



Dublin City Council

Comhairle Cathrach Bhaile Átha Cliath

NOTIFICATION TO ATTEND MONTHLY MEETING OF THE SOUTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE TO BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, DUBLIN 2 ON MONDAY 10th OCTOBER AT 3.00pm

TO EACH MEMBER OF THE SOUTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE

You are hereby notified to attend the monthly meeting of the above Committee to be held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Dublin 2 on **Monday 10th October at 3.00pm** to deal with the items on the agenda attached herewith.

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AREA MANAGER

Dated this 5th October 2011

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- 772. Minutes of Meeting held 12th September 2011 (Pages 6 – 10)**
- 773. Questions to Dublin City Manager (Pages 41 - 45)**
- 774. Development Matters**
- i. Derelict Sites Quarterly Report (**Pages 26 - 29**)
 - ii. Proposed deletion and amendment from the Record of Protected Structures of
 - i. 126, Leeson Street Upper, Dublin 4 (**Pages 30 - 32**)
 - ii. 143, Leeson Street Upper, Dublin 4 (**Pages 33 - 34**)
 - iii. 144, Leeson Street Upper, Dublin 4 (**Pages 35 - 36**)
 - iii. Proposed deletion from the Record of Protected Structures of
 - i. 11 & 12 Warrington Place, Dublin 2 (**Pages 37 - 38**)
- 775. Roads & Traffic Matters**
- i. Minutes of the Traffic Advisory Group held on 15th September 2011 (Enclosed)
- 776. South East Area Matters**
- ii. Area Managers Report (**Pages 39 - 40**)

Motions

777. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey

This Committee supports the request from various campaigners, for the Department of the Environment, the Office of Public Works and Dublin City Council, to work together to seek to acquire, from the National Assets Management Agency, the area adjacent to Booterstown Nature Reserve, outlined in the documentation submitted with this Motion.

778. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey and Councillor Paddy McCartan

This Committee requests the Manager to;

- a) Clarify the ownership of the green triangular area at the entrance to Pembroke Cottages, Donnybrook.
- b) Clarify if the owner is responsible for any sewage/drainage problems that occur at that location.
- c) Confirm that if the area is in the ownership of Dublin City Council that a set of keys will be given to the local Residents Association.

779. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey

This Committee agrees to immediately commence the process for the inclusion on the list of protected structures the two surviving Gate Piers, the statuary in the gardens in the front and the original railings to the rear of the site at the former Berkeley Court Hotel (now D4 hotel) and to seek to preserve the original shrubbery that was planted all from the original Trinity College Botanical gardens.

780. Motion from Councillors Dermot Lacey and Mary Freehill

This Committee requests the Manager to consider allocating number 22 Rathmines Avenue (which is currently in use as a Caretakers base) for use by the Rathmines Youth project under the auspices of the Rathmines Pembroke Partnership on which Dublin City Council is represented by both elected members and officials.

781. Motion from Councillors Dermot Lacey

To ask the Manager to arrange for the Traffic Engineer to meet on site with representatives of the residents of Dodder View Cottages, Ballsbridge, to discuss how the safety of residents and children in the area can be improved through a combination of residents initiatives and direct City Council approved measures.

782. Motion from Councillors Gerry Ashe

To ask the Manager if he will respond to the following:

- unauthorised advertising by A-Z taxis -
- a sign at the junction of Eglinton Rd and Milltown Rd/St James Terrace
- as I mentioned to you, an advertising vehicle parked at Milltown near the entrance to Alexandra College, contrary to s 71 Roads Act 1993

783. Motion from Councillors Paddy McCartan

To ask the Manager to consider the possibility of installing a pedestrian crossing in a particular part of Sandymount. Coming from Sandymount Ave to Sandymount Green, parents and grandparents find it very dangerous crossing the road with children and have raised this issue as a safety concern. A pedestrian crossing is necessary here.

784. Motion from Councillors Paddy McCartan

To ask the Manager to have pay and display on the west side of the Church of St John the Evangelist Sandymount to allow church goers an opportunity to park outside the church because from December there will be extra services at St John's as they are getting a new priest.

- 785. Motion from Councillors Paddy McCartan**
To ask the Manager to ask Dublin Bus not to use the area opposite Wesley Rugby Club Donnybrook for their buses. Drivers change over here. As many as three buses can be parked there at any time causing serious traffic problems.
- 786. Motion from Councillors Jim O'Callaghan**
This Committee opposes any proposal to privatise the bin collection service provided by Dublin City Council.
- 787. Motion from Councillors Jim O'Callaghan**
This Committee calls upon the City Manager to ensure that Pearse Grove, Dublin 2 and the laneways off it are swept and cleaned on a more frequent basis in order to enable the children in the area to play safely throughout Pearse Grove.
- 788. Motion from Councillors Jim O'Callaghan**
This Committee calls upon the City Manager to speed up the proposals for the refurbishment of the Sports Pavillion in Bushy Park which is needed by many sports clubs in the area.
- 789. Motion from Councillors Jim O'Callaghan**
This Committee calls upon the City Manager to contact An Post to request it to reverse its decision to close the post office at the junction of Harold's Cross Road and Rathgar Avenue, located in the Spar Shop as it is greatly inconveniencing local residents and businesses in the vicinity.
- 790. Motion from Councillors Jim O'Callaghan**
This Council believes that Dean Swift should be commemorated by the City Council through the construction of some statue or bust of him in the vicinity of St. Patrick's Cathedral.
- 791. Motion from Councillors Mary Freehill**
Would the Manager please state in relation to the Tramco Disco operation on Rathmines Rd the following
1. Has it a separate fire cert or it is adjoining the hotel licence
 2. Relative to the current planning status what is the legal maximum no. of people allowed on the disco premises
 3. When was the disco and the hotel last inspected by the Fire Officer.
- 792. Motion from Councillors Mary Freehill**
Would the Manager inform us of the current staffing allocation, names of personnel and geographical boundaries of each Planning Enforcement Inspector in the Dublin South East area please.
- 793. Motion from Councillors Mary Freehill**
That Dublin City Council prune their tree outside No. 56 Mount Drummond Square, the height of the tree interferes with the light for the resident.
- 794. Motion from Councillors Maria Parodi**
That this Committee requests the Manager to arrange for a meeting to be held with local councillors, Dublin City Council officials and the Gardai from Kevin Street Garda Station to discuss Halloween preparations for the local area.
- 795. Motion from Councillors Maria Parodi**
That this Committee asks that the City Manager reverses the recent decision to collect domestic waste at the Ringsend Recycling Centre.
- 796. Motion from Councillors Kieran Binchy**
To ask the Manager what is done by litter wardens or inspectors to tackle appliances and other rubbish being left in front gardens and on footpaths in the Portobello area.

797. **Motion from Councillors Kieran Binchy**
To ask the Manager to investigate the level of noise and nuisance being caused to Council tenants by inter-city trains idling along the Dart line, in particular around the Macken St area, and to pursue the matter with Irish Rail.
798. **Motion from Councillors Kieran Binchy**
To ask the Manager to contact Waterways Ireland to ask that it simplify and tidy signage along the Grand Canal in the Portobello area as it is becoming cluttered and unsightly.
799. **Motion from Councillors Kieran Binchy**
To ask the Manager for a progress report on the reconstruction of the wall at Fitzwilliam Quay.
800. **Motion from Councillors Mannix Flynn**
That this Committee call on the Minister for Transport Leo Varadkar to introduce clear guidelines and legislation with regards cycling on footpaths and in doing so to establish the sole primary rights of footpaths for the sole use of pedestrians.
801. **Motion from Councillors Mannix Flynn**
Call on this Committee to debate the issues with regards the phenomenon of hard sell approach that charitable organisation are employing on our streets in order to get sign up customers. It is now difficult to get down some streets in the South East Area with regards with practice whereby you can be wholly obstructed by a line of agents working on behalf of these charities. It's time now to issue a code of conduct and practice with regards this form of commerce.
802. **Motion from Councillors Mannix Flynn**
That this Committee call on the Diagio company and Guinness Co Ltd. to discontinue with their present TV advert with regards Arthur Day. This advertisement shows clearly large groups of males drinking in a public place and cheering which could be construed as an encouragement for public disorder and street drinking.

**SOUTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE
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743. **Presentation on the Poolbeg Generating Station**
Order: Report noted.
744. **Presentation from Temple Bar Traders**
Order: Report noted.
745. **Minutes of Meeting held 11th July 2011**
Order: Agreed.
746. **Questions to Dublin City Manager**
Order: Circulated to all.
747. **Development Matters**
- i. With reference to the proposed grant of three year lease of the kiosk at Orwell Road, Rathgar, Dublin 6
Order: Agreed to recommend to City Council.
748. **Planning Matters**
- i. Quarterly Enforcement Report (April to June 2011)
Order: Report noted.
749. **Roads & Traffic Matters**
- ii. Minutes of the Traffic Advisory Group held on 18th August 2011
Order: Report noted.
750. **Culture, Recreation & Amenity Matters.**
- i. South East Area Sports and Community report June to August 2011
Order: Report noted.
751. **South East Area Matters**
- iii. Area Managers Report
Order: Report noted. With reference to Q46 Cllr O'Callaghan asked that a letter be sent to the Canal Harbour Management Ltd expressing the committee's disappointment with their reply. Cllr O'Callaghan also asked for an update on the fire at Terenure Road and City Quay. Cllr Parodi expressed her thanks and appreciation to all those involved in the SVDS and the Herbert Park Centenary celebrations. Cllr Parodi asked that the collapse of the quay wall at Fitzwilliam Quay be reported on next month's agenda. Cllr. Lacey suggested a bench be erected in Herbert Park in memory of Joe Doyle, former Councillor and Lord Mayor and stated that each Councillor was willing to plant a tree in his memory. Cllr Flynn asked for a full report on the LCD screen at St. Stephen's Green Shopping Centre.

- iv. With reference to the proposed extinguishment of the Public Right of Way of laneway at Park Lane East, adjacent to 206 Pearse Street, Dublin 2

Order: Agreed to recommend to City Council.

Motions

752. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill

I wish to table the letter below as a motion calling for the committee's support for the proposals in this letter.

Order: Agreed. Taken in conjunction with Item 768. Cllr Freehill to revert back to the committee if a meeting with Dublin Bus is required.

753. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey

This Committee congratulates and thanks all the Staff members who were involved in organizing the very successful Ballroom of Romance evening for Senior Citizens on the 14th July.

