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Motions

603. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill

That this committee agrees to inform Dublin Bus that all the members are strongly opposed to any effort to divert the route of 128 bus from Upper Rathmines Road route. This is the only bus serving this area of the city.

604. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill

That the phase of the traffic lights from Leinster Rd to Rathmines road be examined. This is almost the only west/east axis, in the morning times so much priority is given to the traffic flow on Rathmines Rd that there is a considerable back up on Leinster Road, its also worth pointing out that there are very few public transport options that moves from west/east/west in this part of the city. So improved traffic flow at this point will not make any difference to the use of the private car.

605. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill

Now that the owners of Fitzwilliam Sq park are regularly renting out the park for commercial uses (A stall for the Christmas market costs €70 per day) would the manager state what effort has been made by the Council to impose commercial rates on this park.

606. Motion from Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

This Committee agrees that a more effective system of waste collection needs to operate during periods of severe weather to enable residents to bring their waste to a suitable location if it cannot be collected by the City Council or its sub contractors.

607. Motion from Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

This Committee congratulates Grosvenor Square man, Nick Kelly, on being short listed for an Academy Award for his film "Shoe".

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The committee wished to express their thanks to Mr. Frank Lambe as Project Manager for his hard work and dedication throughout the last few years on the Swan Leisure Centre, Rathmines.

The committee thanked Deputy Lord Mayor Councillor Edie Wynne and former Councillor Michael Donnelly for presiding over the official opening of the Swan Leisure Centre, Rathmines.

576. **Swan Leisure Rathmines Presentation**
Order: Noted. Two Councillors will be nominated to the Advisory Group at the January Area Committee meeting.
577. **Rents Presentation**
Order: Noted. Cllr Flynn asked that a profile and history of non paying rent tenants be presented to the committee.
578. **Minutes of Meeting held 8th November 2010**
Order: Noted. An amendment was made to the October minutes and agreed by the Committee. Item 515 (iii) was minuted as “Agreed to recommend to City Council” but should have said “Agreed to initiate process”. This will be brought to the January City Council meeting through the December South East Area breviat.
579. **Questions to Dublin City Manager**
Order: Noted.
580. **Roads & Traffic Matters**
- ii. Minutes of the Traffic Advisory Group held on 18th November 2010
Order: Noted. Councillor Lacey asked that a meeting be organised with Dublin Bus regarding Burlington Road. This office has already contacted Dublin Bus about this meeting numerous times. The South East Area will again contact Dublin Bus to try and facilitate meeting.
581. **Planning Matters**
- i. Quarterly Enforcement Report July to December
Order: Report noted. A new format for these reports will be provided in the future.
582. **Development Matters**
- i. Derelict Sites Quarterly Report
Order: Report noted.
583. **Culture, Recreation & Amenity Matters**
- i. Sports & Leisure Services Report for September – November
Order: Report noted. The members agreed that more emphasis should be placed on providing services on the western side of the South East Area.

584. South East Area Matters

iii. Area Managers Report

Order: Noted.

Review provision of Christmas Trees. Report on housing Voids be part of AM report. Part 8 Dodder Flood Prevention Works meeting to be arranged with residents. Cllr. Flynn requested a report on the number of people sleeping on the streets in the South East Area. Cllr. Lacey wished to congratulate the Ranelagh Traders for winning the Best Community Initiative 2010 – Beat the Clampers.

Motions

585. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the Manager if, arising from his written reply to Motion Number 544 – which was not actually moved by the proposer – at the South East Area Committee on the 11th October, he will clarify or find out if he does not know when MTL secured the lease on the Dublin Port lands referred to. If he will also clarify if loading and embarkation of ships is dictated to by tidal conditions, if he could consider why noise levels are now on an all day every day basis and to report on exactly how formal complaints relating to noise levels from the Port should be made and to whom.

Order: Report to Councillor.

586. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the Manager if he will arrange for the potholes on Lansdowne Road between Marian college and the junction with Shelbourne Road to be repaired as a matter of urgency. Funding for this sort of work was provided from the Development Levies and finance therefore should not be the excuse for this not being done.

Order: Report to Councillor.

587. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill

That a Lamp replacement programme for Charleville Close (particularly the east end which is more thickly populated) be put on the waiting list for next year.

Order: Report to Councillor.

588. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill

In relation to the recent planning permission granted on the St Louis Charleville Rd site, would the manager please explain why the community open space only covers 19.6% of the site. It would appear that the open space required for the apartments sited elsewhere makes up the 25%. This is seriously in contravention of the development plan which states that 25% must be in one area. Furthermore it was suggested that buildings would be made available for community purposes, neither the HSE, Partnership or City Council committed to renting such facilities.

Order: Report to Councillor. Cllr Freehill requested that an official from the Planning Department be invited to attend the January meeting to discuss these issues.

589. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill

Would the Manager please explain how this happened (details attached) and explain what steps will be taken to rectify the problem

Order: Report to Councillor.

590. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill

That the repair of the footpaths on Parkview Ave Harold's Cross be urgently dealt with as they are in a dangerous condition.

Order: Report to Councillor.

591. Motion from Councillor Mannix Flynn

Call on the City Manager to examine the possibility of the potential implementation of municipal wifi network for the City so as to bring Dublin City into a comparable competitive engine. This would ensure equality for users and give Dublin and the cosmopolitan area a competitive edge in order to build the regions economy. See attached link

<http://computer.howstuffworks.com/municipal-wifi.htm/printable>

This idea could be looked at initially for the South East Area as a pilot scheme.

Order: Report to Councillor.

592. Motion from Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the City Manager call on waterways Ireland to examine the health and safety issues of the now Mespil Market on the Grand Canal at Baggot Street. This market trades on both sides of the canal at the lock crossing. It has been brought to my attention by a number of

constituents of the dangers obstructions that are clustered. Also can the City Manager issue a report on the planning guidelines for such markets through out the City.

Order: Report to Councillor. The Area Office will seek further clarification on this matter.

593. Motion from Councillor Mannix Flynn

Call on Dublin City Council to support the residents within the area of Dublin Port in their efforts to curb the noise pollution emanating from the lands of the Dublin Port Company which are currently leased to MTL. For the past 10 years residents lives and their health have been completely disrupted due to this intolerable situation. A recent independent report has vindicated the residents claims that the noise levels far exceed the acceptable level for a residential area please find attached correspondance. (enclosed)

Order: Report to Councillor.

