



Dublin City Council

Comhairle Cathrach Bhaile Átha Cliath

NOTIFICATION TO ATTEND MONTHLY MEETING OF THE SOUTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE TO BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, DUBLIN 2 ON MONDAY 14th MARCH AT 3.00pm

TO EACH MEMBER OF THE SOUTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE

You are hereby notified to attend the monthly meeting of the above Committee to be held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Dublin 2 on **Monday 14th March at 3.00pm** to deal with the items on the agenda attached herewith.

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Area Manager

Dated this 9th March 2011

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SOUTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE MEETING – 14th MARCH 2011

- 626. Dublin Bus Presentation**
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- 632. South East Area Matters**
- i. Area Managers Report **(Pages 39 – 40)**

Motions

633. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey

This Committee agrees to discuss the issues contained in the letter submitted with this Motion relating to the Milltown Bring Centre and requests the Manager to prepare a report to inform that debate.

634. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey

That this Committee discusses the report in The Irish Times, of February 19th, that Dublin City Council has rejected an imaginative proposal for a football pitches at St. Patrick's Park and agrees to give this proposal further consideration.

635. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey

This Committee calls on the Manager to take the strongest possible action to protect the former Hume Street Hospital and adjoining buildings which are experiencing serious interference and exposure to the elements at present and will be damaged beyond repair if action is not taken immediately.

636. Motion from Councillor Mannix Flynn

Call on Dublin City Council to do all in its power to halt the vandalism now occurring at the former cancer hospital in Hume Street. This building has been vacant for a number of years and has been constantly vandalised. Residents have expressed serious concerns that this listed building is being looted of its copper and lead and its internal fittings.

637. Motion from Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the City Manager put in place a protocol in relation to the housing of known sex offenders in hostels in the South East Area. Recently residents at Tom Kelly Road flats were distressed and concerned to learn that a high profile convicted paedophile was residing in nearby hostel accommodation. This similar issue of known sex offenders was raised by tenants in the Temple Bar Area when a known sex offender was frequenting the DCC Crampton Buildings.

638. Motion from Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the City Manager issue a report as to how many vacant buildings and premises belonging to NAMA are in the South East Area and what is the legal position for such buildings within DCC. Are they deemed derelict? Recently a NAMA building on Charlemont Place became the subject of illegal occupation by intravenous drug takers causing grave concern to the local community.

639. Motion from Councillor Mannix Flynn

That this committee calls on the City Manager to make a statement on the circumstances surrounding the death of Rachel Peavoy, in January, a Dublin City Council tenant in the Ballymun flats complex. And this committee calls on the Lord Mayor to issue a statement of sympathy and condolences to the family. Further this committee calls on Ballymun Regeneration Board to issue a statement on the matter.

640. Motion from Councillor Mannix Flynn

That this committee express its disappointment at the number of void flats and apartments now on the register in the South East Area. With the present crisis in relation to accommodation and the waiting list this situation regarding voids is unacceptable and needs urgent and immediate attention to redress this trend.

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608. **Dream Walk – Presentation from John Giles**
Order: Noted.
609. **Rathfarnham QBC Enhancements Scheme Presentation**
Order: Agreed to recommend to City Council
610. **Minutes of Meeting held 10th January 2011**
Order: Agreed. *Cllr Freehill requested Dublin Bus to announce their decision on the 128 bus route immediately. She also requested a reply from the Law Agent to her query on the conditions of the title deeds for Fitzwilliam Square.*
611. **Questions to Dublin City Manager**
Order: Noted and circulated.
612. **Development Matters**
- i. With reference to the proposed lease of retail unit at York Street, Dublin 2 to Danlima Limited t/a Tutty's
Order: Agreed to recommend to City Council.
613. **Roads & Traffic Matters**
- ii. Minutes of the Traffic Advisory Group held on 20th January 2011
Order: Noted.
- iii. The phase of the pedestrian crossing at Parliament Street
Order: Report noted.
- iv. Public Lighting Works Programme
Order: Agreed.
614. **South East Area Matters**
- i. Area Managers Report
Order: Report noted. **Cllr. Freehill requested that a meeting be organised in relation to the works at Rathmines Library. Cllr Quinn asked if householders who did not have their bins collected over Christmas would be allowed a reduction on their Waste Collection Charges. Cllr. Parodi requested information on the planning regulations for phone masts.**
The Committee agreed that the Lord Mayor be asked why he did not allow a motion on the recent death of a Dublin City Council tenant be discussed at the City Council meeting and that a full report on this fatality be provided. The Committee agreed that a letter of condolence be sent to the family of Lynda Collins. The Committee requested a report on the bye laws covering trees on private property.

Motions

615. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey

This Committee agrees to consider appropriate events to mark the centenary of the opening of Herbert Park as a Public Park which occurs in 2011.

Order: Agreed. Report to Councillor.

616. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill

That a larger storage tank or whatever is needed be installed in Grove Rd flats and that this proposal be treated as an emergency. The residents were left without water for long periods of time during the winter.

Order: Report to Councillor. Cllr. Freehill requested that this be an item on the March Agenda.

617. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill

That the manager set out in a report what work has been carried out to date in the Rathmines and Pembroke Drainage Scheme, what precisely remains to be done and the time scale for this work. Its worth pointing out that work on this scheme commenced in 1999.

Order: Report to Councillor. Cllr. Freehill requested that this be an item on the March Agenda.

618. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill

Those of us who gave an entire day to the parking workshop are still awaiting the outcome of some agreements, specifically would the manager report on the issue of Saturday parking in Fitzwilliam. We agreed at this committee that there be free parking there on Saturdays, the Manager suggested that he would look at moving this area out of the high cost area.

To date no action has been taken on either suggestion. This committee resolves that the Manager take either course of action.

Order: Report to Councillor.

619. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill

That the Manager produce a report indicating modifications to the islands at the entrance of Charleville and Grosvenor turn off from Leinster Rd. As I have pointed out in the past the length of the islands cause motorists to have to drive on to the opposite side of the road to make a turning. I now attach evidence and photos showing how residents cars have been damaged due to this design fault.

Order: Report to Councillor. Sally Redington to report to Councillor directly.

620. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill

That the planning Department provide a report and explanation on why despite several complaints that planning enforcement never took action against "Tramco" night club in Rathmines. We only recently discovered that in the planning decision for the hotel specifically stated that the premises could not be used as a night club. So why did the Planning Enforcement ignore their own decision. Furthermore what progress is Planning Enforcement making on closing down the current teen disco.

Order: Report to Councillor. Cllr. Freehill requested further clarification on this motion and requested that it be an item on the March Agenda.

621. Motion from Councillor Oisín Quinn

Can the Parks Department give consideration to an area for communal gardening to be installed in Belgrave Square and Palmerston Park in line with the new policies in this regard in the new Development Plan?

Order: Report to Councillor.

622. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the Manager to respond and where possible implement the suggestions contained in the email submitted with this Motion.

Order: Report to Councillor.

623. Motion from Councillor Maria Parodi

That this Committee requests that the Manager contacts the maintenance company of the Bottleworks apartments in Irishtown and asks them to address the ongoing issues of dampness and mould on windows, as this is affecting a number of apartments in the complex.
Order: Report to Councillor.

624. Motion from Councillor Maria Parodi

That this committee agrees that the excessive levels of noise coming from MTL late at night and early in the morning are having a negative impact on the coast guard residents standard of living and this committee asks that the manager contacts Dublin Port and MTL regarding this issue.

Order: Report to Councillor. Cllr Parodi requested that a meeting be organised between Dublin City Council, Dublin Port, MTL, local residents and Councillors.

625. Motion from Councillor Mannix Flynn

That this committee calls on the Dublin City Manager to make a statement on the circumstances surrounding the death of Rachel Peavoy, in January, a Dublin City Council tenent in the Ballymun flats complex . And this committee calls on the Lord Mayor to issue a statement of sympathy and condolences to the family. Further, this committee calls on Ballymun Regeneration Board to issue a statement on the matter.

Order: Falls.

Cllr. Eoghan Murphy

Chairperson

Dated 14th February 2011

Attendance

Members

Councillor E. Murphy (in the chair)

Councillors: D. Lacey, E. Wynne, O. Quinn, M. Freehill, J. O'Callaghan, M. Parodi

Officials

M. O'Neill, Area Manager, South East Area.

F. Lambe, Assistant Area Manager, South East Area

S. Moran, Assistant Area Manager, South East Area

G. Gorman, Assistant Area Manager, South East Area

E. Martin, Area Housing Manager, South East Area

G. Geoghegan, Area Housing Manager, South East Area

S. Dunne, Administrative Officer, Ringsend & Pembroke Office

S. Reddington, Senior Engineer, Roads & Traffic Department

L. Nugent, Senior Executive Engineer, Public Lighting

O. Brady, Administrative Officer, Property Disposal

K. Mitchell, Senior Executive Officer, Sports and Leisure Services

M. Noonan, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent, Culture, Recreation and Amenity

A. McElligott, Project Manager, QBN Project Office

S. Sheehy, Assistant QBN Engineer, QBN Project Office

D. Moran, QBN Technician, QBN Project Office

P. McCann, Administrative Officer, South East Area

M. Moriarty, Staff Officer, South East Area

J. Nugent, Assistant Staff Officer, South East Area

Non-Officials

N. Mooney, Foundation Director, John Giles Foundation

J. Giles, John Giles Foundation

**QUESTIONS TO DUBLIN CITY MANAGER
SOUTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE MEETING, 14th FEBRUARY 2011**

Q1. Councillor Oisín Quinn

Can the Manager ensure that all steps are being taken to take enforcement action in relation to the unauthorised use of & the unauthorised roof structure at 1 Rugby Villas?

Reply

A complaint about timber decking at 1 Rugby Villas was received in May 2003. In response to a Warning Letter served pursuant to Section 152 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, the property owner declared that the decked area had been in use as a sun-bathing area for over 9 years. No evidence was submitted regarding the length of time the area had had decking in place.

Nevertheless, the property owner lodged a planning application for retention of the decking. Permission was refused. Two further, similar, applications were also refused.

Despite the lack of clarity as to length of time the decking had been in place, enforcement proceedings were initiated and, in the District Court on 9 January 2007, the property owner gave an undertaking through his Counsel that the flat roof of the rear would not be used in the future as a roof garden. On foot of this undertaking the case was struck out. However, the Court did not make any Order directing the removal of the decking. In this regard, the property owner claims that he retained the decking as a protective cover for the extension roof and it is not intended for use as decking.

