



# Dublin City Council

Comhairle Cathrach Bhaile Átha Cliath

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**NOTIFICATION TO ATTEND MONTHLY MEETING OF THE SOUTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE TO BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, DUBLIN 2 ON MONDAY 13<sup>th</sup> JUNE AT 3.00pm**

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*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 13<sup>th</sup> June at 3.00pm** to deal with the items on the agenda attached herewith.

**Michael O'Neill**  
**AREA MANAGER**

**Dated this 8<sup>th</sup> June 2011**

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- 681. Presentation on 3-8 Hume Street – Maeve McCarthy**
- 682. Minutes of Meeting held 9<sup>th</sup> May 2011 (Pages 6 - 8)**
- 683. Questions to Dublin City Manager (Pages 44 - 49)**
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- i. Minutes of the Traffic Advisory Group held on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2011 **(Page 20 - 29)**
- 685. Development Matters**
- i. With reference to the proposed grant of a lease of a premises and adjoining site at Peter's Place, Adelaide Road, Dublin 2 **(Page 30)**
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- i. South East Area Sports Report – March to May 2011 **(Pages 32 - 40)**
- 688. South East Area Matters**
- i. Area Manager's Report **(Pages 41 - 42)**

## **Motions**

**689. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey**

This Committee agrees to contact the owner and explore the possibility of developing interim proposals for the temporary use of the former Sunday World site at Terenure.

**690. Motion from Councillor Edie Wynne**

That Dublin City Council calls on Dublin Bus to review and increase its provision for bus services in Milltown whose residents say they have been left with one bus serving Milltown Road - the 44- with service every 45 mins at peak and 60 mins off peak – which is inadequate particularly for elderly residents. Residents seek increased frequency of the service with a min frequency of every 30 minutes and also Real Time Passenger Information (RTP) at the 2 bus stops on Milltown Road at Ramleh Villas; this RTP is particularly valuable where a bus service is infrequent.

**691. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey**

To ask the Manager if he will arrange for the request from St. Louis Infant School in Rathmines as detailed in the letter submitted with this Motion to be implemented.

**692. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill**

That a drive carefully School sign be erected to all entrances to St Louis Primary School in Rathmines.

**693. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill**

To mark the Dublin UNESCO City of Literature and to reinforce the individual identity of our urban villages, this committee agrees to acknowledge the many writers who lived there, especially in Rathmines, Ranelagh and Rathgar and this could also be a pilot scheme for many other villages around the city. It is therefore proposed to display a list at the Leisure centre Rathmines, The Angle in Ranelagh and around Christchurch in Rathgar. This list will include both living and deceased writers which could be backed up with more detailed and perhaps animated exhibition or any other appropriate format in the newly refurbished Rathmines Library, it could also be considered as a medium such as Dublin Tourism's APP.

**694. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey**

Bearing in mind the appalling condition of the footpath along Brookvale Road, Donnybrook between Eglinton Road and the Convent, this Committee requests the Manager to undertake a major upgrade there or provide resources to have same included in the next Works Programme.

**695. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill**

That bollards be erected on the footpath beside "Stratford Haven" on Orwell Road.

**696. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill**

That a name place is erected at the entrance of Church Gardens, Rathmines.

**697. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill**

That a "Stop Sign" be erected on Harrison Row at the corner of Rathgar Avenue, currently there is no sign and pedestrians are in danger of being knocked down by cars exiting from Harrison Row.

**698. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey**

To ask the Manager if, given its appalling condition, he will arrange for the car park at The Crescent, opposite KIELYS in Donnybrook to be cleared of weeds, cleaned of litter and potholes repaired and that a similar exercise be carried out on the rest of the The Crescent from the entrance to the car park to Roy Fox's Fruit and Vegetable Shop.

**699. Motion from Councillor Oisín Quinn**

This Committee calls on the Manager to contact Dublin Bus and express concern about the proposed reduction in bus service along Milltown Road where the 44 Bus will only run every

45 minutes at peak and every 60 mins off-peak and to call on Dublin Bus to review this proposal and to provide a service with a minimum frequency of every 30 minutes and also to provide Real Time Passenger Information at the 2 bus stops on Milltown Road at Ramleh Villas (RTPI is vital especially with infrequent services).

**700. Motion from Councillor Oisín Quinn**

This Committee calls on the Manager to contact Dublin Bus to ask them to reinstate the No. 18 Bus service which connected Rathmines/ Ranelagh and St Vincent's Hospital on the Merrion Road and which was an important public service.

**701. Motion from Councillor Oisín Quinn**

This Committee calls on the Manager to contact An Post to ask them to re-open the post office in Kenilworth, Rathgar.

**702. Motion from Councillor Paddy McCartan**

To ask the Manager if action can be taken to resolve a situation that has arisen in Pearse Square, Dublin 2 where residents are putting out parking cones to reserve parking spaces for themselves because of the pay and display system in the area. This practice is dangerous to pedestrians and is causing bad feeling among the residents.

**703. Motion from Councillor Paddy McCartan**

To confirm, in relation to Sandymount Strand that dogs are only allowed off their leash at the following times; 8.30 am to 11am and 8.30pm to 9.30pm. (Effectively the last hour of daylight for the months May to August).

**704. Motion from Councillor Paddy McCartan**

To arrange to have the old baths on Sandymount Strand repainted and graffiti removed.

**705. Motion from Councillor Paddy McCartan**

To specify the areas covered by Irishtown Health Centre and explain why residents from Sandymount area cannot be treated there and must travel to Baggot St hospital.

**706. Motion from Councillor Mannix Flynn**

Could this committee debate and examine the issue around the sale of alcohol in public parks. Recently alcohol was sold in Merrion Square Gardens at the Mindfestival and since then permission was given for Dublins Gay Pride Festival to provide a public bar at the park. The sale and the consumption of alcohol in a public place needs to be examined in light of this recent development and a policy around such events created.

**707. Motion from Councillor Mannix Flynn**

That Dublin City Council investigate the damage caused to street furniture ornate lampposts, granite curb-stones and the general fabric and built environment of the South East Area in relation to the security markings and sealing along the routes that were used by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth 2nd and President Barack Obama. Also to ascertain what budget provision has been provided and by whom its being provided regarding the cleanup and the restoration to its original state. Also that in future, materials used for such markings would be environmentally friendly and easier to remove and that a policy be now set regarding future State visits with high security concerns.

**708. Motion from Councillor Mannix Flynn**

That this committee call on the planning department to give a full presentation of the applications regarding the UPC telecommunications cabinets that are now being installed in the South East Area as well as the wider area of the Dublin City Area. These cabinets are clustering the already congested pavements in the South East Area. Some cabinets are being placed against the gable walls of buildings, others at the edge of footpaths. Dublin City Council in their development plan has regard to the free movement and declustering of the public domain. In the interest of conservation and heritage concern must be expressed regarding this practice it is important to note that these cabinets and their planning application are permanent. It is my belief that this whole venture which involves many applications not unlike JC Decaux must be discussed and must be brought before this committee.

**709. Motion from Councillor Mannix Flynn**

That this committee reserves the sole right of the use of the word Mansion House with regard to the properties of Dawson Street known as the Mansion House and that the Lord Mayor and the City Council do not allow the use of the word Mansion House Restaurant to be displayed on the restaurant now operating from the Round Room and Fire Restaurant. The Lord Mayor's notepaper gives the official address as Mansion House, Dawson Street Dublin 2. It is my belief that this address can only be used to describe the Lord Mayor of Dublin's official residence and should not be confused with the enterprise of a restaurant. With the now impending upgrade of the formal gardens and façade and entrance gives an opportunity for clarity and separation in order to distinguish the official title and address of the first citizen of our city.

**710. Motion from Councillor Maria Parodi**

That this committee urges the Manager to increase the number of adapted housing units for people with disabilities across the Southeast area and the rest of the city.

**711. Motion from Councillor Maria Parodi**

That this committee calls on CIE to stop parking their intercity trains beside Conway Court as the noise is causing a significant disturbance for residents.

**712. Motion from Councillor Maria Parodi**

That this committee requests that the trees on Long Lane are severely pruned urgently as they are blocking both natural and artificial light.

**713. Motion from Councillor Edie Wynne**

That:

- in view of the unhappiness of the residents of Geraldine Terrace with the decision taken regarding the entrance/exit at Milltown car park
- in view of the Engineer's finding that the 'exit to Milltown Road is not ideal' and
- in view of the fact that traffic volumes will have increased markedly at this location since 2008, which is the period for which accident statistics were supplied

This Committee requests the Engineer review her decision with a view to improving safety at the entrance/exit at Milltown car park.

**SOUTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE  
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MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON  
9<sup>th</sup> MAY 2011  
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The Committee extended their congratulations to the former Councillor Catherine Noone on her recent appointment to the Seanad Eireann.

- 662. Minutes of Meeting held 11<sup>th</sup> April 2011**  
**Order: Agreed.** Cllr Flynn said that he would write to Dublin Port to request data on noise monitoring levels at the container terminal.
- 663. Questions to Dublin City Manager**  
**Order: Circulated and agreed.**
- 664. Development Matters**
- i. Addition to the Record of Protected Structures of 18 Shrewsbury Road, Dublin 4 (excluding two outbuildings)  
**Order: Agreed to recommend to City Council.**
- 665. Planning Matters**
- i. Quarterly Enforcement Report January to March 2011  
**Order: Report noted.** *Cllr Freehill requested that the Aldi planning permission application for Terenure Road East be on the June agenda.*
- 666. Roads & Traffic Matters**
- ii. Minutes of the Traffic Advisory Group held on 19<sup>th</sup> April 2011  
**Order: Report noted. Area Traffic Engineer to report to Councillors on various issues.**
- iii. Residential parking proposed increases  
**Order: Report noted.**
- 667. South East Area Matters**
- i. Area Manager's Report  
**Order: Cllr O'Callaghan requested that the report from the Fire Services on the recent fire in Terenure be circulated to all and that the enjoyable recent open day at Cathal Brugha barracks be acknowledged. Cllr Flynn enquired about the local policing fora for Whitefriar Street.**
- ii. Naming of a laneway at the side of 74 and 74C Rathgar Road, Dublin 6.  
**Order: Agreed.**

## Motions

**668. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill**

This Committee calls on the Manager to ensure that the footpaths in Oaklands Drive, Dublin 4 be urgently reinstated.

**Order: Report to Councillor.**

**669. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill**

Would the manager please arrange to have the large pothole outside 26 Northbrook Road temporarily repaired and put on the list for permanent repair.

**Order: Report to Councillor.**

**670. Motion from Councillor Mannix Flynn**

Call on the City Manager in the interest of Cultural Tourism and in keeping with the policy regarding tourist attractions and heritage that the City Hall be reopened for the Summer Season on Sundays and Bank Holidays. Perhaps a donation box or a contribution box be placed at the entrances informing the public of the expense incurred in providing this free facility. Perhaps the City Manager may consider completely curtailing entertainment budgets and reception budgets in order to keep open and available to the public these vital cultural landmarks and amenities. This will save jobs, recently due to staff cutbacks at the Hugh Lane Gallery large parts of the Richard Tuttle exhibition were closed to the public.