594. Motion from Councillor Mannix Flynn

That this committee expresses its disappointment at the lack of progress in providing the promised 1200 homes to alleviate homelessness in the Dublin Area. Further that we support the continuation of emergency shelter and accomodation to provide the necessary services and to alleviate the distress to those who are homeless are under. Bearing in mind that quite of lot of these emergency shelters are of substandard and unacceptable we further deplore that this situation still prevails and that there is a total lack of alternative provision given the amount of time effort, planning and financial resouces that have been spent in this area not one single 'house' or appartment has been supplied.

Order: Report to Councillor. The Committee expressed their disappointment with the lack of progress on this issue.

595. Motion from Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the Manager if he will give an update on the existing use of or future plans for the former Pigeon House Hotel building and adjoin grounds.

Order: Report to Councillor.

596. Motion from Councillor Mary Freehill

That the traffic department arrange an urgent meeting with the directors of the Charlemont Clinic to discuss ways of facilitating the clinic which will be badly affected by the cycleway. This clinic provides a very useful service both locally and nationally. The very nature of their business means that a lot of their customers are less mobile than most of the population. With the proposed reduction in parking places it will be difficult for them to operate in this location which could force them to have to move to the suburbs, thus loosing another service to the city and income to the Council.

Order: Report to Councillor.

597. Motion from Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

This Committee opposes any attempts by the City Council to sell off all and/or part of the public car park at Donnybrook (opposite the Donnybrook Fire Station) for the purpose of any proposed private development.

Order: Report to Councillor.

Cllr. Eoghan Murphy

Chairperson

Dated 13th December 2010

Attendance

Members

Councillor E. Murphy (in the chair)

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

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, Ringsend & Pembroke Office
S. Reddington, Senior Engineer, Roads & Traffic Department
M. Conway, Senior Executive Planner, Planning Department
C. O'Reilly, Centre Manager, Sports and Leisure Services
D. O'Connor, Administrative Officer, Rents and Tenant Purchase Section
T. Flynn, Senior Executive Officer, Affordable Housing
F. Worrell, Assistant Enforcement Manager, Planning Enforcement
P. McCann, Administrative Officer, South East Area
M. Moriarty, Staff Officer, South East Area
J. Nugent, Assistant Staff Officer, South East Area
M. Ginnetty, Assistant Staff Officer, South East Area

**QUESTIONS TO DUBLIN CITY MANAGER
SOUTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE MEETING, 13th DECEMBER 2010**

Q1. Councillor Edie Wynne

To ask the Manager to have the road surface on Killeen Road, Ranelagh repaired as residents say that parts of it are dangerous now and also to ask the Manager for some timescale as to when such work would be carried out.

Reply

Current accumulations of snow and ice have made assessment of the condition of the footpath/carrageway at this location impossible. This area will be examined once the snow and ice have melted and any remedial action that proves necessary will be scheduled at this time.

Q2. Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the Manager if he will respond to the two issues raised in the letter submitted with this question (details supplied).

Reply

The area where the potholes are located is a temporary reinstatement that has rutted. This reinstatement has been returned to Road Maintenance for permanent reinstatement but this has not yet happened. Once the ice and snow thaws, Road Maintenance operatives will make this area safe prior to permanent reinstatement taking place once Operation Free-flow comes to an end in January.

The area where water flows out from under the wall at the flats in Beech hill is currently been investigated by Consultant Engineers in conjunction with Dublin City Council Architects Department.

Q3. Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the Manager if he will respond to the planning issues referred to in the letter submitted with this Question. (details supplied)

Reply

1. An inspection of the site was carried out by the area planner who confirmed that the site notice had been erected in accordance with Article 19 (1) (c) of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 so as to be easily visible and legible by persons using the public road.
2. Reference number 0249/10 refers to an application for a Social Housing Exemption Certificate which was granted on October 26th last.

The planning reference for this application is WEB1226/10 and this was lodged through the e-application system on Friday November 5th. All documentation connected to this application was available on our website from Tuesday November 9th at the latest. Please note there was an enquiry into the Registry Section of the Planning Department on November 11th regarding the availability of the information on the website and when checked all the documentation was in place.

Q4. Councillor Mary Freehill

Would the manager please let me know when we can expect the yellow box on Harold's Cross Rd beside Armstrong Street. This was agreed quite sometime ago.

Reply

The Traffic Engineer has recommended a yellow box on the into town approach at the junction of Harold's Cross and Armstrong Street. This item has to be formally passed by the

Traffic Advisory Group and the line marking will be carried out as soon as is possible after the formal recommendation subject to weather conditions and staff resources. It is likely that this will not be done until March next year at the earliest.

Q5. Councillor Mary Freehill

When can be expect to see the Grove Road Street notice erected at Harold's Cross Bridge

Reply

A second Street Nameplate has been ordered for Grove Road and will be installed upon delivery from the supplier.

Q6. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the City Manager explain how an advertising LCD screen was allowed be placed on the outside of Grafton Street shopping centre. Can he clarify whether this was part of Dublin Innovation week, or a Christmas Decoration.

Reply

Two LCD screens were erected outside the Ilac Centre, Henry Street and the Stephen's Green Shopping Centre, Grafton Street as part of the Innovation Dublin Festival 10th – 21st November, 2010. The Innovation Dublin brochure and web-site lists Zozzy TV as an event of the festival, inviting people to record and upload film showing what Innovation means to them.

As in 2009, the screens are considered to be part of the Christmas Lights/Festival of Lights starting 21st November, 2010 and Zozzy TV appears in the Upwrap Dublin brochure (see attached).

Q7. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the City Manager issue a report as to the progress regarding the creation of a Rejuvenation Board for the Charlemont/Tom Kelly Area Development Project.

Reply

It is intended to form the Regeneration Board early in the New Year, this timeframe is in response to a request from the Charlemont Re-development Group to be allowed sufficient time to examine the Terms of Reference For Regeneration Boards, which the Strategic Policy Committee adopted at its last meeting in 27th September 2010.

Q8. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Call on the City Manager to refurbish and put back in working order the horse watering troughs throughout the city in keeping with best animal welfare policies with particular regard to the watering trough on the northside of St Stephens Green. This would be in line with Dublin City Councils own policies and by laws for horse drawn carriages. These water troughs are part of the heritage fabric of the city and as such must be preserved in line with best conservation practices. Also can the City Manager provide the owners of the horse and carriages with dung-catchers and an area or a service in which to dispose of the waste.