In July 2009, a complaint was received that use of the roof for sunbathing had recommenced. A Warning Letter was served on the property owner. In response, the property owner apologised for advertising the availability of the roof as a sunbathing area in 2008 and undertook that any future advertisement would be amended. He also undertook to advise his tenants that the use of the roof for sunbathing or any other use as a roof garden is not permitted. However, he also said that as a non-resident landlord, he is constrained from entering the property to ensure that the request is complied with. Under section 156 (7) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, it is a defence to a prosecution if the defendant can prove that he or she has taken all reasonable steps to comply with a Notice.

Legal advice is being sought as to how best to proceed, given the particular circumstances of this case.

Q2. Councillor Edie Wynne

That the bushes that have been allowed to grow to a size that blocks the view of the sea on parts of Strand Rd also isolates the park from public view so enabling nefarious activities to take place and makes those parking there more vulnerable after dark be cut back to return the original sea view.

Reply

This request has been added to our tree pruning list and some 'light pruning' of the shrubs and trees will be undertaken on the open spaces along Strand Road over the coming weeks.

Q3. Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the Manager if he will respond to the issues raised in the letter submitted with this question - in particular the condition of the cycling route along Northumberland Road.

Reply

Dublin City Council is currently developing a GPS based system to prioritise maintenance and repairs to roads infrastructure. Trained assessors are in the process of surveying the roads network to detect and categorise surface defects. Specific criteria have been developed for cycle lanes to reflect the particular sensitivity of cyclists to road surface condition. This system will allow prioritisation of repairs and efficient management of limited resources. In addition the Dublin City Council website (www.dublincity.ie) now has a 'report it' function which allows members of the public to report particular problems with infrastructure including cycle lanes.

All reported problems are logged and investigated and the findings feed into decision making processes on maintenance and repair prioritisation. This problem has been logged and assigned service request no. 206866. Cllr. Lacey will be contacted when the site has been inspected.

Q4. Councillor Edie Wynne

To ask the manager for details of the road/pavement cleaning in the Harolds Cross Rd/ Clareville Rd/ Sundrive/ Kennilworth down to Rathmines areas and how these could be improved, details as requested by constituent (Details attached).

Reply

Waste Management Services have the Harold's Cross Road cleaned on a daily basis by a road sweeping machine as it is a main thoroughfare into the city. The pavements along this road are swept manually on a daily basis. The pavements in the other residential areas mentioned are swept manually once a week after the refuse collections. Most of these pavements are too narrow and would not be suitable for cleaning by motorised sweeping machines. All motorised sweeping machines in our Rathmines Depot are used to their full capacity in locations where they can be of most benefit. We will certainly monitor the cleaning of this area to see if any improvements can be made.

Q5. Councillor Edie Wynne

To ask the Manager if, especially at busy times of year for packaging, an additional package of paper could be collected when collecting the Green Bin (details attached).

Reply

The City Council provides a fortnightly collection service for dry recyclables. This collection frequency is deemed sufficient to meet the demands of our customers. However it is recognised that the Christmas & New Year period tends to generate higher than normal levels of dry recyclable materials. In response the City Council has over the last number of years permitted additional recyclable materials to be presented alongside bins for collection during this period. This practice has been well received by our customers. In addition to the above the City Council also has a network of 11 Bring Centres and 2 Civic Amenity Centres where customers can also deposit additional recyclable materials throughout the year.

Q6. Councillor Edie Wynne

To ask the Manager to have the water leakage outside No 6 Rostrevor Road, Rathgar repaired. It has been circled with yellow paint but as of the 12th of January it is still leaking.

Reply

This leakage has now been repaired.

Q7. Councillor Edie Wynne

Can the Manager please get a sweeper around to Mt Drummond Ave as, according to residents, last time it came all the dirt was frozen it could not be lifted.

Reply

Waste Management Services had extra cleaning carried out on Mt Drummond Avenue on Wednesday 9th February 2011. This involved staff working with brushes and shovels which was the best way to remove any dirt from this location. This area is normally cleaned every Friday after the refuse collection has taken place there.

Q8. Councillor Edie Wynne

To ask the Manager to initiate a Pay & Display scheme for Fortfield Gardens, Rathmines; I am responding to representations from one resident.

Reply

The Traffic Advisory Group recommended that Fortfield Gardens be balloted for pay and display and permit parking in January 2011. This ballot will be circulated to the resident with a map showing proposed parking.

Q9. Councillor Edie Wynne
That the Manager do a survey of the trees in Palmerston Gardens because at least one of them is blocking the street light and darkening the road to the distress of residents.

Reply

Arrangements will be made to issue a notice to the owner of the property at the details supplied instructing them to cut back the offending foliage.

Q10. Councillor Dermot Lacey
To ask the Manager if he will have the serious issues of dampness at (details supplied) addressed as soon as possible.

Reply

The Area Maintenance Officer has confirmed that there is a leak under the floor in this flat. Work is currently being carried out in this flat to resolve this issue for the tenant.

Q11. Councillor Kevin Humphreys
Ask the Manager for the footpath be re-instated around the telegraph pole out side 75 Gordon Street.

Reply

This is an Eircom pole and as such is Eircoms responsibility to repair. I have forwarded this complaint to our Infrastructure Management Section for them to contact Eircom with a view to getting the footpath repaired in this location.

Q12. Councillor Edie Wynne
To ask the Manager to have the speed ramps in Kenilworth Square / Road and Grosvenor Road repaired because the current ramps are severely potholed as the red asphalt has worn away and also to consider putting double yellow lines on the approach to the bus stops, especially on Kenilworth Square / Road, so that buses can pull into the kerb properly and so that passengers can board and alight safely at the kerb and not in the middle of the road. (Details supplied)

Reply

This matter will be referred to the Traffic Advisory Group for consideration and the councillor will be advised in due course of the recommendation.

Q13. Councillor Oisín Quinn
Can the Manager indicate whether or not the no-left turn Ban as one comes South of the Samuel Beckett Bridge can be lifted?

Reply

There are currently no plans to amend turning restrictions in the vicinity of the Samuel Beckett Bridge. These turning plans were implemented as part of the traffic management plan for the scheme and are designed to minimise traffic impacts on the surrounding environment.

Q14. Councillor Oisín Quinn
Can the Manager ensure that an improved street cleaning schedule for Leinster Road West in Rathmines is introduced in light of ongoing problems there (contributed to be the presence of a nearby 24 hour garage and several nearby take-aways)?

Reply

Waste Management Services have Leinster Road West cleaned every Tuesday after the refuse collection has taken place there. Unfortunately we are not in a position to increase the frequency of cleaning at this location. However we will certainly monitor the cleaning of this location to see if improvements can be made within the existing schedule.

Q15. Councillor Oisín Quinn
Can the Traffic Engineer take steps to review the parking arrangements on Gulistan Terrace in an effort to enhance parking in the evenings for local residents?

Reply

The Traffic Engineer will examine the issue and refer back to the Councillor via the Traffic Advisory Group.

Q16. Councillor Oisin Quinn

Can the Manager provide for a scheme to narrow the footpaths on Wilfield Road in Sandymount to allow for Pay & Display parking to be introduced on both sides of the road given the ongoing problems with parking on this road and difficulty residents are having finding parking near their homes?

Reply

Due to the narrow width of Wilfield Road (less than 6.5m) if pay and display and permit parking were to be introduced parking could only be provided on one side with double yellow lines provided on the other side. As this level of parking would not meet the needs of residents a pay and display and permit parking scheme has not been introduced on Wilfield Road.

Cutting back the footpaths on Wilfield Road to accommodate parking on both sides was considered in 2009. Slit trenches on Wilfield Road, to determine what services are under the footpaths, were included on the works programme for that year. However, this work was not completed and there was no money in the budget allocated in 2010 to include this work. The Traffic Works programme has to be prioritised and it is highly unlikely that there will be monies in the foreseeable future to narrow footpaths in Wilfield Road to accommodate parking.

Under current Roads and Traffic legislation it is illegal to park on a footpath and it is not within the powers of Dublin City Council to contravene this legislation.

The Traffic and Transportation Strategic Policy Committee will be presented with a Consultant's report on this issue at the February meeting.

Q17. Councillor Oisin Quinn

Can the children's playground in Tranquilla Park be scheduled for refurbishment?

Reply

The playground in Tranquilla Park was upgraded in 2001 and is in a good condition offering excellent play value to the children using this facility. Therefore, it is not proposed to have it upgraded at this time.

Q18. Councillor Oisin Quinn

Can the Manager make provision for pedestrian lights at the junction of Palmerston Road and Cowper Road (given the number of school children that use this route to get to and from the many local schools and the Luas) and at the entrance to Palmerston Park at the top of Palmerston Road/Temple Villas?

Reply

This matter will be referred to the Traffic Advisory Group for consideration and the councillor will be advised of the recommendation in due course.

Q19. Councillor Oisin Quinn

Can the Manager arrange for the footpaths in Palmerston Park to be made even as they are uneven in several places and represent a hazard, particularly to elderly residents who like to use the Park?

Reply

There is no provision in the current estimates to have the footpaths in Palmerston Park repaired as requested. The request will be considered in the context of provision being made in future estimates to undertake this work.

Q20. Councillor Oisín Quinn

Can the Manager arrange for the planting & landscaping in Palmerston Park to be renewed/freshened up?

Reply

There is a substantial number of mature trees and shrubbery growing in Palmerston Park which reflect the original landscape design and history associated with this park. Specific planting, landscape improvements or park enhancement requests should be forwarded to the undersigned for discussion.

It is proposed to upgrade the playground in the current year as part of our ongoing park improvement programme for the area.

Q21. Councillor Kevin Humphreys

Ask the Manager for additional street lights on Sydenham Road and also for improved street signage.

Reply

We have investigated the existing lighting here and consider the lighting levels to be to an acceptable standard. We have no plans at present to install any additional lighting here.

The street nameplate on Sydenham Road will be upgraded by this Department as soon as a new sign becomes available.

Q22. Councillor Mary Freehill

Would the Manager arrange to have litter boxes erected on York Rd and York Avenue also that street cleansing be improved on upper Rathmines rd from Tesco up to Cowper, especially around the shopping area which currently is in an appalling state.

Reply

Waste Management Services had a litter bin installed on both York Road and York Avenue on the 8th February 2011. Waste Management Services will ensure that this stretch of Upper Rathmines Road is cleaned at least three times a week.

Q23. Councillor Mannix Flynn

To ask the city manager for a full report into the health and safety security arrangements at the York Street apartments and crab lane apartments. This report to include a full assessment of the roof gardens and a full assessment of the car parking arrangements and the security. What arrangements are being made for alternative provision for safe play and recreational facilities due to the closure the roof gardens.

