

## CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January, 2008 at 2.30 p.m.

### AGENDA

- 3500** Minutes of the Central Area Committee meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> December, 2007  
*(attached) pages 6-13*
- 3501** Questions to the Area Manager  
*(attached) pages 89-90*

#### Planning and Development Matters

- 3502** With reference to 7-10 Gardiner Street Upper
- 3503** With reference to the proposed disposal of the fee simple in a premises at No. 3 Ellis Quay, Dublin 1 to Noel Fanning and Dorothy Matthews c/o Brendan Walsh and Partners Solicitors, 34 Upper Baggot Street, Dublin 4.  
*(report and map attached) pages 39-40*
- 3504** With reference to the proposed addition to Record of Protected Structures 11 Waterloo Avenue, North Strand, Dublin 3.  
*(report attached) pages 41-43*
- 3505** With reference to the Derelict Sites Quarterly Report  
*(report attached) pages 44-47*

**3506** Planning Application

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

**Proposal:** The development of the Hotel element of the National Conference Centre on a site of 1,756sqm (0.1756 hectares). The proposed development will consist of the construction of a 35 storey building with a maximum parapet height of 152.4 metres and a gross floor area of 59, 220sqm. The proposed development will include the following elements: (i) The ground floor will provide for a cafe/bar, entrance foyer and ancillary uses and will link internally with the National Conference Centre; (ii) The first and second floors will accommodate kitchens, meeting rooms, function rooms and back of house uses. The hotel lobby and a bar and restaurant will be located at third floor level with back of house offices at fourth floor mezzanine level. The hotel will link internally with the National Conference Centre at second floor (meeting room) level and third floor (reception) level; (iii) Floors five to fourteen inclusive will accommodate 178no. hotel bedrooms while the fifteenth floor will accommodate 14 hotel suites; (iv) A 1,737sqm fitness/spa including swimming pool, cafe/meeting area and wintergarden deck area will be located at sixteenth floor level with 740 sqm of hotel storage and mechanical area at mezzanine level; (v) Floors seventeen to thirty two inclusive will accommodate 249 no. hotel suites while floors thirty three and thirty four will accommodate 6 no. standard hotel suites, 10 no. duplex hotel suites and a 450sqm mechanical area; (vi) The thirty fifth floor will accommodate services dedicated to the suites below including a function room, bar/lounge, fitness centre, meeting rooms and a wintergarden terrace; (vii) All site development works, landscaping and all other ancillary works. The facade treatment to typical hotel suites at fifteenth to thirty fourth floor level will consist of double skin facade to form approximately 1.2 metre deep wintergarden zones as sheltered balconies. An Environmental Impact Statement has been submitted with this Planning Application.

**Registered Date:** 10<sup>th</sup> December, 2007

### Community, Recreation and Amenity Department Matters

- 3507** With reference to Public Library Events for January, 2008 in the Central Area and Citywide  
**(report enclosed)**

### Roads & Traffic Department Matters

- 3508** With reference to the minutes of the Traffic Advisory Group held on 13<sup>th</sup> December, 2007.  
**(report attached) pages 48--52**
- 3509** With reference to a report on Grangegorman Environmental Traffic Cell  
**(report attached) pages 53-63**
- 3510** With reference to Central Area Traffic Management Capital Works Programme 2008  
**(report attached) pages 64-69**
- 3511** With reference to the proposed introduction of a pay and display and residents' parking scheme on Home Farm Road, Drumcondra, Dublin 9.  
**(report attached) pages 70-71**

### Central Area Matters

- 3512** With reference to the 2008 Works Programme.  
**(report attached) pages 72-75**
- 3513** With reference to Community Gain Major Grants approved by the O'Connell Street and HARP Integrated Area Plan Monitoring Committees.  
**(report to be circulated)**
- 3514** Updates on the following:  
Environmental Services Unit **pages 76-79**  
NEIC IAP **pages 80-81**  
Housing Issues-North East Inner City **pages 82-85**  
North West Area (including HARP) **page 86**  
Housing Issues- North West Inner City **pages 87-88**

### Motions

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

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

1. Provide a properly managed and monitored Street Sweeping service in the area including a system for clearing one side of the road for 1 morning every second week or even once per month. Every road in IDRA (especially where no off street parking exists) to be swept by hand once a week
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3. Address illegal dumping on footpaths and in public lanes with a prompt removal (24 hours) of all illegally dumped items. We need DCC to erect more signs "No Dumping – Fine €3000".
4. Discourage residents from leaving Wheelie bins on footpaths & lanes for more than 24 hours after collection day. Door to door flier is required from DCC, which could be included along with the Refuse Bill.
5. Expedite introduction of the Brown Wheelie Bin. There should be no charge for lifting recyclable waste (brown bin), as this should be self-funding.
6. Expedite ability of Refuse collection to take plastics and glass in wheelie bins. This is currently available in other counties.
7. Address finally the issue of the cycle lane on the footpath on the Drumcondra Road (north side) between Quinn's and Permanent TSB. It is wholly in appropriate and extremely dangerous to have no clear marking for the cycle lane and expect pedestrians and cyclists to share a footpath with no indication of which part is for cyclists and which is for pedestrians.
8. Upgrade of lighting in all streets in IDRA carpet Refurbish existing heritage streetlights. Replace modern streetlights (which were introduced in the 1990s) with refurbished original heritage lights.
9. Arrange for adequate lighting & policing on the bridge at Claude Road
10. Resolve Bus lane issue at Botanic House before someone is killed.
11. DCC to reserve budget for residents only Croke Park event day parking when approved.
12. Review area covered by cleansing after Croke park events. Currently it is too small. Double the amount of cleansing activities on match days. All Streets in the IDRA are to be cleaned during and at the end of each match. All street bins to be emptied at least twice during each day
13. Enforce litter laws on Croke Park event days.
14. Arrange for Croke Park attend all community forum meetings
15. Arrange for Croke Park to be bound by all community forum meeting outcomes
16. Arrange for Croke Park to pay for park & ride schemes (last one promised by Peter McKenna for August 06 did not happen). Suggested budget of €200k for 2008
17. Arrange for independent scrutiny of ticket lottery scheme run by Croke Park. The cost of this to be born by Croke Park
18. Double the number of towing vehicles on match day
19. Double the number of traffic police on match days
20. Work with residents to oppose renewal of licences for licensed premises that allow/support drinking on the streets or are responsible for antisocial behaviour including noise disturbance.
21. Work with residents to oppose extended hours licences for licensed premises in close proximity to residential properties and that have a negative impact on the quality of life of the residents due to noise disturbance and/or antisocial behaviour.
22. Zero tolerance by Gardai of public drinking every day including Croke Park event days. Enforce the law.
23. Stop drinking on the street from blocking pedestrians from using footpaths e.g. Quinn's.
24. Work with Gardai to enforce laws regarding placing Cars/other items for sale on Public streets. Remove the parking of cars for sale on the end of Hollybank Road.
25. Provide legal solution to long-term parking by garages and dumping of cars (Particularly on Hollybank Road). If new legislation is required then please work to draft and implement. Current process where dumped cars will only be lifted if they have no number plates is not resident friendly & is not good enough.
26. Request that DCC Planning Enforcement do a survey of the area with a focus on obvious planning breaches, which impact the visual amenity of the area particularly focusing on satellite dishes to the front of properties. This should be extended to all areas of the Dublin Central constituency (e.g. Mountjoy Square & NCR).
27. Work with resident Groups Board Pleanala etc. to ensure that Developments like the Student Accommodation at 52 Botanic Avenue is never allowed to deface a historic area in this way.

28. Implement legislation and policy to prevent PACE/McVerry hostel type developments for persons who pose a threat to the community from being placed in residential areas.
29. Ensure low rise development on the Smurfit site - with large community facility
30. Arrange for Des Kelly (at Bins Bridge) to upgrade shop storefront (currently an major eyesore)
31. Work with Gardai to enforce zero tolerance policy on crime.
32. Work with Gardai to enforce zero tolerance policy on graffiti.
33. Get the junction of Botanic Avenue and Drumcondra Road (opposite St Luke's) widened so that there is a lane for traffic turning left.
34. Metro Alignment Issues
35. Get a Metro stop at St. Pats in Drumcondra
36. Arrange for Lindsay road school to receive the funding it has requested and desperately needs
37. Arrange for children in St Pats to be allowed to run in the yard.
38. Griffith Park – Introduce a permanent security presence and CCTV to discourage drinking, antisocial behavior graffiti and vandalism particularly in the children's playground.
39. Pilot CCTV on Hollybank Road to discourage vandalism, burglary and car crime in the Iona area.

Longer term:

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

**3516 Motion in the name of Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick**

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

**3517 Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke**

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

**3518 Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke**

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

**3519 Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty**

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

**3520 Motion in the name of Councillor Mary O'Shea**

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

**3521 Motion in the name of Councillor Mary O'Shea**

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

**3522 Motion in the name of Councillor Mary O'Shea**

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

**3523 Motion in the name of Councillor Mary O'Shea**

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

**3524 Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello**

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

**3525 Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello**

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

**3526 Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello**

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

**3527 Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello**

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

**3528 Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello**

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

**Next Meeting Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> February, 2008**

**CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF MOTIONS AND QUESTIONS**

**12 noon Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2007**

## CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December, 2007 at 2.30 p.m.

### MINUTES

**3448** Minutes of the Central Area Committee meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> November, 2007  
**ORDER: Agreed.**

**3449** Questions to the Area Manager  
**ORDER: Report Noted.**

#### Planning and Development Matters

**3450** With reference to Urban Design/Development brief for the "Carlton Site" in the North Retail Core.

**ORDER: The development brief was presented to the members and it was noted that it would be used to inform the proposed planning application and would be used in the development management process.**

**3451** With reference to 7-10 Gardiner Street Upper  
**ORDER: Report Noted.**

**3452** With reference to the proposed variation of Dublin City Development Plan 2005 – 2011 - site occupied by North Strand Fire Station.  
**ORDER: Agreed to initiate procedure.**

**3453** With reference to notification of initiation under Part 8 Planning and Development Regulations 2001 – of proposed works to Community Centre at Clareville Court, Glasnevin.  
**ORDER: Agreed to initiate procedure.**

**3454** Planning Application

**Application No:** 6185/07  
**Applicant:** Andrew Deacon  
**Location:** 49A - 51, Arbour Hill, Dublin 7  
**Proposal:** Full planning permission for the development of a 0.38hectare (0.95 acres) site with road frontage to Arbour Terrace, Arbour Hill and Montpelier Hill. The development comprises: 1. The demolition of all existing structures on site and construction of 63no. residential dwelling units with a gross floor area of 5,432sqm, including balconies and terraces, arranged in 3no. residential blocks which range in height from 2no. to 4no. storeys. The development will include 13no. one bedroom, 37no. two bedroom, 4no. two bedroom duplexes and 9no. three-bedroom dwellings; 2. The provision of a basement car park with ramped vehicular access from Arbour Hill providing for 63no. car parking spaces and a vehicular turning circle at the western end of Arbour Terrace; 3. The provision of 63no. secure bicycle storage spaces; 4. The provision of a landscaped public square with pedestrian access from Arbour Terrace and Montpelier Hill; and 5. The provision of a ground level bin store together with all site development works, landscaping and all other ancillary works.  
**Registered Date:** 20<sup>th</sup> November, 2007

**ORDER: Presentation Noted. Dissatisfaction expressed on the design and the density of the proposal, the increase in traffic in the area and the measures that will be in place to protect the existing houses during the construction period.**

#### **Community, Recreation and Amenity Department Matters**

- 3455** With reference to Public Library Events for December, 2007 in the Central Area and Citywide  
**ORDER: Noted.**

#### **Housing and Residential Services**

- 3456** With reference to Void Management in the Central Area – Head of Housing Maintenance will attend.  
**ORDER: Report Noted.**

#### **Roads & Traffic Department Matters**

- 3457** With reference to the minutes of the Traffic Advisory Group held on 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2007.

**ORDER: Report Noted. The following items were also raised under this heading**

1. A meeting is to be held early in 2008 to provide information on the proposed permit / pay and display parking scheme on Holybank Road
2. An assessment to be undertaken of traffic signal phasings on the junction of North Strand Road / Spring Garden Street / Annesley Place
3. 'School ahead' signage to be provided on Fassauga Avenue as soon as possible.
4. 'No right turn' from Infirmary Road to O'Devaney Gardens 7am to 10am to proceed with the traffic on the junction of North Circular Road and Oxmanstown Road to be monitored.
5. Eoghan Madden to prepare a report on traffic calming in the East Road area
6. Eoghan Madden to examine design options for O'Reilly's Bridge and report to Area Manager with options and costings.
7. Annesley Avenue/Poplar Row – lights not activated.
8. Clarification to be obtained on law governing sale of cars outside garages.
9. Blackhall Place – Lines on road to be examined.

- 3458** With reference to a report on review of Arbour Hill Traffic Management  
**ORDER: Recommendations in report agreed.**

- 3459** With reference to a report on Glenbeigh Road – Traffic Management Options  
**ORDER: Survey of residents on the following five roads to be conducted; Glenbeigh Road; Caragh Road, Glenbeigh Park, Glenmore Road and Glencar Road.**

- 3460** With reference to a report on review of Traffic Restriction at Royal Canal Bank  
**ORDER: Restrictions to remain. Cyclists to be allowed access.**

- 3461** With reference to plastic barriers on O'Connell Street segregating a cycle track  
**ORDER: Report Noted. New design for barriers to be drawn up urgently.**

#### **Central Area Matters**

- 3462** With reference to former public toilets Mountjoy Square Park  
**ORDER: Report noted. Former public toilets to be demolished because of extreme anti-social behaviour – site to be incorporated into park.**

- 3463** With reference to a proposal to initiate the procedure for the Extinguishment of the Public Right of Way over the laneway to the side of No.s 34 and 35 Fairfield Avenue, East Wall, Dublin 3  
**ORDER: Agreed.**
- 3464** With reference to a proposal to initiate the procedure for the Extinguishment of the Public Right of Way over the laneway to the side of No. 47 Fairfield Avenue, East Wall, Dublin 3  
**ORDER: Agreed.**
- 3465** **Updates on the following:**  
Environmental Services Unit  
NEIC IAP  
Housing Issues-North East Inner City  
North West Area (including HARP)  
Housing Issues- North West Inner City  
**ORDER: Reports Noted.**
- 3465(a)** **A discussion took place on the circulation of leaflets in the Cabra Area by a community activist. Area Manager to write to individual pointing out inaccuracies in document.**

#### Motions

- 3466** **Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke**  
That this Committee agrees that a date be set as to when the traffic cell will be available for the East Wall area.  
**ORDER: Report to Councillor**
- 3467** **Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke**  
That this Committee agrees that cleansing in Springarden Street, Annesley Avenue and Taaffes Place Dublin 3 be cleaned and swept on a regular basis.  
**ORDER: Report to Councillor**
- 3468** **Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke**  
That this Area Committee agrees that an additional litter warden be approved to the North Inner City in 2008.  
**ORDER: Report to Councillor**
- 3469** **Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke**  
That this Area Committee secure €60,000 and put it aside for the O'Brien Hall Residents, Dublin 1, for four security doors due to the concerns from the residents as the main doors are constantly broken.  
**ORDER: Report to Councillor**
- 3470** **Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke**  
That this Area Committee agrees that all the legal procedures necessary be put in place at the lands at Frankfurt Cottages, Dublin 1, in order to prevent a legal occupation or illegal activity on the lands.  
**ORDER: Report to Councillor**
- 3471** **Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty**  
That a report be made on the ownership of (including ground rent etc.) Frankfurt Cottages open space, Dublin 1, and the City Council's plans for this area.  
**ORDER: Report to Councillor**
- 3472** **Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty**  
That a survey be carried out of public lighting at and adjacent to the railway footbridge



at Claude Road, Dublin 9, and all necessary improvements carried out in the 2008 Works Programme.

**ORDER: Report to Councillor**

**3473 Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty**

That the defective radiators be renewed at 66B Avondale House, Dublin 1, for the elderly tenant.

**ORDER: Report to Councillor**

**3474 Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty**

That a report be made detailing the results of the air monitoring carried out on Drumcondra Road, Dublin 9, and also to indicate if noise levels will be monitored there and speed monitoring put in place.

**ORDER: Report to Councillor**

**3475 Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty**

That a report be made on the water seepage and leak from the roof of the block into 54 Georges Place, Dublin 1, to state how this matter is being addressed.

**ORDER: Report to Councillor**

**3476 Motion in the name of Councillor Mary O'Shea**

That the Area Manager provides an update on the status of the laneway linking Old Finglas Road and Cremore Lawns.

**ORDER: Report to Councillor**

**3477 Motion in the name of Councillor Mary O'Shea**

That the Area Manager provides a report on any measures being taken to ensure the safety to visitors to Glasnevin Cemetery during the refurbishment of the cemetery.

**ORDER: Report to Councillor**

**3478 Motion in the name of Councillor Mary O'Shea**

That the Area Manager has the skip in the laneway at the rear of 7 Shandon Road, Phibsboro, removed as it has been set alight on numerous occasions.

**ORDER: Report to Councillor**

**3479 Motion in the name of Councillor Mary O'Shea**

That the Area Manager report on whether gates will be installed at the entrance to Kempton Green, Dublin 7.

**ORDER: Report to Councillor**

**3480 Motion in the name of Councillor Mary O'Shea**

That the Area Manager provides a report on any measures being taken to arrange for adequate lighting on the bridge at Claude Road, Glasnevin, Dublin 9.

**ORDER: Report to Councillor**

**3481 Motion in the name of Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick**

This Committee calls on Dublin City Council to clean out the area of land on the grounds of The most precious blood church, to remove trees from the area that are being used as shelter for anti-social activities and to maintain the area in a clean and safe condition until senior citizen housing is built on the site. The committee calls on Dublin City Council to expedite the construction of the senior citizen housing on this site.

**ORDER: Report to Councillor**

**3482 Motion in the name of Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick**

This Committee calls on Dublin City Council to draw-up a plan to enhance the environs of Oxmantown road and surrounding roads. Included in the plan should be consideration for widening of footpaths/narrowing of roads in Oxmantown Road and

Manor place to encourage motorists to slow down and would also enhance the streetscape.

**ORDER: Report to Councillor**

**3483 Motion in the name of Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick**

This committee calls on Dublin City Council to improve the delivery of Dublin City Council services to the Navan Road area by establishing a regular forum where residents from the area can raise issues with DCC management and progress on dealing with the issues can be tracked. The first meeting of this forum to be held before end of 1Q08.

