

A service check will be undertaken to establish what (if) any are located on these areas. Suitable arrangements will be put in place prior to completion of this proposal.

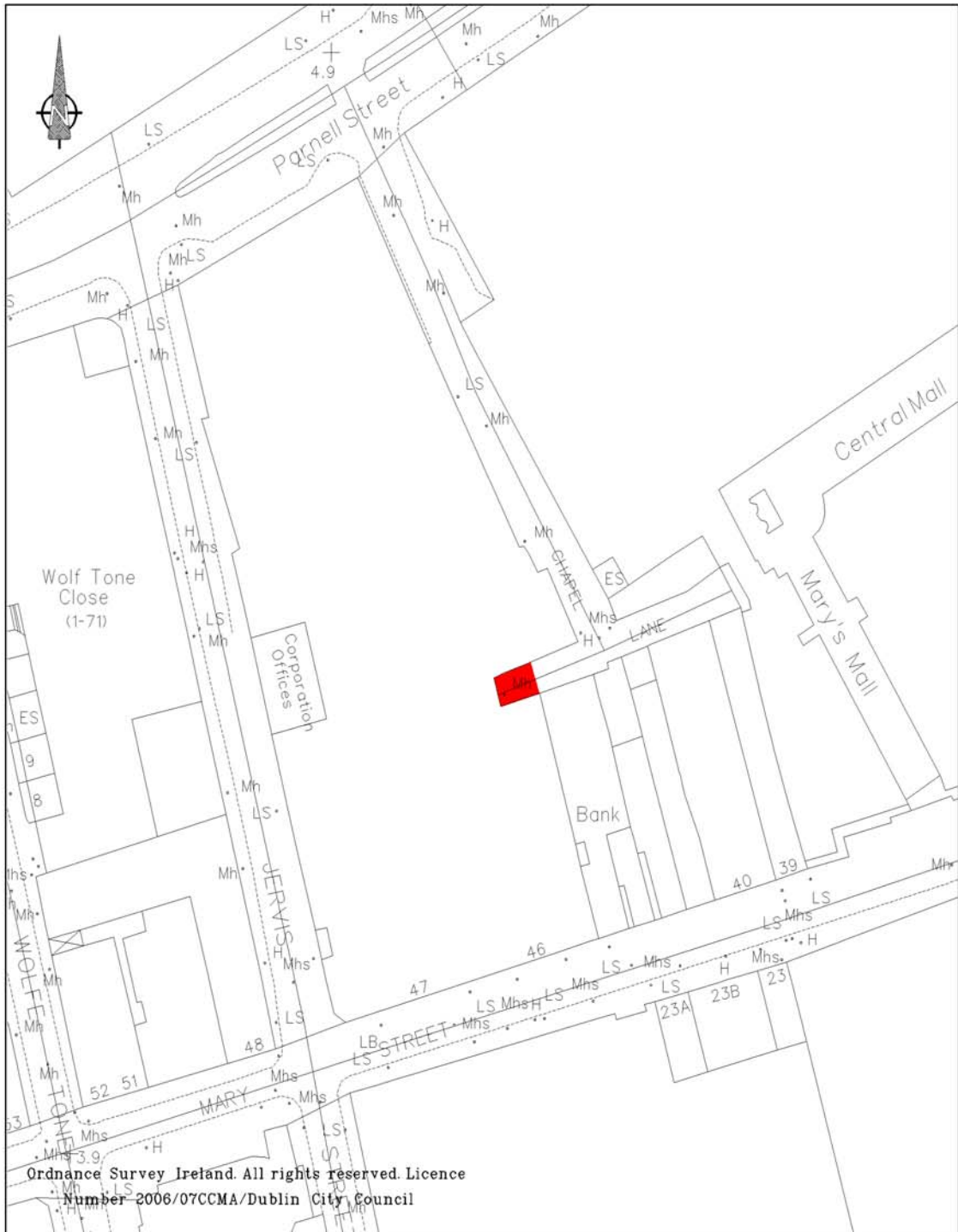
Statutory Requirement

The statutory procedure involves giving public notice of the proposal in one or more newspapers circulating in the City and the affixing of that notice at each end of the right of way for a period of not less than 14 days. Any objections or representations made and not withdrawn shall be considered. The extinguishment of a public right of way is a function reserved to the elected members of the City Council.

Recommendation

I recommend that procedures be initiated under Section 73 of the Roads Act 1993 to extinguish the public right of way over the area indicated on attached Drawing.

Charlie Lowe
Executive Manager
Central Area



DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
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WOOD QUAY, DUBLIN 8.

Roads Act 1993 Section 73 (1).

**Proposed extinguishment of public r.o.w.
 over (part of) Chapel Lane, Parnell St.**

ROADS MAINTENANCE DIVISION

R.M. 24942

J. McDAID
 DEPUTY CITY ENGINEER (ROADS & TRAFFIC)

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1st Feb 2008

**The Chairman and Members of
Central Area Committee**

**With reference to the proposed Extinguishment of the Public Right of Way over a
section of Frederick Lane North, Dublin 1 to the rear of the Hugh Lane Gallery**

Proposal

A request to have the public right of way extinguished over the above was received from the Housing and Residential Services Department. The reason for this proposed extinguishment is to eliminate anti-social behaviour in the area. The extent of this proposed extinguishment is shown on the attached Drawing RM 24790.

The Central Area Committee, at its meeting on the 13th November 2007, agreed to initiate the statutory procedure to extinguish the public right of way over this laneway under the provisions of Section 73 of the Roads Act 1993.

Statutory

By public advertisement on the 19th November 2007, representations or objections were invited by the 31st December 2007. The site notice at this location was erected on the 19th November 2007.

- No objections were received.