Reply

The issue of the Health and Safety in the York Street Apartment complex and in the under ground car parking area will be addressed with the proposed installation of CCTV which is scheduled to commence at the end of February 2011. There is currently no plan to create playing facilities on the roof gardens as there is a designated play area in the court yard of the complex.

Q24. Councillor Mannix Flynn

To ask the City Manager what actions are being taken to implement the recently passed anti-social behaviour bylaws through out dublin city social housing complex.

Reply

The City Council by reserved function adopted the Dublin City Council Anti-Social Behaviour Strategy 2010 – 2015 at its monthly meeting held on 1st November 2010. The Strategy sets out in detail the Councils policies and procedures to combat anti-social behaviour. Set out below is a summary of the principal objectives of the strategy –

Objective 1 – Preventing and Reducing Anti-Social Behaviour

This section sets out the Council's policies across a range of areas, including our policy on dwellings used for drug dealing, Excluding Orders, Vetting of tenants, rehousing following eviction etc.

In addition, this section also sets out in precise detail the procedures to be followed following the receipt of an Anti-Social Behaviour complaint, including how the complaint is to be investigated, deciding on the appropriate action, legal proceedings to recover dwellings, legal proceedings for excluding orders etc.

Objective 2 – Co-Ordination of Services within Dublin City Council

There are a number of sections within the Council involved in dealing with Anti-Social Behaviour –

the Area Offices, who deal with most of the complaints and carry out the bulk of the investigations,

the Central Anti-Social unit, who interview tenants in serious cases, process Notices to Quit, terminate tenancies and give evidence in court,

Housing Welfare Section, Allocations, RAS Section, Travellers, Loans, Sales & Grants, as well as the Council's Training Unit.

A monthly meeting is chaired by a Housing Executive Manager, attended by all the Area Housing Managers, as well as the heads of the Central unit, Allocations, Maintenance and other sections from time to time.

This is a co-ordination meeting where there is an exchange of information and experience, where progress on serious cases are reported, and where the latest legal decisions are discussed and appropriate action agreed.

Objective 3 - Promoting Co-operation with other Persons/Bodies

Dublin City Council is committed to a multi-agency approach and uses the statutory right to exchange information with bodies such as an Garda Síochána, HSE, CAB, Dept. of Social & Family Affairs, other Housing Authorities and authorised Housing Bodies.

There are regular meetings, both formal and informal, with the Gardaí and the HSE, including on the Dublin City Joint Policing Committee and the 5 area policing committees.

There is regular interaction with the other three Dublin Housing Authorities, and, to a lesser extent, with other Councils around the country.

In addition, the Council has participated in workshops on Anti-Social Behaviour in the Department of the Environment H & LG, where the Council's staff outlined their experiences in this area, which has been acknowledged as very beneficial to Councils across the country.

Objective 4 - Promotion of Good Estate Management

This section sets out the Council's commitments in regard to communicating and engaging with tenants and residents, including a wide dissemination of this strategy after it has been adopted.

Tenant training will be used to inform them of this strategy and to make them aware of their obligations in regard to being good neighbours.

The Council will use bodies such as the Centre for Housing Research and the IPA to ensure that its procedures and policies are both up-to-date and effective.

In addition, the regeneration of areas will allow for the 'designing out' of problem areas such as laneways, poor lighting and unused open spaces and the inclusion of improvements such as secure front gardens, boundary walls, security gates, intercom systems etc.

Next Steps

A summary of the Strategy in booklet form is currently being prepared and will be distributed to all housing tenants of the City Council in the near future. This booklet will explain the

strategy in plain english and provides details on how a tenant who is the subject of anti-social behaviour can make a complaint.

In addition information sessions on the new Strategy will be held for all estate management staff of the City Council to update them on the changes contained in the new strategy.

Q25. Councillor Mannix Flynn

To ask the city manager to issue a report as to whether dublin city council received any revenue from the Zozzy TV LCD screens at Grafton street , Stephens Green, shopping centre.

Reply

The Dublin City Business Association (DCBA) arranged for Zozzy TV to go on St. Stephen's Green Centre. This is private property and therefore Dublin City Council received no revenue.

Q26. Councillor Mannix Flynn

To ask the city manager for a report on whether the cranes for loading and offloading cargo for ships at Dublin Port MTL premises which are the subject of 'noise pollution' are in breach of any planning regulation. to supply in the report any planning application for these cranes within the last 7 years.

Reply

Gantries have been in operation on this site for a considerable number of years. In the period 1999 – 2002 extra gantries were erected. Planning permission was neither sought nor granted for the extra gantries.

No complaint or query was received about the erection or use of the gantries until October 2010. By the time the Planning Department was made aware of them the seven-year statute of limitations for taking enforcement action had elapsed.

There is no planning enforcement action open to the Council in this matter.

Q27. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the city manager issue a report on the possible commencement date for the precinct improvement on Canon Mooney Gardens Ringsend, can the city manager also include in the report the intention for DCC to provide the residents at ground level with separate private garden space.

Reply

Subject to the availability of sufficient funding Dublin City Council hope to progress a number of flat complex improvement schemes over the next two to three years. In general the improvement works will consist of external environmental works, security improvements and improvements to the energy efficiency of the complex. The exact nature of the works to be included in specific complexes has not yet been finalised and will be determined by the needs of the complex and the availability of funding.

While it is not possible at this time to indicate a commencement date for work at each complex it is anticipated that works will commence during 2011 in respect of some complexes. However it is unlikely that the proposed works at Canon Mooney Gardens will commence this year.

Q28. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the City Manager issue a report on the present situation on voids within Dublin City. How many have been allocated and how many of those tenants area actually living in those premises. A number of people have been allocated properties but have not been given keys. Can the manager explain what is the delay.

Reply

The table below details voids under repair in the South East Area at the end of January 2011, by category and number. Properties scheduled for Demolition/Refurbishment have been excluded.

Category of Void	Number
Void Short Term Repair	95
Void Long Term Repair	127
Void New Property	0
Total	222

All voids that are declared ready for letting are allocated as soon as the keys are returned from the Maintenance Section and the property is ready for allocation. The Allocations Staff responsible for the letting would have been aware of the vacancy, selected a suitable applicant, arranged the estate management check / rent clearance check etc and have made formal offers on the vacancy to ensure there is a selected applicant for all voids that have been made ready by the Maintenance Section.

There have been 118 allocations made City wide from 1st January to 8th February 2011 incl. As of today Wednesday 9th February, there are at least a further 4 allocations scheduled for signing in the South East Area before the end of the week and if further keys become available, this figure will also increase.

When tenants sign their new tenancy agreement, they are either handed the keys on the date of signing or are directed to the Maintenance Depot or the Area Office to pick up their keys. This allows the tenant to commence moving into the property immediately. Very rarely, if ever, would an applicant be allocated a property, i.e sign a tenancy agreement if the information regarding the keys availability is not known.

The Councillor refers to a number of people who have been allocated properties but have not been given the keys. Perhaps, this may refer to applicants who have been advised that they will be offered or that they have been selected for a particular vacancy when maintenance work has been complete rather than 'allocated properties but have not been given keys'

If the Councillor wishes to contact the Allocations Officer directly with these people's names and the addresses concerned, it will be possible to ascertain the exact details in each case.

Q29. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the City Manager issue a report on the recent TnaG news item regarding Crampton Buildings and its deterioration.

Reply

TNaG contacted the Press Office requesting an interview in response to questions they had in relation to Crampton Buildings. The questions raised were made available prior to the interview which was pre-recorded and the following is the information supplied at the interview. Crampton Buildings was designed by Charles H. Ashworth and built in 1891 by the Dublin Artisan Dwelling Co. It consists of 54 residential units over commercial units built around a courtyard. The building is a protected structure. Dublin City Council acquired a 999 year lease of the 2 residential floors in 1998. Dublin City Council did not acquire car parking as part of the lease. The condition of the building necessitates action to improve the living conditions of the tenants. However as this is a protected structure and the lease on the building only relates to the 2 residential floors, careful consideration has to be applied to any proposed refurbishment.

Any proposals for refurbishment requires:

- (1) the consent of the head lessor in accordance with the lease
- (2) funding from the DOEHLG

(3) as assessment of their impact on the ground floor commercial units..

Cluid Housing Association has been working on behalf of Dublin City Council in developing a proposal for the refurbishment of Crampton Buildings. Following consultation a proposal, agreed with the tenants and presented to City Councillors and Treasury Holdings in June 2010, was submitted to the DOEHLG on the 27th August 2010 for inclusion of the project in the Social Housing Investment Programme (SHIP).

Since the interview with TNaG the DOEHLG have responded in relation to our submission with a number of issues including a further consideration of all options, structural /condition survey to inform costs for remediation and feasibility of roof top extension, planning studies in relation to the retention of the protected structure, current funding opportunities and alternative sources of funding. Dublin City Council is currently assessing these issues and preparing a response.

Housing Maintenance respond to repair requests on an ongoing basis from tenants of these flats, where it is the responsibility of the City Council, and where the tenant is not in arrears of over six weeks without a satisfactory rent agreement.

Q30. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Could the city manager issue a report on the recent death in Back Lane Hostel during the cold spell.

Reply

The death of a service user occurred over the 2010 Christmas period at the Backlane Hostel. It should be noted that the death is unrelated to the cold weather spell and that Gardai do not suspect foul play in relation to the circumstances either.

There is at present an internal investigation into matters surrounding service provision within the facility which is being conducted by the relevant service provider, Depaul Ireland, and which the key statutory agencies are monitoring (i.e. HSE and Dublin City Council).

The matter is also subject to an external review involving the HSE, Dublin City Council, the Homeless Agency and Depaul Ireland.

On the basis of the above mentioned, it would be premature to comment further until the review/ investigation has concluded.

Q31. Councillor Kevin Humphreys

Ask the Manager for Bollards be placed on the edge of foot path to prevent cars mounting the foot path on Claremont Road from Claremont Park to Sandymount Village.

Reply

Bollards are only recommended in exceptional circumstances. However, this matter will be referred to the Traffic Officer for examination and a report will be issued to the Councillor in due course.

Q32. Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the Manager if he would clarify the issue outlined below.

Reply

According to our records, there are 2 access routes at either end of Belgrave Terrace and Kensington Terrace, on Mountpleasant Avenue Upper. Neither of these access routes are in the control of or in the charge of Dublin City Council. Accordingly, it would appear that access along these routes is a "private" matter.