**ORDER: Report to Councillor**

**3484 Motion in the name of Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick**

In the interest of Health and Safety this committee calls on Dublin City Councils traffic department to draw-up bylaws that will facilitate the creation of "drop-off/pick-up" spaces on roads at childcare facilities.

**ORDER: Report to Councillor**

**3485 Motion in the name of Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick**

This elected members of the Central Area Committee support the request from the Cabra Community Policing forum for funding to provide garda monitored CCTV on Fassaugh Avenue. The funding should be released from the Dublin City Council funds originally allocated to support the work of the Cabra Community Policing Forum.

**ORDER: Report to Councillor**

**3486 Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe**

That this Area Committee agrees to give a portion of land at the front of the all weather pitch to Naomh Fionbarra GAA club to extend the all weather facility, which is full to capacity with use.

**ORDER: Report to Councillor**

**3487 Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe**

That this Area Committee agrees to contact the owners of the small park at Berkeley Road and Eccles Street and come to some arrangement to everyone's satisfaction to have it open and upgraded for public use during daytime.

**ORDER: Report to Councillor**

**3488 Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe**

That this Area Committee agrees to examine the possibility of putting a disability access entrance from the North Circular Road entrance on the Royal Canal Broad Stone and upgrade the entrance there for public use.

**ORDER: Report to Councillor**

**3489 Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe**

That this Area Committee agrees to be given any details of discussion with the Planning Department of Dublin City Council of any new proposed development on Quarry Road at the Grand Cinema.

**ORDER: Report to Councillor**

**3490 Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr**

That the Manager report on the following cleansing issues/waste management issues raised by Iona District Resident's Association:

- Provide a properly managed and monitored Street Sweeping service in the area including a system for clearing one side of the road for 1 morning every second week or even once per month and to ensure that every road in Iona District Resident's Association (especially where no off street parking exists) to be swept by hand once a week

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**3492 Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr**

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- Arrange for independent scrutiny of ticket lottery scheme run by Croke Park. The cost of this to be born by Croke Park
- Double the number of towing vehicles on match day

**ORDER: Report to Councillor**

**3493 Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr**

That members of the Area Committee be notified when applications for licenses for concerts in the Phoenix Park are submitted.

**ORDER: Report to Councillor**

- 3494** **Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr**  
That the Manager report on the programme of works scheduled for 2008 in relation to the widening of Blackhorse Avenue.  
**ORDER: Report to Councillor**
- 3495** **Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello**  
That the Manager report on the following Planning Issues as raised by the Iona District Resident's Association.
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- 3496** **Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello**  
That the manager outline his plans when the repaving of Dorset Street with Granite/stone paving will be extended up the Drumcondra Road and into the Iona area. I expect that the Iona area originally had some level of granite/stone paving in the early 1900s which was removed.  
**ORDER: Report to Councillor**
- 3497** **Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello**  
That the Manager state the current condition of National Monument at 14,15,16,17 Moore Street and area at rear of buildings as outlined in preservation order No 1 of 2007-11-26 and to state his plans for the Moore Street National Monument.  
**ORDER: Report to Councillor**
- 3498** **Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello**  
That the manager report on the recent change in rules whereby homeless people whose last address was outside the city boundary cannot register as homeless with Dublin City Council, what consultation took place with homeless organisations prior to implementing this new rule, when this rule was introduced, the basis for this rule, what contact there is with homeless sections in the other local authorities and if there is any scope for exceptions to this rule.  
**ORDER: Report to Councillor**
- 3499** **Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello**  
That the Manager report on the number of rented units registered in the Central Area, the number of units inspected in the Central Area to date in 2007 (or last available figures), the number of units that are compliant with the standards, the number of units which did not meet the standards, what actions have been taken against landlords and if any prosecutions have been taken as a result of inspections, how many inspectors are employed to carry out this work within the central area and what resources Dublin City Council allocate to the inspection of the private rented sector.  
**ORDER: Report to Councillor**

**ATTENDANCE**

**Cllr. Christy Burke (Chairperson)**

**Cllr. Emer Costello**

**Cllr. Aodhán Ó' Ríordáin  
Cllr. Tom Stafford  
Cllr. Maurice Ahern  
Cllr. Mary Fitzpatrick  
Cllr. Mary O'Shea  
Cllr. Nicky Kehoe**

**Apologies:  
Cllr. Brendan Carr  
Cllr. Mick Rafferty**

**Officials**

**Charlie Lowe, Executive Manager, Central Area  
Michael Stubbs, Assistant City Manager, Central Area  
Hugh McKenna, Senior Executive Officer, Central Area  
Deirdre Ní Raghallaigh, Senior Executive Officer, Central Area  
Anne Mills, Senior Engineer, Central Area  
Mary McMclnerney, Acting Administrative Officer, Cabra Office  
Shane Healy, Executive Planner, Planning Department  
Brendan O'Sullivan, Senior Architect, City Architect's Division  
Vincent Healy, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Maintenance  
Chris Butler, Area Housing Manager, NEIC  
Brian Kavanagh, Area Housing Manager, NEIC  
John McPartlan, Public Domain Officer, Central Area  
John Downey, Administrative Officer, Planning Department  
Gerry Flaherty, Senior Executive Engineer, Traffic Division  
Abigail Rooney, Graduate Engineer, Traffic Division  
Liam Nolan, Acting Executive Technician, Planning Department  
Cathy Cassidy, A/Senior Staff Officer, Central Area Office**

**Councillor Christy Burke  
Chairperson  
11<sup>th</sup> December, 2007**

**Questions to the City Manager**  
**Central Area Committee**  
**December 2007**

**Q1 Councillor Christy Burke**

To ask the City Manager to arrange to have **(details supplied)** swept on a regular basis as there appears to be ongoing rubbish, beer cans, bottles etc in the lane.

**Reply**

Waste Management Services had **details supplied** swept and cleaned on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2007. This lane is cleaned five days a week, Monday to Friday.

**Q2 Councillor Christy Burke**

To ask the City Manager for an update on the **(details supplied)** and is there an alternative in progress.

**Reply**

It is our legal advice that we would not be successful were we to seek a court order by way of injunction or otherwise to temporarily discontinue or suspend the **details supplied** until an alternative site is available. This is because we cannot extinguish the "market right" at **details supplied** under the particular legislation unless we find alternative facilities which are reasonably proximate to those already there. Similarly there is no scope at this time to close it under Health & Safety Regulations. Dublin City Council is actively pursuing an alternative location in the North West Area of the City and we are making good progress on this. The difficulty with this is any new site will have to be compliant with Health & Safety Regulations, Department of Agriculture Regulations and Traffic Management issues. In other words this will not happen overnight. Dublin City Council is not involved in the management of the **details supplied** from an event management perspective, as we believe it is impossible within the meaning of event management planning to regulate the **details supplied** at its current location. It is not clear to us exactly who "runs" it. However in order to assist the DSPCA in the good work it does at the **details supplied** we gave them a grant of €7000 this year.

In conclusion we have put in place a process to vastly improve the street cleaning following any **details supplied** and we hope that this will improve the overall situation in the area.

**Q3 Councillor Christy Burke**

To ask the City Manager if Dublin City Council would arrange a sweep and removal of rubbish at **(details supplied)**

**Reply**

Waste Management Services had **details supplied** swept and the rubbish removed on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2007. This area is cleaned every Monday after the refuse collection has taken place there.

**Q4 Councillor Christy Burke**

To ask the City Manager how many buy backs (houses) will Dublin City Council purchase in (details supplied) in 2008.

## Reply

The Programme for the purchase of second hand houses is dependent on the houses that are proffered to Dublin City Council by the general public. When the enquiry is made there are certain criteria that must be fulfilled before the purchase will be considered that are contained in the policy:

### POLICY

1. House purchases to be spread throughout the city as far as possible.
2. As far as possible, on roads with 40 houses or less, no more than 20% will be purchased and on roads with more than 40 houses, no more than 15% will be purchased by Dublin City Council. (Houses that are occupied for the purposes of the Rental Accommodation Scheme (RAS) are included in the calculations for the above percentages.)
3. Dublin City Council does not purchase houses where shared ownership applicants are interested in the houses.
4. Dublin City Council do not purchase at all in areas where to do so would exacerbate existing social imbalance.
5. Dublin City Council does not purchase houses that require excessive repairs or with unauthorised or substandard extensions.
6. Prospective tenants of these houses are subject to vetting and it is our policy not to make an allocation if Dublin City Council is of the view that to do so would be contrary to good estate management. (The Housing Allocations Section and the Regional Offices are notified in good time of these purchases to enable them to carry out adequate checks on the prospective tenants for these houses.)
7. €450,000 is the current maximum price that Dublin City Council will pay for a house under this scheme.

The factors involved namely the houses proffered and the conditions in the policy make it difficult to estimate the number of houses that will be purchased in **details supplied** in 2008

#### **Q5 Councillor Christy Burke**

To ask the City Manager to ask Dublin City Council maintenance department to investigate and treat the dampness problems at details supplied.

#### **Reply**

The Area Maintenance Officer has inspected this dwelling. The gully to the rear of the property is faulty, which is deemed to have caused the problem. This gully will be replaced within the next few days.

#### **Q6 Councillor Christy Burke**

To ask the City Manager when the traffic lights will be installed as promised by Dublin City Council at the details supplied.

#### **Reply**

This will be included in the MID list of junction improvements for 2008

#### **Q7 Councillor Mick Rafferty**

To ask the Area Manager if the cycle-way ramping from footpath to roadway between **details supplied** will be urgently renewed as it is currently hazardous to cyclists.

**Reply**

The Traffic Engineer will investigate this matter and a reply sent directly to the Councillor.

Work has recently been carried out by the QBN Project Office to upgrade bus / cycle facilities on the North Strand / Amiens Street route.

**Q8 Councillor Mick Rafferty**

To ask the Area Manager if the jagged concrete sections will be removed or repaved for the new tenant at **details supplied** as it is hazardous to children etc.

**Reply**

The Area Maintenance Foreman has inspected the concreted area to the side of this dwelling. This concrete is not in need of replacement.

**Q9 Councillor Mick Rafferty**

To ask the Area Manager if (i) a spy-hole and safety chain will be installed in the hall-door at **details supplied** where the elderly tenant was recently mugged and (ii) a solid hall door without glass panels provided for his elderly neighbour at **details supplied**.

**Reply**

The Area Maintenance Foreman has inspected both of these dwellings and reports the following;

- 1) A spy-hole and safety chain will be fitted for this tenant.  
The current glass panelled hall door will be replaced with a solid wood door.

**Q10 Councillor Mick Rafferty**

To ask the Manager if the footpaths will be renewed at **details supplied** in the 2008 Works Programme.

**Reply**

Road Maintenance propose to carry our remedial works to the value of €15000 as part of the 2008 Works Programme on the carriageway/footpaths along **details supplied**.

**Q11 Councillor Mick Rafferty**

To ask the Area Manager if bollards will be repositioned in **details supplied** to prevent cars cutting through the square over footpaths etc. and are a hazard to elderly residents.

**Reply**

An investigation of the existing bollards showed that the pedestrian clearance between the building line and grey bollards is about 2.4m. Any provision of further bollards would reduce the footway width available to pedestrians and thus it is not recommended to relocate or provide new bollards.



**Q12 Councillor Mick Rafferty**

To ask the Area Manager if the railing at the front of the houses on the main frontage to **details supplied** will be repainted before Christmas in view of the efforts of local residents to improve their area.

**Reply**

The Area Maintenance Officer in charge of painting in complexes/estates has been requested to carry out this work, but it is unlikely that the work can be done before Christmas because of the need to complete the overall 2007 Works Programme.

**Q13 Councillor Mary O'Shea**

To ask the Area Manager to consider the extension of disc parking at **details supplied (1) and (2)**

**Reply**

A parking bay has already been recommended and provided outside **details supplied (1)** in a report previously presented to the Central Area Committee.

Further parking on **details supplied (2)** will be examined by the Traffic Advisory Group and a report will be prepared for a future Central Area Committee.

**Q14 Councillor Mary O'Shea**

To ask the Area Manager to provide details of any inspections carried out by Dublin City Council on the private rented dwellings at **details supplied**.

**Reply**

The most recent inspections of private rented dwellings on **details supplied** were between 2001 and 2003 when fourteen rented properties were inspected. All properties at that time were found to be in compliance with the regulations.

A survey of **details supplied** will be undertaken to endeavour to ascertain the number of rented properties and to undertake inspections of the properties as necessary.

**Q15 Councillor Mary O'Shea**

To ask the Area Manager to provide a pedestrian crossing on **details supplied**.

**Reply**

This matter will be examined by the Traffic Advisory Group and a report will be prepared for a future Central Area Committee.

**Q16 Councillor Mary O'Shea**

To ask the Area Manager to investigate the housing case of **details supplied** and to report on his prospects for immediate re-housing.

**Reply**

According to our records no application for housing has been received from the applicant (details supplied). If the applicant has made an application from a different address or has proof of having submitted an application I would advise him to contact

the Housing Allocations Section, Block 2 Ground Floor, Civic Offices to discuss his case.

**Q17 Councillor Mary O'Shea**

To ask the Area Manager to investigate **details supplied** and to consider closing it off.

**Reply**

Following a petition received from residents the usual service checks were carried out. One of the utilities objected to the closure as it requires access to its equipment and the area in question to be kept free from obstruction at all times. It is prepared to consent to the closure on condition that either the equipment in question can be relocated and the cost involved recouped to it or that the City Council continues to maintain the area.

A meeting has been arranged with the parties involved to discuss the matter.

**Q18 Councillor Mary O'Shea**

To ask the Area Manager to investigate the history of Council Regulation in relation to **details supplied**.

**Reply**

The position in relation to this matter is as set out in the attached report noted by the Central Area Joint Policing Committee at recent meeting.

**Q19 Councillor Nicky Kehoe**

To ask the City Manager to confirm that this Project **details supplied** will start early in 2008

**Reply**

Rezoning of the site at the **details supplied** was approved at the June City Council meeting. The City Architects Division is currently preparing a scheme for 40 senior citizen units at the site. It is anticipated that Part 8 will be lodged in the Spring of 2008 and the target date for construction to commence is early 2009.

**Q20 Councillor Nicky Kehoe**

To ask the City Manager that detail plans be drawn up of prescient improvements by Parks, Housing and Roads Departments for to enhance the small area **details supplied**.

**Reply**

The Parks Division would support the above proposal.

An examination of the estate in question will be undertaken and options in relation to environmental improvements will be explored. The views of local residents will be sought during the course of this examination.

Arrangements will be made, subject to resources being available, for an assessment of what improvements works are feasible at this location. Finance would then have to be identified.

Traffic calming has already been provided in **details supplied** to help reduce speeds on the road and to improve the environment for residents. There are no further plans by the Traffic Department for **details supplied** at this time.

**Q21 Councillor Nicky Kehoe**

To ask the Manager due to the very successful use of the playground at **details supplied** that extra resources be put into making it bigger to increase the capacity, which is needed.

**Reply**

This Division proposed to extend the existing playground facilities at **details supplied** as part of the Draft Parks and Landscape Services Division Improvements Programme of Works 2008.

**Q22 Councillor Nicky Kehoe**

To ask the City Manager that the park at **details supplied** be upgraded with fencing and railings.

**Reply**

This Division proposes to upgrade the area of open space known as **details supplied** to Neighbourhood Park Status over the coming years. The proposed Work to involve the:-

- a) Provision of a new boundary railing complete with new access/egress points.
- b) Provision of a new multi-purpose play area to accommodate basketball, football and tennis.
- c) Provision of a new junior/senior playground
- d) Provision of a new park depot to accommodate staff welfare.
- e) Provision of new tree / amenity planting.

Work is due to start in 2008 with the replacement of the existing hardstand multi-purpose play area with a new upgraded form. It is proposed that the other elements involved in upgrading the park to Neighbourhood Park Status will be put in place over subsequent years, subject to finance.

**Q23 Councillor Nicky Kehoe**

To ask the City Manager for a time scale and plan for railings to be erected at **details supplied**.

**Reply**

This Division proposed to install the new railing access/egress gates at **details supplied** early 2008 with work completed by the end of March 2008 weather permitting.

**Q24 Councillor Nicky Kehoe**

To ask the City Manager that extra resources be put into upgrading of the pitch at **details supplied** to make it playable for local soccer teams.

**Reply**

As part of the continued upgrading of the open space at **details supplied** a new plinth wall and railing is to be installed around the open space. This will restrict unauthorised access onto the space. When installed this Division shall repair the damaged areas as a result of burnt out cars, wheelie bins etc and increase our maintenance regime for the grass sward area.

**Q25 Councillor Emer Costello**

To ask the Manager to include the following in the Works Programme 2008 at **details supplied**.

**Reply**

- a) **Details supplied** will be resurfaced as part of 2008 Works Programme
- b) The area referred to is a small courtyard. The Parks Division shall examine the possibility of planting 2 – 3 trees over the current dormant season.

Currently waterworks are installing “water meters” along **details supplied**. Road Maintenance will liaise with them to ensure all areas are reinstated as soon as possible.

**Q26 Councillor Emer Costello**

To ask the City Manager to ensure that the repairs are carried out on the following locations **details supplied**

**Reply**

The following is the position in relation to the two dwellings listed;

- a) An application for modifications to the bathroom of this dwelling was approved under the scheme for persons with disabilities. These modifications include the installation of a walk in shower, and the provision of a workbench, as well as the installation of rails on the stairs. A private contractor is currently carrying out this work.  
A new door has been ordered for this dwelling, and will be fitted when manufactured.

**Q27 Councillor Emer Costello**

To ask the Manager to confirm if **details supplied** confirms with Health and Safety regulations and planning permission granted

**Reply**

An Enforcement File has been set up in respect of this matter. The Planning Enforcement Officer for the area will investigate this matter and the Councillor will be advised in due course of his findings.

**Q28 Councillor Emer Costello**

To ask the Manager to deal with the following issues at **details supplied**

**Reply**

- 1. The Traffic Department have replaced the missing sign at this location.

2. The Traffic Advisory Group have recommended double yellow lines on both sides of the street for 10 metres either side of the junction. The matter will be referred once more to the Senior Traffic Engineer
3. Any issues with vehicle parking will be returned to TAG to examine. Cars travelling the wrong way on a one-way street will be referred to the Gardai for action.
4. Roads Maintenance have been informed of these defects and will investigate the situation.
5. The Drainage Department have been informed and will clean gullies.
6. EPROW process will have to be followed in agreement with all other stakeholders in the lane.
7. The indent opposite Stable Lane has been designated a disabled parking space as requested by Enable Ireland.
- & 9. A Steering Group has been formed to begin the process of drawing up work proposals and costings for the repair of the carriageway and pavements.