Service Check

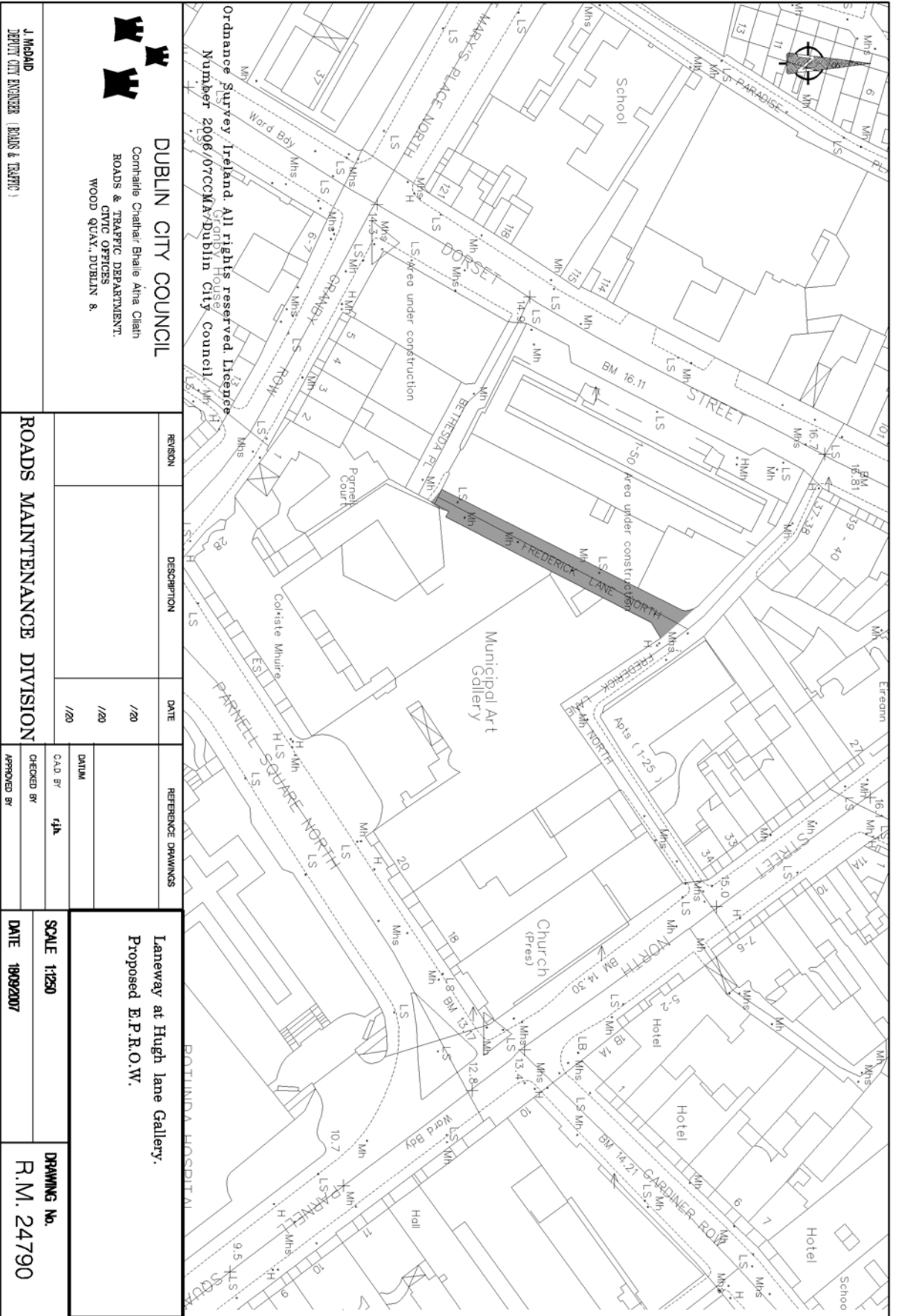
A service check has been carried out and the Housing Maintenance Section and Water Division have requested that they be given 24 hour access to the gate.

Recommendation

I recommend that this Committee approve the extinguishment of the public right of way over the area shown on Drawing No. RM 24790, for consideration later by the City Council.

The extinguishment of a public right of way is a function reserved to the City Council.

Charlie Lowe
Executive Manager



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DRAWING No. R.M. 24790

Laneway at Hugh Lane Gallery.
 Proposed E.P.R.O.W.

1st Feb 2008

The Chairman and Members of
Central Area Committee

**With reference to the Proposed Extinguishment of the Public Right of Way over
laneway to the side of 47 Fairfield Avenue, East Wall, Dublin 3**

Proposal

A request to have the public right of way extinguished over the above was received accompanied by a signed petition. The reason for this proposed extinguishment is to eliminate anti-social behaviour in the area. The extent of this proposed extinguishment is shown on the attached Drawing RM 24863.

The Central Area Committee, at its meeting on the 11th December 2007, agreed to initiate the statutory procedure to extinguish the public right of way over this laneway under the provisions of Section 73 of the Roads Act 1993.

Statutory

By public advertisement on the 14th December 2007, representations or objections were invited by the 14th January 2008. The site notice at this location was erected on the 14th December 2007.

- No objections were received.

Service Check

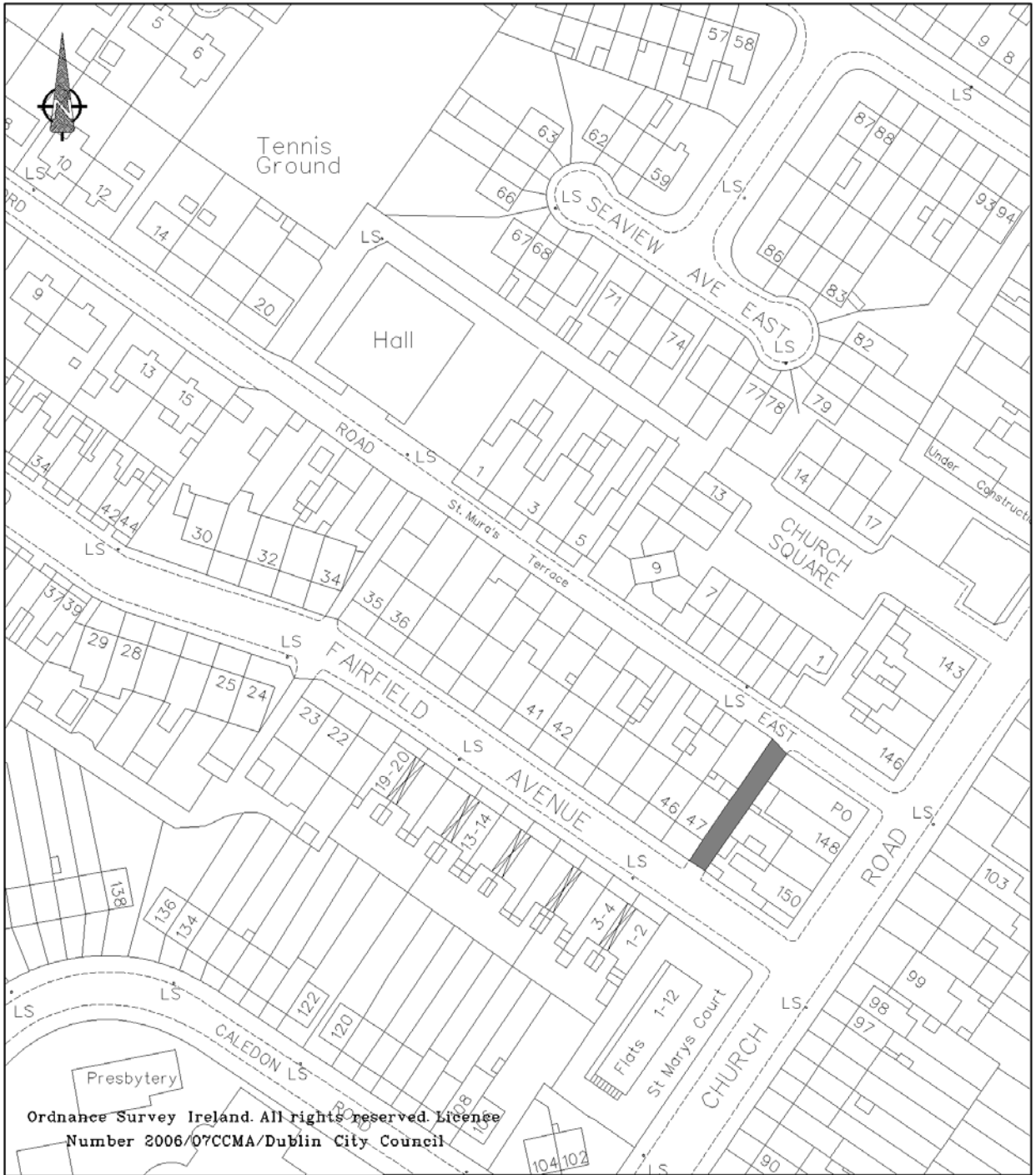
A service check has been carried out and no service access is required.