Reply

Dublin City Council has made Bye-Laws for the control of Horse Drawn Carriages and they will come into effect on the 1st February 2011.

There are 2 Designated Hiring Stands at:

1. St. Stephen's Green North Side between Dawson Street and Kildare Street and
2. Bellevue adjacent to the Guinness Hop Store.

The provision of water at the ranks is not a matter for the Bye-Laws. However consideration will be given to the provision of a stand pipe in consultation with Environment/Engineering Dept.

The issue of providing funding for the refurbishment and future maintenance of watering troughs in the city during these difficult financial times would present difficulties. There would also be a water quality issue as such troughs are in public places and would be open to contamination. As the particular trough referred to in the question is sited in an area that falls under the remit of the Office of Public Works the responsibility for its refurbishment and maintenance may rest with them rather than the City Council. The Council will undertake to clarify this issue and will request the OPW to examine the feasibility of its reactivation if it is established that they are the responsible body.

There are no plans to provide the owners of the horse and carriages with dung-catchers. Dublin City Council has for a long number of years accepted horse manure from horse traders across the City. Originally this material was accepted at the Waste Depot at Sweeney's Terrace but due to health and safety reasons, traders are now delivering their waste to the Waste Depot on Davitt Road.

Dublin City Council had not been charging for the acceptance of this material but with traders from adjoining local authorities bringing their waste to Davitt Road, it was no longer financially feasible and we wished to discourage this practice.

The following charges for the acceptance of horse manure from traders was introduced on Tuesday 3rd August, 2010:

Hatchback/Estate car:	€20.00
Single Axle Trailer:	€40.00
Van:	€60.00

The disposal of material at this facility must be paid for in advance at either of the following offices:

**Dublin City Council
Commercial Waste Section
2nd Floor Eblana House
68-70 Marrowbone Lane
Dublin 8**

**Dublin City Council
Customer Services Centre
Ground Floor
Wood Quay
Dublin 8**

Q9. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the manager ensure that when implementing the new casual trading licenses initiative in the south east area as well as other areas of Dublin City that best practice is to the fore. The issue is a sensitive one for generations of casual traders who have over a number of decades traded in all weathers and have brought iconic status to some of Dublin's best know streets ie Grafton St, Moore street etc. Mindfulness of the Culture of the traditions, of casual trading needs to be to the forefront of the new initiatives and new pitches in order to ensure a resounding success of this exciting programme in casual trading enterprise and job creating.

Reply

Further to the meeting of the Arts, Culture, Leisure and Youth Affairs Strategic Policy Committee on the 19th May 2010, a sub-committee has been formed to discuss and review the Casual Trading Bye-Laws 2003. The above request will be included in the Agenda for the next meeting of the Sub-Committee for discussion and consideration at that meeting.

Q10. Councillor Mannix Flynn

Can the Manager examine the possibility of placing a railing on the footpath at the corner of Camden place and Camden Street in order to stop the casual trading stalls at this pitch from rolling in the street during high winds. It is also at this location that trucks tend to mount the footpath causing a danger to pedestrians this barrier would be prevent such events occurring.

Reply

The Traffic Engineer will arrange for railings to be put in place and report back to the Councillor when work is complete. Extent of railings will be dependant on space available and location of existing Street furniture.

Q11. Councillor Kevin Humphreys

Ask the Manager that Grand Canal Street be cleaned up on a regular basis especially after events in Aviva Stadium.

Reply

Waste Management Services have Grand Canal Street cleaned every Monday after the refuse collection has taken place there. We will ensure that this street is cleaned as soon as possible after events in the Aviva Stadium.

Q12. Councillor Kevin Humphreys

Ask the Manager to take measures to prevent ponding outside (detail supplied) as after heavy rain large puddles form on the roadway preventing the elderly residents from leaving their home.

Reply

Current accumulations of snow and ice have made assessment of the condition of the footpath/carrageway at this location impossible. This area will be examined once the snow and ice have melted and any remedial action that proves necessary will be scheduled at this time.

Q13. Councillor Oisín Quinn

Can the Manager arrange for the leaves on Sallymount Avenue to be cleared?

Reply

Waste Management Services will arrange to have the leaves removed from Sallymount Avenue as soon as the snow clears.

Q14. Councillor Oisín Quinn

Can the Manager arrange for a traffic warden to be present at Oakley Rd in Ranelagh at school opening times for the Gael Scoileanna in light of the serious traffic & safety issues (see details supplied)?

Reply

Following inspection /examination and observational count carried out by the School Warden Co-ordinator and Area School Warden Supervisor a School Warden was not recommended previously (TAG Ref: 220639 Dated 21/01/10) outside Scoil Bhríde and Líos Ná Nog Oakley Rd, Ranelagh Dublin 6 for the following reasons:

A School Warden is only provided at locations for children going to and from school unaccompanied.

A School Warden is not provided for parents facilitating the collection of their children by car.

One-way traffic north exists on Oakley Road in addition to ramps, consideration was given to provide additional signage to warn drivers of the presence of a school in the area, these have been erected.

Proposals have been submitted to the school principal and parents to consider a Bus Suíl and other measures to encourage walking and cycling to and from the school. In this regard, a data travel survey has been distributed, yellow over-jackets, resources and other incentives have been given to the school to commence a number of initiatives.

On-going consultations are taken place between the Parents Association, the Principal and the Gardai to provide a solution to the problems that are caused by parental parking outside both Scoil Bhríde and Líos Ná Nóg.

Q15. Councillor Oisín Quinn

Can the Manager clarify what double yellow lines and what single yellow lines are now to be introduced on Park Avenue in Sandymount?

Reply

There are to be single yellow lines from ST John's Road to Sydney Parade Avenue on the east side of the road, Mon to Fri. 8.00 am to 7.00 pm. (as you approach Park Avenue from Sydney Parade this is the right hand side of the road.)

There are to be double yellow lines on the other side of the road for the same length ie on the left hand side as you approach Park Avenue from Sydney Parade Avenue.

Q16. Councillor Dermot Lacey

To ask the Manager if he will respond positively to the request regarding road safety as referred to in the correspondence submitted with this question.

Reply

The items mentioned in the attached correspondence will be placed on the next agenda for the attention of the Traffic Advisory Group for investigation and report.