**Q29 Councillor Emer Costello**

To ask the Manager to repair the gutters at **details supplied** and to ask the Management Company of the apartment complex to the rear to prune the trees as agreed previously.

**Reply**

Dublin City Council owns a number of houses on **details supplied**. Work has been carried out to the gutters of some of these houses. If the Councillor wishes to identify a specific address, our Area Maintenance Officer will inspect and carry out any necessary repairs.

I have contacted Core Estate Management who are the Managing Agents for **details supplied**. They have assured me that a contractor has been engaged to prune the trees in the complex. This work will be carried out in the first or second week of January.

**Q30 Councillor Emer Costello**

To ask the Manager to introduce traffic calming measures at **details supplied** to stop joyriding/speeding in the area.

**Reply**

This matter will be examined as part of the Grangegorman Traffic Cell with a report prepared for a Central Area Committee early in 2008.

**Q31 Councillor Brendan Carr**

To ask the City Manager when ramps will be installed on **details supplied**

**Reply**

A report in Summer 2007 did not recommend the introduction of traffic calming on **details supplied** and thus there are no plans to install ramps.

**Q32 Councillor Brendan Carr**

To ask the Area Manager to reposition the parking signs at **details supplied** so that they are more visible

**Reply**

The Area Housing Manager reports that the sign located at **details supplied** is positioned on the tower block, as it was being removed/vandalised when located on the fencing immediately adjacent to the parking spaces. We will arrange with NCPS our parking control contractor to have the sign repositioned in the coming weeks.

**Q33 Councillor Brendan Carr**

To ask the Manager to state how often **details supplied** is swept, and to ensure that the streets are swept on a daily basis and to take action to deal with the level of littering in the area

**Reply**

Waste Management Services have the **details supplied (1)** scheduled to be cleaned on a daily basis. The car park at this shopping centre is private and the management company for the shopping centre look after the cleaning of that location.

**Details supplied (2)**, which is off Phibsborough Road, is scheduled to be cleaned every Tuesday after the refuse collection has taken place there. This is the standard cleaning schedule for a residential area. However we will monitor the future cleanliness of **details supplied (2)** and have some extra cleaning done there when necessary.

It should also be noted that the car parking on this street hinders our cleaning efforts.

**Q34 Councillor Brendan Carr**

To ask the Manager to take measures to deal with reported sightings of rats at **details supplied** and to have the trees pruned back

**Reply**

We have laid rat poison in manholes at **details supplied**. In regard to the site at the rear of **details supplied**, it is the responsibility of the developer to maintain the site.

The Parks Division failed to locate the location to the rear of the cottages and would request that further details on the address be supplied to them.

**Q35 Councillor Brendan Carr**

To ask the Manager for an update on the playground at **details supplied**

**Reply**

This Division proposes to allocate €10,000 to cover the cost of provision of a number of junior play stand alone areas in **details supplied**. Discussions are still ongoing with the Cabra Area Office concerning preferred date of installation, location etc. Proposal is subject to the agreement of local residents.

**Q36 Councillor Brendan Carr**

To ask the Manager to insert road markings at **details supplied** to prevent accidents

**Reply**

This matter will be referred to the Traffic Inspector for examination and action if deemed necessary.

**Q37 Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick**

Will the manager please provide a report on **details supplied**.

### Reply

This matter will be referred to the Roads and Traffic Department in Fingal County Council for directly reply to the Councillor as it is in their Administrative Area.

### Q38 Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

Will the manager please advise on **details supplied (1) and (2)**.

### Reply

1. In an effort to address the alleged anti-social behaviour occurring between the rear lane and the park boundary, this Division along with the Cabra Area Office's Manager, examined a number of possible solutions to help curtail the alleged anti-social behaviour. One was to offer controlled access to the laneway by providing lockable gates for the residents at the access/egress points on **details supplied (1)**. Dublin City Council as a joint venture were willing to contribute towards the cost of installation. To my knowledge this was rejected. We have not received a request to extinguish the right of way over the laneway in question and there is no proposal to close it at this time.
2. The wall at this location currently serves as a boundary between the park and the rear laneway. Due to its age, condition and construction it will not be possible to increase the height of the existing wall. Apart from above the only alternative is to construct a new 2.4m high block wall as perimeter railing would easily be breached. The cost involved is estimated at €120,000 and there is no funding available to carry out this work.

### Q39 Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

Will the Manager provide the residents whose properties adjoin the lane that runs from, **details supplied** with details of the process for closing laneways and as per their written request commence the process for same.

### Reply

Three roads have access to the laneway at details supplied. A petition was received from the majority of the residents on one road only, in early December 2007.

The signatures and addresses of the proposers and adjoining residents/ landowners with properties abutting this laneway must support an application for extinguishment of the public right of way. As the extinguishment of a public right of way is a statutory procedure that must be published, there is a public right of objection by local residents and members of the general public who may not agree with the proposal. These objections must be considered by Dublin City Council even to the extent of hearing the views of both proposers and objectors at an Oral Hearing should the need arise. The extinguishment of a public right of way is a reserved function of Dublin City Council.

An application for extinguishment should also be accompanied by a statement as to how the laneway will be maintained in the future by the fee simple owner(s) of the ground and/ or the adjoining owner/ occupiers and how access will be provided for any private right of way, and to any public services- E.S.B., Bord Gais, Eircom, Water, Drainage etc., that may exist under the laneway if these services are not diverted at the proposers expense. The method of closure should also be stated. The agreement of the residents of adjoining properties at the location of gates if proposed, is very important. Planning permission is not required for the erection of a gate provided it does not exceed two meters in height in accordance with Class 5,

Second Schedule, Part 1 of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Regulations 2001.

If the public right of way is extinguished, Dublin City Council will have no further responsibility for maintenance or liability of the laneway and cannot accept liability for any expense involved in effecting the physical closure.

Upon receipt of this information and the undertaking as to future maintenance of the laneway and details of the proposed method of closure the matter will receive further attention.

**Q40 Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick**

Can the manager please provide a report on **details supplied**.

**Reply**

- a) and b) These will be referred to the Traffic Signals Section for investigation and action if deemed necessary.
- c) This was considered as part of the Arbour Hill Traffic Management Scheme and included as Option 4 and it was not the preferred option on the road. The junction will be re-examined as part of the Blanchardstown QBC Enhancements
- c) This bus lane is in operation during the hours of operation on the time-plate and although the line is faded it is clearly visible to drivers. Issues of enforcement will be referred to An Garda Síochána.

**Q41 Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick**

Will the manager please provide a report on **details supplied (1) and (2)**.

**Reply**

A safety assessment will be carried out on the **details supplied (1)** and a report issued directly to the Councillor early in 2008.

A speed survey was carried out at the above location in 9<sup>th</sup> May 2007 showed found that traffic speeds were appropriate for this stretch of road and the provision of speed cushions (bus route) would have little effect on the existing traffic speeds, they are **not recommended** on this section of **details supplied (2)**.

**Q42 Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick**

Will the manager arrange for **details supplied** to be rehoused in ground floor accommodation as the tenants medical condition make her current accommodations highly unsuitable.

**Reply**

The applicant is currently on the Older Persons Transfer List with a total of 66 points for Area E (Ashtown, Santry, Whitehall, Blackhorse Avenue, Cabra, Finglas, Glasnevin) and 61 points for Area H (Ballybough, Dorset Street, Dominick Street, East Wall, North Strand, Phibsborough, Sheriff Street, Summerhill). The applicant's request to transfer to ground floor accommodation has been noted and her application will be given every consideration when a suitable vacancy arises.



**Motions to the City Manager**  
**Central Area Committee**  
**December, 2007**

**Item 3466**

**Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke**

That this Committee agrees that a date be set as to when the traffic cell will be available for the East Wall area.

**Report**

Provision has been made in the Draft Traffic Capital Budget for the provision of the Traffic Calming and it is anticipated that following approval of the SPC and the Area Committee that the works will be completed early in the new year.

**Item 3467**

**Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke**

That this Committee agrees that cleansing in Springarden Street, Annesley Avenue and Taaffes Place Dublin 3 be cleaned and swept on a regular basis.

**Report**

Waste Management Services have Springarden Street, Annesley Avenue and Taaffes Place scheduled to be swept and cleaned five days a week, Monday to Friday. We also have dumped untagged bags removed from this area on a regular basis. We will continue to do all we can to keep this area as clean as possible.

**Item 3468**

**Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke**

That this Area Committee agrees that an additional litter warden be approved to the North Inner City in 2008.

**Report**

At present a total of 3 Litter Wardens have been assigned to the Central Area. A further 5 Litter Wardens have been recruited by Dublin City Council and their deployment will be carefully considered in the context of the proposed Litter Management Plan in order to utilise our resources to their maximum potential in the wider city area.

**Item 3469**

**Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke**

That this Area Committee secure €60,000 and put it aside for the O'Brien Hall Residents, Dublin 1, for four security doors due to the concerns from the residents as the main doors are constantly broken.

**Report**

Initial quotations were received for the installation of 8 Security Doors at O'Brien Hall in October 2007. These doors were requested by residents to counter anti-social behaviour which was being caused by non-residents, who were gaining access to the complex through

the current, standard entrance doors. Funding for these doors was not available through normal revenue streams but it has now been agreed that these works can be funded under the Estate Enhancement Scheme of the RAPID programme.

The received tenders are currently being examined by the Electrical Services Division and a decision will then be made on the awarding of the contract for supply and fit of the doors and the fob entry system. The manufacture of these doors requires a 4 to 6 weeks lead in period and it is hoped that installation works can begin in late February or early March of 2008 assuming the electrical contractor selected can co-ordinate this work with that relating to the fitting of the doors.

**Item 3470**

**Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke**

That this Area Committee agrees that all the legal procedures necessary be put in place at the lands at Frankfurt Cottages, Dublin 1, in order to prevent illegal occupation or illegal activity on the lands.

**Report**

The City Council holds a lease in respect of the subject land and should the need arise will take whatever legal measures are required to protect its interest in the land.

**Item 3471**

**Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty**

That a report be made on the ownership of (including ground rent etc.) Frankfort Cottages open space, Dublin 1, and the City Council's plans for this area.

**Report**

Dublin City Council holds the leasehold interest in the open space at Frankfort Cottages. The lease is for a period of 900 years from the 29<sup>th</sup> September 1921. The yearly rent is 1 shilling. (4 cent) Dublin City acquired the interest by a Deed of Assignment dated the 13<sup>th</sup> July 2006.

The City Council intends to use the land as public open space and to this end plans are being prepared for discussion with the local community.

**Item 3472**

**Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty**

That a survey be carried out of public lighting at and adjacent to the railway footbridge at Claude Road, Dublin 9, and all necessary improvements carried out in the 2008 Works Programme.

**Report**

Any necessary upgrades will be considered for the 2008 programme.

**Item 3473**

**Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty**

That the defective radiators be renewed at 66B Avondale House, Dublin 1, for the elderly tenant.

**Report**

The Area Maintenance Foreman has inspected the radiators in this dwelling, but found them to be in good working order and not in need of replacement.

#### **Item 3474**

#### **Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty**

That a report be made detailing the results of the air monitoring carried out on Drumcondra Road, Dublin 9, and also to indicate if noise levels will be monitored there and speed monitoring put in place.

#### **Report**

#### **Air Monitoring**

With reference to the air quality monitoring that was carried out at Drumcondra Road between 27<sup>th</sup> July and 5<sup>th</sup> September 2007 using an Osiris dust monitor, the following is the position.

The level of particulate matter less than 10 microns in diameter (PM10) was measured on each of the days the equipment was installed. The air quality objective for PM10 is a yearly average of 40  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ . There is also a daily limit value of 50  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  that is not to be exceeded more than 35 times per calendar year.

The average PM10 level during the monitoring period was 27 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  and there were two exceedences of the 50 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  daily limit value. This is below the EU air quality objective.

There are a number of methods for measuring ambient dust levels, only several of which are considered to be 'reference' methods by the EU. The Osiris is not a reference method however it provides a useful indication of dust levels for the purpose of initial assessments of air quality.

In order to verify the results of the monitoring carried out at your home we co-located the Osiris with two other PM10 analysers both of which are reference methods. The Osiris appears to consistently over read levels of PM10. This indicates that the actual level of PM10 at this location is likely to be less than the figures given in paragraph 3 above.

#### **Noise Monitoring**

A major Noise computer modelling exercise for the whole of the Dublin City Council Region has recently been carried out. This is required under the EC Directive on the *Assessment and Management of Environmental Noise*. A provisional report on this modelling and the Noise Maps produced, was made to the SPC on Transport and Traffic on the 5th July of this year.

All the relevant statistics, as required by the Directive, were forwarded to the Environmental Protection Agency before the 30th June 2007 as required by Environmental Noise Regulations SI No.140 of 2006.

A further full report has just been completed (21/11/07) and is in the process of being put on the Management Team Meeting Agenda. Once this report and accompanying Noise Maps have been approved it will be released to all stakeholders as a first step in the consultation process in the development of a Draft Action Plan for the Agglomeration of Dublin, which is required to be completed by 18th July 2008.

#### **Speed Monitoring**

A request for speed monitoring to be carried out at this location has been issued to the Traffic Department.

**Item 3475**

**Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty**

That a report be made on the water seepage and leak from the roof of the block into 54 Georges Place, Dublin 1, to state how this matter is being addressed.

**Report**

The Area Maintenance Officer will inspect the roof of this dwelling, and any necessary repairs will be carried out to alleviate the problem.

**Item 3476**

**Motion in the name of Councillor Mary O'Shea**

That the Area Manager provides an update on the status of the laneway linking Old Finglas Road and Cremore Lawns.

**Report**

This laneway is "in charge" of Dublin City Council.

An application to extinguish the public right of way at this laneway was received in 2001, however, due to the high volume of objections received when the procedure was initiated at the time, the right of way was not extinguished.

**Item 3477**

**Motion in the name of Councillor Mary O'Shea**

That the Area Manager provides a report on any measures being taken to ensure the safety of visitors to Glasnevin Cemetery during the refurbishment of the cemetery.

**Report**

This matter will be taken up with the Dublin Cemeteries Committee, Glasnevin Cemetery if the Committee agrees the terms of the motion.

**Item 3478**

**Motion in the name of Councillor Mary O'Shea**

That the Area Manager has the skip in the laneway at the rear of 7 Shandon Road, Phibsboro, removed as it has been set alight on numerous occasions.

**Report**

The laneway was checked by an inspector from the Roadworks Control Unit on the 4<sup>th</sup> December and there was no evidence of a skip at that time.

**Item 3479**

**Motion in the name of Councillor Mary O'Shea**

That the Area Manager report on whether gates will be installed at the entrance to Kempton Green, Dublin 7.

**Report**

There are no plans to install gates at this location.

**Item 3480**

**Motion in the name of Councillor Mary O'Shea**

That the Area Manager provides a report on any measures being taken to arrange for adequate lighting on the bridge at Claude Road, Glasnevin, Dublin 9.

**Report**

Any necessary upgrades will be considered for the 2008 programme.

**Item 3481**

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

This Committee calls on Dublin City Council to clean out the area of land on the grounds of The most precious blood church, to remove trees from the area that are being used as shelter for anti-social activities and to maintain the area in a clean and safe condition until senior citizen housing is built on the site. The committee calls on Dublin City Council to expedite the construction of the senior citizen housing on this site.

**Report**

The City Architects Division is currently preparing a scheme for 40 senior citizen units at the site. It is anticipated that Part 8 proceedings will be lodged in the Spring of 2008 and the target date for construction to commence is early 2009. The area in question has been cleaned recently and no specific complaints in relation to anti social behaviour have been received by the local area office. However the Cabra office will arrange to meet with the local Councillor on site to discuss the matter.

**Item 3482**

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

This Committee calls on Dublin City Council to draw-up a plan to enhance the environs of Oxmantown road and surrounding roads. Included in the plan should be consideration for widening of footpaths/narrowing of roads in Oxmantown Road and Manor Place to encourage motorists to slow down and would also enhance the streetscape.

**Report**

The Oxmantown Road Environmental Traffic Calming Scheme was implemented during 2001-2002 and a review carried out in 2005. This showed the following:

1. Speed surveys showed that traffic speeds on Oxmantown Road had reduced by 11% as a result of the traffic management and traffic calming measures.
2. An independent survey was conducted by Millward Brown IMS to measure the residents' awareness of the traffic calming measures implemented. This indicated that the majority of residents (67%) tended to agree that the various measures had helped to improve overall safety and convenience for pedestrians, cyclists, handicapped and elderly people.

Arising from the review, further traffic calming was provided on Manor Place. As traffic patterns have not changed considerably in recent year, no further traffic calming is recommended. It is also intended to examine the streetscape in the area around O Devaney Gardens as part of the redevelopment of that complex.

**Item 3483**

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

This Committee calls on Dublin City Council to improve the delivery of Dublin City Council services to the Navan Road area by establishing a regular forum where residents from the area can raise issues with Dublin City Council management and progress on dealing with the issues can be tracked. The first meeting of this forum to be held before end of 1Q08.

**Report**

This office will be prioritising the Navan Road area in 2008. It is the intention of this office to build up relationships with local Community Representatives, with a view to establishing a forum to allow them to address the community's issues with Dublin City Council and other agencies.

**Item 3484**

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

In the interest of Health and Safety this committee calls on Dublin City Councils traffic department to draw-up bylaws that will facilitate the creation of "drop-off/pick-up" spaces on roads at childcare facilities.

**Report**

This matter will be referred to the Traffic and Transportation SPC.

**Item 3485**

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

The elected members of the Central Area Committee support the request from the Cabra Community Policing forum for funding to provide Garda monitored CCTV on Fassaugh Avenue. The funding should be released from the Dublin City Council funds originally allocated to support the work of the Cabra Community Policing Forum.

**Report**

Funding will be available in 2008 for CCTV on Fassaugh Avenue, subject to confirmation from Gardai that they will monitor the CCTV, and Dublin City Council being satisfied with the quotation received.

**Item 3486**

**Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe**

That this Area Committee agrees to give a portion of land at the front of the all weather pitch to Naomh Fionbarra GAA club to extend the all weather facility, which is full to capacity with use.

**Report**

This Division has no obligation in principal to the proposals, however the proposal should be discussed with the local residents and details referring to any new boundary should be submitted to this Division for consideration and approval.

**Item 3487**

**Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe**

That this Area Committee agrees to contact the owners of the small park at Berkeley Road and Eccles Street and come to some arrangement to everyone's satisfaction to have it open and upgraded for public use during daytime.

**Report**

A recent request to the Board of the Mater Hospital to allow the park to be opened was declined. However, it was agreed that the matter would be revisited in the period leading up to the opening of the Children's Hospital on the Mater Hospital Campus which is some years away.

