

CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday 13th March, 2007 at 2.30 p.m.

AGENDA

3042 Minutes of the Central Area Committee meeting held on 13th February, 2007
(attached) pages 6-39

3043 Questions to the Area Manager
(attached) pages 77-80

Planning and Development Matters

3044 With reference to 7-10 Gardiner Street Upper

3045 With reference to Proposed disposal of a strip of land adjacent to 41 Blackhorse Avenue, Dublin 7 to Kieran Brennan and Fionnuala McHugh, 41 Blackhorse Ave.
(report attached and map enclosed) page 40

3046 With reference to the proposed disposal of Commercial Unit 5, James Joyce Street, Dublin 1 to Mr Diarmuid Scollard and Mr David Park, C/O 20-20 Vision Design Group, 14 Docklands Innovation Park, Dublin 3.
(report attached) page 41

3047 With reference to the proposed disposal of Commercial Unit 8, James Joyce Street, Dublin 1 to Mr Henry Wildgust and Mr Niall O'Connor c/o Unit G1 The Steel Works, Foley St, Dublin 1.
(report attached) page 42

3048 With reference to the proposed disposal of Commercial Unit 2, James Joyce Street, Dublin 1 to Mr Paul Lemass, 58 Burnaby Heights, Greystones, Co. Wicklow.
report attached) pages 43

3049 Planning Application

Application No.: 1837/07

Applicant: Apex Estates Ltd

Location: Corner of Hendrick Street, Hendrick Lane and Benburb Street, Dublin 7. The site incorporates 17 Benburb Street and the adjoining former Edmundson Electrical Factory building and adjacent to 6 Benburb Street.

Proposal: A mixed use development. Demolition of 17 Benburb Street (H. Matthews Public House) and aforementioned factory building (Gross floor area of 3315sqm) and construction of 87 no. residential units, comprising : 23 no. 1 bed apartments ranging in size from 50 - 71sqm, 44 no. 2 bed apartments ranging in size from 70-88sqm and 20 no. 3 beds apartments ranging in size from 94-115sqm, with associated semi private courtyard open space, balconies and terraces, core accesses, laid out in three blocks ranging from 4 storeys to 10 storeys over two basement levels. The proposed scheme shall comprise three blocks as follows; Block A is the highest element of the scheme facing onto Hendrick Lane, Hendrick Street and Benburb Street. It is a six storey high building over two basement levels, rising to 10 storeys at the corner of Benburb Street and Hendrick Lane, where it encloses a new small public square. The block comprises 20 no. residential units, consisting of 10 no. 1 bed apartments and 10 no. 2 bed apartments. The ground to second floors of Block A contains a restaurant, lounge and bar area (407.4sqm) with courtyard seating (56sqm); Block B is a four storey with two set back levels building over two basement levels fronting onto Benburb Street. It contains 28 no. residential units, consisting of 6 no. 1 bed apartments, 9 no. 2 bed apartments and 13 no. 3 bed apartments. The ground floor of Block B contains a retail unit (128.8sqm), a cafe (143sqm) and a restaurant unit (141sqm). This Block features a 7m wide colonnaded pavement beside the proposed cafe, retail and restaurant units, creating sheltered public space adjoining Benburb Street. Block B adjoins no. 6 Benburb Street a Protected Structure; Block C is a four storey with two set back levels building over two basement levels fronting onto Hendrick Street, containing 39 no. residential units consisting of 6 no. 1 bed apartments, 26 no. 2 bed apartments and 7 no. 3 bed apartments. A retail unit (83.9sqm) and creche (165sqm) with creche patio (73sqm) are located are located at ground floor level; A leisure centre (gym and circulation space) and (library/cinema area (50.8sqm) is located at ground floor level beneath the central landscaped courtyard of the complex. A new public space is proposed at the junction of Benburb

Street and Hendrick Lane (210.3sqm) ; Provision of two basement levels (total 5260.7 sqm) accommodating 89 no. car parking spaces and 103 no. bicycle parking spaces with associated bin storage, core access, movement routes, swimming pool (328.8sqm) , changing rooms, bar storage area, boiler room, generator room, water tank room, attenuation tank and bar area(300.7sqm); Vehicular access to the underground car park is via Hendrick Street. And all related site development and services works, all on site at approx 3370sqm in area.

Registered Date: 23-Feb-2007

Environment and Culture Department Matters

- 3050** With reference to Public Library Events for March, 2007 in the Central Area and Citywide **(attached) pages 44-46**

Housing Department

- 3051** With reference to Social, Co-Operative and Voluntary Housing Programme for the Central Area **(report attached) pages 47-52**

Roads & Traffic Department Matters

- 3052** With reference to the minutes of the Traffic Advisory Group Meeting held on 15th February, 2007 in relation to traffic matters.
(report attached) pages 53-58
- 3053** With reference to a report on cycle tracks in the Central Area.
(report circulated)
- 3054** With reference to the Cycle Action Plan.
(report attached) pages 59

Central Area Matters

- 3055** With reference to a proposal to initiate the procedure for the Extinguishment of the Public Right of Way over the laneway between Nos 1 to 20 Ashington Crescent and 1 to 39 Kinvara Drive.
(report and map attached) pages 60-61
- 3056** With further reference to the Proposed Extinguishment of the Public Right of Way over a section of pathway on O'Connell Avenue, at the junction with Berkley Road, Dublin 7.
(report and map attached) pages 62-63
- 3057** With reference to the naming of a development at Broadstone, Phibsboro Road, Dublin 7.
(report attached) page 64
- 3058** With reference to the Naming Proposal for Development at Dorset Street, Wellington Street Lower and Paradise Place, Dublin 1.
(report attached) page 65
- 3059** **Updates on the following:**
Dorset Street and Canal Plan **page 66**
Environmental Services Unit **page 67**
NEIC IAP **pages 68-69**
North West Area (including HARP) **pages 70-71**
Housing Issues-North East Inner City **pages 72-74**
Housing Issues- North West Inner City **page 75-76**

3059(a) With reference to a presentation on Dublin City Biodiversity Action Plan 2007- 2010

Motions

3060 Motion in the name of Councillor Paschal Donohoe

That the Council survey and fix the drain at the entrance to St Columba's Road.

3061 Motion in the name of Councillor Paschal Donohoe

That the Council clean the lane behind St Anne's Road, Drumcondra and behind Fontenoy Street, Phibsborough.

3062 Motion in the name of Councillor Paschal Donohoe

That the Council provide a report on enforcement proceedings on 41 and 41a Blessington Street.

3063 Motion in the name of Councillor Paschal Donohoe

That the Council survey the verges in the Shandon Estate, Phibsborough and reseed damaged areas.

3064 Motion in the name of Councillor Paschal Donohoe

That an update be provided on the development of play facilities in Broadstone Basin and that basketball hoops be installed in the new playground.

3065 Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe

That this Area Committee contact NTL and ask them why they are charging €2 extra every time senior citizens use direct debit for payments.

3066 Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe

That this Area Committee agree a review of the planning process for the dishing of footpaths outside residents homes who currently do not have them.

3067 Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe

That this Area Committee contact Dublin Bus and ask them what is the plan for the 120 bus in Cabra.

3068 Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe

That this Area Committee contact the sheriff to ask him where will the polling booths in Dublin Central be situated especially St Peters School, which has been, shifted temporary.

3069 Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr

That the Manager to check the water pressure on Bannow Road and state if the City Council could provide financial assistance for new pipes from mains to houses.

3070 Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr

That the Manager resurface Royse Road and Enniskerry Road and to remove the graffiti on the laneway between the two roads

3071 Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr

That the Manager report on upgrading the park at Ashington to full park status

3072 Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr

That the Manager to replace the felled tree at Shandon Drive

3073 Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr

To ask the Manager if he will have the graffiti removed in the Kinvara area

3074 Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello

That the Manager if he will erect a nameplate at the entrance to the senior citizens complex at Killane Court East Wall and if he will ensure that the water mains at the entrance is repaired

3075 Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello

That the Manager ensures that the footpaths on Manor Street are properly repaired and that the original stone replaced following the installation of water metres in businesses there and that the other outstanding repairs to the footpath are carried out at the same time

3076 Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the Manager if he will state the number of dog wardens attached to the Dublin Central Area and the type of work they are engaged in and if there are proposals to increase the number as dog fouling is both a major problem and health hazard; when the leaflets advising dog-owners of their responsibilities will be dropped throughout the Central Area (as per reply to my question to the February Area Committee) and if he will consider establishing a cat warden service to deal with the increasing number of wild cats in the area.

3077 Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello

That the Manager report on the appointment of the 5 new street cleaners provided for in the 2007 estimates, when they took up position, where they are based, and the number of litter-wardens in the Central Area and if there are any plans to increase the number of litter wardens.

3078 Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello

That the Manager ensure that the graffiti is removed from the street furniture and pavements on Aughrim St and St Joseph's Road

3079 Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty

That a further effort be made in conjunction with Fingal County Council to remove the abandoned and burnt out vehicles on the land off River Road, Ashtown, Dublin 15 and a clean-up of dumped refuse carried out.

3080 Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty

That a Sports Development Officer be appointed to the N.W.I.C. Area of Dublin 7 to include the Royal Canal Bank/Mountjoy Street District, to facilitate sporting activities on the new all weather pitch being provided there.

3081 Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty

That a Report be made on the current operational effectiveness of the CCTV cameras at the rear of Richmond Cottages/Crescent, Dublin 1; if additional cameras are being provided as agreed especially to cover the open space/boardwalk at Clarkes Bridge.

3082 Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty

That a Report be made on the Senior Citizen Housing Waiting List in the Dublin 1 area to state the current points required to obtain a Senior Citizen Unit of accommodation; the number of Senior Citizens on the waiting list and the plans to provide the necessary accommodation for those on the list.

3083 Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty

That an anti-graffiti programme of action be implemented in the Iona area of Dublin 9 in conjunction with the Iona & District Residents Association and the Iona Neighbourhood Watch Group.

3084 Motion in the name of Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

This Committee calls on Dublin City Council to immediately take action to address the issue of severe traffic congestion being caused by the level crossings at Ashtown and Campbell's Bridge and to provide this committee with a report outlining action taken to date by DCC and Iarnrod Eireann to address the issue and their plan to resolve the situation.

3085 Motion in the name of Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

This committee calls on Dublin City Council to take immediate action to accelerate the de-listing of parts of the Stanhope Street building to facilitate the building of a new school.

3086 Motion in the name of Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

This Committee calls on Dublin City Council to write to the Ministers of Environment and Heritage and Community affairs to ask them to allocate funds to enable householders in Architectural Conservation Areas to make improvements to their properties consistent with the original architectural style.

Next Meeting Tuesday 10TH April, 2007

CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF MOTIONS AND QUESTIONS

12 noon Tuesday 27th March, 2007

CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday 13th February, 2007 at 2.30 p.m.

MINUTES

- 2975 Minutes of the Central Area Committee meeting held on 9th January, 2007
ORDER: Agreed
- 2976 Questions to the Area Manager
ORDER: Agreed
- 2977 With reference to the Order of Business for the Central Area Committee meetings.
ORDER: Agreed. Meeting to commence at 2.30pm. One presentation only per meeting – this to be made at the end of the meeting after Central Area Matters.
- 2978 With reference to the nomination of two Councillors from the Central Area to the proposed Croke Park Community Liaison Committee
ORDER: Councillor Mick Rafferty and Councillor Aodhan O’Riordain nominated.
- 2979 With reference to the nomination of one Councillor from the Central Area to the Dublin City Centre BID Company Limited
ORDER: Councillor Christy Burke nominated.
- 2980 With reference to Social Inclusion Partnership engagement process. (Item 2940 from last meeting refers).
ORDER: Agreed that the Social Inclusion Partnership would be invited to the meeting quarterly to report on Social Inclusion issues and that the matter would be dealt with at the end after Central Area matters.

Planning and Development Matters

- 2981 With reference to 7-10 Gardiner Street Upper
ORDER: Noted.
- 2982 With reference to the proposed relocation of the North Strand Fire Station, North Strand, Dublin 3.
ORDER: Report Noted
- 2983 With further reference to proposed public realm enhancement and way finding system in association with outdoor media.
ORDER: Presentation by Executive Manager, Planning Department noted. Member’s queries discussed. Noted that overall proposal had been agreed by the SPC and the City Council. Following motion agreed by the members:-
- “That the members of the Central Area Committee express their concern at certain aspects of the process so far and the absence of detailed information on the matter”
- 2984 With further reference to notice of proposed draft variation of The Dublin City Development Plan 2005-2011 - Prospect Square, De Courcy Square and Environs.
ORDER: Presentation noted; Agreed to circulate report to all the residents in advance of the City Council meeting of the 26th February.
- 2985 With reference to the proposed grant of a licence of premises at 16-18 Sean Mac Dermott Street Upper, Dublin 1 to the City of Dublin Vocational Education Committee.
ORDER: Agreed. Recommend to City Council.
- 2986 With reference to the proposed grant of lease of premises at Botanic Avenue, Drumcondra, Dublin 9 to Rosmini Gaels GAA Club.
ORDER: Agreed. Recommend to City Council.

- 2987** With reference to the proposed grant of lease of part of premises at Botanic Avenue, Drumcondra, Dublin 9 to the Electricity Supply Board, 27 Lower Fitzwilliam Street, Dublin 2.
ORDER: Agreed. Recommend to City Council.
- 2988** With further reference to the proposed disposal of a site adjacent to 2c, Fassauga Avenue, (Lanigan's Funeral Home), Cabra, Dublin 7 to Lanigan Funeral Directors.
ORDER: Agreed. Recommend to City Council.
- 2989** With reference to the proposed grant of lease of premises at 23-24 Buckingham Street Lower, Dublin 1 to Barnardos.
ORDER: Agreed. Recommend to City Council.
- 2990** With reference to the Proposed variation of Dublin City Development Plan 2005 – 2011 Site at Faussaugh Avenue/Dunmanus Road, Cabra, Dublin 7
ORDER: Agreed. Recommend to City Council.
- 2991** With reference to notification of initiation under Part 8 Planning and Development Regulations 2001 for a Development at the Coroner's Court, Dublin 1
ORDER: Agreed. Recommend to City Council.
- 2992** With reference to Planning Enforcement Quarterly report
ORDER: Noted.
- 2993** With reference to Derelicts Sites quarterly report
ORDER: Noted.

Environment and Culture Department Matters

- 2994** With reference to Public Library Events for February, 2007 in the Central Area and Citywide
ORDER: Noted.

Roads & Traffic Department Matters

- 2995** Minutes of the Traffic Advisory Group Meeting held on 18th January, 2006 in relation to traffic matters
ORDER: Agreed.
- 2996** With reference to a report on Arbour Hill – Traffic Management options
ORDER: Noted. Proceed to Public Consultation

Central Area Matters

- 2997** With reference to Dublin City Council Biodiversity Action Plan
ORDER: Report noted.
- 2998** With reference to lands at River Road, Ashtown, Dublin 15,
ORDER: Report noted – clarification to be sought on the High Court date and commencement of Linear Park.
- 2999** With further reference to the proposed re-opening of the Public Right of Way to the rear Laneway between 144/146 Annamoe Drive and 24/25 Annamoe Park.
ORDER: Report noted.
- 3000** With reference to the naming and numbering of a Child Care and Educational Centre, Off Hardwick Street (within the Rory O'Connor flat complex) Dublin 1.
ORDER: Agreed.

- 3001 With reference to the naming and numbering Proposal for a Development at Blackhall Place, Dublin 7.
ORDER: Agreed.
- 3002 Minutes of Cabra/Finglas Drug Task Force Meeting for noting.
ORDER: Noted
- 3003 With reference to the East Link Fund
ORDER: Report noted. Request for a report on how figure is arrived at and is there scope for increasing it and whether the Committee can have a bigger role in the matter.
- 3004 **Updates on the following:**
Dorset Street and Canal Plan
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North West Area (including HARP)
Housing Issues-North East Inner City
Housing Issues- North West Inner City
ORDER: Noted.

A.O.B.

- 3005 With reference to a presentation by the RPA on the proposed Metro line.
ORDER: Presentation noted.