Q33. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager whether speed ramps in the form of speed cushions can be introduced on Kennilworth Square/Road/Grosvenor Road.

Reply

The matter will be considered by the Traffic Advisor Group and the Councillor will be advised in due course.

It is the general policy to recommend ramps rather than speed cushions which can only be recommended on bus routes.

Q34. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager to introduce double yellow lines on the approach to the bus stops on Kennilworth Square/Road to allow buses to pull into the kerb properly and to facilitate passengers boarding and alighting at the kerb in a safe manner.

Reply

This matter will be referred to the Traffic Advisory Group and the Councillor will be informed as to the recommendation.

Q35. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager whether Mount Pleasant Square, Ranelagh, Dublin 6 can be cleaned on a more frequent basis.

Reply

Waste Management Services have Mount Pleasant Square cleaned every Thursday after the refuse collection has taken place there. Unfortunately we are not in a position to increase the frequency of cleaning at this location. However we will certainly monitor the cleaning of this location to see if improvements can be made within the existing schedule.

Q.36 Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager whether representatives from the Waste Management Services Department could remind residents on Mount Pleasant Square to take their bins in after collection as they are obstructing the paths for residents and wheelchair users.

Reply

The South East Area has organised for the residents of Mount Pleasant Square to receive the necessary information regarding the presentation of bins for collection and removal there afterwards. (copy of letter enclosed in folders)

Q37. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager when the person whose details are attached will be offered accommodation considering her ongoing medical condition.

Reply

I can confirm that the applicant (details supplied) was awarded a Priority under the Exceptional Social Grounds Scheme on the 25/3/10 for Area N (Harold's Cross, Ranelagh, Rathmines, Terenure). Unfortunately there are currently applicants with priority status of longer standing who also merit consideration as suitable vacancies arise, therefore it is likely to be some time yet before the applicant (details supplied) is reached with an offer of alternative accommodation.

Q38. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager whether Dublin City Council has received any up to date information from Dublin Bus regarding the request for a new bus shelter at Palmerston Park, Dublin 6.

Reply

This query has been referred to Dublin Bus for their attention. The Councillor will be notified when a reply is received.

Q39. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager whether a Children at Play sign can be installed at the entrance to Havelock Square, Dublin 4.

Reply

This matter will be referred to the Traffic Advisory Group for consideration and the Councillor will be advised in due course.

Q40. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager whether the road traffic sign at the Palmerston Road end of Ormond Road, Dublin 6 can be fixed.

Reply

This matter will be referred to the Traffic Officer for his urgent attention and the Councillor will be advised as soon as possible.

Q41. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager to remove the runners hanging from the telegraph wire outside the Lower Deck pub, Portobello, Dublin 8.

Reply

When a crew working on a hoist is in an area where there are runners hanging from public lighting overhead cables beside them, the crew will remove them.

Q42. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager when the upgrading works on Palmerston Park and Belgrave Square Park are due to commence.

Reply

The upgrading of the playgrounds in Belgrave Square Park and Palmerston Park have been included in this Division's parks improvements works for the current year. Initial consultation with local community groups and schools has been completed and tender documents are now being prepared. It is anticipated that the playgrounds will be tendered in March & April with work commencing on site in May & June 2011.

Q43. Councillor Mary Freehill

Would the Manager extend the Monday to Friday up to 19.00 hrs parking on Upper Rathmines Road which recently changed at Uppercross Hotel up to York Road.

Reply

The Traffic engineer will recommend to the Traffic Advisory Group that this road be balloted following the request from the Councillor. The Councillor will be advised of the result of the ballot.

Q44. Councillor Mary Freehill

Would the Manager please request that Derelict Sites buildings section contact the owners of, Nos. 2,3,4,5,6 Le Bas Terrace Leinster Rd West (which was the Jewish Old Folks home and now has planning permission for apartments. The Curtilage and buildings are now in a serious derelict state and the rear of the building has become a dumping ground), and insist that they clear the dumping and properly secure these buildings. I would point out that the only owner resident on this Terrace wrote to the Manager's office last year but got no response.

Reply

These properties were inspected again by the Derelict Sites Section on February 2nd, 2011.

All windows and doors appeared to be in good condition. With the exception of fallen leaves, all front gardens and driveways were tidy. All of the properties are landlocked at the rear.

These properties are not derelict as defined by the Derelict Sites Act.

This area was inspected by a Litter Warden who reported that no litter was visible from a public area.

Q45. Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the Manager if he will respond the issues raised in the letter submitted with this Question.

Reply

A complaint concerning this bicycle shed was received on 4 February 2011. A Warning Letter has issued to the Church authorities and the Planning Department has requested the Roads & Traffic Department for a report on any discussions they may have had with the developer.

Responses are awaited. The Councillor will be kept informed of progress on this matter.

Q46. Councillor Eoghan Murphy

What is the City Council's approach to providing disabled parking bays on public roads? Is there meant to be a certain percentage in the City for public roads? Would it be possible to arrange for a disabled parking bay on Northbrook Road?

Reply

The Traffic Engineer considers all requests for disabled parking bays on public roads. There is no rule regarding percentage of parking bays allocated to disabled parking at present.

The Traffic Engineer will examine the issue of a disabled parking bay on Northbrook Road as soon as is possible and report back to the Councillor after referral to the Traffic Advisory Group.

Q47. Councillor Eoghan Murphy

Could the Manager provide a report on (details supplied)?

Reply

This item will be forwarded to the Gardai Siochana for their attention. The Councillor will be notified when a reply has been received.

Q48. Councillor Eoghan Murphy

Could the Manager provide a report on (details supplied)?

Reply

Planning permission was granted on 16 July 2007 for "Modifications to previously approved application no. 1270/07 including ridge extended to form full hip over proposed extension to front and rear at side, also attic conversion with gable to rear and roof windows to side and rear (planning register reference 2796/07 refers)". This development was not carried out at the time.

On 11 August 2010, a separate planning permission was granted for "the demolition of the single storey extension to the rear and construction of a new single storey extension to the rear consisting of an open plan kitchen / living / dining area, new storage area, internal alterations and all ancillary site works (register reference 2789/10 refers).

On 19 November 2010 a complaint was received that development had commenced on site and was not proceeding in compliance with the grant of planning permission. A Warning Letter pursuant to Section 152 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 issued to the developers. In response, the developers stated that they were carrying out both permissions in tandem and that all works carried out do enjoy the benefit of planning permission.

At a recent meeting with the Enforcement Section, the developer's architect undertook to prepare a drawing showing how both developments can be fully carried out (as distinct from only implementing selected aspect of both permissions), and to meet with the Area Planner to clarify if the development being carried out accords with the permissions granted or if a further permission is required.

Q49. Councillor Eoghan Murphy

Could the Manager provide a report on (details supplied)?

Reply

The manhole cover (pictured in folder) is an Eircom manhole. I have forwarded this complaint to our Infrastructure Management Section for them to contact Eircom with a view to providing a more suitable material for their service cover.

Q50. Councillor Eoghan Murphy

Could the Manager provide a report on steps being taken to progress an immediate resolution to the serious noise disruption coming from the Port Company and impacting upon the lives of residents on Pigeon House Road?

Reply

Following complaints made to this Section in 2003 that the activities of Dublin Port were causing a noise nuisance noise level monitoring was carried out on a number of occasions while the port was in operation at night and noise level readings were taken. No noise nuisance was determined. Further complaints have been received from residents who contend that the port is now busier compared to 2003. Noise level monitoring will be carried out in the next week to determine if the port activities in the Pigeon House Road area constitute a noise nuisance. Marine Terminal Limited (MTL) has exclusive use of terminals 42, 43 and 44. Dublin Port will advise Dublin City Council when all three terminals are in operation at the same time and monitoring will be carried out on that occasion.

Q51. Councillor Eoghan Murphy

Could the Manager let us know of the feasibility of allowing residents of Warrington Place who will lose parking spaces because the new cycle lane along the canal to park on Wilton Crescent and Lower Mount St?

Reply

Residents of Warrington Place and Herbert Place who have been discommoded as a result of the cycle lane will be issued with permits to park Mount Street Crescent.

Dublin City Council Customer Services have been informed and are to send out updated permits.

Q52. Councillor Eoghan Murphy

Could the Manager provide a report on (details supplied)?

Reply

Applications to have additional streets added to a residential parking permit should be made to the Traffic Enforcement Officer, Dublin City Council.

Each application will be viewed on its merits. However, Ranelagh is a high demand area and as the Councillor is aware most area are at or near capacity at present.

The records available show that (details supplied) is not over capacity at present.

Q53. Councillor Eoghan Murphy

Could the Manager please attend to the road surfacing in the accompanying photo. This is extremely dangerous for cyclists, particularly those cycling to school on Gilford Road (turning right off Park Avenue). Can this please be examined as a priority.

Reply

The area in question on Gilford Road will be repaired by Road Maintenance within the coming weeks. This Department does not currently have sufficient funds to allow for complete overlay of Gilford Road, instead, patch repairs will be carried out.

Q54. Councillor Eoghan Murphy

Could the Manager please give details behind the flood protection strategy on Strand Road insofar as it relates to the placement of sandbags. It has been brought to my attention that the placement of bags during the last flood warning (Autumn/December 2010) would have led to the flooding of houses near 73 Strand Road.

Reply

A total of approximately 90 Houses, on Strand Road , Sandymount (including No. 73), were individually protected with sand bags by Dublin City Council during the high tide alert of the 7th and 8th November 2010. In addition, a number of roads leading off Strand Road (from Marine Drive to St. Johns Road East) were also protected by the placement of large 1 Ton sand bags. Two high volume pumps were also deployed on Strand Road to deal with any breach of the temporary flood defences.

The exact detail of the deployment of temporary flood defences at Strand Road during the November high Tide alert was determined after a comprehensive analysis by the crisis management team of the nature and severity of the forecast high tide.

It may be noted that no properties on Strand Road, Sandymount were flooded during the November 2010 high tide alert.

Q55. Councillor Eoghan Murphy

Would the Manager please arrange for the following (details supplied)?

Reply

The Area Traffic Engineer is examining the pedestrian crossing facilities in (details supplied) and a report will issue to the Councillor shortly.

Q56. Councillor Maria Parodi

To ask the Manager to ensure that the issue referred to in (details supplied) is addressed.

Reply

Waste Management Services will ensure that the whole of (details supplied) is cleaned when cleaning is taking place in this area.

Q57. Councillor Maria Parodi

To ask the Manager if DCC has received a response from the DoEHLG in relation to (details supplied).