**Item 3488**

**Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe**

That this Area Committee agrees to examine the possibility of putting a disability access entrance from the North Circular Road entrance on the Royal Canal Broad Stone and upgrade the entrance there for public use.

**Report**

This item is being actively considered as an element of the Phibsboro Area Local Area Plan. The draft plan is due for presentation to the Central Area Committee early in the New Year.

**Item 3489**

**Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe**

That this Area Committee agrees to be given any details of discussion with the Planning Department of Dublin City Council of any new proposed development on Quarry Road at the Grand Cinema.

**Report**

There have been no recent pre-planning discussions on sites immediately adjoining the 'Grand Cinema' on Quarry Road. Planning permission was granted for 64 dwellings (Planning Register Reference 2604/05) on a site to the west and rear of the 'Cinema'. Permission was granted for an additional 6 apartments under Planning Register Reference 1266/07.

**Item 3490**

**Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr**

That the Manager report on the following cleansing issues/waste management issues raised by Iona District Resident's Association:

- Provide a properly managed and monitored Street Sweeping service in the area including a system for clearing one side of the road for 1 morning every second week or even once per month and to ensure that every road in Iona District Resident's Association (especially where no off street parking exists) to be swept by hand once a week.
- Arrange for more frequent leaf collection in Iona District Resident's Association. Leaves should be collected at least twice a month during Autumn & Winter. Additional resources are required for leaf sweeping in late Autumn. Need a clean sweep street by street with all work finished by end of day. i.e. no piles of leaves swept up and then left for days/weeks on end.

- Address illegal dumping on footpaths and in public lanes with a prompt removal (24 hours) of all illegally dumped items. We need Dublin City Council to erect more signs “No Dumping – Fine €3000”.
- Discourage residents from leaving Wheelie bins on footpaths & lanes for more than 24 hours after collection day. Door to door flier is required from Dublin City Council, which could be included along with the Refuse Bill.
- Expedite introduction of the Brown Wheelie Bin. There should be no charge for lifting recyclable waste (brown bin), as this should be self funding.
- Expedite ability of Refuse collection to take plastics and glass in wheelie bins. This is currently available in other counties.

## Report

- The concept of “cleanways” has been piloted in the past by Waste Management Services. It relied on a voluntary non-statutory code of practice and was not successful. Unless such an arrangement is introduced on a statutory basis with “clearways” being created and adequate enforcement (including towing/clamping) is put in place, it will be extremely difficult to make it work. Such an arrangement may be very unpopular with some residents and finding alternative parking spaces could be difficult. We are, however, considering the proposal in the preparation of the new Litter Management Plan for the city. In the meantime, the cleaning schedule for the residential areas in the Iona District Residents Association area is scheduled to be once a week after the refuse collection. We certainly would appreciate the resident's co-operation in keeping their roads as free of cars as possible on their bin day in order to facilitate better cleaning. The cleaning of this area is monitored on a regular basis.
- Waste Management Services operate a programme for the removal of leaves during the Autumn and Winter months. Priority is given to the tree lined streets and areas which are particularly prone to flooding. We will ensure that the Iona District is cleared of leaves as often as we can during the course of this schedule resources permitting. It should be noted that some residents sweep the leaves into piles on the road before our staff are working in their particular area. Also residents, who gather up leaves off their road into bags, can contact our Grangegorman Waste Management Depot, Telephone (01) 6715415 and we can remove these leaves for them.
- The Public Domain Unit for the Central Area, Telephone (01) 2225302, operates a prompt removal service for illegally dumped items on the footpaths and public lanes in this area. Mr James Bergin, Collins Avenue Waste Management Depot, Telephone (01) 8369225, can be contacted by this Residents Association and he will provide “ No Dumping” signs at agreed locations.
- The Dublin City Council Household Waste Bye-Laws 2006 came into effect on the 15<sup>th</sup> January 2007. In relation to this issue, it states that a holder in areas other than the Central Commercial District shall remove all waste containers and any uncollected waste from a public place not later than 8.00pm on the designated collection day, unless otherwise authorised in writing by the Council. We will certainly consider every option in our attempts to make the public aware of their responsibility under these Waste Bye-Laws.
- The rollout of brown bins is being stepped up in 2008 with 30,000 due to be distributed. The designated routes will be in the North East of the city. Collection and disposal of organic waste incurs considerable cost for Dublin City Council, which is passed on to the consumer. They are significantly less than the domestic bin charges



- The dry recyclable collection, which is now fortnightly in most areas, takes plastic bottles. Because of the specialist handling requirements, there are no plans to introduce a glass collection by means of wheelie bins at this time.

**Item 3491**

**Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr**

That the Manager report on the following traffic issues raised by Iona District Resident's Association:

- 1 Address finally the issue of the cycle lane on the footpath on the Drumcondra Road (north side) between Quinn's and Permanent TSB. It is wholly inappropriate and extremely dangerous to have no clear marking for the cycle lane and expect pedestrians and cyclists to share a footpath with no indication of which part is for cyclists and which is for pedestrians.
- 2 Upgrade of lighting in all streets in Iona District Resident's Association carpet Refurbish existing heritage street lights. Replace modern street lights (which were introduced in the 1990s) with refurbished original heritage lights.
- 3 Arrange for adequate lighting & policing on the bridge at Claude Road
- 4 Resolve Bus lane issue at Botanic House before someone is killed.
- 5 Dublin City Council to reserve budget for residents only Croke Park event day parking when approved.

**Report**

- 1 These matters have been referred to the QBN Project Office for direct reply to the Councillor but it is understood that a new cycleway is being constructed at this location.
- 2 We will investigate the lighting here and will consider any necessary improvements for inclusion in a future lighting improvements programme, subject to finance.
- 3 We will investigate the lighting here and will consider any necessary improvements for inclusion in a future lighting improvements programme.
- 4 These matters have been referred to the QBN Project Office for direct reply to the Councillor.
- 5 An amount will be included in the Traffic Works Programme for 2008 to cater for this should a residents parking scheme be introduced next year.

**Item 3492**

**Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr**

That the Manager Report on the following issues in relation to Croke Park as raised by Iona District Resident's Association:

1. Review area covered by cleansing after Croke park events. Currently it is too small. Double the amount of cleansing activities on match days. All Streets in the Iona District Resident's Association are to be cleaned during and at the end of each match. All street bins to be emptied at least twice during each day.
2. Enforce litter laws on Croke Park event days.
3. Arrange for Croke Park attend all community forum meetings.
4. Arrange for Croke Park to be bound by all community forum meeting outcomes.
5. Arrange for Croke Park to pay for park & ride schemes (last one promised by Peter McKenna for August 06 did not happen). Suggested budget of €200k for 2008.
6. Arrange for independent scrutiny of ticket lottery scheme run by Croke Park. The cost of this to be born by Croke Park.

7. Double the number of towing vehicles on match day.

**Report**

1. Waste Management Services clean areas within a 1.5km radius of Croke Park following events there. This arrangement has worked well and there are no plans to double the cleansing activities on match days although it is intended to pay attention to particular areas specified by the Croke Park Community Liaison Committee going forward in 2008. All street bins are emptied at least twice during each day. The following is a typical example of the resources involved in the cleaning of the area around Croke Park on match days.

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

2. It is the policy of the Waste Management Services that the Litter Prevention Officer together with two Litter Wardens patrol the immediate Croke Park area during all events. They have spoken to the owners of all mobile food outlets, publicans and marketing companies and to all persons distributing fliers to inform them of their responsibilities under the Litter Pollution Acts. The Litter Prevention Officer will extend their patrol to the Iona District for all future events to be held in Croke Park.
3. & 4. These are matters for Pairc an Chrocaigh Teoranta. It should be noted however that the stadium management is represented on the Croke Park Community Liaison Committee which has now been established. A representative from Iona District Residents Association forms part of the Croke Park Area Residents Association delegation that is represented on the Committee.
5. & 6. These are matters for Pairc an Chrocaigh Teoranta and the Councillor should take the matter up with them.
7. The City Council operates a clamping and tow-away service in order to enforce parking regulations in the city.

During match days in Croke Park an operation is undertaken by the Council's parking enforcement contractor, in conjunction with An Garda Síochána, to re-locate and clamp illegally parked vehicles which are parked in a

dangerous manner or found to be causing obstruction. The present level of enforcement is considered adequate by both the Garda and the Council.

#### **Item 3493**

##### **Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr**

That members of the Area Committee be notified when applications for licenses for concerts in the Phoenix Park are submitted.

##### **Report**

In response to the motion from Councillor Carr, the Planning Office will in future:

- Include applications for public event licences on the weekly list

Inform the relevant Area Manager that an application has been received for an event licence in their area, for noting at the area committee meeting.

#### **Item 3494**

##### **Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr**

That the Manager report on the programme of works scheduled for 2008 in relation to the widening of Blackhorse Avenue.

##### **Report**

The Road Design Division is currently involved in the preparation of contract documents for the upgrading and realignment of Blackhorse Avenue between the Cabra Gate and a point just north of its junction with Baggot Road. It is envisaged that these documents will be completed by the end of February 2008.

Currently, the Roads Construction Division is undertaking site investigation works on Blackhorse Avenue – these are being suspended for Operation Freeflow, however these works will recommence and be completed in January 2008.

In addition, the agreement to acquire a specific area of land between Villa Park Road and Martin Grove and the building of a boundary wall has yet to be finalised between DCC and the Developer. In addition the proposed development at this location is currently the subject of a planning appeal – the outcome of which is not expected until mid January 2008 and this may also have an impact on the proposed works.

It is envisaged that construction on this section of Blackhorse Avenue will commence later in 2008.

#### **Item 3495**

##### **Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello**

That the Manager report on the following Planning Issues as raised by the Iona District Resident's Association:

- a) Request that Dublin City Council Planning Enforcement do a survey of the area with a focus on obvious planning breaches, which impact the visual amenity of the area particularly focusing on satellite dishes to the front of properties. This should be extended to all areas of the Dublin Central constituency (e.g. Mountjoy Square & NCR).

- b) Work with resident Groups Board Pleanala etc. to ensure that Developments like the Student Accommodation at 52 Botanic Avenue is never allowed to deface a historic area in this way.
- c) Ensure low-rise development on the Smurfit site - with large community facility.

**Report:**

- A. The Planning Enforcement Section has dealt with many complaints regarding alleged unauthorised development in the Iona District Area. Enforcement action has been taken in many cases in respect of satellite dishes erected to the front of properties in the Dublin Central Area. If the Councillor or the Iona District Residents Association has any specific addresses that warrant investigation the Planning Enforcement Section will investigate any allegations regarding alleged unauthorised at such locations.
- B. The Planning Department will endeavour to represent the concerns of all local community groups through existing and proper channels of communication as laid down in the planning acts and/or community participation structures. The zoning objective of Z2 lands is to “protect and or improve the amenities of residential conservation areas”. The Planning Authority is committed to upholding this objective. Specific planning applications for specific land uses will be treated on their merits. The premises in question did receive planning permission.
- C. The details of any planning application, including height will be assessed rigorously in terms of the overall impact and/or contribution to the area including impact on adjoining properties. The provision of communities facilities in any large scale mixed use development would be welcomed by Dublin City Council.

**Item 3496**

**Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello**

That the Manager outline his plans when the repaving of Dorset Street with Granite/stone paving will be extended up the Drumcondra Road and into the Iona area. I expect that the Iona area originally had some level of granite/stone paving in the early 1900s, which was removed.

**Report**

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

**Item 3497**

**Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello**

That the Manager state the current condition of National Monument at 14,15,16,17 Moore Street and area at rear of buildings as outlined in preservation order No 1 of 2007-11-26 and to state his plans for the Moore Street National Monument.

**Report**

Over the last year the Architectural and design team, working on behalf of the developers of the Carlton Site have addressed the issue of integrating the structures protected under National monuments legislation into the overall development. Although a planning application has not yet been received, our understanding is that the buildings are being retained and that an appropriately scaled public courtyard at the rear will enable the structures to relate to the main body of the development. This will also facilitate front and rear access and is sufficiently flexible to retain independent use of each building. A Conservation Architect is part of the design team and is assisting with how the building can best be sensitively adapted internally. As you are aware presentations on the proposed scheme were made to the Area Councillors on two occasions.

#### **Item 3498**

#### **Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello**

That the Manager report on the recent change in rules whereby homeless people whose last address was outside the city boundary cannot register as homeless with Dublin City Council, what consultation took place with homeless organisations prior to implementing this new rule, when this rule was introduced, the basis for this rule, what contact there is with homeless sections in the other local authorities and if there is any scope for exceptions to this rule.

#### **Report**

It is the standard procedure of the four Dublin Local Authority's that applicants who are registering as homeless must have been made homeless from an address within their administrative area.

In accordance with The Scheme of Letting Priorities homeless applicants are awarded "priority status" for housing, it is generally believed that this habitual residency condition is the fairest way of ensuring that applicants from outside of Dublin City Council's area are not awarded priority ahead of applicants with ties to the area.

Although this is the standard practice of the four Dublin Local Authority's there are variances between the Authorities in the length of time that applicants must have lived in their area prior to being accepted onto the homeless list. Dublin City Council currently requires that applicants have resided at an address (not homeless accommodation) in their area for a period of not less than twelve months. This was increased from six months in November 2007 as a response to the increase in applicants moving to Dublin to access homeless services. The exceptions to this rule are women who have experienced domestic violence, and senior citizens who move to Dublin for medical attention. Other categories of homeless applicant can have their case assessed on an individual basis.

Information regarding application procedures and criteria has recently been circulated through the Emergency Accommodation Network and Transitional Accommodation Providers Network.

As part of a consultation process to develop joint protocols, Dublin City Council's Homeless Officer also attends regular meetings with the three other Local Authorities, the Homeless Persons Unit and the Homeless Agency to discuss the implementation of Action S14 and S4 of "A key to the door – The Homeless Agency Partnership Action Plan on Homelessness in Dublin 2007 – 2010" which states: -

Action S4 "The four Local Authorities and Homeless Persons Unit will develop a joint protocol and process for the assessment and case management of people presenting from the local area, including follow-up with people who present to the HPU but who do not register on that local authority's list."

Action S14 The four Local Authorities will clarify and co-ordinate a shared definition of homelessness in consultation with voluntary service providers and the Health Service

Executive, including consideration of issues relevant to domestic violence, in relation to the policy and practice relevant to applications from homeless people for priority on local authority housing lists.”

#### **Item 3499**

##### **Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello**

That the Manager report on the number of rented units registered in the Central Area, the number of units inspected in the Central Area to date in 2007 (or last available figures), the number of units that are compliant with the standards, the number of units which did not meet the standards, what actions have been taken against landlords and if any prosecutions have been taken as a result of inspections, how many inspectors are employed to carry out this work within the central area and what resources Dublin City Council allocate to the inspection of the private rented sector.

##### **Report**

The period covered is from the 1<sup>st</sup> January to the 30<sup>th</sup> September this year.

A total of 774 private rented dwellings have been inspected, under the Housing (Standards for Rented Houses) Regulations 1993, in the Central Area.

Of the properties inspected 326 were found to be in compliance with the regulations.

Of the properties inspected 448 did not comply with the regulations on the first inspection.

Notices have been served in relation to all the non-compliant properties requiring the landlord to undertake a specified list of works within a specific time period. In anticipation of new legislation being enacted by the DEH&LG we are also advising landlords to undertake works that are additional to the legal requirements to modernise and update their property.

To ascertain if the required works had been completed inspections were undertaken in 438 dwellings on which notices had been served on the landlord. 10 notices have not yet expired. In 407 dwellings inspected the landlord had undertaken all the remedial works and the dwelling is now in compliance with the regulations.

As a result of the action taken by the environmental health section, of the 774 private rented dwellings inspected there are now a total of 733 in compliance with the regulations in the central area.

The position in the remaining 31 dwellings is that 16 dwellings have changed ownership and new notices are being served on the new landlords and in 8 dwellings the required works are currently in progress and a time extension has been granted to complete them.

The law agent has been instructed to issue proceedings in relation to 7 rented dwellings in the central area.

The inspection of private rented dwellings is undertaken by the environmental health section and there are currently 3.5 environmental health officers assigned to the central area.

Overall the environmental health section comprises one principal environmental health officer (Head of Section), two senior environmental health officers and nine environmental health officers.

**Development Department,  
Civic Offices.**

**11<sup>th</sup> December 2007**

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

Meeting: 8<sup>th</sup> January 2008

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

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Report No. 188/1999 was assented to by the City Council at its meeting on the 5<sup>th</sup> July 1999. This report outlined the terms and conditions of the proposed disposal of fee simple to Noel Fanning in a premises at No. 3 Ellis Quay, Dublin 1, shown outlined in red and coloured pink on Map Index No.11676.

The legal formalities have not yet been completed and Brendan Walsh and Partners Solicitors have advised that the purchase of the fee simple in the premises should now be completed in the name of Noel Fanning and Dorothy Matthews.

Noel Fanning and Dorothy Matthews, who claim to hold the leasehold interest in the premises, have agreed revised terms for the purchase of the fee simple therein.