Order: Agreed.

754. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey

This Committee agrees, in order to improve traffic safety and vision and in accordance with the relevant sections of the Road Traffic (T&P) Regulations 1997, that two car parking spaces outside numbers 14 and 16 Merlyn Drive be replaced by Double Yellow Lines and that Double Yellow Lines be placed along the entire length of wall from the rear of 144 Merrion Road to 136 Merrion Road inclusive in lieu of the free parking that is there, or that Disc Parking be installed at the mid point of this stretch – to provide for a maximum of 5/6 car spaces with Double Yellow Lines on the balance thereby allowing clear space and vision for drivers turning both sets of corners.

Order: Report to Councillor.

755. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey and Councillor Oisín Quinn

This Committee agrees that the Manager will contact the Minister for Transport Leo Varadkar TD and the Minister of State at the Department of Transport Alan Kelly TD to confirm that Dublin City Council wishes to have the responsibility for deciding on the introduction of limited regulated partial footpath parking and that the South East Area Office are prepared to introduce limited regulated partial footpath parking, if necessary on a pilot basis, on certain residential streets where it has been the well established policy of the Council to tolerate partial footpath parking.

Order: A vote was taken, 7 voted in favour of writing a letter to Minister Varadkar and 1 voted against. Cllr O'Callaghan abstained from voting and Cllr Quinn was not present in the chamber at the time. It was agreed to write to Minister Varadkar.

756. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey

This Committee requests the Manager to explore the options that might be available to enliven the promenade along Sandymount Strand perhaps in line with the ideas contained in the article submitted with this motion and possibly honouring in some way noted local former residents such as Noel Purcell and W.B. Yeats.

Order: Report to Councillor.

757. Motion from Councillor Oisín Quinn

This Committee calls on the Manager and the Parks Department to take steps to tidy up and improve the small pocket park in Ranelagh at Mount Pleasant Square which is not locked at night is beset by dog fouling and other anti-social activity.

Order: Falls.

758. Motion from Councillor Paddy McCartan

Could the Manager provide an update on the existence and role of Park Wardens and would it be possible that they would include Ranelagh Park in their jurisdiction.

Order: Report to Councillor.

759. **Motion from Councillor Paddy McCartan**
To ask the Manager what is the possibility of providing a football pitch for youths in Swan Grove area.
Order: Report to Councillor.
760. **Motion from Councillor Paddy McCartan**
To ask the Manager to give an update on the continuing problem on Burlington Road where buses assemble from 6.30am and some, though not all leave their engines running.
Order: Report to Councillor.
761. **Motion from Councillor Paddy McCartan**
To ask the Manager to review the parking restrictions on Haddington Lane which are being ignored by some parents when dropping and collecting their children now that the school has reopened. The cars parked there at those times make it impossible for residents to ingress and egress from their driveways.
Order: Report to Councillor. Cllr McCartan wishes to accompany the Parking Enforcement Officer on his next visit to Haddington Lane.
762. **Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey**
This Committee warmly congratulates all involved in the organisation of the Herbert Park Centenary Celebrations and thanks them for their work. Recognizing the value of developing better uses of our Public Parks and the local reaction to the event the Committee further agrees to look as to how we can use the Park for such events in the future.
Order: Agreed.
763. **Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill**
That the road ramp at entrance to Mt Drummond from Harold's Cross be repaired. Currently it is in a dangerous state and urgently needs to be repaired.
Order: Report to Councillor.
764. **Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill**
As part of the installation of the new playground which is due late September in Belgrave Square Park that the ground surface along with the entrance to facilitate buggies and wheelchairs be included in the works and brought up to standard.
Order: Report to Councillor.
765. **Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill**
That the Manager deals with the issues attached relating to Kenilworth Lane West. That he focuses on issues of dumping of rubbish, examination of parking viz. access for emergency vehicles, road sweeping and weeding and graffiti. Also, that the over grown bushes from the rear of the Jewish Home be taken to the attention of the owners.
Order: Report to Councillor.
766. **Motion from Councillor Paddy McCartan**
To ask the Manager to investigate and take appropriate action on the following issues in Herbert Park:
Potholes from St. Broc's Cottages down to the Pavilion to be filled and retarred.
Shrubs and trees along the Dodder Walk to be trimmed before winter, as it is dangerous in its current state.
The trees along the Dodder area that were cut down could be removed.
Grass to be cut along the football pitches on the Dodder side.
Tree stumps to be removed, as they are diseased and may spread further disease if they remain there.
Football pitches are uneven and require resurfacing or the potholes on the pitches to be filled.
The playground at the St. Broc's Cottages end of the park has not been upgraded. May I request that the ground be retarred and the trees surrounding the area be trimmed.
To clear the bottles, cans and other rubbish out of the bushes throughout the park.
Order: Report to Councillor.

- 767. Motion from Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**
 This Council requests the City Manager to consider the licensing of a Book Market on Palace Street, Dublin 2. This street, beside the historic Dame Street entrance to Dublin Castle, is an ideal size and location for such a market and would only require the removal of approximately 5 parking spaces to facilitate such a market.
Order: Report to Councillor.
- 768. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill**
 That urgent meeting be arranged with Dublin bus to discuss withdrawal of bus service from Dartry.
Order: Taken in conjunction with motion 752.
- 769. Motion from Councillor Mannix Flynn**
 That this committee welcomes Dublin contemporary to the South East Area and wishes it every success into the future
Order: Agreed
- 770. Motion from Councillor Mannix Flynn**
 This committee welcomes the appointment of Mr Ray Yates as DCC Arts Officer, wishing him every success in his future role.
Order: Agreed.
- 771. Motion from Councillor Mannix Flynn**
 That this committee calls on the City Manager to immediately address the issue of the lack of public conveniences in the South East Area of the City and that this committee calls on DCC to reopen its disused public lavatory buildings in the South East Area. Further that this committee write to the OPW with regard to the public conveniences at St. Stephens Green and call on them to bring those public amenities back into use.
Order: Report to Councillor. SEA office to write to the OPW.

Cllr. Maria Parodi

Chairperson
Dated 12th September 2011

Attendance

Members

Councillor M. Parodi (in the chair)
 Councillors: D. Lacey, O. Quinn, E. Wynne, M. Flynn, J. O'Callaghan, M. Freehill, P. McCartan, G. Ashe, K. Binchy

Officials

M. O'Neill, Area Manager, South East Area.
 F. Lambe, Assistant Area Manager, South East Area
 G. Gorman, Assistant Area Manager, South East Area
 E. Martin, Area Housing Manager, South East Area
 G. Geoghegan, Area Housing Manager, South East Area
 S. Dunne, Administrative Officer, South East Area
 K. O' Sullivan, Public Domain Enforcement Officer
 C. Duggan, Deputy City Heritage Officer, Development Department
 S. Redington, Senior Executive Engineer, Roads and Traffic
 C. Fallon, Cycling Officer, Roads and Traffic
 P. McCann, Administrative Officer, South East Area
 M. Moriarty, Staff Officer, South East Area
 J. Nugent, Assistant Staff Officer, South East Area

M. Ginnetty, Assistant Staff Officer, South East Area

Non – members

Grainne Shaffrey, Shaffrey Associates and Architects

Martin Harte, Temple Bar Traders

Claudine Murray, Temple Bar Traders

QUESTIONS TO DUBLIN CITY MANAGER
SOUTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE MEETING, 12th SEPTEMBER 2011

Q1. Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the Manager if he will write to the ESB requesting that they follow up on the request outlined in (details supplied) relating to their substation at Beech Hill, Donnybrook.

Reply

The South East Area office will forward this query to the ESB and the Councillor will be notified when a reply is available.

Q2. Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the Manager if he will arrange for the yellow box at the junction of Beaver Row and Beech Hill Estate to be repainted.

Reply

This matter will be referred to the Traffic Officer for attention.

Q3. Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the Manager if the tree promised in the reply issued in 2009 (details supplied) can finally be planted albeit two years late.

Reply

The tree referred to in this question will be replaced during the January –March 2012 planting season.

Q4. Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the Manager if he will consider erecting some stone seats along the walkway out to the nature park, perhaps crafted from some of the discarded materials found in the vicinity.

Reply

Within the last few weeks the Parks Department has installed three new seats at this location. These seats are of wood construction which is in keeping with the nature theme of this area. Parks and Landscape Services Division has installed 3 No. new wooden seats at this location in recent weeks. It is considered that seats of a wood construction are in keeping with nature theme of the nature park and the number present now is sufficient to meet the requirement at this location.

Q5. Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the Manager if he will reconsider the appropriateness of double yellow lines at the location specified in the message submitted with this question.

Reply

The double yellow lines were introduced into Miltown Road following a recommendation of the Traffic Advisory Group because the lines were deemed necessary for safety reasons and to improve visibility generally along a relatively heavily traffic roadway. It is not proposed to remove the yellow lines.

Please note that in accordance with S.I. 182/1997- Road Traffic (Traffic and Parking) regulations, 1997, article 5(2)(e), it is possible for a vehicle to park on a double yellow line for a half of an hour for loading or unloading goods. This will allow for loading of a Christmas tree if purchased.

Q6. Councillor Oisín Quinn

Can the Manager arrange for a clear road sign to be erected on Morehampton Road to indicate the turn for the Royal Hospital Donnybrook.

Reply

A directional sign for The Royal Hospital Donnybrook is in place at the junction of Morehampton Road and Bloomfield Avenue. Due to the presence of mature trees and traffic signals additional directional signage is not recommended at this junction.

Q7. Councillor Oisín Quinn

Can the Manager address the concerns expressed in the attached email (details supplied) about noise problems in Rathmines?

Reply

Details supplied contacted this office regarding this matter on 22 July 2011. Subsequently, this Unit wrote to the owner of the premises from where the alleged noise emanated on the 27th July 2011. They were informed that a complaint had been received about noise emanating from music played at a corporate event at their premises. They were also made aware of their legal obligations under the Environmental Protection Agency Act 1992.

This is the first such complaint received regarding this premises, and there have been no subsequent complaints received.

Details supplied was also contacted regarding this matter and advised that in the event of this being other than a once-off incident that there were procedures in place to deal with this and invited *Details supplied* to contact the Unit to discuss this further.

Q8. Councillor Gerry Ashe

Can the Manager report what can be done to stop non resident family members using resident only parking spaces on Lombard Street West. These spaces are constantly being blocked despite neighbours asking that it should stop and the Gardai informed?