**Order: Report to Councillor. Cllr Freehill requested that the members wishes to seek an economically viable way to keep the City Hall open on Sundays be noted.**

**671. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill**

That Dublin South East local area committee request an on site meeting with Waterways Ireland to discuss the short comings relating to work on the Grand Canal.

**Order: Agreed.**

**672. Motion from Councillor Mannix Flynn**

That this committee deplores the act of vandalism and criminal damage perpetrated on a substantial amount of premises in Drury street and the environs over the Easter bank holiday weekend, causing thousands of euros of damage to the commercial premises. This form of malicious damage masquerades as graffiti nothing can be further from the truth. It is time now that those engaged in such acts be apprehended by An Garda Siochana and brought before the courts to face the consequences of their actions. This must be acknowledged as a serious criminal offence under the malicious criminal damage act.

**Order: Report to Councillor. Refer this item to the JPC meeting.**

**673. Motion from Councillor Paddy McCartan**

To ask the Manager to liaise with Dublin Bus over on-going issues arising from buses use of Burlington Rd/Waterloo Rd as a stopping point. The engines are running from 6am, which is causing distress to the residents. Also the paving at the corner is breaking up.

**Order: Agreed. Cllr McCartan requested that a meeting be arranged with Dublin Bus.**

**674. Motion from Councillor Paddy McCartan**

To ask the Manager if it is possible to extend the bicycle scheme to Donnybrook, Sandymount, Ringsend, Ranelagh and Rathmines and to have a station at Grand Canal Square/ Pearse Street.

**Order: Report to Councillor. This request is to be referred to the Planning Department.**

**675. Motion from Councillor Paddy McCartan**

To ask the Manager if it is possible to have a street nameplate erected, indicating the location of Palmerston Grove Milltown, similar to the one at Beechmount Drive, Roebuck Lawn, by way of an arrow or 'via'.

**Order: Report to Councillor.**

**676. Motion from Councillor Paddy McCartan**

To ask the Manager if it would be possible to have green bins collected every week and grey ones every second week in the Dublin 4 area as the green ones fill up so much faster

**Order: Report to Councillor.**

**677. Motion from Councillor Paddy McCartan**

To ask the Manager to check a laneway on Elmwood Avenue, Ranelagh Dublin 6, which is currently being used as a toilet by a number of taxi drivers.

**Order: Report to Councillor.**

**678. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey**

This Committee agrees to discuss the application of the alcohol bye-laws in our public parks alongside major public events – particularly bearing in mind the recent debacle surrounding the Mindfield Festival in Merrion Square Park.

**Order: Agreed. By Laws of Public Parks to be an item on the next SEA Committee Meeting.**

**679. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey**

To ask the Manager if he will arrange for a Residential Disc parking scheme and ballot for same as requested in the email attached with this motion.

**Order: Report to Councillor.**

**680. Motion from Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**

To ask the City Manager whether he could write on behalf of the area committee to the Receivers appointed to the property company that owned the former Veterinary site in Ballsbridge to enquire as to what they propose to do in the short term with the said site.

**Order: Agreed. Cllr O'Callaghan to provide an address for the Receivers.**

**Cllr. Edie Wynne**

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**Chairperson**

**Dated 9<sup>th</sup> May 2011**

**Attendance**

**Members**

Councillor E. Wynne (in the chair)

Councillors: D. Lacey, O. Quinn, M. Parodi, M. Flynn, J. O'Callaghan, M. Freehill, P. McCartan, G. Ashe

**Officials**

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

F. Lambe, 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, South East Area

S. Moran, Assistant Area Manager, South East Area

B. Riddick, Parking Enforcement Officer, Roads & Traffic

F. Worrell, Assistant Enforcement Manager, Planning Department

P. McCann, Administrative Officer, South East Area

M. Moriarty, Staff Officer, South East Area

J. Nugent, Assistant Staff Officer, South East Area

M. Ginnetty, Assistant Staff Officer, South East Area

**QUESTIONS TO DUBLIN CITY MANAGER  
SOUTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE MEETING, 9<sup>th</sup> MAY 2011**

**Q1. Councillor Dermot Lacey**

To ask the Manager if he will take action before this question is reached to replace the missing slates on the roof of 50 and 46 Beech Hill Villas that have been missing and inexplicably missed when dampness problems reported but repairs not concluded.

**Reply**

The local Area Maintenance Officer is aware of this situation and expects to have the necessary repairs carried out within the next two weeks, as a hoist is required to carry out the work.

**Q2. Councillor Dermot Lacey**

To ask the Manager if he will take action to enable progress on the concerns of local residents in the vicinity of Trinity Hall as outlined in the attachment and correspondence submitted with this question.

**Reply**

The South East Area Office will forward this correspondence to the Provost of Trinity College. The Councillor will be notified when a reply has been received.

**Q3. Councillor Edie Wynne**

To ask the Manager to have the footpaths on Oaklands Drive, Dublin 4 repaired as a matter of urgency because they are a danger, especially to elderly pedestrians and parents with young children.

**Reply**

The Waterworks openings on Oaklands Drive have been returned to this Department for permanent reinstatement. The openings have been put on the works list for the area and the residents have been informed that the permanent reinstatement will commence on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May.

**Q4. Councillor Dermot Lacey**

To ask the Manager if he would have the pothole as described in the accompanying documentation and photograph repaired as a matter of urgency.

I wonder would you mind taking up with the Manager the gigantic pothole outside 26 Northbrook Rd. I recently hit this on my bike in the dark and received an almighty jolt as a result. I inspected it by daylight and the hole is quite enormous and deep - see photo attached.

Can you request that this be temporarily repaired immediately and put on the list for permanent repair.

**Reply**

This pothole has been put on the list for temporary reinstatement, which should be carried out within the next few days

**Q5. Councillor Mannix Flynn**

Can the City Manager have the portaloos on Camden Street which are placed there over the weekends to facilitate certain overcrowded large venues and public houses removed from the street. And can the City Manager provide proper public conveniences as is practiced in the rest of Europe. The City Manager may examine how the London Councils deal with this issue of public conveniences.

**Reply**

The temporary toilets currently in use on Camden Street at weekends were introduced in response to requests from the local area and with the co-operation of the Gardai. The

facilities have worked well and the levels of street urination has decreased in the vicinity. The situation is kept under constant review and if there are difficulties they can be brought to the attention of City Council.

In relation to the wider issue of permanent public convenience facilities there are currently no budgetary provisions available to advance proposals in this regard.

**Q6. Councillor Mannix Flynn**

Can the City Manager issue a report on the granting of licences to the UPS company to install communication cabinets on the footpaths in the South East Area.

**Reply**

Upc Communications Ireland Ltd lodged a number of applications for licences to Road Maintenance Services in Dublin City Council, to place telecommunications cabinets at various locations on the public footpath in the South-East Area. These proposed installations are part of the overall upgrade of their network.

These applications are assessed by the Roads and Traffic Department and licences are granted in accordance with the provisions of Section 254 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 and the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 to 2006.

**Q7. Councillor Mannix Flynn**

Can the City Manager ensure that all relevant information in relation to public meetings and information briefings with regard to the Poolbeg Waste to Energy Project at Poolbeg is distributed to all Councillors as soon as it is available.

**Reply**

In accordance with normal practice, Councillors will be informed in relation to any proposed public meetings or briefings relating to the Poolbeg Waste to Energy Project.

**Q8. Councillor Mannix Flynn**

Can the City Manager investigate the idea of a Dublin City Council South East area map. This map would identify all the relevant heritage and cultural highlights and also relevant public information regarding Dublin City Council services. This map can also promote the various council areas and electoral areas as unique areas. i.e. the south east area.

**Reply**

It is proposed to erect 20 large scale map panels at major pedestrian crossings across the inner city as part of the Dublin Way Finding system. A number of these panels will be located in the south east inner city including locations at College Green, Merrion Square, St. Stephen's Green and St. Patrick's Cathedral. These maps will identify all the major cultural, historic and civic highlights and destinations in the area as well as social facilities such as train stations, hospitals, and Garda stations together with the City's major parks, squares and spaces. While the main purpose of these maps is to serve the tourist and visitor, they will complement the Community Mapping Project which focuses more on the community dimension. The map panels will be erected over the course of the next 6-8 weeks.

**Q9. Councillor Mannix Flynn**

Can the City manager issue an update report on the situation regarding the waste to energy facility at Poolbeg, this report to also include an update on the recent bedrock tests carried out in the Dublin Bay Area over the past couple of months.

**Reply**

Dublin City Council and Covanta remain in a contractual position in relation to the construction of the Waste to Energy facility at Poolbeg in Dublin. As a result of the passing, in September 2010, of the Longstop Date without all conditions precedent being met, issues arose which require further discussions between the parties to the Agreement.

To enable these discussions to take place, the City Council and Covanta agreed to an extension date to the period, within which the rights under Schedule 2 of the Project

Agreement must be exercised, to 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2011. These discussions are continuing and accordingly, the parties have again agreed to a further extension period of 6 weeks to 13<sup>th</sup> June 2011.

The purpose of this extension is to allow both parties to fully understand the implications of the policy of the new Government in relation to Waste Management and to continue to work towards finalisation of all issues outstanding.

As previously stated it is expected that discussions will be concluded over the summer period and Dublin City Council expect that work will recommence as soon as practicable.

The tests in Dublin Bay referred to do not relate to the Waste to Energy Project. They relate to the Project for the extension to the Waste Water treatment Plant in Ringsend and the possible long sea outfall, as reported to the Environment and Engineering Strategic Policy Committee at its September 2010 meeting.

**Q10. Councillor Mannix Flynn**

Call on the City Manager issue a report on the congregation of service users of "Focus Point" in the Temple Bar area. There is a growing concern in this area relating as to the level of unacceptable behaviour in a public place.

**Reply**

Focus Ireland provides a Coffee Shop and Information point for individuals experiencing homelessness in Temple Bar. I will communicate matters of concern on congregation and behaviour in public domain for attention and reply by Focus Ireland.

**Q11. Councillor Mannix Flynn**

Can the City Manager issue a report on the markets that is taking place on the Essex Street and Exchange Street in the Temple Bar Area. Can the City Manager ascertain how much Dublin City Council Casual Trading Section is receiving for the granting of these licences on the street and also when these licences were issued and how long they will remain in place.

**Reply**

The Casual Trading Section is currently issuing licences for these areas as an interim measure during the building works in Meeting House Square. The Casual Trading Section is receiving €70 per food stall per day and €25 per craft stall per day. The issuing of licences commenced on the 29/1/11. It is envisaged the construction works in Meeting House Square will conclude in the autumn of 2011 and the issuing of licences for these areas will cease at that time.

**Q12. Councillor Mannix Flynn**

Can the City Manager examine the possibility of creating a boxing club/programme or providing a boxing instructor for the York Street/Whitefriar Street Mercer Street area of the city.

**Reply**

Eric Donovan who is the DCC/IABA Boxing Officer for the South East Area is aware that a request from the Whitefriar Street/York Street committee was made regarding boxing development in the area. Mr. Donovan and the local sport development officer will arrange a meeting with the local committee to discuss the possibility of a potential boxing programme. This can be organised in the next week or two.

If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

**Q13. Councillor Oisín Quinn**

Can the Manager provide an update as to when enforcement action will be taken in relation to the ongoing and documented unauthorised use at 1 Rugby Villas, Ranelagh?