Recommendation


I recommend that this Committee approve the extinguishment of the public right of way over the area shown on Drawing No. RM 24863, for consideration later by the City Council.

The extinguishment of a public right of way is a function reserved to the City Council.

Charlie Lowe
Executive Manager



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 <p>DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL Cornhairle Chathair Bhaile Átha Cliath</p> <p>ROADS & TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT.</p> <p>CIVIC OFFICES</p> <p>WOOD QUAY, DUBLIN 8.</p>	<p>Roads Act 1993 Section 73(1).</p> <p>Proposed extinguishment of public r.o.w. over laneway to the side of 47 Fairfield linking Fairfield Avenue & Strangford Road East</p>			
	<p>ROADS MAINTENANCE DIVISION</p>			
<p>J. McDAID DEPUTY CITY ENGINEER (ROADS & TRAFFIC)</p>	<p>DRAWN</p> <p>S.McCabe</p>	<p>DATE</p> <p>05/12/2007</p>	<p>REVISED</p> <p>/ /20</p>	<p>SCALE</p> <p>1:1000</p>
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Central Area Office
51/53 Sean McDermott Street
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1st February 2008

**The Chairman and Members of
Central Area Committee**

**Naming and Numbering Proposal for laneway to the rear of 10 - 13 Synnott Place,
Dublin 7**

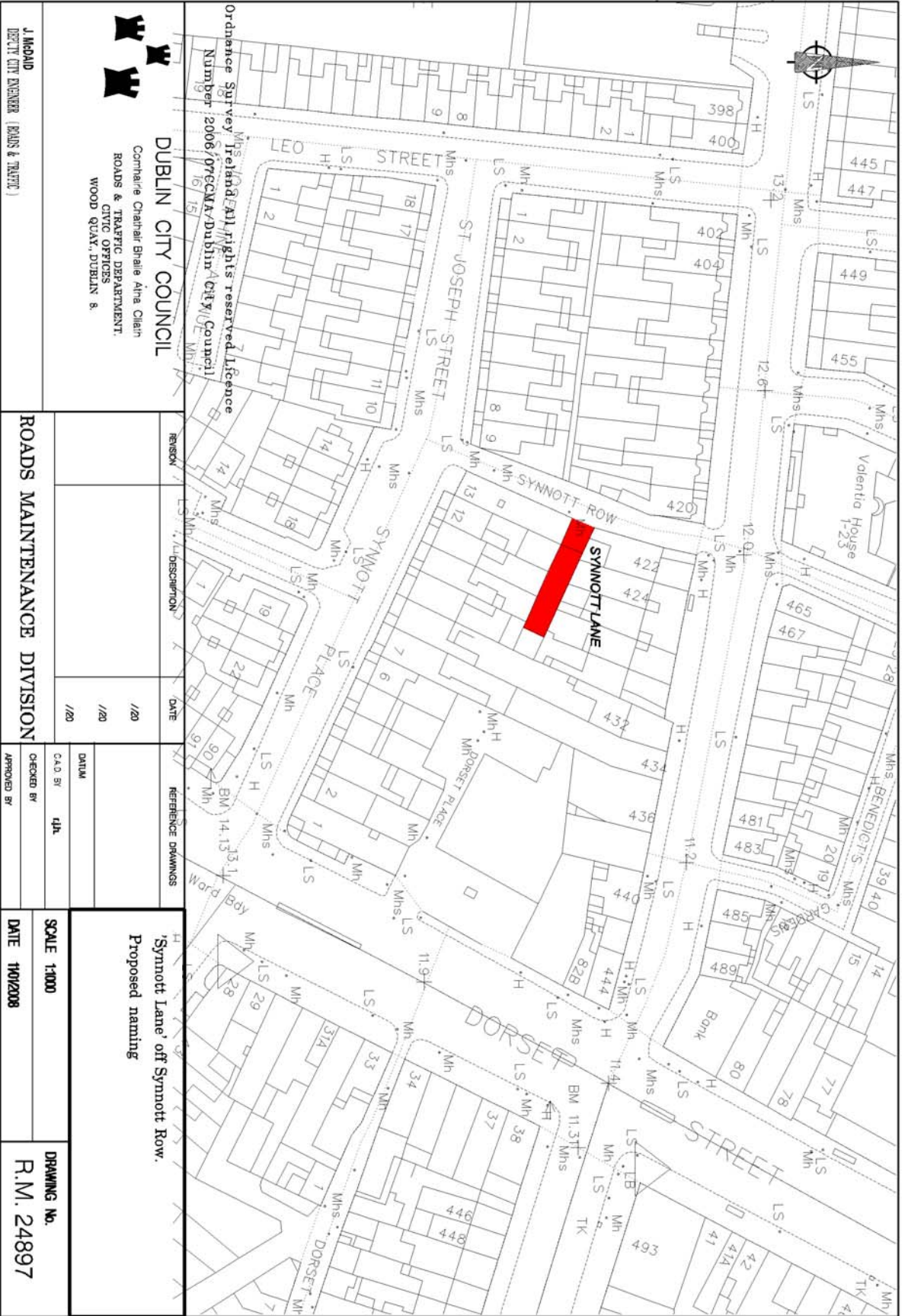
This laneway, which runs to the rear of 10 - 13 Synnott Place, has never been given an official name. Two houses have recently been built there, and for the purposes of utility services this laneway now needs to be officially named.

The developer has requested that the laneway be named "Synnott Lane/Lána Shionóid".

The Heritage Officer considers the proposed name appropriate.

The name "Synnott Lane/Lána Shionóid" is considered suitable and is recommended for adoption.

**Charlie Lowe
Executive Manager
Central Area**



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DRAWING No. R.M. 24897

**'Synnott Lane' off Synnott Row.
 Proposed naming**

Central Area Office
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Dublin 1

1st February 2008

The Chairman and Members of
Central Area Committee.