Reply

A residents' permit and pay and display parking scheme, with operational hours of 8:00 to 18:30, Monday to Friday, was introduced on Lombard Street West on 3rd January 1989. Only vehicles displaying valid residents parking permits, valid visitors parking permits, valid pay & display parking tickets or valid pay & display parking tags may park in this street during these hours. The Council's parking enforcement contractor has been requested to patrol the area and carry out any necessary enforcement action.

Q9. Councillor Gerry Ashe

What further measures can residents take to stop continuous 4 wheels on footpath parking on Lower Clanbrassil Street. I witnessed this breach myself and took down numbers. Clampers were contacted but nothing has been done. A possible solution would be to place an extra bollard at the corner of Lower Clanbrassil Street and Lombard Street West.

Reply

The Council's parking enforcement contractor has been requested to patrol this area and carry out any necessary enforcement.

This matter will be referred to the Traffic Advisory Group for consideration.

Q10. Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the Manager to have Morehampton Terrace Donnybrook and outside Thornfield Apartments Donnybrook swept more regularly. Even with the new rota these areas have not been swept for a very long time according to the residents.

Reply

Under the Litter Management Plan 2008-2011, residential areas in the Dublin City Council area such as Morehampton Terrace and outside Thornfield Apartments are scheduled to be cleaned once every twelve weeks. We will ensure this area receives a thorough cleaning during the course of this cleaning schedule with specific emphasis on cleaning outside Thornfield Apartments.

Q11. Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the Manager why the chestnut tree, at the entrance to Mount Drummond Avenue, Harold's Cross which appeared to be perfectly healthy was cut down. Also, is it possible for him to say whose decision it was to remove the tree? Residents are unhappy about the felling of the tree.

Reply

As part of regular inspection of public trees growing in the South East Area, Parks & Landscape Services Division identified that this tree had trunk decay which rendered it to be a dangerous specimen. It was the decision of Parks and Landscape Services Division, to take the appropriate action in respect to this tree as it was found to be in a dangerous condition.

Q12. Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the Manager if the trees over-hanging on Morehampton Terrace, Donnybrook could be pruned.

Reply

These trees have been noted for pruning which is scheduled to take place within the next 6/8 weeks, subject to the confirmation of available resources.

Q13. Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the Manager to have Wellington Road, Ballsbridge resurfaced and if this is not possible then to have the pot-holes filled in.

Reply

Wellington Road is not a major transportation corridor and therefore not a priority for resurfacing at this time. Road Maintenance staff will fill the potholes on Wellington Road within the coming weeks.

Q14. Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the Manager to supply a list of the public toilet buildings in the South East Area. The year of their construction and the year they were closed.

Reply

This information will be collated as part of a report to be prepared on all matters related to the issue of public conveniences which is to be presented to the Environment & Engineering Strategic Policy Committee at its meeting scheduled for 24th November 2011.

Q15. Councillor Paddy McCartan

To ask the Manager to have the pot-holes on Elm Park Avenue, Ranelagh filled in. The damage was done during the snow last year and the residents are at a loss as to why the repairs were not carried out.

Reply

The potholes on Elm Park Avenue were made safe by Road Maintenance staff several months ago on foot of previous correspondence. Elm Park Avenue was inspected on 02/09/2011 and all hazards previously identified had been made safe.

Q16. Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the Manager to convene a meeting of representatives of the various Traders/Business Associations operating in the Pembroke/Rathmines area to discuss common issues and how these may be jointly tackled.

Reply

While the Area Office regularly meet and have discussions with some of the business / traders associations in the area we do not at present have a database of the various business groups across the Pembroke/ Rathmines area. Notwithstanding the limited and reduced resources of Dublin City Council, it is important that the SEA works with the business in our area. If the Councillor wishes to contact the Area office we can examine the existing models that allow business and traders to co-operate on common issues .

Q17. Councillor Gerry Ashe

To ask the Manager if he can confirm if the area under the archway at Clyde Lane (close to Ballsbridge itself and beside Rolys Restaurant) is in Public ownership and if so if the Manager will arrange for yellow lines to be placed in that area under the Arch as access has been impossible on some occasions and if he will liaise with the adjoining Restaurants to see how the area in general can be kept cleaner.

Reply

The area in question is in charge of Dublin City Council.

The South East Area office will have the litter wardens call to this location and remind the businesses of their responsibilities under the Litter Prevention Act.

The issue of double yellow lines will be referred to the Traffic Advisory Group for consideration and the Councillor will be advised of the recommendation in due course.

Q18. Councillor Maria Parodi

To ask the Manager for a response to the following query in (details supplied).

Reply

The applicant (details supplied) is currently on the City Council's Transfer list with 119 points for Area M (City quay, Irishtown, Mount St, Pearse St, Ringsend, Donnybrook). The selection process for the property 15 Cambridge Court is ongoing and the applicant's interest has been noted and documented.

Q19. Councillor Maria Parodi

To ask the Manager to inspect and investigate the issues in (details supplied).

Reply

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

Q20. Councillor Maria Parodi

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

Reply

The footpath along (details supplied) already has bollards in place to prevent vehicles mounting the footpath. However, the spacing of the bollards will be revised. This question will also be forwarded to the Traffic Enforcement Section in light of the trucks mounting the footpath.

The matter will also be referred to the traffic Advisory Group with a view to examination of the suitability of the route through Holles Row for heavy vehicles and the recommendation will be sent to the Councillor in due course.

Q21. Councillor Edie Wynne

To ask the Manager to erect road signage ("School Ahead", "Children Crossing" or "Slow Down" etc) outside Kildare Place School, Rathmines.

Reply

Additional signage for school children has been erected near this school in the past few weeks. This additional signage included for three additional school warden signs and two additional children crossing signs.

Q22. Councillor Edie Wynne

Is it the policy of Dublin City Council to implement it's Development Plan Policy FC33 - to facilitate off-street parking in Protected Structures? If so, when did it last facilitate an application for off-street parking in a Protected Structure? Why were so many recent applications refused? Recently two applications for off -street parking in Protected

Structures have been refused by An Bord Pleanala - despite it's own Senior Inspectors opinion to allow both applications as they met all the criteria in Dublin City Council Development Plan. Does this mean that Dublin City Council is no longer in a position to implement it's policy FC 33 - to facilitate off -street parking in Protected Structures?

Reply

The policy FC33 is implemented where possible .Each case is reviewed on its merits_and where possible permission is granted. The over-riding consideration is the protection of the historic character of the protected structure.

If the Councillor wishes to give details of the two applications a reply will be forwarded directly to her.

Q23. Councillor Edie Wynne

To ask the Manager to have the section of Fortfield Park closest to Rathgar Village re-surfaced and to give an approximate date when this work might be carried out.

Reply

Fortfield Park falls within South Dublin County Council remit and therefore is not the responsibility of Dublin City Council.

Q24. Councillor Edie Wynne

To ask the Manager to forward the documentation relating to 'Disabled Parking Place' to a resident who is awaiting the papers (details supplied).

Reply

The criteria in question have been forwarded to (details supplied).

Q25. Councillor Edie Wynne

In response to residents requests to ask the Manager to (a) re-install the peak entry ban from Bushy Park Road to Wasdale Park (b) to increase the size of the existing ramps in order to slow down traffic (c) to install a ramp in the short connecting section of Wasdale of Park adjoining Bushy park Road (d) to install "Children at Play" signs.

Reply

The Traffic Engineer will investigate these issues and revert directly back to the Councillor.

Q26. Councillor Edie Wynne

To ask the Manager what assistance, by way of a venue, Dublin City Council can offer to sports people who wish to establish a hurling club in Terenure and environs.

Reply

The Sport & Recreation Officer for the South East Area will make contact with the group who are interested in establishing a hurling club in Terenure and environs.

The officer will put this group in touch with the Dublin County Board and the local Games Promotion Officer whose remit it is to develop Gaelic games in the city

Q27. Councillor Edie Wynne

To ask the Manager to deliver bulbs to (details supplied) for planting around the base of trees on the median strip on Mount Drummond Ave and to prepare the area around the base of the trees for the bulbs, as agreed last year.

Reply

It is understood that there is ongoing liaison between (details supplied) and local Parks & Landscape Services Division staff at St Patrick's Park with a view to carrying out the arrangements as agreed.

Q28. Councillor Kieran Binchy

To ask the Manager to consider installing a pedestrian crossing at the junction of Harcourt Road and Charlemont Street, Dublin 2.

Reply

A Contractor has started work on the Harcourt Road and Charlemont Street junction in recent days to complete the upgrade to the pedestrian facilities. These works are due to be completed by the end of the September.

This work forms part of the Mobility Impaired and Disabled (MID) programme, aimed at upgrading pedestrian facilities at a number of locations throughout the city. This work is currently being funded by the National Transport Authority.

Q29. Councillor Kieran Binchy

To ask the Manager to consider erecting safety railings on the footpath at the junction of Oliver Plunkett Avenue and Irishtown Road, Irishtown, Dublin 4.

Reply

The Traffic Engineer will examine this situation and report directly to the Councillor within the next six weeks.

Q30. Councillor Kieran Binchy

To ask the Manager to address the dog littering problem in the Thorncastle Street area of Ringsend, between St. Patrick's Church on the O'Rahilly House side of the street towards the Liffey.

Reply

The Litter Wardens have patrolled the above area on numerous occasions and have not witnessed any person in control of a dog. The Litter Pollution Acts state:-

22 (1) *Where faeces has been deposited by a dog in any place to which this subsection applies, the person in charge of the dog shall immediately remove the faeces and shall ensure that it is properly disposed of in a sanitary manner.*

Litter Warden must witness the action taking place by a dog where there is a person in control of the dog in order to take enforcement action.

The area is cleaned once every 12 weeks in accordance with the Litter Management Plan. Where there is a need for cleaning at other times, local communities are encouraged to do so.

Waste Management Services will provide the equipment for same and remove any bags afterwards.

Q31. Councillor Kieran Binchy

To ask the Manager to address the problem of overgrown trees on Bremen Avenue (situated beside Sean Moore Road, Ringsend) particularly outside No. 19 Bremen Avenue.

Reply

The trees on Bremen Avenue are on the list for pruning within the next week.

Q32. Councillor Kieran Binchy

To ask the Manager to repair the surface of St. Patrick's Villa's, Irishtown, as there are a large number of bad potholes on the road.