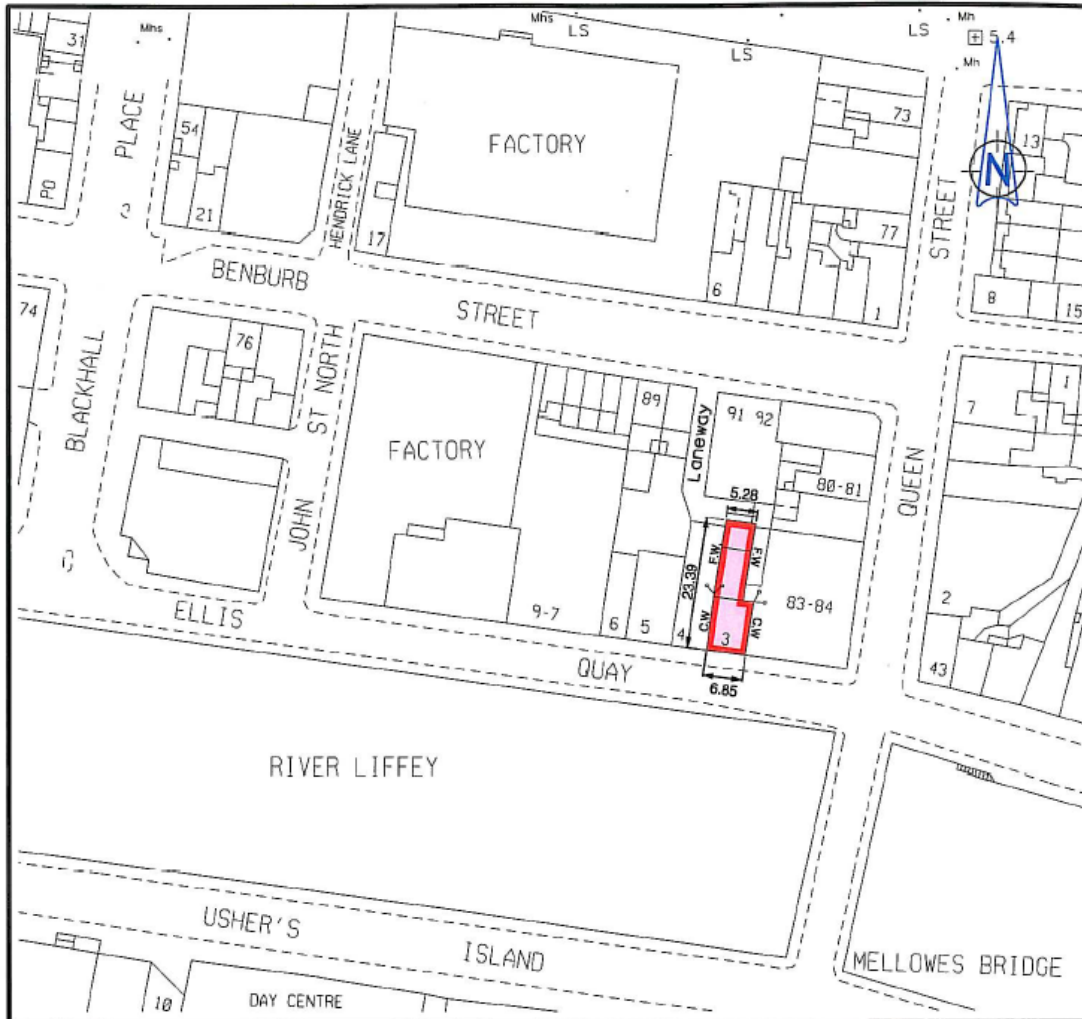
Accordingly and subject to the approval of the Central Area Committee, it is proposed to vary Report No. 188/1999 in so far as it relates to the name of the purchaser and the terms and conditions of the disposal.

It is proposed to dispose of the fee simple in the premises at No. 3 Ellis Quay, Dublin 1 for the sum of two thousand two hundred and fifty euro to Noel Fanning and Dorothy Matthews, subject to terms and conditions.

**Declan Wallace**

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**Executive Manager**



## Ellis Quay – Premises No. 3

Dublin City Council to Noel Fanning & Dorothy Matthews

Disposal of fee simple



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21<sup>st</sup> December, 2007

**The Chairman & Members of the  
Central Area Committee**

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With reference to Proposed Addition to Record of Protected Structures  
11 Waterloo Avenue, North Strand, Dublin 3

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**Introduction**

It is proposed to initiate procedures under Section 55 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 to add no.11 Waterloo Avenue, Dublin 3 to Dublin City Council's Record of Protected Structures.

**Request for Addition**

A submission was received in November 11<sup>th</sup> 2005 requesting that the façade of no. 11 Waterloo Avenue, Dublin 3 be preserved. It is noted in this submission that the applicant states that the structure dates from the early nineteenth century and is a distinguished house of architectural merit and is a very significant feature in this quiet avenue, which in itself is an important feature in the North Strand. Furthermore the applicant states that the architectural detailing of the house combined with its location in the avenue gives a commanding visual presentation.

### **Dublin City Development Plan 2005 – 2011**

The site is zoned Z2 'To protect and/or improve the amenities of residential conservation areas'.

### **Planning History**

Plan Reg. 6200/06 – Planning permission sought to demolish existing house and build a four storey over basement block of apartments. Planning refused for the following reasons; (a) grossly sub-standard form of residential development, (b) inadequate provision of private open space, (c) inadequate car and bicycle provision, (d) proposal materially contravenes Policy H27 of the Dublin City Development Plan 2005 – 2011 'to retain and reuse historic buildings'.

This decision was appealed to An Bord Pleanala who subsequently refused permission due to; (a) internal layout and inadequate size of apartments would result in substandard development, (b) inadequate provision of car parking and open space, (c) demolition of nineteenth century structure not justified.

### **Site Location**



No. 11 Waterloo Avenue is situated at the end of Waterloo Avenue, which is located off North Strand, Dublin 3.

### **Summary Description of Site**

The site is situated at the North Western end of Waterloo Avenue and comprises of single storey over half basement with a large garden to the north of the structure.

### **Summary Description of Structure**

The subject structure is a free standing, villa-style single storey over raised basement three-bay residential rendered building, c. 1830. The original openings still exist to the front elevation consisting of front door and two large windows either side of the front door. However all openings to the structure are covered up and in need of repair.

The elevation material comprises of render over brickwork and granite window cills. The structure has hipped roof with original roof tiles and two chimneys with original clay pots. The

front steps are centrally placed to the front door and there are original railings. To the front of the house there is a low boundary wall enclosing a front garden area.

**Assessment of Special Interest Under the Planning & Development Act 2006**

The structure is considered to be of special interest under the following heading

1. *Architectural:* The building is considered to be of architectural significance representing a very distinctive classically derived building type of the early nineteenth century, the suburban villa, common in the city suburbs at the beginning of the nineteenth century but less common in this part of the city. No. 11 Waterloo Avenue is also important because of the positive contribution it makes to its setting. Although somewhat compromised by the construction of the boundary wall to No. 12, No. 11 nonetheless retains a strong presence at the end of the Waterloo Avenue. The significance of its interior lies in the proportions of its reception rooms and entrance hall and in the quality of materials used in the interior detailing.
2. *Historical:* The building dates to before 1849, possibly to the 1820s or 1830s. The building type is unusual in the context of this area of the city. It may be associated with the construction of the church on North Strand Road as they are contemporary structures although further research would be necessary to determine whether there is a connection between the two.

**Recommendation**

No. 11 Waterloo Avenue, Dublin 3 is considered to be of architectural and historical significance within the meaning of Part IV of the Planning & Development Act 2000. It is therefore recommended that it be proposed for inclusion on the Record of Protected Structures.

**John Murphy**

**Dublin Deputy Planning Officer**

Development Department,  
Derelict Sites Section,  
Block 3, Floor 3,  
Civic Offices.

13/12/2007

To the Chairman and Members of  
The Central Area Committee.

Derelict Sites Quarterly Report

I attach details of Derelict Sites in the Central Area, which are currently under review. Formal action is being taken in relation to the sites listed on Appendix 1 while the sites listed on Appendix 2 are currently under investigation with a view to formal action, if necessary.

D. Wallace  
Executive Manager

# APPENDIX 1

## **DERELICT SITES QUARTERLY REPORT CENTRAL AREA**

### **SITES WHERE FORMAL ACTION HAS BEEN TAKEN UNDER THE DERELICT SITES ACT 1990**

#### ***Location***

#### ***Current Position***

Bannow Road 288, (former factory)

work ongoing at this site - being kept under review

Blessington Street, rere 41 & 41A, D.7.

work is ongoing at this site - being kept under review.

Botanic Road, 33-55, Glasnevin, D.9.

Following service of Notice of Intention to enter site on Derelict Sites Register, rubble and debris has been removed from site - no further action required at this stage.

Coke Ovens Cottages, 2, Liffey Junction,  
Royal Canal Way, D.11.

Acquisition proceedings have been initiated

Mountjoy Square West, 67A & Gardiner  
Place, 22, D.1.

Works have been completed at this site it has been rendered non-derelict

Mountjoy Street, 59A, D.7.

overgrowth has been cutback as requested - being kept under review

Phibsborough Road, 223, D.7.

Owner written to - asked for works to be carried out.

Terrace Place (7), rear of 24 Rutland  
Street Lower, Dublin 1.

Notice of Intention to enter this site on the Register posted on site

***Location***

*Terrace Place (8), rear of 25 Rutland*

*Street Lower, Dublin 1.*

*Terrace Place, 6, D.I.*

*Waterloo Avenue, 11, North Strand,*

*Dublin 3*

***Current Position***

Notice of Intention to enter this site on the Register served on

owner

Notice of Intention to enter this site on the Register posted on site.

overgrowth cutback as requested - site being kept under review.

*13 December 2007*

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## APPENDIX 2

### **DERELICT SITES QUARTERLY REPORT**

#### **CENTRAL AREA**

##### **SITES CURRENTLY UNDER INVESTIGATION WITH A VIEW TO FORMAL ACTION IF NECESSARY**

###### ***Location***

###### ***Current position***

Brunswick St. Nth., adj. 99 &  
Church Street Upper, adj. 114, D.7.

reference of ownership requested

Cabra Road, 46, Dublin 7.

Improvement works carried out to front garden/wall.

Cadogan Road, 18, Marino, D.3.

Reference of ownership requested.

Carnew Street, 28, D.7

work is ongoing at this site - being kept under review

Navan Road, 142, D.7.

windows have been boarded up and site has been cleaned and secured.

Roosevelt Cottages, 10, Navan  
Road, D.7.

Reference of ownership requested.

MINUTES OF THE TRAFFIC ADVISORY GROUP HELD ON 13<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2007

*c Parking*

*Prohibitions*

**1 Parnell Street, Dublin 1.**

Change Clearway Hours on the south side of Parnell Street from Jervis Street to Wolfe Tone Street from 'Mon-Sat 7am to 10am and 12.30am to 7pm' to 'Mon to Sun' (same hours).

Dublin City Council

**DocID:18760**

Recommended

**2 Leinster Avenue, Dublin 3.**

Reps for double yellow lines on Leinster Avenue.

Public Rep

**DocID:180542**

Not Recommended

Parking controls previously rejected by residents at ballot and no further changes are recommended.

**3 Hamilton Court, Dublin 7.**

Reps for 'No Parking at any time' sign on the east side of Hamilton Court.

Resident

**DocID:186857**

Recommended



**4 Smithfield Square, Dublin 7.**

Reps for Disabled Parking Bay on Smithfield Square north end (rescind end parking bay near path and near double yellow lines in corner).

Dublin City Council

**DocID:186848**

Recommended

West side from a point 15m south from North King street south for 5m in line with the high new Braziers (new public lighting elements).

**5 St. Bricin's Park, Dublin 7.**

Reps for Double Yellow Lines on St. Bricin's Park, Arbour Hill.

Public Rep

**DocID:186859**

Recommended

West side from a point 5m north from the junction with Arbour Hill, north for 5m. East side from a point 5m north from the junction with Arbour Hill north for 10m.

**6 Linenhall Street, Dublin 7.**

Reps for Extension of Permit Parking Hours on Linenhall Street.

Public Rep

**DocID:181830**

Recommended

Accepted at survey, hours Mon-Sun 7am to 12pm. 51 on register, 19 votes returned, 16 for, 2 against, 1 spoiled.

**7 Synnott Row, Dublin 7.**

Reps for extension of operational hours of  
Pay and Display and Permit Parking Scheme  
on Synnott Road, North Circular Road.

Resident

**DocID:180415**

Recommended

Accepted at survey, hours Mon-Sun 7am to 12pm.  
26 on register, 9 votes returned, 4 for (+ 1 n.o.r) and  
3 against (+ 1 n.o.r).

**8 Claude Road, Dublin 9.**

Reps for Disabled Parking Bay outside No.  
26, Claude Road, Drumcondra.

Resident

**DocID:183731**

Recommended

West side from the common boundary of house no.s  
26 and 27 north for 6m.

**9 St. Benedict's Gardens, Dublin 7.**

Reps for Disabled Parking Bay outside No.  
29, St. Benedict's Gardens.

Resident

**DocID:178721**

Recommended

Opposite no. 28 and no.29 on St. Benedict's  
Gardens north side, 5m east of the junction with  
Synnott Row west for 6m (rescind 6m parking bay).

***b Traffic  
Conditions***

**10 Botanic Road, Dublin 9.**

Reps for Cycle Lane on Botanic Road  
between St. Mobhi Road and the bus lane.

Public Rep

**DocID:179517**

Not Recommended

A cycle lane would severely restrict residential  
parking along this section of road.

***a Traffic Signs***

**11 Glenbeigh Road, Dublin 7.**

Reps to rescind 'No Right Turn' bans into  
Glenbeigh Road.

Resident

**DocID:183326**

Recommended

Recommended pending further public consultation.

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

**1) Halliday Road, Dublin 9:**

- Northside from a point 6m east of Oxmantown Road to a point 5m west of Niall Street (approx 3 spaces).
- Northside from a point 5m east of Niall Street to a point 5m west of Ben Edair (approx 3 spaces).
- Northside from the boundary of house no's 2/1 east for 17m (approx 3 spaces).
  
- Southside from a point 5m east of Oxmantown Road to a point 5m west of Murtagh Road (approx 3 spaces).
- Southside from a point 5m east of Murtagh Road to a point 5m west of Harold Road (approx 3 spaces).
- Southside from a point 5m east of Harold Road to a point 5m west of Malachi Road (approx 3 spaces).
- Southside from a point 5m east of Malachi Road to a point 5m west of Sigurd Road (approx 3 spaces).

**Double Yellow Lines**

- Northside from a point 5m east of Ben Edair east to the boundary of house no's 2/1.
- Southside from a point 5m east of Sigurd Road east for 19m.
- 5m each side of the junction of Niall Street, Halliday Road and Murtagh Road.
- 5m each side of the junction of Ben Edair, Halliday Road and Harold Road.
- 5m each side of the junction of Halliday Road and Malachi Road.
- 5m each side of the junction of Halliday Road and Sigurd Road.

**2) Fitzwilliam Place North off Grangegorman Road Lower, Dublin 7:**

- Parking Area, north side, from a point 10m east of the junction with Grangegorman, east for 25m.
- Double yellow lines, north side, from the junction with Grangegorman, east for 10m.

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

**Report to Area Committee  
Grangegorman Environmental Traffic Cell**

**Gerry Flaherty  
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**January 2008**

## **1.0 Introduction**

Environmental Traffic Cells (ETCs) are local areas of traffic management within the city canal cordon with an emphasis on improving the local environment by reducing speeds and discouraging non-essential traffic entering the cell area. They aim to create a safer and more attractive environment for all road users.

The Grangegorman Traffic Cell was included in the network of cells selected by the Environmental Traffic Planning Division in Dublin City Council in 1997. This report outlines the findings from traffic studies carried out in Grangegorman ETC area and makes recommendations for short-term implementation of traffic management measures. Matters relating to the Grangegorman Framework plan were not considered as part of the preliminary design.

## **2.0 Grangegorman Traffic Cell**

The Grangegorman Traffic Cell is located north of the River Liffey. It is bounded by the following streets:

- North by the North Circular Road.
- South by North King Street.
- East by Church Street, Constitution Hill and the Phibsborough Road.
- West by Prussia Street, Manor Street and Stoneybatter.

The east and west boundaries, excluding Prussia Street and Church Street, form part of the Quality Bus Corridor Network (QBC) and Cycle Network. A cycle track also runs along Georges Lane and Brunswick Street North. Throughout the cell there are a variety of land uses, including a number of tourist attractions, hospitals and schools.

## **3.0 Existing Traffic Management**

There have been a number of traffic management measures introduced in the general area in recent years to reduce speeds and create a more attractive environment for all road users. These are mainly on the traffic cell boundary and include the following:

Pedestrian Crossing Facilities:

- King Street North / Church Street
- King Street North / Queen Street / Georges Lane
- Brunswick Street North / Grangegorman Road Lower
- North Circular Road / Prussia Street
- Prussia Street, out side the shopping centre
- Prussia Street / Manor Street
- Kirwan Street / Manor Street / Stoneybatter
- Stoneybatter / near Arbour Place
- King Street / Stoneybatter
- Church Street / Prebend Street
- Constitution Hill / Prebend Street
- Constitution Hill / Western Way
- Phibsborough Road / Moncks Place
- Phibsborough Road / North Circular Road

Cycle Facilities:

- King Street North, south side up to Queen St
- Prussia Street, Manor Street and Stoneybatter, west side up to Arbour Hill

- Church Street, Constitution Hill and Phibsborough Road, either side, becomes a joint bus / cycle lane on the western side for a period. Western side stops coming into Phibsborough

Entry Treatments:

- Manor Street / Prussia Street
- Manor Street / Manor Market
- Manor Street / Shea's Lane
- Manor Street / Kirwan Street
- Stoneybatter / Manor Place
- Stoneybatter / Arbour Place
- Stoneybatter / Brunswick Street North
- Stoneybatter / Arbour Hill
- Constitution Hill / Whites Lane
- Phibsborough Road / Royal Canal Terrace
- Phibsborough Road / Kings Inn Court
- Phibsborough Road / Kelly's Lane
- Phibsborough Road / Monck Place
- Phibsborough Road / Phibsborough
- Phibsborough Road / St. Peters Court

There are a number of one-way streets within the cell area and a mixture of on-street and off-street parking throughout the cell. All of these traffic management measures have helped to make the traffic cell more accessible for those living and working in the area.

#### **4.0 Public Consultation**

In recent years, various representation and correspondence has been received by Dublin City Council from Councillors and residents in the area relating to traffic matters. The Traffic Department also distributed leaflets to the area seeking information on traffic issues. A summary of the comments is shown in Appendix A. Among the traffic issues raised were the following:

- Speeding in the area
- Road safety aspects.
- Lack of pedestrian and cycle facilities.
- Parking issues
- Traffic Management restrictions.
- Illegal parking

#### **5.0 Traffic Surveys**

##### **5.1 Speed surveys / through traffic**

Speed surveys were carried out at a number of roads in the Grangegorman traffic cell in recent years with Table 1 outlining the main finding from the speed surveys. Here we see that speeds are appropriate for the majority of roads within the cell area apart from Grangegorman Road Upper and Lower. As this road will be subject to change in the coming years, it is not recommended to provide traffic calming at this time on Grangegorman Road Upper and Lower. However, speeding will be brought to the attention of the local Gardaí.

<b>Table 1</b>		<b>Grangegorman Traffic Speeds on Existing Roads</b>			
<b>Road</b>	<b>85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed kph (mph)</b>	<b>Date of survey</b>	<b>85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed kph (mph)</b>	<b>Date of survey</b>	<b>Recommendati on</b>
Avondale Avenue	38 (23.6)	16/08/06			Speeds ok
Avondale Road	45 (28)	16/08/06	40.2 (25)	20/08/07	Speeds ok
Kirwan Street	40.9 (25.4)	16/08/06			Speeds ok
Lower Grangegorman Road	53.1 (33)	16/08/06			Speeds high
Manor Street	49.9 (31)	17/08/06			Speeds ok
Monck Place	48.3 (30)	16/08/06	45.1 (28)	20/08/07	Speeds ok
Norton's Avenue	25.5 (15.85)	16/08/06			Speeds ok
Rathdown Road	41.8 (26)	17/08/06			Speeds ok
Stoneybatter	45.1 (28)	17/08/06			Speeds ok
The 'Boro' Phibsborough	31.3 (19.45)	17/08/06			Speeds ok
Upper Grangegorman Road	40.8 (25.35)	16/08/06			Speeds high

A number of requests were made to reduce through traffic on roads in the area, mainly on roads west of Phibsborough.