**Reply**

The complaint and all supporting evidence have been referred to the Council's Law Agent for advice as to how best to address the use of the roof under Planning and Development legislation. His reply is awaited.

**Q14. Councillor Oisín Quinn**

Can the Manager arrange for the problem with the footpath at 18 Gilford Terrace, Sandymount to be addressed (it is deeply dished and leads to water pools forming)?

**Reply**

Contact has been made with the homeowner of 18 Gilford Terrace in April of this year with a view to rectifying this situation and it is currently in hand.

**Q15. Councillor Oisín Quinn**

Can the Manager arrange for the dangerous and broken parts of the footpath in Palmerston Park to be repaired/retarmacadamed?

**Reply**

Repairs to the footpaths in the public park (Palmerston Park) will be carried out as soon as possible.

**Q16. Councillor Oisín Quinn**

Can the Manager arrange for the white lines of the pay & display area opposite 10 Richview Park, Dublin 6 to be redone as they have faded away?

**Reply**

The matter will be referred to the Traffic Officer.

**Q17. Councillor Oisín Quinn**

Can the Manager address the query raised in the attached email (details supplied)?

**Reply**

A total of 98 vehicles have been clamped in this road in the period 1<sup>st</sup> January 2007 to 28<sup>th</sup> April 2011. This is considered a reasonable level of enforcement in a relatively short road (approximately 30 parking spaces), with limited controlled parking hours (operational hours are 8:00 to 18:30, Mon-Fri). The issues of concern to residents have been brought to the attention of the Council's parking enforcement contractor who has been instructed to continue to patrol this area and carry out any necessary enforcement action.

There is a shortfall of approximately €280,000 per annum in the cost of operating residential permit parking schemes throughout the City and it is anticipated that the current proposal to increase the fee for residents' parking permits will, if implemented, reduce this shortfall by in the region of one third. A standard permit will still cost the equivalent of less than €1 per week.

**Q18. Councillor Oisín Quinn**

Can the Manager indicate whether the issue of enhancing parking for residents on Gulistan Terrace (which was referred to TAG earlier in the year) has produced any suggested solutions yet?

**Reply**

The matter is still under consideration by the Traffic Engineer and the Councillor will be advised in due course as to the recommendation of the Tag group.

**Q19. Councillor Oisín Quinn**

Can the Manager address the need to repair the footpath on Oaklands Drive, Dublin 4 (see attached email)?

**Reply**

The Waterworks openings on Oaklands Drive have been returned to this Department for permanent reinstatement. The openings have been put on the works list for the area and the residents have been informed that the permanent reinstatement will commence on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May.

**Q20. Councillor Edie Wynne**

To ask the Manager to address the serious problem of litter on Maxwell Lane (Details supplied).

**Reply**

The Litter Warden inspected (details supplied) and has reported there is an accumulation of litter on the laneway. Arrangements have been put in place to clean-up the laneway.

**Q21. Councillor Mannix Flynn**

Can the City Manager place erect signage to indicate the Graphic Studio Gallery in Cope Street. This is an important cultural space and those seeking it out have difficulty in finding it. The Gallery is in Temple Bar for over 25 years and is a cultural asset. Signage would improve greatly the visitor numbers to the gallery for exhibitions and also for tourists seeking out cultural product in this area.

**Reply**

A sign for the Graphic Studio Gallery has been included in the city's new way finding system at a prime location outside the Central Bank on Dame Street. It will also be marked on the new map panels which will be erected over the next 6 weeks across the inner city including significant locations in the south city at Temple Bar, College Green, Merrion Square and St. Stephen's Green.

**Q22. Councillor Edie Wynne**

To ask the manager to repair the broken footpath at Oakland's Drive, Dublin 4 (Details supplied)

**Reply**

The Waterworks openings on Oaklands Drive have been returned to this Department for permanent reinstatement. The openings have been put on the works list for the area and the residents have been informed that the permanent reinstatement will commence on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May.

**Q23. Councillor Paddy McCartan**

To ask the Manager to have the footpath outside Donnybrook church inspected and the necessary repairs carried out.

**Reply**

The footpath surrounding Donnybrook church was inspected and found to be in reasonable condition. This Department has a system of prioritising defects in place to allow for our resources to be best deployed to the areas that most need them. In this instance, any defects found on this area of footpath fall into the lowest priority category and so will not be attended to until those with higher priority are attended to.

**Q24. Councillor Paddy McCartan**

To ask the Manager to inspect the temporary repairs which were carried out on the footpaths at Oaklands Drive Dublin 4. following repairs to water mains. The loose set hardcore topped with a layer of tarmac is now breaking up, resulting in a very uneven surface, which is dangerous for pedestrians

**Reply**

The Waterworks openings on Oaklands Drive have been returned to this Department for permanent reinstatement. The openings have been put on the works list for the area and the

residents have been informed that the permanent reinstatement will commence on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May.

**Q25. Councillor Paddy McCartan**

To ask the Manager to have the broken bench at Irishtown Nature Park repaired. Also to have an extra bench installed on the Causeway, before the entrance to Bissetts..

**Reply**

It is proposed to have this bench repaired and also an additional bench located along the seafront at the rear of Sean Moore Park. This work will be undertaken over the coming weeks.

**Q26. Councillor Gerry Ashe**

Ask the Manager to look into William Place South which is a small cul de sac which houses several elderly people. There are problems with anti-social activity, also vandals have attempted to damage one of the low street lights, possibly burning it & area has become a bit of a dumping ground.

**Reply**

Any reports of anti-social behaviour should be made to the Area Office where they will be dealt with in the appropriate manner.

All lights here were found to be operating on a recent night inspection on 05/05/11. And upon visual inspection, carried out today, there is no evidence of any burning around the poles.

The Litter Warden reported that on inspection of the above location he found no sign of dumping or an accumulation of litter but did state the streets were due to be swept. I have informed the local Inspector who will arrange for the street to be swept in accordance with the Litter Management Plan.

**Q27. Councillor Edie Wynne**

To ask the Manager how we can respond positively to this parking request (Details supplied)

**Reply**

Residents in the square who are eligible to vote have been asked to ballot on a proposed scheme for pay and display and permit parking for the remaining sides of the square where free parking presently exists. The result of this ballot will determine whether or not the permit parking will be introduced.

If the result is positive and permit parking is introduced then all residents who can prove residency will be entitled to apply for a permit for (details supplied). If the result of the ballot proves to be negative, then the residents who have free parking are not technically entitled to park long term in the pay and display and permit parking areas. This is in accordance with policy as outlined in bylaws approved by Dublin City Council SPC.

The Traffic Engineer will be in a better position to review this situation when the results of the ballot are known.

**Q28. Councillor Gerry Ashe**

Ask the Manager that double Yellow Lines on the southern side of Lombard Street West at the junction of Clanbrassil Street be extended.

**Reply**

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

**Q29. Councillor Gerry Ashe**

Ask the Manager could permission be given to residents (details supplied) to extend into attic space above their homes subject to normal planning regulations.

**Reply**

It is not the policy of Dublin City Council to allow residents to extend into the attic space in their homes. In this instance the ownership of the roof is not solely that of this dwelling, but also the older persons flat below. Permission cannot be given in this case.

**Q30. Councillor Gerry Ashe**

Ask the Manager can gates be put on ramp outside of duplexes at City Quay to give residents improved security and privacy

**Reply**

Dublin City Council is not in a position to provide gates on this ramp at the moment.

**Q31. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**

To ask the City Manager whether road works are due to commence on Erne Terrace and, if so, when the works will commence and whether or not the works will also encompass the back end of the Terrace.

**Reply**

Dublin City Council's Roadworks Control Section received a temporary road closure application for Erne Terrace Front, to facilitate the drainage works by Walls Construction for Trinity College. These works will encompass the Sandwith Street, Erne Street and Erne Terrace Front areas, but not Erne Terrace Rere. The closure for Erne Terrace Front is due to commence from the 9<sup>th</sup> May and continue up to the 30<sup>th</sup> May, but these dates are probably due to change following the receipt of complaints from residents which have to be resolved by Walls Construction before the closure can be agreed, and the possibility that the Gardai may ask for a delay in the start-up date due to the Royal visit.

**Q32. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**

To ask the City Manager whether the trees on Lennox Street, Dublin 8 can be pruned back during the next pruning season as they are now overgrowing houses on the road.

**Reply**

There are a number of trees on Lennox Street which have been planted quite close to buildings and are now impacting on nearby property. These trees require pruning, and in some instance removal and they have been added to our tree pruning/ removal works programme. It is anticipated that the works will be undertaken during the dormant season.

**Q33. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**

To ask the City Manager whether the sign opposite the Church of the Three Patrons on Rathgar Road, Dublin 6 pointing directions to a large supermarket was authorised or permitted by the Council.

**Reply**

This sign will be removed in the coming week.

**Q34. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**

To ask the City Manager whether the yellow lines at the intersection of Newgrove Avenue and Durham Road, Dublin 4 can be repainted.

**Reply**

This matter will be referred to the Traffic Officer for attention and the liens will be repainted as soon as is possible.

**Q35. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**

To ask the City Manager what was the reason for the major road works that were carried out recently on Ranelagh Road/ Beechwood Avenue, Dublin 6 and to enquire whether Councillors can be informed in advance of major road works that are due to commence in the area.

**Reply**

The ESB have been carrying out trenchwork on Ranelagh Road and Beechwood Ave to install ducting. The work is likely to be completed by the end June/early July but permits are only issued on a monthly basis to utilities and their current permits are valid up to the 20<sup>th</sup> May.

Councillors can add their email addresses to avail of the Traffic News which is compiled by Roadworks Control on a weekly basis and details all major works for the week ahead. The contact number for the Roadworks Control office is 01 2222246.

**Q36. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**

To ask whether the person whose details are attached is entitled to receive a resident's parking permit.

**Reply**

This person does not reside in a residential permit parking zone and consequently, in accordance with Bye-Law 22 (4) of the Dublin City Council Parking Control Bye-Laws 2010, he does not qualify for a resident's parking permit.

There are active proposals to introduce permit parking on the section of road outside this person's home and in the event of this scheme being brought into operation, he may qualify for a permit, subject to quota.

**Q37. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**

To ask the City Manager whether the footpaths on Oaklands Drive, Dublin 4 can be properly resurfaced as recent works on the water mains carried out by the council has left the footpaths uneven and a threat to elderly walkers.

**Reply**

The Waterworks openings on Oaklands Drive have been returned to this Department for permanent reinstatement. The openings have been put on the works list for the area and the residents have been informed that the permanent reinstatement will commence on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May.

**Q38. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**

To ask the city Manager to report on how much income the council receives from parking permits in the South East area and why it is proposed to increase the price of such permits when prices should be falling.

**Reply**

Details of income received in respect of residents' parking permits are not available on an Area Committee basis. However, the following are details of income and expenditure on these schemes in the City as a whole for 2010:

*Income 2010:* €886,131

*Annual Cost:*  
New Schemes:

€420,000

Existing Schemes:

€712,000

*Total Cost:* €1,167,000

There is a shortfall of approximately €280,000 per annum in the cost of operating these schemes and it is anticipated that the current proposal to increase the fee for standard residents' parking permits from €40 to €50 per annum - €70 to €80 for a two-year permit and the fee for certain buildings consisting of more than four housing units from €400 to €500 per annum (€750 to €850 for a two-year permit) will, if implemented, reduce this shortfall by in the region of one third. A standard permit will still cost the equivalent of less than €1 per week.