Reply

The potholes on St. Patrick's Villas will be repaired within the coming weeks.

Q33. Councillor Kieran Binchy

To ask the Manager to designate a disabled parking space outside the Eurospar on Barrow St, Dublin 4, as it is now used by a large number of people to collect social welfare payments.

Reply

This matter has been examined in recent times and a disabled parking bay is recommended adjacent to Eurospar.

A disabled parking bay is due to be painted in parking space adjacent to Eurospar on Barrow Street and will be introduced as soon as is possible.

Q34. Councillor Kieran Binchy

To ask the Manager to add a cycle lane to Sean O'Casey Bridge, and to take measures so that the current dangerous use of the bridge by cyclists is prevented.

Reply

This query has been forwarded to the Cycling Officer for direct reply to the Councillor.

Q35. Councillor Kieran Binchy

To ask the Manager to work with the Bath Avenue District Residents Association erect a community notice-board on the Dodder walk by Londonbridge Road, and to use the Dodder walk to introduce a Slí na Slainnte or similar initiative to encourage exercise on the walk.

Reply

The erection of a Noticeboard for the Bath Avenue District Residents Association (BADRA) has been approved as a Pilot for the erection of future Community Notice Boards in various locations in Dublin South East Area. The South East Area will work with BADRA to confirm the size and suitable location for the Noticeboard.

The South East Area are currently investigating a proposal for a Slí na Slainnte type route that would include the Dodder Walkway. There are various issues that need to be approved prior to the route going ahead.

- A suitable route has to be planned and agreed.
- Funding is required to include signs, installation and promotional leaflets and brochures.
- Slí Leader Panels needs to be installed along the route.
- The Route must be maintained to the highest standards of safety and be accessible to the general public at all times.
- There must be an agreed maintenance plan in place.

Should a route be approved, works could only commence when the Dodder Flood Alleviation Works has been completed. The South East Area will keep you informed of progress on this issue.

Q36. Councillor Kieran Binchy

To ask the Manager to report on the legal issues surrounding the use of the foot-path and the use of barriers to enclose the area outside a licensed premises (details supplied).

Reply

The Development department of Dublin City Council is in the process of acquiring this site. The use of the footpath will be investigated during this process.

Q37. Councillor Kieran Binchy

To ask the Manager to clarify if the red-paved track on the stretch of footpath along the Liffey (on the North side) from Sean O'Casey bridge to Talbot Memorial bridge is a bicycle lane or not, and whether markings can be put on the path to clarify this.

Reply

This location is the responsibility of the Central Area. The question has been forwarded to them for direct reply to the Councillor.

Q38. Councillor Kieran Binchy

To ask the Manager to investigate and remedy the serious traffic jams forming at the junction of Pearse St and Macken St, Dublin 2.

Reply

This matter will be referred to the Traffic Advisory Group for consideration. The matter will also be referred to the ITS section of the Traffic Department for consideration regarding potential improvements to traffic signal timings etc. The councillor will be advised of the recommendation in due course.

Q39. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager whether the roads and footpaths of Ashworth Place, Harold's Cross, Dublin 6 can be cleaned more frequently and whether graffiti on the walls in the vicinity of Ashworth Place, can be removed.

Reply

The area above mentioned will be inspected to see what action can be taken to tackle graffiti. However it is the responsibility of owners / occupiers to maintain their own property free from graffiti. Dublin City Council arrange for a contractor to remove graffiti from our own property and other public areas and also sometimes from private buildings, with the consent of the owner, if the graffiti is racist, sexist or offensive.

Under the Litter Management Plan 2008-2011, residential areas in the Dublin City Council area such as Ashworth Place are scheduled to be cleaned once every twelve weeks. We will ensure that Ashworth Place receives a thorough cleaning during the course of this cleaning schedule.

Q40. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager whether the field at the back of Ashworth Place which is full of furniture and debris can be cleared.

Reply

This location will be inspected and a full report will be forwarded directly to the Councillor.

Q41. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager whether repairs can be made to property at 4 Cambridge Square, Ringsend as a result of damages caused due to refurbishment works to flats in Ringsend, Dublin 4.

Reply

The Area Housing Manager is investigating this issue and will contact the Councillor directly.

Q42. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager why the car (details provided) of a resident of Moyne Road who had a valid parking permit (details provided) was towed away from outside her house in the first three weeks of August 2011, and to request that if a valid parking permit was in place that the fine of €435.00 be repaid to the car owner.

Reply

This vehicle was clamped at 12:52 on 8th August 2011 for the offence of parking in a pay & display/permit parking area without displaying a valid permit. Photographs taken of the vehicle at the time the clamp was applied show that no permit was displayed and the clamp was therefore valid. The vehicle was removed to the pound on 11th August 2011 as the clamp release fee had not been paid by that date. The motorist paid the clamp release fee, towing charge and pound fees, amounting to €545, on 26th August 2011 and the vehicle was released from the pound.

The motorist subsequently appealed the charges to the Council's parking enforcement contractor and following a review of all the circumstances it was decided to refund the charges in full to her. A cheque in the sum of €545 issued on 30th August 2011.

Q43. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager what regulations pertain in respect of the use of rickshaws in the Dublin City Council area and whether any licence fee is charged by the Council for the use of rickshaws within the area.

Reply

At present there are no regulations governing the use of these vehicles. However, following advice from the Law Agent, it is proposed to draft by-laws for the control of these vehicles. It is expected that the draft bye laws will be brought to the Traffic SPC early in 2012.

Q44. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager when the person whose details are attached will be offered City Council accommodation.

Reply

The applicant (details supplied) is currently on the waiting list with 93 points and are listed for Areas M (Pearse St./Ringsend) and L (Rialto/Dolphins Barn/Clanbrassil St./ Mercer House). These points are quite low and insufficient for an offer of accommodation in the applicants preferred areas. The applicant was previously advised that based on their current position on the list, they could only be considered for accommodation in some of the larger City Complexes such as Dolphin House or Oliver Bond House. Should the applicant wish to consider such an option, they would be advised to contact the Allocations Section.

Q45. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager why commercial premises on Wexford Street are being charged excessive fines for inspections carried out by the City Council in order to grant the commercial premises sanitary licences.

Reply

The current Fats Oils and Greases (FOG) programme, in place since 2008, has resulted in less FOG being discharged into Dublin City Council's sewers and has also allowed for better preventative and targeted maintenance to the drainage network. Dublin City Council has large diameter sewers which involve man entry for cleaning purposes. These large sizes do not lend themselves to cleaning by mechanical methods for the removal of FOG. A new Code of Practice for Working in Confined Spaces has put increased demands on the Drainage Division with regard to entry to these sewers in order to deal with FOG blockages. These extra demands on the City Council are with regard to training, risk assessments, prevention of the need for entry to the sewers and the provision of safe systems of work and of emergency rescue procedures.

The discharge from Food Service Establishments, such as those from the premises referred to in Wexford Street, is licensable under the Water Pollution Acts. The City Council's programme involves ensuring these premises have properly working grease trapping equipment in place to prevent waste FOG being discharged to the sewers. The annual licence charges between the years 2008 and 2010 varied from €590 to €1,630. The most common charge was €870 and was applied to restaurants, public houses, fast food restaurants and supermarkets. Discussions took place between the City Council and the representative organisations and resulted in reduced annual charges to compliant food service establishments. In 2011 the charges have been further reduced. In accordance with the Polluter Pays Principle, the charges for licensees that are fully compliant with their licence conditions have been reduced significantly to €330 per annum and charges for non-compliant premises have increased due to the increased need to monitor these premises. The charges are based on a risk based categorisation of the food service establishment with regard to Fats Oils and Greases.

Since the FOG programme commenced, Dublin City Council have issued over 1800 FOG licences to Food Service Establishments out of a total number of approx 2000 such premises.

In order to achieve the objective of the FOG programme, which is to reduce the blockages in the City Council's sewers and to be fair to those premises that have complied with their

licence conditions, Dublin City Council has commenced legal proceedings against non compliant premises. To date the City Council has initiated legal proceeding against 170 non compliant premises. Roughly 90 of these have come before the courts with Dublin City Council successful in the cases heard by the courts.

Q46. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the city manager to inquire from the Dublin Docklands Authority why a 70 year old amputee (details attached) had her car clamped on 9 July 2011 when she was parked outside the Grand Canal Theatre (with a disabled parking permit) and when there were no signs prohibiting parking in the area.

Reply

As (Details supplied) parked her car within the domain of Grand Canal Harbour Management Ltd and is private property. NCPS operate this area and the following is a reply to the Area Manager upon investigation:

NCPS operates under the same principles as the Dublin City Clamping Company in relation to vehicles with disability permits ie:

Parking with a Disabled Person's Parking Permit

If your vehicle displays a Disabled Person's Parking Permit you have special permissions for parking in Dublin City. This includes:

You can park in a disabled person's parking bay

These bays are extra-wide and are specially positioned to help you.

You can park in an ordinary parking space for free

You can park in any Pay & Display or Permit Parking space free of charge and you can stay there for an unlimited time.

Note: All vehicles displaying a Disabled Person's Parking Permit must follow normal road safety and parking guidelines.

NCPS clamped the vehicle and advised (details supplied) that she could appeal the fee through their offices. I believe that the appeal was declined as it was not parked as per the conditions above.

There are pay and display parking spaces on the following roadways which (details supplied) could have availed of:

- Pearce Street
- Cardiff Lane
- Macken Street
- Sir John Rogerson's Quay
- Roadways within Grand Canal Harbour
- The Public Car Park

Q47. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager whether Moyne Road, Dublin 6 can be cleaned on a more frequent basis.

Reply

Under the Litter Management Plan 2008-2011, residential areas in the Dublin City Council area such as Moyne Road are scheduled to be cleaned once every twelve weeks. We will ensure that Moyne Road receives a thorough cleaning during the course of this cleaning schedule.

Q48. Councillor Edie Wynne

To ask the Manager for an update on progress in extending the double yellow lines on Westbourne Road in two places to increase safety and access for emergency service, i.e. close to the entrance to Westbourne Road and also at the entrance to the apartments on the left hand side of the road where an ambulance failed to gain entrance and had to carry the patient out from the apartments.

Reply

This matter will be referred to the Traffic Advisory Group for consideration and the Councillor will be advised in due course of the recommendation of the group. There is no record of an outstanding request for this on the system at present.