Motions

- 3006 **Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke**
That this committee agrees that Dublin City Council Waste Management Section cleans areas on a regular basis not just on the day of Waste Management collections.
ORDER: Report to Councillor.
- 3007 **Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke**
That Dublin City Council doubles its efforts in trying to house homeless applicants off the homeless list.
ORDER: Report to Councillor.
- 3008 **Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke**
That this Committee agrees to extend the gardens out to the pathways in order to allow residents of Portland Close park their cars and to remove the paths that serve no purpose in the close.
ORDER: Report to Councillor.
- 3009 **Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty**
That procedures be initiated to close off the laneway between Ashington Crescent and Kinvara Drive as requested by the residents of 1-20 Ashington Crescent and Kinvara Drive (petition attached).
ORDER: Report to Councillor.
- 3010 **Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe**
That this Area Committee ask the City Manager to review the Disabled Persons Grant, due to the increase in building cost which leaves a very high shortfall for people.
ORDER: Report to Councillor.
- 3011 **Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe**
That this Area Committee calls on the Manager to review the situation of the kiosk at Capel Street Bridge given the very slow uptake in business there.
ORDER: Report to Councillor.
- 3012 **Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe**
That this Area Committee agree that local residents in Cabra receive 50% of the allocations at Pelletstown through Social and Affordable housing.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3013 Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe

That this Area Committee is planning to upgrade the park at Great Western Square.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3014 Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe

That this Area Committee contact the OPW to find out what traffic management plan will be implemented in the Phoenix Park and to ask are they going to implement any plan that was proposed which would include public transport in the Phoenix Park.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3015 Motion in the name of Councillor Paschal Donohoe

On tree and parks matters:-

- Will the council prune the tree outside 141 Villa Park Gardens.
- What is the status of plans to install trees back into Ashington?
- Are there plans to install trees into the entrance of Connaught Parade?

Are there plans to prune any trees at the intersection of Walsh/Ferguson Road and Griffith Park.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3016 Motion in the name of Councillor Paschal Donohoe

Will the council install a handrail on the steps between Norfolk Road and Connaught Parade.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3017 Motion in the name of Councillor Paschal Donohoe

On laneway matters will the council provide an update on the following issues:-

- o Who owns the laneway behind Fingal Place, Stoneybatter?
- o Who owns the laneway beside 121 Ashington Close?
- o That the laneway behind Glenbrook Road, Kinvara can be cleaned?

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3018 Motion in the name of Councillor Paschal Donohoe

Who owns the manhole cover outside The Grangegorman Inn on Grangegorman Road and can it be better secured, as it is currently loose and causing disturbance to neighbours.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3019 Motion in the name of Councillor Paschal Donohoe

On litter and cleansing matters can the council do the following:-

- o Clean up the entrance to Annamoe Park.
- o Clean the laneways behind Norfolk Road, the laneway that connect Cabra Park to St. Peters Road and the laneway behind Kinvara Park and Kinvara Grove.
- o Ensure the rubbish bin at the end of Griffith Avenue across from Whitehall Garda station is cleaned and regularly emptied.

Remove graffiti at the entrance to Darling Estate and on the sign at the end of Ashington Avenue (containing directions to different roads in Ashington).

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3020 Motion in the name of Councillor Aodhán Ó Ríordáin

That the Manager investigates the possibility of constructing a graffiti wall, along the lines requested by participants in the Bradóg Youth group, in the area of George's Place, Dublin 7 or its environs.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3021 Motion in the name of Councillor Aodhán Ó Ríordáin

That this Committee acknowledges the need for an ATM machine in the area of Ballybough and will petition various financial institutions to investigate the possibility of locating such a machine for the convenience of the community.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

- 3022 Motion in the name of Councillor Aodhán Ó Ríordáin**
That this Committee agrees that all unsuccessful applicants for various Affordable Housing schemes be informed immediately as the information flow has been unsatisfactory in many cases up until recently.
ORDER: Report to Councillor.
- 3023 Motion in the name of Councillor Aodhán Ó Ríordáin**
That the Manager gives a report as to the upcoming Social and Affordable Housing in the Central Area with particular reference to the Docklands area.
ORDER: Report to Councillor.
- 3024 Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty**
That a full report be made to this Committee on the court settlement agreed by Dublin City Council in relation to the C.B.S. land at North Circular Road, Dublin 7.
ORDER: Report to Councillor.
- 3025 Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty**
That Dublin City Council facilitates the Olympia Theatre with footpath works etc to enable the reinstated of the historic canopy on the Theatre façade.
ORDER: Report to Councillor.
- 3026 Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty**
To ask the Manager to arrange a meeting of the 3 Builders at East Road, East Wall, Dublin 3 Danniger, Ellen Construction and McGinley to put in place measures to protect the few residential houses there from dirt and dust and to maintain the pathways/road in appropriate condition.
ORDER: Report to Councillor.
- 3027 Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty**
To ask the Manager when a recommendation and decision on delisting the buildings at Stanhope Street School to enable work to start on the new school building.
ORDER: Report to Councillor.
- 3028 Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello**
That the Area Manager take steps to deal with the increasing problem of dog dirt throughout the Central Area, and that warning signs be erected in prominent places area, that houses leafleted notifying dog-owners of their obligations and that more dog wardens be recruited to enforce the regulations, considering that there has been no increase in the last 15 years.
ORDER: Report to Councillor.
- 3029 Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello**
That the Manager report on the recent reports of anti-social behaviour at Dorset Street Flats and that he ensures that the playground railings are repaired and that the public lighting is upgraded and communal areas cleaned.
ORDER: Report to Councillor.
- 3030 Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello**
That the DCC provide a drop in centre for young people in the Royal Canal Bank Area and that the Manager ensures that Royal Canal Bank is regularly swept.
ORDER: Report to Councillor.
- 3031 Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello**
That the Manager report on the number of people who are registered homeless in the Central Area and the average length of time waiting to be housed and how many people were housed from the homeless list in the Central Area in 2006.
ORDER: Report to Councillor.
- 3032 Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello**
That Dublin City Council meet with the film distributors in Dublin with a view to negotiating a reduced rate for teenagers so that they no longer have to pay the adult rate for cinemas in Dublin.
ORDER: Report to Councillor.
- 3033 Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr**

That the Manager report on the zoning for the Bachelors Site at Bannow Road, what developments would be permissible on the site and if there are any plans for its development.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3034 Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr

That the Manager state what plans there are for providing a play area for young children in the Phoenix Park close to the Ashtown Gate and state if he will install traffic lights or a roundabout or ramps at Ashtown Gate to render the junction safer.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3035 Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr

That Dublin City Council draws up plans for precinct improvements for the 17 shops on the New Cabra Road and the two shopping areas on Fassaugh Avenue.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3036 Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr

That the Manager report on progress on producing a traffic management plan for the Phibsborough Area.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3037 Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr

That the Traffic Department provide a full report on traffic on Walsh Road along Griffith Park with a view to installing pedestrian lights at the entrance to the park and ramps to protect residents/pedestrians.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3038 Motion in the name of Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

This Committee calls on Dublin City Council to improve the delivery of Dublin City Council's 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 that progress on dealing with the issues can be tracked.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3039 Motion in the name of Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

In advance of and to compliment the development of new senior citizen housing in McKee Park this Committee calls on Dublin City Council to upgrade the existing area. Dublin City Council should undertake improvements of the footpaths, public lighting and roads in McKee Park. The Manager should provide a response to this request outlining the works to be undertaken within a specified timeframe.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3040 Motion in the name of Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

This Committee calls on Dublin City Council to immediately take action to address the issues of serious anti-social behaviour taking place in the lands adjacent to Pelletstown. Dublin City Council should obtain permission from the private landowner and any other interested parties to secure all of the open lands. Dublin City Council should physically secure all of the lands without any further delay and take action to accelerate and bring forward the works it has planned for development of a park in the area.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

3041 Motion in the name of Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

This Committee calls on Dublin City Council's traffic department to install traffic signage in advance of the pedestrian crossings on Kinvara Avenue and on the Navan Road to indicate to motorists that children are crossing for a school up ahead. This committee also calls on Dublin City Council to re-instate the ground surface on the pedestrian laneway entrance from Kinvara Park to the school.

ORDER: Report to Councillor.

ATTENDANCE

Cllr. Paschal Donohoe (Chairperson)

Cllr. Emer Costello

Cllr. Aodhán Ó' Ríordáin

Cllr. Mick Rafferty

Cllr. Nicky Kehoe

Cllr. Tom Stafford

Cllr. Mary Fitzpatrick

Cllr. Maurice Ahern

Cllr. Brendan Carr

Cllr Christy Burke

Officials

Charlie Lowe, Area Manager, Central Area

Deirdre Ní Raghallaigh, Senior Executive Officer, Central Area Office

Hugh McKenna, Senior Executive Officer, Central Area Office

Dave Kenny, Administrative Officer, Cabra Office

Chris Butler, Area Housing Manager, NEIC

Brian Kavanagh, Area Housing Manager, Dorset Street

John McPartlan, Public Domain Officer, Central Area

Gerry Flaherty, Senior Executive Engineer Traffic Division

Bernie Mills, Senior Staff Officer, Derelict Sites Section

Brian Hanney, Administrative Officer, Enforcement Section, Planning Department

John Downey, Senior Staff Officer, Enforcement Section, Planning Department

Kieran Kavanagh, Senior Architect, City Architect's Department

Oisean Kelly, A/Senior Executive Officer, City Architect's Department

Ciaran McNamara, Executive Manager, Planning Department

Jim Keogan, Deputy Dublin Planning Officer, Planning Department

Niall McDonnell, Senior Executive Planner, Planning Department

Mary Conway, Senior Planner, Planning Department

Rory Boland, Senior Executive Engineer, Central Area

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

Jennifer Maher, A/Staff Officer, Central Area Office

Councillor Paschal Donohoe

Chairperson

13th February, 2007

Questions to City Manager
Central Area Committee
February 2007

Q1 Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the City Manager to repair the gate at (details supplied) as this has been reported by this Cllr. on a number of occasions since last September.

Reply

The repairs to the gate at this address will be carried out within the next four to six weeks.

Q2 Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the City Manager to arrange for Dublin City Council to wall of the rear of (details supplied) as the state of this ground is unacceptable for to expect the two tenants to maintain as this has been reported several times over the years by several public representatives, can once and for all could the City Manager arrange for it to be fenced off in both back gardens and discussions take place with the tenants.

Reply

The City Architects Division has prepared a draft feasibility study for the provision of a development comprising community facilities, live/work units and duplex units, all on a site at the apex of Bailey's Row lane. The draft proposal provides for the incorporation of a portion of the gardens of Nos. 11 and 12 Portland Close.

Preliminary approaches were made to the tenants of both properties, who have now indicated that they agree, in principle, to the relinquishment of a portion of their gardens, in exchange for a garden shed and landscaped back garden (including a patio).

A further on site meeting with the tenants and Council officials is scheduled for 15th February.

Q3 Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the City Manager that a date be given to this Cllr. as to when (details supplied) will be ready for letting so that the potential tenant can move in.

Reply

The Area Housing Manager reports that the contractor is presently working in the said flat and it will be ready for letting in the 1st week of March 2007.

Q4 Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the City Manager if he would arrange to have the shores cleaned on (details supplied).

Reply

These gullies were last cleaned on the 18th August 2006, 20 of the 25 gullies were cleaned and there were 3 repairs. And they will next be inspected on our next rotation unless there are any problems with certain gullies outside certain addresses.

Q5 Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the City Manager to make a report regarding the future of the (details supplied).

Reply

A presentation on this matter will be made at today's Central Area Committee.

Q6 Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the City Manager that the Waste Management Section cleans on a regular basis (details supplied) as this area appears to be neglected from time to time and this is as a result of local residents contacting this Councillor.

Reply

Waste Management Services have (details supplied) scheduled cleaned every Thursday after the refuse collection has taken place there. There is also some building work going on in this area and our litter warden ensures that the developers have sweeping machines employed to keep this area as clean as possible during these works.

Q7 Councillor Nicky Kehoe

To ask the City Manager could an examination of (details supplied) take place by the Drainage Department to find out if work needs to be done because of the constant gathering of water there every time there is rain.

Reply

Any remedial works required to the drainage system at this location will be carried out within the next 10 days.

Q8 Councillor Nicky Kehoe

To ask the City Manager could a TAG take place along the stretch of road from (details supplied) as there is serious rat running going on at 7-9, 4-7 and 9 O'Clock?

Reply

Speed surveys carried out in (details supplied) in December 2005, May 2006 and November 2006 showed that speeds were appropriate for the road and that the current traffic calming on (details supplied) have been effective in reducing traffic speeds and it is not recommended to alter them.

Q9 Councillor Nicky Kehoe

To ask the City Manager could the hole in the road carriage way outside (details supplied) be repaired.

Reply

The opening referred to, is on the line of an old utility trench. We will check our records to ascertain what utility carried out this work and we will then instruct them to repair same. We envisage this work will be carried out within 8 weeks. The opening is such that it does not require immediate repair work.

Q10 Councillor Nicky Kehoe

To ask the City Manager could the road drains at the junctions of (details supplied) be cleaned.

Reply

The gullies at (details supplied) were cleaned on the 7th February 2007 and no problems were reported.

Q11 Councillor Nicky Kehoe

To ask the City Manager that the vegetations at (details supplied) be cut back at the front and the side of the complex.

Reply

All the overgrown vegetation in this complex will be removed within the next three to four weeks.

Q12 Councillor Nicky Kehoe

To ask the City Manager that the pathway at the back of (details supplied) be upgraded as its in a bad state of repair.

Reply

The repairs will be carried out within the next 6 weeks.

Q13 Councillor Paschal Donohoe

Will the council provide a report on if there are any planning enforcement issues outstanding in relation to (details attached.1). Will both properties pls be visited to ascertain whether they are in breach of any planning laws. Also, is there anything that the council can do to improve the land in front of (details attached.2).

Reply

Enforcement Files have been set up in respect (details supplied). A detailed reply will be sent to the Councillor directly when a full investigation has been carried out at these locations.

Q14 Councillor Paschal Donohoe

Will the council unblock the drain at the end of (details supplied).

Reply

The gullies at (details supplied) were cleaned on 7th February 2007.

Q15 Councillor Paschal Donohoe

Will the council provide an update on the following traffic matters:-

- 1 Will a yellow box be installed at the intersection of (details supplied) and the(details supplied) ?
- 2 Will they provide a report as to whether ramps were ever considered for (details supplied) and what the conclusions of this report were. If no such study was done can one be done in the near future?
- 3 Should double yellow lines be installed at the entrance to (details supplied).
- 4 What are future steps for the junction of traffic lights at the intersection of (details supplied).
- 5 Will the council install ramps on(details supplied)?
- 6 Will the council install a parking meter in or near (details supplied)?

Reply

1. A yellow box is not recommended at this junction as the traffic volumes exiting (details supplied) are low and no delays were observed with cars accessing(details supplied).
2. A request for ramps was considered in 2005 and rejected on the basis that traffic speeds and volumes were low and considered appropriate for the road. The matter will be re-examined by the Traffic Advisory Group and a report will be prepared for a future Central Area Committee.
3. No parking problems were observed at or near the junction of (details supplied) and (details supplied) and thus double yellow lines are not recommended each side of the junction. Any occasional parking problems at or near the junction should be referred to the Gardaí
4. This matter referred to the Traffic Signals Section for direct reply to the Councillor

5. This matter will be examined by the Traffic Advisory Group and a report will be prepared for a future Central Area Committee.
6. A parking meter has been installed on south end of (details supplied).

Q16 Councillor Paschal Donohoe

- Will the council resurface the path at the top of (details supplied) and a at (details supplied).
- Will the council upgrade the road surface at the intersection of (details supplied).
- Will the council fix the paths at which (details supplied). have been broken by tree roots.

Are the council planning to complete path and road works at the top of Royce Road. If so, when will this occur?

Reply

1a) This footpath on (details supplied) will be repaired the next time Road Maintenance have a gang in the area which is likely to be within the next 3 months.

1b) This footpath at (details supplied) will be reconstructed within the next 8/10 weeks.

2) Remedial works will be carried out to the road surface at this location later in the year.

3) Road Maintenance will liaise with Parks Department and these trips will be removed as soon as possible.

Q17 Councillor Paschal Donohoe

Will the council provide a report on what is happening with the derelict building on (details supplied).