**Q39. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**

To ask the City Manager whether the Council was aware prior to 5 April 2011 that bonus payments were granted by Covanta in February 2010 to 5 of its Senior Executive Officers for a number of 2009 growth related transactions that included groundbreaking for the construction of the Incinerator on the Poolbeg peninsula.

**Reply**

The City Council was not, and is not, aware of the details of the employment contracts enjoyed by senior Covanta employees.

**Q40. Councillor Gerry Ashe**

Ask the Manager to ensure that Stella Gardens is cleaned on a weekly basis after bin collection as this area is on plastic bag collection.

**Reply**

Waste Management Services will ensure that streets on a bag collection system such as Stella Gardens are cleaned on a weekly basis in order to deal with the litter which emanates from torn bags.

**Q41. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**

To ask the City Manager whether the Minister for the Environment has informed the council that he will be departing from the policy of the previous government by not imposing levies on incineration.

**Reply**

The Minister for the Environment, in a speech to the Dail on 14<sup>th</sup> April 2011 on the Second Stage of the Environment (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2011, stated that he has been considering the waste facility levy proposal in the context of the transposition of the EU Waste Framework Directive into Irish law and that he will make known his decision at the Committee Stage of the Bill, which is expected within the next number of weeks.

The City Council is not aware of what decision the Minister may make on this issue.

**Q42. Councillor Gerry Ashe**

Ask the Manager for a No Dumping sign at the corner of Magennis Square and Townsend Street and for the Litter Warden to pay special attention to this area as it is plagued with illegal dumping.

**Reply**

The Litter Warden for the area has reported that he has removed litter from the above location on a regular basis and has not found any evidence to issue fines. Arrangements have been put in place to erect a "No Dumping" sign at the above location.

**Q43. Councillor Dermot Lacey**

To ask the manager if he will see what actions can be taken on the issues raised in the letter submitted with this Question and relating to the Beech Hill Estate

**Reply**

Despite Dublin City Council providing free poop-scoops, erecting anti-dog fouling signs and installed approx 100 dog bins throughout the city, approx 100 complaints were still received in Customer Services through the litter hotline in 2009 and 2010.

The programme for the distribution of free poop-scoops, erection of anti-dog fouling signs and the installation of dog bins has now been completed and it is not intended to resume such a programme. As a result of this, the dog bins that were in situ were abused and a decision was taken by Waste Management Services to remove all bins as they were generating litter.

The law relating to dog littering offences is contained in Section 22 of the Litter Pollution Acts 1997 to 2009. The enforcement of this Section has proven problematic with a total of six fines issued citywide since 2008.

The Litter Warden must witness the offence and take the owners details providing the dog was accompanied in the first instance. The Litter Warden may request that the information given be verified.

Where the Litter Warden is dissatisfied with the verification provided, he/she may request that he person accompany the Litter Warden to the Garda Station for the purpose of verification. As the Litter Warden has no powers of arrest, this procedure is very difficult to implement.

Litter Wardens cannot follow a person in control of a dog to their dwelling as this is regarded as entrapment.

In relation to the broken fence, the Area Maintenance Officer reports that this fence will be repaired within the next two weeks.

The Area Maintenance Officer has confirmed that there is a leak. However the source of this leak has not been identified. Housing Maintenance Executive Engineer is investigating this leak and any necessary action will be taken.

**Q44. Councillor Gerry Ashe**

Ask the Manager to organise a major clean up in Markievicz House and to ensure that all the grit & sand in courtyard be removed

**Reply**

The clean up at Markievicz House has been carried out as requested.

**Q45. Councillor Maria Parodi**

To ask the Manager to repair (details supplied).

**Reply**

The lights here were inspected on 21/04/11 and all lights were found to be operating. Another night inspection is scheduled for this area.

**Q46. Councillor Maria Parodi**

To ask the Manager for a response on the issues outlined in (details supplied).

**Reply**

The applicant (details supplied) has been selected for an offer of a transfer to 14 Cambridge Court. This is currently with Housing Maintenance. Dublin City Council will be in contact with the applicant (details supplied) when the dwelling is ready.

**Q47. Councillor Maria Parodi**

To ask the Manager for a response on the issues outlined in (details supplied).

**Reply**

Works were previously carried out at this tenant's property under our Adaptations Scheme for Persons with Disabilities. It will be necessary to have the property inspected by our surveyor in order to assess the situation in relation to (a) the non-slip tiles and (b) the issues with the shower head and rail.

The surveyor will determine if the works are required and can be done at local level. It must be noted, however, that certain works carried out for disabled residents must be supported by an occupational therapist report that can advise on the exact nature and specifications of the proposed works.

The tenant will be informed in writing of the outcome of this assessment by our Housing Maintenance Surveyor.

**Q48. Councillor Maria Parodi**

Can the Manager provide a report on the status of precinct improvements for Canon Mooney Gardens.

**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.

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.

**Q49. Councillor Maria Parodi**

To ask the Manager to address the following in (details supplied).

**Reply**

The South East Area Office is currently investigating the feasibility of providing a small playground in (details supplied).

The cost of the playground will depend on size, safety surface required and the ages of the children being catered for. The anticipated cost of a small playground depending on the factors above could range from €60,000 to €100,000 plus VAT.

**Q50. Councillor Maria Parodi**

To ask the manager to investigate the following in (details supplied).

**Reply**

The Area Maintenance Officer has confirmed that all the drains have been cleared in this complex and that this issue is now resolved.

**Q51. Councillor Maria Parodi**

To ask the Manager to take on the necessary steps to ensure that the light outside (details supplied) is working properly as it has not been working since it was erected.

**Reply**

The light on (details supplied) was repaired on 21/4/11.

***OIFIG AN BHAINISTEOIR TRÁCHTA***

**The following items for the South East Area were considered by the Traffic Advisory Group at its meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup> May 2011**

***ITS (Filter)***

**1 Rathmines Road Upper/Highfield Road, Dublin 6.**

Reps for Right Turn Filter Light for Buses  
from Rathmines Road Upper onto Highfield Road.

Dublin Bus **Do** 1043517

Not Recommended

Traffic would have to queue behind right-turning  
buses leading to delays.

***Subject to Survey***

**2 Havelock Square, Dublin 4.**

Reps for Pay and Display and Permit  
Parking on Havelock Square.

Resident **Do** 1037073

Recommended

Subject to survey (May 11).

**3 Ely Place Upper, Dublin 2.**

Reps to extend the Pay and Display and  
Permit Parking Scheme operational hours on  
Ely Place Upper.

Resident **Do** 1032285

Recommended

Subject to survey (May 11).

**4 Oaklands Park, Dublin 4.**

Reps for extension of Pay and Display and  
Permit Parking operational hours on  
Oaklands Park, Sandymount.

Public Rep **Do** 1032040

Recommended

Subject to survey (May 11).

**5 Mount Street Upper, Dublin 2.**

Reps for extension of the Pay and Display and Permit Parking operational hours on Mount Street Upper.

Resident

**Do** 1038023

Recommended

Subject to survey (May 11).

***Pedestrian  
Facilities***

**6 Tara Street/Pearse Street, Dublin 2.**

Reps to relocate Pedestrian Crossing at the junction of Tara Street/Pearse Street.

Resident

**Do** 1037119

Not Recommended

During an on-site visit no reason for vehicles to come into conflict with pedestrians was observed

***Parking  
Prohibitions***

**7 Drury Street, Dublin 2.**

Pay and Display and Permit Parking on Drury Street with operating hours Mon-Sat 07.00-19.00 and Sun 14.00-18.00

Dublin City Council

**Do** 1040864

Recommended

West side, from a point 11m north of Fade Street, northwards to a point between the common boundary of property Nos. 23/24

**8 Burgh Quay/Corn Exchange Place, Dublin 2.**

Reps to rescind Double Yellow Lines and install a Loading Bay at the Dark Horse Pub on Corn Exchange Place off Burgh Quay, hours Mon-Sat 07.00-19.00.

Business

**Do** 1024533

Recommended

East side, from 2m south of the junction with Burgh Quay, to 12m south of the junction with Burgh Quay.

**9 Lime Street/Hanover Street East, Dublin 2.**

Reps for Cycle Lane through the junction of Lime Street and Hanover Street.

Resident

**Do** 1037068

Not Recommended

The junction is adequately signed as regards Stop signs and road markings. In general traffic approaching a junction should proceed with caution.

**10 Drury Street, Dublin 2.**

Disabled Parking Bay on Drury Street.

Dublin City Council

**Do** 1040864

Recommended

West side, from a point 5m north of Fade Street, northwards for 6m

**11 College Street, Dublin 2.**

Reps to rescind Clearway on north side of College Street.

Business

**Do** 1042911

Recommended

North side, from Westmoreland Street, to D' Olier Street.

**12 College Street, Dublin 2.**

Reps to Rescind Double Yellow Lines and provide 'Coach Parking 24 Hours Set Down Only' on College Street.

Business

**Do** 1042911

Recommended

From a point 32m east of Westmoreland Street to a point 44m east of Westmoreland Street

**13 College Street, Dublin 2.**

Reps to Change Operational Hours of the Pay and Display Parking on College Street to Mon-Sat 07.00-19.00 and Sun 14.00-18.00).

Business

**Do** 1042911

Recommended

**14 Corn Exchange Place, Dublin 2.**

Reps to rescind Garda Parking on Corn Exchange Place off Burgh Quay and replace with Double Yellow Lines.

Business **Do** 1024533

Recommended

West side, from the junction with Burgh Quay, for 15m southwards (remove 2 Garda parking spaces).

**15 Creighton Street/Townsend Street, Dublin 2.**

Reps for Cycle Lane through the junction of Creighton Street and Townsend Street.

Resident **Do** 1037068

Not Recommended

The junction is adequately signed as regards Stop signs and road markings. In general traffic approaching a junction should proceed with

**16 College Street, Dublin 2.**

Reps to rescind proposed Single Yellow Line on College Street and retain double yellow lines.

Business **Do** 1042911

Recommended

North side, from 22m east of Westmoreland Street, to a point 32m east of Westmoreland Street.

**17 Shelbourne Road, Dublin 4.**

Extend hours of operation of Pay and Display and Permit Parking on Shelbourne Road to 07.00-19.00 (Max Stay 3 Hours).

Dublin City Council **Do** 22222

Recommended

**18 Shelbourne Road, Dublin 4.**

Rescind Clearway on outbound carriageway of Shelbourne Road (currently operating 16.00-19.00).

Dublin City Council **Do** 22222

Recommend

- 19 **Sandymount Road, Dublin 4.**  
Reps for Double Yellow Lines on Sandymount Road.  
Dublin City Council **Do** 1035260

Recommended

Southwest side, from a point 3.5m southeast of the common boundary of property Nos. 29/39, northwestwards to the common boundary between property Nos. 21/23 (excluding the bus cage).

- 20 **Tritonville Road, Dublin 4.**  
Reps to rescind Double Yellow Lines on Tritonville Road (north of the junction with Newbridge Avenue).  
Dublin City Council **Do** 1035260

Recommended

West side, from the common boundary of property Nos. 41/43, southwards to outside property No. 47.