Reply

To date a reply has not been received from the Department of the Environment, Heritage & Local Government in relation to the submission in respect of (details supplied).

The current position is that subject to the availability of sufficient funding Dublin City Council hope to progress a number of flat complex improvement schemes over the next two to three years. In general the improvement works will consist of external environmental works, security improvements and improvements to the energy efficiency of the complex.

The possibility of including works at (details supplied) will be taken into consideration.

Q58. Councillor Maria Parodi

To ask the Manager if the lighting in (details supplied) can be inspected and can we look into ways to reduce the impact of the light shining directly into residents windows at night.

Reply

The lighting in (details supplied) was upgraded over 12 months ago as part of the (details supplied) Precinct Improvement Project.

The upgrading of lighting is an essential part of PIP schemes as the provision of well lit public areas are considered to be a deterrent to anti social behaviour.

The area in question has potential to attract anti social behaviour and as such 2 No. 70w lamps have been installed at this location.

There is also an alleyway leading to the pramsheds for the complex at this location and there is a requirement to provide adequate lighting for residents to use the pramsheds.

The lights in question were examined and are at present directed down and away from the windows. There may be a small amount of indirect light shining in the direction of the windows in question, this is consistent with the lighting throughout the scheme.

Q59. Councillor Maria Parodi

To ask the Manager to ensure that the ongoing issue of lifts breaking down in the York street apartments will be addressed as soon as possible.

Reply

The warranty on these lifts expired on the 31/11/2009. Since the maintenance contract began there have been 26 callouts to do repairs to these lifts. There is a high quality of lift service provided and all call outs are maintained and responded to in an efficient manner.

Q60. Councillor Maria Parodi

To ask the Manager to ensure that CCTV is installed in the York street apartments as soon as possible in order to prioritise the security of residents and their property.

Reply

The issue of security in the York Street Apartment complex will be addressed with the proposed installation of CCTV which is scheduled to commence at the end of February 2011.

Q61. Councillor Maria Parodi

To ask the Manager when the lamppost outside (details supplied) will be repaired as it was damaged last year.

Reply

The public lighting pole (no.9) here is in need of replacement. These works must be carried out together with the ESB and will be organised as soon as possible.

Q62. Councillor Edie Wynne

To ask the Manager to install a street name and street lighting (Details supplied).

Reply

(Details supplied) is a development and not a street. Dublin City Council has no record of any application being received to name this development. If the residents want to formalise the name they must apply to the Area Office to do so. If the name is agreed by the South East Area Committee the applicants may then erect a nameplate on their property.

We will consider installing an additional light as part of a future programme of improvement works, subject to finances made available.

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**To the Chairperson and Members of
The South East Area Committee**

14th March 2011

Enforcement Report for October - December 2010 for the South East Area

The following is a summary of enforcement activity in the South East Area for the period October – December 2010:

- Number of new complaints opened – 68
- Number of S152 Warning Letters issued – 63
- Number of S154 Enforcement Notices issued – 15
- Number of S157 referrals to the District Court for prosecution – 3
- Number of District Court convictions – 1
- Number of files closed/resolved – 71

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To the Chairperson and Members of the South East Area Committee

**South East Area Sport & Leisure Services Quarterly Report
December 2010 to February 2011**

The City Council provides a wide range of sports and leisure services and facilities in the South East Area. The main facilities include Irishtown Stadium and Markievicz Leisure Centre.

Markievicz Leisure Centre

Markievicz Leisure Centre is a busy facility utilised on a daily basis by individuals, families, children, schools and community groups. The following facilities and services are currently available in Markievicz Leisure Centre:

25 Metre Pool	Fully Equipped Gym
Sauna	Fitness Assessments
Aqua fit	Teen Gym
Group Swimming Lessons	Spinning Classes
Personal Swimming Lessons	Step Classes
Lane Swimming	Pump & Tone Classes
Family Swimming	Circuit Classes
Passport for Leisure	Senior Citizens Free

Opening Hours

Monday to Thursday	07:00 to 22:00
Friday	07:00 to 21:00
Saturday	09:00 to 18:00
Sunday	10:00 to 16:00

Irishtown Stadium

Irishtown stadium is used on an ongoing basis by individuals, families, children, schools, sporting organisations and community groups. Below are details of all facilities and activities available at Irishtown Stadium from December 2010 to February 2011:

Full Size Astro Pitch	Fully Equipped Gym
5 * 5-Aside Soccer Pitches	Fitness Assessments
Adult Soccer	Spinning
Schoolboy & Girls Soccer	Circuit Training
FAI Soccer FAS Course	Teen Gym
Rugby	Passport for Leisure
8 Lane 400 metre Track	Senior Citizens Free
Athletics	Stage School
Track & Field Events	Karate
School & College sports Days	Dance
Charity Events & Tournaments	Ladies Boxing
Community Events & Festivals	Child Birthday Parties
Studio	Training & Meeting Room

Events

GOAL Mile

The GOAL mile is an annual event held at Irishtown Stadium on Christmas Day. Due to adverse weather conditions the event was rescheduled and took place on New Years Day.

Opening Hours

Monday to Thursday	10:00 to 22:00
Friday	10:00 to 21:00
Saturday	10:00 to 17:00
Sunday	10:00 to 16:00

A Sport and Recreation Officer, Sports Development Officer, Boxing in the Community Development Officer and FAI Sports Officer are also assigned to encourage and develop sporting activities in the South East Area.

Sport & Recreation

The Sport and Recreation Officer assigned to the South East Area focuses specifically on the key target groups that have been identified by the Dublin City Sports Network (D.C.S.N.). These are: older adults, people with disabilities, ethnic minority groups, women, children U10 and young females. The following is an update on Sport and Recreation programmes and activities arranged by Ms Tonya Allen from December 2010 to February 2011.

Tuiscint

Tuiscint are an adult group with Mental Disabilities. They are of mixed gender and their age ranges from 18 to 45 years and are based in Mount Pleasant Business Park, Rathmines, Dublin 6. They are high functioning adults and are currently participating in an eight week multi- sports programme. Currently there are 18 to 22 participants who are accompanied by their own staff to all venues used for the programme.

The first 6 weeks of the programme are taking place in Swan Leisure, Rathmines, Dublin 6. The final two weeks of the programme will be water based activities including kayaking and rowing. The Dublin City Council East Wall and Islandbridge facilities will be used for this portion of the programme.

Since the commencement of the programme the participant's motor skills and fitness levels have improved; their group interaction has also been highly effective.

Bodytalk

Bodytalk is a pilot programme designed to engage women in sport and recreation activity. The programme encompasses exercise, diet and nutrition, health and well being. The physical element of the course includes a circuit based class which builds general strength in a safe environment. Other sessions will include using local amenities such as Sandymount Strand and Ringsend Park for aerobic activities including skipping and power walking.

The educational aspects include a series of talks and workshops on diet and nutrition, cooking tips, and well being (work life balance).

Currently the pilot programme is being held in Ringsend Community Centre. There are 10 to 12 participants of various ages and fitness levels. Participants come from Sandymount, Pearse Street, Ringsend and the Docklands area.

Kiddercise

'Kiddercise' is a programme designed to engage boys and girls up to ten years of age. The core concept of the programme is to develop basic motor skills through a variety of fun activities using light weight colourful portable equipment to stimulate the primary senses.

The programme is run once a week taking in the mid term break and after school hours. The programme currently has 20 participants from various ethnic backgrounds located in the Ringsend, Sandymount and Pearse Street areas. The programme is based in the Ringsend Community Centre.

Puck around Town

'Puck around Town' is a six week programme for young girls under ten years of age. The programme is run in conjunction with the Camogie Association. The programme focuses on the fundamentals of camogie skills through a variety of fun games. The emphasis is on participation and not competition. The final week of the programme will see the girls participate in a city wide blitz where they will display their skills and meet some inter county players. Currently there are 33 girls on the programme which is being hosted in Clanna Gael Fontenoy and is being supported by local schools.

Coisceim

'Coisceim' is an eight week programme which takes place annually aimed to engage older adults. The programme is a series of dance classes with an optional performance at the end. Each year the theme of the programme changes – this year it is 'Silent Idols'. It is hosted in Irishtown Stadium on a weekly basis. There are currently 18 female participants coming from Donnybrook, Howth, Sandymount, Ringsend and Dun Laoighaire.

Upcoming Activities and programmes

- Linking in with 'Cabbage Patch' football pitch in conjunction with the Football Development Officer to celebrate the hosting of the Europa Cup Final being held in the Aviva Stadium.
- Rugby development in Rathmines Primary schools in the near future. Working with National Governing Body and Leinster Development Officer Jack Hanratty, and DCC sports development Officer John Sweeney to establish the framework.
- Linking in with Enable Ireland to Create Boccia Leagues and possibly wheelchair hurling.
- Linking in with Ranelagh Active group on a proposed indoor curling programme
- Sending the DSCN Grant form to all sports groups in the area.

Sport Development

The Sports Development Officer operates in the South East Area part of the South Inner City Local Drugs Task Force Area. The Following is an update on Sport Development programmes and activities arranged by Mr John Sweeney from December 2010 to February 2011.

Community Games Swimming Team

The Sports Development Officer is currently assisting 'Talk about Youth Project' with a weekly swimming programme. It runs each Wednesday in Markievicz Pool from 4pm to 5pm. There are 6 to 8 girls participating each week aged between 12 and 14 years. Their training sessions are conducted by Mr Francis Daly who is a staff member of Markievicz Leisure Centre. The group will represent Pearse Street in the community games competition in July 2011.

After Schools Sports Programme, CBS Westland Row

The Sports Development Officer continues to co-ordinate this programme in conjunction with the CBS after School Project. The programme runs every Friday in Gloucester Street Sports Hall between 2pm and 3pm. There are currently 15 to 20 male participants aged between 13 and 15 years.

Haddington Road Programme

The Sports Development Officer is currently co-ordinating a sports development newsletter with the pupils of St Brigid's National School. All participants take part in a range of after school sports and compile a weekly report with the assistance of the sports development officer. There are 8 female participants aged between 11 and 12 years. The programme takes place in the school each Wednesday from 12.15pm to 1pm.

Ladies Keep Fit Programme

The Ladies Keep Fit programme takes place every Thursday evening in Irishtown Stadium at 7:30pm. The participants are aged 18+ years and take part in a range of classes including: circuit training, Step Aerobics and Body Conditioning.

R.D.R.D. Circuit Classes

The Sports Development Officer coordinates this programme for the Spellman Centre, Ringsend, Dublin 4. The circuit class takes place every Friday morning in Irishtown Stadium at 10.30am. Participants are both male and female aged 18+ years.