**Naming and Numbering Proposal for Mixed Use Development at No.s 19-21 Spring
Garden Street & No. 2 Annesley Place, Dublin 3.**

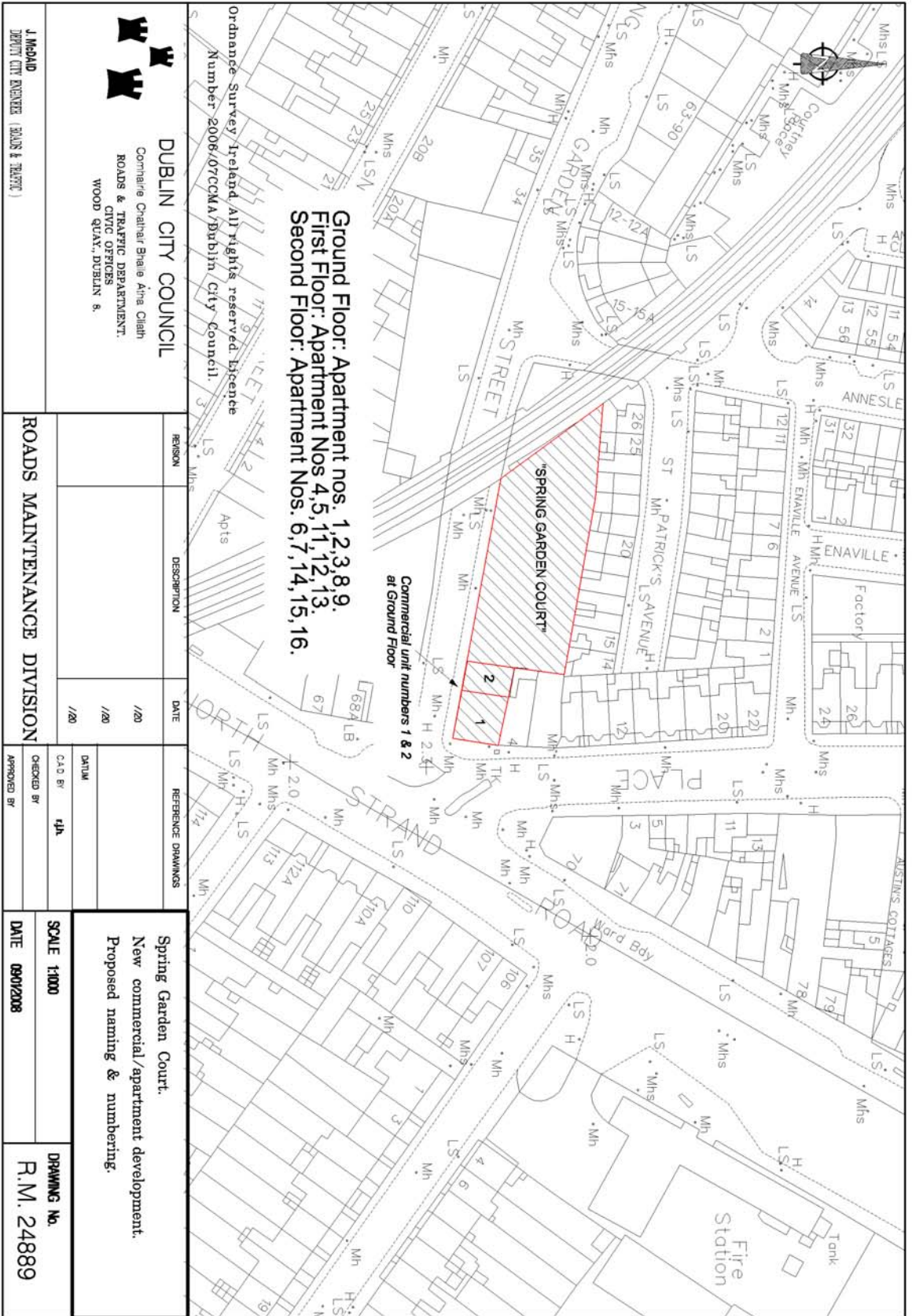
This is a mixed use development by BR Partnership at No.s 19-21 Spring Garden Street & No. 2 Annesley Place, Dublin 3.

The developer has requested that the development be named “**Spring Garden Court/Cúirt Ghairdín an Tobair**”.

The Heritage Officer considers the proposed name appropriate.

The name “**Spring Garden Court/Cúirt Ghairdín an Tobair**” is considered suitable and is recommended for adoption.

Charlie Lowe
Executive Manager
Central Area



Ground Floor: Apartment nos. 1,2,3,8,9.
First Floor: Apartment Nos 4,5,11,12,13.
Second Floor: Apartment Nos. 6,7,14,15,16.

Commercial unit numbers 1 & 2 at Ground Floor

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Spring Garden Court.
 New commercial/apartment development.
 Proposed naming & numbering.

1st February, 2008

**To the Chairman and Members of
the Central Area Committee**

Environmental Services Unit - Update

Graffiti Removal Scheme

We are currently awaiting details from POBAL on what basis the new Community Graffiti Removal programme will operate.

Covert CCTV

In the period December 2007 to January 2008 the camera units have been in place in the following locations.

- Sean Mc Dermott St
- Parnell St
- Portland Place
- Ballyboggan Road
- Britton Lane

Several cases have been forwarded to waste enforcement for investigation/prosecution relating to Carnew Lane, Dublin 7.

Several cases have been forwarded to Waste Enforcement for investigation/prosecution relating to Ballyboggan Road, Dublin 11.

Litter wardens working out the Area Office are also following up on footage recorded on Sean Mc Dermott St upper, Dublin 1.

Individual addresses have also been identified and Litter Wardens are monitoring these locations.

Litter Hotline

In the period December 2007 to January 2008 incidents were reported to the Litter Hotline:

Dumping - 139
Litter - 5
Cleansing - 7
Non tagged bags - 1
Other – 8

The breakdown of how incidents were reported to the hotline is as follows:

E-mail – 112
Phone – 42
DCC staff – 6

The breakdown of the areas that the complaints relate to is as follows:

Drumcondra – 32	Phibsboro – 11
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Cabra – 33	Ballybough – 10
East Wall – 5	North Wall – 0
NEIC – 33	Stoneybatter – 12
NCR – 19	Other – 5

Litter Wardens

The following are statistics for the Central Area Litter Wardens.

Number of notices issued - 0
Number of prosecutions initiated - 31
Number of convictions - 4
Number of on the spot fines issued - 350
Number of on the spot fines paid - 23

Environmental Response Unit

In the period December 2007 to January 2008 the Environmental Response Unit has removed

45.6 Tonnes of dumped material from the Central Area.

This includes removal of fly tipping in laneways and also dumping of heavy household goods/rubbish on roadsides and green spaces.