- 21 **Grosvenor Square North, Dublin 6.**  
Reps for Pay and Display and Permit Parking on Grosvenor Square North.  
Dublin City Council **Do** 1034190

Recommended

Accepted at survey (May 11), hours of operation Mon-Fri 08.00-18.30. 12 on register, 9 votes returned, 9 for (including 1 not on register).

- 22 **Leeson Close, Dublin 2.**  
Reps for Double Yellow Lines on Leeson Close, at the rear of the Medical Council, Kingram House.  
Business **Do** 1031814

Not Recommended

During an on-site visit no blocking of the road by parked vehicles was observed. Illegal parking is an enforcement matter.

**23 Newgrove Avenue, Dublin 4.**

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

Public Rep

**Do** 1026267

Recommended

Accepted at survey (May 11), hours of operation Mon-Sat 07.00-19.00. 46 people on register, 19 votes returned, 10 for (+ 2 n.o.r), 7 against.

**24 Northbrook Avenue, Dublin 6**

Reps to rescind the previously recommended Double Yellow Lines on Northbrook Avenue, between Nos. 75 and 76.

Resident

**Do** 1036334

Recommended

**25 Sandymount Road, Dublin 4.**

Reps for extension of Double Yellow Lines on Sandymount Road at Seafort Gardens/Marine Drive.

Public Rep

**Do** 1033026

Not Recommended

The existing double yellow lines at the junction are sufficient.

**26 Sibthorpe Lane, Dublin 4.**

Reps for Parking Restrictions on Sibthorpe Lane, on the whole length of the lane.

Resident

**Do** 1037257

Not Recommended

The road is already adequately marked with double yellow lines and any parked cars were not observed to be blocking traffic flow during an on-site visit.

**27 Anglesea Road, Dublin 4.**

Reps to rescind the bus lane on Anglesea Road and replace with a Clearway operating Mon-Sat 07.00-10.00 and 16.00-19.00.

Dublin City Council

**Do** 1030509

Recommended

West side (inbound), from a point 40 metres north

of Anglesea Road/Herbert Park Lane junction, extending northwards for 123 metres.

**28 Tritonville Road, Dublin 4.**

Reps to shorten the centre white line on the west side of Tritonville Road, north of the junction with Newbridge

Dublin City Council

**Do** 1035260

Recommended

Reduce Central White Line on Tritonville so that line commences at the junction with Newbridge Avenue and terminates at a point in line with the common boundary of property Nos. 41/43 and becomes a dashed line after that.

**29 Sandymount Road, Dublin 4.**

Reps to rescind the pay and display and permit parking spaces on Sandymount Road, on the west side of the street, opposite the southern boundary of Star of the Sea Church.

Dublin City Council

**Do** 1035260

Recommended

Southwest side, from the common boundary of property Nos. 29/27, northwards to 1m southeast of the common boundary of property Nos. 21/23.

**30 Strand Road/Gilford Avenue, Dublin 4.**

Reps for Double Yellow Lines at the junction of Strand Road/Gilford Avenue.

Resident

**Do** 1037096

Not Recommended

Double yellow lines observed on-site at this location.

**31 Heytesbury Lane, Dublin 4.**

Reps for Double Yellow Lines on Heytesbury Lane, on the west side of the road.

Public Rep

**Do** 1038423

Not Recommended

There are already adequate parking restrictions on the road (single/double yellow lines and permit parking). Illegal parking is an enforcement matter.

**32 Rathgar Avenue, Dublin 6.**

Reps to rescind the Pay and Display and Permit Parking space outside No. 9, Rathgar Avenue, and for extension of the Double Yellow Lines.

Resident **Do** 1037548

Recommended

From a point 2.5m north to a point 2.5m south of the common boundary between property Nos. 8/9 Rathgar Avenue.

**33 St. Kevin's Cottages, Dublin 8.**

Reps for Double Yellow Lines on St. Kevin's Cottages, Synge Street.

Resident **Do** 1036633

Not Recommended

Illegal parking is an enforcement matter. Traffic Inspector will arrange for re-painting of existing double yellow lines.

**34 St. Kevin's Road, Dublin 8.**

Reps for extension of the Pay and Display and Permit Parking operational hours on St. Kevin's Road.

Public Rep **Do** 1038472

Recommended

Accepted at survey, Hours Mon-Sun 07.00-24.00. 33 on register, 20 for (+ 1 n.o.r), 10 against (+ 1 n.o.r), 1 spoiled.

***Traffic  
Conditions***

**35 Nutley Lane, Dublin 4.**

Reps for Yellow Box on Nutley Lane to aid the No. 47 crossing from UCD Belfield to Nutley Lane.

Dublin Bus **Do** 1034127

Recommended.

**36 Oakley Road, Dublin 6.**

Reps for Traffic Calming on Oakley Road at the schools.

Public Rep **Do** 1034089

Not Recommended

The road is already adequately traffic calmed with ramps, one-way system, Caution Children signs and various road markings including pay and display and double yellow lines.

**37 Sandymount Green, Dublin 4.**

Reps for review of the junction lay-out at Sandymount Green.

Public Rep **Do** 1031065

Not Recommended

Priority at the junction is clear (traffic coming from Claremount Road and Newgrove Avenue must yield to traffic coming from Gilford Road and Sandymount Road) and no changes are required.

**38 Adelaide Road, Dublin 2.**

Reps for Yellow Box on Adelaide Road, at the entrance to the Royal Victoria Eye and Ear Hospital.

Business **Do** 1037535

Not Recommended

Does not meet the criteria for provision of a yellow box.

***Traffic Signs***

**39 Rathmines Road Upper/Highfield Road, Dublin 6.**

Reps for 'No Right Turn Except for Buses' from Rathmines Road Upper onto Highfield Road.

Dublin Bus **Do** 1043517

Not Recommended

Traffic would have to queue behind right-turning buses leading to delays.

**13<sup>th</sup> June 2011**

**The Chairman and Members of  
South East Area Committee**

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**With reference to the proposed grant of a lease of a premises and adjoining site at Peters Place, Adelaide Road, Dublin 2**

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The premises, at Peter's Place, off Adelaide Road, Dublin 2 was held from Dublin City Council by William Wallace trading as Vernon Steel under a temporary letting that expired on 28<sup>th</sup> February 1999.

Due to a dispute between Mr. Wallace and Dublin City Council as to the ownership of a portion of land adjoining the premises on Peter's Place, the renewal of the letting went into abeyance as the ownership matter was referred to the Council's Law Agent wherein the matter became protracted, in part due to ill health on the part of Mr. Wallace and his wife.

Recently Dublin City Council reopened negotiations with Mr. Wallace in an attempt to settle the matter once and for all. It is now proposed to grant Mr. William Wallace trading as Vernon Steel a lease of the premises and adjoining site at Peters Place, Adelaide Road, Dublin 2 which said premises and site are more particularly outlined on Map Index No. SM201-0286 for a term of 12 years commencing on 1<sup>st</sup> May 2011, subject to an annual rent of €600 inclusive of VAT (six hundred euro) and subject to terms and conditions.

**Declan Wallace  
Executive Manager**

**13<sup>th</sup> June 2011**

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

**Planning Enforcement report on LCD Screens**

As part of the Christmas/Unwrap Dublin programme of events for 2010, the City Council agreed that the Zozzy TV screens would form part of the programme for the duration of the festival, which ceased on 14<sup>th</sup> January, 2011.

Following failure to remove the screen within the time specified in their agreement, a Warning Letter pursuant to section 152 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 was served on the screen's owners on 28 January 2011. In response to the Warning Letter, consultants for the owners submitted a copy of letter indicating that the screen was exempt under section 4.1.f of the Act. Section 4.1.f of the Act exempts:

“development carried out on behalf of, or jointly or in partnership with, a local authority that is a planning authority, pursuant to a contract entered into by the local authority concerned, whether in its capacity as a planning authority or in any other capacity.”

The consultants were advised that the exemption only applied to specific agreements and that the agreement in this case permitted the installation and use of the screen for the Christmas period only. They were instructed to remove the screen by 11 March 2011. As the screen was not removed by the 11 March 2011, an Enforcement Notice was served requiring:

“The removal of the TV/video screen type advertisement structure and all associated fixtures and fittings from the façade of the building at the junction of St. Stephen's Green West and King Street South, Dublin 2”

The latest date for compliance with the Notice was Friday, 1 April 2011. The screen was not removed by the specified date. The issue has now been sent to the Council's solicitor to institute legal proceedings for non-compliance with the Enforcement Notice and, if necessary, a Court Order directing the removal of the screen. A Court date is awaited.

**Michael Stubbs  
Assistant City Manager**

**Sport & Leisure Services,  
Block 4, Floor Four,  
Civic Offices,  
Wood Quay,  
Dublin 8.**

**13<sup>th</sup> June 2011**

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

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**South East Area Sport & Leisure Services Quarterly Report  
March to May 2011**

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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	Fitness Assessments
Sauna	Teen Gym
Aqua fit	Spinning Classes
Group Swimming Lessons	Step Classes
Personal Swimming Lessons	Pump & Tone Classes
Lane Swimming	Circuit Classes
Family Swimming	Yoga
Fully Equipped Gym	Pilates
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

### **Recent Developments**

2011 has been a challenging year for Markievicz Leisure Centre. In order to boost sales, usage and retain customers Markievicz Leisure Centre has undertaken a number of initiatives in the past 3 month period:

#### *Prices & Payment Options*

In March 2011 Markievicz Leisure Centre:

- Reduced membership prices.
- Created discounted prices for students and unemployed persons.
- Implemented a Direct Debit payment facility which is working well with the number of customers choosing this option increasing each month.

#### *Services*

- Markievicz Leisure Centre has updated its timetable with a number of additional classes & services being implemented.
- Free swims were made available to local community groups as part of Social inclusion week.
- Markievicz Leisure Centre has been supporting Trinity Sports Centre pool users since the end of April whilst essential maintenance works are being carried out. This arrangement was extended to all users of Trinity Sports Centre during recent closures of the entire Trinity facility during the Queen's visit.

#### *Promotional Campaigns*

- Advertisements were posted in Tara Street Station from February to April 2011.
- Free Gym or Swim passes were also distributed around the local area during this time.

### **Upcoming Initiatives**

Markievicz Leisure Centre is currently developing a children's swimming lesson programme, scheduled to commence in June 2011.

For further information on Markievicz Leisure Centre please visit [www.dublincity.ie/leisure](http://www.dublincity.ie/leisure) or contact the centre Manager directly by Tel: 087 7547145 email: [shauna.mcintyre@dublincity.ie](mailto:shauna.mcintyre@dublincity.ie)

### **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 March to May 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	Child Birthday Parties

Community Events & Festivals	Training & Meeting Room
Studio	

### **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

### **Recent Events**

March to May is an extremely busy time in Irishtown Stadium with numerous school and college sports days, community and charity events, football tournaments and track and field events. Below are details of a few highlights hosted at the Stadium during this period:

#### **Spar 5K Run with Ray Road Race**

This event was organised by Spar and Crusaders Athletic Club in conjunction with Irishtown Stadium and the Dublin City Council Sport Events representatives. The event took place on Friday 8 April at 1pm and was a massive success with approximately 750 participants of all ages and fitness levels. Unfortunately on the day Ray Darcy was unable to attend due to a family emergency. In his place Sonia O'Sullivan stepped in and led the race.