Reply

This site forms part of the (details supplied). The owner has been served with the relevant statutory notices under the CPO but has sought a judicial review of same. However, the owner has been written to under the Derelict Sites Act, 1990 informing him that under Section 9 of the Act, that it is the duty of every owner and occupier of land to take all reasonable steps to ensure that the land does not become or continue to be a derelict site and requesting him to carry out works to this site and that failure to do so would result in formal action being considered under the Act. A follow up inspection will be carried out in the coming week and formal action will be taken if appropriate.

Q18 Councillor Aodhan O’Riordain

To ask the manager in relation to North King Street, Dublin 7:

Is it the current policy of Dublin City Council to clean the windows of the tenants on (details supplied)?

If so how long has this practise been in place and for what reason was it initiated.

Can this service be extended to include the area of DETAILS SUPPLIED?

Reply

An arrangement has been made by DCC to clean the windows of the tenants in (details supplied) as special equipment is needed to gain access to the windows. This practice has been in place since DCC were made aware of the access problems.

The Estate Manager for the area, Mr. Tommy Wilson, will investigate the possibility of extending this service to (details supplied).

Q19 Councillor Aodhan O’Riordain

To ask the manager in relation to DETAILS SUPPLIED 1 if the following initiatives could be undertaken:

1. The extension of Council plant sales to include the entire area and the installation of box plants along the length of DETAILS SUPPLIED 1.
2. To install bins outside of the various shops in the district
3. To account for the various derelict buildings on DETAILS SUPPLIED 1 and to give a report as to their current ownership and planning status
4. To erect 'No dog litter' signs at all junctions of DETAILS SUPPLIED 1
5. To erect a 'Welcome to DETAILS SUPPLIED 1' sign at both entrances to the area
6. To install extra trees along the length of the DETAILS SUPPLIED 1.
7. To improve the street lighting along DETAILS SUPPLIED 1.
8. To investigate the potential removal of the billboard at the junction of DETAILS SUPPLIED 2.
9. To erect a fitting plaque / memorial at the site of the DETAILS SUPPLIED 2.

Reply

1. We do not currently have the resources to install ground planters along this stretch of road.
 2. Waste Management Services are currently upgrading the existing litter bins throughout the city. However we will examine the (details supplied) district again with the view to installing some extra litter bins outside suitable shops. This work will be done during the next three to four weeks.

3. Nos. (details supplied) are included in the (details supplied) Area CPO 2004. Notices To Treat have been served on the owners and as it had not been possible to reach agreement on compensation, the cases have been referred for Arbitration.

In respect of the remainder of the properties from (details supplied) to (details supplied), only one complaint has been received by the Derelict Sites Section to date and that was in respect of No. (details supplied). This property has already been declared derelict and a Notice under Section 8 (2) of the Derelict Sites Act, 1990 has been served on the owner. Representations were received from the owner and its entry was deferred pending the lodging of a planning application. The site was subsequently sold and the current owners have been granted Planning Permission - (details supplied) refers, however this has been appealed to An Bord Pleanála.

A further inspection will be carried out by the Derelict Sites Section of the entire section of the (details supplied) from (details supplied) to (details supplied) (excluding Nos. details supplied) and a further report will be sent to the Councillor directly.

4. The Anti Litter Officer will include (details supplied) on its list, which will be submitted to the contractor at the end of February 2007 for 'No Dog Litter' signs. These signs should be erected during March 2007.

5. It is not the policy of Dublin City Council to provide such signs as:

- Legal Boundaries are not clearly defined for village areas around the city
- Provision of such signs throughout Dublin City would increase street clutter and lead to a proliferation of signs throughout the city.

6. An initial survey of the road indicated that there are a number of underground utility services at this location. This Division shall arrange to open up a number of trial pits to determine the location/depth of the services and if our findings are favourable shall schedule to plant during the 2007/08 tree planting seasons.

7. We will examine the lighting on the (details supplied) & any improvements which are considered necessary will be considered in the context of finances available for inclusion in the draft programme of improvement works for 2008.

8. Dublin City Council's investigations have revealed that advertising hoardings have been in situ at this location in well in excess of seven years. Dublin City Council is statute barred from taking enforcement action under the Planning and Development acts on this basis.

10. A preliminary investigation by City Archives have found some small anecdotal references to the site, though no firm evidence of its connection with literature. In consideration to both the potentially sensitive nature of the site and the Council's policy with regard to plaques/memorials, there are currently no plans to mark the site.

Q20 Councillor Aodhan O’Riordain

To ask the manager to give an update in relation to representations made in regard to DETAILS SUPPLIED

DETAILS: Illegal Parking problems on St Paul Street in Stoneybatter and Representations for extension of disc parking to include weekends on St Ignatius Road Dublin 7

Reply

Paul Street is regularly patrolled by the Council’s parking enforcement contractor. In the course of the past year 33 illegally parking vehicles were clamped. Nine of these enforcement actions took place in the two-month period November - December 2006.

This street will continue to be inspected on a regular basis and the appropriate enforcement action will be taken in respect of any vehicles, which are found to be parked in breach of the parking regulations.

The request for extension of hours on St. Ignatius Road will be examined by the Traffic Advisory Group and a report will be prepared for a future Central Area Committee.

Q21 Councillor Aodhan O’Riordain

To ask in relation to DETAILS SUPPLIED that he be contacted immediately by Dublin City Council and that his long standing maintenance issues be resolved for once and for all.

Reply

The Head of Housing Maintenance will make arrangements, to contact this tenant, in relation to the issues raised.

Q22 Councillor Aodhan O’Riordain

To ask the manager to prioritise the extension application of DETAILS SUPPLIED due to the ongoing overcrowding issues in the house and the worsening medical condition of the tenant.

Reply

A medium level priority status for an extension, on medical grounds, was awarded to this applicant in September 2004. This priority award was based on both the medical evidence and recommendation of the applicant’s own doctor, along with an inspection carried out by an official from Housing Maintenance. Taking into account the number of higher priorities awaiting construction, it is expected that this application will be issued for commencement of drawings towards the end of 2007.

No application for a bedroom extension on grounds of overcrowding has been received from this tenant.

Q23 Councillor Aodhan O’Riordain

To ask the manager in relation to DETAILS SUPPLIED

- What the is expected commencement date of precinct improvement works for this complex
- Can all outstanding surveys, including drainage surveys, be carried out immediately so that no further delays to the process can occur when plans are passed by the residents.

Reply

It is not possible to give an exact commencement date for any project until a contract is in place. However, the precinct improvement scheme for this complex is on target to start towards the end of the year.

All necessary surveys will be carried out in good time and will not lead to any delays.

Q24 Councillor Mick Rafferty

That a list be compiled of tenants including (details supplied) of Dublin City Council houses who due to reduced family size now wish to transfer to smaller apartments or flats and that they be facilitated at the earliest opportunity to release houses for larger families in need.

Reply

There are currently 11 families on the transfer list in Area H with a priority for surrendering larger accommodation. However there are a total of 866 families on the transfer list for the area. A number of these families may be interested in transferring to smaller accommodation but have not indicated this on their application. These applicants should contact this office. It should also be noted that many of the families who have expressed an interest in moving to smaller accommodation are looking for smaller houses in the area. Due to the fact that the majority of accommodation in this area is in flat complexes it may not be possible to facilitate these applicants in the immediate future.

Q25 Councillor Mick Rafferty

To ask the Manager if an additional parking permit will be made available to a new tenant (details supplied)

Reply

The issue of the provision of Residents' Parking Permits for residents of apartment developments consisting of more than four dwelling units (other than converted houses) is set out in Article 22 (5) (e) of the Dublin City Council Parking Control Bye-Laws 2005 which states:

"except as provided in Bye-Law 23 (*dealing with converted houses*), where the building consists of more than 4 housing units and is located in a heavy demand zone, residents shall not be eligible for residents' parking permits."

In view of the exceptional circumstances which existed at the time of the construction of, and the first allocation of tenancies in, this apartment complex, whereby the prospective tenants were under the mistaken impression that parking permits would be made available to them, it was agreed, as a major departure from normal practice, to introduce residential parking on the street adjoining this complex in order to facilitate residential parking for up to seven then-existing tenants of these apartments.

On the basis of this agreement, seven residents' parking permits were issued on a first-come-first-serve basis to tenants of this apartment complex in 2004/2005. These permits are personal to these tenants and no further residents' parking permits can be allocated to other existing or future tenants of this complex.

Q26 Councillor Mick Rafferty

To ask the Manager if the recently installing parking ticket machine will be removed from the path at (details supplied) as it presents the normal use of this pathway.

Reply

A parking meter has recently been installed on south end of Arranmore Avenue. The traffic department are currently in discussion with a representative on the road for an alternative location for the meter, which will be agreeable to all residents.

Q27 Councillor Mick Rafferty

To ask the Manager to rescind the No Right Turn (details supplied), as it serves no useful traffic management purpose and restricts access mainly to local residents and if pedestrian crossing be provided at (details supplied).

Reply

1. The right turn ban from (details supplied) onto (details supplied) was introduced as part of the (details supplied) for safety reasons. It is not proposed that this ban be removed, even at off-peak times, unless changes to the road configuration are made.

The difficulty with the road configuration is as follows: There is a bend in the road, the implementation of the bus lane on (details supplied) has resulted in the road being divided into three lanes, a semi-indented bus bay was installed on the west side of (details supplied) south of the junction and (details supplied) is tree-lined. These factors reduce the visibility for motorists travelling northwards on (details supplied). Therefore, stationary right turning vehicles waiting for a gap in the two southbound lanes would be vulnerable.

It is not feasible or desirable to change the configuration of (details supplied) at its junction with (details supplied). Therefore, it is recommended that traffic wishing to access (details supplied) should either use the (details supplied) gyratory or travel via (details supplied) and (details supplied). These are considered to be reasonable alternative routes.

2. This matter will be examined by the Traffic Advisory Group and a report will be prepared for a future Central Area Committee. In order to assess the need for a pedestrian crossing, details of the proposed location are requested.

Q28 Councillor Mick Rafferty

To ask the Manager if further steps can be taken to eliminate the dampness in the bedroom at (details supplied).

Reply

The Foreman for the area has assessed the premises and found that the cause of this dampness is condensation. The tenant was supplied with a booklet explaining the causes and cures of condensation and a Ventomatic vent is being fitted in the glazed panel in the bedroom to allow for more efficient circulation of air.

Q29 Councillor Mick Rafferty

To ask the Manager if new gutters will be provided at (details supplied)

Reply

Damaged gutters have been replaced at (details supplied). Due to the design of the dwellings the section of damaged guttering at (details supplied) cannot be replaced without replacing the guttering on (details supplied) also. The replacement of these gutters has been agreed by the Area Maintenance Officer and this work will be carried out shortly.

Q30 Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

Will the manager please advise when details provided will be attended to. Details are pruning of the following trees;

- a. adjacent to the (details supplied) at the (details supplied) entrance to the (details supplied)
- b. To the rear of (details supplied) (this was previously requested Q120 City Council Oct '06)
- c. In front of (details supplied). (this was previously requested Q120 City Council Oct '06)

Reply

- A) The trees in question are a line of mature London planes. They have been maintained by this Division so that the trees could reach their maximum height and spread and as such are now some of the best specimen trees in the City. They are an important visual amenity at this location. This Division shall arrange to undertake limited pruning of the trees over the coming weeks with particular reference to the tree nearest the (details supplied).

- B) The trees to the rear of (details supplied) are located on the grounds of a private estate (details supplied) and as such the maintenance of these trees is the responsibility of the Management Company for the estate.
- C) The street trees on (details supplied) are all mature London plane. They were all reduced by 40% within the last 5 years and crown lifted in late 2006. This Division proposes to concentrate on the pruning of the remainder of the (details supplied) and we are currently seeking quotations to carry out the work.

Q31 Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

Will the manager please arrange for details supplied.

Reply

The householder should first apply for planning permission and on receipt of same they should contact Road maintenance at Collins Avenue depot who will give them an estimate to construct the new dishing.

Q32 Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

Will the manager please advise when details provided will be attended to.

Reply

1)The grass verge has been damaged by illegal parking at no (details supplied). The damage caused is not dangerous and it will be repaired when Road maintenance have a gang in the area.

2)The grass verge has been damaged by illegal parking at no (details supplied). The damage caused is very little slight and it is not dangerous and it will be repaired when Road maintenance have a gang in the area.

3)The opening outside no. (details supplied) has been recently repaired by Road maintenance.

Q33 Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

Will the manager please advise on details provided.

Reply

In order for a section of this laneway to be closed by any means, the right of way would have to be extinguished.

The signatures and addresses of the proposers and adjoining residents/landowners with properties abutting this laneway must support an application for the extinguishment of the public right of way. As the extinguishment of the public right of way is a statutory procedure, which must be published, there is a right of objection by local residents and members of the general public who may not agree with the proposal and 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 of the ground and/or the adjoining owners/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.

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

Planning Permission is not required for the erection of a gate provided it does not exceed two metres in height in accordance with Class 5, Second Schedule, Part 1 of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Regulations 2001.

The agreement of the residents adjoining properties is very important, as the gates will be adjoining their property. Upon receipt of this information and the undertaking as to future maintenance of the laneway and details of the proposed method of closure i.e. gates, wall, etc., the matter will receive further attention.

Provided there are no objections from residents, internal and external service providers, the extinguishment procedure should take no longer than 4 months to complete from the date the plebiscite is received.

Q34 Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

Will the manager please undertake details provided.

Reply

Damage to greens is a result of illegal bonfire activity and will be reinstated as soon as weather conditions are favourable for grass seed germination.

Q35 Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

Will the manager please provide a report on details provided;

Reply

a. (details supplied)

The site of (details supplied) lies within the south eastern corner of the junction formed by (details supplied). This site is zoned Z1 (residential (general)). It is presently the subject of application (details supplied) for the following proposal:

“To demolish the existing residential house and construct a new building containing a mix of one and two bed apartments on the site at the junction of (details supplied)”.

The proposed development will comprise of (details supplied) in a five-storey building over basement parking, which includes a set back feature penthouse.

The development includes:
(details supplied)

This application has been the subject of a request for further information. The applicant has responded to this request and his / her further information will be the subject of a further public consultation under article 35 of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001.

b. (details supplied).

This centre is zoned Z4 district centre. There is an extant permission for the regeneration and extension of this centre to provide a series of four and eight storey blocks that in aggregate would provide c. 34,507 sqm of mixed-use development (details supplied). This floor area would disaggregate, subject to conditions, as follows:

- 5,868 sqm offices
- 7,763 sqm retail
- 10,505 residential
- 1,216 sqm medical centre
- 3,252 sqm restaurants, cafes and gym

No recent pre-planning discussions have taken place regarding the future redevelopment of the site or immediate adjoining sites.

c. (details supplied)

This site is zoned Z10 inner suburban (mixed use). Some demolition work has recently occurred on this site. This work was the subject of an enforcement enquiry: it was deemed to be exempted development. Redevelopment proposals for this site are anticipated but, to my knowledge, no pre-application consultations have occurred and no planning application has been received.

d. (details supplied)

The site of the proposed development is located in an area zoned Z1 in the Dublin City Development Plan 2005-2011 the objective of which is 'to protect, provide and improve and residential amenities'. Planning permission was refused under (Planning Register Reference 4033/06) on September 06th for a development of a mixed-use scheme on a site of 0.75 hectares, approximately, at (details supplied)

The state reasons for refusal were as follows:

1 – The development having regard to the overall density of development, result in a unacceptable congested form of urban residential infill that would be seriously injurious to the both the residential amenity of the immediate adjoining residential development and the amenity value of the proposed residential units themselves and as such would set an undesirable precedent for similar such developments, and as such would be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

2 – The proposed development would having regard to the proposed internal layouts, proportion of single aspect units, minimum sizes, and proportion of one-bedroom units, including lack of larger family sized units (3 bedroom just 3% three-bed) would constitute a sub-standard form of residential development, that would set an undesirable precedent for similar such developments, and as such would be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

3 - The proposed development, having regard to the private dedicated open space requirements of the Dublin City Development 2005-2011 (15.9.6), and in particular the absence of any meaningful open space provision on site, communal or dedicated, to serve a majority of the units, would constitute a sub-standard form of residential development, would be contrary to the Dublin City Development Plan, result in an would set an undesirable precedent for similar such developments, and as such would be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

4 - The proposed development having regard to the car parking requirements of the Dublin City Development Plan 2005-2011, in particular having regard to the above three states reasons for refusal would further diminish residential amenity, would be contrary to the Dublin City Development Plan 2005-2011, result in an would set an undesirable precedent for similar such developments, and as such would be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

The applicant has had one subsequent meeting to discuss the reasons for refusal. A number of alternative proposals have since been submitted for comment.