Ringsend After-School Sports Programme

The Sports Development Officer provided Badminton and Volleyball coaches for this pilot programme which ran every Tuesday from 2.45pm to 4.30pm. The programme took place in the sports hall of St.Patrick's National School, Ringsend, Dublin 4. The participants were girls and boys aged 8 to 12 years.

Evening Soccer League

The Sports Development Officer assisted the F.A.I. Officer with the evening soccer league finals. The finals took place in Irishtown Stadium on 2 Friday evenings in February from 7pm to 9pm.

Table Tennis Tournament

The Sports Development Officer recently provided medals and Trophies for the table tennis tournament held as part of the 'Talk about Youth Project', Pearse Street, Dublin 2. The Tournament was held on 21 February in Gloucester Street Sports Hall. Four boys and 2 girls participated aged 10 to 12 years.

Upcoming programmes in the South East Area:

Rugby Programme, Rathmines

The Sport Development Officer and Sport and Recreation Officer recently held a meeting with Rob Jones from Holy Trinity Church, Jack Hanratty the Leinster Rugby Officer, and Graham Jones from the Solas Education Programme, in relation to setting up a rugby programme in Rathmines. Graham will be contacting both Sports Officers in the near future with a follow up to the above proposal.

Charlemont Street Sports Programme

The Sport Development Officer and Sport and Recreation Officer are currently looking at the feasibility of setting up a sports programme as part of the Charlemont Street Homework Club. The Sports Development Officer will contact Brian Keenan, Community Services Manager, in the near future in relation to this proposal.

Community Section

The Sports Development Officer is in constant contact with the Dublin City Council Community Section in relation to the upgrade of the Cabbage Patch recreation area and future programmes in P.A.R.C. Pearse Street. The Sports Development Officer will assist the community team with any upcoming sports programmes and events in the south east area.

Y.M.C.A., Aungier Street

The Sports Development Officer is co-ordinating a 6 week outdoor education sports programme. This is being run in conjunction with the Y.M.C.A., Aungier Street. The programme will take place from end of April to June 2011. Venues, times and dates for the programme are to be confirmed.

Boxing in the Community

The Boxing Development Officer is employed by the Irish Amateur Boxing Association (IABA) and their target group is 10 to 21 year olds. Their aim is to develop the 'Start Boxing Programme' and deliver this to youth clubs, community centres, schools, after school projects and drug rehabilitation clinics within the area. The following is an update on Boxing Development Programmes arranged by Mr Eric Donovan from December 2010 to February 2011.

Start Box Programmes in Ringsend Community Centre and P.A.R.C.

The 'Start Box' programme was initially rolled out in youth clubs and community centres across the city. Ringsend Community Centre and P.A.R.C were the facilities chosen in the South East Area.

Participants of the programme that previously completed the Bronze award also completed the Silver and Gold awards in December 2010 and January 2011. Ninety participants from across the city came together at the high performance boxing gym on South Circular Road, Dublin 6 on Wednesday evenings from 5:30 to 7:30pm.

A Showcase Fight Night was held on 26 January 2011 at the National Stadium giving the participants an opportunity to show their family and friends their efforts and commitment to the programme in addition to their newly learned skills. The showcase was a huge success with over 500 people from all communities attending to support their local groups.

Boxing Programme in V.E.C Colleges

The city-wide Boxing in the Community Development Team have implemented a boxing programme in conjunction with a number of V.E.C. colleges in Dublin. The aim of programme is to help raise the standard of boxing and improve the level of training and coaching given to those competing in the V.E.C. boxing championships starting in March 2011. On occasions the entire Boxing in the Community Development Team comes together to work with individual V.E.C. colleges in order to accommodate the high number of participants, see below. These training sessions are unique and hugely beneficial to the participants because of the expertise and skill level of the team.

V.E.C colleges involved:

College	Day & Time	Gender	Number
Colaiste Eoin	12pm to 1pm Mondays	Boys & Girls	25
Kilmore College	4pm to 5pm Mondays	Boys	30
Larkin College	1pm to 2pm Wednesdays	Boys & Girls	40
Colaiste Dhulaig	4pm to 5pm Thursdays	Boys & Girls	30

Start Box Programmes in Youth Reach Centres

The Boxing in the Community Development Team have begun rolling out the Start Box Programme to boys and girls in 10 Youth Reach centres across the city. The aim is for all participants to complete the Bronze, Silver and Gold Start Box Awards, finishing with a Showcase Fight Night in the National Boxing Stadium on the 30 March 2011.

During December 2010 and January 2011 the Boxing in the Community Officer for the South East Area completed the Bronze Award with participants from the Pleasant Street Youth Reach Centre. Training sessions were held in St Kevin's DIT, Dublin 2 and the Swan Leisure Centre, Dublin 6.

The Silver and Gold Awards are currently taking place for all participants from across the city on Tuesday evenings at the High Performance Boxing Gym on the South Circular Road, Dublin 6.

Primary and Secondary schools

The Start Box Bronze Award is currently being completed in Harold's Cross primary school. The programme is being rolled out to approximately 23 boys and girls in both fifth and sixth class. The Bronze Award started on Friday the 21 January will be completed on Friday 4 March 2011.

Upcoming programmes

The Primary and Secondary schools across the city that have finished the Bronze Award will complete the Silver and Gold Awards in April 2011. Due to the high volume of participants the Boxing

in the Community Team may decide to select a few boys and girls from each school to take part in a showcase.

Football Association of Ireland (F.A.I.)

Details of programmes and actives organised by Mr Jonathon Tormey, F.A.I. Officer from December 2010 to February 2011 are listed below:

Warrenmount School Programme

The Football Development Officer runs a weekly soccer session for girls in fourth, fifth and sixth class in Warrenmount School. The session is held on a Monday morning with up to 80 participants.

Monday and Wednesday Night Soccer League

The Football Development Officer and Intersevens League & Interfirm Charity Tournaments co-ordinate a men's social soccer league on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6pm to 8pm.

Women's Stay Active Programme

The Football Development Officer in conjunction with Dublin City Council's Sport Development Officer organises a programme for ladies who wish to play soccer socially and get fit. The programme takes place every Tuesday and Thursday evening and has 16 participants aged 16 to 40 years.

Late Night League

The Football Officer in conjunction with Dublin City Council ran 2 successful late night league finals in Irishtown Stadium in February 2011. Four teams from the Pearse Street and Ringsend areas aged 12 to 19 years participated.

Soccer Sprogs

The Football Development Officer continues to run a very successful Soccer Sprogs programme aimed at 3 to 6 year olds. The programme takes place in Ringsend with over 15 participants in each weekly session. The purpose of the programme is to teach young children soccer basics in a safe and fun environment. The kids come from the Ringsend, Pearse Street and Sandymount areas.

After School Programme

The Football Development Officer runs a successful after school programme on Fridays from 3pm to 4pm in Ringsend School Hall. The programme is aimed at young boys and girls aged between 12 and 15 years.

Star of the Sea After School Programme

The Football Development Officer coordinates an after school programme in Star of the Sea School on Wednesdays from 3:30pm to 5pm. There are 15 participants in the programme aged from 6 to 10 years.

Soccer Trip

The Football Development Officer organised a trip to the Aviva Stadium on 8 February 2011 for 50 young people aged 12 to 14 years from Pearse Street and Ringsend to watch Wales play. The trip was a reward to those who participated in the late night league.

Upcoming Programmes

- Europa Cup Community Tournament
- Europa Cup Club Tournament
- Soccer Mammies Programme
- Continue Soccer Sprogs
- Continue School Sessions
- Male Kick Start Course
- Female Kick Start Course
- Grounds Keeping Course
- FETAC Level 5 Course

Shauna Mc Intyre
Centre Manager

Contact Details for South East Area Sports Committee Members

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John Sweeney	Sport Development Officer	South East Area	087 9809 095	john.sweeney@dublincity.ie
Eric Donovan	Boxing in the Community Officer	South East Area	087 9929 228	southpaweric@hotmail.com
Jonathan Tormey	Football in the Community Officer	South East Area & Liberties D.8	087 1323 252	jonathan.tormey@fai.ie

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Sporting & Recreational Activities

Let's Walk & Talk

'Let's Walk & Talk' is a community initiative started in June 2007 as part of the Lord Mayor's Initiative offering health, social and educational benefits to participants. It comprises weekly walks in various parts of the City, themed historical walking tours, family wildlife walks, cultural and other events.

All events are free of charge and all are welcome. This initiative is ongoing, taking place 50 weeks a year.

Attendance figures citywide for 2010 were in excess of 12,000. The majority of these walks/events took place in the South East Area.

Three of the seven weekly walks take place in the South East Area including one 'as Gaeilge'

Day	Time	Meeting Point	Details
Tuesdays	2pm	Outside The Barge Pub, Charlemont Street, Dublin 2.	Walks along the Grand Canal and within Dublin 2/4/6 areas
Thursdays	2pm	Sandymount Green, Sandymount Village, Dublin 4.	A stroll along Sandymount Strand or to neighbouring suburbs
Fridays	11am	Meeting House Square, Temple Bar, Dublin 2.	'Bímis ag Siúl agus ag Caint' - A walk in the city ...whilst talking in Irish!

To compliment the weekly walks programme, a number of historical tours are scheduled to take place in the South East Area during March and April, linking in with the following: Under the Clock Festival Rathmines, Handel Festival in Temple Bar, One City One Book, International Womens Day and Seachtain na Gaeilge. Tours are often followed by 'after events' such as talks, film screenings, theatre performances etc. and prove highly popular, a recent tour attracted over 600 people. Full details can be found on www.letswalkandtalk.ie

Digges Street Football Pitch

This enclosed mini football pitch is in use from 9.30am – 9.30pm every day. User groups include local football clubs, local schools, Dept. of Justice, D.I.T., An Garda Síochana and Youth Reach Services. There are also allocated time slots every day when the pitch is not pre-booked and therefore available for anyone to use.

Contact: Ronan O'Donnell Tel: 2223726 Email: ronan.odonnell@dublincity.ie

Pearse Area Recreation Centre

The following activities currently take place at the above centre.