Q49. Councillor Edie Wynne

To ask the Manager to address a number of health and safety issues on Kenilworth Lane, e.g. dumping of rubbish; overgrown hedges spreading into the lane; a lot of graffiti; the excessive number of cars parking in the lane which would prevent emergency vehicles not having access and also prevents cleaning of the lane.

Reply

The area above mentioned will be inspected to see what action can be taken to tackle graffiti. However it is the responsibility of owners / occupiers to maintain their own property free from graffiti. Dublin City Council arrange for a contractor to remove graffiti from our own property and other public areas and also sometimes from private buildings, with the consent of the owner, if the graffiti is racist, sexist or offensive.

Weed spraying in the South East Area was completed on 25th August. Inspections will now take place to ensure that all areas have been treated effectively. Kenilworth Lane West will be part of this inspection.

Double yellow lines have been painted on this lane in recent years in an effort to improve safety and traffic movement. Parking Enforcement will inspect the lane and take action against any vehicle found to be illegally parked.

In relation to the overgrown hedges the Road Maintenance department will deliver a notice to the property owners requesting that the hedge be cut back.

Under the Litter Management Plan 2008-2011, residential areas in the Dublin City Council area such as Kenilworth Lane West are scheduled to be cleaned once every twelve weeks. We will ensure that Kenilworth Lane West receives a thorough cleaning during the course of this cleaning schedule.

The local Litter Warden has been detailed to inspect the above lane. If he obtains any evidence regarding dumping he will prosecute the offenders.

Q50. Councillor Edie Wynne

To ask the Manager to introduce a yellow box on Harold's Cross road at the entrance to Kenilworth lane. This would allow cars to get out of the lane when traffic is backed up at the lights.

Reply

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

Q51. Councillor Oisín Quinn

Can the Manager arrange for speed ramps to be installed on Belgrave Square West and South in Rathmines due to the number of cars speeding on these roads (primarily between 5pm and 7pm) using them as a short cut and given the number of young children crossing these roads to enter Belgrave Square Park and to access the playground.

Reply

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

Q52. Councillor Edie Wynne

To ask the Manager why a notice has been posted up by Dublin City Council on the Cullenswood taxi rank in Ranelagh, saying they plan to remove 5 spaces at the rank as there are only around 8 spaces there in total and taxi drivers think this will have a serious negative impact on the ability of drivers to work and they want this reversed.

Reply

Dublin City Council is reviewing the Dublin City Council Appointed Stands (Street Service Vehicles) Bye-Laws 2009, which were made pursuant to the provisions of Section 15 of the Road Traffic Act 2002. It is proposed to make new Bye-laws in respect of regulating the location and operation of taxi stands (ranks) in the City of Dublin

The proposal is that the four spaces to the south of Cullenswood as you turn left from Ranelagh Road be redesigned evening and night time ranks only. As part of the public consultation process members of the public are afforded the opportunity to make submissions regarding all proposals. The closing date for receipt of submission was Friday 9th September 2011.

The final decision on the matter rests with the elected members of Dublin City Council as this is a reserved function of the Council following receipt of all submissions.

The Taxi rank on the south side of Cullenswood has been the subject of numerous complaints over the past year from Public Representatives for this area.

The Traffic Engineer examined the situation and reported as follows:

There are presently 9 spaces available for Taxis in two ranks at the Ranelagh Triangle, 5 no spaces on the north of Cullenswood approaching Ranelagh Road and 4 no. spaces on the south side of Cullenswood at the exit from Ranelagh Road.

The taxis on the southern rank at Cullenswood regularly park outside the extent of the existing rank resulting in illegal parking of taxis on a regular basis on the footpath and kerb adjacent to and sometimes across the existing pedestrian crossing. This results in hazardous conditions for pedestrians and traffic turning left from Ranelagh Road to Cullenswood. The situation was such that Dublin City Council, Traffic Division had to consider the provision of addition barriers at this crossing to alleviate the problem.

The illegal parking problem was caused by Taxis waiting to access the rank during the day when there was no demand within the area of the rank for the taxis. From observation the number of taxis exceeded the demand during day time hours and the Taxi Rank was effectively a holding area for taxis.

The lack of movement of taxis together with the extensive overspill of taxis illegally onto the junction had a detrimental effect on commuters and thus businesses in Ranelagh who are depending on day time customers for survival.

With the review of the Taxi By Laws, it is proposed that the Taxi rank on Cullenswood be altered to a night time only rank to ensure that;

- The needs of the Taxi drivers would be met in that the demand in Ranelagh could very well be required outside of daytime business hours.

- The needs of the business people in Ranelagh were acknowledged and the public space at this location could be allocated to pay and display to facilitate locals and commuters wishing to do business in the area.
- Remove the existing hazard presented by the overspill of taxis onto heavily pedestrianised area.

Q53. Councillor Mary Freehill

Would the manager state what is the insurance situation in relation to use of Dublin bikes?

1. What is the situation if a user is injured while using the bike or if they fall off the bike as a result of fault in bike? 2. What is the situation if a 3rd party is injured?

Reply

You are not insured by the provider to use dublinbikes and you do so entirely at your own risk. Subscribers to the scheme are advised to take out their own public liability insurance. The General Conditions of Access and Use inform you of your rights and obligations when using the dublinbikes service. Holders of the Long Term Hire Card are obliged to accept these terms and conditions to receive their personal card. These same General Conditions of Access and Use are mandatory for holders of 3 Day Ticket subscriptions.

Q54. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the City Manager please give an update on the position regarding the LCD screens on Grafton St and Henry St and the outcome of the court case in relation to this matter.

Reply

The screen at Henry Street has been removed in compliance with the Enforcement Notice served. It was decided not to proceed with the court case in respect of the screen at Stephen's Green Shopping Centre and to address the issue in a different manner.

Q55. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the City Manager please supply me with the information regarding the cost of repair to the footpaths throughout the South East Area with regard to the recent installing of the UPS communications systems and also when these repair works to footpaths will be completed and who is incurring the cost?

Reply

The utility (UPC in this instance) is fully responsible for the cost of the repair to the footpaths associated with the installation of their telecommunications infrastructure. As per the conditions in Dublin City Council current edition of *Directions for the Control and Management of Roadworks in Dublin City*, permanent reinstatement should be carried out within four weeks of the undertaking of the original installation.

Q56. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the City Manager ascertain whether Kebab King Van that is selling fast food in the evening at the top of Grafton Street has permissions to trade there.

Reply

Under the Casual Trading Bye Laws 2003, made under the Casual Trading Act 1995, the top of Grafton Street has been designated as a hot food trading area for night-time. A casual trading licence has been issued to this trader for this location. This licence allows the trader to sell 'Hot and cold food and non-alcoholic drinks', between the hours of 11.00 p.m. and 4.00 a.m. Thursday to Sunday inclusively.

Q57. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the City Manager have Chatham Street inspected for Wheelchair access, this street is becoming extremely cluttered with street furniture, bicycles parking and carparking as well as a busy traffic system. This street has many pedestrians and wheelchair users having to use the roadway as the footpaths on the South side of the street are impassable. Can the City manager bring forward plans to pedestrianise this street.

Reply

As part of the public realm improvement strategy currently being developed for the Grafton Street Quarter, proposals will be brought forward in relation to Chatham Street, which will address the issues raised by the Councillor.

Q58. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the City Manager have the trees cut back in Cuffe Street.

Reply

An inspection of the trees at this location will be carried out and where trees need to be pruned a programme of such works will be carried out, subject to finance being available in the Housing and Residential Services budget.

Q59. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the City Manager give an update with regards to noise pollution emanating from the Dublin Port and any findings with regards to the recent exchange of noise monitoring data that was gathered at the port by MTL.

Reply

No further complaints have been made to the Air Quality Monitoring and Noise Control Unit regarding noise pollution emanating from Dublin Port and no further noise level monitoring has been carried out by the Unit since the Council Meeting of 4 July 2011.

This Unit now has internet access to noise monitoring data collected by the Dublin Port Company. This monitoring currently records average and maximum noise levels every second. This results in a huge and unwieldy data set i.e. 172,800 readings per day. Discussions are ongoing with the Dublin Port Company as to how they might streamline and improve the monitoring carried out with a view to developing a more meaningful and user friendly overview of noise generation in the area. It is hoped that these improvements coupled with the comparison to shipping schedules will help to confirm the noisiest elements of the operation of Marine Terminal Limited.

An exercise recently carried out by this Unit is a comparison of results of noise monitoring from the Dublin Port Company for two different dates compared with monitoring undertaken by Dublin City Council on 9 February 2011. On that date a level of 60 decibels (LAeq 30 minutes) was recorded by this Unit between 06.39hrs and 07.09hrs with 3 ships unloading and freight activity on site.

On 25 August 2011 a level of 59 decibels (LAeq 30 minutes) was recorded by Dublin Port Company between 06.39 hrs and 07.09 hrs with no ships unloading but with freight activity on site.

On 26 August 2011 59 decibels (LAeq 30 minutes) was again recorded by Dublin Port between 06.39 hrs and 07.09 hrs, with 2 ships unloading and freight activity on site.

This would indicate that:

(a) the monitoring results obtained by the Air Quality Monitoring and Noise Control Unit is in line with all other previous monitoring exercises by a variety of consultants.

(b) the on-site freight traffic, as distinct from the operation of unloading equipment is a significant contribution to the noise levels emanating from Marine Terminal Limited.

Further analysis of the Dublin Port Company data is ongoing.

Q60. Councillor Oisín Quinn

Can the Manager arrange for Ashfield Road in Ranelagh to be given a good footpath and street cleaning as there weeds now growing on the sides of the road due to the dirt having been there so long?

Reply

Under the Litter Management Plan, 2008-2011, residential areas in the Dublin City Council area such as Ashfield Road are scheduled to be cleaned once every twelve weeks. We will ensure that Ashfield Road receives a thorough cleaning during the course of this cleaning schedule.

Weed spraying throughout the South East area, including Ashfield Road, has just been completed. The effects of this spraying should be visible within 2 weeks.

Q61. Councillor Oisín Quinn

Can the Traffic Advisory Group consider whether anything can be done to facilitate some parking on Harrison Row (recently the subject of the introduction of Double Yellow Lines) as the absence of all parking is causing severe difficulty for some local residents?