Q36 Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the Area Manager to improve the lighting at details supplied:

Reply

We consider the lighting here to be to adequate and we have no plans at present for any improvements here.

Q37 Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the area manager to introduce traffic calming measures to deal with rat-running at 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.

Q38 Councillor Emer Costello

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

- a) erect "Residents only Parking signs" at details supplied
- b) ensure that the bollards at details supplied are retained

Reply

a) Under current Road Traffic Regulations, it is not possible to introduce resident's only parking on Public Roads.

b) As agreement has been agreed locally, it is recommended that the existing road closure at (details supplied). be relocated to its original location on (details supplied). This will be done in the coming weeks.

Q39 Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the Area Manager to take steps to stop the practice of businesses leaving their bins on (details supplied) to state if it is permissible for bins/bottles to be collected late in the night/early morning and if not to take action against the premises at (details supplied) and to clean out the laneway to the rear:

Reply

This is a private laneway. The Environmental Liaison Officer has made contact with the businesses operating from the (details supplied) premises to alert them to their responsibilities in this regard. The waste service providers have also been contacted by the Litter Warden for the area and have been made aware of their responsibilities. The laneway was also cleaned on a one – off basis.

Q40 Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the Manager to ensure that the footpaths at details supplied are properly repaired and replaced and graffiti removed

Reply

No major works are planned for (details supplied) for 2007. Isolated works will be carried out a) tree trips will be eliminated on (details supplied) adjacent to the (details supplied). b) a section of footpath adjacent to (details supplied) and c) selected areas will be repaired along (details supplied).

Q41 Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the Manager when the roads at details supplied will be reinstated following the works there.

Reply

Road maintenance are currently carrying out reinstatement works in the above streets and these works will be completed by the 23/02/07. All this work is due to previous works carried out by the waterworks department who laid new water mains in all of these streets.

Q42 Councillor Brendan Carr

To ask the Manager to have the tree pruned at details supplied and the path and road in front of house repaired (DCC had put down markings for repair work but never came back to do the work)

Reply

The street trees on (details supplied) are all mature London plane. They were all reduced by 40% within the last 5 years and crown lifted in late 2006. This Division proposes to concentrate on the pruning of the remainder of the (details supplied) and we are currently seeking quotations.

Q43 Councillor Brendan Carr

To ask the manager to take steps to have details supplied kept clean and tidy on a constant basis

Reply

The bottle banks at (details supplied) are cleaned on a daily basis by Oxigen Environmental and any materials dumped at the site are removed immediately. Dublin City Council will monitor this site over the coming weeks.

Q44 Councillor Brendan Carr

To ask the manger if he will have no dumping signs erected at the park on (details supplied), have the park cleared of glass and have the central area which was used for Hallowe'en bonfires reseeded with grass

Reply

Illegal dumping on the open space at (details supplied) has never been a problem and accordingly we do not purpose to erect a sign at this location.

The area that was damaged by a bonfire will be reinstated over the coming week if weather conditions improve.

Q45. Councillor Brendan Carr

To ask the Manager if he will detail the plans and timescale for the new senior citizens development at (details supplied) and the plans and timescale for the upgrading of (details supplied) from bedsits to one and two bedroom apartments.

Reply:

It is proposed to construct senior citizens' dwellings on a site at the(details supplied). Development will involve re-zoning of a site and proposals for re-zoning are on the agenda for this meeting. If the Councillors agree, the re-zoning process goes ahead with completion of the Strategic Environmental Assessment in 3 weeks and then public display followed by a decision on the proposed variation at a full Council meeting within 14 weeks. Subject to re-zoning and to the approval of the Dept of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government we will then initiate the process for Part 8 planning approval with a view to start on site early next year.

We intend over the coming months to present proposals to each Area Committee for the redevelopment of senior citizens complexes involving the elimination of bedsitters. The two complexes in question will be included in the submission to the Central Area Committee.

As the strategy may be advised by the Lord Mayor's Commission on Ageing-Consultative Forum, which will report to the City Council on the 7th of May 2007, it is likely that the presentations to the Area Committees will be subsequent to that date. It is not possible to indicate a timescale for redevelopment of individual complexes at this stage.

Q46 Councillor Brendan Carr

To ask the manager if he will provide community grants for details supplied:

Reply

Arrangements have been made for the Senior Community Officer to contact the parties concerned.

Q47 Councillor Brendan Carr

That the Manager agree to install ramps on details supplied

Reply

Traffic calming has been recommended on (details supplied) to be implemented as part of the 2007 Traffic Works Programme.

Motions to City Manager
Central Area Committee
Meeting 13/02/07

Item 3006

Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke

That this committee agrees that Dublin City Council Waste Management Section cleans areas on a regular basis not just on the day of Waste Management collections.

Report

Waste Management Services have cleaning schedules in place in the Central Area, which ensure that areas there are cleaned on other days as well as bin collection day. The frequency of cleaning depends on the level of litter in these areas, which we monitor on a regular basis.

Item 3007

Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke

That Dublin City Council doubles its efforts in trying to house homeless applicants off the homeless list.

Report

According to the 2005 Assessment of Housing Need, 1,390 homeless applicants were registered with Dublin City Council, this accounts for 75% of homeless applicants registered with the four Dublin Local Authorities.

Dublin City Council are committed to housing as many homeless applicants as is practicable and to this end have set a target to ensure that 30% of allocations are made to homeless applicants. This compares favourably to the 10% target set by South Dublin and Dun Laoghaire County Councils and the 0% target set by Fingal County Council.

In 2005, 22% of Dublin City Council allocations were made to homeless applicants, this increased to 26% in 2006.

Dublin City Council will continue to work with other agencies to reduce homelessness in Dublin. As members of the Homeless Agency, Dublin City Council were strategic partners in the development of the Agency's three-year plan "A key to the Door" – "The Homeless Agency Partnership Action Plan 2007 – 2010". This plan sets out a series of objectives and actions to be achieved during the course of the plan and the Council is working in partnership with the Agency, the voluntary sector and the other statutory agencies to ensure the success of the plan.

Dublin City Council will continue to work towards ensuring that 30% of allocations are made to homeless applicants, however, it is not possible to increase the target at this time, due to the impact this would have on other categories of housing applicants.

Item 3008

Motion in the name of Councillor Christy Burke

That this Committee agrees to extend the gardens out to the pathways in order to allow residents of Portland close park their cars and to remove the paths that serve no purpose in the close.

Report

These footpaths cannot be removed as one cannot ignore pedestrians safety. If these paths were to be relocated the cost involved in relocating existing services would be prohibitive.

Item 3009

Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty

That procedures be initiated to close off the laneway between Ashington Crescent and Kinvara Drive as requested by the residents of 1-20 Ashington Crescent and Kinvara Drive (petition attached).

Report

A report to initiate the procedures will be submitted to the March Central Area Committee Meeting.

Item 3010

Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe

That this area committee ask the city manager to review the Disabled Persons Grant, due to the increase in building cost which leaves a very high shortfall for people.

Report

The maximum amounts payable under the Grant Scheme for People with Disabilities for particular types of works are as follows:-

Bathroom conversion	€6,000
Straight stair-lift	€2,500
Curved stair-lift	€6,000
Extensions	€20,320

Dublin City Council operates the grant scheme for people with disabilities under guidelines set down by the Department of the Environment, Heritage & Local Government. Any changes to the grant scheme would have to be sanctioned and agreed by the Minister.

Item 3011

Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe

That this Area Committee calls on the manager to review the situation of the kiosk at Capel Street Bridge given the very slow uptake in business there.

Report

The manager has initiated a review of the options in respect of the above kiosks and will be in a position to present these to the Area Committee for the April meeting.

Item 3012

Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe

That this area committee agree that local residents in Cabra receive 50% of the allocations at Pelletstown through Social and Affordable housing.

Report

The allocation of affordable housing in Pelletstown will be made in accordance with the scheme for the allocation of affordable housing as approved by the City Council in November 2005.

The scheme has a local preference for applicants based on the area committee boundary and 30% of the affordable dwellings are made available to applicants from the Central area.

The City Council do not intend to deviate from the scheme for allocation of affordable housing when allocating affordable housing in Pelletstown.

The allocation policy and process for the allocation of affordable housing, as approved by the City Council in November 2005 is outlined below.

KEY PRINCIPLES OF THE NEW APPROACH

- Application process, which is simple and easily understood
- Selection process, which is more equitable
- A common panel for affordable housing for all schemes
- A one off application fee
- A System which provides information and choice

SUMMARY OF THE NEW POLICY AND PROCESS

- Single Affordable Housing Panel for all schemes
- Applicants fill out one short application form to get onto the panel
- Takes five minutes to complete
- Self verification
- Dublin City Council to issue newsletter on periodic basis to panellists showing available properties
- Panellists complete section within the newsletter, confirming which properties they wish to be considered for
- Dublin City Council holds automated lottery to select who gets offered properties
- Dublin City Council contacts successful panellists who only then need to complete full application form including validation of required documentation

Item 3013

Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe

That this area committee is planning to upgrade the park at Great Western Square.

Report

This Division has undertaken upgrading work at Great Western Square over the past two years.
Works Included:

1. The removal of a disused hardstand area and grassing down of same.
2. Re-surfacing of the existing footpath system.
3. The pruning of existing trees and reduction in height of the park boundary hedge to open up views in and out of the park.

The park is currently maintained to a satisfactory condition and unless specific work is required and finance available we do not propose to undertake any additional work at present.

Item 3014

Motion in the name of Councillor Nicky Kehoe

That this area committee contact the OPW to find out what traffic management plan will be implemented in the phoenix park and to ask are they going to implement any plan that was proposed which would include public transport in the phoenix park.

Report

At a recent meeting between the City Manager, officials from the Traffic Department and Central Area Committee and councillors in the Central Area, it was agreed to proceed with the Traffic Management restrictions on the Chapelizod Road, ie one-way into Chapelizod gate and one-way out of Islandbridge Gate.

The Central Area Office will write to the OPW for an update on public transport options.

Item 3015

Motion in the name of Councillor Paschal Donohoe

On tree and parks matters:-

- Will the council prune the tree outside 141 Villa Park Gardens.
- What is the status of plans to install trees back into Ashington?
- Are there plans to install trees into the entrance of Connaught Parade?

Are there plans to prune any trees at the intersection of Walsh/Ferguson Road and Griffith Park.

Report

- The street tree outside 141 Villa Park Gardens is a semi mature ornamental Pear. The crown is small and compact with a heavy overhead cable running across it. The tree is not covering an obstruction and as such is considered not to be in need of pruning.
- The replacement trees are scheduled to be planted in Ashington Estate during the current tree planting season.
- Entrance to Connaught Parade as above.
- Tree pruning on Walsh/Ferguson Road and Griffith Park is to be undertaken before Spring 2007.

Item 3016

Motion in the name of Councillor Paschal Donohoe

Will the council install a hand rail on the steps between Norfolk Road and Connaught Parade.

Report

Road maintenance will arrange to have a "hand rail" erected in the centre of the steps. This work will not be completed until later in the year as it will be necessary to get this "hand rail" specially fabricated.

Item 3017

Motion in the name of Councillor Paschal Donohoe

On laneway matters will the council provide an update on the following issues:-

- Who owns the laneway behind Fingal Place, Stoneybatter?
- Who owns the laneway beside 121 Ashington Close?
- That the laneway behind Glenbrook Road, Kinvara can be cleaned?

Report

- The laneway behind Fingal Place, Stoneybatter is not in the ownership of DCC. Its ownership will be investigated.
- The ownership of this laneway is being investigated.
- Waste Management Services had the laneway behind Glenbrook Road, Kinvara cleaned on the 7th February 2007.

Item 3018

Motion in the name of Councillor Paschal Donohoe

Who owns the manhole cover outside The Grangegorman Inn on Grangegorman Road and can it be better secured as it is currently loose and causing disturbance to neighbours.

Report

This will be referred to Roadwork's Control in Roads and Traffic for investigation.

Item 3019

Motion in the name of Councillor Paschal Donohoe

On litter and cleansing matters can the council do the following:-

- Clean up the entrance to Annamoe Park.
- Clean the laneways behind Norfolk Road, the laneway that connect Cabra Park to St Peters Road and the laneway behind Kinvara Park and Kinvara Grove.
- Ensure the rubbish bin at the end of Griffith Avenue across from Whitehall Garda station is cleaned and regularly emptied.

Remove graffiti at the entrance to Darling Estate and on the sign at the end of Ashington Avenue (containing directions to different roads in Ashington).

Report

- Waste Management Services cleaned up the entrance to Annamoe Park on the 7th February 2007. This area is normally cleaned every Monday after the refuse collection has taken place there.
- Waste Management Services cleaned the laneways behind Norfolk Road on the 6th February 2007. Waste Management Services cleaned the laneway that connects Cabra Park to St. Peter's Road on the 6th February 2007 and again on the 8th February 2007 as fresh dumping had taken place there. Waste Management Services had the laneway behind Kinvara Park and Kinvara Grove on the 6th February 2007.
- Waste Management Services will ensure that the litter bin at the end of Griffith Avenue across from Whitehall Garda Station is emptied on a more regular basis.
- Our Graffiti Removal Officer, Mr. Martin Daly, Telephone 2224254, has made arrangements with his contractor to have the graffiti at the entrance to Darling Estate removed before the end of February 2007. He also will try to have the graffiti removed from the sign at the end of Ashington Avenue. If he cannot remove this graffiti, he will contact the Roads & Streets Department with the view to having a new sign installed there.

Item 3020

Motion in the name of Councillor Aodhán Ó Ríordáin

That the manager investigates the possibility of constructing a graffiti wall, along the lines requested by participants in the Bradóg Youth group, in the area of George's Place, Dublin 7 or its environs.

Report

George's Place has recently undergone an extensive Precinct Improvement Scheme. It is not the policy of Dublin City Council to encourage this type of activity within it's housing complexes.

It is understood that the Waste Management Section have undertaken some work in this area and it is considered that the matter of graffiti walls is best dealt with by them.

Item 3021

Motion in the name of Councillor Aodhán Ó Ríordáin

That this committee acknowledges the need for an ATM machine in the area of Ballybough and will petition various financial institutions to investigate the possibility of locating such a machine for the convenience of the community.

Report

Arrangements will be made to contact the main Banks with the terms of this motion, if the motion is agreed by the committee.

Item 3022

Motion in the name of Councillor Aodhán Ó Ríordáin

That this committee agrees that all unsuccessful applicants for various affordable housing schemes be informed immediately as the information flow has been unsatisfactory in many cases up until recently.

Report

Dublin City Council currently operates an automated draw where the total number of applicants who apply and are eligible for a particular affordable housing scheme are placed in order of merit.

The number of units on offer in a particular scheme determines success and successful applicants are notified immediately a draw takes place.

The Council do not at this stage notify unsuccessful applicants in order to allow for refusals where successful applicants turn down offers and subsequent offers are made.

To allow time to deal with subsequent offers and due to the large numbers of applicants involved, Dublin City Council will notify unsuccessful applicants within four weeks of a draw taking place.

Item 3023

Motion in the name of Councillor Aodhán Ó Ríordáin

That the manager gives a report as to the upcoming social and affordable housing in the Central area with particular reference to the Docklands area.

Report

(a)

Thirty-three social housing dwellings under construction at Poplar Row, Ballybough are due for completion in March/April. Sixty-three dwellings under construction at Lourdes House, Dublin 1 are scheduled for completion in mid-2009.

The following dwellings are planned for the Central Area over the next few years: -

<u>Location:</u>	<u>No of Units</u>	<u>Estimated Starting Date</u>	<u>Estimated Completion Date</u>
O'Devaney Gardens Dublin 7	122*	2008	2009/2010
Liberty House D1, Phase 2	36-40 approx	Early 2008	Late 2009
Sean Treacy House Dublin 1	53	Late 2007	Mid 2009
McKee Park, Blackhorse Ave, Dublin 7	40	Late 2007	Early 2009
North King St/Beresford St, Dublin 7	27	Late 2007	Mid 2009
Dominick St Dublin 1 (Phase 1)	60	Early 2008	2009
Dominick St Dublin 1 (Phase 2)	60	Early 2009	2010
Dunmanus Road			

Cabra, Dublin 7 40 approx.
(S/C)

2008

2009

*It is intended to provide further social dwellings in later phases of O'Devaney Gardens.