Public Domain Defects

In the period December 2007 to January 2008 96 defects have been reported by Public Domain Operatives to the following departments:

Roads Maintenance - 42
Cleansing - 16
Traffic - 20
Drainage - 7
Waterworks - 11
External Utilities - 0

New Area Staff

Deployment of new area based staff has increased the levels of cleaning on arterial routes into the city and also the streets surrounding the major hospitals in the area. Staff are also carrying out weeding, overgrowth removal, leaf clearing and incident response duties as necessary.

Street Vacuum

A new street vacuum has been purchased to combat cigarette related in the city centre. The Public Domain Unit will operate a programme of cleaning using the new equipment from early February.

Chewing Gum Removal

Chewing gum removal continues in the Central Business District on **O’Connell Street, Henry Street, Mary Street and North Earl Street**. The following streets have been added to the removal programme under the terms of the new contract for removal:

- Talbot Street, Capel Street.
- Parnell Street (from junction of Jervis Street to junction of O’Connell Street)
- Ormond Quay Lower, Bachelors Walk, Eden Quay (building side only and also pedestrian entrance to Ha’penny Bridge and Millennium Bridge)
- Grattan Bridge
- Coles Lane

- Dorset Street Upper and Lower
- Drumcondra Road Lower (new granite)
- Abbey Street Lower and Middle
- Wolfe Tone Park and surrounding footpath
- Amiens Street From Junction of Sheriff Street to Junction of Store Street (Connolly Station side only)

Communications

The following groups and meetings are attended by representatives of the Environmental Services Unit.

- NEIC Community Forum – Monthly Meetings
- North Wall Community Forum – Monthly Meetings
- Mountjoy and District Community Forum – Monthly Meetings
- East Wall Community Forum – Meetings every 6 weeks
- Drumcondra Community Forum – Monthly Meetings
- North West City Community Forum – Meetings held every three months
- Healy St & Area Community Policing Forum Meeting – Meetings held every six weeks (not convened by DCC)
- Central Area Business Forum – Meetings held every two months
- Capel Street Business Watch – Meetings Quarterly
- Croke Park Community Liaison Committee – Monthly Meetings
- Area JPC – Meetings held every three months

The following lists the issues that are regularly raised for attention at the various community forums attended by DCC representatives.

North Wall Community Forum

1. Abandoned trailers in the area.
2. Anti-social behaviour, especially on St. Laurence's Place East.
3. Breaches of Planning conditions at development sites in the area
4. Traffic issues - Seville Place.

North East Inner City Community Forum

1. Cumberland Street Market.
2. Cleansing issues and dumping in the area.
3. Anti-social behaviour at local clinics.
4. Begging and harassment of residents in the area.

Healy St & Area Community Policing Forum

1. Dumping of rubbish and cleansing issues at:
Rutland Place North, Thompson Cottages, Summerhill Parade, Summer St Nth
and North Circular Road – (Summerhill Parade to Dorset St)

Mountjoy and District Community Forum

1. Cleansing issues
2. Security
3. Blessington Street Basin and surrounding parks
4. Local Area Plan

Drumcondra Community Forum

1. Cleansing Issues
2. Traffic Issues
3. Anti Social Behaviour

Ballybough Community Forum

1. New Community Centre
2. Traffic
3. Cleansing

East Wall Community Forum

1. Anti-social behaviour in the playground
2. Completion of Environmental Traffic Cell
3. Cleansing

Other issues that are raised for discussion/attention include the following:

Parks

Playgrounds, Tree pruning, tree planting, weed spraying, green waste disposal, sports pitches, small open spaces, flower/shrub containers.

Public Lighting

Requests for heritage style replacement columns, maintenance, increased wattage, new installations.

Road maintenance

Footpath repairs/replacement, carriageway, repairs/replacement signage.

Traffic Management

Traffic calming, traffic signals, road marking renewal, street parking, cycle ways, environmental traffic cells.

Housing

Maintenance, allocations, security (CCTV), anti social behaviour, precinct improvements, parking.

Waste Management

Charges, road sweeping, fines, fly dumping, dog fouling.

Planning

Enforcement, objections, derelict sites, community gain.

Misc.

Flooding, disruption from construction sites, institutions, funding, environmental health.

Hugh McKenna

Assistant Area Manager

1st February, 2008

**To the Chairman and Members of
the Central Area Committee**

NORTH EAST INNER CITY INTEGRATED AREA PLAN

New Primary School and Pre-School at Gloucester Place

On 5th December 2005 a decision to grant planning permission was made in respect of a development consisting of a 9-classroom Primary School and 7-classroom Pre-School. The structure is four storeys to Sean MacDermott Street and Gloucester Park, part three storeys with roof top covered play area enclosed with canopy to Gloucester Diamond and Gloucester Place, and part four-storey to Gloucester Place. The development has a total floor area of 3114 sq. m. The Department of Education commenced on site on 22nd January 2007 and construction works are continuing. Collen Construction, the contractors have advised that it is expected that the development will be completed in the 3rd week of June 2008.

Civic Centre

No. 77 Sean MacDermott Street was acquired in December 2006 for the Convent Lands Civic Centre and Mixed Use Redevelopment; the building has now been vacated. The extinguishment of the Public Right of Way over Gloucester Lane was resolved by the City Council. The Development Agreement was executed on 22nd November 2007. The developer lodged a planning application on 22nd January 2008, planning reference 1174/08.

Liberty Park Crèche

Kids Inc operate the Liberty Corner facility, on behalf of Dublin City Council, as a traditional crèche and Montessori facility. It caters for children from 3 months to 5 years. Priority is given to residents from the NEIC RAPID area. Currently a full time place costs €125 per child per week for parents residing in the NEIC RAPID area. Dublin City Council is subventing the cost of childcare places for local parents. The facility caters for approximately 31 children. The crèche has been fitted out; the National Childcare Investment Programme gave funding approval for the fit out costs on 15th December 2007. The crèche was officially opened by the Lord Mayor Councillor Vincent Jackson on 10th May 2007 and opened for business on 21st May 2007. There are now 7 fulltime staff members, including a Manager and one part-time staff member. There are 23 children attending the crèche on a full time basis. To draw down National Funding the crèche will need to introduce a tiered fee structure.

Buckingham Street Family Resource Centre

Dublin City Council and the HSE have negotiated with Barnardos who plan to run a family resource centre from this facility. The exact mix of services was determined following local consultation. This service will focus on children in need from 0-12 years and their families. The post of Manager of this facility was advertised on the 27th January 2007. Interviews took place and an offer of employment was made. A lease is being prepared for the building. The Health Services Executive, Dublin City Council and Barnardos will jointly fund the facility. Hill Street Family Resource Centre has occupied part of the building and Barnardos staff moved in on the 27th July. Minor refurbishment works have been carried out on the building. Barnardos have signed the lease. It is proposed to hold an official opening in the spring.

Liberty Corner Retail Units

Works were carried out to fit out one of the retail units as a show unit and also the installation of toilets for each unit. The units are on the market for sale.