Reply

The recent double yellow lines were installed following requests from residents because of difficulty in exiting driveways. This was accepted by the Engineer on inspection and the recommendation was carried. DCC is still receiving follow up requests for additional yellow lines as well as requests for removal of existing. The situations as exits now is considered reasonable from a traffic management point of view and also from an accessibility perspective. It will not be possible to facilitate additional parking on Harrison Row.

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

10th October 2011

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

Derelict Sites Quarterly Report

I attach details of Derelict Sites in the South East Area, which are currently under review. Formal action is being taken in relation to the sites listed on Appendix 1; sites currently under investigation are listed on Appendix 2 and sites currently entered on the Derelict Sites Register are listed on Appendix 3.

**Declan Wallace
Executive Manager**

APPENDIX 1

**DERELICT SITES QUARTERLY REPORT
SOUTH EAST AREA**

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

Location	Current Position
Clonskeagh - former Paper Mill, Dublin 6	Entered on Derelict Sites Register. Some improvement works have been carried out.
Hanover Quay / Blood Stoney Road Dublin 2	Notice served requiring demolition/site clearance.
Percy Place 50, Dublin 4	Overgrowth has been cutback and rubbish removed.
Stamer Street 3, Dublin 8	Owner requested to cut back overgrowth and remove litter.
Rathmines Road Lower 2, Dublin 6	Warning letter issued.
Canal Road 2/6, Dublin 6	Information sought from owners re proposals for site.
Portobello Road 23, Dublin 6	Notice served of Intention to Enter on Register.

APPENDIX 2

**DERELICT SITES QUARTERLY REPORT
SOUTH EAST AREA**

SITES CURRENTLY UNDER INVESTIGATION

<i>Location</i>	<i>Current position</i>
Bride Street, 100-101, (Site of former Napper Tandy Pub), Dublin 8	Overgrowth cut back.
Cuffe Street, 48-50, Dublin 2	Owner contacted about overgrowth and litter.
Donnybrook Road, 25-27 & 1-3 The Crescent, Dublin 4	Owner asked to cut back weeds.
Eugene Street 88, Dublin 8	Solicitor contacted - Owner deceased
Leinster Road West 30, Dublin 6	Site cleaned up.
Northumberland Road, Dublin 4, (former petrol station)	Owners asked to outline future plans to improve site.

APPENDIX 3

Sites on Derelict Sites Register in South East Area

Location	Owner	Position
3 Portobello Road	Estate of Emily Doyle	Entered on DSR 30/9/08.
7 Adelaide Road	David Grant 61 Haddington Road	Entered on DSR 20/1/09.
13/14 Exchange Street Lower, Dublin 8	Fergal Herbert, 48 North Great George's Street/Edward Kenny, 16 North Great George's Street, D1	Entered on DSR 12/3/09.
Clonskeagh Road (Paper Mills), Dublin 6	Gerard Gannon, 52 Northumberland Road, D4	Entered on DSR 25/3/11.
30 Merlyn Road	Eamonn Hassett/Blaithin Murphy, 10 Brooklands, Clane, Co. Kildare	Entered on DSR 5/4/11.
36 Harcourt Street, Dublin 2	Paul Tiernan, 3 Belleville Avenue, D6	Entered on DSR 19/4/11
210A/B Lower Rathmines Road, Dublin 6	Chartbusters (in receivership)	Entered on DSR 21/4/11.

To the Chairperson and Members
of the South East Area Committee

Re: Proposed deletion from the Record of Protected Structures of 126 Leeson Street Upper,
Dublin 4.

**RECOMMENDATION: Proposed amendment of description to read
“Exterior, including front site, plinth wall and railings only” of 126
Leeson Street Upper, Dublin 4**

Re. Proposed amendment to current Record of Protected Structure entry of 126 Upper
Leeson Street, Dublin 2. The present description of ‘House & Shop’ should be
amended to read ‘Exterior including front site, plinth wall and railings only’

(see folders for photograph)

Introduction

It is proposed to initiate procedures under Section 55 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 to
delete 126 Upper Leeson Street, Dublin 2 from Dublin City Council’s Record of Protected Structures.

Request for Deletion

External request for deletion.

Summary of Applicants Reasons for Seeking Deletion

The building was purchased around 1993 and was described as a derelict property. Following
permission ref. no. 0258/93 the owner demolished the roof and interior of the property and stated that
the external façade and rear wall were retained and the windows restored to match the originals.

Response to Applicant’s Issues:

The previous owner was given planning permission to demolish the entire building under ref. no.
2079/91 which was upheld by An Bord Pleanála. The current owner’s permission led to the
construction of three modern apartments internally while the exterior elevations of the building were
retained including the front site and terra cotta tiled path. The retention of the original plinth wall and
railings was conserved under condition 1435 of 0258/93. It stated that *the existing front boundary
railings and dwarf wall shall be retained and upgraded. Any damage occurring during building works
shall be repaired. REASON: In the interest of visual amenity.*

As such the exterior envelope of the building has been retained including the front site and boundary.

Planning History:

Ref No.	Description	Decision
2079/91	Demolition of a habitable dwelling and retail shop and construction of new two storey development consisting of two no. one bedroom apartments and a two storey restaurant at 126 Leeson Street Upper, Dublin 4.	Granted permission and upheld by an order from An Bord Pleanála dated 30/06/92

0258/93	Internal alterations to provide 3 no. 1 bedroomed apartments over and adjoining existing shop.	Granted permission
3227/98	The construction of a new kitchen to the rear of existing premises and the re-location of wc's within café.	Granted permission
3228/98	The construction of a new kitchen to the rear of the existing café.	Granted permission
1216/01	Change of shopfront a Protected Structure	Granted permission

Dublin City Development Plan 2005 – 2011

The zoning objective for the area which is Z2 'To protect, and/or improve the amenities of residential conservation areas.'

Enforcement History

None

Site Location

(see folders for photograph)

Summary Description of Structure

Exterior:

Terraced two-storey, multi-bay rendered building c. 1850's L-shaped floor plan set around a front entrance railed garden accessing a canted entrance porch to the main accommodation. There is a street fronted modern shop front with a single door and display window.

Roof: Pitched roof with original terracotta ridge tiles and modern roof tile. The front pitch is perpendicular to the street with the other pitch running parallel to the street. Yellow brick chimney stack shared with No. 127 having terracotta pots while the chimney stack adjoining 128 is rendered with terracotta pots.

Walls: Rendered painted walls with granite coping to parapet.

Windows: Square-headed openings with granite cills and modern timber sash windows to front elevation. the porch windows are round-headed in style.

Doors: Timber flat panelled entrance door.

Front Site: Small front site bounded by original granite capped plinth wall with decorative railings and central pedestrian gate. There are early terracotta tiles leading to the entrance porch.

Shopfront: Street fronted modern shop front with a single door and display window.

Interior:

Not accessed

Assessment of Special Interest Under the Planning & Development Act 2000

- *Architectural:* The building is of architectural significance, forming an integral element of a nineteenth-century terrace. The building is the junction between the street front terrace with shops to the ground floor and the more genteel residential terrace set back from the street. Although the subject of renovation over the years, the exterior retains much of its original character including the railed front site and canted porch and building line.
- *Historical:* The building is of importance because is an example of an early mixed use retail and residential building which would have serviced the local area.

126 Leeson Street Upper is considered to be of Regional significance. These are structures or sites that make a significant contribution to the architectural heritage within their region or area. In isolation it is a modest building but its significance is elevated due to its streetscape value as part of a terrace of mixed use nineteenth century buildings.

Recommendation

Exterior including front site, plinth wall and railings only of 126 Leeson Street Upper, Dublin 2 are considered to be of Architectural and Historical significance within the meaning of Part IV of the Planning and Development Act, 2000. It is therefore recommended that the entry on the Record of Protected Structures should be altered. The description should read **'Exterior including front site, plinth wall and railings only'**.

**Patricia Hyde
Senior Planner**

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

Re. Proposed Deletion from the Record of Protected Structures of 144 Leeson Street Upper, Dublin 4.

**RECOMMENDATION: Proposed amendment of description to read
Exterior only of 144 Leeson Street Upper, Dublin 2**

(see folders for photograph)

Introduction

It is proposed to initiate procedures under Section 55 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 to delete 144 Leeson Street Upper from Dublin City Council's Record of Protected Structures.

Request for Deletion

External request for deletion.

Summary of Applicants Reasons for Seeking Deletion

The owners state that the building was completely demolished and rebuilt in 1982/83. None of the original features were retained or reproduced, and therefore the building is of no historic interest, either internally or externally. The existing external appearance of the building is a modern reproduction, and as such should not be treated as a historically important structure.

Dublin City Development Plan 2005 – 2011

Z3, to provide for and improve neighbourhood facilities.

Planning History

None on APAS

Enforcement History

None

Site Location

(see folders for map)

Location of 144 Leeson Street Upper

This building is part of a north-facing street fronted terrace running between Leeson Street Upper and Sussex Street.

Summary Description of Structure

Exterior:

Terraced two-bay, four-storey rendered building c. 1830 with shop front to ground floor. The building is part of a group of four buildings built as a group all having commercial units to the ground floor. The parapet line of the buildings is uniform. Access to the upper floors is through the ground floor shop.

Roof: Pitched roof with modern tiles. The roof line runs parallel to the street.

Walls: Rendered painted front elevation walls with original red brick rear elevation laid in English Garden wall bond.

Windows: Square-headed openings with modern cills to the front elevation and uPVC casement windows to front elevation. Square headed uPVC casements to rear elevation, cills not visible.

Shopfront: Street fronted modern shop front with a single glazed door and display window.

Interior:

Modern interior fit out with open-well staircase to south east corner. Toilet to south west corner with mostly open plan salon space on each floor. There are two small treatment rooms on the north east corner of the upper floors. The interior retains no traces of original fabric at surface level however it cannot be determined whether any internal structural timbers are retained.

Assessment of Special Interest Under the Planning & Development Act 2000

Architectural: The building contributes positively to the streetscape and general character of the area. The grouping is an exemplar of a grouping of good quality mixed use properties. The grouping terminates the intersection between Leeson Street Upper and Sussex Street. The interior of the building has been substantially modernised with a possible new stairs configuration.

Significance/NIAH Rating: 144 Leeson Street Upper is considered to be of Regional significance. These are structures or sites that make a significant contribution to the architectural heritage within their region or area. In isolation it is a modest building but its significance is elevated due to its streetscape value as part of a terrace of mixed use nineteenth century buildings.