#### 1. Monck Place and Avondale Road

Although it is accepted that there is a certain amount of through traffic on these roads, in particular at peak times, any restriction on traffic will also apply to residents and thus it is not recommended.

However, as speeds are reasonably high, traffic calming on the road is recommended as follows:

- a. Monck Place. Speed ramp at LS No. 3 at the boundary of No. 25 and No. 26 (at house No. 9)
- b. Avondale Road Speed ramp at LS No. 3 at the boundary of No. 7 and No. 8

#### 2. Avondale Avenue

Due to parking on both sides of the road, it is difficult to accommodate two-way traffic. To help reduce vehicular conflict on the road and at the east end, it is proposed to introduce a 'No entry' from Phibsboro into Avondale Avenue at the eastern gable of No.1 Avondale Avenue.

### 5.2 Accident Analysis

Table 2 provides a summary of collisions data in the area between 2000 and 2005, the latest collision data available, including collision severity (m is minor and s is serious). In Table 2 we see that the majority of reported collisions occurred on the



boundary of the cell with a low number of reported collisions within the traffic cell area. Overall, it appears the collision rate on all the roads in the traffic cell area is relatively low and it is not proposed to carry out any collision remedial measures on any of the roads within the cell area.

<b>Table 2</b>						
<b>Grangegorman ETC Collision Data</b>						
<b>(NRA, RSA)</b>						
<b>Reported Road Accident - NRA</b>						
<b>Road</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>
Brunswick Street North	1m, 1s	0	2m	0	0	1m
Brunswick Street North/ Morning Star Avenue	0	1m	0	0	0	0
Brunswick Street North/ Red Cow Lane	1m	0	0	0	0	0
Brunswick Street North/ Church Street Upper	0	1m	1m	1m	2m	2m
Brunswick Street North/ Grangegorman Road	1m	0	1m	0	0	0
Church Street Upper/ King Street North	3m	1m	1m	0	4m	0
Church Street Upper	1m	1m	1m	2m	0	1s
Circular Road North/ Phibsborough Road	3m, 1s	2m	1m, 1s	2m	2m	0
Circular Road North/ Prussia St./ Kildonan Road	2m	4m	2m, 1s	1m	3m	0
Circular Road North/Rathdown Road	0	1m	0	1m	0	0
Circular Road North/Rosemount Road	1m	0	0	0	0	0
Circular Road North/ Avondale Road	0	1m	0	0	0	2m
Circular Road North/ Grangegorman Upper	1m	0	1m	0	0	0
Constitution Hill	1m	0	0	0	0	0
Constitution Hill/ Brunswick Street North	0	0	0	0	1m	0
Constitution Hill/ Phibsborough Road	0	1m	0	0	0	0
King Street North/ Red Cow Lane	0	0	1m	0	0	0
Manor Street	1m	2m	3m	1s, 1m	0	2m
Manor Street/ Shea's Court	0	1m	0	0	0	0
Manor Street/ New Wapping Street	0	0	1m	0	0	0
Manor Street/ Aughrim Street	1m	0	0	0	0	1m
Phibsborough Avenue/ Melrose Avenue	1m	0	0	0	0	0
Phibsborough Road/ Monck Place	2m	0	1m	0	0	0
Temple Cottages/ Constitution Hill/ Prebend Street	0	0	2m	0	0	0
Phibsborough Road/ Avondale Avenue	1m	0	0	0	0	0
Stoneybatter	0	1m	0	1m	0	2m

<b>Total:</b>	<b>21m, 2s</b>	<b>17m</b>	<b>18m, 2s</b>	<b>9m, 1s</b>	<b>12m</b>	<b>10m, 1s</b>
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## 6.0 Summary and conclusion

Following an analysis of traffic speeds, traffic movements and collisions in the traffic cell area, the following traffic management measures are recommended:

- Traffic calming on Monck Place
- Traffic calming on Avondale Road
- 'No entry' from Phibsboro into Avondale Avenue

Feedback is sought from the councillors on whether a public consultation process should be carried out on the roads directly affected by these measures.

### Appendix A: Summary of public consultation in the Grangegorman ETC Area

<u>Area of Concern</u>	<u>Issues of Concern</u>	<u>Residents Preferred Appropriate Measures</u>
<b><u>Allen Terrace</u></b>		
Allen Terrace	Parking	-One Way/HGV Restr Parking Rest/Improved pedestrian & cycle facilities
<b><u>Avondale Avenue</u></b>		
Avondale Avenue	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 Parking (commuters parking and accessibility difficulties)</li> <li>2 Rat-Running</li> <li>3 Speeding</li> <li>4 Road Damage caused by HGV's</li> <li>5 Avenue too narrow for 2 lanes</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Cul de Sac</li> <li>- Convert pedestrian traffic lights to ord lights junc Monck Place &amp; Phibsboro Rd</li> <li>- One way system</li> <li>- Speed Ramps</li> <li>- Restrict HGV's</li> <li>-Permit Parking</li> <li>-Double yellow lines both sides at end of avenue</li> <li>-Pay Parking for non-residents</li> </ul>
<b><u>Avondale Road</u></b>		
Avondale Rd	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. No traffic lights at Avondale Rd/N.C.R Junction &amp; Monck Place/Phibsboro Rd Junction</li> <li>2. HGV's</li> <li>3. Parking on both sides of road – not enough space</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Traffic Lights</li> <li>-Restrict access for HGV's</li> <li>- Extension of the Clearway areas and the length of time on the Clearways</li> </ul>
<b><u>Brunswick St Nth</u></b>		
Brunswick St North	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Lack of Cycle Lanes</li> <li>2. HGV's</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Improved Pedestrian &amp; Cycle facilities</li> <li>-Tree Planting</li> <li>-Feeder lights regulating traffic coming from Arbour Hill into Nth Bruns. St</li> <li>-Remove Traffic Lights at traffic island at Junction of Grangegorman/Brunswick</li> </ul>
<b><u>Church St</u></b>		
Church St	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Pedestrian Crossing</li> <li>2. Speeding</li> <li>3. The turn right onto Nth King St</li> </ol>	-Filter light for turn right onto Nth King St and Signs

	4. Volume of Traffic on Church St	
<b><u>Constitution Hill</u></b>		
Constitution Hill	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Too many non-residents using area for parking</li> <li>2. Speeding (no speed limit)</li> <li>3. Access for Emergency Services</li> <li>4. Heavy commuter traffic</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Residential Parking</li> <li>-Speed Ramps</li> <li>-One way system</li> <li>-Improved pedestrian &amp; cycle facilities</li> <li>-Parking Restrictions</li> <li>-HGV's Restrictions</li> </ul>
<b><u>Prebend Street</u></b>		
Prebend St	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Parking</li> <li>2. Speeding</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Parking Restrictions</li> <li>-Filling of Pot Holes</li> <li>-Residential parking for Constitution Hill only on Prebend St</li> <li>-Filling of Pot Holes</li> </ul>
<b><u>Lower Grangegorman Rd</u></b>		
Grangegorman Rd	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. HGV's</li> <li>2. Access difficulties by HGV's</li> <li>3. Speeding</li> <li>4. Parking</li> <li>5. Problems caused by building works.</li> <li>6. Traffic Volume</li> <li>7. Road not wide enough</li> <li>8. Diff crossing Nth King St/Narrow Rd</li> <li>9. Speed of Waste Collection Trucks</li> <li>10. Congestion at the bottom of Marne Villas to Nolan's Fish Packaging</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Resident Parking Scheme</li> <li>-Restrict HGV's</li> <li>-Parking prohibited to one side of the road between Kirwan St and outside St. Brendan's Hospital</li> <li>-Speed Ramps</li> <li>-Weight Limit on Commercial Vehicles</li> <li>-Double yellow lines</li> <li>-Disallow collection after 7pm</li> <li>-Pedestrian Crossing at junction Kirwan St &amp; Lwr Grangegorman Rd</li> <li>-One Way System</li> <li>-Pedestrian Lights at junction Red Cow Lane &amp; Nth King St</li> <li>-Regulate the traffic access around the Cleansing Depot &amp; Marne Villas</li> <li>-Allow traffic from Nth King St to Grangegorman (crossing Brunswick St)</li> </ul>
<b><u>Orchard Terrace</u></b>		
Orchard Terrace	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. HGV's</li> <li>2. Rush Hour Traffic</li> <li>3. Vehicles using footpath</li> <li>4. Speeding</li> <li>5. Parking issues e.g. blocking of laneways preventing access by emergency services</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-One Way</li> <li>-Restriction of HGV's/3 tonne limit</li> <li>-Residential Parking</li> <li>-Road to be closed to vehicles</li> <li>-Parking Restrictions</li> <li>-Dbl Yellow Lines</li> </ul>
<b><u>Upper Grangegorman</u></b>		
Grangegorman Upper	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Volume of Traffic</li> <li>2. Speed</li> <li>3. HGV's</li> <li>4. Non Residents parking</li> <li>5. Bin Lorries</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-One Way Street</li> <li>-Restrict HGV's</li> <li>-Improve right turn radius off N.C.R. onto G.G. Upper</li> <li>-Improved peds. Facilities</li> </ul>

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6. Uncertainty at Grangegorman Road/Rathdown Rd Intersection</li> <li>7. Roads too narrow for parking on both sides</li> <li>8. Poor condition of roads</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Residential Parking</li> <li>-Extend Dbl Yellow Lines at Upp G.G. and N.C.Rd</li> <li>-Creation of a traffic triangle at intersection</li> <li>-Improved pedestrian &amp; cycle access between Gr. G. Upper &amp; Const. Hill</li> <li>-Right Turn ban at NCR/Grangegorman Upper</li> <li>-Parking on one side of road only</li> </ul>
<b><u>Great Western Ave</u></b>		
Great Western Ave	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Abuse of traffic turning right onto Great Western Ave although it is a one way street</li> <li>2. Volume of traffic on NC Rd</li> <li>3. Excessive Parking/ Illegal Parking (e.g. on corners)</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Signs indicating one way</li> <li>-Yellow Box at access from Great Western Ave to NC Rd</li> <li>-Speed Ramps</li> <li>-More cycle lanes</li> <li>-Extend dbl yellow lines at corners</li> </ul>
<b><u>Great Western Square</u></b>		
Great Western Square	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Speeding</li> <li>2. HGV's</li> <li>3. Anti-pedestrian traffic management</li> <li>4. Parking on both sides of road not enough space</li> <li>5. Blocked view of traffic coming out of Great Western Sq onto Monck Place due to parked vehicles</li> <li>6. No Pedestrian Crossing &amp; No lights for pedestrians at Great West. Sq/Constitution Hill</li> <li>7. Road Flooded</li> <li>8. Volume of Traffic</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Double Yellow Lines</li> <li>-Pay Parking</li> <li>-Pedestrian Crossing</li> <li>-Park &amp; Ride Facilities</li> <li>- Speed Ramps</li> <li>-Enforce no parking on footpaths</li> <li>- Bollards</li> <li>- Better Signage</li> </ul>
<b><u>Great Western Villas</u></b>		
Great Western Villas	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Parking of Cars on footpath &amp; blocking doorways</li> <li>2. Access problems for Emergency Services</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- One Way</li> <li>- Parking on one side of street</li> <li>- Dbl yellow lines on both sides (No 16 Gt West Sq to No 40 Gt West Villas)</li> <li>- Speed Ramps</li> <li>- Clamping</li> </ul>
<b><u>Kirwan St. Cottages</u></b>		
Kirwan St	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Speeding /Joyriding</li> <li>2. Not enough pedestrian areas</li> <li>3. Volume of trucks and vans</li> <li>4. Illegal Parking/Parking by non-residents</li> <li>5. Road very narrow</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Traffic Enforcement</li> <li>-Making Kirwan St a Cul-De-Sac by closing the Manor St end</li> <li>- Dbl Yellow Lines</li> <li>- Parking Restrictions/ Disc Parking only for non-residents</li> <li>- One Way</li> <li>- Speed Ramps</li> <li>-Re-open Kirwan St</li> </ul>

<b>Manor Street</b>		
Manor St	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Speeding</li> <li>2. Buses</li> <li>3. HGV's</li> <li>4. Pedestrian Safety/child safety</li> <li>5. Cars parked on footpath (access difficulties for wheelchair-bound resident)</li> <li>6. Not enough crossing time at Manor St/Aughrim St Junction</li> <li>7. Ped Lights sequence at Manor Place/Manor St take too long</li> <li>8. Motorists not obeying "stop" sign at junction of Kirwan St &amp; Manor Sr</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Lower Speed Limits</li> <li>-More Pedestrian Lights</li> <li>-Traffic Calming</li> <li>-Speed Camera</li> <li>-Speed Ramps</li> <li>-Traffic light Sequence to be altered at Prussia Manor</li> <li>- Remove large Plant containers</li> <li>-Measures to prevent Parking on Footpath</li> </ul>
<b>Monck Place</b>		
Monck Place	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. No cycle facilities</li> <li>2. Speed</li> <li>3. HGV's</li> <li>4. Volume of Traffic</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Speed Ramps</li> <li>-Cycle lane</li> <li>-Alternate route to reduce volume of traffic</li> <li>-Disc Parking</li> <li>-Restricting Access for HGV 's</li> </ul>
<b>North Circular Road</b>		
North Cir. Rd	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. HGV's</li> <li>2. No parking space</li> <li>3. Roads too narrow</li> <li>4. Pedestrian Safety</li> <li>5. Speeding</li> <li>6. Heavy Traffic</li> <li>7. Buses don't stop in the bus curb</li> <li>8. Road full of pot-holes</li> <li>9. Poor condition of road from Phoenix Pk to Aughrim St</li> <li>10. Severe flooding on road</li> <li>11. Vehicles not obeying the red light signal at the ped crossing at junction of Charleville &amp; NC Rd</li> <li>12. Parked cars causing diff exiting Charleville Rd to Nth Cr.</li> <li>13. No Roundabouts</li> <li>14. Difficulty crossing at intersection between Phibsboro Rd &amp; Nth Cr. Rd</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Restrict HGV's</li> <li>- Space to park car outside house</li> <li>- One Way System</li> <li>- Camera monitoring at Hanlons Corner</li> <li>-Ped lights at entrance to Annamoe Rd</li> <li>-Repair to surface of NCRd</li> <li>-Extend Dbl Yellow Lines at Charleville Junction</li> <li>-Strict enforcement of speed limits</li> <li>-Restrict parking</li> <li>-Bus markings too long</li> <li>-Yellow box outside premises</li> <li>-Better Street Lighting</li> <li>-Clean the gullies</li> <li>-Reduce parking by 70-80 ft From corner of NCRd to Hanlon's Corner Direction</li> <li>-Pedestrian Crossing Lights more visible</li> <li>-Trees need attending to</li> <li>-Resurface Roads &amp; Pavements</li> <li>-Pedestrian/Cycle Crossing Areas</li> <li>-Link roads which are residential areas</li> <li>-Reduce Speed Limits</li> </ul>
<b>Norton's Avenue</b>		
Norton's Ave	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Speed</li> <li>2. HGV's not using loading bay on Phibsboro Rd</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- One Way System</li> <li>- An access road only</li> <li>- Dbl Yell Lines to be moved from Westside to Eastside</li> </ul>
<b>The Boro</b>		
The Boro Phibsboro	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. HGV's</li> <li>2. Road &amp; footpaths (in bad condition and too narrow)</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Speed Ramps</li> <li>- One Way system</li> </ul>

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. Speeding</li> <li>4. Parking (illegal and non-residential)</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Reduced access at peak times</li> <li>- Repairs to all footpaths</li> <li>- Double Yellow Lines</li> <li>- Right turn*</li> <li>-Widen the path</li> </ul>
<b>Phibsboro Road</b>		
Phibsboro Rd	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Volume of Traffic</li> <li>2. Pedestrian facilities</li> <li>3. Flooding on footpaths</li> <li>4. Parking (both sides of road and on footpath, difficult to get a space)</li> <li>5. Junction of Doyles Corner very dangerous due to HGV's turning corner and drivers breaking lights</li> <li>6. Safety of children</li> <li>7. Junction at Western Way &amp; Phibsboro extremely dangerous for pedestrians</li> <li>8. HGV's blocking light</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Diversion of Traffic</li> <li>- Pedestrian Crossing at Gowan's Pub</li> <li>- Tree Planting</li> <li>- Improved Roads &amp; Paths</li> <li>- Parking Permit for residents whose houses are located across the clearway which would enable them to park outside their houses</li> <li>- Clampers in the area more often</li> <li>- Restrict entry for HGV's</li> <li>- Improved Pedestrian &amp; Cycle Facilities</li> <li>-No parking on footpath</li> <li>- Pedestrian Crossing at Junction of Western Way &amp; Phibsboro</li> <li>- Residential parking</li> <li>-Equal timing on lights at junction at Church in Phibsboro</li> <li>- Yellow Box to be put in place at junction of Const. Hill/ Phibsboro Rd.</li> <li>- Signage: "No Parking" &amp; "Go Slow"</li> <li>-Traffic Island at junction of Nth King St be re-opened</li> </ul>
<b>Area of Concern</b>	<b>Issues of Concern</b>	<b>Residents Preferred Appropriate Measures</b>
<b>Prussia St</b>		
Prussia St	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Speeding (including joyriding at night)</li> <li>2. Volume of traffic at Hanlon's Corner</li> <li>3. Parking on footpaths</li> <li>4. Cyclists on footpath</li> <li>5. Vehicles ignoring traffic signals</li> <li>6. -HGV's</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Speed Ramps</li> <li>- Raised Junctions</li> <li>- Make road wider or implement a one way</li> <li>-Traffic Police to keep traffic moving</li> <li>-Improved pedestrian &amp; cycle facilities</li> </ul>
<b>Rathdown Road</b>		
Rathdown Rd	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Volume of traffic</li> <li>2. Parking by non-residents</li> <li>3. Speeding (including Joyriding)</li> <li>4. Noise from DCC Refuse Trucks</li> <li>5. Use of Rathdown Rd as a "rat run"</li> <li>6. Concern for pedestrian safety at St. Brendan's Hospital</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Disc parking for residents</li> <li>-Better Street Lighting</li> <li>-Supervising Speed limits</li> <li>-No right turn NC Rd to Rathdown Rd</li> <li>-Removal or reduction of ramps</li> <li>-Traffic Light at the top of Rathdown Rd instead of between Rathdown Rd &amp; Charleville Rd</li> <li>-Stop Trucks parking at Rathdown Rd junction</li> <li>-One way system</li> <li>-More ramps between Rathdown Rd and Grangegorman</li> <li>- Pedestrian crossing at the entrance of St Brendan's Hospital</li> </ul>