(b)

There are formal agreements in place under Part V of the Planning & Development Act 2000 – 2002 as amended for the delivery of the following units in the central area.

Part V Affordable Housing:

Castleforbes Road	15
Laburnam Cottage, Pelletstown	18
Rathbourne Village, Pelletstown	20
Docklands, Longboat Quay (DDDA Section 25)	66
Sheriff St, Liffey Trust	9

Part V Social Housing:

Castleforbes Road	15
Kings Inn St, Dublin 1	9
Laburnam Cottage, Pelletstown, Dublin 7 (Cluid – Voluntary)	46

Dublin City Council is currently in negotiations with the Developer(s) for the delivery of units at the following locations, number of units has not yet been determined.

Railway Street, James Joyce Street, Dublin 1
Pelletstown
Mountjoy Street / Wellington Street
Distillery Road

Item 3024

Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty

That a full report be made to this committee on the court settlement agreed by Dublin City Council in relation to the C.B.S. land at North Circular Road, Dublin 7.

Report

The planning application in relation to this proposal, Plan No. 5260/04, was the subject of High Court proceedings and by Order of the High Court dated 23 January 2007 it was ordered that the decision of Dublin City Council made on 23 June 2005 and all record and entries relating thereto be quashed. The Order declared that Dublin City Council was deemed to have made a decision on 06 June 2005 to grant planning permission in accordance with the plans, particulars and specifications lodged and as modified by the additional information received. Dublin City Council was directed to issue a grant of planning permission subject to one condition – that the developer must enter into an agreement with Dublin City Council under Section 96 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (Social and Affordable Housing).

A further agreement under Section 47 of the Planning and Development to Act was reached with the Christian Brothers in relation to the above development with provision for future planning applications to address issues of concern. The Christian Brothers also agreed to pay a sum equivalent to the Development Contribution that would have been required (€2,214,141) and this amount is now on Joint Deposit between DCC and the Christian Brothers to be drawn down if the development permitted on foot of this permission is to be commenced.

Item 3025

Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty

That Dublin City Council facilitate the Olympia Theatre with footpath works etc to enable the reinstated of the historic canopy on the Theatre façade.

Report

The widening of the footpath at the Olympia is part of the current works programme for Road Construction Division. A contractor has been appointed to do the work which consists of new granite footpath, re-locating the signalised pedestrian crossing and a granite build out on the opposite side of the road to facilitate the new crossing point. A meeting with the contractor and granite supplier has been arranged for next week. If suitable granite has to be imported then work will start towards the end of May and be finished in 4 to 6 weeks. However the work may start at an earlier date if granite is available locally.

Item 3026

Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty

To ask the Manager to arrange a meeting of the 3 Builders at East Road, East Wall, Dublin 3 Danniger, Ellen Construction and McGinley to put in place measures to protect the few residential houses there from dirt and dust and to maintain the pathways/road in appropriate condition.

Report

Arrangements are being made for an on-site meeting with representatives from the 3 Developers with a view to agreeing a type of cleaning protocol to alleviate the effect of construction work at this location.

Item 3027

Motion in the name of Councillor Mick Rafferty

To ask the Manager when a recommendation and decision on delisting the buildings at Stanhope Street School to enable work to start on the new school building.

Report

A report is being prepared and will be presented at the area committee meeting in March.

Item 3028

Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello

That the Area Manager take steps to deal with the increasing problem of dog dirt throughout the central area, and that warning signs be erected in prominent places area, that houses leafleted notifying dog-owners of their obligations and that more dog wardens be recruited to enforce the regulations, considering that there has been no increase in the last 15 years.

Report

The Anti Litter Officer in conjunction with the Environmental Liaison Officer for the Central Area will arrange for warning signs to be erected and houses to be leafleted notifying dog owners of their responsibility.

The functions of the Dog Wardens primarily relates to the enforcement of the Control of Dogs legislation however they are also authorised officers under the Litter Pollution Act and they issue fines to dog owners in breach of this legislation.

Three dog wardens are employed by Ashton Pound & Warden Service, who are contracted to provide services for Control of Dogs Services in the Dublin City Area for the period 1st November 2006 to the 1st November 2009 and there are no plans to increase the number of dog wardens at least until this contract has run its course.

Item 3029

Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello

That the manager report on the recent reports of anti-social behaviour at Dorset Street Flats and that he ensures that the playground railings are repaired and that the public lighting is upgraded and communal areas cleaned.

Report:

Anti-Social Behaviour within the complex has been problematic in recent months. We are liaising closely with the Gardai, CPF and the residents group to tackle this issue. It should be clarified that the vast majority of Anti-Social Behaviour occurring within the complex has been caused by people who are not resident in the complex. In relation to families within the complex we have interviewed eight families in relation to anti-social behaviour.

The playground railings were removed on Tuesday 30th January 2007 to be repaired. They will be re-installed at the earliest possible date.

Upgrading of the public lighting within complex has not been included in the works programme of our Electrical Services Division for the year 2007.

The communal areas are swept on daily basis and are power-hosed on a weekly basis. i.e. stairwells/ playground areas are power - hosed weekly.

Item 3030

Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello

That the DCC provide a drop in centre for young people in the Royal Canal Bank Area and that the manager ensures that Royal Canal Bank is regularly swept.

Report

Dublin City Council have no available property in this area to facilitate use as a drop-in centre.

Waste Management Services have Royal Canal Bank swept every Tuesday after the refuse collection has taken place there. We will ensure that the cleaning schedule for this area is strictly adhered to.

Item 3031

Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello

That the manager report on the number of people who are registered homeless in the central area and the average length of time waiting to be housed and how many people were housed from the homeless list in the central area in 2006.

Report

At present 383 persons have registered as homeless in the central area. This figure includes all applicants on the list for Housing Areas H (Ballybough, Dominick Street, Dorset Street, Phibsborough) P (North King Street, Church Street, Ormond Quay) Chancery Street) and E (Santry, Whitehall, Cabra, Finglas, Glasnevin). It is not possible to give the number of applicants for the Cabra area only as the Housing Areas boundaries do not correspond to the boundaries of the Area Committees.

In 2006, 33 applicants from the homeless list were housed in the central area. As the largest Housing Authority in Ireland Dublin City Council has a high number of housing applications each year. Dublin City Council have set a target to ensure that 30% of allocations are made to homeless applicants. In 2006 26% of all allocations were made to homeless applicants. It is difficult to provide an average waiting time for applicants awaiting housing from the homeless list as allocations are subject to a suitable vacancy arising within an applicants area of preference.

Item 3032

Motion in the name of Councillor Emer Costello

That Dublin City Council meet with the film distributors in Dublin with a view to negotiating a reduced rate for teenagers so that they no longer have to pay the adult rate for cinemas in Dublin.

Report

Arrangements will be made to contact the main cinema operators with the terms of this motion if it is agreed by the committee.

Item 3033

Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr

That the manager report on the zoning for the Bachelors Site at Bannow Road, what developments would be permissible on the site and if there are any plans for its development.

Report

The site is zoned Z6 in the Dublin City Development Plan 2005-2011 the objective of which is 'to provide for the creation and protection of enterprise and facilitate opportunities for employment creation'.

It is considered that Z6 lands constitute an important land bank for employment use in the city which it is considered strategically important to protect. A number of accessible mixed use inner suburban sites which were zoned Z6 have been rezoned Z10 to permit a wider range of mixed use development, making it important that remaining Z6 lands are available to service the employment requirements of the city.

The uses in these areas will be primarily office based industry and business technology parks developed to a high environmental standard and incorporating a range of amenities.

A range of other uses including residential are open for consideration on lands zoned objective Z6 but are seen as ancillary to their primary use as employment zones. In established areas Z6 lands may include light industry and some retail which has become established over a number of years.

The uses in this zone are likely to generate a considerable amount of traffic by both employees and service traffic. Sites should therefore have good vehicular and public transport access. The Bannow Road site has somewhat restricted vehicular access in that vehicular traffic is channelled through the adjoining housing estates. In light of this a mixed redevelopment scheme to include residential development may be considered acceptable.

Item 3034

Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr

That the manager state what plans there are for providing a play area for young children in the Phoenix Park close to the Ashtown Gate and state if he will install traffic lights or a roundabout or ramps at Ashtown Gate to render the junction safer.

Report

Provision of traffic lights or a roundabout or ramps at the entrance to Ashtown Gate will be referred to Fingal County Council as it is within their administrative area.

Item 3035

Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr

That Dublin City Council draw up plans for precinct improvements for the 17 shops on the New Cabra Road and the two shopping areas on Fassaugh Avenue

Report

There are no currently plans at present to draw up a specific or detailed precinct improvement plan for the existing shops on the New Cabra Road. It has not been identified as part of the current programme of work for strategic/forward planning team. The Planning Department in conjunction with the Local Area Office team will however consult with the wider Central Area Team to investigate the issues at hand and establish the most appropriate response to the need for plans for precinct improvements.

Item 3036

Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr

That the Manager report on progress on producing a traffic management plan for the Phibsborough Area.

Report

There are no plans to produce a traffic management plan for the Phibsborough Area. In recent years, there has been an extension to the Ballymun QBC to incorporate Phibsborough. A design was also undertaken the Berkeley Traffic Cell south east of Phibsborough village and a design is currently being undertaken for the Grangegorman Traffic cell south west of Phibsborough village

Following a restricted tendering procurement process, TMS Consultancy from the UK were appointed in January 2007 to carry out a detailed investigation of collisions along the North Circular Road and Cabra Road and main junctions in the environs on these routes including Phibsborough. The aim of the study is to determine the main engineering factors involved in collisions in this area and to suggest collision remedial measures to prevent such collisions and not to prepare a traffic management plan for the area. This contract is ongoing with a 3-month time period.

Item 3037

Motion in the name of Councillor Brendan Carr

That the Traffic Department provide a full report on traffic on Walsh Road along Griffith Park with a view to installing pedestrian lights at the entrance to the park and ramps to protect residents/pedestrians.

Report

A full day traffic count of the number of pedestrians and vehicles was carried out at the junction of Walsh Road and Ferguson Road during June 2006. Using the highest hourly count during the day, the pedestrian count crossing Walsh Road was 46% of the pedestrian warrant and the vehicle count on Walsh Road was 75% of the vehicle warrant. There were no other special circumstances that would warrant the provision of pedestrian signals at this location and thus the provision of a pedestrian crossing is not recommended.

A speed survey was carried out on Walsh Road on 3rd August 2006 and resulted in an 85th percentile speed of 40km/h (approx. 25mph). Therefore, the existing ramps have reduced traffic speeds to an appropriate level and no additional ramps are recommended.

Item 3038

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.

Report

The Assistant Area Manager is available to meet with Residents Groups/Associations on a regular basis relating to local issues and has been available to meet with the relevant groups/associations in the general Navan Road area as required.

The Central Area Management Team is carrying out a review of all existing community for a in the Central Area and when this review is finalised the issue of a more expansive and inclusive forum for the Cabra/Navan Road/Ashtown can be examined further.

Item 3039

Motion in the name of Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

In advance of and to compliment the development of new senior citizen housing in McKee Park this committee calls on Dublin City Council to upgrade the existing area. Dublin City Council should undertake improvements of the footpaths, public lighting and roads in McKee Park. The manager should provide a response to this request outlining the works to be undertaken within a specified timeframe.

Report

Road maintenance have allocated €20,000 in their 2007 works programme to reconstruct sections of concrete footpaths in McKee Park.

Upgrading of the lighting in McKee Park is on our 2007 programme of improvement works.

Item 3040

Motion in the name of Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

This committee calls on Dublin City Council to immediately take action to address the issues of serious anti-social behaviour taking place in the lands adjacent to Pelletstown. DCC should obtain permission from the private landowner and any other interested parties to secure all of the open lands. Dublin City Council should physically secure all of the lands without any further delay and take action to accelerate and bring forward the works it has planned for development of a park in the area.

Report

Anti social activity is primarily a matter for the Gardai to deal with. The local Garda station is aware of the activities taking place on the lands in question and has taken measures to control access to the land. Responsibility for securing the private lands, which are the subject of a CPO, is a matter for the owner (s). The Cabra Area Office recently requested the owner to repair the private boundary wall with the River Road. The City Council will endeavour to keep the boundary wall of the public lands with the River Road secured and ensure any damage is repaired

The CPO has not been completed, as agreement could not be reached between the Council and the landowner in relation to the assessment of the compensation. In early January 2007, the matter was referred to the High Court. No date has yet been set for the hearing and the Council is unable to expedite the process of setting such a date. It appears that completing the project will be delayed as a result of these proceedings. A full report on this matter is on the agenda for today's meeting.

Item 3041

Motion in the name of Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

This committee calls on Dublin City Council's traffic department to install traffic signage in advance of the pedestrian crossings on Kinvara Avenue and on the Navan Road to indicate to motorists that children are crossing for a school up ahead. This committee also calls on Dublin City Council to reinstate the ground surface on the pedestrian laneway entrance from Kinvara Park to the school.

Report

A 'caution children' sign exists on Kinvara Avenue on the west side of the road at the junction with Navan Road. Also, there are existing school ahead signs on the Navan Road east and west of the junction with Kinvara Avenue.

The laneway entrance from Kinvara Park to the school is not in Dublin City Councils charge hence no works will be carried out there.

A SIMPLE APPROACH TO ALLOCATING PROPERTIES.

(% Of dwellings allocated to each category)

CATEGORY DESCRIPTION	OFFERS
1. Existing Dublin City Council or Voluntary Housing Associations Tenant	10%
2. Live within Area Committee boundary where development occur	30%
3. All other Eligible Applicants	60%

TO GIVE ALL CUSTOMERS A CHANCE OF GETTING A PROPERTY, WHILE ALSO TRYING TO BE FAIR TO THOSE ON THE LIST LONGER

(Weight = number of times applicant's number is entered into the draw)

<u>TIME ON LIST</u>	<u>WEIGHT</u>
Less than 6 months	1
6 months to 18 months	2
More than 18 months	3

**Development Department,
Civic Offices.**

5th March, 2007.

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

Item No: 3045

Proposed disposal of a strip of land adjacent to 41 Blackhorse Avenue, Dublin 7 to Kieran Brennan and Fionnuala McHugh, 41 Blackhorse Ave.

An application has been received from Mr.Kieran Brennan and Ms. Fionnuala McHugh of 41 Blackhorse Avenue, Dublin 7 to purchase a small strip of ground adjacent to their property. Dublin City Council previously acquired this land from the then owners of No. 41 Blackhorse Avenue for road widening purposes in 1985, which road widening did not or will not take place. The area is shown, outlined red and shaded yellow, on the attached map.

It is proposed to dispose of the land in fee simple subject to the following terms and conditions.

1. The applicant pays the Council an amount of €2,539 (two thousand, five hundred and thirty nine euro) in full and final settlement for this plot of ground.
2. Each party shall be responsible for their own costs incurred in this matter.
3. This proposal is subject to the necessary consents and approvals being obtained.

Martin Kavanagh

Executive Manager

Development Department,
Civic Offices.
5th March, 2007

To the Chairman and Members of
The Central Area Committee

Item No: 3046

With reference to the proposed disposal of Commercial Unit 5, James Joyce Street, Dublin 1 to Mr Diarmuid Scollard and Mr David Park, C/O 20-20 Vision Design Group, 14 Docklands Innovation Park, Dublin 3.

A proposal for the development of a site at Foley Street / James Joyce Street (formerly Corporation Street), Dublin 1 was approved by City Council in November 2002. The development, a public-private partnership with McCabe Builders (Dublin) Ltd. T/A McCabe was to provide for 9 Enterprise / Commercial Units, Crèche, Dance Centre and Municipal Arts Centre for the Council and residential units and car parking for the developer (the Liberty Corner Project). The development is now completed.

The 9 units failed to let as Enterprise Units and it is now proposed to dispose of these units as Commercial/Retail Units. It is proposed to dispose of Unit 5 which measures 110 m² (approx.) and includes one associated car parking space within the courtyard of the development to Mr. Diarmuid Scollard and Mr David Park, C/O 20-20 Vision Design Group, 14 Docklands Innovation Park, Dublin 3. The unit is shown for identification purposes only on the attached map. The disposal will be subject to the following terms and conditions.