#### **East Leinsters**

The East Leinsters Competition was hosted at Irishtown Stadium from 12 to 14 April 2011. On each day approximately 500 young people from schools across the East Leinster region competed in track and field events including sprinting, hurdles, long jump, high jump, triple jump, discus, javelin and pole vault.

#### **Easter Fest**

This event was organised by the Ringsend Community Services Forum and was supported by Irishtown Stadium, representatives from Dublin City Council's South East Area Sport, Parks and Community teams, Gardai and numerous local community and sporting groups and organisations.

The Fest was a huge success catering for hundreds of local adults and children taking place from Wednesday 27 to Saturday 30 April 2011 in various locations around the Irishtown and Ringsend areas.

Activities included were: tennis, Easter egg hunt, discos and dancing, 'It's a Knock Out' fun and games, gaelic football and soccer, a tour of the local Garda Station, face painting, art workshops and much more. The finale of the Fest was a family fun day held at Irishtown Stadium where participants enjoyed a boxing show case, bouncy castles, fun, games and music.

#### **Europa Cup Community Tournament**

On Tuesday 17 May 2011 Irishtown Stadium hosted the Europa Cup Community Tournament finals. The tournament took place across the city on the run up to the Europa Cup Final held at the Aviva Stadium on Wednesday 18 May. All boys and girls participating in the tournament finals received UEFA soccer kits. The highlight of the event was the attendance of UEFA President Michel Platini who carried out prize giving and had photos taken with all winning teams. The City Manager John Tierney, the Lord Mayor Gerry Breen and other distinguished guests from soccer industry were also in attendance on the day.

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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 operates in the South East Area focusing specifically on groups identified by the Dublin City Sports Network (DCSN) including: older adults, people with disabilities, ethnic minority groups, women, girls and children under 10 years. Following are activities and programmes arranged or assisted by Ms Tonya Allen from March to May 2011.

### **Coisceim**

The adult performance group, who are based in Irishtown Stadium, have reached the pinnacle of their programme. A live performance took place in the Irish Film Institute on Friday 27 May. The ladies performed in front of families and friends. The programme will now cease for the summer months and hopefully resume in September. Approximately 15 ladies participated in the eight week programme and 8 participated in the live performance.

### **Gymnastics**

An after schools gymnastics programme has commenced in Donnybrook, St Brigid's National School. The 6 week programme commenced on 26 May and caters for young girls aged 7 to 12. The girls are brought through the many disciplines involved in gymnastics including floor work. Currently there are 40 participants. The programme was run in partnership with the after schools programme coordinator, Julie O Hagan.

### **Tag Rugby**

A six week tag rugby programme based in Rathmines Swan leisure centre. The pilot programme catered for 120 students from St Louis National School. The programme was a huge success with volunteers from Solas Sport donating their time and skill. The programme will draw to a conclusion with the participants displaying their skills in a Blitz with participants from the Dublin 8 area on 2 June. The programme was run in partnership with Solas sport, DCC Sports officer, John Sweeney and Leinster development officer, Jack Hanratty. A youth programme will commence Wednesday 8 June targeting youths aged 14 to 17 from the local area.

### **Ladies Circuit class**

The ladies from the GALS programme (Get A Life), continued their circuit class in Irishtown stadium. The ladies are put through a variety of exercises by a qualified instructor. The class provides a vital outlet for the ladies in a relaxed, fun atmosphere while exercising. The studio and instructor are donated by Irishtown stadium to the programme. Currently there are 10 to 15 participants.

### **Cabbage Patch Football Pitch**

The opening of the newly refurbished Cabbage Patch football pitch took place on 17 May 2011. Michel Platini the President of UEFA and other notable Irish celebrities were amongst the Guests. The development of the pitch will see improved facilities for local and community programmes.

### **Upcoming Sport and Recreation Programmes**

#### **Tennis**

A tennis programme will commence at the end of June and will cater for people with disabilities. The details are to be confirmed

#### **Sports Day**

Ringsend Park and Irishtown Stadium is the venue for the LGTB pride sports day. The event will run from 2pm to 6pm on Sunday 19 June. The programme of events will focus on fun activities and will include a Dog Show, tag rugby, tennis, relay races and other activities. DCC are hosting the event in partnership with the Gay Pride organisation.

#### **Champion's day**

This Annual event will be held on 29 June in Cabra Parkside Community and Sport Centre. Approximately 120 adults with intellectual disabilities from various St Michaels House projects across the city will participate in a circuit of activities including, goal ball, archery, pitch n putt, and boccia.

### **Sport & Recreation Officer Contact Details**

For further information on Sport & Recreation programmes and activities in the South East Area, please contact Ms Tonya Allen, Mob: 087 0544034 Email: [tonya.allen@dublincity.ie](mailto:tonya.allen@dublincity.ie)

### **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 or assisted by Mr John Sweeney March to May 2011.

#### ***Talk about Youth Project Swimming Team***

The Talk about Youth Project swimming team continues to train in Markievicz Leisure centre on Wednesdays from 4pm to 5pm. Each week 6 to 8 girls aged from 12 to 14 years attend the pool sessions delivered by Mr Francis Daly, a staff member of the facility. The girls will represent Pearse Street in the July 2011 Community Games.

#### ***Talk about Youth Project Track and Field Training Session***

On 16 March, 7 boys and girls from the Talk about Youth Project attended a track and field training session in Irishtown Stadium. The session was in preparation for the July 2011 Community Games where the group will compete in sprinting, hurdles and long jump events.

#### ***After Schools Sports Programme, CBS Westland Row***

This ongoing programme runs every Friday from 2pm to 3pm in Gloucester Street Sports Hall. Currently 15 to 20 boys aged between 13 and 15 years participate in teen gym and football activities.

#### ***Ladies Keep Fit Programme***

The Ladies Keep Fit Programme takes place every Thursday evening at 7.30pm in Irishtown Stadium. The women are aged 18 years upwards and complete a variety of studio classes including circuit training, step, aerobics and body conditioning.

#### ***Table Tennis Blitz***

A table tennis blitz between 2 groups from the South Central Area and 1 group from Gloucester Street was held on 30 March 2011. The participants were both boys and girls aged between 10 and 13 years. Due to the success of the event, the sport development officers from both areas hope to run a similar event in the near future.

#### ***R.D.R.D Circuit Class***

This circuit class is an ongoing programme which takes place on Friday mornings at 10:30am in Irishtown Stadium. The group of adult attendees come from The Spellman Centre and are both male and female. The classes include a variety of exercises such as aerobics and step.

#### ***Mini Olympic Sports Day***

On 10 April 2011 a mini Olympic sports day was held in Irishtown Stadium as part of the Ringsend and Irishtown Community Easter Camp. Sixty boys and girls, aged 8 to 12 participated in a range of track and field events including sprints, mini relays, long jump and discus.

#### ***Cabinteely Park Sports***

A morning of sporting activities was held in Cabinteely Park on Wednesday 20 April from 11am to 1pm as part of the Ringsend and Irishtown Community Centre Easter Camp. Fifty boys and girls aged 8 years upwards took part in football, tag rugby and other fun events on the day.

#### ***Tennis Coaching***

A tennis coaching session was held in Ringsend Park on Wednesday 27 April from 11am to 1pm as part of the Ringsend Community Services Forum Easter Fest. A group of 16 boys and girls aged 10 to 12 years participated in the session.

#### ***'It's a knockout', Fun Sports Day***

As part of Easter Fest organised by the Ringsend Community Services Forum, an 'It's a Knockout' Sport day was held on Thursday 29 April from 1pm to 2:30pm in Irishtown Stadium. Approximately 50 boys and girls aged 8 to 12 years participated in a wide variety of fun based games including tug of war, balloon bursting and sponge throwing.

#### ***School Completion Soccer League***

Ms Julie O'Hagan (School Completion Coordinator) organised this football tournament between teams in Dublin 7, Dublin 12, Dublin 17 and the South East Area. C.B.S. Westland Row was the

team representing the local area. All matches for the tournament were played in the various locations around the city with the final taking place in Irishtown Stadium on 24 May at 4.30pm. All participants were male aged 13 to 15 years. The winners were a team from Clonshaugh, Dublin 17.

### ***Y.M.C.A. Adventure Club***

A 6-week adventure programme commenced on Monday 9 May for 12 young males aged 15 to 18 years associated with Y.M.C.A. This project has been organised in conjunction with the Glendalough Adventure Centre. The participants travel to the centre and take part in paintballing, rope climbing, archery, mountain biking, air rifle shooting and other team activities.

### **Sport Development Officer Contact Details**

For further information on Sport Development programmes and activities in the South East Area, please contact Mr John Sweeney, Mob: 087 9809095 Email: [john.sweeney@dublincity.ie](mailto:john.sweeney@dublincity.ie)

### **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 March to May 2011.*

### ***Start Box Silver and Gold Level in Youth Reach Centres***

From 1 February until 30 March, the Start Box Silver and Gold Levels were completed by young men and women aged between 16 and 21 from various Youth Reach Centres across the city.

Training Session took place on Tuesdays from 10am to 2:30pm in the High Performance Gym at the National Stadium in South Circular Road with the participants travelling from Cabra, Ballymun, Bonnybrook, Harmonstown, North Great Georges Street, Parnell Square, Ballyfermot, Crumlin, Pleasant Street and Sherrard Street.

The highlight of the programme was the 22 fight card Showcase held at the National Stadium on 30 March 2011. This event was a huge success with over 600 people attending to show support for their family and friends who completed the Start Box Silver and Gold levels.

### ***Start Box Bronze Level in V.E.C. Schools***

From 28 February until 28 March, boys and girls aged 13 to 16 completed the Start Box Bronze level in the following schools:

- Colaiste Eoin on Mondays from 12pm to 1pm.
- Kilmore College on Mondays from 4pm to 5pm.
- Larkin College on Wednesdays from 1pm to 2pm.
- Colaiste Dhulaig on Thursdays from 4pm to 5pm.

A special aim of this programme was to improve the level of training and coaching in schools and raise the standard of boxing for the VEC boxing championships held in March. Since the programme many of winners from the championship have gone onto join boxing clubs to further their skills and pursue a sporting boxing career.

### ***Start Box Programmes in South East Area Schools***

#### ***St Patrick's School***

From 6 April to 25 May, the Start Box Bronze and Silver Levels were completed by boys and girls of St Patrick's School, Ringsend, Dublin 4. The girl's sessions took place from 9:30am to 10:30am on Wednesday mornings with 27 participants aged 10 to 11 years. The girls reached the silver level and will continue onto gold in the next school year giving them a little more time to prepare for sparring and other elements of the gold level.

The boy's sessions took place at 10:30am to 11:30am on Wednesdays with all 16 participants aged 13 years reaching the silver level and currently completing the gold level.