PARC Football Pitch Timetable

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
4-5pm	Age 13yrs up	Age 13yrs up	Age 13yrs up	Age 13yrs up
5-6pm	Pearse Rangers	Local Kids	Pearse Rangers	Marks Celtic under10s
6-7pm	Marks Celtic Under 10s	Marks Celtic under 12s	Marks Celtic Under 13s	Marks Celtic Under 12s
7-8pm	Marks Celtic Under 13s	Marks Celtic	Pearse Celtic	Hoganville
8-9pm	Hoganville	Marks Celtic	Ballsbridge	Marks Celtic
9-10pm	Local Adults	Local Adults	Local Adults	Marks Celtic

Parc Karate Club

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
6-7pm	Karate Club 6-8yrs old		Boxing		Karate Club 6-8yrs old
7-8pm	Karate Club 9-12yrs old				Karate Club 9-12yrs old
8-9pm	Karate Club Adults				Karate Club Adults.

Opening Hours

Monday to Thursday	07:00 to 22:00
Friday	07:00 to 21:00
Saturday	10:00 to 18:00
Sunday	10:00 to 16:00

Contact: Bobby Neill Tel: 086 815 0316 Email: bobby.neill@dublincity.ie

25th February 2011

**The Chairperson and Members of the
South East Area Committee**

Felling & Removal of Trees in the South East Area

Please find enclosed a list of tree works proposed for the south east area. The works include, pruning 61 No. trees, felling of 44 No. trees and grounding out tree stumps at 40 locations.

Trees will be replaced in twenty one of the 44 No. locations where trees are being felled. Non replacement of trees is due to the unsuitability of the location arising from the presence of services or proximity to property or roadsides. The replacement tree planting will be undertaken during the 2011/12 tree planting season.

This work is currently being tendered and on assessment of the tender and confirmation of the timescale to undertake the works it is proposed to place the information on the Parks section of the Dublin City Council web-page. The public living in the vicinity of the trees which are to be felled or pruned will be notified directly some days before the work is undertaken.

This list does not include 5 No. large mature horse Chestnuts which have been removed from Military Road.

Yours sincerely,

**Michael Noonan,
Senior Executive Parks Superintendent**

14 March 2011

To the Chairperson and Members of the South East Area Committee

Swan Leisure Report

Membership

Swan Leisure currently has 1,708 members with a further 282 over 65 members and 308 Passport for Leisure members. Swan Leisure also has 10,276 associate members that use the facility on a pay as you go basis.

Usage

The usage in the facility has been very strong with 56,790 members of the public using the facility in 2010.

Bookings

Interest in booking space within the building is very strong with all peak hours currently booked. Swan Leisure is now actively trying to fill non-peak hours.

Café

The appointment of an operator for the Café has gone to tender with a closing date of the end of March. Preliminary drawings of a concept for the Café have been received. It is hoped to continue developing the Café in line with this concept. It is important that the final Café is of a high quality reflecting the facility and products being provided.

Swan Leisure Advisory Group

As part of the proposal to form Dublin City Sports and Leisure Services Ltd. it was agreed that a Local Advisory Group would be put in place to assist Swan Leisure in its operations. End users and local community groups have been contacted and 7 submissions have been received. This process is now closed and we have received one more submission than was required. Rather than exclude a group it has been decided to extend the membership of the Advisory Group by one. The first meeting of this group will take place in April 2010.

Coilin O'Reilly
Centre Manager

OIFIG AN BHAINISTEOIR TRÁCHTA

The following items for the South East Area were considered by the Traffic Advisory Group at its meeting on the 17th February 2011

***Pedestrian
Facilities***

- 1 **Richmond Avenue South, Dublin 6.**
Reps for Pedestrian Crossing on Richmond Avenue South at Alexandra College.
Public Rep **Do** 243273
Not Recommended
Traffic count did not meet the warrant for installation of a pedestrian crossing.

***Parking
Prohibitions***

- 2 **Wilson's Place, Dublin 2.**
Reps for Pay and Display and Permit Parking on Wilson's Place, off Grant's Row.
Public Rep **Do** 1021828
Not Recommended
Rejected at survey (Feb 11). 8 on register, 1 vote against returned.
- 3 **Bell's Lane, off Ely Place, Dublin 2.**
Reps to rescind Double Yellow Lines on Bell's Lane, off Ely Place, and replace with Pay and Display and Permit Parking operating Mon-Sat 07.00-19.00.
Public Rep **Do** 1022441
Recommended
South side, from a point 9.5m west of the junction with Ely Place, for 10m westwards.
- 4 **Hanover Street, Dublin 2.**
Reps for Double Yellow Lines on Hanover Street Lower between Erne Street Lower and Macken Street.
Public Rep **Do** 1021832
Not Recommended
The parking spaces are required by residents and parked vehicles act as traffic calming.

5 Leinster Road, Dublin 2.

Reps for Double Yellow Lines on Leinster Road across the laneway at the entrance to The Mews, 104A, Leinster Road.

Resident

Do 1026183

Recommended

South side from a point 9m east to a point 23m east of the common boundary of property Nos. 100/101.

6 Vavasour Square, Dublin 4.

Reps to Rescind Double Yellow Lines on Vavasour Square.

Resident

Do 1016802

Recommended

West side, from 30m south of the junction with Bath Avenue, southwards to a point opposite the common boundary of property Nos. 2/3.

7 Vavasour Square, Dublin 4.

Reps to rescind Pay and Display and Permit Parking on Vavasour Square, Sandymount, and replace with Double Yellow Lines.

Resident

Do 1016802

Recommended

East side, from 2m north of the gable wall of property No. 2, southwards to the common boundary of property Nos. 4/5.

8 Vavasour Square, Dublin 4.

Reps to extend the Pay and Display and Permit Parking area on Vavasour Square.

Resident

Do 1016802

Recommended

West side, commencing from a point 12m south of the junction with Bath Avenue, continuing southwards to a point opposite the common boundary of property Nos. 2/3.

9 Zion Road, Dublin 6.

Extend Double Yellow Lines on Zion Road, from the entrance to Mayfield, to the southern boundary of property No. 18 Zion Road.

Dublin City Council

Do 1037060

Recommended

- 10 **Northbrook Road, Dublin 6.**
 Rescind Pay and Display and Permit Parking on Northbrook Road (to facilitate Double Yellow Lines).
 Dublin City Council **Do** 1026259
 Recommended
 South side from 106m to 113m east of the junction with Ranelagh Road.
- 11 **Northbrook Road, Dublin 6.**
 Double Yellow Lines on Northbrook Road (Permanent Statutory Order required for already existing prohibition).
 Dublin City Council **Do** 1026259
 Recommended
 South side, from the junction with Ranelagh Road, for 16m eastwards.
- 12 **Northbrook Road, Dublin 6.**
 Rescind Double Yellow Lines on Northbrook Road.
 Dublin City Council **Do** 1026259
 Recommended
 South side from 16m to 106m east of the junction with Ranelagh Road.
- 13 **Northbrook Road, Dublin 6.**
 Pay and Display and Permit Parking on Northbrook Road (Permanent Statutory Orders required for existing parking prohibitions) operating Mon-Fri 08.00-18.30.
 Dublin City Council **Do** 1026259
 Recommended
 South side, from the junction with Ranelagh Road:
 From 16m to 28.5m east; From 37m to 41.8m east; From 55.5m to 61m east; From 71.2m to 75.2m east; From 80.8m to 84.7m east; From 89.6m to 93.6m east; From 100m to 106m east.
- 14 **Palmerston Park, Dublin 6.**
 Resp to Extend Double Yellow Lines on Palmerston Park.
 Business **Do** 1021037
 Recommended
 North side, from the junction of Palmerston Gardens East, eastwards as far as the commencement of the Pay and Display and Permit area.

15 York Road, Dublin 6.

Double Yellow Lines on York Road (previously recommended as part of Pay and Display and Permit Parking Scheme. The Pay and Display and Permit Parking element of the scheme is dropped as there are no eligible residents to vote).

Dublin City Council
Recommended

Do 1012000

Both sides, from the junction with Cambridge Road, for 30m westwards. South side from 74m to 103m west of Cambridge Road. South side from 134m to 176m west of Cambridge Road. South side, from a point 206m west of Cambridge Road, to eastern junction with Pembroke Cottages. South side, from western junction with Pembroke Cottages to Thorncastle Street. North side from 294.5m to 296.5m west of the junction with Cambridge Road. North side, from 334.5 m west of Cambridge Road, to Thorncastle Street.

16 Fitzwilliam Street Lower, Dublin 2.

Reps to re-designate the Pay and Display Parking on Fitzwilliam Street Lower to Pay and Display and Permit Parking, in the vicinity of Fitzwilliam Lane.

Resident
Recommended

Do 1025343

Northwest side between the junctions of Baggot Street Lower and Mount Street Upper.

17 Dowling's Court, Dublin 2.

Reps for Double Yellow Lines on the laneway adjacent to No. 8, Dowling's Court,
Resident

Do 1022096

Recommended

Full length of west side of the laneway.

18 Gilford Drive, Dublin 4.

Reps for Double Yellow Lines on Gilford
Public Rep

Do 1027440

Recommended

North side, from the common boundary of property Nos. 6/4, to 12m west of the common boundary of property Nos. 2/4.

19 Northbrook Road/Northbrook Avenue, Dublin 6.

Reps for Double Yellow Lines at the junction of Northbrook Road and Northbrook Avenue, Ranelagh.

Public Rep

Do 1026259

Recommended

South side, from 106m east of the junction with Ranelagh Road, to the junction with Northbrook Avenue.

Traffic Signs

20 Riversdale Avenue, Dublin 6.

Reps for 'Caution Children' signage on Riversdale Avenue, Terenure.

Public Rep

Do 1026554

Not Recommended

This is a cul-de-sac and does not meet the criteria for 'Caution Children' signs.

21 St. Kevin's Cottages, Dublin 8.

Reps for No Left Turn on St. Kevin's Cottages, Synge Street, to enable traffic to travel in an anti-clockwise direction.

Resident

Do 1036633

Recommended

'No Left Turn' sign to be installed on LS No.2 adjacent to St. Kevin's Cottages.