1. A 500-year lease of Commercial Unit 5 and Car Parking Space will be granted.
2. The Purchase price for the unit will be €375,000 (three hundred and seventy five thousand euro) and €40,000 for the Car Parking Space.
3. A 10% deposit will be payable on the signing of the contract with the balance payable on completion
4. All other outgoings, including Local Authority charges, rates, full repairs (internal and external) and insurance shall be the responsibility of Mr Diarmuid Scollard and Mr David Park.
5. Mr Diarmuid Scollard and Mr David Park shall be responsible for the payment of a service charge / estate charge for the development. This cost has yet to be agreed.
6. The agreement is subject to receipt of satisfactory background information including a bank reference.
7. Each party shall be responsible for their own legal and agents costs in this transaction and Mr Diarmuid Scollard and Mr David Park shall pay any VAT or stamp duty which may be payable.
8. The unit will be used as a design / photographic studio.
9. The proposed lessee shall not assign or sublet any part of the property without the consent of Dublin City Council.
10. The lease will be subject to any other terms and conditions deemed appropriate by the Council's Law Agent

Martin Kavanagh

Executive Manager

To the Chairman and Members of
The Central Area Committee

Item No: 3047

With reference to the proposed disposal of Commercial Unit 8, James Joyce Street, Dublin 1 to Mr Henry Wildgust and Mr Niall O'Connor c/o Unit G1 The Steel Works, Foley St, Dublin 1.

A proposal for the development of a site at Foley Street / James Joyce Street (formerly Corporation Street), Dublin 1 was approved by City Council in November 2002. The development, a public-private partnership with McCabe Builders (Dublin) Ltd. T/A McCabe was to provide for 9 Commercial / Retail Units, Crèche, Dance Centre and Municipal Arts Centre for the Council and residential units and car parking for the developer (the Liberty Corner Project). The development is now completed.

The 9 units failed to let as Enterprise Units and it is now proposed to dispose of these units as Commercial / Retail Units. It is proposed to dispose of commercial unit 8, which measures 118m² (approx.) and includes one associated surface car parking space within the courtyard of the development and 1 other car parking space to Mr Henry Wildgust and Mr Niall O'Connor. The unit is shown for identification purposes only on the attached map. The disposal will be subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. A 500-year lease of Commercial Unit 2 and two Car Parking Spaces will be granted.
2. The Purchase price for the unit will be €375,000 (three hundred and seventy-five thousand euro) and €40,000 for each of the Car Parking Spaces.
3. A 10% deposit will be payable on the signing of the contract with the balance payable on completion.
4. All other outgoings, including Local Authority charges, rates, full repairs (internal and external) and insurance shall be the responsibility of Mr Henry Wildgust and Mr Niall O'Connor.
5. Mr Henry Wildgust and Mr Niall O'Connor shall be responsible for the payment of a service charge / estate charge for the development. This cost has yet to be agreed.
6. The agreement is subject to receipt of satisfactory background information including a bank reference.
7. Each party shall be responsible for their own legal and agents costs in this transaction and Mr Henry Wildgust and Mr Niall O'Connor shall pay any VAT or stamp duty which may be payable.
8. The unit will be used as an office.
9. The proposed lessee shall not assign or sublet any part of the property without the consent of Dublin City Council.
10. The lease will be subject to any other terms and conditions deemed appropriate by the Council's Law Agent.

Martin Kavanagh

Executive Manager

To the Chairman and Members of
The Central Area Committee

Item No: 3048

With reference to the proposed disposal of Commercial Unit 2, James Joyce Street, Dublin 1 to Mr Paul Lemass, 58 Burnaby Heights, Greystones, Co. Wicklow.

A proposal for the development of a site at Foley Street / James Joyce Street (formerly Corporation Street), Dublin 2 was approved by City Council in November 2002. The development, a public-private partnership with McCabe Builders (Dublin) Ltd. T/A McCabe was to provide for 9 Enterprise/ Commercial Units, Crèche, Dance Centre and Municipal Arts Centre for the Council and Residential Units and Car Parking for the developer (the Liberty Corner Project). The development is now completed.

The 9 units failed to let as Enterprise Units and it is now proposed to dispose of these units as Commercial / Retail Units. It is proposed to dispose of Unit 2 to Mr Paul Lemass, 58 Burnaby Heights, Greystones, Co. Wicklow. Unit 2 is 90m² (approx.) and is shown for identification purposes only on the attached map. The disposal will be subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. The term of the lease will be 500 years.
2. The Purchase price will be €350,000 (three hundred and fifty thousand euro).
3. A 10% deposit will be payable on the signing of the contract with the balance payable on completion.
4. All other outgoings, including Local Authority charges, rates, full repairs (internal and external) and insurance shall be the responsibility of Mr. Paul Lemass.
5. Mr. Paul Lemass shall be responsible for the payment of a service charge / estate charge for the development. This amount still has to be agreed.
6. The agreement is subject to receipt of satisfactory background information including a bank reference.
7. Each party shall be responsible for their own legal and agents costs in this transaction and Mr. Paul Lemass shall pay any VAT or stamp duty which may be payable.
8. The unit will be used as an office providing shipping, courier and postal services to consumers and small businesses.
9. The proposed lessee shall not assign or sublet any part of the property without the consent of Dublin City Council.
10. The lease will be subject to any other terms and conditions deemed appropriate by the Council's Law Agent

Martin Kavanagh

Executive Manager

Events Notification Form

Cabra Library

Events for March 2007

EXHIBITIONS AND DISPLAYS

TITLE	REG	CHILD	WEB	DATE/TIME
Theatre Royal Exhibition			Y	Month of March
Display of Irish books for Seachtain na Gaeilge				1 st – 16 th March

CONVERSATION EXCHANGES

TITLE	REG	CHILD	WEB	DATE/TIME
French/English Conversation Exchange	Y		Y	Tuesdays 7.00-8.00
Spanish/English Conversation Exchange	Y		Y	Wednesdays 7.00-8.00

CHILDREN'S EVENTS

TITLE	REG	CHILD	WEB	DATE/TIME
Art Classes (full)	Y			Fridays 3.15 – 4.15
Seachtain na Gaeilge – Storytelling with Niall de Burca 7-12 yrs				Tues 13 th March 10.00
Seachtain na Gaeilge – Bi-lingual quiz for 9-11 yr olds				Thur 15 th March 3.30 – 4.30

FACILITATED GROUPS AND ORGANISATIONS

ORGANIZATION	REG	CHILD	WEB	DATE/TIME
Parent/Toddler Group (full)	Y	E		Tuesdays and Thursdays 10.30 – 12.00
Japanese Parent/Toddler Group	Y	E		Wednesdays 1.20- 3.30
“Bookends” Book Club	Y			1 st Tuesday of the month 7.00-8.00
Cover to Cover Children’s Book Club	Y	E		Last Monday of the month 7-9 yrs: 3.30-4.15 10-12 yrs: 4.15 – 4.45 Various & ongoing Contact library
Websmart beginners computer programme **NEW** English Book Club – book club for people learning English. 1st book is “Sad Song” by Vincent Banville	Y		Y	Last Monday of the month starting March 26 th at 7.00. Please contact the library to join the book club

MISCELLANEOUS

TITLE	REG	CHILD	WEB	DATE/TIME
Library tours on request	Y			Pre-book with librarian
Internet block bookings for groups	Y			Please contact librarian

Events Notification Form

Charleville Mall Library

Events for March 2007

EXHIBITIONS AND DISPLAYS

TITLE	<u>REG</u>	CHILD	WEB	DATE/TIME
Book Display : " Gardiners' World "				March 2007
Book Display : Author of the Month - Daisy Meadows		E		March 2007
Book Display : How to Make and Do		E		March 2007

CHILDREN'S EVENTS

TITLE	<u>REG</u>	CHILD	WEB	DATE/TIME
Art Classes	Y	E	Y	Monday's @ 3.00 p.m.
Storytime for Pre-School Children	Y	E		Tuesday's @ 11.00a.m.

FACILITATED GROUPS AND ORGANISATIONS

ORGANIZATION	<u>REG</u>	CHILD	WEB	DATE/TIME
Daisy Belles Readers Group reading <i>"No Other Life " by Brian Moore</i>	Y		Y	First Thursday @ 11.00 a.m.
Charleville Mall Art Group	Y		Y	Monday's 10.30 - 12.30

Events Notification Form

Drumcondra Library

Events for March

EXHIBITIONS AND DISPLAYS

TITLE	REG	CHILD	WEB	DATE/TIME
Impac Book Display				Month of March
Irish language Book Display				Month of March

CHILDREN'S EVENTS

TITLE	REG	CHILD	WEB	DATE/TIME
Michael O'Ruairc talks about his book on Roy Keane				14 th March at 12pm

Events Notification Form

Phibsboro Library

Events March 2007

EXHIBITIONS AND DISPLAYS

TITLE	REG	CHILD	WEB	DATE/TIME
" Blas Na Gaeilge/ a Taste of Irish " - display of some of the Irish material available in our Library. Tie-in with Seachtaine Na Gaelige (Adult & Junior)		E	Y	First 2 weeks of Month
"Library Week" – display of information & books celebrating Libraries (Adult & Junior)		E	Y	5 th – 11 th March
"Impac Literary Award 2007" – selection of longlist titles from this years' award			Y	Month of March
Author of the Month – Commemorating Benedict Kiely			Y	Month of March
"Books of the Month" – selection of interesting /recommended fiction & non-fiction	Y		Y	Ongoing

**SOCIAL,
VOLUNTARY &
CO-OPERATIVE
HOUSING
PROGRAMME
CENTRAL AREA**

March 2007

CENTRAL AREA PLANNED
SOCIAL HOUSING PROGRAMME

SOCIAL HOUSING PROGRAMME				
PROJECT NAME	NO OF UNITS	PROPERTY TYPE	START DATE	COMPLETION DATE
McKee Park	40 Senior Citizen Units	Social/ New Build	Nov '07	April '09
North King Street	27	Social/ New Build	Dec '07	April '09
Sean Treacy House	53	Social/ New Build	Dec '07	June-09
Dominick Street (60 in 2008 & 60 in 2009)	60	Social/ New Build	2008	
Dunmanus	40 Senior Citizens Units	Social/ New Build	2008	
Liberty House Phase 2	35	Social/ New Build	2008	
O'Devaney	106	Social/ New Build	2008	
Total	361			

CENTRAL AREA

IN PROGRESS

SOCIAL HOUSING PROGRAMME

SOCIAL HOUSING PROGRAMME				
PROJECT NAME	NO OF UNITS	PROPERTY TYPE	START DATE	COMPLETION DATE
Lourdes House	63	Social – New Build	Feb-06 enabling works	Jun-09
Ormond Square	14	Refurbishment	May-06	May-07
Poplar Row/ Courtney Place, Phase 2	33	Social - New Build	Dec-03	April 07
TOTAL	110			

CENTRAL AREA
PLANNED
VOLUNTARY AND CO-OPERATIVE HOUSING

VOLUNTARY AND CO-OPERATIVE HOUSING				
PROJECT NAME	NO OF UNITS	PROPERTY TYPE	START DATE	COMPLETION DATE
Alone - 17 Doyles Cottage, Blackhorse Ave, D7	1 - CAS	Construction	2007	2008
Alone - 32 Belvedere Road, D1	3 - CAS	Construction	2007	2008
Alone - 6 O'Sullivan's Ave, Ballybough, D3	1 - CAS	Construction	2007	2007
B.I.H.-Lighthouse	15 -LSS	Part V	2008	
Catholic Housing Aid – Fr. Scully House, Gardiner Street, Dublin 1	100 - CAS	Construction	2007	2009
Catholic Housing Aid – St. Agathas Court, Nth William St. Dublin 1	38 - LSS	Construction	2008	
Circle – Bricin's Park	86 - CAS	Construction	2008	
Cluid-Pelletstown	46 - LSS	Part V	2008	
NABCO- East Road	46 - LSS	Construction	2008	
NABCo – 84 North King St, Dublin 7	36 - LSS	Construction	2008	
Teenage Care – Claremont Villa, 1 Ballymun Road, Glasnevin, D11	7 - CAS	Construction	2007	2007
The Aids Fund – Granby Lane, Dublin 1	15 - CAS	Construction	2007	
TOTAL	394			

CENTRAL AREA

IN PROGRESS

VOLUNTARY AND CO-OPERATIVE HOUSING

VOLUNTARY AND CO-OPERATIVE HOUSING				
PROJECT NAME	NO OF UNITS	PROPERTY TYPE	START DATE	COMPLETION DATE
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SOCIAL HOUSING PROGRAMME -MAJOR REGENERATION PROJECTS

CENTRAL AREA

O'Devaney Gardens P.P.P.:— The Project Agreement for the Project was signed on the 12th of February. Planning drawings are being prepared.

- **Project Manager :** Mr. Dick Whelan

Dominick Street P.P.P.: — The bid submissions are being assessed and it is hoped to have announced the preferred bidder by the end of March.

- **Project Manager :** Mr. Joe Farrell

St. Michans House :- St Michans House is earmarked for full demolition and community consultation is ongoing

- **Project Manager :** Mr. Joe Farrell

Croke Villas :- — The closing date for the submissions of interest for the redevelopment is the 6th of March 2007.

- **Project Manager :** Ms Claire Feeney

Dorset Street :- --- Dorset Street Flats are earmarked for full demolition and community consultation is ongoing

- **Project Manager :** Mr. Joe Farrell

MINUTES OF THE TRAFFIC ADVISORY GROUP HELD ON 15TH FEBRUARY, 2007

Parking

Prohibitions

1 **Dorset Street Upper, Dublin 1.**

Reps for Double Yellow Lines on Dorset Street Upper.

Dublin City Council

DocID:168271

Recommended

East side within the indented parking area from a point 19m south from Frederick Lane, south for 5m (at the location of the dropped kerb which allows for emergency access).

2 **Clonliffe Gardens, Dublin 3.**

Reps to Rescind Double Yellow Lines on Clonliffe Gardens, off Clonliffe Road.

Resident

DocID:146120

Recommended

-West side, from a point 4m north of the boundary between no.s 19 and 20, north for 7m (rescind 7m dyls). -West side, from a point 4m south of the boundary between no.s 8 and 7, south for 3m (rescind 3m dyls).

3 **St. Benedicts Gardens, Dublin 7.**

Reps for Double Yellow Lines outside no.17 St. Benedicts Gardens.

Public Rep

DocID:144666

Recommended

-Eastern side, from a point 2m south of the boundary between no.16 and no.17, north for 6m (6m dyl, parking bay outside no.16 to be rescinded).
-Northern side, from a point at the eastern end of the road, west for 2m (2m dyl).

4 Mary's Lane, Dublin 7.

Revise Parking Restrictions on Mary's Lane
(between Arran Street East to Georges Hill).

Gardai

DocID:160449

Recommended

Rescind Clearway and replace with Single Yellow Lines with operating hours Mon-Sat 07.00-19.00:
South side, from a point 8m west of the junction with Arran Street East, west to a point 8m east of the junction with St. Michans Street.-North side, from a point 8m west of the junction with Green Street, west to a point 6m east of the laneway beside the school.

-North side, from a point 6m west of the junction with Georges Hill, east to a point 6m west of the laneway beside the school.

5 Church Terrace, Dublin 7.

Reps for Disabled Parking Bay outside No. 13, Church Terrace, off Church Street.

Resident

DocID:165780

Recommended

South side, from the boundary between no.12 and no.13 west for 5m.

6 Portland Place, Dublin 1.

Reps for Double Yellow Lines on Portland Place, outside the Portland Dock apartment complex.

Dublin City Council

DocID:165763

Recommended

-North side, from the junction with Dorset Street Lower, east for 55m (as far as existing double yellow lines). -South side, from the junction with Dorset Street Lower, east for 5m.

7 Portland Place, Dublin 1.

Reps for Loading Bay on Portland Place, at the side of the Red Parrott Public House.

Dublin City Council

DocID:165763

Recommended

South side, from a point 5m east from the junction with Dorset Street Lower, east for 15m (Monday to Saturday, 7am to 7pm).

b Traffic Conditions

8 St. Margaret's Avenue, Dublin 1.

2 Ramps on St. Margaret's Avenue.

Dublin City Council

DocID:168267

Recommended

-5m north of lamp standard no.4 (where road narrows at no.5 to no.8). -2m south of lamp standard no.2 (south of gate).