Discussions are still on-going with the school and Parents Association to consider appropriate measures to assist parents in implementing a modal shift from car to walking and cycling to school. A travel survey form in Irish has been distributed to the school to ascertain the number of children who are driven to school in addition to those who walk, cycle or go to school by bus. This will give all stakeholders involved the baseline data necessary to undertake a wider strategy for safe travel to school.

Proposals have been recently submitted to the school principal and parents to consider a Bus Suíl and other measures to encourage walking and cycling in addition, yellow over-jackets, resources and other incentives have been given to the school to commence a number of initiatives.

In addition on-going consultations are taken place between the Parents Association, the Principal and the Gardai to provide a solution to the problems that are caused by parental parking outside both Scoil Bhríde and Líos Ná Nóg.

Q17. Councillor Edie Wynne

To ask the Manager if he could organise the clearing of the leaves on Airfield Park, Donnybrook.

Reply

Waste Management Services have arranged to have the leaves removed from Airfield Park after the snow has cleared.

Q18. Councillor Edie Wynne

To ask the Manager to install a yellow box at the junction of Rampart Lane and Donnybrook Road, as it is currently very difficult for motorists to exit.

Reply

This issue will be considered by the Traffic Advisory Group and a report issued to the Councillor in due course.

Q19. Councillor Edie Wynne

To ask the Manager for the paths to be cleared of decayed leaves and other debris around Thornfield Apartments on Stillorgan Road.

Reply

Waste Management Services have arranged to have the leaves and debris removed from around Thornfield Apartments on Stillorgan Road after the snow has cleared.

Q20. Councillor Edie Wynne

To ask the Manager to investigate the possibility of setting up a recycling centre in the Donnybrook area.

Reply

Until recently, bottle banks were in place in the Car Park of the Royal Hospital, Donnybrook. However, due to persistent dumping, Dublin City Council was requested to remove these banks by Management of the Hospital.

If an alternative site in Donnybrook could be identified and subject to the approval of the glass contractor in terms of access and servicing requirements, then we would gladly put bottle banks in place.

In the mean time, the nearest Bring Centres closest to Donnybrook are located at the Aviva Stadium, Lansdowne Road and also at Milltown Car Park.

Q21. Councillor Edie Wynne

To ask the Manager to re-install the yellow lines and parking spaces following the re-surfacing of Morehampton Lane.

Reply

This matter has been referred to the Traffic Officer and the lines will be reinstated as a matter of urgency. However, it is unlikely that this can be done before the end of the year due to weather. The Councillor will be informed when the lines have been laid.

Q22. Councillor Edie Wynne

To ask the Manager for the parking times on Saturdays on Herbert Place be the same as that of Mon-Fri parking.

Reply

This matter will be referred to the traffic Advisory Group .The Councillor will be advised in due course as to the recommendation of the group.

Q23. Councillor Edie Wynne

To ask the Manager to improve the safety of the KCR junction (see details supplied)

Reply

This matter will be referred to the Traffic advisory Group for consideration and the Councillor will be informed of the recommendation of the group in due course.

Q24. Councillor Edie Wynne

To ask the Manager if there are plans to link the Luas from Sandyford to Sydney Parade DART station and if so to outline these plans.

Reply

There are no plans to link Luas to Sydney Parade DART Station.The Railway Procurement Agency is at present engaged in a number of projects under Transport 21 and there are no other plans in the pipeline at present.

Q25. Councillor Edie Wynne

To ask the Manager to install more public lighting on Fortescue Lane, off the canal end of Mountpleasant Avenue, as there are increasing incidents of anti-social behaviour occurring.

Reply

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

Q26. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager whether the bus terminus on Burlington Road is a temporary terminus and, if so, when it shall be removed.

Reply

The bus terminus on Burlington Road was provided on a temporary basis pending the development of a permanent terminus on Wilton Terrace or some other suitable location in this area.

The provision of a bus terminus on Wilton Terrace will require civil works and a Part 8 planning approval. The actual designation of bus stops is a matter for the Garda Commissioner.

Q27. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager whether the Dublin City Council accommodation outlined in the details as attached can be renovated so as to remove the mould from the premises which said mould is interfering with the health of the elderly resident.

Reply

The Area Maintenance Officer reports that a call was made to this flat last week, but access was not gained. Details were left for the tenant to contact our local maintenance depot. When contact is made, arrangements will be made with the tenant by our depot to call and investigate the report of mould in the flat, and any necessary repairs will be carried out.

Q28. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager whether an application for a grant made by The Cat and Dog Protection Association of Ireland, North Brunswick Street, Dublin 7 can be approved so as to aid the Association in providing a public service by trapping feral cats.

Reply

Dublin City Council provides a small amount of grant aid to established animal welfare charities on an annual basis. Applications submitted for financial assistance must be accompanied by statements of financial accounts for the previous year and must include details of the nature and quantity of work carried out. Applications are assessed according to financial need and on the basis of the estimated value of the assistance provided by them to the City Council in carrying out its statutory obligations regarding the enforcement of the Control of Dogs and Control of Horses. The value of any grant aid provided to individual charities will be influenced by the overall number of applications received.

An application has been received in 2010 from the Cat & Dog Protection Association. This application will be assessed according to the established procedure and the criteria outlined above and the Association will be notified of the outcome in early 2011.

Q29. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager whether the pavement outside Lios Na Nóg Gaelscoil, Oakley Road, Ranelagh, Dublin 6 can be widened or whether some further measures can be taken to ensure the safety of children from parking cars outside Lios Na Nóg and Scoil Bhríde.

Reply

The matter will be placed on the agenda for the attention of the Traffic Advisory Group for investigation and report. Discussions and consultations are on-going at present with the Parents Association, Principal of the school and Gardaí to provide a solution to the problems that are caused by parental parking outside the schools.

Q30. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager whether any funding is available from within Dublin City Council's budget and/or any other budget of which it is aware to fund the Gateway Mental Health Project which is a Rathmines/Pembroke Community Partnership Project set up to assist people with a mental illness.

Reply

Dublin City Council through South East area office and the Community Department are supporting Gateway Mental Health Project with temporary accommodation at present and small grants since its foundation, we have given an application for the Community Grant for 2011. Gateway has made representation to the HSE for funding.