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

1) Newgrove Avenue, Dublin 4

- Provision of double yellow lines, on the south and south eastern side, from the junction with Strand Road to the junction with Sandymount Green.
- Provision of double yellow lines, Newgrove Avenue, north western side, from the junction with Strand Road to 25 meters north east of the boundary between property numbers 25/27 Newgrove Avenue.
- Provision of permit parking with pay and display, Newgrove Avenue, north western side, from 5meters to 25 meters north east of the boundary between property numbers 25/27 Newgrove Avenue.
- Provision of double yellow lines, Newgrove Avenue, north western side, from 5 meters north east of the boundary between property numbers 25/27 Newgrove Avenue to 2.5meters north east of boundary between property numbers 26A/26B Newgrove Avenue.
- Provision of permit parking with pay and display, Newgrove Avenue, north western side from 2.5meters north east of boundary between property numbers 26A/26B Newgrove Avenue to 2.5meters south west of boundary between property numbers 26A/26B Newgrove Avenue.
- Provision of double yellow lines, Newgrove Avenue, north western side, from 2.5meters south west of boundary between property numbers 26A/26B Newgrove Avenue to 1meters south west of boundary between property numbers 26A/24 Newgrove Avenue.
- Provision of permit parking with pay and display, Newgrove Avenue, north western side from 1meters south west of boundary between property numbers 26A/24 Newgrove Avenue, continuing around the corner to 1meter east of the west gable wall of 18 Newgrove Avenue.
- Provision of double yellow lines, Newgrove Avenue, north side, from 1meter east of the west gable wall of 18 Newgrove Avenue to 3meters east of the boundary between property numbers 16/16A Newgrove Avenue.
- Provision of permit parking with pay and display, Newgrove Avenue, north side from 3meters east of the boundary between property numbers 16/16A Newgrove Avenue to the east gable wall of property number 6 Newgrove Avenue.
- Provision of double yellow lines, Newgrove Avenue, north side, from the east gable wall of property number 6 Newgrove Avenue to start of permit parking on Sandymount Green.

**South East Area Office,
Block 2, Floor 4,
Civic Offices.**

**To the Chairperson and Members of
The South East Area Committee**

14th March 2011

Area Manager's Report

Rathmines Library

Works are continuing at Rathmines Library. Pending the final confirmation from the contractor, Bracegrade, of their programme of internal and external works, the library is on schedule for re-opening in July, as previously indicated. The Library Division will keep all stakeholders informed in the event of any change in the project schedule.

With regard to the issue raised at the February Area Committee meeting about motorised scooters / wheelchairs, Library Division have reported that the new Rathmines Library will not be laid out to suit electric scooters, which are primarily designed for outdoor use and require a much larger turning circle than is feasible in the floor space available. However, users of motorised and non-motorised wheelchairs will be able to access all areas of the new library.

Dodder Flood Alleviation Works

A Part 8 planning application was lodged on 14th December in respect of the proposed flood alleviation works from Lansdowne Road Bridge (Newbridge) to Lansdowne Railway Bridge, Dublin 4. An information meeting was held on 27th January which was well attended. However a submission was made by An Taisce to An Bord Pleanala with regard to the Part 8 process. An Taisce raised the issue as to whether an Environmental Impact Statement was required. An Bord Pleanala asked Dublin City Council to comment on the submission and the part 8 scheme has been postponed pending the outcome of this issue.

Herbert Park Users Group

The next meeting for the Group is the 28th March 2011. A Draft Constitution will be formally adopted at the March meeting which will be an AGM. Parks will begin work on the Community Garden in Herbert Park over the coming weeks and application forms for plots will be made available through the South East Area Office and the website. A report on the state of the Pavilion is being prepared.

Herbert Park Centenary

It has been agreed that the centenary should be commemorated. Contact has made with three Groups (Historical Society, Donnybrook Fair Committee & Herbert Park Users group) to plan an event for the end of August 2011. Contact has been made with the "Number One Army Band" and there are interesting in participating. Further meetings will be held on this event.

Cabbage Patch

The following works to be undertaken in the Cabbage Patch Park:

- a) UEFA have earmarked the kick-about tarmac surfaced area in the Cabbage Patch Park as the location for community benefit resulting from the proposed holding of the Europa League Final in Dublin. The works will be undertaken in conjunction with the FAI and with the agreement of the Parks & Landscape Services Division, Dublin City Council. The works will involve a new synthetic surface, boundary railings and upgraded floodlighting. On approval, by this Division, of the specifications it is anticipated that the works will commence in the next six weeks with a completion date of early May 2011. The South East Area are in consultation with the Local football clubs on this proposal and we are now considering how to best maximise the use of this facility on completion.

- b) Following expressions of concern regarding the deteriorating condition of the headstones at this former graveyard it was considered necessary to undertake measures to conserve the head stones. Therefore, in consultation with the City Archaeologist an Archaeological survey of the former burial ground was commissioned.

The survey recommended a number of options with the preferred option being to place the broken and damaged headstones in the sunken area, on the north of the site, and have them covered with topsoil. This would enable the original gravestones to be retained in the original graveyard site while ensuring they are not subject to any further damage.

It is proposed to proceed with this work over the coming months and complete in early summer.

Portobello Plaza

Work on the Portobello Plaza has now been satisfactorily completed. The water features have been replaced. Mini pillars (for market/events/power supply) have been installed. These can accommodate up to 8 trailing leads. New feature lighting has also been installed. Also refurbishment work has been carried out on the anti skateboard area which included the replacement of steel fins and spheres on stone seats and the grinding of damaged stone edges.

Terenure Road North Car Park

Following further discussions with the Health Services Executive and the Roads and Traffic Department it has been agreed that the transitional arrangements that were in place up to 1st March will continue for a further number of weeks, after which the HSE will take full control of the Car Park. Under these transitional arrangements, Dublin City Council will continue to collect the tariffs on the car park. However, security and other matters will continue to be the responsibility of the HSE.

Sandymount Village Design Statement

A Draft Plan has been produced by Consultants, Soltys Brewster and is being reviewed by the Steering Committee. When the final Draft has been agreed, it will be made available to Councillors and the general public for comment for a period of 3 weeks which will conclude with a Public Feedback Workshop before final editing and printing of the finished document.

Allotments

Most of the successful applicants have signed for their plots. A container is now on site. 5 people were unable to take up the offer of a plot for various reasons and we are working on the reserve list. Arrangements are being made to establish a gardening club and to organize gardening classes for anyone who is interested.

Collapse of Quay Wall at Fitzwilliam Quay, Ringsend

Monitoring of the River bank at this location is on-going by the Engineers and talks are continuing with the OPW and the Department of the Environment regarding engaging a Contractor to carry out this work.

General Election

The Area Manager and the staff of the South East Area wish to congratulate former Councillors Kevin Humphreys and Eoghan Murphy on their success in the recent general election. Also the hard work and dedication of all candidates is acknowledged in their endeavours in the election campaign.

Michael O'Neill
Area Manager

**QUESTIONS TO DUBLIN CITY MANAGER
SOUTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE MEETING, 14th MARCH 2011**

- Q1. Councillor Mary Freehill**
That the Manager requests the Litter Warden to inspect Grosvenor Lane on a weekly basis. Currently this area has become a very active dumping ground. Furthermore if the Warden would gather sufficient information to prosecute the dumpers.
- Q2. Councillor Mary Freehill**
Would the Manager ask the Litter warden to contact the owners of No. 23 and 24 Effra Road Rathmines. The front is strewn with bins and indeed they are often left out on the road for periods. Also, the front of these houses seem to be used as a dumping ground.
- Q3. Councillor Edie Wynne**
That, in view of local negative experience, the Manager review the management of the Milltown recycling centre in view of changed circumstances in the area and also review the entrance/exit of the car park as per details supplied
- Q4. Councillor Dermot Lacey**
To ask the Manager to explore if there are options in the DESE area or generally within the Dublin City Council area where we could assist in retaining the Fry Model Railway exhibition as a visitor feature for visitors and Dubliners alike.
- Q5. Councillor Dermot Lacey**
To ask the Manager if he will arrange to have a Brown Bin delivered to number 7 Mornington Road, Ranelagh, Dublin 6.
- Q6. Councillor Dermot Lacey**
To ask the Manager if he will arrange a spring clean of the laneway from Beech Hill Drive and Beaver Row.
- Q7. Councillor Edie Wynne**
To ask the Manager if it is possible to facilitate a request for an alternative to paying full parking costs every day in a special situation (details supplied).
- Q8. Councillor Edie Wynne**
To ask the manager to take down the tree outside a house on Cowper Road (details attached).
- Q9. Councillor Edie Wynne**
In response to residents complaints about non-enforcement of the one way system on Frankfort Avenue, Rathgar and parking on DYL outside "Centra", both of which are considered very dangerous by local people, to ask the Manager to have action taken on enforcement.
- Q10. Councillor Edie Wynne**
That the Manager request Dublin Bus to give prior notice to Dublin City Councillors of the details of any public consultation regarding the 128 bus route.
- Q11. Councillor Mary Freehill**
Would the manager please indicate the cost to the city of removing Graffiti in Dublin south east and also if possible for the whole city for 2010 and the amount budgeted for 2011.
- Q12. Councillor Maria Parodi**
To ask the Manager for a new light to be erected in the walkway between Bremen Road and Pine Road.
- Q13. Councillor Maria Parodi**
To ask the Manager to repair the light outside (details supplied) as it has been broken since last November.

- Q14. Councillor Maria Parodi**
To ask the Manager for a response to the following issues regarding Cambridge Court (details supplied).
- Q15. Councillor Maria Parodi**
To ask the Manager to repair the light in (details supplied).
- Q16. Councillor Maria Parodi**
To ask the Manager to examine the issues in (details supplied) and to take all the necessary measures to address them.
- Q17. Councillor Maria Parodi**
To ask the Manager for a new light to be erected at (details supplied).
- Q18. Councillor Maria Parodi**
To ask the Manager that a new bin is installed at the Grand Canal end of Bloomfield Avenue, Dublin 8 as the bin that was previously there was vandalised and thrown into the canal. Also, can we please ensure that the old bin is removed from the canal.
- Q19. Councillor Maria Parodi**
Can the Manager provide an indication of when Phase 1A of the Dublin Bikes expansion scheme to the Docklands will commence.
- Q20. Councillor Maria Parodi**
To ask the Manager to provide a report on the following in (details supplied).
- Q21. Councillor Maria Parodi**
To ask the Manager that the trees facing onto the houses along City Quay are pruned as they are blocking the public lighting in this area.
- Q22. Councillor Maria Parodi**
To ask the Manager to address the ponding issues on the footpath outside (details supplied).
- Q23. Councillor Mannix Flynn**
Can the City Manager issue a report on the update of the register of electors. Many constituents complained that they had registered and that their names had not appeared on the live register.
- Q24. Councillor Mannix Flynn**
Can the City Manager have the trees pruned at Whitefriar gardens.
- Q25. Councillor Mannix Flynn**
Can the City Manager address the issue of dog fouling on the footpaths in the Ringsend area of the City. (York Road area).
- Q26. Councillor Mannix Flynn**
Can the City Manager issue a report relating to the two LCS screens that are in breach of the planning guidelines at two locations within the city (Henry Street/Grafton Street-Stephens Green Shopping Centre) and what measures are being taken in relation to removing these structures.