The disposal of unit 2 was agreed by the City Council in April and the disposal of unit 3 was agreed by the City Council in October. The disposal of unit 8 is complete and the disposal of units 1, 5 & 9 are almost complete. Units 4, 6 & 7 are still on the market.

Development at 110-115 Amiens Street/1, 2 and 3 Halpin's Row

Planning permission was granted for a five-storey office/retail development over basement car parking beside Connolly Station. The development is now complete. A Final Stage Certificate under the Urban Renewal Tax Incentive Scheme was granted for the development on 18th January 2008.

Retail Units at Killarney Court

Expressions of interest from community groups, operating in the North East Inner City area, were invited and 14 submissions were received. A report and recommendation was made to the North East Inner City Integrated Area Plan Monitoring Committee on 18th September 2007. The committee noted and agreed the following:

A Citizens Information Centre would be offered the larger of the units in Killarney Court. HOPE would be offered the other unit in Killarney Court. A facility at 1-4 Portland Square (off North Circular Road) has become available. The Cavan Centre and CASPr were recommended for these premises. There is also a reserve list of two groups, AkiDwa and Family Support Network. It is recommended that these two groups are offered facilities should any become available in the area.

The Cavan Centre and CASPr accepted the offer to avail of the **Portland Square premises**. They have examined the premises to establish the works required to be carried out, in order that the premises can be adapted to meet their needs. It is intended to grant a licence to both groups to occupy the building and a report was approved at the November Area Committee meeting. A report will go to the City Council meeting once the groups have submitted additional information, which has been requested from them.

Citizens Information Centre and HOPE accepted the offer to avail of the premises at Killarney Court and their design requirements for their respective units have now been finalised. It is expected that tenders will be invited shortly. Refurbishment works will take 8-10 weeks with an approximate completion date for early summer 2008.

Store Street Plaza – Redevelopment

The Lord Mayor of Dublin, Councillor Paddy Bourke unveiled the new Store Street Plaza and sculpture on 9th November 2007. The public space has been redeveloped to create an exciting new user-friendly space with a unique sculpture at its centre.

North Great Georges Street (part of)

This scheme provides for an appropriate entrance to historic North Great George's Street. The scheme involves the widening of the footpaths using granite flags and kerbstones on the southern-most section of the street for 25 metres. It also provides for a one-way system, new trees and amenity lighting, double yellow lines and a turning area for vehicles.

The local residents group is very supportive of this proposal. A temporary road closure was applied for; works commenced on the scheme and the scheme is now complete.

Veronica Plunkett
Administrative Officer

1st February, 2008

To the Chairman and Members of
the Central Area Committee

North West Inner City Area Office

Dunard Estate

It is anticipated the erection of the plinth wall around the open space will commence before Easter, weather permitting.

Ratoath Estate

Dublin City Council's Parks Division and Iarnrod Eireann have agreed to replace the wall located between the open space and the railway line at the rear of the estate. Work has commenced.

Mount Bernard Park

An area adjoining the existing tennis courts has been identified for play equipment. It is hoped to commence the installation of this equipment shortly.

Martin Savage Park

Some minor works are required to the area drained in 2007 and the pitches should be ready for playing before the end of the year. Meanwhile construction of the footpaths will commence.

River Road

The realignment of the River Road requires a variation to the Development Plan. A report on the proposed realignment will be presented to the February meeting.

North Circular Road

Pruning the trees between the Phoenix Park and Hanlons Corner is advanced with 70% of the trees pruned.

Church Street

Resurfacing of the footpath between the junction with North King Street and Mary's Lane has been completed and trees planted. The works were facilitated by a grant from the HARP Community Gain Fund.

Housing

McKee Park: Housing and Residential Services expect to be in a position to go to tender in the near future.

Dunmanus: The City Council's proposal is with the Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government.

COMMUNITY

The Senior Community Officer has consulted with other groups, community development groups and agencies to ascertain how the Community Development staff can support their work in 2008.

The Dublin City Council Community Development Section has adopted the “Community and Neighbourhood Development Strategy 2008 to 2011”. This will mean that future community development in the city will be based on Asset Based methods.

Fair Trade Information Packs were delivered to the second level schools. This pack is aimed at teachers to deliver to the pupils. It will make them aware of Dublin City’s commitment to the Fair Trade philosophy.

CABRA PARKSIDE COMMUNITY & SPORTS CENTRE

Activities available

The activities currently available in the Complex are:

Badminton	Basketball
Twice daily workout classes	Computers
Soccer	Tae Kwon Do
Kickboxing	Indoor Bowls
History Club	Hip Hop Dance
Khai-Bo	Weight Watchers
Skatepark	Ballet
Majorettes	Irish Dancing
Yoga	Teen Gym
Drama	Special Olympics
Youth Club	

Drama

The new Drama group starts this Saturday the 2nd of February. There has been huge interest and it is hoped that this will be a successful programme that will continue long into the future. The group caters for three age groups Under 12, over 12 and senior citizens.

Skateboard Park

The Skateboard Park continues to be very popular and goes from strength to strength. With the lengthening of the evenings uptake on participation has begun to grow with an average of 30 kids a day currently using the facility.

Gym

The number of gym members has grown in the last two months and we now have an average of 120 people a day using the gym. This is mostly due to the New Year but the number of people using the Passport for Leisure scheme is also causing a surge in use.

Kitchen Klub

The recent renovations to the café area have allowed the Kitchen Klub to open as a youth club. This is a very welcome addition to the services currently offered in the complex. This club is completely operated by local people and the initial uptake has been excellent. The club operates on a Thursday night from 7.30pm to 9.30pm and is for young people aged 8 to 14.

Special Olympics Club

The Special Olympics Basketball club is now operating every Saturday from 2 to 4pm. The initial numbers have been good and it is hoped that it will grow in the coming months.

Mary McInerney

Acting Administrative Officer

1st February, 2008

**To the Chairman and Members of
the Central Area Committee**

North East Inner City Housing CAC Report

Area Housing Manager – Chris Butler

Sean O’Casey Avenue

An in-depth examination has now been completed on the proposed mini PIP for Sean O’Casey Avenue. Unfortunately it will not be possible to carry out the requested works to the front of Summerhill as there is no way of achieving disabled access to the houses from the pavement level in Summerhill to comply with Part M of the Building Regulations. All of the other improvement works requested by residents have been completed or will be completed shortly. Any further works requested will be considered. Planters have been installed. Junk collection was recently carried out by Housing attendants section.

Liberty House

Plans still being considered by D.O.E. Demolition of D block completed. Extra lighting installed at site.

Kiln/Forge

Following a request from tenants, security fencing will be installed on walls of rear gardens of the Forge. Survey being carried out on windows to identify problems and recommend solutions.

Sean Treacy House

Complex fully detenanted. Demolition completed. Planning process completed. Pre – qualification questionnaire sent out to contractors December. Invitation to tender in March.