9 New Cabra Road, Dublin 7.

Reps to Extend Yellow Box on New Cabra Road east side to the junction with St. Peter's Road, Cabra.

School

DocID:11111

Recommended

10 North Circular Road, Dublin 7.

Reps for Yellow Box on North Circular Road at buildout at School Warden crossing site outside St Peter's National School.

School

DocID:168270

Recommended

11 Ratoath Road/Ballyboggan Road, Dublin 9.

Reps for a Yellow Box on Ratoath Road at junction with Ballyboggan Road.

Dublin City Council

DocID:168272

Recommended

Half Yellow Box west of the pedestrian crossing at the traffic signal junction.

12 North Strand Road/Waterloo Avenue, Dublin 3.

Reps to Extend Yellow Box at the junction of North Strand Road and Waterloo Avenue.

Resident

DocID:167448

Recommended

-Inbound lane in a south east direction across 2 traffic lanes. -Outbound lane, in a north east direction up to the stop line before the pedestrian crossing.

13 Beresford Street, Dublin 7.

Reps to Re-locate Ramps on Beresford Street, off North King Street.

Gardai

DocID:167415

Recommended

-Lighting Standard No.2 outside No. 55 (from light standard no.1). -Lighting Standard No.5 outside boundary no.s 37/38 (from light standard no.4).

a Traffic Signs

14 **Cuckoo Lane, Dublin 7.**

Reverse One-way traffic flow from 'east to west' to 'west to east' on Cuckoo Lane.

Gardai

DocID:160449

Recommended

Install 'No Entry' at junction with George's Hill.
Rescind 'No Entry' at junction with Beresford Street.

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

1) Norfolk Road, Dublin 7:

Permit /pay and display parking is recommended on Norfolk Road subject to a survey of residents in No. 57 and No. 59 to 68 as follows:

- North side, from the western boundary of No. 55, west for 6m (1 space).
- North side, from a point 13m west of the western boundary of No. 55, west to a point 2m west of the boundary of No. 63 and No 65 (30m - 6 spaces).

Due to the narrow road width, double yellow lines are to be provided irrespective of the outcome of the parking survey as follows:

- South side, from the eastern side of the laneway beside NO. 58, east for 3m.
- South side, from the western side of the laneway beside No. 58, west for 23m (as far as the gate to No. 60).

There are no proposals for parking at the west end of the road due to the gateways.

Central Area Office
Sean MacDermott Street.
5th March, 2007

To the Chairman and Members of
The Central Area Committee

Cycle Action Plan

At its meeting of 1st February, 2007, the Cycle Forum, a sub-group of the Transportation and Traffic S.P.C., set up in 2006 to promote cycling in Dublin city, agreed a Cycle Action Plan based on the recently finalised Bicycle Audit Report (ByPad Report). The ByPad audit of cycling in Dublin has identified many areas where work is required to remove barriers to cycling and to alter general attitudes and behaviour.

Action 9 of the Cycle Action Plan recommends the provision of additional parking stands at public transport stops and community facilities. The Cycle Forum agreed to seek input from the public via advertising campaigns and to write to interested bodies such as Dublin Cycling Campaign and Cycling Ireland and also to each Area Committee to invite suggestions for possible new locations throughout Dublin. The provision of such cycle stands is part of the City Council's own annual roll-out of cycle facilities.

The Traffic Management Capital Works Programme for 2007 has included an estimate of €800,000 for this year's programme of cycle facility improvements. A grant of 75% of this amount is anticipated from the Dublin Transportation Office.

Members of the Central Area are requested to submit their views on possible locations for cycle stands in the Central area.

Charlie Lowe
Area Manager

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

March 2007

The Chairman and Members of
Central Area Committee

With reference to a proposal to initiate the procedure for the Extinguishment of the Public Right of Way over the laneway between Nos 1 to 20 Ashington Crescent and 1 to 39 Kinvara Drive

Proposal

A request to have the public right of way extinguished over the above was received by the Cabra Office. The reason for the proposed extinguishment is to allow for the erection of gates on the laneway to prevent the serious anti social behaviour currently taking place in the laneway. The extent of this proposed extinguishment is shown on the attached Drawing RM. 23081A.

Service Checks

A service check will be undertaken to establish the extent of the services located on this area. Suitable arrangements will be put in place prior to completion of this proposal.

Statutory Requirement

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

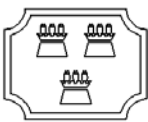
Recommendation

I recommend that procedures be initiated under Section 73 of the Roads Act 1993 to extinguish the public right of way over the area indicated on attached Drawing RM. 23081A.

Charlie Lowe
Area Manager



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DUBLIN CORPORATION

ROADS & STREETS DEPARTMENT.
 CIVIC OFFICES
 FISHAMBLE ST., DUBLIN 8.

Roads Act 1993 Section 73(1)
 Proposed extinguishment of public r.o.w.
 over laneway at Ashington Crescent and
 Kinvara Park, Dublin 7.

M. PHILLIPS
 CHARTERED ENGINEER, CITY ENGINEER

ROADS MAINTENANCE DIVISION

B.M. 23081A

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

**With reference to the Proposed Extinguishment of the Public Right of Way over a section of pathway
on O'Connell Avenue, at the junction with Berkley Road, Dublin 7.**

Proposal

A request to have the public right of way extinguished over a section of pathway at the junction of O'Connell Avenue with Berkley Road, Dublin 7 was received from P.K.T Consulting Engineers Ltd. The reason for this extinguishment is to reduce the public right of way from 4.2m to 1.85m to match the rest of the buildings on O'Connell Avenue. The extent of this proposed extinguishment is shown on the attached Drawing RM 24497.

The Central Area Committee, at its meeting on the 12th December 2006 agreed to initiate the statutory procedure to extinguish the public right of way over the above section of pathway under the provisions of Section 73 of the Roads Act 1993.

Statutory

By public advertisement on the 22nd December 2006, representations or objections were invited by the 2nd February 2007. The site notice at this location was erected on the 22nd December 2006.

- No objections were received.

Service Check

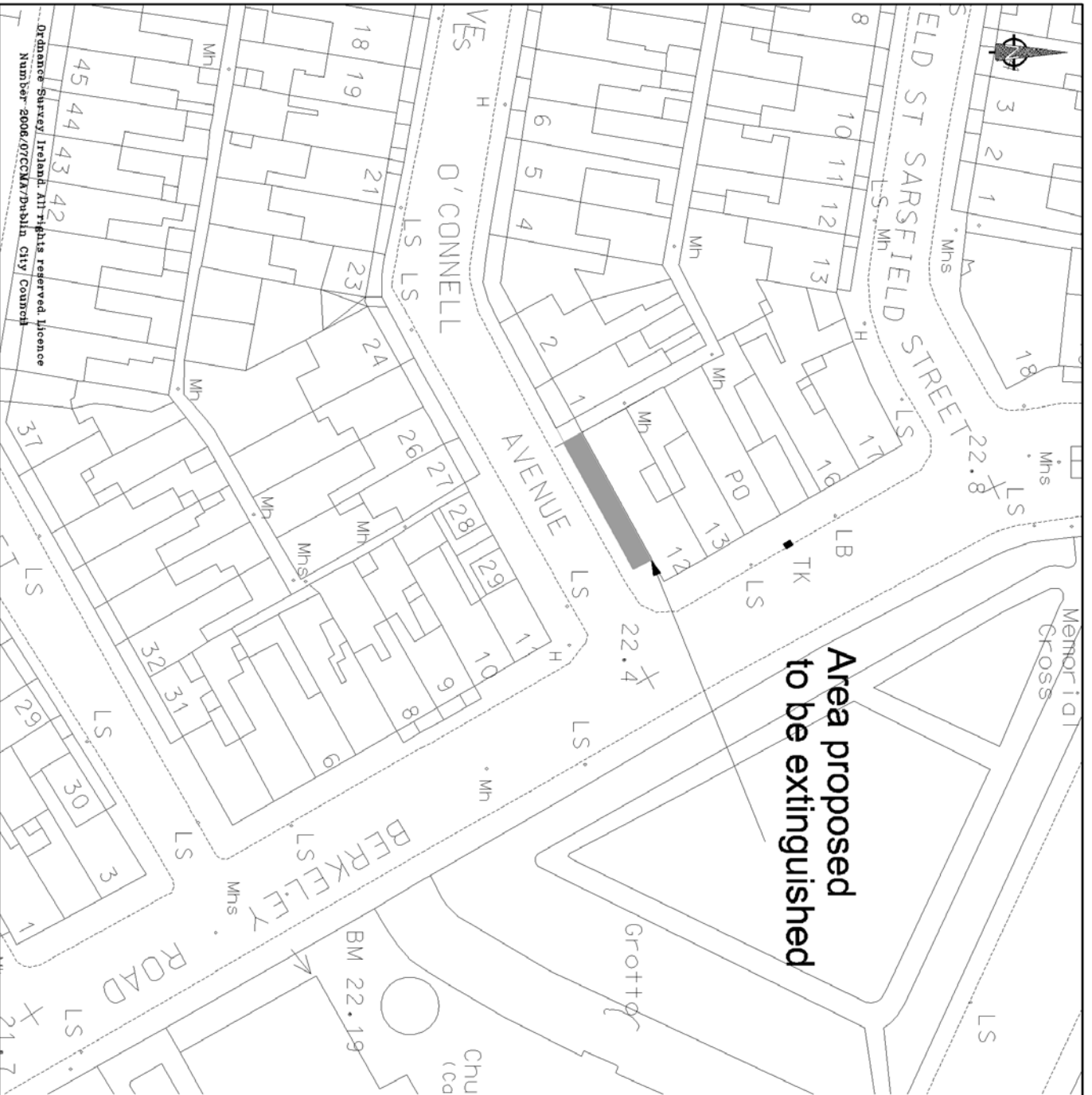
A service check has been carried out. No objections were submitted.


Recommendation

I recommend that this Committee approve the extinguishment of the public right of way over the area shown on Drawing No. RM 24497 for consideration later by the City Council.

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

Charlie Lowe
Executive Manager





DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL
Comhairle Chathair Bhaile Átha Cliath

ROADS & TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT.
CIVIC OFFICES
WOOD QUAY, DUBLIN 8.

J. McDaid
DEPT CIVIL ENGINEER (ROADS & TRAFFIC)

ROADS MAINTENANCE DIVISION

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LEGEND

Roads Act 1993 Section 73 (1).
Proposed extinguishment of public r.o.w. over part of footpath at O'Connell Ave & Berkeley Road, Dublin 7. (as shown).

SCALE 1:500

DATE 10/02/07

DRAWING No.
R.M. 24497

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March 2007

The Chairman and Members of
Central Area Committee.

Naming of A Development at Broadstone, Phibsboro Road, Dublin 7.

This is a Student Accommodation Facility development by Murray O'Laoire Architects on a site at Broadstone, Dublin 7.

Charlotte Asaf has requested the Student Accommodation Facility be named “**Broadstone Hall/Halla na Cloiche Leithne**”.

The Heritage Officer considers the proposed name appropriate.

The name “**Broadstone Hall/Halla na Cloiche Leithne**” is considered suitable and is recommended for adoption.

Charlie Lowe
Executive Manager
Central Area

March 2007

The Chairman and Members of
Central Area Committee.

Naming Proposal for Development at Dorset Street, Wellington Street Lower and Paradise Place, Dublin 1.

This is a mixed used development by Barina Construction Ltd. on a site at Dorset Street, Wellington Street Lower and Paradise Place, Dublin.

The developer has requested the name "**Temple Mills/Muilte Temple**" for the development.

The Heritage Officer considers the proposed name appropriate.

The name "**Temple Mills/Muilte Temple**" is considered suitable and is recommended for adoption.

Charlie Lowe
Executive Manager
Central Area

5th March 2007

To the Chairperson and Members of
the Central Area Committee

DORSET STREET URBAN RENEWAL

Section 1 – Clonliffe Road to Binns Bridge

- Work on the median is now complete with trees planted and uplighters now operating.
- Apart from a few minor snags this entire section is fully complete

Section 2 – Binns Bridge to Frederick Street North

Phase 1 – Binns Bridge to North Circular Road (East side, West side and Median)

Construction of median complete, trees planted and street furniture installed. This phase is now substantially complete.

Phase 2 – North Circular Road to Synnot Place (West side only)

This phase is now complete.

Phase 3 – Synnot Place to Eccles Place (East side, West side and Median)

Construction of median complete, trees planted and street furniture installed. This phase is now substantially complete.

Phase 4 – North Circular Road to Gardiner Street (East side and Median)

Construction of median complete, trees planted and street furniture installed. This phase is now substantially complete.

Phase 5 – Eccles Place to Frederick Street median and east side.

Design phase complete – currently in negotiations with property owners – construction phase dependant on funding – application made to Department of Environment and Local Government.

Phase 6 – Eccles place to Granby Row

Tender accepted – contractor on site March 2007.

Phase 7 – Binns Bridge east and west.

Requires funding

Canal

Work on the Canal from Binns Bridge to Russell Street is now complete apart from the installation of one section of new railings. Work to the gas installation at Binns Bridge and the realignment of the lighting columns is complete. A collapse of a 20 meter section of the canalbank over the Christmas period will necessitate remedial works to be carried out by Waterways Ireland. These works have commenced.

Hugh McKenna
Project Manager

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES UNIT REPORT

<u>AREA</u>	<u>NUMBER OF CALLS</u>
Ballybough	6
Cabra	0
Drumcondra	14
NCR	22
East Wall	25
North Wall	11
NEIC	48
Phibsboro	17
BLEND (Blessington St, Blessington Square, Nelson St.)	0
Other	51
TOTAL	

Breakdown of type of queries received are as follows:

<u>TYPE OF QUERY RECEIVED</u>	<u>NUMBER OF CALLS</u>
Litter complaints	23
Dumping	90
Non-tagged bags	24
Bag not bin day	8
Abandoned vehicles	0
Cleansing	15
Other (other relates to queries for information on household junk collections, Oxigen, road gullies, recycling information, etc.)	32

Breakdown of manner in which calls/requests have been received is as follows:

<u>METHOD OF COMMUNICATION OF REQUEST</u>	<u>NUMBER OF CALLS</u>
Phone	103
DCC Staff	16
Counter	3
E-mail	69
Fax	0
Post	1
Text	0

5th March 2007

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

NORTH EAST INNER CITY INTEGRATED AREA PLAN

New Primary School and Pre-School at Gloucester Place

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

Civic Centre

The Convent Lands Civic Centre and Mixed Use Redevelopment is currently at preferred bidder status. No. 77 Sean MacDermott Street was acquired in December 2006 and the extinguishment of the Public Right of Way over Gloucester Lane was resolved by the City Council. Negotiations are ongoing with a Preferred Bidder with a view to signing a project agreement shortly.

Crèches, Buckingham Street and Liberty Corner

Expressions of interest were invited for the management of childcare facilities in the Central Area in April 2006. Tenders were returned and the final two bidders made presentations on 28th July 2006. Dublin City Council is finalising negotiations with potential operators for both facilities.

Kids Inc will run the Liberty Corner facility, on behalf of Dublin City Council, as a traditional crèche and Montessori facility. It will cater for children from 3 months to 5 years. Priority will be given to residents from the NEIC RAPID area. At this stage, it is planned that full time places will cost in the region of €120 per child per week. Dublin City Council will be subventing the cost of childcare places for local parents. The facility will cater for approximately 35 children. There is fit out required for which, we have successfully applied for funding from the National Childcare Investment Programme. The post of Childcare Manager was advertised on 4th January 2007. We intend that the facility will open after Easter.

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 from 0-12 years. The post of Manager of this facility was advertised on the 27th January 2007.

Liberty Corner Arts & Dance Centre

The development of the centre is now complete. This development consists of a Dance Centre, Municipal Arts Centre (The Lab), retail units and a childcare facility. 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, and offers have been made in respect of units no. 2, 5 & 8 at the asking price.

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 and a First Stage Certificate under the Urban Renewal Tax Incentive Scheme was applied for. The development has been constructed and works continue on the interior.