		-Raised Junction at the top of Rathdown C to take into account the coming on stream of DIT in the grounds of St. Brendan's Hospital
<b><u>Rosemount Road</u></b>		
Rosemount Rd	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Difficulty gaining access to Nth Cr. Rd at peak times</li> <li>2. Convergence of Nth Cr. Rd traffic and Navan Rd traffic into one lane at St. Peters Church Junction</li> <li>3. Speeding</li> <li>4. Use of road as car parking by Garage</li> <li>5. Traffic Volume</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-One way</li> <li>-A light rail system</li> <li>-A bus corridor</li> <li>-Speed Ramps</li> <li>-Raised Junctions</li> <li>-Restricted parking for Car Dealerships</li> </ul>
<b><u>Royal Canal Terrace</u></b>		
Royal Canal Tce/Phibsboro Rd/Constit. Hill	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Volume of Traffic</li> <li>2. Uncontrolled parking</li> <li>3. Lack of Pedestrian Lights</li> <li>4. Lack of Yellow boxes</li> <li>5. Parking on footpath outside The Village Way Store</li> <li>6. Non-Residents parking on the road causing obstruction for emergency services</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Restrict Access for HGV's</li> <li>-Cycle Lanes</li> <li>-Dbl Yell Lines to be continued from McGowans Pub to the Junction</li> <li>-Resident Disc Parking</li> <li>-Improve access to Royal Canal Bank from Western Way</li> <li>-Cycle Lanes</li> </ul>
<b><u>Shea's Court</u></b>		
Shea's Court	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Bottleneck traffic getting in and existing homes</li> <li>2. Cannot access Stoneybatter because of traffic restrictions</li> <li>3. Parking</li> <li>4. Sign to indicate business park outside Shea's Court Estate</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Yellow box at the junction of Shea's Lane &amp; Manor St</li> <li>-No parking outside Londis</li> <li>-Measures to prevent speeding</li> </ul>

<b><u>Stanhope St</u></b>		
Stanhope St	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Safety issues exiting Stanhope St</li> <li>2. HGV's</li> <li>3. Bin Trucks</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Metered parking with white lines</li> <li>-Measures to enable easier exit from Stanhope St</li> <li>-Ramps at junction of Stanhope St &amp; Lr</li> </ul>
<b><u>Stoneybatter</u></b>		
Stoneybatter	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Parking for Delivery Vans is very restricted</li> <li>2. Speeding</li> <li>3. Parking in Bus Lanes &amp; abuse of loading bays</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Single Lane Traffic</li> <li>-Removal of certain loading bays</li> </ul>

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

**Central Area Traffic Management  
Capital Works Programme 2008**

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## Introduction

The Roads and Traffic Department implemented an extensive programme of works in the last twelve months. The Dublin Transportation Office (DTO) provided significant funding for some of the measures (including 100% funding for QBC works) but many of the measures could not have been implemented without the revenue generated by paid parking.

The following are the main traffic management measures, which are funded by paid parking (Parking Meter Fund).

- Local Traffic Calming Schemes
- New Traffic and Pedestrian Signals
- Road Marking Renewal & New Road Markings
- New Pay & Display Machines
- Match Funding for Schemes Partially Funded by the DTO (e.g. Cycle Tracks, Environmental Cells, Mobility Impaired Disabled (MID) Improvements etc).
- Traffic Management Infrastructural Maintenance

The total proposed expenditure from the parking meter fund is €5,000,000 and this has been included in the draft estimate for 2008.

## Proposed Capital Works Programme

The following are details of the proposed programme of works for 2008.

### 1. Traffic Calming Schemes and Minor Works

These works include traffic calming, ramp repair, parking control, pedestrian crossings and other minor works recommended by the Traffic Advisory Group/Area Committees.

<b>Local Area Traffic Calming</b>			
Drumcliffe Road / Inver Road	Mini roundabout		10,000
Liscannor Road D7	1 speed ramp		6,000
St. Fintan's Road D7	1 speed ramp		6,000
Mulroy Road Dublin 7	1 speed ramp		6,000
Aughrim Street Lower 7 (to be completed in 2009)	3 x 2 speed cushions		20,000
<b>Area wide Traffic Calming</b>			
Grangegorman Traffic Cell D7	Cell design		20,000
<b>Footway Widening</b>			
North Brunswick Street D7	Widen and improve footway		20,000
<b>Other</b>			
Traffic Signals			20,000
Cycle facilities			12,000
Road Closures			10,000
Indented parking / loading			10,000
Contingency			10,000
	<b>Total</b>		<b><u>150,000</u></b>

### 2. Major Environmental Works

<i>Scheme</i>	<i>Area</i>	<i>Cost €</i>
Capel Street Improvement (2 +3)	Central	2,000,000
Cabra Improvements	Central	50,000

The Development Department is to provide funding of €2,000,000 for Capel Street.

### 3. East Road Traffic Management Scheme

A sum of €100,000 is to be provided to finish outstanding works on East Road

#### **4. Cycle Facilities**

The 2008 programme of cycle facilities improvement is estimated to cost €800,000. A 75% DTO grant is anticipated.

#### **5. Road Marking**

The up keep of road marking is an important traffic management and safety issue and the allocation of €1,800,000 from the Parking Meter Fund has been provided for 2008. The detailed programme of works will involve renewal of approximately 45% of the road marking in each area.

#### **6. Signal Upgrade**

An allocation of €500,000 from the Parking Meter Fund is proposed for 2008. This work is required for safety reasons.

#### **7. MID Pedestrian Improvements**

A work programme of €1,000,000 is proposed for the upgrade of pedestrian facilities. A DTO grant of €750,000 is anticipated with the remaining costs from the Parking Meter Fund.

#### **8. Fibre Optic Network**

A budget of €800,000 is provided for the provision of fibre optic communications. DTO funding at 75% is anticipated.

#### **9. CCTV**

It is proposed to spend €200,000 on the expansion of the CCTV system. A DTO grant of €150,000 is anticipated.

#### **10. NRA Safety Schemes**

A grant of €200,000 has been sought for safety works on National Routes.

#### **11. DOELG Safety Schemes**

A grant of €260,000 has been sought for safety works on Non National Routes.

#### **12. HGV Management**

It is proposed to spend €400,000 on the ongoing development of the HGV Management Strategy. A DTO grant of €300,000 is anticipated with remaining €100,000 funded from the parking meter fund.

#### **13. Rapid Scheme**

It is proposed to spend €200,000 on the Rapid Scheme. Co funding of €100,000 is provided under this scheme with the balance being provided from the Parking Meter Fund.

#### **14. Pay and Display.**

A provision of €100,000 is made for purchase of Pay and Display machines.

#### **15. Disability Act Implementation Plan**

As part of the Act, Accessibility Audits have taken place throughout 2007. A sum of €1,000,000 is budgeted to implement issues arising out of these Audits. All of this money is to be funded externally.

#### **16. Cashless Payment of Parking Charges**

A provision of €100,000 is made for procurement in relation to implementation of the Cashless Payment Scheme

#### **17. New and TAG related Signage**

A sum of €150,000 is budgeted for the provision of signs relating to TAG items and new signage requirements.

#### **18. Maintenance of Traffic Management Infrastructure**

A provision of €150,000 is made for the maintenance and review of existing Traffic Management infrastructure.

#### **19. Road Safety Implementation**

A provision of €100,000 is budgeted for the implementation of issues arising from road traffic safety.

## Summary of Capital Works Programme

	<i>Total €</i>	<i>Co-funding €</i>	<i>Meter Fund €</i>
1. Minor Works	800,000	===	800,000
2. Major Environmental Works	2,400,000	2,000,000	400,000
3. East Road	100,000	===	100,000
4. Cycle Facilities	800,000	600,000	200,000
5. Road Marking	1,700,000	===	1,700,000
6. Signal Upgrade	500,000	===	500,000
7. MID Pedestrian	1,000,000	750,000	250,000
8. Fibre Optic Network	800,000	600,000	200,000
9. CCTV	200,000	150,000	50,000
10. NRA Safety	200,000	200,000	===
11. DOELG Safety	260,000	260,000	===
12. HGV Management	400,000	300,000	100,000
13. Rapid Schemes	200,000	100,000	100,000
14. P&D Machines	100,000	===	100,000
15. Disability Act Implementation Plan	1,000,000	1,000,000	===
16. Cashless Payment of Parking Charges	100,000	===	100,000
17. New & TAG related Signage	150,000	===	150,000
18. Maintenance of Traffic Management Infrastructure	150,000	===	150,000
19. Road Safety Implementation	100,000	===	100,000
<b><u>Total</u></b>	<b>10,960,000</b>	<b>5,960,000</b>	<b>5,000,000</b>

This is an ambitious programme of works. Completion of individual schemes will be dependent on public consultation and availability of contractors.

This works programme was submitted to the Traffic and Transportation SPC for noting in December 2007.

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

**Proposed Introduction of a Pay and Display  
Residents' Parking Scheme on Home Farm Road,  
Drumcondra**

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**January 2008**

Following a request to the Council on behalf of a resident of Home Farm Road that pay and display and residents' parking be introduced on the road, the implementation of parking controls was recommended by the Council's Traffic Advisory Group, subject to survey of the residents.

A ballot of residents took place in October/November 2007 and resulted in a majority of returned ballots in favour of controlled parking. A total of 93 ballots were issued to residents. 39 ballots were returned with 21 ballots in favour of introducing the parking scheme and 13 ballots cast in opposition to the proposed scheme. A further 6 ballots opposed to the scheme were received - one ballot from a resident not on the Register of Electors and 5 ballots which were returned after the closing date.

The Council has now received two petitions signed by residents of Home Farm Road as follows:

- Petition signed by 40 residents opposing the scheme
- Petition signed by 10 residents in favour of the scheme

In view of the fact that there is conflicting evidence of the wishes of the residents with regard to the introduction of parking controls on Home Farm Road, it is recommended that a further ballot of the residents of Home Farm Road be conducted in order to determine the considered view of residents and that a final decision on the matter be made based on the outcome of this further ballot.

This report is submitted to Members for noting.

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With reference to the Central Area Works Programme 2008

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**PARKS WORKS PROGRAMME 2008**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Work to be carried out</b>	<b>Estimated Cost €</b>
Griffith Park	Playground Extension	100,000
Martin Savage Park	Entrances and path	150,000
Ashington Open Space	Provide new multi-purpose play area for basketball, football and tennis	150,000
Mountjoy Square Park	Commence railings upgrading	50,000
Ratoath Estate	Contribution towards new boundary wall	25,000
Mount Bernard Park	Provide playground equipment	10,000
Blessington Street Depot	Improvement works	25,000

**ROADS WORKS PROGRAMME 2008**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Cost €</b>
<b>National Primary</b>		
Inns Quay	Flag path	5,000
Oromond Quay	Flag path	5,000
Liffey Street junction with quays	Brick path	5,000
Batchelor's Walk	Flag path	10,000
North Circular Road (bus stop/c'way at Phibs Rd)	Asp c/w	87,750
Navan Road	Asp c/w	40,000
Berkeley Road (flag footpath from 35 Eccles St)	Flag path	100,000
Prospect Road	Conc path	41,600
Prospect Road	Asp c/w	98,000
<b>Regional &amp; Local Roads Carriageway &amp; Footpath</b>		
Annesley Avenue	Asp c/w	Area Off. funded
Sherrard Avenue	Asp c/w	31,850
Sherrard St Lower	Asp c/w	17,500
North Circular Road	Asp c/w	192,500
Parnell Street East	Asp c/w	10,500
North Circular junction with Summerhill	Asp c/w	65,000
NCR Dorset St to Summerhill junction (misc areas)	Asp c/w	20,000
Infirmary Road adj. To Parkgate St	Asp c/w	57,750
Bus terminal on Parkgate St	Asp c/w	14,400
Caledon Rd (footpath/carriageway)	Asp c/w	15,000



Delvin Tce from Mountjoy St to Blessington St	Asp c/w	66,000
Butt Bridge	Asp c/w	65,000
Langrishe Place	Asp c/w	15,050
North Wall Quay (misc)	Asp c/w	20,000
Yarnhall St	Asp c/w	13,500
Blackhorse Ave	Asp c/w	30,000
Annamoe Tce to Cabra Rd end	Conc path	27,600
Dunard Est (misc footpath/dishings)	Conc path	30,000
Jones Road	Asp c/w	10,000
Violet Hill	Conc path	8,000
Whitworth Rd	Asp c/w	126,500
Frederick Lane North	Asp c/w	50,000
Gardiner St Lower	Asp c/w	78,000
Carnlough Road	Conc c/w	60,000
Cabra Drive	Conc c/w	6,000
Bannow Road	Conc c/w	30,000
Killala Rd adj. To no. 14	Conc c/w	44,000
Clonliffe Rd (from Tolka Rd to no. 164)	Conc path	149,500
Chancery Place	Conc c/w	57,200
Drumcliffe Rd (Killala Rd to Inver Rd)	Conc c/w	55,000
Drumcliffe Rd (Killala Rd to Inver Rd lhs)	Conc path	24,150
Bannow Rd	Conc c/w	25,000
Grattan Parade off Dorset St dishings	Conc path	3,000
Gardiner St (flagged path ease side nth of Talbot St)	Flag fpath	8,000
Cathal Brugha St (south path flags)	Flag fpath	10,000
Findlater Place	Flag fpath	5,000
Coles Lane	Brick c/w	40,000
Ratra area	Conc path	15,000
Kilkiernan Rd at school	Conc path	72,800
Leinster St Nth	Conc path	25,000
Spencer St Nth	Conc path	42,000
James St	Conc path	21,000
Spencer Place	Conc path	8,000
Prussia St (St Joseph's Rd to opp Shopping Ctr)	Conc path	40,250
Prussia St (40 mtrs south of NCR)	Conc path	19,550
NCR from Aughrim St to Park entrance (adj trees)	Asph. Path	80,000
Ratoath Rd (west side from no. 63 to opp. No. 11)	Conc path	75,900
Fassaugh Avenue	Conc c/w	40,000
Fassaugh Avenue (at shops/post office)	Conc f/w	10,000
<b>Other</b>		
Tree trips		84,000
Bridge Maintenance		180,000
Emergency Callouts		80,000
Winter Maintenance		15,000
Weed Spraying		30,000
Extra Gullies – Where required		30,000
Misc. works		600,000
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2,949,500</b>

**PUBLIC LIGHTING WORKS PROGRAMME 2008**

<b>Scheme</b>	<b>Priority Grade</b>	<b>Work to be carried out</b>	<b>Cost €</b>
Annamoe Park	1	Add additional 6m tub with 55sox at H53/52 boundary	5,050
Ashford Street	1	Upgrade 3 to 70w SONT ARCs	1,170
Ashtown Rd (from roundabout to train station)	3	Upgrade 7 (P3-P9) to 70w son ARCs. Add 1 6m HP with 70son between P2-P3	4,387
Auburn Street	2	Upgrade 4 to 70w son ARC	1,560
Beresford Lane	2	Add one 55w wall bracket between P1 & P2 on opposite side of street	880
Cabra Grove	3	Upgrade 3 to 70w son lffleys	1,488
Clarence St Great Nth	2	Add one 6m HP with 55 wsox between pole 7&8.	1,452
Drumalee	1	Add one 6m tub with 55w sox at rear H19 Drumalee Drive	6,912
Drumcondra Park	2	Upgrade 4 to 60w CPOT Cosmopolis	1,616
Foster Terrace	3	Upgrade 5 to 70w son ARCs	1,950
Home Farm Park	1	Add additional CI between P2&P7. Upgrade 5 to 70son Arc & 2 lamps in hammerhead to 100son ARC.	8,964
Home Farm Road	2	Upgrade 24 to 150son ARC, will need to change brackets also.	28,344
Hope Avenue	1	Add 1x100w son ARC on P5 at corner of leinster Avenue and upgrade P1 & P2 similarly.	1,882
Kinvara Road	3	Upgrade 17 to 70son ARC	6,630
Marlborough Place	1	Upgrade 4 to 70son ARC and add 2 additional 70son on wall brackets, one in each side lane on right hand side	3,732
Monck Place	3	Upgrade 6 to 100son ARC	2,424
North Circular Road	1	Add additional 8m oct col with 2x2m bracket 250son ZX3 between P31 & P32 at Cabra Road, Annamoe Road junction side of Park House.	3,028
Northumberland Square	1	Add one 100w ZX1 in top right hand lane.	3,324
O'Sullivan Avenue	2	Upgrade 4x70son ARC	1,560
Phibsboro (Connolly's Warehouse)	1	Add one other pole on H15/H1 boundary opp warehouse.	1,452
Pig Lane	1	Add wall bracket with 70w ZX1 anti vandal on factory wall opp side H3 and one 6m col with 70w ZX1 antivandal in culdesac opp P3.	5,236
Ratra Park	1	Upgrade 2x100son Arcs and add double arm bracket with 100son ARC to P2 at Ratra Road.	1,882
St. Brendan's Road	2	Add HP with 55sox side of H34 St Columbas Rd Lwr	1,452
St. Teresa Place	1	Add additional HP with 55w at side	1,452

		of H12 (near laneway entrance).	
St. Ignatius Road	2	Upgrade 11 to 100son ARC	4,444
Summer Street Nth	2	Upgrade 5 to 70son ARC	1,950
Whitworth Road	1	Upgrade 24 to 150 ARC and change 7 concrete brackets	15,322
		<b>Total</b>	<b>119,543</b>
<b>2007 ITEMS</b>			
<b>Scheme</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Work to be carried out</b>	<b>Cost €</b>
Blessington Court	1 wall bracket outshanding	A) add 1 wall bracket w/70w lantern B) upgrade 6 lanterns to 70w	2,622
Nicholas Ave and Church St (at corner)		Add 1 wall bracket w/55w lantern. Add 1x6 Mtr Column c/w ESB U/G supply	894
Spencer Place & Spencer St Nth (at corner)		Add 1 wall bracket w/55w	894
St Marys Ave Nth	P1 and P2 upgraded	Add 5 brackets to existing poles & convert lanterns to 70w	1,530
		<b>Total</b>	<b>5,940</b>
<b>ITEMS CARRIED FORWARD FROM 2006</b>			
<b>Scheme</b>	<b>Comments</b>	<b>Work to be carried out</b>	<b>Cost</b>
Ormond Square (centre of square)		Add 4 poles w/70w lanterns and ESB connection	8,192
Queen Street	Not possible to install columns	Add 4 poles w/150w lanterns and ducting	21,000
Ratoath Rd roundabout		Replace existing column in centre of roundabout w/a decorative column & lanterns	5,000
Williams Lane		Install 4 new wall brackets w/100w lanterns	6,840
		<b>Total</b>	<b>41,032</b>

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

**Graffiti Removal Scheme**

Under the free graffiti removal scheme 450 instances of graffiti have removed from premises in the Central area to date.