Lourdes House

Problem with gas pipe now resolved. Contractor back on site since Monday 2nd April. New schedule now issued. First phase of redevelopment to be completed Summer 2008. Installation of heating has now been completed. All remaining occupied flats have been fitted with uPVC windows, unless otherwise requested by tenants.

Matt Talbot Court

Consultations with residents on redevelopment of complex underway. Needs Analysis completed. Feasability Study and costings submitted to the DOE for appraisal.

James Larkin House

Following requests from residents, permit parking to be introduced. Plans for improvement works to courtyard currently being examined.

Avondale House

Plans for PIP have now received approval from DOE. Contract to go to tender shortly. It is hoped to have contractor on site by end Summer 2008.

Fitzgibbon Court

Installation of new water tanks is almost completed. Painting of complex now underway.

O'Brien Hall

Funding for new security doors has been secured through the Estate Enhancement Scheme of RAPID. Contractors have now been engaged to carry out works and doors are currently being manufactured.

Community Section Update Feb 2008

Group Name	Issues	Actions
Events	Raising awareness	Promoting Fairtrade Fortnight 25 th Feb- 9 th March 2008. Supporting local groups in coffee mornings, afternoon tea and activities- LYCS, Lourdes Day Care Centre, Ballybough Youth Project, Larkin College, Eastwall Ladies Club. Local Schools have been invited to a ceremony marking Dublin's accreditation as a Fairtrade City 20 th Feb at 6pm City Hall.
Promoting Events	Events	Promoting Chinese New Year, passport for Leisure, green guide, Walk and Talk, Chinese New Year Festival, Learning Bus.
Small Grants	Achieving funding for projects	Processed applications for various group hosting activities groups ranging from Senior Citizens to Youth Groups.
Senior Citizens	Events	Supported Nascadh CDP in Eastwall Area with their launch of Research Project for senior Citizen needs analysis, which took place 22nd January 2008. Visiting Senior Citizen Groups in the area promoting activities available to them. Sing along afternoons -3 piece band available for small venue, Cemetery Tours, Learning Bus, Passport for Leisure, Educational Courses, A Time to Dance, Down Memory Lane, Too Young To Be Old.
Residents Groups	New Groups	Working with Ballybough House, Avondale House and Liberty House to establish strong committees.
Youth Groups		Continuing to contact and meet various groups and offering ongoing support. Linking residents to groups established in their area.
Eastlink Fund	Grant Applications	Currently meeting with each of the applicants.
Meetings	Other meetings as required e.g. in the Community Section in the Civic Offices	Contacting various organisations working with the NEIC Community. It is proposed to meet monthly to enhance communication, avoid duplication and strengthen projects.
Tenant Training	Local Information	Central Area Welcome Pack –To be printed this month
Summer Projects	Liaise with Volunteers and Residents Groups CYC & FAI	Made contact with CYC, Development Officer, and FAI & Play Development Section. Currently looking for local volunteers and taking names for Child Protection Course
Plant Sales	Liaise with Volunteers and Residents Groups	Plant sales to commence early Spring for the Area.

Area Housing Manager – Brian Kavanagh

Poplar Row

All 33 new duplex/housing units have been allocated and occupied. The vacant site has been cleared and secured by the builder. Plans are currently being prepared for redevelopment.

Housing Maintenance Division has carried out painting works on the two stairwells in the complex. This involved the removing of offensive graffiti and re-painting the stairwells.

Ballybough Community Centre

Community Centre site meetings are ongoing between Builder, DCC and Residents Reps and will continue for the duration of the project. The Ballybough Community Centre Advisory Group met recently and received a progress report on the building. The Centre is scheduled to be opened by summer

Croke Villas

The complex is being detenanted at present to allow for the redevelopment. Consultation meetings with Tenants reps are ongoing. Community Charter now agreed with residents committee and presented to Area Committee. Recommendation to be ratified shortly by project board.

The painting programme for the complex is now complete. No. 22, Croke Villas has been refurbished by Housing Maintenance and will be allocated as a community letting for the duration of the project. Housing Maintenance cleared out the vacant site on Sackville Avenue and secured the 3 houses that were bought under compulsory purchase order on Ballybough Road numbers 2,4 and 5 on Monday 12th November 2007.

A meeting has taken place with some members of the neighbouring communities to keep them informed of progress on this development. Meetings have also taken place between the Area Housing Manager, Regeneration Worker and Residents Redevelopment Group.

Ballybough House

The additional netting works were carried out on the football pitch. Bin storage facilities have been installed in the complex. We have removed some washing lines in the complex on request from the Residents Association.

Monthly meetings have ceased between the Estate Manager and Residents' Association. The Resident's Association AGM is being held on 28th February 2008, it is the committee's intention to resign. Community Development staff have initiated a door-to-door survey in the complex with a view to establishing a new Residents' Association Committee.

Courtney Place

Housing Maintenance Division has carried out painting works on the two stairwells in the complex. This involved the removing of offensive graffiti and re-painting the stairwells.

North Clarence Street/Dunne Street

Works have been completed on the three football pitches in the complex, replacing the damaged fencing with a stronger galvanised fence. This work was funded through RAPID. Housing Maintenance carried out painting works on the football pitch and the bin chambers in the complex.

An upgrade of the existing lighting in the complex will be carried out within the next 4 weeks.

Tom Clarke House/Orchard Road Depot

An updated feasibility study is currently being carried out for this proposed development.

Temple House

Precinct Improvements: Plans agreed with residents are being finalised and costed by Quantity Surveyors Department for submission to D.O.E. A meeting between Housing Maintenance and Consultant Architects in relation to details of this proposal is taking place shortly.

Hill Street/Alfie Byrne House

Further information was submitted as requested to the Department of the Environment Heritage and Local Government and approval has been granted. A commencement date for the project is awaited.

Charlie Lowe
Area Manager

1st February, 2008

To the Chairman and Members of
the Central Area Committee

North East Inner City Housing CAC Report

Hardwicke Street: (Dermot O'Dwyer & Rory O'Connor House)

Monthly meetings are taking place between the Residents Association and Estate Management. Ongoing maintenance problems with the electronic doors are currently being investigated and resolved.

Georges Place:

Monthly meetings are taking place between the Residents Association and Estate Management. It is hoped that the electronic gates will be installed by the beginning of March.

Chancery House

The P.I.P. commenced in December 2007. It is hoped that these works will be completed by May 2008. Monthly meetings are in place with DCC and Contractors on site. A working group consisting of residents is in place for the duration of the P.I.P. to discuss and resolve any issues that may arise.

Constitution Hill

Monthly meetings are taking place between the Residents Association and Estate Management to discuss any issues that may arise. It is hoped that the P.I.P. will commence in late 2008.

Blackhall/Marmion Court

Maintenance issues within the complex are being investigated and resolved at present. It is hoped that new PTZ CCTV cameras will be installed in the complex shortly.

Sheridan Court/Place:

Monthly meetings are being held with the Residents Committee and Estate Management. The snagging of the 28 units in Sheridan Place has taken place. The contractor has been notified of all snags and is due to carry remedial works where necessary.