Q31. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager whether steps can be taken to trim back the overgrowing hedge protruding from the house on the corner of Ormond Road South and Palmerston Road, Dublin 6 which is obstructing pedestrians who walk on the Ormond Road footpath as it approaches Palmerston Road.

Reply

This matter has been passed on to the Asset Monitor Inspector, who will make contact with the homeowner in question with a view to getting the hedge trimmed back.

Q32. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager what roads in Sandymount were salted during the recent snowfall and whether Sandymount Avenue and Serpentine Avenue, both busy roads in Sandymount, can be salted during the next snowfall.

Reply

National Primary, National Secondary, Major Arterial routes, most Bus routes and regional roads are salted as included in the Winter Maintenance Plan. Road Maintenance does not have resources to do Local roads.

Please see enclosed map for your information.

Q33. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan

To ask the City Manager what roads in Ranelagh were salted during the recent snowfall and whether Cullenswood Park can be salted during the next snowfall.

Reply

National Primary, National Secondary, Major Arterial routes, most Bus routes and regional roads are salted as included in the Winter Maintenance Plan. Road Maintenance does not have resources to do Local roads.

Please see enclosed map for your information.

Q34. Councillor Kevin Humphreys

Ask the Manager to ensure the pilot improvement security proposal on the stairwells in Bishop Street flat be in situ as soon as possible.

Reply

Dublin City Council Architects have requested our Electrical Services Department to carry out a survey of the towers at Bishop Street Flat Complex with a view to ascertain the viability of a power supply for the possible installation of automated security gates.

The Councillor will be kept updated on developments.

Q35. Councillor Kevin Humphreys

Ask the Manager to look at ways of improving pedestrian safety on the East-Link Bridge. Currently if a pedestrian meets someone coming the opposite way with a pram or wheelchair they have to step out on the roadway to get by.

Reply

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

Q36. Councillor Maria Parodi

To ask the Manager to install intercoms in (details supplied).

Reply

This matter is being investigated and we will revert back to the Councillor once this information becomes available.

Q37. Councillor Maria Parodi

To ask the Manager to take all the necessary steps to address the urgent issues outlined in (details supplied).

Reply

These issues are dealt with by the Health Service Executive through its environmental health section.

From your mail it would appear that the HSE is indeed taking action in relation to this issue. It would also appear that the owners and occupiers of (details supplied) have personal health care needs which are best assisted and supported by the HSE through its primary health care team.

Q38. Councillor Maria Parodi

To ask the Manager if he will investigate installing CCTV outside (details supplied).

Reply

Provision has not been made in the budget for the installation of CCTV at (details supplied). However Dublin City Council will liaise with The Gardai regarding the anti-social behaviour at this location. The City Council will monitor the situation on an ongoing basis and carry out a review in 6 months.

Q39. Councillor Maria Parodi

To ask the Manager to look into ways to address the ongoing occurrence of dumping in (details supplied).

Reply

Arrangements have been put in place to erect "No Dumping" sign at location requested.

Q40. Councillor Eoghan Murphy

Could the Manager please provide for a new traffic pole/lamp standard in the centre of Rathgar Village (photo provided). The existing one is in serious danger of falling over on to passing traffic and pedestrians. It is also in serious state of disrepair.

Reply

We have examined the condition of the pole here and consider that it is in no immediate danger of falling. We will however arrange to have this pole removed completely as its contribution to the lighting levels in this area is negligible and the lighting levels from the remaining standards is considered satisfactory.

Q41. Councillor Eoghan Murphy

Could the Manager please address the following street lighting issue: Lights outside No.s 30 and 34 Mornington Road not working properly; light outside No 12 Mornington Road is constantly on; light outside No 27 Windsor Road is constantly on; what are the provisions for additional street lighting on Grand Canal Wharf where the lack of sufficient lighting is causing a serious problem.

Reply

Mornington Road: The public lighting standards located outside H30 and at the side of H34 are currently waiting ESB service connection. The light on Pole no.2 outside H12 will be repaired as soon as possible.

Windsor Road: The light on Pole no.5 outside H27 will be repaired as soon as possible.

Grand Canal Wharf: The area on the waterside of Grand Canal Wharf is not in charge of Dublin City Council, consequently we are not in a position to provide additional lighting here.

However we have investigated the existing lighting on South Dock Road and will consider any necessary improvements here for inclusion in a future programme of improvement works subject to finances available.

Q42. Councillor Eoghan Murphy

To ask the Manager to request a new ballot on Palmerston Gardens for the introduction of pay and display and permit parking.

Reply

This matter will be referred to the Traffic Advisory Group for consideration. The last ballot of Palmerston Gardens was held in 2005 when there was a substantial rejection of the proposed pay and display and permit parking scheme.

The issue will be reconsidered by the Traffic Advisory Group and the Councillor will be informed of the recommendation in due course.

Q43. Councillor Eoghan Murphy

Will the Manager confirm that, should funds become available privately, that the Council would not object to the introduction of CCTV cameras in Beech Hill Court to help counter the risks posed to some of the elderly residents there.

Reply

Dublin City Council would have no objection to CCTV cameras being installed at the above complex, on condition that the City Council and An Garda Síochána would have access to the cameras at all times.

Q44. Councillor Eoghan Murphy

Could the Manager have the litter warden inspect Mountpleasant Square as residents are leaving their bins out on the footpath on a permanent basis throughout the week. Collection days are Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Reply

The Litter Warden has been detailed to inspect the bins left out at Mountpleasant Square and to speak to the residents and issue a Warning Notice to all residents. The Warning Notice will inform residents that in accordance with the Bye-laws for the Storage, Separation at Source and Presentation for Collection of Household Waste, they must remove all waste containers and any uncollected waste from a public place not later than 8pm on the designated collection, unless otherwise authorised in writing by Dublin City Council.

Q45. Councillor Eoghan Murphy

Could the Manager ask the litter warden to investigate litter issues on the laneway running off Ranelagh Road, by Superquinn, to Ranelagh Gardens (Temple Place?). Residents are not using their bins properly and there is also a litter problem concerning Superquinn.

Reply

The Litter Warden has been detailed to inspect the above laneway this week. He will inspect and photo all bins to ensure they are presented for collection in an appropriate manner and the contents of any green and brown bins are not contaminated.

The Litter Warden will speak to an appropriate person at Superquinn to ensure they are aware of their responsibilities under the Litter Pollution Acts.

Q46. Councillor Eoghan Murphy

To ask the Manager to please provide a report on the issues raised [details supplied].