#### ***Synge Street School***

From 4 April until 26 May, 2 classes from Synge Street School completed the Start Box Silver and Gold Levels at the High Performance Gym at the National Stadium, South Circular Road. Training sessions were held on Mondays and Thursdays at 9:30am to 10:30am for the 16 boys in each group

aged 14 to 15 years. Before Christmas the participants completed the Bronze level in their school sports hall however the High Performance Gym was chosen for the Silver and Gold levels as it introduced the boys to a more boxing environment with boxing bags and boxing rings.

#### *Harold's Cross Primary School*

Fifth and Sixth Class in Harold's Cross Primary School commenced the Start Box Silver and Gold Levels on 1 April 2011. Sessions with the boys and girls aged between 11 and 13 take place on Fridays from 12:30pm to 1:30pm and 1:30pm to 2:30pm. There are 20 participants in each session with all boys and girls completing the entire programme by mid June.

#### ***Upcoming Boxing in the Community Programmes***

Continuation of Start Box programmes in St Mary's and St Bridget's Schools on Haddington Road. These schools were unable to complete the entire programme due to the closure of the church hall they used for training sessions.

Making links with youth clubs and summer projects with the aim of setting up boxing training sessions in the Aviva Stadium.

#### **Boxing in the Community Officer Contact Details**

For further information on Boxing in the Community programmes and activities in the South East Area, please contact Mr Eric Donovan, Mob: 087 9929228

#### **Football in the Community Development**

Details of programmes and activities organised or assisted by Mr Jonathon Tormey, F.A.I. Officer from March to May 2011 are listed below:

#### ***Europa Cup Community Tournament***

The Europa Cup Community Tournament was organised in conjunction with the Europa Cup final held in the Aviva Stadium on Wednesday 18 May 2011. The tournament was organised for boys and girls under 12 years from community and club teams across the city.

This programme commenced on Wednesday 27 April and finished with a grand finale at Irishtown Stadium on Tuesday 17 May at 2pm. At the finale Michel Platini met with the winners of the tournament and carried out prize givings. Other distinguished guests on the day were John Tierney City Manager, Gerry Breen Lord Mayor, Ronnie Whelan, Ray Houghton, John Delaney F.A.I. and other representatives from UEFA.

#### ***Soccer Mammies Programme***

The soccer mummies' programme is an ongoing project that runs in Ringsend Park on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7pm to 8pm. The programme is aimed at women aged 16 years upwards who want to get fit and have fun in a relaxed and friendly environment. The women attending the programme are from the Pearse Street and Ringsend areas.

#### ***Sprog Soccer***

Sprog Soccer runs every Friday from 4pm to 5pm in Irishtown Stadium. The programme is for 3 to 6 year old boys from the Pearse Street and Ringsend areas. The aim of the programme is to involve children from a young age in sport and give them the opportunity to socialise with their peers. The programme is also a tool for developing and improving motor skills and hand to eye coordination.

#### **School Sessions**

A number of ongoing morning soccer sessions are held in Ringsend Park, the Cabbage Patch and Digges Street pitches. These sessions are a tool to engage with boys and girls, aged 6 to 12 years from various schools in the Pearse Street, Charlemount Street and Ringsend areas. The aim is to encourage children to play sport and attend after school programmes.

#### ***Afterschool Programme***

An after school soccer programme commenced in Star of the Sea on Wednesday 6 April and in St Patrick's National School on Thursday 7 April. This weekly programme will run until the end of June

on both days from 3pm to 5pm. The boys and girls involved are aged from 6 to 12 years and the aim of the programme is to encourage positive relationships between students and teachers.

***Level 2 Grounds Keeping Course***

A one day Level 2 Grounds Keeping Course took place in Irishtown Stadium on 26 April from 10am to 3pm. The attendees were male, aged 16 to 50 and came from various locations across the city. The course was organised by the FAI and its aim was to give representatives of local soccer clubs knowledge on how to maintain their grounds.

***Easter Soccer Camp***

As part of the Easter Festival organised by the Ringsend Community Services Forum, a soccer camp took place from 10am to 2pm on 26 to 29 April in Ringsend Park. The 60 boys and girls who participated came from the Ringsend, Pearse Street and Sandymount areas. They were aged 6 to 14 years and learned to play soccer in a safe, fun environment.

***Intersevens League***

The Intersevens leagues in an ongoing social soccer programme running in Irishtown Stadium from 6pm to 8pm on Monday and Wednesday evenings. Over 200 participants in the league come from all areas across the city and are aged 16 years upwards. The FAI officer's involvement in this project is to help with the development and improvement of the league going forward.

**Football in the Community Development Officer Contact Details**

For further information on Soccer in the Community programmes and activities in the South East Area, please contact Mr Jonathan Tormey, Mob: 087 1323252

**Shauna Mc Intyre  
Centre Manager**

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**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. All are welcome.

Four of the eight weekly walks take place in the South East Area including one in Irish and one in French.

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!
Fridays *NEW	2pm	Outside Alliance Française, 1 Kildare Street, Dublin 2	A stroll through the city whilst talking in French! For 6 weeks only...from Friday, 10th June to Friday, 15th July inclusive. Organised in partnership with Alliance Française.

To compliment the weekly walks programme, a number of historical tours take place which 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](http://www.letswalkandtalk.ie)

**Ronan O'Donnell  
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To the Chairperson and Members of  
The South East Area Committee

13<sup>th</sup> June 2011

### Area Manager's Report

#### Dodder Flood Alleviation Works

A Part 8 planning application was lodged on 14<sup>th</sup> 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 27<sup>th</sup> 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. A decision from An Bord Pleanala is scheduled to be received after the boards meeting of the 12<sup>th</sup> July.

#### Herbert Park Users Group

The Herbert Park group will meet for the final time next week before the summer break.

#### Herbert Park Centenary

Work is ongoing and a draft programme is in place for the 21<sup>st</sup> August.

#### Allotments

The water has now been connected in the Community Allotments Garden and the project is proving very successful. The reaction from all concerned has been very positive. The successful applicants have begun working on their plots. The Group's application for Gardening classes has been successful and classes will be organized for mid May. Arrangements are continuing to establish a gardening club and the Group are co-operating with other Projects. The allotments continue to develop.

#### South East Area Strings Project

Following the success of the Whitefriar Street Strings Project, work began to replicate this Project in Ringsend. As a result it has been agreed to formally combine the two Projects into the South East Area String Project. An instrument appeal is being organised to support the Project. It is planned that "The Corona's" will officially launch the project in St Patrick's School in Ringsend and we are awaiting a suitable date for the launch from them.

#### Cabbage Patch

The Cabbage Patch was officially opened on the 17<sup>th</sup> of May and was a great success. It is currently being used by the community and no official timetable will be in operation until September.

#### Portobello Plaza

There are ongoing problems with the snagging list but the contractor has promised to have all necessary work carried out and have the project ready for a final inspection the week beginning 13<sup>th</sup> June 2011.

#### Local Policing Forum Ringsend

The Forum will meet every 6-8 weeks and it is proposed to hold a public meeting in September. The next meeting of the forum has been arranged for Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June.

#### Sandymount Village Design Statement

The Draft Sandymount Village Design Statement is complete and gone to print. Jimmy Deenihan, Minister of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht has verbally agreed to formally launch the VDS. A date for the launch has yet to be agreed.

### **Grafton Street Quarter**

Work on the preparation of a vision statement for the Grafton Street Quarter is continuing. As part of the public engagement process, on street surveys were held recently in various locations around the Grafton Street area and in Dundrum and Blanchardstown and over 450 contributions were received. A series of 4 workshops were also held for businesses and residents in the Grafton Street area. It is planned to have a draft vision statement document for presentation to Councillors in the coming months.

### **Swan Leisure, Rathmines**

#### **Membership**

Swan Leisure currently has 2,176 members across all age groups.

#### **Usage**

An average of 8,000 people a week are currently using the facility.

#### **Bookings**

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

#### **Café**

Following an extensive tender process no acceptable company was identified to operate the café in the leisure centre. Dublin City Sports and Leisure Services Ltd. then began to make contact with local suppliers with a view to negotiating a café operator for the facility. An operator has been identified and terms have been agreed although no legal documentation has yet been signed. The works to fit out the café will be finished by the end of June and it is hoped the café will open in July.

### **Weed Spraying**

The contractor appointed by Dublin City Council has just completed the spraying of weeds on public roads, footpaths and laneways in the South East Area. The weeds normally take approximately 2 weeks after spraying to die off and inspections will be carried out commencing on 27<sup>th</sup> June to ensure that the area has been properly treated. It is hoped to carry out a 2<sup>nd</sup> spray later this year.

**Michael O'Neill**  
**Area Manager**

**QUESTIONS TO DUBLIN CITY MANAGER  
SOUTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE MEETING, 13<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2011**

- Q1. Councillor Dermot Lacey**  
To ask the Manager if he will examine the appropriateness of putting this site (details supplied) on the list of Derelict Properties.
- Q2. Councillor Edie Wynne**  
To ask the Manager to have the serious pothole on Bushy Park Road (close to the St Peter Claver Convent) repaired as it forces cars to almost cross the road to avoid it, thereby endangering other road users.
- Q3. Councillor Edie Wynne**  
To ask the Manager to begin the process of having Pay & Display introduced on the roads affected by the Pay & Display car parks on Strand Road, these to include Strand Road and Gilford Road.
- Q4. Councillor Edie Wynne**  
To ask the Manager to provide appropriate signage in the vicinity of St Louis Infant and St Louis Senior primary Schools in Rathmines schools which cater for over 600 pupils between the ages of four and twelve years of age. These signs are urgently required at Williams Park, Ardee Road and Leinster Road as both traffic wardens and teachers believe their lives and those of the children are endangered by speeding traffic.
- Q5. Councillor Edie Wynne**  
To ask the Manager to install speed deterrent/reminder signs at the entrance to Laurelton and Meadowbank Estate. Happily there are families with young children living in this area now who can play in the lovely green area but parents are very concerned about speeding cars and the dangers they pose.
- Q6. Councillor Dermot Lacey**  
To ask the Manager if he could:
- a) clarify how a drainage inspection carried out by representatives of Dublin City Council to deal with a drainage block in relation to numbers 28/29/30/32 Pembroke Cottages, Donnybrook within the last two weeks could find no objects blocking the drain - despite the fact that they were clearly not working- and yet two hours later a Private Company pulled out numerous objects, including the branch of a tree and facial wipes that were blocking drainage up at the far end of the street i.e. towards the main road. Prior to the removal of the offending objects, on examination of the manhole on the road it was visible to the owner/occupant and the Private Company that the drain was dry therefore indication a blockage at the top of the road. A similar incident had occurred just 6 weeks earlier.
  - b) arrange for an immediate re inspection of the drains in the public space to ensure that in so far as it is Dublin City Council responsibility that these are fully cleared and pose no threat to residents
  - c) make a general statement on any aspect of this issue that he considers relevant.
- Q7. Councillor Gerry Ashe**  
To ask the Manager to have the pavement at (Details Supplied) re-instated as there is a dip where there used to be a garage entrance that is now a Mews and it fills with water when it rains; also to have the excess cement removed from around the base of the trees at the same location as it is harming the trees.
- Q8. Councillor Gerry Ashe**  
To ask the Manager to ensure that the Victorian railings are kept intact in front of the houses at (Details Supplied) as some residents have removed them to create parking spaces. The railings have both decorative and historical value and should be protected.