Drumalee Estate

Continuing to work with new Residents Association and awaiting landscape architect's report. Feasibility of installing a CCTV system being examined. Major clean-up done pre Christmas.

Saint Bricin's Park

Meetings took place in March in relation to plans and planning permission. Planning permission granted to Circle Housing Association – on appeal to an Bord Pleanala

Henrietta House

Painting programme will commence shortly at Henrietta House and once finished will complete the overall upgrade of the area

Wolfe Tone Close

A working group is in existence between Residents, Dublin City Council and the Community Policing Forum to work together to resolve issues of concern to residents within the complex.

Ormond Square

Work is now complete on the refurbishment of 1-7 Ormond Square and ongoing liaising is taking place between the Residents Association and the Estate Manager. It is hoped to commence work on the playground shortly.

Kevin Barry House

Defensible Space Programme plans have been completed and consultation has been completed. A budget line is being sought to enable works to commence.

Charlie Lowe
Executive Manager

**Questions to City Manager
Central Area Committee
February, 2008**

Q1 Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the City Manager what progress is being made to the two City Council houses and the eight private houses in relation to re-furbishment at the houses at **details supplied.**

Q2 Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the City Manager when will Dublin City Council install windows at its complex of housing units at **details supplied.**

Q3 Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the City Manager if he would arrange housing for two overall priority cases that have been on the list for some time – **details supplied.**

Q4 Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the City Manager if Dublin City Council will agree to the request from **details Supplied**

Q5 Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the City Manager if all shores have been cleared and cleaned out in the **details supplied** area in order to prevent flooding as a result of heavy rainfalls.

Q6 Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the City Manager if he would check public lighting and clean the shores at **details supplied**

Q7 Councillor Séamas McGrattan

To ask the City Manager to have the wheelchair ramp repaired at the laneway at **details supplied**

Q8 Councillor Séamas McGrattan

To ask the City Manager to have the gullies checked and cleaned at **details supplied**

Q9 Councillor Séamas McGrattan

To ask the City Manager to have the gullies cleared and cleaned at **details supplied**

Q10 Councillor Séamas McGrattan

To ask the City Manager to contact Iarnród Eireann to ask them to provide an extra carriage on their morning services to the (details supplied) line as passengers at (details supplied) cannot access the train as it is already full when it gets to them and if need be to extend the platform for the extra carriage.

Q11 Councillor Séamas McGrattan

To ask the City Manager to remove the lamppost at (details supplied) as it is obstructing the resident parking in her drive.

Q12 Councillor Séamas McGrattan

To ask the City Manager to check the road, as there are a few potholes at (details supplied)

Q13 Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the Area Manager to ballot residents for pay and display at details supplied

Q14 Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the Area Manager to
A) put a No Entry sign at details supplied to prevent rat-running
B) replace the "no dumping sign" that has been removed
C) to ensure that all the streets and laneways in the area are swept

Q15 Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the Area Manager to take action to stop the gate banging at details supplied

Q16 Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the Area Manager for an update on the regeneration of details supplied

Q17 Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the Area Manager to repair the light at details supplied:

Q18 Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the Area Manager to write to Dublin Bus to ask them to cut back the bushes at details supplied

Q19 Councillor Brendan Carr

To ask the City Manager if he will look again at the wall to the rear of *(Details supplied) with a view to mending the breach in the wall which residents have requested to discourage anti-social behaviour.

Q20 Councillor Brendan Carr

To ask the manager to clean the shore at details supplied

Q21 Councillor Mary O'Shea

To ask the Area Manager to provide a report on the history of (details attached)

Q22 Councillor Mary O'Shea

To ask the Area Manager to provide a Report on (details attached)

Q23 Councillor Mary O'Shea

To ask the Area Manager to remove the trees and reinstate the fence at (details attached)

Q24 Councillor Mary O'Shea

To ask the Area Manager to provide a Report on the rehousing application of (details attached)

Q25 Councillor Mary O'Shea

To ask the Area Manager to provide a report on the regulatory controls governing pigeon breeding in residential premises and if he is aware of (details attached)

Q26 Councillor Mary O'Shea

To ask the Area Manager to provide a report on (details attached)

Q27 Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

Will the Manager please provide a report on details attached.

Q28 Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

Is the Manager aware of details provided and will he provide a report on same.

Q29 Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

Will the manager please arrange for details attached.

Q30 Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

Will the Manager please provide a report on details attached.

Q31 Councillor Mick Rafferty

To ask the Area Manager for a report on the reason that cars continued to be clamped at **details supplied** where there are no parking restrictions as confirmed by Brian Riddick, Parking Enforcement Officer, some time ago.

Q32 Councillor Mick Rafferty

That a report be made on the recent meeting with the Clubs that use the football pitches at **details supplied** and to detail that action will be taken to meet the Clubs concerned.

Q33 Councillor Mick Rafferty

That the request of a resident of **details supplied** for the temporary removal of double yellow lines at **details supplied** to provide 2 additional parking bays for the duration of the construction work at the Mater Hospital which is resulting in serious parking restrictions in the area.

Q34 Councillor Mick Rafferty

When will the resurfacing of the laneway at the **details supplied** be completed to enable the closure to proceed.

Q35 Councillor Mick Rafferty

To ask the Area Manager the up to date position on the proposal to develop the **details supplied**, if discussions with the Pidgeon Club have been finalised and if consultations are planned with the residents of Senior Citizens Flats involved.

- Q36** **Councillor Mick Rafferty**
- To ask the Area Manager the timescale for the opening off **details supplied**, the membership of the Management Board that will run **details supplied** and the number of staff that will be employed full time.
- Q37** **Councillor Aodhain O’Riordain**
- To ask the Manager to deal with the issues in the attached correspondence regarding parking at **details supplied**
- Q38** **Councillor Aodhain O’Riordain**
- To ask the Area Manager to check if the bathroom extension at **details supplied** complies with building regulations.
- Q39** **Councillor Aodhain O’Riordain**
- To ask the Manager for an update on when the gates at **details supplied** will be repaired.
- Q40** **Councillor Aodhain O’Riordain**
- To ask the Manager to respond to the attached correspondence **details supplied**
- Q41** **Councillor Aodhain O’Riordain**
- To ask the Manager on what progress is made on the delisting of **details supplied** and to provide details of plans for this complex.
- Q42** **Councillor Aodhain O’Riordain**
- To ask the Manager to report on progress on the **details supplied**
- Q43** **Councillor Brendan Carr**
- To ask the Manager what action has been taken in relation to the bus parking at details supplied.
- Q44** **Councillor Brendan Carr**
- To ask the Manager when the security doors at **details supplied** will be provided.
- Q45** **Councillor Brendan Carr**
- That the Manager report on progress for a Traffic Cell at **details supplied**.
- Q46** **Councillor Brendan Carr**
- That the Manager upgrade the public lighting at **details supplied**