Reply

This Division undertook additional tree planting along (details supplied) and a flower bed was created on the open space as requested by the Nutley Residents Association. Tubs and planter boxes were not included as part as the improvement works due to the high purchase and maintenance and costs associated with such features.

The Traffic Officer will review the situation regarding the number of poles which are no longer necessary on this triangle. Any unnecessary poles will be removed early in the new year as a matter of urgency.

Q47. Councillor Eoghan Murphy

Will the Manager please investigate the following issue [details supplied].

Reply

It is the policy of the City Council that applicants who apply to the City Council for housing and who are being considered for an allocation of a tenancy will have their application examined on estate management grounds before an allocation is finally made.

Currently the vacancy (details supplied) is with Housing Maintenance. When it becomes available for re-let a full vetting procedure will be carried out on the grounds of good estate management.

Q48. Councillor Eoghan Murphy

Could the Manager please provide a report on the trees on Greenmount Road, their suitability for the road and the possibility of having them removed.

Reply

The trees on Greenmount Road are relatively young Red Maples (*Acer cappadocium* sps.) which were planted in the late 1990's. This tree species grow into medium sized trees when mature (5m. approx) providing excellent leaf colour during the growing season and also provide good autumnal colour when leaves turn from red to yellow. The trees currently require some formative pruning, which will be undertaken before the spring, but otherwise are in good health. The trees are considered suitable for this road and will no doubt provide excellent benefits to the air quality and ecological diversity on the road over their lifespan.

Q49. Councillor Eoghan Murphy

Could the Manager please use his good offices with Veolia to ensure that the area beside the LUAS tracks running along the back of Elmwood Avenue are maintained properly. The plants are growing wild and the wall has become very loose due to weather damage last year.

Reply

Some repairs were made to the particular wall earlier this year and the wall is now structurally sound, as a result of these works. There is some plaster work that needs to be attended to. Our choice is either to repair or remove the remaining plaster/ render and we will address this matter.

With regard to the plants, we will ask our Infrastructural Maintenance Contractor to address this. Currently their subcontractor, SAP Landscapes are working through both lines. As the Elmwood Avenue section is away from the running line, it may have been overlooked. We'll remind them and get this addressed at the earliest opportunity.

Q50. Councillor Eoghan Murphy

Will the Manager please provide a report on the status of traffic calming investigations and proposals for Oakley Road, particularly outside the two schools there and in light of recent representations made in particular by Lios na Nog? Given the amount of young children that use the road this matter should be expedited.

Reply

The matter will be placed on the agenda for the attention of the Traffic Advisory Group for investigation and report. Discussions have already taken place with the principal of Lios Na Nóg and consultations are on-going at present with the Parents Association, and Gardaí to provide a solution to the problems that are caused by parental parking outside both Scoil Bhríde and Líos Ná Nóg

Q51. Councillor Kevin Humphreys

Ask the Manager for an update on the precinct improvements for Canon Mooney Gardens and a copy of correspondence with the Minister and the department be made available.

Reply

City Architects Section is currently reviewing the precinct improvement programme generally. This review includes establishing the most suitable method of providing energy upgrading for each scheme through improved insulation e.g. over cladding, dry lining or cavity filling. The results of this review are expected shortly.

In relation to Canon Mooney Gardens the design work for the scheme commenced in June 2007. The initial designs were amended following suggestions from the DOEHLG and final adjustments were made in May 2010. However the proposed works did not provide for energy upgrading. Accordingly the proposed Precinct Improvement Works at Canon Mooney Gardens must now be reappraised in the context of funding availability and the potential to include energy upgrading.

If the Councillor could specify which correspondence he is referring too the area office will report back directly to the Councillor.

OIFIG AN BHAINISTEOIR TRÁCHTA

The following items for the South East Area were considered by the Traffic Advisory Group at its meeting on the 16th December 2010

**Traffic
Signals**

1 Dame Court, Dublin 2.

Reps to Pedestrianise Dame Court between the hours of 19.00 to 06.00 Monday to Sunday.

Business **Do** 22222

Recommended

**Parking
Prohibitions**

2 South Dock Road, Dublin 2.

Double Yellow Lines on South Dock Road (permanent statutory order required for measures already in place).

Dublin City Council **Do** 22356

Recommended

West side, from the junction with Ringsend Road, northwards for 25m. West side, for 5m southwards, at the southern entrance to Apartment Block Car Park and 5m northwards at the northern entrance.

3 South Dock Road, Dublin 2.

Rescind Double Yellow Lines on South Dock Road (permanent statutory order required for measure already in place).

Dublin City Council **Do** 22355

Recommended

West side, from the junction with South Lotts Road, northwards to past the entrance gate at the elbow in the road (for a distance of 95m).

4 Dunville Avenue, Dublin 2.

Reps for Pay and Display and Permit Parking on Dunville Avenue, in the indent parking area, operating Mon-Sat 10.00-19.00.

Public Rep

Do 1028771

Recommended

5 Mount Street Upper, Dublin 2.

Rescind Pay and Display parking on Mount Street Upper and replace with Pay and Display and Permit Parking.

Dublin City Council

Do 1034192

Recommended

To accommodate residents on Herbert Place/Warrington Place where Permit Parking was rescinded as part of the Premium Cycle Route.

6 Herbert Place, Dublin 2.

Rescind Pay and Display on Herbert Place outside the creche at property Nos. 14/15 and replace with Single Yellow Line operating Mon-Fri 08.00-10.00 and 16.00-19.00.

Dublin City Council

Do 1034191

Recommended

7 Thorncastle Street, Dublin 4.

Reps for Double Yellow Lines on
Thorncastle Street, Ringsend.

Business **Do** 1022735

Recommended

East side, from the junction with Cambridge Square,
northwards to the existing double yellow lines at
the entrance to Fisherman's Wharf Development.

8 Grosvenor Square, Dublin 6.

Pay and Display Parking on Grosvenor
Square North (south side).

Dublin City Council **Do** 1034190

Recommended

As part of Traffic Management Plan for Grosvenor
Square.

9 Grosvenor Square, Dublin 6.

Rescind Pay and Display and Permit Parking
and install Double Yellow Lines on
Grosvenor Square (Details to follow).

Dublin City Council **Do** 1034190

Recommended

As part of Traffic Management Plan for Grosvenor
Square.