- Q9. Councillor Gerry Ashe**  
To ask the Manager has the extension to the (Details Supplied) been approved; and if so when is likely that the work will be carried out.
- Q10. Councillor Gerry Ashe**  
To ask the Manager to ensure that the extension planned for (Details Supplied) is commenced as a matter of urgency due to the medical needs of the residents at the address and to state when work will commence.
- Q11. Councillor Gerry Ashe**  
To ask the Manager when the proposed Kilmainham to Temple Bar Pedestrian Route will be going ahead and if funding has been agreed.
- Q12. Councillor Dermot Lacey**  
To ask the Manager if he will arrange for the action required arising from the information supplied with this question to be taken as soon as possible.
- Q13. Councillor Mary Freehill**  
Would the Manager state what service agency when working in Victoria Villas off Rathgar Avenue left the footpaths patched with bitumen without completion and also what steps has the manager taken to have them reinstated.
- Q14. Councillor Gerry Ashe**  
To ask the Manager to provide a yellow traffic box at (Details Supplied) as the residents are currently unable to enter or leave the Square since changes were made to the flow of traffic in the area and there was a commitment given by Senior Engineer (Details Supplied) that they would address any negative effects to traffic in the area following the realignment of the Pearse Street and Macken Street junction.
- Q15. Councillor Gerry Ashe**  
To ask the Manager to respond to the correspondence (Details Supplied) that I received from a local resident.
- Q16. Councillor Dermot Lacey**  
To ask the Manager if he will arrange for a speedy response to the issues raised in the correspondence supplied with this question to a fall on Donnybrook Road.
- Q17. Councillor Gerry Ashe**  
To ask the Manager to consider narrowing the footpath to create space for pay and display and residential permit parking at (Details Supplied).
- Q18. Councillor Mary Freehill**  
Would the Manager please explain the hold up in making two free parking spaces available outside "Eastwell Nursing Home", 12 Palmerston Park. This was agreed quite sometime ago. This is to facilitate the various care and medical staff who call on a very regular basis. It really only requires taking out the arrow on the east side of the parking notice.
- Q19. Councillor Gerry Ashe**  
To ask the Manager to investigate the sequencing of the traffic lights at the junction of (Details Supplied).
- Q20. Councillor Oisín Quinn**  
Can the Manager address the concerns about trees on the public footpath in Sandymount (details supplied)?
- Q21. Councillor Oisín Quinn**  
Can the Manager address the problem with the incorrect address for the house in Rathgar (details supplied).

- Q22. Councillor Oisín Quinn**  
Can the Manager contact Dublin Bus to ask them to install the long-promised bus shelter at Palmerston Park alongside Brookfield Tennis Club?
- Q23. Councillor Paddy McCartan**  
To ask the Manager to have graffiti removed from the road sign at Strand Mews off St John's Road, Sandymount.
- Q24. Councillor Paddy McCartan**  
To ask the Manager to have potholes outside Bethany House at Park Avenue, Sandymount repaired and a more permanent surface applied.
- Q25. Councillor Paddy McCartan**  
To ask the Manager if a "Slow - Children at Play" sign could be erected in Claremont Park, off Claremont Road, Sandymount to improve the safety of children in the area.
- Q26. Councillor Paddy McCartan**  
To ask the Manager if the Lime trees on Stillorgan Road will be replanted in the near future.
- Q27. Councillor Mary Freehill**  
Would the Manager arrange for Cleansing to clean up the lanes at the rear of Whitton Rd Terenure and also to try and identify the perpetrators to try and prevent it re-happening.
- Q28. Councillor Paddy McCartan**  
Can the Manager give assurance to the residents of Milltown that the rumours about the discontinuance of the 48a bus are unfounded.
- Q29. Councillor Paddy McCartan**  
To ask the Manager if he could investigate the dumping of rubble which has been taking place on the beach side of the Causeway from Marine Drive Sandymount to the Nature Park.
- Q30. Councillor Mannix Flynn**  
Can the City Manager remove some of the unnecessary poles in Grantham Street, Dublin 8 which have no signs attached in order to de-clutter this street on the northern side. Also this area is suffering as a result of unacceptable social behaviour. It is being used as a lavatory most nights of the week and particularly at weekends. It is also experiencing regular vandalism in the form of spraying of graffiti in the laneways in and around the vicinity of Grantham Street. Also there are complaints of littering and of shabby upkeep of shop fronts within this area could the public domains officer call to the area and have the area sprayed regularly with disinfectant and swept. Also in Grantham lane there is a wooden telegraph pole which is of grave concern to residents as it gives cover to those engaged in criminal activity and also is a security risk to the nearby premises and shops as it is easy to climb up this pole and gain access to the shops and residences on Grantham Street.
- Q31. Councillor Mannix Flynn**  
Can the City manager issue an update regarding Crampton Buildings and the redevelopment project, also can the City Manager have the trees in Crampton Building pruned and the Garden area tended to. Also given the unacceptable condition of these dwellings would it be possible that these tenants be either given rent credits or have their rent reduced or in the case of arrears have their arrears reduced in order to alleviate the hardship incurred by the residents of Crampton Buildings and in the interest of fairness.
- Q32. Councillor Mannix Flynn**  
Call on City Manager to issue clear guidance to Dublin City Council Parks Department with regards to the felling of trees or the pruning of trees. That adequate notice to given to all residents and residents groups and representatives in and around the areas where trees are to be felled or pruned. Residents in the Rathmines area were gravely concerned recently in relation to works being carried out on their streetscape, notwithstanding the issues that arose on Synge Street regarding a similar operation it is now time that ample notice be given to residence regarding this most sensitive of issues.

- Q33. Councillor Mannix Flynn**  
Can the City Manager give an update regarding the redevelopment of Charlemont Street Tom Kelly Road and the setting up of Rejuvenation Board. Also can the city manager ascertain how many residents groups are in existence in relation to Charlemont Street and how many are registered companies in order to gain a clear picture of the stakeholders going forward on this most important of social housing/public private partnership developments.
- Q34. Councillor Mannix Flynn**  
Can the City Manager place an actual sign in Cope Street to indicate the entrance to the Dublin Graphic Studio. This studio, is a very important cultural institute it's in a courtyard off Cope Street and is very difficult to find. Signage would be greatly appreciated and would result in greater visitor access.
- Q35. Councillor Mannix Flynn**  
Can the City Manager request from Telecom Eireann the removal of the double telephone kiosk at the corner of Georges Street and exchequer Street outside the Rustic Stone Café/Restaurant. Also can Dublin City Council reduce the number of bike parking spaces on this particular corner and perhaps relocate the granite seating on this corner to another location. This particular corner has been highly clustered in recent months with various street furniture etc and as a result pedestrians with buggies and prams, elderly, wheelchair users and visually impaired are being corralled and their access greatly obstructed and reduced. At this particular location between the Georges Street market and exchequer street taxis are parking illegally which makes it difficult for people to get off the footpath when congestion takes place also there are two large seats at either end of this section of the footpath, two double phone boxes, and a series of cycle parking bars not to mention outdoor restaurant seating from the various restaurants. Any alleviation at the Exchequer street end would be greatly appreciated by all. It is also important to note that on occasion the exchequer street seating area can be a gathering point for those engaged in unacceptable social behaviour i.e drinking and drunkenness which results in diners and passer-bys being intimidated and accosted for money etc.
- Q36. Councillor Dermot Lacey**  
To ask the Manager if there has been any progress on an idea for the % for art scheme arising from the Beech Hill Villas Precinct Improvement Scheme.
- Q37. Councillor Dermot Lacey**  
To ask the Manager if he will examine the appropriateness and legality of the situation as outlined in the email submitted with this question.
- Q38. Councillor Edie Wynne**  
In response to a recent resident adjacent to the Town Hall, Rathmines, to request a review of whether the clock needs to ring all through the night every hour on the hour.
- Q39. Councillor Edie Wynne**  
To ask the Manager if a disabled parking space can be installed for this person (details supplied).
- Q40. Councillor Dermot Lacey**  
To ask the Manager if he could respond to the issue raised in the email submitted with this question.
- Q41. Councillor Maria Parodi**  
Can the Manager address the issues outlined in (details supplied).
- Q42. Councillor Maria Parodi**  
Can the Manager provide a response to the issue listed in (details supplied).

- Q43. Councillor Maria Parodi**  
Can the Manager investigate the issues outlined in (details supplied).
- Q44. Councillor Maria Parodi**  
Can the Manager inspect the tree outside (details supplied); due to the recent strong winds, several branches have fallen and the tree is leaning over houses in the area.
- Q45. Councillor Maria Parodi**  
Can the Manager as a matter of urgency repair the front doors of tenants living in (details supplied).
- Q46. Councillor Maria Parodi**  
Can the Manager address the following issues in (details supplied).
- Q47. Councillor Maria Parodi**  
To ask the Manager to investigate either installing a pedestrian crossing or introducing a pedestrian light sequence from Harold's Cross Bridge to Clanbrassil Street so that pedestrians can cross safely at this busy junction.
- Q48. Councillor Maria Parodi**  
Can the Manager address the following issues in relation to Sandymount Green:  
a. Can the manager provide a response to the issues raised in the email in (details supplied).  
b. What is the cleaning schedule for Sandymount Green at present?  
c. Can the Manager ensure that when the bins are being emptied that the rubbish on the ground is also cleaned so that the Green is maintained regularly.  
d. Can the Manager arrange for the benches in the Green to be repaired as soon as possible as there are slats missing and rusty nails sticking out?
- Q49. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**  
To ask the City Manager to arrange for the removal of weeds growing opposite LA Fitness, 31 Palmerston Gardens, Dartry, Dublin 6 and along that road.
- Q50. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**  
To ask the City Manager whether the road surface in the gully opposite mews houses including No. 54 Palmerston Gardens, Rathmines, Dublin 6, can be repaired.
- Q51. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**  
To ask the City Manager whether the Roads Services Department would consider erecting bollards on the footpath of Palmerston Gardens, at the corner between LA Fitness and the Mews House and the Mews at No. 58, along the double lines at a blind corner as an alternative measure to the introduction of pay and display parking.
- Q52. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**  
To ask the City Manager whether Nos. 84 and 86 Ranelagh which are derelict and being used by homeless people can be closed securely to prevent someone from being seriously injured.
- Q53. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**  
To ask the City Manager when the person whose details are provided below may expect to be offered accommodation by Dublin City Council.
- Q54. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**  
To ask the City Manager whether any steps can be taken to facilitate the elderly resident whose details are provided below and who does not have the capacity to bring his bin to the bottom of his road as is required by the Waste Management Department.
- Q55. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**  
To ask the City Manager whether any steps can be taken to renovate or improve the appearance of the building that occupied the former Aungier House, Public House, on the corner of Digges Street and Aungier Street.

- Q56. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**  
To ask the City Manager when the cycle way along the Grand Canal will be open for public use.
- Q57. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**  
To ask the City Manager whether a parking permit can be issued to the lady whose details are attached.
- Q58. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**  
To ask the City Manager whether a heating system can be installed into the home of the elderly unwell gentleman whose details are attached.
- Q59. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**  
To ask the City Manager whether the hall door of the elderly gentleman's flat can be fixed. (Details Attached).
- Q60. Councillor Edie Wynne**  
To ask the Manager to investigate illegal dumping along Beechwood Road.