Recommendation

Exterior only of the protected structure, 144 Leeson Street Upper, is considered to be of Architectural value within the meaning of Part IV of the Planning and Development Act, 2000. It is therefore recommended that the entry on the Record of Protected Structures should be altered. The description should read '**Exterior only**'.

**Patricia Hyde
Senior Planner**

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

**Re. Proposed deletion from the Record of Protected Structures of 143 Leeson Street Upper,
Dublin 4.**

**RECOMMENDATION: Proposed amendment of description to read
Exterior only of 143 Leeson Street Upper, Dublin 2**

(see folders for photograph)

Introduction

It is proposed to initiate procedures under Section 55 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 to delete 143 Leeson Street Upper from Dublin City Council's Record of Protected Structures.

Request for Deletion

External request for deletion.

Summary of Applicants Reasons for Seeking Deletion

The applicant requested the removal of the building from the RPS as they claim that the building is new and was demolished and reconstructed from 1980 onwards.

Dublin City Development Plan 2005 – 2011

Z3, to provide for and improve neighbourhood facilities.

Planning History

None on APAS

Enforcement History:

The only planning enforcement recorded refers to unauthorised signage on the terrace. There is some reference in the file to older enforcement files dating to 1987 Ref. no. E0055/87 however there is no record available from Planning Enforcement.

E0383/00: Eircell advertising on building & other adv signs on 142-144 Leeson Street Upper. File closed due to lack of evidence

E0360/00: Banner on front facade advertising 'Ready to Go' File closed *due to structure removed*.

Site Location

(see folders for map)

Summary Description of Structure

Exterior:

Terraced two-bay, four-storey rendered building c. 1830 with shop front to ground floor. The building is part of a group of four buildings built as a group all having commercial units to the ground floor. The parapet line of the buildings is relatively uniform with a slight step in line for 144 & 143. Access to the upper floors is from a hall to the ground floor shop.

Roof: Pitched roof with modern tiles. The roof line runs parallel to the street.

Walls: Rendered painted front elevation walls with original yellow brick rear elevation laid in English Garden wall bond. The south west side elevation appears to retain original fabric. The rear elevation was viewed from Leeson Street Upper as there is no rear access from the interior.

Windows: Square-headed openings with modern cills to the front elevation and modern timber single pane sash windows to front elevation. Square headed casements to rear elevation, cills not visible. Blocked up square-headed window opening south east side elevation.

Shopfront: Street fronted modern timber shop front and fascia with a single glazed door and display window.

Interior:

The building form consists of an open plan retail unit to ground floor with a separate stair hall leading to a modern open-well staircase located in the rear south west corner of the building. Each floor has a bathroom to the south east corner with one room to the front of each floor. The interior retains no traces of original fabric at surface level however it cannot be determined whether any internal structural timbers are retained.

Assessment of Special Interest Under the Planning & Development Act 2000

Architectural: The building contributes positively to the streetscape in terms of roof and building line and general character of the area. The grouping is an exemplar of a grouping of good quality mixed use properties. The grouping terminates the intersection between Leeson Street Upper and Sussex Street. The interior of the building has been substantially modernised with a possible new stairs configuration.

Significance/NIAH Rating: 143 Leeson Street Upper is considered to be of Regional significance. These are structures or sites that make a significant contribution to the architectural heritage within their region or area. In isolation it is a modest building but its significance is elevated due to its streetscape value as part of a terrace of mixed use nineteenth century buildings.

Recommendation

Exterior only of the protected structure, 143 Leeson Street Upper, is considered to be of Architectural value within the meaning of Part IV of the Planning and Development Act, 2000. It is therefore recommended that the entry on the Record of Protected Structures should be altered. The description should read '**Exterior only**'.

**Patricia Hyde
Senior Planner**

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

**Re. Proposed Deletion from the Record of Protected Structures of 11 and 12 Warrington
Place, Dublin 2.**

(see folder for photograph)

Introduction

It is proposed to initiate procedures under Section 55 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 to delete 11 and 12 Warrington Place, Dublin 2 from Dublin City Council's Record of Protected Structures.

Request for Deletion

External request for deletion.

Summary of Applicants Reasons for Seeking Deletion

The buildings were constructed c. 1981/82 with the facades to be in keeping with the buildings as previously existed. The buildings are modern concrete construction with offices and residential accommodation.

Dublin City Development Plan 2005 – 2011

The pale yellow represents the zoning objective for the area which is Z1 'To protect, provide and improve residential amenities' The red hatching denotes that the building is also contained within a conservation area. The orange represents the zoning objective for the area which is Z8 'To protect the existing architectural and civic design character, to allow only limited expansion consistent with the conservation objective. To allow primarily residential and compatible office and intuitional uses.

Planning History

Ref No.	Description	Decision
0643/73 (520)	5 storey office block	Not recorded on Microfiche
1862/74 (1614)	3 storey over basement	Not recorded on Microfiche
3824/78	Alterations to elevation	Not recorded on Microfiche
0887/79	Office development	Not recorded on Microfiche
4467/81	Relocation Of 4 no. windows	
0757/93	Change of use of part of an apartment to offices.	Granted Permission
1998/93	Retention of current location of internal stairways/lift which was revised to meet Bye-Law approval from that	Granted Permission

Enforcement History

None

Site Location

(See folder for map.)

Summary Description of Structure

Terraced seven-bay, three-storey over basement yellow brick building c.1982 with attic floor, set back from street with railed front site.

Assessment of Special Interest Under the Planning & Development Act 2000

The buildings are in modern infill buildings with the front elevation construction in a style to fit in with the surrounding terrace. There are a number of historic planning files relating to planning applications for works to be carried out on the site in the 1970's and 1980's so it is possible that the construction dates to this period.

The protected structures 11 and 12 Warrington Place are no longer present. These buildings are pastiche infill modern structures and nothing remains of the site's special interest within the meaning of Part IV of the Planning and Development Act 2000 to warrant retention on the RPS.

Recommendation

These buildings are pastiche infill modern structures and nothing remains of the site's special interest within the meaning of Part IV of the Planning and Development Act 2000 to warrant retention on the RPS. Therefore it is recommended that 11 and 12 Warrington Place be deleted from the Record of Protected Structures.

Patricia Hyde
Senior Planner

To the Chairperson and Members of
The South East Area Committee

10th October 2011

Area Manager's Report

Dodder Flood Alleviation Works

The OPW moved on site in August 2011 on the Marian College side of the river. The works will continue until Christmas 2011. The pathway beside the river was closed off since late August and local diversions have been put in place. The pathway from the Railway Cottages to the Dart Line will remain open for commuters.

Allotments

The two projects in Ringsend and Herbert Park have proven to be very successful. The aim is to establish contact with other gardening projects and also the wider community.

Cabbage Patch Football Pitch

Timetable

A meeting was held with local clubs and schools in the area who wish to avail of the pitch. A timetable for pitch has been developed from September 2011 to January 2012. Opening Hours: Monday to Saturday 9.00am to 10.00pm and Sunday 11am to 8.00pm.

Lights

The new lights have been installed by Electrical Services that are programmed to turn on when it turns dusk and switched off at 10.00pm.

Grafton Street Quarter

The pilot improvement scheme for Fade Street is continuing. The Draft Public Realm Strategy for the Grafton Street Quarter is nearing completion and will be issued shortly for a period of public consultation.

Library – Rathmines

The official re-opening of Rathmines Library will take place on Wednesday 12th October at 3pm.

Donnybrook Village Business Initiative

The Area Manager met recently with representatives of the DVBI. Several issues were discussed and were subsequently followed up by the Area Office.

City Neighbourhoods Competition

The City Neighbourhoods city-wide awards ceremony took place on Thursday 29th September in Croke Park. A list of award winners in the South East Area is enclosed. (see folders).

Local Policing Fora

Three Local Policing Forums in the area have been established. Each forum meets on a regular basis to discuss local issues of concern and where possible work to find solutions to issues raised. The emphasis on the Local Policing Forum meetings will be crime, policing and estate management and also on obtaining the co-operation of the public in preventing crime. It is proposed to arrange public meetings in the New Year when the fora have become more established.

Ringsend Wastewater Treatment Plant Extension

The Environment and Engineering Department, Wastewater Services are holding a Public Open Day on Saturday 8th October from 12-4pm in the Irishtown Stadium. This will give everyone the chance to meet the project team and have any questions answered relating to the Wastewater Treatment Plant Extension. All relevant agencies, Community Groups, residents and Public Representatives in the area were notified about the Open Day.

Grand Canal Networking Event

The Grand Canal Sub Committee is hosting a networking event in the Hilton Hotel, **Charlemont Place, Dublin 2** on **Thursday 20th October 2011, 7pm - 9pm**. An itinerary for the evening will follow but the focus will be to encourage participation in canal clean ups.

The Grand Canal Sub Committee was set up in accordance with the recommendations of the Dublin City Canals Study. There is also a Royal Canal Sub Group. The groups are represented on the Operational Liaison Group of the study, which is tasked with implementing the study and framework. The sub groups comprise of members of Waterways Ireland, Dublin City Council, the local community and voluntary organisations. Dublin City Council is represented by officials from South Central and South East Area. Mr. Bruce Phillips is Chairman of the group.

Fitzwilliam Quay Wall

The Dublin City Council Engineering Section has met with the successful contractor Tuesday 4th October to discuss the mobilisation of construction plant onto the site. The expected date for commencement is now the second week in November and all work will be carried from the river side of the wall. The duration of the works is approximately 5 months.