10 Dunville Avenue, Dublin 6.

Reps to change hours of Loading Bays on Dunville Avenue, Ranelagh, to Mon-Sat 08.00-10.00am.

Public Rep

Do 1028771

Recommended

11 Portobello Road, Dublin 8.

Rescind Pay and Display and Permit Parking on Portobello Road (as part of Dublin Bikes Scheme Station).

Dublin City Council

Do 1034130

Recommended

South side, from a point opposite a point in line with the front gable of property No. 44 Martin Street, for 28m eastwards.

***Traffic
Conditions***

12 Lombard Street East, Dublin 2.

Reps for Yellow Box on Lombard Street East at entrance to Nichols Funeral Directors.

Public Rep

Do 1024167

Recommended

Across the straight ahead and right turn lane at property No. 3 Lombard Street directly across from exit gate to Nichols Funeral Directors.

13 Sandymount Road, Dublin 4.

Reps for Yellow Box on Sandymount Road
at Java Café/Sandymount Village Centre
Apartments.

Public Rep **Do** 1021822

Not Recommended

Yellow boxes are not provided outside private
entrances and existing double yellow lines ensure adequate
visibility on exiting/entering.

14 Harold's Cross Road/Armstrong Street, Dublin 6.

Reps for Yellow Box on Harold's Cross Road
at junction with Armstrong Street.

Public Rep **Do** 1034090

Recommended

Across both lanes excluding the bus lane.

Traffic Signs

15 Dame Court, Dublin 2.

Reps for 'No Left Turn' from Dame Lane to
Dame Court 19.00-06.00 Monday to Sunday.

Business **Do** 22222

Recommended

16 Merlyn Park, Dublin 4.

Reps for 'No Entry' Signs on Merlyn Park.

Public Rep

Do 1022435

Not Recommended

The road is sufficiently traffic calmed with road markings and signs and providing 'No Entry' signs at both ends of the road would inconvenience local residents.

17 Grosvenor Square, Dublin 6.

'Yield' sign and roadmarkings on Grosvenor Square northeast side (Details to follow).

Dublin City Council

Do 1034190

Recommended

As part of Traffic Management Plan for Grosvenor Square.

18 Ranelagh Road/Sallymount Avenue, Dublin 6.

Reps to amend 'No Right Turn' to 'No Right Turn at Peak Times only' from Ranelagh Road onto Sallymount Avenue.

Public Rep

Do 1022438

Not Recommended

This is a regional road with very heavy traffic and a main bus route.

Culture, Recreation & Amenity Department,
Ground Floor, Block 4,
Civic Offices

10th January 2011

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

Re: Grant towards the running costs of private swimming pool for year 2009

An application has been received for financial assistance towards the running costs of the private swimming pool listed below for the year 2009. The Pool Administrator has submitted accounts showing the operating costs. The pool provides swimming facilities for schools, clubs, groups and the general public in its catchment area.

I recommend that approval be given to the grant as listed below.

<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Swimming Pool</u>	<u>Grant paid Year 2008</u>	<u>Grant Recommended For 2009</u>
Marian College, Lansdowne Road, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4	Marian College Swimming Pool	€15,000	€15,000

Philip Maguire
Assistant City Manager

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

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

10th January 2011

Area Manager's Report

Dodder Flood Alleviation Works

A Part 8 planning application was lodged on 14th December in respect of the proposed flood alleviation works from Lansdowne Road Bridge (Newbridge) to Lansdowne Railway Bridge, Dublin 4. The plans and particulars are available for inspection until 8th February in Civic Offices, in Ringsend Library, in Donnybrook Library and in the Ringsend Local Office, Thorncastle Street. Submissions or observations in relation to the proposed works may be made to the Planning Department before 22nd February. An information meeting is being arranged to outline the proposed works and details of this meeting will be confirmed shortly.

Herbert Park Users Group

The Herbert Park Users Group met on 7 occasions this year the last meeting was on the 17 November last.

The group was established to work with the Council to maintain the high standard within the park. The Group met Michael O' Neill yesterday where ideas for improving (short and long term) were put forward.

The Group will meet again in January and adopt their Constitution. This will give the Group the opportunity to address the funding issue that will be required for any future plans. A second meeting will be arranged early 2011 with Michael O'Neill and with the Football clubs using the park.

Cabbage Patch

An Archaeological survey has now been completed and a feasibility study is now taking place on the most appropriate place to relocate the gravestones and the removal of others as necessary.

Portobello Plaza

Due to the continuing inclement weather conditions the Contract works for the refurbishment of the Portobello Plaza has commenced on the 4th January 2011.

Sandymount Village Design Statement

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

Allotments

The draw for the allocation of allotment spaces took place on Thursday 16th December. The successful applicants have been notified and it is hoped to have the project up and running by 1st February 2011.

DART Underground

The oral hearing will re-commence Monday the 10th of January 2011.

Operational issues from Aviva Stadium

Casual trading permits were checked during the month of November by the Gardai and City Council staff and all appeared to be in order. The South East Area will arrange another meeting in the new

year concerning the Aviva Stadium with public representatives and local residents to discuss the ongoing issues.

Sandymount car Park update

The Waste Management Section are meeting with the Parks Section in the New Year with a view to progressing and finalising the location of the bottle bank. The Bring Centres will remain in their current position and further details will be circulated to Councillors after this meeting takes place.

Michael O'Neill
Area Manager

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

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

10th January 2011

Nomination of two Councillors to the Advisory Group of the Swan Leisure Centre

Swan Leisure Advisory Group

As previously advised to the South East Area Committee it was agreed that a Local Advisory Group would be put in place to inform and support the operations and development of Swan Leisure. The group will use collective and individual thinking to improve the relationship between Swan Leisure and the local community. The group will not have any decision making authority but will use local knowledge and skills to assist Swan Leisure in providing a good service to the local community.

Membership

The group will be constituted as follows:

- Clodagh Kilmurray – Chief Executive, Dublin City Sports and Leisure Services Ltd.
- Two local Dublin City Councillors
- Two community representatives
- Four end-users

Responsibilities of Advisory Group

The Chief Executive and Directors of Dublin City Sports and Leisure Services Ltd. have a responsibility to ensure the company remains solvent at all times and the Advisory Group must do everything in their power to uphold this . The responsibilities of the Advisory Group are as follows:

- Provide local knowledge to the Chief Executive.
- Provide feedback to the Chief executive as to local perceptions of the day-to-day operations of the facility.
- Assist the Chief Executive with the development of marketing plans.
- Advise the Chief Executive as to the development of access policies.