Development at Portland Row/Duke Row/Buckingham St Upper (St Joseph's Convent)

Work is continuing on site. Dublin City Council has facilitated a number of meetings with the Portland Row Residents Association and the developer to discuss community concerns with regard to the development e.g. noise, dirt and dust. The Portland Row Residents have met with the Council's Architect to discuss community facility requirements and an outline feasibility report has been prepared by the City Architects Department. A consultant architect will be appointed shortly to progress the project.

Development at Five Lamps, Amiens Street/Killarney Street

Construction is underway on a five-storey development comprising offices, enterprise centre, medical and related consultants, media recording and general media uses, electricity sub-station and basement car park. The development is now constructed and internal works continue.

Veronica Plunkett
Administrative Officer

5th March 2007

To the Chairperson and Members of
the Central Area Committee

NORTH WEST INNER CITY AREA OFFICE (INCLUDING HARP)

CABRA PARKSIDE COMMUNITY & SPORTS CENTRE

Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of Cabra Parkside Community and Sports Complex took place in the centre on 19th February. The meeting was well promoted in advance with all members notified. In addition, flyers were distributed to all shops and notice boards in the area.

Approximately 60 people attended. A DVD showcasing the activities of the centre, including interviews with customers, was shown. A new committee was elected on the night. The 'buy a brick' draw for a holiday valued at €1000 also took place.

Staff

A replacement Leisure Attendant commenced work in February.

Activities

Late night Soccer

The final of the Late Night soccer takes place on Friday 2nd March. The programme has been a great success with approximately 120 participants aged between 16-19 years.

Skate Board Facility and Playground

Progress continues on the provision of these facilities, which are scheduled to be completed by the end of April 2007.

Activities

The increase in activity at the centre, which began in the New Year, has continued. The range of activities available at the centre continues to expand with a broad mix of community interests and groups catered for. The current programme of activities for Cabra Parkside includes:

Badminton	Basketball	Khai-Bo
Volleyball	Indoor Hockey	Yoga
Soccer	Hurling	Majorettes
Judo	Indoor Bowls	Weight Watchers
Kickboxing	Karate	Ballet
Pilates	Teen Gym	Chinese Dance/Hip Hop Dance

For further information about times and dates contact reception on 2227551/2

COMMUNITY UPDATE

The Area office continues to maintain contact with the various Resident's Associations/Groups in the area.

NORTH CIRCULAR ROAD & AREA RESIDENT'S ASSOCIATION

Notice of the Council's intention to consider a proposal for the Extinguishment of the Public Right of Way at Altona Lane was advertised on the 29th January 2007. Any representations or objections in relation to this proposal must be made in writing to the address below, no later than the 12th March 2007.

**The Executive Manager,
Central Area,
Cabra Area Office,
97 Cabra Road, Dublin 7.**

DUBLIN INDUSTRIAL ESTATE

Dublin City Council's Drainage Division has finished improvement works in the Estate. The Council's Road Division will commence work in the estate in March 2007, as part of the plan to bring the Lagan, Bann and Barrow Roads, up to taking-in-charge standard.

VENTRY PARK

Internal work on the upgrading of the existing facility is on-going and it is anticipated that the work will be substantially completed by mid April 2007.

ANNAMOE PARK/DRIVE LANEWAY

The Contractor engaged to carry out the necessary building work commenced on site on the 12th February 2007. Consent is still being sought from one homeowner, whose property adjoins the laneway, in relation to the final element of the work to be completed.

ST. MICHAN'S PARK, HALSTON STREET

The official opening of the refurbished St. Michan's Park was held on Monday 5th March 2007 and was followed by light refreshments in the MACRO Centre, Green Street. The continued active involvement of the local community representatives with the City Council in relation to this project is welcomed and hopefully this facility will be utilised and enjoyed by all over the coming years.

CLAREVILLE/CLAREMONT AREA

The City Council's Parks Division have made the appropriate arrangements to backfill the sunken pitch at this location and to carry out the necessary landscaping works.

SMITHFIELD CIVIC SPACE

Arrangements have been made to have ten planters placed at various locations throughout the Smithfield Civic Space, and this work should be completed by mid March 2007.

Dave Kenny
Assistant Area Manager

5th March 2007

To the Chairperson and Members of
the Central Area Committee

NORTH EAST INNER CITY HOUSING REPORT

Poplar Row

The project architect reports that works are continuing on completing the outstanding snagging issues. We are in negotiations with the builder to have the new units handed over on a phased basis during March and April 2007. Community Centre site meetings have commenced with Builder, DCC and Residents Reps; the first meeting took place in December. Regular monthly site meetings are continuing for the duration of the project.

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. The charter was presented to residents on 6th December 2006; it was well received by all residents in attendance. In the coming weeks trial hole digs will be taking place and residents will be informed by circular of this work.

Tom Clarke House/Orchard Road Depot

A feasibility study has been completed on the above two sites. It is hoped to commence the consultation process shortly.

Ballybough House

Works will commence in the coming weeks on repairing the football pitch fencing. The residents association held their AGM in February and a newly elected association is now in place. A meeting took place between the new residents association and Estate Manager at the end of February 2007. Meetings will continue through out the year.

Courtney Place

Two CCTV cameras have been installed in the complex and are now operational.

Newcomen Court

The complex is fully detenanted and demolished. A feasibility study has been initiated for this site.

Brendan Behan Court

The window replacement programme for this complex is nearing completion.

Brian Kavanagh
Area Housing Manager

5th March 2007

To the Chairperson and Members of
the Central Area Committee

NORTH EAST INNER CITY HOUSING REPORT

The Kiln/ The Forge, Railway Street

Snagging works currently being completed. Intercom system for 3 storey duplexes to be installed.

Sean O'Casey Avenue

Programme for cleaning of laneways in place. Fitting of new back garden gates has commenced. Security fencing erected. Consultations with residents re improvements in laneways taking place.

O'Brien Hall

New Waste Management facilities installed and in use.

James Larkin House

New netting now erected.

Liberty House

Review and revision of redevelopment plan currently being undertaken. Last remaining residents of D block moved temporarily to seven private apartments. Ongoing consultation with residents reps. Residents reps happy with plans. 3D presentation made to committee and public reps on Tuesday 21st November. Presentation made to all residents of D, E and F blocks on Tuesday 28th November. Residents and Public reps supportive of plan. Exhibition of plans to be arranged. Demolition of D block to commence shortly.

Mountainview Court

Demolition of remaining blocks completed.

Sean Treacy House

Only two tenants now remaining but agreement reached on moving them. Preliminary approval by DOE of redevelopment plan. Demolition to commence shortly..

Community Section Update

<u>Group Name</u>	<u>Issues</u>	<u>Actions</u>
Avondale House PIP	Precinct Improvement Project proposed for the Complex.	Open Meeting with residents to display and discuss proposed plans held on 16 th November 2006. Plans on display 28 th and 29 th November in Community Room, Avondale House.
Small Grants	Achieving funding for projects	Processed applications
Senior Citizens	Christmas Parties/Events	Supported funding

	Other Issues	<p>applications for various groups holding Christmas Events for Senior Citizens. Some events will be attended by Community development staff.</p> <p>Meeting with Dance Teacher around organising dance classes/social events around dance in the new Dance Studio in 2007</p>
Residents Groups/Youth Groups	Christmas Parties/Events	Supported funding for various groups holding Christmas Events for Youth. Some events will be attended by Community development staff.
Mobility Week	Schools Poster Competition prize Giving	Bikes and vouchers given to students in Larkin Community College and St Laurence O Toole's National School.
O'Brien Hall	Playground to be installed	Meetings with Play Equipment Companies to be organised.
Diamond Park	Anti Social Issues and conflict between user groups in Park.	Attempting to set up consultation group to allow communication between user groups.
O'Connell Street Ceremony of Light	Childrens Parade on 26 th November	Consultations with Theatre Company and Local Youth Groups.
Adult Education	Organising classes with tutors and local group	Flower arranging classes arranged for St Agatha's Active Retirement Group.
Meetings	Other meetings as required e.g. in the Community Section in the Civic Offices	Work and information sessions

Chris Butler
Area Housing Manager

5th March 2007

To the Chairperson and Members of
the Central Area Committee

NORTH WEST INNER CITY HOUSING REPORT

Ormond Square

Work is continuing on the refurbishment of 1-7 Ormond Square and ongoing liaising is taking place between the Residents Association and the Estate Manager. Due for completion in June 2007. Consultation is taking place between DCC and the Residents Association in relation to the installation of new playground equipment for the existing playground.

Chancery House

The next stage will be to proceed with the tender for the P.I.P. and it is hoped to be onsite in early 2007. Ongoing liaising is taking place between the Residents Association and the Estate Manager

Kevin Barry House

Defensible Space Programme plans have been completed and consultation is ongoing with the Residents Association. Ongoing liaising is taking place between the Residents Association and the Estate Manager.

Constitution Hill

Work is continuing on upgrading the Crèche facilities in the complex by Civic Maintenance. Ongoing liaising is taking place between the Residents Association and the Estate Manager. It is hoped that the P.I.P. will have commenced by Summer 2007.

Blackhall/Marmion Court

Saint Paul's Community Centre is fully operational and is open from Monday to Friday from 10.00am to 6.00pm. A new member of staff has been employed to assist with the running of the centre.

Drumalee Estate

A Feasibility Study has been completed and plans are being drawn up and will be presented to residents shortly.

Saint Bricin's Park

Planning application to be lodged shortly.

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.

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

Crèche/Childcare Facility: Building works are complete and the handover will take place in March 2007. Crèche manager was appointed in January. Additional positions for Senior and Childcare workers are currently being advertised. It is expected that the crèche will be open to the public in April/May 2007.

Football Pitch: Work in progress. Due for hand over in April 2007.

Georges Place:

A survey of all residents to determine the support for provision of electric gates at the entrance of the complex has been completed. Tenders are now being sought.

Temple House:

Precinct Improvements: Plans agreed with residents are being finalised and costed by Quantity Surveyors Department for submission to D.O.E.

Hill Street/Alfie Byrne House

Precinct Improvements: Consultation is ongoing between estate management, architects and the Residents Association. A drainage survey of the area has been carried out.

Henrietta House:

The Precinct Improvement Programme is running on schedule. Due for completion May 2007.

Sheridan Court/Place:

28 new apartments have been allocated. Snagging and security issues are being dealt with presently.

Charlie Lowe
Area Manager

Questions to City Manager
Central Area Committee
Meeting 13/03/07

Q1 Councillor Christy Burke

Ask the City Manager to give a report as to why the water pressure has been on and off for a number of weeks and that the local creche that had to close due to the inconsistency of water at (details supplied).

Q2. Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the City Manager why there is no films in the cctv cameras that are installed at (details supplied) and that an inspection be carried out of the gate entrances that have been vandalised and have no become a spot for anti social behaviour

Q3 Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the City Manger if parking spaces can be made available for tenants at (details supplied) in the Dublin 1 area.

Q4 Councillor Christy Burke

To ask the City Manager when the double yellow lines will be installed in (details supplied).

Q5 Councillor Mick Rafferty

To ask the City Manager when renewal/reinstatement works will be carried out on the green space at (details supplied).

Q6 Councillor Mick Rafferty

To ask the City Manager his views on the proposal by the Garda Authorities to relocate a 24 hour bus terminus to (details supplied) in view of the lack of public facilities there, the likely negative impact on the park and the residential nature of the area and if his views will be conveyed to the Garda Authorities.

Q7 Councillor Mick Rafferty

To ask the City Manager when a (details supplied) will be appointed to the Dublin 7 area of the North West Inner City.

Q8 Councillor Mick Rafferty

To ask the Area Manager if consideration is being given in the short or long term to the detenanting/redevelopment of details supplied or any of the Dublin City Council houses nearby.

Q9 Councillor Mick Rafferty

To ask the Area Manager if a further assessment of the public lighting at details supplied will be undertaken in view of the very strong representatives from local residents.

Q10 Councillor Mick Rafferty

To ask the Area Manager if a new 'gut' will be fitted in the drainage at the rear of (details supplied) to rectify the flooding of the yard.

Q11 Councillor Brendan Carr

To ask the Manager if he will examine ways of contributing to the costs of operating a playgroup in details supplied so that it can become viable and continue to carry out their good work

Q12 Councillor Brendan Carr

To ask the Manager if he A) will install traffic lights at details supplied as little heed is paid by motorists to the yield signs; B) if he will improve the public lighting at details supplied and if C) he would ensure that the street sweepers come into details supplied

Q13 Councillor Brendan Carr

To ask the manager if he will ensure that the back laneway between details supplied is cleaned once a week and if he will examine the possibility of closing the laneway

Q14 Councillor Brendan Carr

To ask the manager if he will have the ecoflex removed from details supplied and if he will ensure that future works programme clearly states the type of product that will be used in each area.

Q15 Councillor Brendan Carr

To ask the Manager if he will have the shores cleaned on details supplied and the gully installed outside details supplied

Q16 Councillor Brendan Carr

To ask the Manager to erect a CCTV camera on the lane at details supplied

Q17 Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the manager if he will have the palisade fence at details supplied replaced by a fence more in character with this beautiful Georgian building

Q18 Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the Manager to state the present ownership of details supplied when the refurbishment work in the apartments will be completed and when the precinct works proposed for details supplied will start and if he will ensure that no trucks allowed to unload and unload details supplied

Q19 Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the Manager what proposals he has if any to demolish details supplied and build new units of accommodation and the timescale for any works proposed:

Q20 Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the Manager when the new local housing development will begin at details supplied, when the play area and community centre will be provided in details supplied and if he will take steps to address the high levels of anti-social behaviour in one of the blocks in details supplied

Q21 Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the Manager a)if the cameras at details supplied are recording, and if not why not, to give a guarantee that they will be recording at the Sean McDermott St Office within the next fortnight or otherwise to install a monitoring point on site,
b)when the security doors will be closed and tenants issued with swipe cards to access the complex

Q22 Councillor Emer Costello

To ask the Manager if he will have the potholes repaired and the

trees pruned on details supplied

Q23 Councillor Nicky Kehoe

To ask the City Manager at what stage is the proposed plan of the all weather facility at (details supplied)

Q24 Councillor Nicky Kehoe

To ask the City Manager with consultation with the residents at (details supplied) that the possibility of closing the laneway with gates be investigated.

Q25 Councillor Nicky Kehoe

To ask the City Manager has there been any discussion with (details supplied) about the future of the land there.

Q26 Councillor Nicky Kehoe

To ask the City Manager could an upgrade of doors and windows take place at (details supplied).

Q27 Councillor Nicky Kehoe

To ask the City Manager has there been a change in the cleaning arrangement at (details supplied) as it has worked very well for the last eight years and could a hand pack unit be used around the shopping there.

Q28 Councillor Nicky Kehoe

To ask the City Manager to give details of the next stage of the process about the lands at (details supplied)

Q29 Councillor Paschal Donohoe

That the Council remove rubbish located outside details supplied.

Q30 Councillor Paschal Donohoe

That double yellow lines be installed at the corner of the entrance into details supplied.

Q31 Councillor Paschal Donohoe

That a yellow box be installed at the entrance in details supplied.

Q32 Councillor Paschal Donohoe

That water pressure at (details attached) be investigated.

Q33 Councillor Paschal Donohoe

That the double yellow lines at the entrance to details supplied be extended.

Q34 Councillor Paschal Donohoe

Will the council repair or replace the verges at the top of details supplied.

Q35 Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

Will the manager please arrange for details provided.

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Q37 Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

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Q38 Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

Will the manager please arrange for details provided.

Q39 Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

Will the manager please provide details provided.

Q40 Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick

Will the manager please provide a report on details provided. Details are 1. Did DCC request the Gardai to obtain names of people who are depositing rubbish in DCC waste collection trucks ? Will the Manager please state the reason for this action? Will the Manager confirm if the offence caused is one of availing of a service that is not being paid for or explain what the offence is and the penalty that applies? Will the manager please indicate in his reply what action DCC intends taking with the names collected? Will the manager provide a list of the names?

Q41 Councillor Aodhan O' Roirdain

To ask the manager to respond to the issue raised in the following e-mail: DETAILS SUPPLIED

Q42 Councillor Aodhan O' Roirdain

To ask the manager to respond to the issue raised in the following e-mail: DETAILS SUPPLIED:

Q43 Councillor Aodhan O' Roirdain

To ask the manager to investigate the dumping problems in the laneway between details as raised by DETAILS SUPPLIED

Q44 Councillor Aodhan O' Roirdain

To ask the manager to investigate the re-housing projects of DETAILS SUPPLIED: