

**--COISDE CHEANTAR AN LARTHUAISCIRT
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON
MONDAY 21ST DECEMBER 2009 AT 3.00 P.M**

3796. Minutes of meeting held on the 16th November 2009

Order: Noted.

3797. Questions to Area Manager.

Order: Noted.

3798. **Area Matters**

a. De-tenanting of Priory Hall

Order: Report to January meeting.

b. Part 8 process for the Hole in the wall Road QBC.

Order: Agreed. Refer to City Council.

c. Update Report on Parking in Clontarf

Order: Agreed.

d. Update on flooding at Clanmoyle / Collins Avenue

Order: Noted. Further report to January meeting.

e. Verbal Update on Pyrite

Order: Noted

f. Proposal to initiate the procedure for the extinguishment of the Public Right of Way to the rear of 49 Brookwood Park and 94A -100 Brookwood Avenue, Artane, Dublin 5.

Order: Agreed.

g. Naming & Numbering Proposal for Development on a site at 276 Howth Road, Dublin 5 .

Order: Agreed.

h. Discussion on Joint Policing Sub Committee meeting

Order: Chair, Area Manager and Chief Superintendant to meet to discuss possible agenda items

i. Item referred from Protocol and Selection Committee on 03/12/09

“Lord Mayor Artane Disaster Fund

The Manager informed the Committee of a dormant bank account in the name of the Lord Mayor’s Artane Disaster Fund, opened at the time of the Stardust Disaster and asked the Committee for their recommendation.

Order: Following discussion it was agreed to refer the matter to the North Central Area Committee for their consideration”

Order: Money to be used to enhance Stardust memorial for February 2010 anniversary.

3799. **Planning and Development Matters**

a. Proposed disposal of land to the side of 68 Kilmore Drive, Dublin 5 to Carrie Grant and Patrick Hughes.

Order: Agreed.

b. Proposed disposal of a site for a substation and wayleave at Alfie Byrne Road, Clontarf, Dublin 3 to Electricity Supply Board, 27 Lower Fitzwilliam Street, Dublin 2

Order: Agreed.

3800. Roads and Traffic Matters

- a. Minutes of Traffic Advisory Group meeting held on 19th November 2009. (Report herewith)

Order: Agreed.

- b. Report on the removal of the traffic calming plateau on Collins Park

Order: Agreed.

3801. Items for following meetings

Report on Priory Hall,
Update on flooding at Clanmoyle/Collins Avenue
Proposed charges for Tennis Courts at Albert College Park

3802. Planning Applications

- a. Report on Legion Hall, Middle Third, Killester

Order: Agreed.

3803. Culture Recreation and Amenity

- a. Report on access/ egress at Yacht Club onto Clontarf Promenade

Order: Noted.

- b. Report on work done at St. Annes at the junction of the Clontarf Road and Mount Prospect Avenue

Order: Noted.

- c. Proposed charges for Tennis Courts at Albert College Park

Order: Charge for Floodlighting agreed. Further report to January meeting.

MOTIONS

3804. Motion in the name of Councillor Seán Kenny

That the Manager report on what action can be taken to ensure that a permanent maintenance cover is installed on the waste water pipeline at Station Road, Baldoyle, (which I understand is managed by Dublin City Council on behalf of Fingal County Council) to replace the temporary cover and cones that have been in place now for several years.

Order: Report to Councillor

3805. Motion in the name of Councillor Seán Kenny

That a full report be provided to the area committee on the timetable for the opening of Clongriffin Rail Station.

Order: Report to Councillor

3806. Motion in the name of Councillor Seán Kenny

That Dublin City Council develops a policy to assist home owners, who purchased their homes through local authority mortgage purchase schemes, deal with the negative equity that many now find themselves in.

Order: Report to Councillor

3807. Motion in the name of Councillor Larry O'Toole

That this committee agree to hold a special area JPC to discuss the current spate of house break-ins.

Order: Not discussed. Motion fell.

3808. Motion in the name of Councillor Pat Crimmins

Can the Manager advise why the Dublin City Council are issuing a tender for a panel of Landscape Architectural Consultant to be employed in recessionary times?

Order: Report to Councillor

3809. Motion in the name of Councillor Pat Crimmins

Can the Manager please supply information on how much Dublin City Council have spent on Landscape Architectural Consultants for the years 2007, 2008 and 2009?

Order: Report to Councillor

3810. Motion in the name of Councillor Pat Crimmins

Can the Manager request that Dublin Bus erect a new bus shelter on the Grange Road opposite the Donaghmede National School (near the roundabout). This bus stop has been vandalised on many occasions but it is widely used by the local people. The area is very open and it is highly sought.

Order: Report to Councillor

3811. Motion in the name of Councillor Pat Crimmins

Can the Manager ask the Drainage Department clear the drains on both sides of the Avondale Park Road which leads in from the Howth Road? This is a black spot and the drains are constantly blocked.

Order: Report to Councillor

3812. Motion in the name of Councillor Pat Crimmins

Can the Manager ask the Drainage Department to unblock the drains on Station Road in Raheny near the Montessori School?

Order: Report to Councillor

3813. Motion in the name of Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the City Manager to arrange to have the street lights fixed around the Howth Junction Dart station and the lighting fixed at the tennis courts in Donaghmede Park.

Order: Report to Councillor

3814. Motion in the name of Councillor Henry Upton

That the Manager report to the committee as to how the additional 36 social units at Marrisfield, Clongriffin came into the control of Dublin City Council.

Order: Report to Councillor

3815. Motion in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell

That the Dublin North Central Area Committee is concerned that the Minister of Social Welfare has not made efforts to meet with Dublin City Council to discuss Emergency/Humanitarian Aid, after being expressly requested to do so by DCC post this years flooding in Dublin North Central. Many of the homes affected would be no less destroyed by flooding waters than the houses that were flooded outside Dublin later this year and for which government aid was forthcoming.

Order: Report to Councillor.

3816. Motion in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell

That the City Manager accepts in principle that DCC will underwrite damage caused by any future flood only, for certain homes that have been affected by the recent flooding in Dublin North Central and who are finding it impossible or financially excessive to provide 'flood' cover for their homes. This cover will only last until the matter is completely resolved. DCC will provide administrative resources and a structure whereby individual applications will be considered on their own merits. DCC acknowledges that many families have real difficulties with regards to obtaining flood insurance cover through no fault of their own and will help families where possible. DCC will also be mindful of their own future financial obligations and their decision on each application will be final.

Order: Noted. Thanks to the Manager and staff for all work done in Clanmoyle.

3817. Motion in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell

That the manager clarifies the decision made last year regarding the building of a scrambling track off the Alfie Byrne Rd. What exactly was the decision made by Councillors and how was this decision arrived at?

Order: Report to Councillor

3818. Motion in the name of Councillor Damian O'Farrell

Can the Area Manager tell me if there have been any incidences of DCC houses being misallocated under 'medical priority' in the Dublin North Central Area and if there has been can I be provided with details of the final outcome i.e. who has the house now etc. Is the Area Manager aware of a review carried out between April 06 & April 07 into possible misallocations under medical priority and whether or not there were any tenancies in DNC reviewed? What assurances has the Area Manager been given by the City Manager that DCC's housing allocation system is safe? I am aware that the City manager in his recent statement feels this matter is an 'internal staff matter', however there has been cases found of misallocation under medical priority and therefore this would also be a matter for Public Reps.

Order: Report to Councillor

3819. Motion in the name of Councillor Andrew Montague

That the manager gives details of the short-term and longterm maintenance plans for Domville Court including cleaning, window cleaning, painting, maintenance of common areas and repairs. In particular can the manager ensure that windows that require a ladder to be cleaned are cleaned twice a year. Can the manager also supply details of a liaison officer for this apartment complex and other senior citizen apartments in the North Central Area.

Order: Report to Councillor

3820. Motion in the name of Councillor Naoise O'Muirí

That the Manager give me an update on my request for double-yellow lines on one side of Cecil Avenue as acknowledged by TAG in late June 09.

Order: Report to Councillor

3821. Motion in the name of Councillor Deirdre Heney

That the Manager report on cleaning of exterior windows in Domville Court Senior Citizen Complex, Santry, Dublin 9. – part 3 storey and, being conscious of the good community spirit and co-operation of tenants with cleaning of exterior areas and maintenance of gardens etc, she will arrange the promised twice yearly window cleaning, say if the current problem is apportionment of costs between North Central and North West areas, give details of what estimate of work is and say if it can be done before Christmas.

Order: Report to Councillor

3822. Motion in the name of Councillor Julia Carmichael

That the manager would review the traffic issues currently experienced by the residents of Ellenfield Road and Glencorp road and Thatch Road. There have been several complaints in relation to parking at weekends by users of the park and during the week by drivers speeding around the Thatch Road area.

Order: Report to Councillor

3823. Motion in the name of Councillor Julia Carmichael

That the manager would ask parks to maintain the grass area at St Johns Court to ensure a reasonable degree of levelness of the ground where the children of the area play on a daily basis to avoid any safety or accidents occurring.

Order: Report to Councillor

Attendance:

Councillor Gerry Breen (In chair)

Councillor Paddy Bourke, Councillor Larry O'Toole, Councillor Deidre Heney, Councillor Andrew Montague, Councillor Naoise O'Muirí, Councillor Damian O'Farrell, Councillor Tom Brabazon, Councillor Seán Kenny, Councillor Kevin Humphreys.

Apologies:

Councillor Pat Crimmins

Dublin City Council

Céline Reilly, Area Manager, Dublin City Council
Elaine Mulvenny, Assistant Area Manager, Dublin City Council
Jim Kelly, Assistant Area Manager, Dublin City Council
Mary Flynn, Administrative Officer
Dermot Johnson, Public Domain Officer
Derek Dixon, Senior Engineer
Eoin Ward, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
John Egan, Area Housing Manager
Aidan Fitzsimons, Area Housing Manager
Rita Hannon, Staff Officer
Con Kehely, Senior QBN Engineer
Peter Muller, QBN Engineer
Said Shawqi, Executive Engineer
Mick O'Loughlin, Senior Executive Engineer
Gerry Barry, City Parks Superintendent
Noel McEvoy, Executive Parks Superintendent
Declan Wallace, Executive Manager
Patricia Hyde, Senior Planner
Yvonne Kirwan, Staff Officer

Niall Geaney – Resident of Priory Hall
Clem Loscher
John Kilraine - RTE

Councillor Gerry Breen

Cathaoirleach

Dated 22nd December 2009