Dublin City Sport and Leisure Services Ltd. now request the South East Area Committee to nominate two councillors to this Local Advisory Group.

**Michael O'Neill
Area Manager**

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

- Q1. Councillor Dermot Lacey**
To ask the Manager if he will request Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council or the NRA to erect a sign indicating the left turn (up the slip way) for UCD prior to the slipway as opposed to its present location in order to assist people unfamiliar with the area.
- Q2. Councillor Kevin Humphreys**
That the Manager ensures that the footpaths on Leeson Street Bridge and Baggot Street Bridge receive rapid attention when ice forms. The reason for this is that in both cases the footpaths slope sharply down into the very busy roadway. If a person falls they risk sliding into the traffic. Can stockpiles of grit be held close by for rapid application?
- Q3. Councillor Kevin Humphreys**
Can the Manager provide the procedures for any company applying to erect phone masts. If I am correct there is 7 based in Ringsend one of them placed on Sean Moore Rd . There has to be some type of protocol/ procedures in place to carry out this work. I would like to know exactly who is responsible for making decisions.
- Q4. Councillor Eoghan Murphy**
When will the Herbert Park allotment scheme be ready to advertise to the public, how will this process work (timelines, selection steps, eligibility criteria etc), and is it too early to apply now.
- Q5. Councillor Eoghan Murphy**
Could the Manager please address the following issue (details supplied).
- Q6. Councillor Eoghan Murphy**
Could the Manager please answer the following query (details supplied).
- Q7. Councillor Eoghan Murphy**
Could the Manager please investigate and repair the collapsed ramps on Grovesnor Road. Could the Manager please also instruct the engineers that future ramps be designed with gaps in them, similar to those on Palmerston Road, to facilitate cyclists.
- Q8. Councillor Eoghan Murphy**
Could the Manager please arrange for a meeting between relevant officials and Beechwood Football Club to discuss potential avenues for increased playing time/space for the many teams with the club.
- Q9. Councillor Eoghan Murphy**
Could the Manager please investigate the possibility of installing a bike lane (possibly segregated from traffic) on Milltown Road (Ranelagh end). The Road and footpath are both wide enough to facilitate such an improvement. A bike lane already exists further along Milltown Road, approaching Dartry, so the continuation of the lane would make sense from a strategic and safe cycling network point of view.
- Q10. Councillor Eoghan Murphy**
Could the Manager please investigate the following (details supplied).
- Q11. Councillor Eoghan Murphy**
Could the Manager please provide a response to the following (details supplied).
- Q12. Councillor Eoghan Murphy**
Could the Manager please address the issues in the following correspondence (details supplied).

- Q13. Councillor Eoghan Murphy**
Could the Manager please inform me as to when a decision on the additional double yellow lines for Prospect Lane will be made by the TAG. This request was submitted to them in November 2009.
- Q14. Councillor Eoghan Murphy**
In relation to the new leisure centre building in Rathmines: have all the units/buildings been let yet? How are plans for the green space at the back progressing?; are there any plans to introduce soft landscaping to the front of the new centre?
- Q15. Councillor Mannix Flynn**
Can the City Manager repair the footpaths (kerbstones) in Temple Lane/Temple Bar at the back of Tante Zoes restaurant.
- Q16. Councillor Mannix Flynn**
Can the City Manager issue a report on how many community groups and bodies are in receipt of grants from Dublin City Council and what activities they provide.
- Q17. Councillor Mannix Flynn**
Call on the City Manager to clarify the planning regulations around public houses with beer gardens at the rear. Also to clarify the issue around smoking areas within planning guidelines for pubs and restaurants, many public houses and restaurants have built smoking areas within their premises or beer gardens, in some instances these smoking areas play loud music or have live bands performing, in other situations where there is no room at the back of public houses groups of smokers congregate on the footpaths causing obstructions to passerbys who in many cases have to walk onto the roadway.
- Q18. Councillor Mannix Flynn**
Can the city Manager clarify the planning regulation in relation to markets being set up on private property and also on property owned by State bodies.
- Q19. Councillor Mannix Flynn**
Can the City Manager issue a report relating to any plans for the rejuvenation urban renewal of the Camden Street/Camden Village/Wexford Street area.
- Q20. Councillor Mannix Flynn**
Can the City Manager issue a report on what fees Dublin City Council , if any, receive from the IPA Limited for the advertising hoardings on DCC property.
- Q21. Councillor Mannix Flynn**
Can the City Manager issue an update on the situation regarding the redevelopment of Crampton Buildings.
- Q22. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**
To ask the City Manager whether it is proposed to install a bottle bank in the car park on Strand Road, Sandymount, Dublin 4 and, if so, whether there was consultation with residents in respect of this matter.
- Q23. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**
To ask the City Manager whether the footpaths on Mount Pleasant Square, Ranelagh, Dublin 6 can be made more wheelchair accessible. The accessibility is reduced by the presence of large waste disposal wheelie bins on the footpaths.
- Q24. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**
To ask the City Manager whether the City Council website can be presented in such a way as to inform residents of the City of any alterations in the dates of their bin collections as a result of poor weather.

- Q25. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**
To ask the City Manager why the Wellington Road/Pembroke Park area of Dublin 4 appears to be particularly affected with water problems after water reduction measures are implemented by the Council.
- Q26. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**
To ask the City Manager whether the properties on Camden Street (opposite the Bleeding Horse Pub) and which appear to be in a dilapidated condition have been assessed by the Derelict Sites Office.
- Q27. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**
To ask the City Manager what is the Waste Management Department's assessment of the percentage of usage (by household) of the brown bin in the South East area.
- Q28. Councillor Jim O'Callaghan**
To ask the City Manager for what purpose and by whom were road works carried out in December 2010 on Cowper Road, Dublin 6.
- Q29. Councillor Kevin Humphreys**
Ask the Manager has any tankers been used to remove sewerage for the National Conference Centre to Ringsend Waste Treatment Plant.
- Q30. Councillor Kevin Humphreys**
Ask the Manager will there be a Community Gain Fund related to the Waste Water Treatment Plant extension.
- Q31. Councillor Kevin Humphreys**
Ask the Manager for the tree to the side of 83 Bath Avenue be pruned as it is interfering with the residents property.