The Department of Justice, Equality and Law Reform ceased operating this scheme from November 9<sup>th</sup> 2007. As yet no definitive information has been forthcoming on how the scheme will progress after this date.

**Covert CCTV**

In the period June to October the camera units have been in place in the following locations.

- Blessington Street
- Carnew Lane
- Spring Garden Street
- Temple Street
- Dr Carneys Lane
- Portland Place
- Ballyboggan Road
- Faussagh Avenue
- Merchants Road

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

One case has been forwarded to Waste Enforcement for investigation/prosecution relating to Ballyboggan Road, Dublin 11.

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

**Litter Hotline**

In the period June to October 511 incidents were reported to the Litter Hotline:

Dumping - 405
Litter - 41
Cleansing - 36
Non tagged bags - 6
Other – 23

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

E-mail – 194
Phone – 247
DCC staff – 70

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

Drumcondra – 79	Phibsboro – 22
Cabra – 49	Ballybough – 10
East Wall – 46	North Wall – 11
NEIC – 167	Stoneybatter – 19
NCR – 43	Other – 65

### **Litter Wardens**

The following are statistics for the Central Area Litter Wardens.

Number of notices issued - 0
Number of prosecutions initiated - 76
Number of convictions - 3
Number of on the spot fines issued - 1763
Number of on the spot fines paid - 896

### **Environmental Response Unit**

In the period June to October the Environmental Response Unit has removed **267 Tonnes** of dumped material from the Central Area.

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

### **Public Domain Defects**

In the period June to October 440 defects were reported by Public Domain Operatives to the following departments:

Roads Maintenance - 196
Cleansing - 96
Traffic - 44
Drainage - 35
Waterworks - 32
External Utilities - 37

### **Stainless Steel Cleaning**

Following an inspection of the stainless steel installations in O'Connell Street it was deemed appropriate that a new cleaning programme be put in place to preserve the integrity of the installations.

The once off chemical cleaning and treatment of the installations was carried out by Stainless Steel Restorations Ltd in August 2007 at a cost of €12,172. Ongoing maintenance will be carried out by the Public Domain Unit using methods specified by the contractors.

### **New Area Staff**

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

### **Chewing Gum Removal**

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

- Talbot Street, Capel Street.
- Parnell Street (from junction of Jervis Street to junction of O'Connell Street)
- Ormond Quay Lower, Bachelors Walk, Eden Quay (building side only and also pedestrian entrance to Ha'penny Bridge and Millennium Bridge)
- Grattan Bridge
- Coles Lane
- Dorset Street Upper and Lower
- Drumcondra Road Lower (new granite)
- Abbey Street Lower and Middle
- Wolfe Tone Park and surrounding footpath
- Amiens Street From Junction of Sheriff Street to Junction of Store Street (Connolly Station side only)

### **EPROW**

The following public rights of way have been initiated/extinguished by the Central Area Committee in the period June to October:

Laneway to the rear of 28-34 O'Sullivan Avenue
Section of Footpath outside 105 Capel Street, D1
Steps leading to East Rd (Johnny Cullens Hill), D3
Laneway at 1-17 Park Rd, D7

### **Naming and Numbering**

Naming proposals were agreed for developments at the following locations:

11-16 Russell Street, D1
North King Street/Beresford St, D1
50-64 Quarry Road, D7
Pelletstown, D15
21-25 Sherrard Street, D1
543-551 North Circular Road, D1
169 Drumcondra Road, D9

### **Communications**

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

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

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

#### **North Wall Community Forum**

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

#### **North East Inner City Community Forum**

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

#### **Healy St & Area Community Policing Forum**

1. Dumping of rubbish and cleansing issues at:

Rutland Place North, Thompson Cottages, Summerhill Parade, Summer St Nth  
and North Circular Road – (Summerhill Parade to Dorset St)

**Mountjoy and District Community Forum**

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

**Drumcondra Community Forum**

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

**Ballybough Community Forum**

1. New Community Centre
2. Traffic
3. Cleansing

**East Wall Community Forum**

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

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

**Parks**

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

**Public Lighting**

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

**Road maintenance**

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

**Traffic Management**

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

**Housing**

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

**Waste Management**

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

**Planning**

Enforcement, objections, derelict sites, community gain.

**Misc.**

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

**Hugh McKenna**

**Assistant Area Manager**

## **NORTH EAST INNER CITY INTEGRATED AREA PLAN**

### **New Primary School and Pre-School at Gloucester Place**

On 5<sup>th</sup> December 2005 a decision to grant planning permission was made in respect of a development consisting of a 9-classroom Primary School and 7-classroom Pre-School. The structure is four storeys to Sean MacDermott Street and Gloucester Park, part three storeys with roof top covered play area enclosed with canopy to Gloucester Diamond and Gloucester Place, and part four-storey to Gloucester Place. The development has a total floor area of 3114 sq. m. The Department of Education commenced on site on 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2007 and construction works are continuing.

### **Civic Centre**

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

### **Liberty Park Crèche**

Kids Inc operate the Liberty Corner facility, on behalf of Dublin City Council, as a traditional crèche and Montessori facility. It caters for children from 3 months to 5 years. Priority is given to residents from the NEIC RAPID area. Currently a full time place costs €125 per child per week for parents residing in the NEIC RAPID area. Dublin City Council is subventing the cost of childcare places for local parents. The facility caters for approximately 31 children. The crèche has been fitted out; the National Childcare Investment Programme gave funding approval for the fit out costs on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2007. The crèche was officially opened by the Lord Mayor Councillor Vincent Jackson on 10<sup>th</sup> May 2007 and opened for business on 21<sup>st</sup> May 2007. There are now 5 fulltime staff members, including a Manager and one part-time staff member. There are 19 fulltime children.

### **Buckingham Street Family Resource Centre**

Dublin City Council and the HSE are negotiating with Barnardos who plan to run a family resource centre from this facility. The exact mix of services was determined following local consultation. This service will focus on children in need from 0-12 years and their families. The post of Manager of this facility was advertised on the 27<sup>th</sup> January 2007. Interviews took place and an offer of employment was made. A lease is being prepared for the building. The Health Services Executive, Dublin City Council and Barnardos will jointly fund the facility. Hill Street Family Resource Centre has occupied part of the building and Barnardos staff moved in on the 27<sup>th</sup> July. Minor refurbishment works will be carried out on the building. Barnardos have signed the lease and it is expected that both parties will execute the lease shortly. There will be an official opening in the New Year.

### **Liberty Corner Retail Units**

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

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



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

Planning permission was granted for a five-storey office/retail development over basement car parking beside Connolly Station. The development is now complete. A Final Stage Certificate under the Urban Renewal Tax Incentive Scheme was applied for and the Area Architect has completed a report stating that the development is in compliance with the objectives of the North East Inner City Integrated Area Plan.

### **Retail Units at Killarney Court**

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

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

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

Citizens Information Centre and HOPE accepted the offer to avail of the premises at Killarney Court. They have met with the City Council and Consultant Architects, with a view to finalising their design requirements for their respective units in the Killarney Court Complex.

### **Store Street Plaza – Redevelopment**

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

### **North Great Georges Street (part of)**

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

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

**Veronica Plunkett**  
**Administrative Officer**

**North East Inner City Housing CAC Report**

**Area Housing Manager – Chris Butler**

**Sean O’Casey Avenue**

Security fencing erected. Household junk collection carried out. Painting of laneways completed. Public lighting upgraded.

**Liberty House**

Residents and Public reps supportive of redevelopment plan. Plans of new development put on display in March and generally welcomed by all residents. Plans still being considered by D.O.E. Demolition of D block completed.

**Sean Treacy House**

Complex fully detenanted. Demolition completed. Tender documentation currently being prepared.

**Lourdes House**

First phase of redevelopment to be completed by June 2008. Installation of heating due to be completed by Christmas. Window contractor has begun to install new uPVC windows.

**Matt Talbot Court**

Consultations with residents on redevelopment of complex underway. Needs Analysis ongoing.

**St. Mary’s Mansions**

Painting of complex completed.

**James Larkin House**

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

**Avondale House**

Plans for PIP awaiting approval from DOE.

**Fitzgibbon Court**

Installation of new water tanks has commenced.

**O’Brien Hall**

Funding for security doors being secured via RAPID.

### Community Section Update

<b>Group Name</b>	<b>Issues</b>	<b>Actions</b>
Dublin's Green Guide	Raising awareness	Distribution of various project packs for to Voluntary Groups, NGO's Housing Associations, Schools
Christmas Activities	Events	Supported the North East Inner City Christmas Festival held by residents from Liberty House, North William Street, Ballybough House, Gloucester Place, Summerhill, Rutland Court, Summerhill Place, Portland Close, Mary's Mansions, Avondale House, Fitzgibbon Court and James Larkin House and many more in Killarney Court Santa and Elves with face painters, clowns and local young DJ. Children received a gift from Santa and wrote their letter to the North Pole. The Festival ran for three days Santa met over 250 children. This event was so successful as parents and residents were actively involved in the planning and running of the event.
Christmas Tree	Events	Supported Sean O'Casey Avenue's Christmas Tree commemorating victims of cancer in the locality. Fr Michael Casey held prayers at the tree on the 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2007.
Small Grants	Achieving funding for projects	Processed applications for various group hosting parties & activities over the Christmas groups ranging from Senior Citizens to Youth Groups.
Senior Citizens	Events	Grant aided various groups.  Continuing to Introduce our new team to various groups in the area.  Further to survey in Fitzgibbon Court aged 55+ handy information pack drafted. There is a possibility of setting up a "Knit & Natter Club" for many 5 or more women who expressed an interest in January 2008.  It is proposed to visit & survey Senior Citizens in Ballybough Hse & Avondale House by end of February 2008.  Working with Lourdes Day Care Centre.  Continued support of Nascadh CDP in Eastwall Area their launch of Research Project for senior Citizen needs analysis to take place 22nd January 2008.
Residents Groups	New Groups	To work with Ballybough House in January 2008 to set up new committee as current committee to dissolve.
Youth Groups		Continuing to contact and meet various groups and officer ongoing support. Linking residents to groups established in their area.
Eastlink Fund	Grant Applications	To process applications received and meet with each of the applicants. Closing date for these applications was 19/12/07.
Intercultural	Course	Central Area staff attended Introduction to Islam &

		the Muslim Culture Course
Meetings	Other meetings as required e.g. in the Community Section in the Civic Offices	Joint meeting held in December with HSE whereby both organisations exchanged information and contacts. Further to this meeting our unit have worked with community nurse
Tenant Training	Contacting services within the area	Work is ongoing on the Central Area Welcome Pack distributed to all Managers for their comments. Proposed to launch pack early next year (Feb).
Summer Projects	Liaise with Volunteers and Residents Groups CYC & FAI	Parents who attended the NEIC Christmas Festival volunteered to work with Community Development Section to organise the summer projects. Arranged to meeting with CYC 10 <sup>th</sup> January 2008. To arrange meeting Development Officer, FAI & Play Development Section.
Plant Sales	Liaise with Volunteers and Residents Groups	Plant sales to commence early Spring for the Area.

## **Brian Kavanagh, Area Housing Manager**

### **Poplar Row**

All 33 new duplex/housing units have been allocated and occupied. There are ongoing meetings with the residents association. The contractor is in the process of securing/clearing the vacant site on Poplar Row and is addressing snagging issues that arise in the units. The vacant site has been cleared and secured by the builder. Plans are currently being draft by the project architect for the vacant site.

The offensive graffiti was removed from the stairwell and a paint programme will be carried out on the stairwells in early 2008. RAPID have funded the installation of two playgrounds at Annesley Close and Poplar Row.

### **Ballybough Community Centre**

Community Centre site meetings are ongoing between Builder, DCC and Residents Reps and will continue for the duration of the project. The Ballybough Community Centre Advisory Group met recently and received a progress report on the building. The project is due for completion in June 2008.

### **Croke Villas**

The complex is being detenanted at present to allow for the redevelopment. Consultation meetings with Tenants reps are ongoing. Community Charter now agreed with residents committee and presented to Area Committee. Bids for redevelopment under assessment.

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

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

### **Ballybough House**

The additional netting works were carried out on the football pitch. Bin storage facilities have been installed in the complex. We have removed some washing lines in the complex on request from the Residents Association. Monthly meetings are ongoing between the Area Housing Manager, Estate Manager and Residents Association.

### **Courtney Place**

Works have been completed on the installation of two bin storage facilities in the complex.

### **North Clarence Street/Dunne Street**

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

We are arranging for an electrical contractor to carry put works on the courtyard lighting, as requested by the Residents Association.

### **Tom Clarke House/Orchard Road Depot**

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

### **Brendan Behan Court**

All works have been completed on the ramp entrance to the said complex. We are presently looking at the entrance gate to the complex off Russell Avenue with a view to installing a more controllable and secure system for the residents of the complex.

**Charlie Lowe**  
**Area Manger**

To the Chairperson and Members of  
the Central Area Committee

January 2008

**North West Inner City Area Office (including HARP)**

**CABRA PARKSIDE COMMUNITY & SPORTS CENTRE**

**Activities available**

The activities currently available in the Complex are:

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

**Gym Special**

Cabra Parkside is offering a free months gym membership for any person that joins in the month of January. This special offer is to encourage new members to join and hopefully it will be a successful measure.

**GP Referrals**

It is hoped to establish a GP referral scheme in the New Year. GP referral schemes work in partnership with local GP's in an effort to make people who are presenting a doctor's surgeries with health problems that would benefit from exercise aware of Cabra Parkside and the facilities and services we offer.

**COMMUNITY**

The Smithfield Amateur Boxing Academy in St Paul's Primary School has been awarded of €5000 for renovations to their club.

The Grangegorman Mental Health Team made a presentation to the Cabra Community Network on the 12<sup>th</sup> of December, which was well received.

The Community Development Team distributed spring planting bulbs to various Resident Associations in the area.

**Pelletstown**

The Consultants appointed by Dublin City Council have finalised the preliminary design for the realignment of the River Road.

**Fassaugh Avenue**

The Road Design Division is in the process of finalising the design for streetscape improvements works outside the shops at Numbers 22 to 38 Fassaugh Avenue. The non-statutory consultation process will commence when the drawing is completed.

**Mary McInerney**

**Acting Administrative Officer**

**North West Inner City Report**

**Ormond Square**

Work is now complete on the refurbishment of 1-7 Ormond Square and ongoing liaising is taking place between the Residents Association and the Estate Manager. Almost all units have now been allocated. A public meeting was held in November in relation to the reinstallation of the playground in Ormond Square. It was decided by a majority that this goes ahead and it is hoped that works will commence early in the New Year.

**Chancery House**

The P.I.P. has commenced and contractors were onsite on November 5<sup>th</sup> 2007. DCC will continue to liaise with residents and a Works Committee has been formed for the duration of the P.I.P. to discuss and resolve any issues that may arise.

**Kevin Barry House**

Defensible Space Programme plans have been completed and consultation is ongoing with the Residents Association. A decision is awaited from Housing Maintenance Section on works to commence.

**Constitution Hill**

Civic Maintenance has completed the upgrading of the crèche and it is now re opened. Ongoing liaising is taking place between the Residents Association and the Estate Manager. It is hoped that the P.I.P. will commence early in the New Year.

**Blackhall/Marmion Court**

Maintenance issues within the complex are being investigated and resolved at present. A new entrance to the Playground Area has been completed.

**Drumalee Estate**

New resident's committee formed. Clean up took place on 22<sup>nd</sup> December, 2007. Landscape Architect to examine external areas on behalf of residents and with the agreement of Dublin City Council.

**Saint Bricin's Park**

Meetings took place in March in relation to plans and planning permission. Planning permission granted to Circle Housing Association.

**Wolfe Tone Close**

A working group has been set up between Residents, Dublin City Council and the Community Policing Forum to work together to resolve issues of concern to residents within the complex. The Estate Manager is currently investigating the possibility of re instating the Residents Association.

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

The Crèche and Football Pitch were officially opened by An Taoiseach, Bertie Ahern on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2007.

**Georges Place:**

Electrical gates are to be installed by the end of the year. It is hoped that works will commence and be completed on the installation of these gates early in the New Year.

**Temple House:**

Precinct Improvements: Plans agreed with residents are being finalised and costed by Quantity Surveyors Department for submission to D.O.E. A decision is awaited from Housing Maintenance Section on works to commence.

**Hill Street/Alfie Byrne House**

Precinct Improvements. Further information to be submitted to the Department of the Environment Heritage and Local Government.

**Henrietta House:**

The Precinct Improvement Programme is now complete. Minor snagging works are being carried out at the moment.

**Sheridan Court/Place:**

A new Committee has been set up consisting of residents from both complexes to discuss issues arising with the Estate Manager. Monthly meetings are being held with the residents.

**Charlie Lowe**  
**Area Manager**



**Questions to City Manager**  
**Central Area Committee**  
**January 2008**

**Q1 Councillor Christy Burke**

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

**Q.2 Councillor Christy Burke**

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

**Q.3. Councillor Christy Burke**

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

**Q.4. Councillor Christy Burke**

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

**Q.5. Councillor Christy Burke**

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

**Q.6. Councillor Christy Burke**

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

**Q.7. Councillor Mary O'Shea**

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

**Q.8. Councillor Mary O'Shea**

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

**Q.9. Councillor Mary O'Shea**

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

**Q.10. Councillor Mary O'Shea**

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

**Q.11. Councillor Mary O'Shea**

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

**Q.12. Councillor Mick Rafferty**

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

**Q.13. Councillor Brendan Carr**

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

**Q.14. Councillor Brendan Carr**

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

**Q.15. Councillor Brendan Carr**

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

**Q.16. Councillor Emer Costello**

To ask the Manager to report on the delay in fixing the security gates at **details supplied**.

**Q.17. Councillor Emer Costello**

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

**Q.18. Councillor Emer Costello**

To ask the Manager what traffic calming will be implemented at **details supplied** in 2008 and when this work will be carried out.

**Q.19. Councillor Emer Costello**

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

**Q.20. Councillor Emer Costello**

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

**Q.21. Councillor Emer Costello**

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