Michael O'Neill
Area Manager

QUESTIONS TO DUBLIN CITY MANAGER
SOUTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE MEETING, 10th OCTOBER 2011

- Q1. Councillor Edie Wynne**
Could the Manager please have the arrows on the road indicating one way only on Harrison Row as it leaves Brighton Road. The arrows were worn away when the houses in this area were being built and now some drivers are driving both ways on this very narrow lane.
- Q2. Councillor Edie Wynne**
To ask the Manager to have potholes repaired at the following two locations (details supplied) and could the Manager please give some guideline as to when the work would be carried out.
- Q3. Councillor Edie Wynne**
To ask the Manager to examine and repair the level of the manhole at Terenure Cross road because it is so deep as against the surface of the road that constituents are complaining that it is dangerous.
- Q4. Councillor Edie Wynne**
To ask the Manager to have the connecting road between Leinster Road and Grosvenor Square repaired as the potholes are extensive, particularly close to Grosvenor Square.
- Q5. Councillor Edie Wynne**
To ask the Manager to have the lane between St Enda's Road and Lakelands Terrace cleaned up as it has been reported to the Councillor that it is full of dumped black bags, unclaimed bins, builders waste, broken cans, garden waste and weeds and also to have the main drain at the rear of (details supplied) cleaned out as it has been blocked twice already this year.
- Q6. Councillor Dermot Lacey**
To ask the Manager if he will expedite and report on the long sought installation of a shower at (details supplied) and if he will arrange for the dangerous trees in the garden of same to be cut and pruned.
- Q7. Councillor Dermot Lacey**
To ask the Manager if he will arrange for the surface of the roadway on Rampart Lane, Donnybrook to be upgraded and repaired.
- Q8. Councillor Dermot Lacey**
To ask the Manager if he will report on what measures have been taken or will be taken to ensure that the particularly severe water pressure on the Herbert Park, Pembroke Park/Wellington Road part of Dublin will not reoccur in the event of similar bad weather to last year.
- Q9. Councillor Gerry Ashe**
To ask the Manager if will investigate the cause of the foul odour emanating near (details supplied) and also to arrange to have the bedroom window at same address repaired.
- Q10. Councillor Gerry Ashe**
To ask the Manager to ensure that (details supplied) is properly secured and that all the gates on the complex are fully operational as there is on going issues with anti-social behaviour and drugs use on the site due to current the ease of access
- Q11. Councillor Gerry Ashe**
To ask the Manager to arrange to have the pathway outside (details supplied) properly reinstated as soon as possible as the temporary surface is uneven and in very poor condition.
- Q12. Councillor Dermot Lacey**
To ask the Manager who decided, when and why to change the pay parking periods on Sandymount Promenade to operate until 6.00pm instead of the agreed 5.00pm.

- Q13. Councillor Dermot Lacey**
To ask the Manager who decided, when and why not to replace the plastics recycling container on Sandymount Promenade.
- Q14. Councillor Oisin Quinn**
Can the Manager contact An Post and ask them when they propose to reopen the post office in the Spar shop at the junction of Harold's Cross Road and Rathgar Avenue?
- Q15. Councillor Edie Wynne**
To ask the Manager to enquire from An Post why the post office at the junction of Harold's Cross road and Rathgar Avenue, located in the Spar shop there, recently closed without any explanation except that an Post say it is temporary and beyond their control, and to ask when the post office will open.
- Q16. Councillor Dermot Lacey**
To ask the Manager if he would arrange with the City Manager to detail plans to deal with a heavy snowfall this winter similar to last year with a specific reference to the South East Area. To include in the reply details of what guidelines will be issued to residents and business premise owners and to state any other matter that he believes relevant in this context.
- Q17. Councillor Gerry Ashe**
To ask the Manager to ensure that the stairwells in (details supplied) are cleaned and hosed down on a regular basis.
- Q18. Councillor Gerry Ashe**
To ask the Manager to ensure that the netting on top of the football pitch at (details supplied) is fitted as soon as possible and to have a defined opening hours decided for the pitch.
- Q19. Councillor Gerry Ashe**
To ask the Manager to arrange to have the pathways at (details supplied) properly repaired and permanently resurfaced as they are in very poor condition.
- Q20. Councillor Gerry Ashe**
To ask the Manager following a request from the resident at 17a Clanbrassil Street if the overgrown trees can be pruned this year.
- Q21. Councillor Gerry Ashe**
To ask the Manager if the trees blocking the light at 1 Pine Road can be pruned this year.
- Q22. Councillor Paddy McCartan**
To ask the Manager to have the metal bars on the top of the Dodder river bridge in Donnybrook which are broken, repaired and the stonework cleaned.
- Q23. Councillor Paddy McCartan**
To ask the Manager to have more litterbins installed in the Donnybrook village area.
- Q24. Councillor Paddy McCartan**
To ask the Manager to request that Dublin Bus erect a seat at the bus stop at Gilford Rd /Strand Rd Junction, Sandymount.
- Q25. Councillor Paddy McCartan**
To ask the Manager to again ask Dublin Bus to explain why the 39a bus does not stop at St. Stephens Green.
- Q26. Councillor Paddy McCartan**
To ask the Manager to have remedial work carried out at the Archway on the Dodder at Lansdowne Railway Bridge adjacent to Marian College. This area floods at high tide and also after heavy rain.

- Q27. Councillor Edie Wynne**
To ask the Manager to provide one resident's parking disc for (details supplied).
- Q28. Councillor Edie Wynne**
To ask the Manager to address the restrictive and inconvenient opening hours of the Bring Centres in Ranelagh and Rathgar areas.
- Q29. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**
To ask the City Manager whether potholes on Elmwood Avenue, Dublin 6 can be filled in.
- Q30. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**
To ask the City Manager what is the current status of the housing application of the person whose (details are supplied).
- Q31. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**
To ask the City Manager what is the procedure for seeking to erect a plaque onto the wall of the house on Beechwood Avenue Upper, Ranelagh, Dublin 6 commemorating the birthplace of Maureen O'Hara.
- Q32. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**
To ask the City Manager whether the timing of the Mount Drummond Square bin collection on Friday mornings could be changed to a later time than 6.00/6.30 a.m. or if the collections could be made with lesser noise.
- Q33. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**
To ask the City Manager for an update on the developments at St. Michaels and Johns Church, Essex Street, Dublin 2 that resulted in the Council sending a warning letter under Section 152 of the Planning Act.
- Q34. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**
To ask the City Manager whether the bye-laws governing application forms necessary for renewing parking permits can be changed so as to ensure previous permit holders avail of their renewed permit without having to provide the same information again i.e. proof of residence etc.
- Q35. Councillor Gerry Ashe**
To ask the Manager to arrange to have (details supplied) properly repaired and redecorated following a recent water leak.
- Q36. Councillor Paddy McCartan**
To ask the Manager to have the dangerous pothole near no 26 Airfield Court Donnybrook filled in.
- Q37. Councillor Gerry Ashe**
Could the area Manager arrange to have the large potholes on the road outside Marks Lane health Centre filled in as these are posing a big risk to wheelchair users who regularly use the Centre.
- Q38. Councillor Maria Parodi**
To ask the Manager to arrange for a Dublin City Council Dog Warden to investigate (details supplied).
- Q39. Councillor Maria Parodi**
To ask the Manager for the trees along (details supplied) to be pruned.
- Q40. Councillor Maria Parodi**
To ask the Manager when the traffic lights at the junction of Cardiff Lane and the Grand Canal theatre will be operational.

- Q41. Councillor Maria Parodi**
To ask the Manager to install a new bin on (details supplied).
- Q42. Councillor Maria Parodi**
To ask the Manager to respond to the urgent issues outlined in (details supplied).
- Q43. Councillor Maria Parodi**
To ask the Manager to investigate the following in (details supplied).
- Q44. Councillor Maria Parodi**
To ask the Manager to investigate the following in (details supplied).
- Q45. Councillor Maria Parodi**
To ask the Manager for a response to the following queries in (details supplied).
- Q46. Councillor Maria Parodi**
To ask the Manager for a report on the following in (details supplied).
- Q47. Councillor Edie Wynne**
To ask the Manager when the Bus Shelter in Palmerston Gardens will be restored and when a real-time notice will be erected at this bus stop.
- Q48. Councillor Kieran Binchy**
To ask the Manager if mechanical bollards controllable by remote to provide access for locals only are an option that the Council can use in controlling traffic.
- Q49. Councillor Kieran Binchy**
To ask the Manager to investigate the following houses (details supplied) with a view to adding them to the derelict sites register, or to bring enforcement proceedings if they are being used as commercial storage rather than as residences
- Q50. Councillor Kieran Binchy**
To ask the Manager to ensure that the streets of Stella Gardens are swept regularly and properly.
- Q51. Councillor Kieran Binchy**
To ask the Manager to repaint or replace the street plaques in Stella Gardens on which the paint has peeled or faded.
- Q52. Councillor Kieran Binchy**
To ask the Manager to remedy the surface outside 115 Stella Gardens as for a number of years there has been a dangerous uneven patch in the road, and a resident has tripped on it a number of times. It seems to be the result of a failure to re-instate the road surface after works a number of years ago, possibly water-works.
- Q53. Councillor Kieran Binchy**
To ask the Manager to investigate and remedy the surface of Merrion Road as it is used as a commuter route by cyclists, and cyclists are finding that the dips, bumps and uneven surfaces are increasingly dangerous.
- Q54. Councillor Kieran Binchy**
To ask the Manager for an update on the progress with the improvement of the pedestrian crossing options at the junction of Shelbourne Road and Lansdowne Road.
- Q55. Councillor Mannix Flynn**
Can the Manager ensure that ample warnings are given of the placing of poisons in public places where there is rat infestations. Ross Road residents have concerns about the recent placing of rat poison with regards their pets/dogs consuming also concerns around their children playing nearby.

- Q56. Councillor Mannix Flynn**
Can the City Manager, have a safety barrier placed on the footpaths on Camden place in order to stop the casual trading stall from blowing into the street during high winds. I have raised this issue on a number of occasions and I would ask that due to the oncoming winter and high winds that this be given a priority.
- Q57. Councillor Mannix Flynn**
Call on the Manager to issue monthly reports to the South East Area committee regarding the activities and services provided by Dublin ambulance and Fire brigade services. These services are supplied by Dublin City Council and are of vital importance to the City's working order. It is appropriate that we receive reports so as to monitor and improve responses etc.
- Q58. Councillor Mannix Flynn**
Can the City Manager give me an update on the issue regarding a boxing club being set up in the York St/Whitefriar St/Mercer Street area.
- Q59. Councillor Mannix Flynn**
Can the City Manager supply me with information regarding a questionnaire that was sent to residents of the senior citizens housing complexes regarding the discontinuation of liaison services. A number of constituents are alarmed at such a suggestion and I have been inundated with calls from concerned constituents.
- Q60. Councillor Mannix Flynn**
Can the City Manager give me an update when the new traffic lights installed at upper Clanbrassil Street will be turned on and working. Also, in that area can the City Manager give me a report as to whether the bus shelter/stop beside Bu Alli Restaurant will be removed. This spot has become a hive of criminal activity and criminal damage and is of grave concern to all who reside in this area.
- Q61. Councillor Mannix Flynn**
Can the City Manager ascertain how many sleeping bags have been issued to those street sleeping in the South East Area.